

Kansas Oxford House State Association Meeting Minutes 07/11/20

Meeting was called to order at : 1:15 pm

Reading : Principles read by Reda A.

Traditions read by Seth D.

Roll Call: All chapters present except chapter 10, 2 Alumni west, 1 Alumni east and 2 world council

Accept 05/09/20 minutes as written MSP

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance : 31,356.33

Income : 8,454.00

Sub Total : 39,810.33

Expenditures : 1,150.54

Ending Balance : 38,659

Savings Balance : 13,066.26

Chapter 15 has a \$250.00 positive balance

As of meeting time the following state audits and dues have been received

Chapter 2,3,4,8,10,15,17,16

Total available monies : 51,726.05

Accept Treasurer's report MSP

Budget and Finance Report

We are under budget spending for the year and doing exceptionally well. 43% usage of the budget.

See attachment for budget and finance spreadsheet

Accept budget and finance report MSP

IT Report

All content is updated as of today. State association emails have been updated as well.

Chapters please make sure that are correct and email IT to make any corrections.

Accept IT report MSP

Alumni East Report

We are getting back into the swing of things. Camping trip planned at Clinton lake scheduled for 07/31/2020 - 8/1/2020. We are looking to schedule the Golf Tournament sometime in the fall.

Stay Tuned

Accept Alumni east report MSP

Alumni West Report

We met this morning and we discussed the scholarship fund for struggling members because of the pandemic. We have cancelled the swimming party planned because of the number of people allowed to congregate together.. We are looking forward to opening new houses.

Accept Alumni west report MSP

Re-entry Report

37 apps received, 19 accepted, 12 not accepted, and 10 waiting to be placed. We have had a major drop in applications received. Definitely needing some replication made within the state and chapters. In chapter 16 a woman's w/ children house has voted to be a re-entry house. SAC states that the re-entry apps need to be sent to them. The re-entry bi-monthly meeting has been going well and still working kinks out. Some chapters are still not present for the meeting and they should be held accountable.

Motion to fine chapters \$25.00 for Re-entry chair not present at mandatory bi-monthly meeting. MSP

Fines will be imposed at the following state association meeting. Exempt from being fined are those chapters that don't have a re-entry chair. Please update the state secretary of chapters not present to be noted in the minutes. Any houses that receive applications not from the re-entry chair will need to forward them to Travis. Next meeting is August 8th at 1pm via Zoom.

Accept Re-entry report MSP

World Council Report

Recently had a meeting, and things are going well. World council summit is scheduled for September 13th. If you have any ideas please contact Stephanie or Seth to bring up

at the summit. There is an emergency World Council meeting to hammer out a lot of work beforehand.

Accept WC report MSP

FORA Report

Oxford house coffee mugs are for sale. If interested in purchasing one can contact FORA for details. We are now receiving donations from Walmart for the next year to distribute to houses. Monthly reports have been finalized, please we ask that you fill out reports completely. 11,065 beds 135 houses in the state of Kansas. So far in 2020 there have been 5 fewer relapses a month, and 8 less disruptive behavior evictions per month. Please make sure that every house is updating the vacancies site regularly. Wildcat and grace haven oxford house has never logged in to the vacancies site. Gratitude Manor, Lincoln, and tree oxford houses have not updated since 2019. For a will be posting a complete list of houses not updating on a regular basis.

Accept FORA report MSP

Housing Services East Report

Not much to report as we still do not have a HS east chair. As far as we know most houses are still trying to adjust to mandates by the government. We need to elect a HS east chair in new business.

Accept Housing Services East report MSP

Housing Services West Report

A member was evicted at college hill when a member was not present. The house then reversed the decision. Gratitude manor is doing a lot better. Halo had a discussion about a member's medications not working. Timber Creek is doing well since being placed on contract and shown the oxford way. One member from another house made a lateral move to help with replication. East side of the state is struggling with presentations. Grace Haven had all long term members move out. The house had motioned to allow a member to move in with 13 and 16 y/o children. Chapter members stated to the house that the guidelines for a children's house must be followed. Also a motion had been made by the house to allow male overnight guests. Housing Services stepped in to help with replication. Metanoia was placed on contract by the chapter but had no clear charter violation. It was later discussed by the chapter that it was a bad decision at which time the contract was lifted. There was \$13,000 worth of checks written to an

individual, and the house wanted to see the receipts. Turns out the individual was using in the house.

Accept Housing services west report MSP

Revolving Loan Report

See attachment for Revolving Loan spreadsheet

Accept Revolving Loan report MSP

Chapter Summaries

Motion skip reading chapter summaries MSP

Motion to fine chapter 7,8,14 \$ 25.00 for not having chapter summary reports MSP

Chapter 1

Number of Houses: 9

Number of Beds: 80

Checking account balance: 6,246.96

Savings account balance: 3857.25

Number of vacancies: 6

Number of Relapses: 4

Total contributions to OHI: \$200.00

Chapter 1 is doing well. We have had a change in officers recently and are trying to get the new officers into the groove of things. We have not been able to do much with the pandemic, and mandates when it comes to fundraising and unity events. But we hope that soon we can plan something. All houses seem to be taking universal precautions. There are no big issues going on.

Chapter 2

Number of Houses: 9

Number of Beds: 79

Checking account balance: 11,145.95

Savings account balance: 1,693.43

Number of vacancies: 12

Number of Relapses: 6

Total contributions to OHI: \$50.00 per month

Ivy Rose Oxford House opened April 1st (7 woman house). Ichabod Oxford House opened June 15th (10 men). Chapter is growing and we are back to in-person meetings. Morale is good and ready to plan some functions. AA and NA meetings are open again

Chapter 3

Number of Houses: 12

Number of Beds: 104

Checking account balance: 6,967.71

Savings account balance: 1,696.34

Number of vacancies: 18

Number of Relapses: 11

Total contributions to OHI: 0

We are still replicating at Gratitude manor and Lincoln house. Both houses are doing better. We had an issue at college hill house where they tried to evict a member without the member present. Housing services went in, had an emergency meeting and got them back on track. The vote was null and void due to breaking the democratic process.

Chapter 4

Number of Houses: 8

Number of Beds: 65

Checking account balance: 8361.10

Savings account balance: 3962.34

Number of vacancies: 17

Number of Relapses: 12

Total contributions to OHI: 0

Chapter has been pretty quiet. A few houses have low numbers. We have been reaching out to the rehab's and outpatient groups to spread the word. Chapter has been working with Gallery House to get reestablished.

Chapter 6

Number of Houses: 4

Number of Beds: 32

Checking account balance: 3858.87

Savings account balance: 2474.97

Number of vacancies: 12

Number of Relapses: 2

Total contributions to OHI: 160.00

Chapter is doing well. We have accepted a house in liberal into our chapter. A seasoned member will be moving in to help replicate. Meeting attendance has picked up since the restrictions are starting to be eased up.

Chapter 7

No chapter summary turned in

Chapter 8

Number of Houses: 13

Number of Beds: 121

Checking account balance: 7158.97

Savings account balance: 1879.44

Number of vacancies: 19

Number of Relapses: 4

Total contributions to OHI: 0

New HSC and Chapter co-chair

TC doing good

Educating and encouraging houses to become re-entry

Chapter 9

Number of Houses: 8

Number of Beds: 79

Checking account balance: 5,200.94

Savings account balance: 5,000.37

Number of vacancies: 11

Number of Relapses: 12

Total contributions to OHI: 0

We've had some turn over with chapter officer positions, but have elected all new ones who are going to do well. We have realized that we have not opened a new house in a while and are currently looking for a woman's house in wyandotte. Our 2 women's houses have over 9 openings. We are planning on an event in august, maybe a BBQ in the park.

Chapter 10

Number of Houses:

Number of Beds:

Checking account balance:

Savings account balance:

Number of vacancies:

Number of Relapses:
Total contributions to OHI:

Chapter 11

Number of Houses: 9
Number of Beds: 92
Checking account balance: 4719.78
Savings account balance: 1000.34
Number of vacancies: 21
Number of Relapses: 7
Total contributions to OHI:

Helped out Haleina house with a loan for their rent. A contract will be written to pay back the chapter. Sonic fundraiser. Ashley house presentations will start in July 17th. 2020 overall is going good for the chapter. A seasoned member moved into Haleina to help replicate.

Chapter 12

Number of Houses: 3
Number of Beds: 20
Checking account balance: 479.58
Savings account balance: 0
Number of vacancies: 9
Number of Relapses: 0
Total contributions to OHI: 0

We are finally getting interviews. Though we have accepted people we only had two move in. The landlord for phoenix and samoset was paid \$10,000 so far to catch back up on rent. Landlord has been more understanding with our situation. We hosted Chanute during our chapter meeting. Monarch House is doing well. The model is being taught during housing services and chapter meetings. All bills in all houses are finally caught up. Planning fundraisers and reaching out.

Chapter 13

Number of Houses: 10
Number of Beds: 101
Checking account balance: 5986.11
Savings account balance: 2100.00
Number of vacancies: 4
Number of Relapses: 15
Total contributions to OHI: 0

We have resumed in-person meetings here in chapter 13 along with continuing Zoom/online meetings. We have seen a lot of newcomers step up into leadership roles. We have a new chapter leader at co-chair, fundraiser chair/ co chair, treasurer, secretary, and re-entry chair/co-chair. Promise house recently accepted a new member with attempted arson charges even when chapter leadership tried to make suggestions to them. We had a pool party, dance, cookout unity event at Webster house. Was a huge success. We are growing and learning as we are mostly young/new chapter as far as membership.

Chapter 14

No summary turned in

Chapter 15

Number of Houses: 7

Number of Beds: 54

Checking account balance: 17,944.42

Savings account balance: 0

Number of vacancies: 7

Number of Relapses: 1

Total contributions to OHI:

This is my first month as chair. Meeting attendance is good even with COVID-19 issues. Brougham had some plumbing issues in June. All was fixed. Learning how to deal with conflict but all houses are doing well.

Chapter 16

Number of Houses: 8

Number of Beds: 76 (68 paying dues)

Checking account balance: 7943.17

Savings account balance: 0

Number of vacancies: 25

Number of Relapses: 18

Total contributions to OHI: 1600.00

Our chapter had stopped doing fundraisers for a while due to the COVID-19. We also quit doing presentations and house visits during the peak of the COVID-19 spread. Also We had an emergency chapter meeting to talk about what precautions every house needed to take to reduce the spread of the virus within our homes. Once they started opening businesses back up, our core members in our chapter continued to reiterate that all houses needed to continue disinfecting and taking the proper steps to keep our members safe. There is a bundle of our men's houses that our low on members at the moment. We have been able to get a couple

presentations now that treatment facilities are accepting outside people. So we are hopeful this will resolve for our men's houses soon. Hope Central is struggling with having their new members stand on PRINCIPAL over personality, with that being said we have had members from other houses go in to help replicate and now have our housing services in there each weekend until this issue is resolved. If the problems continue further actions will be taken of course. Our Fundraiser committee has started back up and their first meeting will be July 7th VIA ZOOM, after that they will be on a regular schedule of meeting in person. In June we had our Chapter Elections, we have all new officers in these seats and I'm confident that our new committee will do outstanding work in their positions.

Chapter 17

Number of Houses: 7

Number of Beds: 47

Checking account balance: 12317.70

Savings account balance: 0

Number of vacancies: 5

Number of Relapses: 1

Total contributions to OHI: done by each house

Opening a new house was tabled. aa/na meeting attendance is good. No conflicts to report. Camping trip planned for clinton lake for july 31st - august 1st

Motion to remove chapter 8 from \$25 fine as their chapter summary was emailed and turned in MSP

Accept Chapter Summary reports MSP

Old Business

Chapter 12 is in dire need of help. Tim B made a lateral move to help replicate, and rebuild the chapter. Tim states that the 3 houses are behind on rent, utilities, loan payments etc.

Loan \$4000 to chapter 12 (rescinded)

State wants to know exactly how much they are behind which is \$6700.

\$4000 loan to chapter 12 MSP check to be written by the loan officer and chapter 12 will have 6 months to begin to pay that back

\$4000 donation to chapter 12 MSP

Waive Chapter 12 state dues until january MSP

Tim is to keep state up to date about the progress of chapter 12 monthly.

Take interviews amidst COVID-19 scare but be proactive and practice universal precautions. TAKE TEMPS, ASK QUESTIONS, DO INTERVIEWS IN THE BACKYARD.

Grace Haven wants to increase beds to 11 members
Halo wants to increase beds to 8
Leigh Anne will help get them chartered to reflect the increased beds.

Timbercreek is now apart of chapter 8
Waive timbercreek dues for 6 months (10 beds) to allow the house to get stabilized MSP

Due to the pandemic there has been discussion on whether we should hold elections mid year or keep the positions as is until january. Bi laws states elections are held every january. Those still willing to hold current positions can do so.

Re Entry needs a co chair to help lift the load off of current chair :
Marcus P nominated (declined)
Eric R. nomicated (accepted)
Accept Eric R as new re-entry co chair MSP
His email address is Reederic669@gmail.com

\$50 fine to chapter 15 for missing state meeting MSP

Reimbursements :

Kat Allee	\$446.93
KOH Savings	\$200.00
Chapter 8 (food)	\$150.00
Chapter 8	\$100.00 (they gave state meeting site a donation for letting us use the space)

Reimburse Tony Reeder \$20.00 for gas from last state meeting. MSF
Tony didn't have proper receipts (10 opposed)
Beau C. to post address where state dues, audits, bank statements etc can be sent since all chapters couldn't be present.

New Business

Break at: 229 pm MSP
Meeting called back to order at : 244 pm

Once presentations are opened up we might want to think about having Oxford House "Business Cards" available to leave behind. One side should have vacancies web address, FORA web address and state association we address. On the other side it should have a place for the house name, number and contact name. Each chapter will be provided these cards by the state association. Chuck to bring pricing and samples to the next state meeting, and a decision can be made at that time.

Dan Hahn has stated that we only have Oxford Houses and not re-entry houses. We should make sure to call these houses offender friendly houses. Brought up in the reentry chat, a woman with children's house motioned to be a re-entry house in Great Bend. It can be a legal nightmare if the house continues to be as such. Every house has the autonomy to do what it wants to do BUT it is suggested to a face to face interview when it comes to women/men's with children and accepting as a "member". The chapter accepted the house as an "offender friendly house" (serenity way) and was done democratically. There is no difference in interview styles when it comes to women with children and any other type of house. The chapter will continue to check in with the house to make sure the safety of the house and children remain in lue of the change.

Woman's/Men's with children houses DO NOT have overnight guests of the opposite sex and must follow those guidelines for the protection of the children that live there. This includes showering together, having sex, etc. Please remember that the protection of the children is paramount.

Update on Chapter 12 (Pittsburg) : we are doing interviews and have accepted 5 total. We are doing phone interviews as well. In desperate need of refrigerators. Together we are making a turn around.

Elections:

Housing services east.

Amanda L (chapter 4) nominated and accepted the nomination. Amanda is the current chapter chair, has lived in a house for a year and a half. Knows the manual and is willing to be available. Motion to accept Amanda L as Housing services east chair MSP

Re-entry Co Chair

Stacy M nominated and accepted the nomination. Stacy was accepted into a house out of prison and shares passion for the re-entry program. He is willing to work with the current chair to help get people placed

Motion to accept Stacy M as the Re-entry co-chair MSP

Reimbursements : approve reimbursements MSP

Tom Wanko	\$13.18 FUEL
Kat Allee	\$415.98 WEBSITE
Stacy Minor	\$30.00 FUEL
KOH Savings	\$200.00
Chapter 11	\$300.00 Food reimbursements
Chapter 11	\$91.38 Food reimbursements
First Southern Baptist	\$100.00 donation

Kansas City to host next state meeting MSP
Next state meeting September 12th @ 1pm

Golf Tournament August 15th 7am at hidden lakes golf course. \$280.00 per team.

Fine Chapter 10 \$50.00 not present for state meeting. MSP

\$25.00 fine for any late dues/audits/loan payments received MSP

Dues/audits/loan payments need to be turned in day of or mailed in prior to next state meeting
or \$25 fine imposed MSP

Accept New business MSP

Adjourn @ 3:52 pm MSP