

## OSPA World Service Minutes – June

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**Date:** Sunday, June 1 2025

**Time:** 12:15 – 1:15 pm Eastern Time

**Attendees:** Kirra (WS secretary, Tuesday Dancers meeting representative), Cathryn (WS host, IG Treasurer), Greg (Chair traditions committee, Tax & Legal Committee member), Mackie (WS chair), Molly M (Web Administrator, Thursday group rep), Mera (Email support, Monday night group rep), Nina, Mark, Emily N, Noriko, Anna R

**Absent:** Jamie (Tax and Legal Committee, WS Vice Chair, US/CA chip representative)

### 1. Opening

- The meeting opened with the “We” version of the Serenity Prayer at 12:15 pm ET.
- May 2025 meeting minutes were **approved**.

### 2. Reports

- **Treasurer:**

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TREASURER REPORTS	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY
Beginning of month's balance	4,742.02	4,725.94	4,619.44	4,488.10	4,560.44
Total contributions	51.63	117.19	37.45	78.40	51.84
Total fees and expenses	67.71	223.69	163.42	6.06	10.94
End of month's balance	4,725.94	4,619.44	4,493.47	4,560.44	4,601.34
Prudent reserve	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
Remaining surplus	3,725.94	3,619.44	3,493.47	3,560.44	3,601.34

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- Paid for EU chip mailing

- **Web Administrator:**

- Website stats for April 6 to May 3

- Since the last report, the website had 648 unique visitors with a total of 1613 sessions.
    - 79% were new visitors and 21% were returning.
    - 59% were direct (not from a link, social media, or search engine); 23% came through Google, 13% found OSPA via Wikipedia, and the remaining 6% through other search engines and links on other websites.
    - 68% came from mobile devices, 30% from Desktop, and 2% were on tablets.
    - We had no form submissions from the website to OSPA support.
    - Most visited pages were meetings, homepage, and literature.

- There was a new meeting listed - the Monday Recovery Behaviors Meeting at 1-2pm EST. Also, there were two format updates to the Tuesday Topic and Mediation and Saturday Weekend Literature Study meetings posted.
  - WSO name change implemented. Meeting representatives are responsible to advocate for changes to individual scripts
- **Tax & Legal Committee:**
  - Jamie filed 2024 taxes
  - Remaining report **tabled** for discussion under new business due to presence of motions
- **Email Support:**
  - 2 submissions inquiring about the program this month. One responded, one pending response.
- **Social Media Account Moderator:**
  - All accounts are closed, position is open
  - Cathryn has double-checked that she shut down the Facebook account
- **Chip Representatives:**
  - 1 chip sent in UK/EU
- **Traditions Committee:**
  - Report **tabled** for discussion under new business
- **Reports from Special Committees:** None

### 3. Meeting Representative Updates

- Monday Living Abstinent AA Big Book Study: no updates
- Tuesday Meditation and Topic: representative not present
- Tuesday Meditation and Writing: no updates
- Wednesday Topic or AA Lit Study: representative not present
- Thursday Special Focus Body Dysmorphic Obsession: representative not present
- Thursday Stepping Into the Solution: will change script to reflect WSO name change
- Friday Easy Does It: representative not present
- Saturday Weekend Literature Study: representative not present
- Sunday Topic or Speaker:
  - Will change script to reflect WSO name change
  - Cathryn was not able to bring our proposal to vote as the business meeting used the whole time up for discussion and voting on a piece of unfinished business.
- Sunday In All Our Affairs: no updates

#### 4. Unfinished Business

- Elections (postponed from May 2025)
  - Clarification that terms are 6 months, next elections will be January 2026
  - **Chairperson:** Vacant, Molly volunteers to be temporary chair for July
  - **Meeting Host/Screen Sharer:** Mark
  - **Email Support:** Emily N
  - **Secretary:** Kirra
  - **Social Media Account Moderator:** vacant
  - **Treasurer:** Not up for election, Cathryn still serving her 2y term
  - **Web Administrator:** Molly
  - **Web Admin Assistant & Technology Support:** Mackie
  - **Chip representatives:** No volunteers, current reps are not present
  - **Postponed** elections for Chairperson, Chip Representatives

#### 5. New Business

- **Motion** to use WSO funds to pay amends of up to \$1500 to font owner for unlicensed use of logo font on the website, chips, and literature for past 11 years based on estimated cost for a new font license.
  - Seconded, discussion:
    - Amy discovered that OSPA has unknowingly been using an unlicensed font in its logo for the last 11 years.
      - Font has been used on literature, chips, and online images
      - Current new license estimate is \$1000-\$1500
    - Perspective of a professional artist: Strongly opposed to “paying [them] off,” urge WSO not to consider payment as amends because no harm was done. If we are worried, change the font and do nothing else.
    - Concern for potential lawsuit in admission of use if we approach copyright owner about the issue
    - No money made off of use of the font. No harm has been done. They didn’t know about it and we didn’t know about it.
    - If the font was proprietary at the time that we created the logo, it wouldn’t have been available to use unless we paid for it.
    - Regarding use of proprietary fonts, doesn’t matter if it is used commercially or not. Speaker reiterates they have lots of experience in this field, best thing to do is just change it moving forward. The amount of money we might lose for this would be enormous. Feels the “copyright regime” is unjust.
    - Suggestion to adjust the motion to reach out to copyright holder, see what the feedback is without jumping ahead to approving payment of a large sum.
    - Would prefer a different font for the future
  - Vote: Yea 0, Nay 7. Motion **did not pass**.

- Discussion on how to address past use of font **postponed** until July for unfinished business
- Nina owns and pays for a Zoom account that supports 4 meetings
  - Account costs \$320/yr, meeting currently has \$73 in donations
  - Would prefer to have a simple place to donate funds to OSPA to support accounts
  - Seeking financial support for the Zoom account being maintained for 4 meetings
  - Will bring a motion in July regarding financial support
  - This group has authorized seed money for the first year of new meetings so there is a precedent for this kind of support. Some of the meetings supported by this Zoom account are within their first year.
- **Motion** to change the OSPA logo font to something not proprietary
  - Seconded, discussion:
    - Idea to make a small donation to copyright holder. Counter: they're not a nonprofit and therefore do not typically accept donations. Something this unusual would prompt investigation.
    - Changing the logo font is not simple, we would need to decide on how this change would be carried out.
    - Paying an artist to adjust the logo would be an appropriate use of funds
  - Vote: Yea 7, Nay 0. Motion **passed**.
- Trademark discussion **postponed** until July due to time constraints.

## 6. Closing

- The meeting closed with the "We" version of the Serenity Prayer at 1:07 pm ET.
- **Next WSO Meeting Date: Sunday, July 6, 2025**