

Greater Pittsburgh Intergroup of OA (GPI)  
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## **Welcome to Intergroup!**

Hello and welcome to your first meeting of the Greater Pittsburgh Intergroup (GPI) of Overeaters Anonymous. We're glad that you've chosen to give service at this level, and want to help you become familiar with what GPI and its members do, and how the meetings function.

Greater Pittsburgh Intergroup of Overeaters Anonymous (GPI) is a clearinghouse through which groups and members can communicate quickly and efficiently for the purpose of OA business. Each group affiliated with GPI may elect a member (and alternate) to represent the group at the monthly intergroup meeting. GPI operates a 24 hour answering service, maintains a website, maintains and distributes a local meeting list, keeps the World Service Office informed of meeting changes, disseminates information to the public, arranges events and retreats, and publishes a quarterly recovery magazine.

The monthly GPI meetings are run by Robert's Rules of Order (see included GPI Standing Rules).

GPI is made up of all executive board members, standing committee chairs, Region 7 representatives and alternates, World Service Delegates and alternates, and intergroup representatives. Here's a quick summary of what the various members do. If you have any further questions, please ask any member of GPI.

### Executive Board:

Chairperson ..... chairs meetings of GPI  
Vice-Chairperson ..... assists Chairperson as needed, chairs in the Chairperson's absence  
Recording Secretary ..... takes notes at GPI meetings, provides copies of past minutes, and prepares agenda, also responsible for maintaining the meeting list  
Treasurer ..... handles/balances the books and provides monthly financial reporting  
Bylaws ..... maintains bylaws of GPI

### Standing Committee Chairs

Archives ..... stores materials of historical value to GPI  
Marathon ..... coordinates special events (marathons) and annual retreat  
PI/PO ..... Public Information/Professional Outreach brings awareness of OA to the general public, and acts as liaison between GPI and professionals who may refer people to OA  
Speakers Bureau ..... maintains speakers list  
VOR Editor & Distributor ..... compiles and distributes quarterly recovery magazine  
Corresponding Secretary ..... picks up and distributes mail from post office box, returns calls from answering service, sends out welcome packets and meeting information  
Webmaster ..... maintains the website ([www.gpioa.org](http://www.gpioa.org))

### Region 7 Representatives and Alternates

Region 7 representatives and alternates represent GPI at the biannual Region 7 Assembly.

### World Service Delegates and Alternates

World service delegates and alternates represent GPI at the annual World Service Business Conference.

### Intergroup Representatives

Represent their groups at the monthly meeting of GPI.

Along with this sheet, we're giving you 2 OA pamphlets: "Through Our Own Contributions..." and "The 12 Traditions of OA." These pamphlets include information to help you understand the service structure of OA, and how our 12 Traditions are an important part of giving service and our fellowship.

### **GPI Standing Rules**

- 1) All proceedings shall be governed by the current edition of Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised, except when in conflict with Greater Pittsburgh Intergroup Bylaws, policies/procedures, and standing rules
- 2) Meetings are open to all OA members. Anyone present may speak when acknowledged by the chair. However, only group representatives, intergroup members, or other delegates may vote on measures brought to the floor.
- 3) The Chairperson will report to the body all absences of Board members and the nature thereof.
- 4) All motions regarding Bylaws must be submitted in writing 30 days prior to the Intergroup meeting in order for the motions to be considered.
- 5) a. For each motion there will be no more than three (3) pro and three (3) con speakers. The first pro is the maker of the motion.  
b. No one may speak on two (2) consecutive motions unless no one else wishes to speak on the second motion.
- 6) An individual may speak only once on a particular item until everyone wishing to speak has done so within the allotted time.
- 7) A member of the Intergroup may speak for two (2) minutes to a question/motion when recognized by the chair.
- 8) No more than fifteen (15) minutes discussion will be allowed on an item. There will be a five (5) minute warning. If the matter is not disposed of at the end of the fifteen (15) minutes, it will be considered unfinished business to be brought back during the next Intergroup meeting.