



MO Connection Newsletter

Meeting: May 22, 2018

This newsletter has been developed to report, connect and network participating MOs during the quarterly meeting. Those who did not participate may be interested in what happened during that meeting. The summary follows. If you are unable to attend the meetings yourselves, please designate someone to participate in your place. Our next meeting is scheduled for 15 August 2018. Please save the date and plan to attend at either 1300 or 2000 UTC.

There were two possible time slots for MO meetings on May 22.

Those present: 1300

Jean – Canada
Yongun – Korea
Masaki – Japan
Farida – India
Kim – WGI ED
John – WGI Chair

Those present: 2000

Moira – UK
Jean – Canada
Denzyl – South Africa
Jim – United States
John – WGI Chair
Kim – WGI ED

Those not represented at either meeting: Australia, Colombia, EART, Iran, Ireland, Kuwait, Malaysia, New Zealand, North Africa, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Turkey

Canada: Jean reported that Canada had new membership options and updated website. They are doing blogs now and have a platinum membership platform. They have new programs, one of which is an introduction online at no cost. They are conducting webinars and are somewhat concerned about money, having invested a lot in the redesign of their website. They are looking to take their program, Ventures, beyond the audience of CT people to the rest of the world. Their most recent webinar was called, Bridging the Gap, with Bob Wubbolding as the featured speaker.

Korea: Yongon reported that Korea is doing a lot of CT training with its military. They noticed that their financial statement has been decreasing by 10% over last year and are a bit concerned. Their revenue and activity seem to be the same. They have decided to partner with a famous psychiatrist who wrote a book about CT to teach the concepts from his book to school children. This is a huge commitment and the Korean Association of Reality Therapy was the only organization in Korea to have enough faculty to assist with this project. They are linking and sharing ideas to generate subsidies for their school programs.

Japan: Masaki explained how in Japan, they keep the official WGI certification training program and their management program separate. The training program is going well. The leadership program has over 2000 members who speak in the corporate world. They have freedom to do what they want in leadership. Japan report eight new practicum supervisors, with a total of 32 total faculty. Fumiko is the new ED of WGI-Japan. They report being quite satisfied with WGI as it is, not forcing anything on Japan.

Middle East: Jean gave a brief update on some countries in the Middle East. There are currently WGI Member Organizations in North Africa, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Turkey, with MOs-in-progress in Bahrain and UAE. Jean has been managing the training in those areas and is mentoring them through the process of becoming an MO.

India: Farida indicated she has also been doing a lot of training in the Middle East. In addition, she has been working with children 8-12 in the schools, using Carleen's workbook. There is a strong emphasis on personal responsibility. Farida agreed to write an article about the work she is doing there for the newsletter. She is also conducting workshops for parents home schooling their children.

UK: Moira says the UK is busy preparing for a European Faculty Retreat in Scotland in September where they will talk about how ideas are taught. Ruth Braddock and others help their first ever outdoor CT training! The participants were people who work with young people in outdoor programs so it seemed apropos and was a huge success. They are looking to do more of this. They were on the water, cooked together, etc.

Australia: John reported that Australia had a board meeting planned for 23 May and have the board members calling faculty directly to learn what they want from WGIA and WGI. There will be more to report at the next meeting.

South Africa: Denzyl reported they were having their AGM on 5 June. They are trying to get their CT programs registered with local authorities which requires a lot of work to demonstrate efficacy of the programs or linking them with other already existing registered programs. They are first exploring the latter and looking for any help any MO can offer. In November, they have their first training scheduled in the corporate sector and will be collaborating with Japan for best practices on that. They also presented their first Reality Parenting in school to 70+ parents. They are working to get their program approved for qualified training.

United States: Jim discussed the big rebranding process WGI-US is currently engaged in. Having hired a branding expert to help, they are looking at branding CT as an operating system that everyone will want to learn, rather than just restricting things to counselors and teachers in the

certification program. They are working with individuals interested in developing new products and programs to brand as WGI-US program to promote along the tried and true certification program. This will be done slowly and systematically, and they are willing to share with anyone who is interested.

If you have any questions, comments or additions to what is in this report, please contact kim@wglasserinternational.org or the member organization directly. You will find MOs listed at www.wglasserinternational.org/wgi/affiliates/.