

Dear OA Region 9 board and members,

R9 Trustee application withdrawal

I would like to write to you on a personal basis and as R9 Trustee.

As you are aware, I have been serving in the capacity of R9 trustee and my current term will come to an end in April this year.

I have been feeling somewhat tired of late and finding it difficult to balance the travelling, the emails and general dedication needed in the role. When I made my application to be affirmed by R9 last year, my energy levels were much higher. I am carrying out the role of R9 trustee with passion and enthusiasm and working as hard as I can.

But increasingly, I am experiencing a level of tiredness that is difficult to sustain and remain healthy. I have done inventories, shared them with God and addressed them with my sponsor. I feel that God is telling me that this specific role for me is a 3 year one.

It is with regret therefore, that I will withdraw my application to run for R9 trustee next April (2018). I will have spoken to Cyndy (BOT Chair) and the Board of Trustees just before this reaches you. I will serve the rest of the current term as elected.

It's a privilege to be a member of OA and in recovery and then to be part of the service structure in any capacity. That structure is routed in finding the best way to service the carrying of the OA 12 Step message of recovery to our fellowship.

It is not an easy decision to step out of a service position that I have and am enjoying. This is especially so when there does not appear to be another candidate. But to quote Concept 11 'OA deserves the most effective and efficient service workers'. I do believe that someone will come forward and the role will be filled when the time is right.

I will confirm though, that I have no intention of leaving OA and firmly believe that God will find me a role in OA service somewhere. For the moment, I am asking 'please let it be at

home for a while'



May I take this opportunity to say a big thankyou for being a part of my journey thus far and for your own part in service to OA

Much love

Stella C

OA R9 Trustee.