

The Tidewater Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Minutes

May 10th, 2009

The meeting was held at Norview United Methodist Church and was opened by the Chair, John J. at 2:00 pm. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

READING of the following: Statement of Purpose – Mike, 12 Traditions – Will , 12 Concepts – Phil

ROLL CALL: 35 GSR's were present; Quorum established

Administrative Committee Members:

Chair John J. /present 11/11
Vice-Chair Mark W./ present 2/2
Treasurer Geoff L./present 11/11
Assistant Treasurer Dee Dee /present 10/10
Policy Char Julie C. /present 10/11
Secretary Joe B. / present 10/11
Assistant Secretary Chuck S/ present 3/3
RCM Tim B. / present 2/2
Alternate RCM Terry H / 1/1
VRCC Billy T. / present 4/5
Alternate VRCC Christ / present 2/2

Sub-Committee Chairs:

Hospitals and Institutions (H&I) Kathy / absent 4/9
Public Relations (PR) Denise B./ present 6/8
Special Events Perry C. / absent 9/11
Convention Jerri B. / absent 1/3
Literature Travis B. / present 11/11
Assistant Literature Chair Rachel B. / present 11/11

Introduction of New GSR's: Rich S - Stepping into Recovery / Austin E. - Alt. End of the Night / Glenn H.- Wecoverly / Jim - New Beginnings / Charlie Alt. HOW group / Sarah Alt.- There is a Light

Motion Made to Approve Minutes: By Billy T. 29 for/ 1 against/ 0 abstain

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Chair - John J. - Verbal Report

Vice-Chair - Mark W - Verbal Report

Treasurer - Geoff L. - Balance Sheet and Group Donations: No Handout

Our opening balance was \$4,263.60. Our deposit totaled \$4,120.06 and our expenses totaled \$3,805.66. Our new balance is \$4,623.21. All bills and other financial obligations are paid to date. I elected not donate to the region for one more month to ensure our ability to remain above prudent reserve. ILS Geoff

Assistant Treasurer - Dee Dee - No written report

Secretary - Joe B.

Hello Family. Hope all are doing well. E-mail is up and running on the website. I did not mail out the minutes this month. However, I did purchase stamps so that they can be mailed. This put me over my budget by \$6.46. I'm asking to be reimbursed for this extra amount as well as the budgeted amount. ILS, Joe B One Kanobe

Assistant Secretary - Chuck S. - No written report

Policy Chair - Julie C.

Hello all. I have e-mailed everyone who requested a copy of the policy. If anyone else needs a copy e-mailed to them, please see me after area. Also, I have printed copies for anyone needing a copy who does not have a printer. Policy will meet after area. ILS, Julie C.

Policy Revision - Ad-hoc Chair - Jim G. - NOT READ AT 5/10/09 AREA MEETING (Written Report)

Hi family, I am working with 6 addicts who are interested in revising our current Policy Manual. We are just now getting the old manual and new manual together. We should have a new working cop prior to next area. Any other members can join us at the Policy meeting following area service. In Service, Jim G.

RCM –Tim B. - see regional motions to be voted on.

Alt RCM – Terry H.

Dear Committee, I attended the 138th Central Atlantic Region Service Committee on April 18, 2009 It was great to have the opportunity to attend the regional again. I am sure that all Regional info was included in the RCM report so, I will just take this opportunity to thank you for allowing me to be in service. ILS, Terry H.

VRCC - Billy T. - No written report

Alt. VRCC - Chris R. - Billy and I have talked and are planning to attend the next meeting the weekend following area. The problem with the region as to Billy assuming the VRCC position was resolved by documentation provided by the area secretary Joe - (thanks Joe). There has been no meeting since last Area service. Thanks, Chris R.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Literature Chair - Travis B.

I am an addict my name is Travis. We had good month in sales for April. Literature sales were \$2,312.00 total. I was asked last month again about special edition 6th edition basic texts, i.e. large print and 25th anniversary. They do not provide these books yet nor do they have these books in 5th edition format. There is nothing new to report as far as prices or products is concerned. Thank you and it's always an honor to serve.

Hospitals and Institutions (H&I) - Cathy K. – No written report

Public Relations (PR) - Denise B.

We met today with seven addicts in attendance. We discussed local and regional meeting lists. Local lists are here today and there is one error with the "We Can Change" group. I apologize for the formatting error. We need to collect zip codes from meetings for the regional list updates, so please add to meeting list going around if you know yours. The 800 number is working well and we are able to respond to all calls. I apologize, I do not have the number of calls but will report both months at next area. We have a flyer available and ask GSR's to announce at your homegroup that anyone interested in phone line service should call the hot line or e-mail pr@tidewaterareana.org. "Addicts Helping Addicts" program will kick off in June with info available for GSR's and homegroups at June ASC. Website is continuing to be utilized as an information service for the public and addicts. We have removed external links to non-NA recovery links and corrected meeting drop downs. It was suggested to add links to other surrounding areas and regions and will be done. Presentations were held with H&I at Dare County Detention Center and Ransom for Souls in Portsmouth. We will be hosting a Poster Day on Saturday, June 6th. The poster is being passed around. The website will be added and hot line will be used exclusively. Please announce at your homegroups and at other meetings you attend. We will meet at 11:30 a.m. here at Norview UMC. I will disburse from here. OBX will schedule separate. Flyer will be e-mailed to all with e-mail address. Positions for transition are all filled at this time. We appreciate the addicts of Tidewater Area for supporting us in our work. Denise B.

Convention Chair - Jerri B. - No written report

Special Events - Perry C. - No written report

ANNOUNCEMENTS

6/7 - Unity Day Picnic, Bayville Farms - Flyers are on table.

5/16 - Regional H&I will meet at Williamsburg Rec. Ctr., 2020 Quarterpath Rd., Williamsburg, VA from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

6/10 - Decella - 12 yrs. @ What Can I Do

5/16 - @ Freedom of Choice - Joe - 19 yrs.

5/24 - @ Sunday Sanity - Hank - 1 yr.

Starting in the month of June "Help Me Think" 8:00 p.m. will start at 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. We've added an additional half hour to the meeting.

5/24 - Rita F. - 21 yrs. at Coffee Hour in Washington DC.

7/5 - @ It's About Time - Teresa - 5 yrs.

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5/28 - @ Life & Hopeline - Mike S. - 1 yr.

5/12 - @ We Can Change - Leon - 6 yrs.

5/14 - @ Caring & Sharing - Thayne F. - 2 yrs.

5/17 - @ Mixed Group - Michael J. - 17 yrs.

5/31 - @ Mixed Group - Amanda E. - 1 yr.

5/13 - @ There Is A Light - Paul B. - 2 yrs.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion: Made by Special Events, Seconded by Mary Ann L. - Change Section 1E.1 to read "An annual fundraiser of the ASC to benefit an NA convention as outlined in The Guide to Local Service". **Intent:** To update our annual fundraising policy to allow more diversity and service.

Results: Tabled due to time constraints

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion: Made by Ad-hoc Committee, Seconded by Amanda E., Mixed Group. To go ahead with a bid proposal to host the 29th VCNA (our regional convention) in January 2011.

Intent: To do our part by being the largest area in the CARNA Region and hosting this GREAT EVENT.

Results: For/24, Against/0, Abstentions/3

NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS:

Vice Chair - Mary C. Nominated by Mark, Seconded by Billy. Accepted Nomination. - Elected

Asst. Secretary - Julie C. Nominated by Mary C., Seconded by Mary P. Accepted Nomination - Elected

Alt. VRCC - Billy T. Nominated by Dora, Seconded by Dora. Accepted Nomination. - Elected

Policy - Jim G. Nominated by John, Seconded by Billy. Accepted Nomination. - Elected

Next Area Service Meeting:

June 14, 2009 at 2:00 pm

Policy Meeting after Area Service

Norview United Methodist Church; 1112 Norview Ave; Norfolk, VA