

The Tidewater Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Minutes

July 12th, 2009

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

READING of the following: Statement of Purpose – Kenny, 12 Traditions – Eugene, 12 Concepts – Shawn

ROLL CALL: 40 GSR's were present; Quorum established

Administrative Committee Members:

Chair Mark W /present 1/1
Vice-Chair.Mary C./ present 1/1
Treasurer Dee Dee A ./present 1/1
Assistant Treasurer VACANT
Policy Chair Jim S./ present 1/1
Secretary Chuck S. / present 1/1
Assistant Secretary Julie C./ present 1/1
RCM Tim B. / present 1/1
Alternate RCM Terry H /present 1/1
VRCC Chris. / present 1/1
Alternate VRCC Billy T / present 1/1

Sub-Committee Chairs:

Hospitals and Institutions (H&I) Kathy / present 6/10
Public Relations (PR) Chris /present 1/1
Special Events Carlton J / present 1/1
Convention Jerri B. / present 3/4
Literature Rachel C. / present 1/1
Assistant Literature Kathleen / present 1/1

Introduction of New GSR's: Lewis Z. Monday Night Candlelight; Charlie S. HOW Group; Lisa B. Just for Today; Johnette J. Alt. GSR Just for Today; Ray I. Surrender & Recovery; Beth I. Alt. GSR Surrender & Recovery; Ron H. Over & Beyond; Chris M. Alt. GSR Morning Meditation; Judice P. Keep Coming Back

Motion Made to Approve Minutes: By Amanda, Seconded Billy T. 34 for/ 0 against/ 1 abstain

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Chair – Mark W. - Written Report

Hey Family, I'm Mark W. I'm glad to be here and will work hard to try to do a good job for the fellowship. I'm going to ask each of you to have patience with me as I am new to this position. I also ask that we all remember why we are here, to serve and not to govern. Any new GSR's or alternates are welcome to attend an indoctrination session immediately following the meeting. In loving service, Mark W.

Vice-Chair – Mary C. - Written Report

Hello Family, I would like to thank this area for allowing me to serve as vice-chair of this committee. I attended the special events committee meeting today as they did not have a chair-person. Election of this position was held and a new chair was elected for the upcoming year (Carlton J.). There will be a budget committee next month at 1:15 p.m. in this room prior to area. All TASCNA Board members and sub-committee chairs are asked to attend. Please keep in mind attendance at this meeting is outlined in our policy. All GSR's are welcome as well. ILS, Mary C.

Treasurer – Dee Dee A. - Written Report w/Balance Sheet and Group Donations

Our opening balance was \$4,064.36. Income totaled \$3,786.24. Expenses totaled \$1,937.00. This leaves a new balance of \$5,913.51. All bills are paid to date. No donation was made to region for the month of June. I plan to make one this month. I want to thank Geoff and all NA members for making this transition to Treasurer a positive experience. ILS, Dee Dee

Assistant Treasurer – VACANT

Policy Chair – Jim S. - Written Report

I look forward to serving the area for the next twelve months. I am still working on recovering our archives. I apologize for not sending the revised policy manuals for viewing. They will be ready for viewing at 1:00 p.m. (prior) to August area service. All GSR's are encouraged to review them then. I am requesting \$15.52 be reimbursed in accordance with area policy. I will be holding a short policy sub-committee meeting following area. ILS, Jim S.

Secretary – Chuck S. - Written Report

We tried to get last months minutes out in a timely fashion, and will continue to work on improvement. There is a list going around that has everyone's contact info. Please make sure your info is complete and correct. If you are still experiencing a problem, I can be e-mailed through the area website, tidewaterareana.org, or approach me here for a phone number. I would also like to ask the executive committee and sub-committee chairs if they could e-mail their individual reports directly to me either before or directly after area – No Big Deal – Just makes life easier. Reminder: announcement pad. ILS, Chuck S.

Assistant Secretary – Julie C. - No written report

RCM –Tim B. -

Hello All, I attended the 139th RSC on Saturday June 20th in Fredricksburg , VA with 13 of 15 area RCM's in attendance. The current Regional Balance is \$14,580.03 with a prudent reserve of \$12,665.19. Our regions last NAWS donation was \$1,914.84 The next Regional speaker jam will be held on September 12th in the Blue Ridge Area with the meeting place still pending. Also the BRANA area will be holding its annual campout next weekend July 17th -19th at the Natural Chimneys in Mt. Solon VA. The motions we voted on last month 138-4, 138-10, And 138-13 - all passed. An Ad Hoc committee has been formed to investigate the process and execution of the bid to be put in for the 30th AVCNA in 2012 by CARNA. Current open positions on the regional level are Outreach Chair, RDA 2, Policy Chair, and Secretary. No motions to go back to Home Groups from this past RSC. Thanks for allowing me to serve. ILS, Tim Brinn

Alt RCM – Terry H. - No Written Report

VRCC - Chris R. - Written Report

Billy and I had a couple of discussions of the responsibilities of the position. I did not have time to learn or come up to speed before assuming the position. While the efforts do not appear to be undoable the transitional effects of my other position are requiring much more effort than expected. Due to this I must respectfully resign the chair position to the experienced vice-chair. I do not take the incomplete commitment lightly. I step aside knowing that this responsibility will be better fulfilled by someone who will focus on it. Thank you, Chris R.

Alt. VRCC - Billy T. - No Written Report

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Literature Chair – Rachel C.

We sold approximately \$2,230 worth of literature last month. I purchased \$2,183.95 worth of literature. As your new chair, I would like to reiterate a few things. If any special orders are needed such as gold or bi-plated medallions, I must know at least a month in advance. Also, as my chair before me, I will not be able to fill any literature out of area due to the distance from my home to here. Thank you for letting me serve, Rachel C.

Hospitals and Institutions (H&I) - Cathy K.

All is going well with H&I. Next month, August, is my last month as H&I chair. At next month's area I will announce some new positions. ILS, Cathy K.

Public Relations (PR) – Chris R. - No Written Report

Convention Chair - Jerri B.

Hi Family, the theme of this year's convention is "An Invitation To Live". We have two fundraisers coming up. A sponsor/sponsee dance on 7/25/09 from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. At Norview United Methodist Church. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. On 8/23/09 there will be a Crabfest at Sandbridge Little Island Shelter #1. All tickets are \$15. Parking is \$2 for Virginia Beach residents and \$5 for all others. These flyers have been e-mailed to the PR subcommittee. We meet on the 3rd Sunday at Norfolk United Methodist Church at 2:00 p.m. ILS, Jerri B.

Special Events – Carlton J.

Hi Family, Special Events met today. We had 8 people to attend. Carlton J. was elected chair of Special Events. Also, we want to thank the vice-chair of area, Mary, for running the committee today. We will be meeting August 9th at 12:30 – 1:45 p.m. I'm turning over a \$50 deposit back to area. ILS, Carlton J.

Phoneline – Cynthia E.

Hello Family, the phoneline committee is off to a good start. We will be meeting the second Sunday of each month at 11:00 a.m. Here (NUMC). Clean time requirement is one year but everyone is welcome. We are working on getting a phoneline workshop together sponsored, hopefully, by the region (PR Committee). More will be revealed. Thanks for letting me serve, Cynthia E.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 12 – Kim A. - 2 yrs. - It's About Time
July 13 – Johnny D. - 6 yrs. - New Beginnings
July 14 – Pat K. - 10 yrs – Awesome Life
July 14 – Crystal – 5 yrs – Carpe Diem
July 16 – Anne-Maie – 1 yr – Branching Out
July 29 – Beth I. & Ray I. - 2 yrs. - Surrender & Recovery
July 23 – Janie L. - 13 yrs. - Second Chance
July 27 – Carlton J – 15 yrs – AGAPE
July 28 – Star – 1 yr. - Life & Hopeline
July 29 – Linwood – 11 yrs. - Life & Hopeline
July 29 – Chris M. - 22 yrs. - Morning Meditation
July 29- Sabrina P – 13 yrs - We Can Change
August 8 – Sonja – 1 yr. - Surrender to Live
August 9 - @ 12:30 p.m. Special Events will meet at Norview United Methodist Church (before area). We are in need of support. Secretary, Treasurer, Co-Chair positions are open. PLEASE come out and support our area's Special Events Committee!!
August 9 – Ellen B. - 23 yrs. Mixed Group
Come on out and support TACNA 10 – your convention. Meets every 3rd Sunday at Norfolk United Methodist Church on Halstead Rd.
August 12 – Jamie I. - 1 yr. - Straight Ahead – 7:30 p.m. (Wed.)
August 15 – Matt H. - 8 yrs. - Surrender to Live
June – Saeptember – Serenty On The Shore beach mtg. in Ocean View meets on 3rd Bay @ 7pm on Tuesdays (dogs welcome)

NEW MEETINGS:

Over & Beyond expands to Tuesday's at 8 p.m.
Keeping It Real – 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Ray St. in Portsmouth

OLD BUSINESS

Nomination of Alt. Literature – Kathleen W. Nominated by Literature Chair, Rachel C.- Accepted, Qualified, and Appointed.

Motion #1: 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. WITHDRAWN – REFERRED BACK TO POLICY

Motion #2: Straight Ahead – Chris R., Seconded by Leo W. - To request from region to act on the feasibility study for insurance for all meetings in region. INTENT: To defer to the better price of the region to provide insurance for facilities we all use – Voted 8 abstentions, 16 for, 4 against - PASSED

Motion #3: Made by Freedom Group – Upon resignation or removal of any position prior to the completion of their term, the vice or alternate chair continues in their position at elections as they were supposed to. INTENT: Promote continuity of trusted servants positions – Voted 6 abstentions, 17 for, 6 against – PASSED

NEW BUSINESS

Motion #1: Made by PR, Seconded by OBX. Have the area Treasurer acquire debit card to facilitate area expenses i.e. phonenumber/website. INTENT: 7th Tradition/5th Tradition – MOTION TO SEND BACK TO HOMEGROUPS BY BILLY T., SECONDED BY BEN – 21 for

Next Area service meeting:

August 9, 2009

Budget Meeting prior to area service (1:15)

Policy meeting directly after area service

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