

CT Region Service Committee  
2008

October 25,

Grace and St. Peter's Church 2927 Dixwell Ave, Hamden, CT

The meeting opened at 2:15 p.m. with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.

Visitors: Steve, Madeline, Dara R., and Kate, new Alt RCM GNH, were welcomed.

Group members read the Twelve Traditions and the Twelve Concepts.

Roll call - RCM's from 6 areas were present. RD (Report submitted), Convention Chair, BOD Chair, Alt. Web Servant were absent

Vicki reviewed Lois's minutes from September. Minutes were voted on and accepted, 6-0-0.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

Chair – Jim H. gave a written report. He was introduced to our insurance agent and is now able to handle insurance requests. Lois advised him that the updates to policies within the past few years may not have been entered. This will have to be checked out and updated.

Vice Chair – OTF

Treasurer – Dwight presented a report for October. The insurance refund from last month (782.08) bounced. There was a \$5.00 returned check fee. Jim will investigate. Dwight reported that the Treasurer position is OTF.

Opening balance: \$1,750.00 Area donations: \$4,263.19 Expenditures: \$2455.41 WSO Fund Flow: \$2,150.90 RSC Closing Balance: \$2,258.54. Schedule Closing Balance: \$2346.83 Checkbook Balance: \$4605.37

Report accepted, 6-0-0.

Alt. Treasurer – OTF.

Regional Delegate – Melinda's written report was read by Jim. The second payment to Courtyard by Marriott for the Jan. NE Zonal Forum was submitted. Melinda is looking for volunteers to drive zonal forum members to local NA meetings the weekend of Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Alt Regional Delegate OTF

Web Servant – Julie S. prepared a written report. Outdated events deleted and new events posted. The newcomer page has been completed ([www.ctna.org/newcomers.htm](http://www.ctna.org/newcomers.htm)). Julie is working on creating an "eSchedule" with Carlos. Also working on getting screen reader technology for the blind. The Alt. Web servant is doing a great job with the Activities and Bulletin Board pages. Thanks, Nicole!

Alt Web Servant – Absent.

**SUBCOMMITTEES:**

B.O.D. – Absent

Convention – Absent

Literature – OTF.

H & I – Buddy O. gave a written report. Jimmy C. was elected DOC Volunteer Liaison. Asst. volunteer liaison OTF. 2000 schedules were distributed.

PI/PL – Justin gave a written report. MSUA: Poster drive 9/20; GNHA: Poster drive 10/18; SFCA: High School drug awareness day 10/29.

Schedules – Gary M. gave a written report. New schedules printed in blue at no extra cost. Committee set prices of schedules to groups and professionals – see Motions #4 under New Business.

WSR – OTF.

Schedule Ad Hoc: Julie provided a written report. Carlos R. is now web contact for NAWS for the Hartford Area. Suggested that a regional web contact for NAWS be nominated (see Motions #3 under New Business).

Note: At this time, two more RCM's arrived – there are now 8 voting members present.

**AREA REPORTS:**

CCA – Cathy W. gave report. Positions OTF: Alt. RCM, Alt. Treasurer, Alt. Secretary. Activities Chair. Policy

Chair

Fund Flow: \$310.24.

GDA – Bill B. gave a report. Positions OTF: Alt RCM. No fund flow.

GHA – Bob F. gave report. Positions OTF: PI/PL Chair, PI/PL Vice Chair. Alt Treasurer, Alt RCM. Alternate Web Servant Fund Flow: \$379.12

GNHA – Ron D. gave report. Positions OTF: Alt. Secretary. Fund Flow: \$217.76

GWANA – Joe F. gave report. Positions OTF: Treasurer, Vice Chair, Alt. RCM, Policy Chair, Activities Chair, Campout Chair. Requested information on Insurance Policy. No fund flow.

MSUA – Robin S. gave report. Positions OTF: None. H & I needs a lot of support. PI/PL needs members. Fund Flow: \$239.92.

SFCANA – Dan S. gave report. Positions OTF: None. Area concerns: NAWS web list has meeting that are closed. Julie recommended attending the Schedule Ad Hoc committee mtgs.

TVA – Ray G. gave report. Area concerns: BOD report. Positions OTF: Alt. RCM, Alt. Treasurer, Lit Chair, Policy Chair. Fund Flow: \$500.00.

USA – Absent. Submitted Fund Flow: \$1,514.77

Break – 10 minutes.

#### SHARING SESSION:

~ Joe, Waterbury needs insurance policy information because an addict was hurt breaking up a fight. Jim will contact.

~ Dan, SFCANA, If a group disbanded, how do we get it off of NAWS? Julie: Ad-hoc is attempting to do that. They meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of month after schedule committee. 50 Court St., Cromwell, 6:30 pm.

~Buddy O. Questioned the new Convention Site Selector Director position. Should it have been created? Suggested it be part of BOD. Tabled until Convention Chair in attendance.

~Gary : Should we revamp the budgets of PI/PL and H & I to reflect schedule costs increase? Jim directed the committees to come back with cost projections.

~Madeline, Greater New Haven, asked about old meetings being removed from schedules.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

#### ELECTIONS:

Vice Chair: Lois E. was nominated by Buddy O.; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob – declined. Remains OTF.

Treasurer: OTF

Alt. Treasurer: No nominations or volunteers. Remains OTF.

Alt. RD: No nominations or volunteers. Remains OTF.

Literature Chair: No nominations or volunteers. Remains OTF. RCM's were advised to bring this position back to areas for pool of prospects from Area Lit Chairs.

WSR Chair: No nominations or volunteers. Remains OTF.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

\* Note: 1 voting member left.

**Motion #1:** 10/25/08 To have RSC stop printing schedules until the schedule chair is ready to recommend new prices and a reprint without excess charge

Intent: So NA funds are spent prudently and the most up-to-date schedules are available to all addicts.

Maker: Bill B. (GFA RCM) 2<sup>nd</sup> By: Cathy W. (CCA RCM)

**Motion Failed, 3-4-0.**

**Motion #2:** 10/25/08 To remove policy VI.B.6.g.iv (Assistant DOC volunteer liaison) "May not hold two position at Regional H & I".

Intent: To better serve CTRNA H & I area by allowing an area H & I chair to hold this position while learning DOC Volunteer position.

Maker: Buddy O. (H & I Chair) 2<sup>nd</sup> By: Bill B. (GDNA RCM)

**Motion Failed, 4-0-3** because 2/3rds of a quorum (6) were needed for the policy change.

\* Note: 1 more voting member left.

**Motion #3:** 10/25/08 To appoint Webservant as acting temporary NAWS web contact, in absence of

service position, for a period of 4 months.

Intent: To get access to NAWS database. Web contacts must be appointed by a service body. NAS web contact will work with the Ad-Hoc committee for further recommendations.

Maker: Julie. (Web Servant) 2<sup>nd</sup> By: Ray G. (TVA RCM)

**Motion Passed, 6-0-0**

**Motion #4:** 10/25/08 (Schedule) Price increase for institutions from .15 to .20 each and for groups increase.10 to .14 ea.

Intent: To cover cost increases for postage, envelopes, etc.

Maker: Gary (Schedules) 2<sup>nd</sup> By: Joe F. (GWA RCM)

**Motion Passed, 6-0-0.**

The meeting closed in the usual manner 5:00 p.m.

Pleasure to serve,  
Vick

**The next RSC meeting will be on November 29, 2008 at 2:00 pm, Hartford**

**UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:**

Visit [www.ctna.org/activities.htm](http://www.ctna.org/activities.htm) for directions and [www.ctna.org/b\\_board.htm](http://www.ctna.org/b_board.htm) for events in other regions.

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| Saturday, Nov. 1                                    | Spiritual Breakfast from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at First Lutheran Church, corner of Cooke & Grove Sts., Waterbury, CT. Admission: \$5.00 in advance; \$7.00 at door  |
| Saturday, Nov. 1                                    | NA Halloween Dance hosted by the Straight Ahead Group from 8 p.m. til Midnight, St. Jean Baptiste Hall, 209 Smalley St., New Britain, CT DJ, Refreshments, Costume Contest Admission: \$5.00                                 |
| Friday, Nov. 15                                     | A to Z Oldies Dance; 225 Wooster St., New Britain, 8:00 p.m-12:00 a.m. Admission: \$5.00   |
| Saturday, Nov. 15<br>noon.                          | Straight From the Hip Women's Sponsorship Retreat <b>Fun Raiser</b> – Holiday Crafts, Tag & Bake Sale from 10 a.m. til 3 p.m. Double Speaker meeting at Safe Haven Recovery Club, 74 Grove St., Meriden, CT                  |
| Saturday, Nov. 22                                   | Sponsor/Sponsee Dinner and Dance. Hosted by Never Alone Campout. First Congregational Church, 62 Colony St., Meriden. 5 pm-8:30 pm Dinner and Speakers 9pm to 1 am Dance. Dinner admission: \$7.00; Dance admission: \$5.00. |
| Wednesday, Nov. 26<br>from 7:30 – 9<br>appreciated. | The Feast Before The Feast, co-hosted by The Stepping' Thru It All and All About Change Groups from 6 – 7:15 p.m., followed by a speaker meeting p.m. Turkey / ham dinner with all the fixings. Food donations               |
| Thanksgiving Day                                    | Marathon Meeting; 9 am – 9 p.m.; YMCA, 50 High St., New Britain 06053  |
| Thanksgiving Day                                    | Marathon Meeting: 7:00 an – 7:00 pm, Norwalk Hospital  |
| Saturday, Dec. 13                                   | Speaker Jam/Fish Fry, followed by dance. Hosted by Never Alone Campout. First Congregational Church, 62 Colony St., Meriden. 12pm-8pm Speaker Jam; all day fish fry; 9pm-1:00am Dance; Fish Fry: \$7.00; Dance: \$5.00       |

Christmas

Marathon Meeting, Norwalk Hospital

Jan. 23 thru Jan 25, 2009  
Marriott, 4

Northeast Zonal Forum (NEZF), hosted by the CT Region Courtyard

Sebethe Drive, Cromwell, CT. All addicts encouraged to attend. Hotel phone # 860-961-9240 for reservations. Room rate: \$99 per night – must mention NEZF for group rate. Volunteers are also needed to take attendees to local meetings.

Friday, May 8 thru  
the Straight  
Sunday, May 10  
3/31: \$155

5<sup>th</sup> Annual Woman's Sponsorship Weekend Retreat, Sponsored by

From the Hip Group, Incarnation Retreat Center, Ivoryton CT Price til

Price after 4/1: \$165

**The CTRSC Directions for November: to be emailed at a later date.**