

April 9, 2011

Meeting opened at 7:07pm by chair Stephanie B. with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer. Chip L. read the 12 Traditions and the 4th concept was read by all. There were a total of 11 voting members present.

Open Forum:

Emily A. - The Woodbury Tuesday night Recovery in the Woods meeting will be meeting at the Woodbury Senior Center on April 10th instead of at the North Congregational Church.

Chris S. - PIPL will be having a poster drive meeting at 10am on April 14th at the commuter lot by exit 44 and Burger King in Torrington.

Recovery in the woods voted on the CAR Report and the vote will be submitted to the RCM.

Note to GSRs: Area has a GSR handbook to assist GSRs in learning their position at the area table and to be more involved. Chris S will send an electronic copy to Jono to put up on the website. Clutch also has paper copies available to those who request them.

Scott S. - The It's a Boy men's meeting will be hosting it's 23rd anniversary party on April 18th starting at 6:30pm at the First Lutheran Church on the corner of Cooke and Grove Streets in Waterbury.

Speaker, food, fun, and fellowship.

Beth M. - On May 5th, the camp out will be hosting a BBQ for "Cinco de Mayo" at Black Rock State Park. Flyers are available to bring to groups.

Joyce - The Recovering Women's group of NA will be hosting it's 20 year anniversary party at the North End Recreational Center in Waterbury on April 26th starting at 6:30pm. All are welcome: male and female.

Reports:

Last month's minutes were read and accepted 11-0-0

Chair: verbal, this is her last month as Area chair, she will fill in as chair next month

Vice chair: Jeff L. Reported that his commitment time is complete and this is his last area meeting.

Accepted 11-0-0

Treasurer: Chris S. reported that a \$15.00 bank fee was incurred on the GWANA Literature account and he recommends that area look into changing our account to a bank with free checking. **GWANA**

Area checking account: Beginning balance: \$1,205.27; Deposits: \$315.73; Expenses: \$167.44;

Ending balance: \$1,288.77

GWANA literature account: Beginning balance: \$1,074.85; Deposits: \$101.30; Expenses: \$85.00;

Ending balance: \$1,091.15 Accepted 11-0-0

RCM - verbal. Alternate RCM Robert H. reported that he was absent from region. Next month we will receive an update on region.

PIPL - JC reported that PIPL will be having a poster drive on April 14th in Torrington. Groups will meet at the commuter lot at exit 44, near Burger King, at 10am. A presentation at Naugatuck High School on May 4th will be held. A presentation will also be held at Pomperaug High School. A regional PI learning day will be held at the Christ Lutheran Church in Middletown. (date?). Votes came from Area PI committees to change the name from Public Information to Public Relations. PIPL needs support! They meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month @ the Thomaston Savings Bank on the corner of Main St and Echo Lake Rd in Watertown. Accepted 11-0-0

H&I - Todd D. reported that a panel coordinator and leader are needed at Help Inc in Waterbury. Panel coordinator is needed at MCCA in Waterbury. Panel members are needed at Renaissance West in Waterbury and Carnes Weeks in Torrington. H&I chair is OTF. Tami-Jo chaired adhoc on April 4th for T-shirt design contest. Yellow card members a needed for meetings starting at Cheshire CI.

Accepted 11-0-0

Literature - OTF - verbal, Stephanie B. Is filling in for Literature chair. No orders are available tonight, please pick them up at next Literature meeting on April 19th at 7pm at the Thomaston Savings Bank in Waterbury.

Policy - OTF - Jeff L. Reported that an addendum is now available for the web liaison position.

Accepted 11-0-0

Campout - verbal. Beth M. reported that the campout will be postponed, not cancelled. Fundraisers will continue to raise money to earn prudent reserve. Reference open forum announcement about Cinco de Mayo fundraiser.

Basketball shoot out - Dainette L. reported that registration is going well for teams in shoot out. T-shirts are all set and food menu is being worked on. Speakers are all set for the meetings during the

tournament. Dance tickets are out and sales are okay. DJ is all set. A sneaker dance will be held on that Saturday night (sneakers only, due to gym floor). Accepted 11-0-0

Web Liaison - Jono M. reported that if you have a flyer that you would like to be put up on the website, please send it electronically to GWANA@ctna.org as a PDF. He will look into whether there is a deadline to submit updates for the website. Accepted 11-0-0

Elections:

Chair - OTF

Vice Chair - OTF

Literature chair - OTF

Policy chair - OTF

Treasurer - OTF

Secretary - Clutch volunteered and voted in for a 2nd term

H&I chair - OTF for 30 days

Old Business:

1.) Campout Postponement - went out for 30 days to groups. No new support is in subcommittee and there is no new support for the actual campout. Suggestions were made to combine area campouts to one main state campout, and to make a smaller scaled campout. Committee will take that into consideration. A prudent reserve of \$2,500 needs to be earned. Motion to postpone campout for one year passed: 10-0-0

2.) PIPL Budget - motion to approve 2012 PIPL budget. Passed 9-1-0

3.) Bank no longer available on the first Monday of each month. Area meeting are now booked throughout the rest of 2012 for the second Monday of the month. Robert will bring this information to region to get the calendar updated on the regional website. Chair to be responsible for re-upping the meeting (discussed during motion #1 in new business).

Next Area meeting is on Monday, May 14, 2012.

Todd D. Will pick up the key. Clutch S. will pick up the mail.

New Business:

1.) Re-use paper - For motions, Clutch S. suggests using old reports that are left over and print motions out on the back of them. Also to cross out the side that is not being used. No rejections from the table.

2.) Use new bank with free checking - accounts continue to get charged with a \$15.00 fee each month.

Motion #2: To set up free checking account for ASC checking accounts. Intent: To save money for ASC accounts. Made by Scott S. and seconded by Emily A. Passed 20-0-0

3.) Budgets for literature and executive committees needed. Please submit as soon as possible.

4.) Motion to extend area meeting for 15 minutes. Made by Todd and seconded by Scott.

5.) Motion #1 - To write into the policy as a function of the area chair to call the bank in December to secure rooms for All Area Service and subcommittee meetings. Intent: To insure continuity of the meeting place and time for future meetings. Made by: Chip L., Seconded by: Kelly K. Passed 18-0-0

Fund flow:

Together We Can - \$88.20

Ladder to Recovery - \$27.22

Group reports read and accepted. 8-0-0

Meeting closed at 9:15pm with circle and serenity prayer.

In loving service,
Clutch S.