

CCANA Minutes  
January 2, 2012

7:05 – Bernie opened in the usual manner

Bill read the 12 Traditions.

**OPEN FORUM**

There were no new GSR's or Alt GSR's to be introduced.

Bernie, Chairperson, expressed concern over Precious Gift's lack of attendance at the Area table. The group has been absent 2 out of the last 3 meetings. Linda, the group's representative, informed Bernie that the key for the meeting at Zion Church had been taken away due to lack of payment of rent. She was going to try to pay the back rent and get the key back or find a new location for the meeting.

**ROLL CALL:** 18 groups were in attendance.

**Secretary's Report** – Pam F. read the report, and it was accepted 17-0-0.

**Chair Report** – Bernie read the report. Bernie reported paying rent, attending Literature and Adhoc for Learning Day and that he would be submitting the Executive Committee budget. He spoke with Bill, RCM re: CAR Learning Day and announced his concern over a couple of groups being absent from the Area table for 2-3 of the last 4 meetings.

**Vice Chair Report** – Lou was absent due to illness and therefore, there was no report.

**Treasurer's Report** – Chris F. read the report and it was accepted 16-0-0.

Opening Balance: \$2,084.15

Deposits: \$1,253.12 (\$346.11) Literature orders/funds from groups

Total of Checks Written \$1,705.05

Ending Balance: \$1,632.22

**RCM Report** – Bill read the report. Bill announced that the CAR Learning Day will be held in this area on Saturday, February 18, 2012 from 12 noon to 4:00 p.m. at the Meriden Public Library on Miller St. All GSR's should plan on attending so that they can bring accurate information back to their groups. The kick-off meeting for the 2013 Convention will be held February 19, 2012, location to be announced. The next Regional meeting will be held on January 28, 2012 at Centerbrook Meeting House, Centerbrook, CT.

**H&I Report** -- Marcia read the report. All is going well. There was discussion about not bringing liquids into facilities and members not showing up for commitments. Budget for H&I was \$4,360 this year. Next meeting January 31, 2011 at St. Andrew's church. 6:30 Orientation, 7:00 business meeting.

**Literature Report** – Naomi gave the report. Vice Chair is still OTF. Next subcommittee meeting is February 6, 2012 at 6:15 at St. Andrew's Church, Catlin St, Meriden.

**PI/PL Report** – Courtney read the report. She announced that they will be contacting the Meriden Housing Authority to find out about being involved in the annual block party in June, 2012. Next subcommittee meeting is Wednesday, January 19, 2012 at 6:45 at Rushford, Paddock Ave, Meriden, CT.

**Activities Report** – Vicki gave the report in Donna’s absence. She announced that there will be a bowling night scheduled for March 25, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Wallingford Bowl, \$4.00 per game with refreshments provided. Next subcommittee meeting in Monday, January 16, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

**Activities Treasurer’s Report** – Vicki B. gave the report. Activities fundflowed \$26.54 from the Christmas Marathon Meeting donations.

**Policy Report** – No Policy Chair, therefore no report.

**Webservant Report** – Cathy read the report. She reported setting up an e-mail account so that she could correspond with the Regional Webservant, and she stated that any information (activities, meeting changes, flyers) can be given to her. The website can be accessed by going to ctna.org and then go the Area pages.

Carlene asked if flyers could be posted on the website and Cathy responded that they could not. Cathy will put together a schedule of events to be posted. Carlene also stated that the site for Regional activities is not accessible. Bill, RCM, will look into this.

**Ad Hoc Report** – The Learning Day/Chili Cookoff/70’s Dance will be held on February 25, 2012 from 5:30 to midnight at the Masonic Temple. 5:30-7:30 Learning Day/Chili Cookoff, 7:00-8:00 meeting, 8:00-12:00 70’s Dance.

### **BREAK SUSPENDED**

Lynda read the 12 Concepts.

### **Elections**

**Alt RCM** -- no nominations/no volunteers; OTF for 30 days.

**Policy Chair** -- no nominations/no volunteers; OTF for 30 days

**GSR’s should announce to their groups.**

### **OLD BUSINESS** –

**Hosting CAR Learning Day:** Bill states that the CAR Learning Day will be held at the Meriden Public Library on February 18, 2012 from noon to 4:00 p.m. Bernie passed out the CAR Reports to all the groups.

### **NEW BUSINESS** –

**Missing Money Order** – Chris F., Treasurer, informed the group that the missing money order was from the State of Recovery group for \$67.54. Wells Fargo informed him that if we could provide the receipt for the money order, they would reimburse us for its loss. Luther, GSR for the group, will look for the receipt.

**CAR Report** – Chris F. informed the group that he was misinformed when he said that the World Service Organization made money from the sale of the CAR Reports. World sells the CAR Reports at cost and does not make money off the sale.

**PI/PL Budget** – Chris F. informed Courtney, PI/PL Chair, that her budget was inaccurate. PI/PL has \$1,000 left over in last year’s budget and is proposing a new budget of \$1,375. All Subcommittees were asked to check to see what they have left in their budgets before proposing new budgets. Carlene suggested that the amount spent during the previous year should be included in the budget.

**Budgets** – PI/PL, Executive Committee and the RCM have submitted their budgets. Bernie discussed some changes in the budgets for the Executive Committee and the RCM and that he is still waiting for budgets for H&I, Literature and Activities. The RCM's budgets should be amended to include the cost of hosting the Regional Meeting next year. Bill made a motion to table the RCM budget until next month. A motion was made to table all budgets for 60 days. It passed 15-0-0.

**Touch of Life** – Hector announced that the meeting time and location has changed. It is now being held in the main building of the Dry Dock on Sunday nights from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. Bill, RCM, gave Hector the form to fill out for a meeting change so it could be reflected in the schedule.

**Precious Gift** – This meeting which took place on Friday nights at Zion Church has been closed for the last three weeks. Linda, GSR, stated that the meeting was cancelled not closed due to non-payment of rent. Bill stated that he had spoken to the Pastor at Zion who informed him that the meeting had not taken place in 3 months. Bernie stated that a meeting should always be open if it is in the schedule and that he would speak to Lou, Vice Chair, about finding out the status of meeting and that if it is not taking place, it should come off the schedule. Cathy W. thought that it should come off the schedule immediately and then if it does start up again, it can be put back on. Naomi asked if the group was three months behind on the rent and Linda stated that the group is not and that they shouldn't have to pay rent to a church. Bernie informed Linda that even though all groups are autonomous that they all need to report to Area, and he asked for contact information for the church from Bill. Sherry made a motion to take the meeting out of the schedule. George suggested that we give Bernie a chance to talk to the church to see what's going on before taking the meeting out of the schedule and made a motion to this effect.

**Motion 1** – To take the Precious Gift meeting off the schedule – passed 10-7-0.

**Motion 2** – To table any action until Bernie has a change to investigate – failed 7-8-2

Bill will follow through on removing the meeting from the schedule.

**Group Reports:** Read and accepted.

Motion to close. 8:20 p.m.

In loving service,

Pam F.