

Mid State Unity Area of NA®

Area Minutes for January 8, 2017

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Open: 7:00pm the meeting opened with a moment of silence, the Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts and the Service Prayer.

Welcome to all new GSRs, Alternate GSRs and visitors! Keith (Stepping into the weekend) Brandon B (Stepping free) GSR, Bob J CoChair of retreat

Mail: Comcast Junk mail, retreat registration.

Roll Call: 11 out of 23 groups present at roll call, 10 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 was not met. All about change and coming alive was present but could not vote. Activities and H&I Chair Absent

Service Orientation: MSUA Policy pg.9; 6 regional committee member RCM.

Announcements:

Handed out CAR Workshop reports. CAR Workshop Sat Feb 24th 12-4pm at trinity church 345 main st. Portland (Brownstone church).

Secretary minutes – Couldn't Vote Quorum not met
Steve Received minutes late

Treasurer report –Dave gave written/verbal report.
Couldn't vote quorum not met

RCM –Al W. (Alt RCM) gave a verbal/ written report.
CAR workshop reports were discussed (see flyer). More discussion on ECCNA Books and disbursement to prisons. Discussed motion to move region to Middlesex hospital. 2 new motions to be discussed with groups.

Activities – Absent no report

Activities meets on the 3rd Saturday of every month at Faith Lutheran church located at 300 Washington Street at 6:30 p.m. prior to the Basically Lit meeting.

H&I – Absent no report

H&I meet the third Wednesday of every month at Holy Trinity Church, 381 Main St. Middletown. New member orientation begins at 6:30 followed by the regularly scheduled subcommittee meeting at 7:00.

Literature – Billy gave verbal

All orders were filled. AIW

MSUA Literature meets at the Portland Senior Center prior to the ASC meeting at 6:15, all are welcome.

Public Relations – Adam H. written/verbal

Did not meet in December. 3 groups hosting adopt a racks. Regional PR Meeting this week to discuss upcoming events.

Next committee meeting will be held on January 7th 2018 at 5pm at Church of holy trinity, 381 main st, Middletown.

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Public Relations meets on the 4th Sunday of every month at Holy Trinity, 381 Main St. at 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM. New member orientation is at 6:00 PM following the regularly scheduled subcommittee meeting.

Retreat –Denise J gave Verbal report
Received 1 more registration

Retreat meets the 2nd Monday of every month at 6:30pm (before Area) at the Portland Senior Center.

AD-HOC Committee- none

Group Reports

16 out of 23 groups present	Concerns	Positions OTF	Groups	Concerns	Positions OTF
A New Awakening:	Absent		Till The Wheels Fall Off: Absent	Absent	
After the Weekend: Megan O.	AIW		Saturday Night Sanity:	Absent	
All About Change: Emily	AIW		Serenity Check:	Absent	
Basically Lit: Tim	AIW	Alt GSR	Stepping Free: Brandon	AIW	Alt GSR
Came to Believe:	Absent		Stepping Into the Weekend: Keith	AIW	
Coming Alive: Kim L	AIW		Stepping Thru it All:	Absent	
Living Clean: Orlando	AIW	Treasurer	Stepping Up: Carissa	AIW	
Miracles On Oak:	Absent		Straight Lace:	Absent	
New Freedom: Chick	AIW				
New Perspectives: Leonard	Need Trusted servants	All positions	Where We are Going:	Absent	
No Joke on Oak: Absent	Absent				
Over The Wall: Steve R	Financially Struggling		Working the Steps:	Midge	
			The Crossroads: Ryan	Need Support	

Break: 8:02 to 8:10pm

Roll Call II: 11 out of 23 groups present, 9 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 was Not met.

Sharing Session:

1. **Groups not attending area:** vice chair and RCM reached out to groups to see why they were not attending area.
2. **WSC Regional Reports:** RCM had questions for are that RD needed info on.
3. **CAR Report:** reports issued to groups in attendance, all GSRs expected to attend workshop Feb 24th
4. **Quorum policy:** 3 out of the past 12 months quorum was not met, policy is not clear for voting for groups. Please discuss quorum policy at your groups as this has become a frequent issue.
5. **RCM Report:** Request Treasurers report from region.

Old Business:

Motion #1 (12/11/17): “To move the CTRSC meeting permanently to Middlesex Hospital on the 3rd Saturday of each month. To donate NA Literature in the amount of \$240 per year and to be displayed

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in a NA literature rack in lieu of rent. The Regional Public Relations Committee will maintain this rack.”

Intent: To centralize the CTRSC Meeting and to keep in line with the 7th tradition to be fully self-supporting.

Could not Vote on as quorum was not met.

Elections:

- **Chair- OTF**

Requirements: two years clean time. Prior experience as ASC Administrative Officer. Attends all asc meetings in their entirety. Conducts monthly asc meetings. Prepares an agenda for the asc meeting.

- **Vice Chair- OTF**

Requirements: one year clean time. Prior experience as an asc administrative officer. Attends all asc meetings in their entirety. Coordination of are subcommittees. Assists the chairperson in conducting the asc meeting. Conducts the asc meeting in the chairperson’s absence.

- **Secretary-OTF**

Requirements: one year clean time. Prior experience at an area service committee. Attends all asc meetings in their entirety. Take clear, accurate minutes of asc meetings.

- **Treasurer- OTF**

Requirements: two year clean time. Prior experience as an NA Treasurer. Attends all ASC meetings in their entirety. Distributes a written report of income and expenditures to all asc participants at every regular asc meeting.

- **RCM (Regional Committee Member)-OTF**

Requirements: Three Years Clean Time. Prior experience at area service committee. Attends all regular are service committee and regional service committee meetings in their entirety.

- **Alt RCM-OTF**

Requirements: Three year clean time. Prior experience at an area service committee. Attends all regular area service committee and regional service committee meetings in their entirety. Work in conjunction with the rcm to ensure that all of the responsibilities of the rcm position are fulfilled.

PR Chair-OTF

New Business:

Motion #_#1: Date: (12/16/2017)

MOTION: __To add to CTRSC Policy IV.B.3 Vice Chair section IV.B.3.e., CTRSC Vice Chair will fill the role of CTRSC Secretary if the position is not filled.

INTENT: To make sure Regional minutes are taken and distributed to CTRSC in a timely

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manner.

Please Vote On and bring back to next area.

Motion #_2_____ Date: 12/16/2017_____ MOTION: __Any Regional committee member that wants to spend NA funds in excess of \$250 submit a written request to the RSC at least 60 days in advance. The request must include an itemized breakdown of funds requested. This request must be voted on before any funds are disbursed.

INTENT: __To make sure all Regional members are held responsible with NA fund spending.

Please Vote On and bring back to Area.

Motion #3 (1/8/18): “to have MSUASC host a “gathering of gratitude” on Christmas Eve 2018. The evening begins at 7pm with a clean time count down and a two speaker meeting with readings, the meeting ends at 9pm. A social begins at 9:15pm, with pot luck dish contributions from members or groups, ending at 10:15. A second meeting “topic” is held from 10:30pm-12am.”

Intent: Foster unity and to celebrate a wondrous gift called LIFE.

Please Vote On and bring back to Area.

Upcoming Events / Changes

Group level changes:

The most efficient way to convey meeting changes to region is to visit regional website “ctna.org”, then proceed to “service subcommittees” (on left side of the page), click on the “CTRSC” link. Go to “RSC Forms” then click on the “Ct. Regional Schedule Meeting Information Form”. Please fill out form and at the bottom of the page it will say; “Choose Area to send”. Once the MSUA has been chosen the information will be sent directly to our RCM.

Emergency or Temporary Group Cancellation or Relocation: *In the event that your group has to cancel or relocate on an emergency or temporary basis, as a GSR or other trusted servant you should make the effort to inform the fellowship. GSRs should use the Area c.c. E-Mail list to send a group E-mail with the cancellation or relocation information to all other GSRs who should then inform members of their various groups. GSRs or other trusted servants may also contact the MSUA secretary at (860) 268-4348 with the information, and the secretary will then use the MSUA Email and telephone lists to disseminate the details as soon as possible*