

CCANA Minutes
March 4, 2013

7:00 – Lou opened in the usual manner

Mike read the 12 Traditions.

OPEN FORUM

Poker Run: Luther brought flyers announcing the ad hoc for the Poker Run will be held on 3/16/13 after the meeting at St Rose on Saturday morning. All are welcome to get involved.

New GSR : Chris from Pigs in Space, Michele from Keep It Simple

New Alt GSR: Brian from Keep on Stepping and Dave from State of Recovery

Steve B. is representing Pure & Simple this evening.

ROLL CALL: 18 out of 21 groups were in attendance.

Secretary's Report – Pam F. read the report, and it was accepted 18-0-0.

Chair Report – Lou gave a verbal report. He was unable to attend any of the subcommittee meetings this month. He announced that the Director for the Central Connecticut Area Board of Directors (BOD) has stepped down and is OTF. Lou explained that the BOD oversees the finances for the Convention and has nine directors that vote on financial policy. Our Area does not require that the Director attend the Area meeting at this time, but it might be something we could think about for the future. Funds from the Convention ultimately are fund flowed to World. This commitment is out to the Fellowship and has a 3 year mandatory clean time requirement and is a 3 year commitment. An addict can hold this position and still keep other commitments at the Area table. The Convention Committee is currently meeting in Danbury but may be moving to the Middletown area. **GSR's please announce this commitment to your groups.**

Vice Chair Report – Bill gave a verbal report. He paid the rent and picked up the mail. Since Public Relations has no chairperson, Bill attended the subcommittee meeting. All the subcommittees are in desperate need of addict support with Public Relations and Activities being the most in need. These subcommittees are in danger of folding if addicts do not get involved. Public Relations meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 6:15 p.m. at 62 Colony St. **GSR's please announce this to your groups.**

Treasurer's Report – Steve read the report and it was accepted 18-0-0

Opening Balance: \$2,996.57

Deposits: \$1,067.83 (\$624.98) Literature orders/funds from groups

Total of Checks Written \$1,1,51.31

Ending Balance: \$2,913.09

Steve reported that Area would be fund flowing \$203.30 for the third time in two years. Bill will look into the 3 outstanding checks to St Andrew's Church and ask why they have not been cashed.

RCM Report – Libby read the written report. She attended the Connecticut Regional meeting on 2/16/13. The main topic was financial difficulty at NA World Service (NAWS). There was also discussion about drug replacement therapies and recommending that addicts who are on these therapies not hold public positions like H&I, Public Relations or chairing meetings. Libby submitted 4 meeting changes and also advised the Area table that the position of Alternate Technical Director for the Convention is OTF. She will be taking the group votes back regarding Regional budgets.

H&I Report -- Marcia read the report. All is well at H&I. They will be attending the Learning Day on 3/30. The next meeting is March 26, 2013 at 6:30 for orientation and 7:00 for the business meeting at St. Andrews Church on Catlin St.

Literature Report – Bill read the report. Vice Chair is out to the fellowship. **Bill reminded GSR's to use the updated order forms with Bill's name on them and to announce to their groups that Literature is in need of addict support.**

The next meeting April 1, 2013 at 6:15 p.m. at St. Andrew's Church on Catlin St.

Public Relations Report – Bill gave a verbal report Maria was voted in as Secretary. The booth for the Learning Day was discussed. The next meeting is March 20, 2013 at 6:15 for orientation and 6:30 for the business meeting at Center Congo on Colony St. **GSR's were asked to announce to their groups that PR is in desperate need of addict support.**

Activities Report – Cathy read the report. She reported that the Valentine's Day Bowling Night was a success and will be continued in the future. The rent for Learning Day on 3/30 has been paid and a DJ has been scheduled. This is a completely free event and begins at 2:00-4:00 p.m. for Learning Day, 4-5:45 p.m. for Chili Cookoff, 6-7:30 p.m. for double speaker meeting and 8-12:00 p.m. for dance. **GSR's were asked to announce this event to your groups and that Activities is in desperate need of addict support and may fold if addicts do not step up and get involved.**

Policy Report: Chris gave a verbal report. There were no changes in policy. Chris handed out starter kits to the new GSR's.

Webservant: Cathy gave a verbal report. All is well and everything has been posted. She checked the CCANA meeting schedule and gave some changes to the RCM to bring to Region.

BREAK SUSPENDED

Ad Hocs –

Camp Out – No meeting so no report.

Enders Island Spiritual Retreat – The subcommittee recommended Steve B as Chairperson. Steve B was voted in 18-0-0.

Bill read the 12 Concepts.

Elections

Secretary – Pam F volunteered and was voted in 18-0-0

Alt Secretary – No nominations/no volunteers – OTF for 30 days

Alt Treasurer – No nominations/no volunteers – OTF for 30 days

Alt RCM – No nominations/no volunteers – OTF for 30 days

PR Chair – OTF for 30 days

Activities Chair – OTF for 30 days

GSR'S – please announce these openings to your groups.

OLD BUSINESS –

Enders Island Spiritual Retreat: The subcommittee has to come up with policy. They have elected Steve B as Chair. Their first meeting is 3/5/13 before the Pure & Simple group in Wethersfield at 6:00 p.m.

Regional Budgets

Executive: Approved 18-0-1

H&I: Approved 17-0-2

PR: Approved 18-0-1

Webservant: Approved 16-1-2

WSR: Approved 17-0-2

Area Budgets

Executive budget was submitted by Lou this evening and will have to go back to the groups for a vote.

H&I: Approved 16-0-3

Literature: Approved 16-0-3

PR: Approved 16-0-3

Activities: Approved 14-0-5

Policy: Approved 16-0-3

RCM: Approved 16-0-3

NEW BUSINESS --

Schedules -- Through the Steps has requested that we recycle old schedules and get new ones. It was suggested that we purchase fewer schedules – we usually buy 1,000 and it was suggested that we cut that down to 500 so that the schedules we receive are current. Lou informed us that Region will give out old schedules until they run out and then will give out the new schedules. He did say that the New Haven Area has informed Region that they will not accept old schedules and will only purchase new ones. A motion was made by Carlene that our Area inform Region that we will only purchase new schedules in the future. Chris F. voiced a concern over running out of schedules if we are waiting for new ones to be printed. Carlene stated that the new schedules are available now and that there will be another reprinting in March or April. Libby will purchase 500 of the most current schedules at the next Regional meeting.

GROUP REPORTS -- Read and accepted.

Next meeting of CCANA – Monday, April 1, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting closed at 8:45 p.m.

In loving service,

Pam F.