

CCANA Minutes
August 5, 2013

7:05 – Bill opened in the usual manner

Cathy read the 12 Traditions.

OPEN FORUM

Through the Steps: Carleen announced that Through the Steps has voted to move the group back to the Tunxis Valley Area and therefore, this would be the last time they would be represented at the CCANA Area table.

CT Regional Delegate: Adam H. introduced himself as our Regional Delegate and informed us that he was going around to all the Areas to say hello and answer any questions we may have.

Coming Alive Campout: Lou announced that there were still plenty of available spaces for the Coming Alive Campout which will take place this weekend (8/9-11).

AM/NA: Vera informed the group that this meeting is to financially unable to purchase literature and is asking for Area's assistance.

New Alt GSR's : Vera from AM/NA and Robin from Saturday Night's All Right.

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

Secretary's Report – Pam F. read the report. Tom S. asked why the Coming Alive Campout does not have a budget under the Activities subcommittee. Chris responded that ad hocs do not have budgets or seed money. Rich commented that seeding the money has nothing to do with fiscal responsibility. Leigh stated that the Coming Alive Campout is an ad hoc that reports to Activities.

The report was accepted 17-0-1.

Chair Report – No Chairperson therefore no report.

Vice Chair Report Bill paid the rent for the mailbox for the year and for the meeting facility. He also attended the Public Relations Subcommittee meeting.

Treasurer's Report – Steve read the report and it was accepted 17-0-1.

Opening Balance: \$2,516.73

Deposits: \$1,250.04 (\$83.41) Literature orders/funds from groups

Total of Checks Written \$1,068.23

Ending Balance: \$2,698.54

Steve announced that Area would not be fund flowing to World this month. He also informed us that three checks have not been deposited as yet for a total of \$154.89. Lou asked what the Poker Run Reserve was. Chris informed him that it was the \$961.00 from the Poker Run that he deposited in the Area account on July 30, 2013.

RCM Report – Libby read the report. Libby announced that our candidate for the BOD, Rick H., was approved at Region. There will be a Regional H&I Learning Day for sometime in September. Dave asked Libby if a motion passes, how it can be out of order. According to Libby, no reason was given. Rich stated that a motion can be out of order before it is brought to the table, but once it's brought to the table you lose the right to rule it out of order. Marcia asked Adam to define the position of Regional Delegate. Adam informed us that he is the liaison between the Connecticut Region and World. He attends the World Service Conference and various workshops. He offers his general experience to Region in service matters and brings information back and forth between Regional and World. He is also responsible for running the CAR Report workshops. With regard to our issue with the motion being labeled out of order after being passed, Adam informed us that this motion never did pass. This motion was made back in December regarding printing service

schedules. This function is already part of the Vice Chair's responsibility and it is already being done therefore making the motion out of order.

H&I Report -- Marcia read the report. All is going well. **Marcia reminded all GSR's to bring back speaker sheets that she gave out last month.** The next meeting is August 27, 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. Bill informed us that our Area was the only one represented at the Regional Literature meeting. The next meeting is September 2, 2013 at 6:15 p.m. at St. Andrew's Church on Catlin St.

Public Relations Report – Maria gave the report. She informed us that the Subcommittee has no materials to work with and therefore must start all over. Lou asked why the Subcommittee was missing all their materials, and Maria informed him that previous trusted servants did not return the materials once their commitments were up. Bill will be getting the Subcommittee some orientation packets and other information. Maria will be attending the Regional Public Relations Committee and will talk about the Subcommittee's problems there. The next meeting is August 21, 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 – Michele read the report. Upcoming Activities: Coming Alive Campout at Strawberry Park on 8/9-11/13. Spiritual Hike on 8/18/13 at 10:30 a.m. at Wadsworth Falls. Learning Day on 9/14/13 or 9/15/13 rain date at Pragueman Park. Vicki B. was elected Treasurer. Carleen thought that that this matter did not need to be voted on at Area, but Vicki informed the group that in the past, the Activities Treasurer position was always voted on at the Area table. Steve, Treasurer, informed us that a formal financial report needs to be submitted after every money-producing Activities event. Therefore, formal reports need to be submitted for last month's Pot Luck Dinner and the Farmington River Tubing event. It was asked why Activities reinstated the position of Activities Treasurer, and Vicki informed us that the Chairperson needed assistance with this function as it was too much work for one person to do. **GSR's were asked to announce to their groups that Activities is in desperate need of addict support.**

Poker Run Ad Hoc: There was discussion regarding who the Poker Run Ad Hoc Committee reported to. Michele, Activities Chairperson informed us that the Poker Run Ad Hoc was an ad hoc of Activities and therefore would report to that subcommittee. Michele gave Luther, Poker Run Ad Hoc Chair, permission to give his report. Luther reported that the event went well although it was slightly less attended than last year (58 bikes) and that the ad hoc purchased too many t-shirts. The ad hoc offered to fund flow the thirty three (33) unsold t-shirts to Area to be used as raffle items, etc. in future events. Ana G. also offered to make a quilt out of some of the t-shirts to be raffled off in the future. Luther also put in a request to Area to send thank you letters to each location of the Poker Run along with a check \$25 to cover any costs the facility may have had due to our presence. Luther announced that a lot of changes were discussed at the Poker Run wrap up meeting and that he hoped more people would get involved and bring their ideas to the start up meeting next year that will take place on 2/22/14. Lou thought that in lieu of the \$25 donation to the facilities that we could donate literature to each town's library. Vera asked if the \$25 donation to each facility was coming from the fund flow amount from the Poker Run and she was informed that it was. Libby offered that we are entirely self-supporting through our own contributions and thought that it was appropriate for us to send the money to the facilities. Chris read the Treasurer's report for the Poker Run Ad Hoc Committee. Leigh asked how he came up with \$160 for the Convention Packages when the prices haven't even been set yet for this event. Chris said that this was just an estimate and any monies not paid out would be fund flowed. Rich said that Steve, Treasurer does not have the power to set a reserve for the Poker Run. Bill asked for a vote from the GSR's on donating \$25 to each facility and it passed 14-1-4.

Policy Report: Chris gave a verbal report. There were no policy changes last month.

Enders Island Spiritual Retreat Subcommittee -- Tony, Vice Chair gave a verbal report. All is going well. Seventeen (17) packages have been purchased to date. The next Subcommittee meetings are 8/27 and 9/10 before the Pure and Simple meeting.

Webservant –Cathy W. reported that all is well with the website.

BREAK SUSPENDED

Bill read the 12 Concepts.

Elections

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

Activities Treasurer -- Vicki was chosen by the Activities Subcommittee as their nomination for Treasurer. She was voted in at the Area table 17-0-0

Chairperson – 4 years clean, 1 year of Area service, 1 year commitment. Robin nominated Bill/qualified/voted in.

Vice Chairperson – 3 years clean, 1 year of Area service, 1 year commitment. OTF for 30 days.

GSR'S – please announce this opening to your groups.

OLD BUSINESS –

No Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS --

Motion #1

Vera made a motion, seconded by Kevin for Area to purchase \$20 worth of literature to support the AM/NA group. Lou said the groups are fully self supporting declining outside contributions. A contribution from Area would not be an outside contribution. Rich stated that Area has helped other groups in the past whose literature and funds had been stolen, so we should be able to help AM/NA. Adam, RD, informed us that the groups are able to photocopy any literature to be used within the group. The motion passed 17-0-0.

Chris asked if the \$20 should be taken out of the Literature budget. Bill informed that group that his budget was pretty tight this year due to expenses of the last Learning Day. It was decided to take the \$20 out of the Executive Committee's budget.

Ria suggested that the groups could also donate literature to AM/NA. GSR's could discuss this at their business meetings.

Agenda

Libby asked Adam H. to do a workshop in our Area. He was also asked to attend our Learning Day on 9/14 or 15. He is unable to do so due to a prior commitment but will talk to his Alternate RD to see if she can make it.

Vera asked how to create a policy for her group. Lou gave her the "Guide to Local Service." Lee advised her to ask another group to borrow their policy and change it to suit her group's needs. She was also told that she could go on the website where all the groups policies are listed.

Next meeting of CCANA – Monday, September 2, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting closed at 8:45 p.m.

In loving service,

Pam F.