

CCANA Minutes  
October 7, 2013

7:10 – Bill opened in the usual manner

Cathy W. read the 12 Traditions.

**OPEN FORUM**

**New GSR's** : John F., Surrender; Rene R., Step Sisters; John S., Recovery on Track; Sherry K. Straight from the Hip

**New Alt GSR's**: Dee, Pure & Simple

**Coming Alive Campout**: Lew informed the group that the management from Strawberry Park was very happy with the campout, and we are welcome to come back next year.

**2013 Connecticut Convention**: Leigh B. announced that there is an inaccuracy on the registration form for the 2013 Connecticut Convention. Rather than \$93 per night, it should read \$95 per night. **GSR's – please share this with your groups.**

**ROLL CALL**: 17 out of 21 groups were in attendance.

**Secretary's Report** – Pam F. read the report. The report was accepted 14-0-0.

**Chair Report** – Bill gave a verbal report. He paid the rent and checked the mailbox. He attended some ad hocs and subcommittee meetings. He reported that while Public Relations is doing better, but they are still in desperate need of addict support. PR meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 6:15 at First Congo Church on Colony St.

**Vice Chair Report** No Vice Chair/no report.

**Treasurer's Report** – Steve read the report and it was accepted 19-0-0.

Opening Balance: \$2,579.26

Deposits: \$503.02 (\$109.09) Literature orders/funds from groups

Total of Checks Written \$678.48

Ending Balance: \$2,403.80

**RCM Report** – Libby read the report. She informed us that Region is looking into using consensus-based decision-making for all of their future business. There are also problems with support for the various service subcommittees and several area & regional subcommittees are in danger of shutting down. Region is looking into the possibility of going to a task or project-based system rather than having standing subcommittees. The next regional meeting is October 19, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church in Sandy Hook (Newtown) 5 Washington Ave.

Chris F. asked if the changes discussed above were coming from World. Libby informed him that they were not.

**H&I Report** -- Lee K. read the report. All is going well. The next meeting is October 29, 2013 at 6:30 for orientation and 7:00 for the business meeting at St. Andrews Church on Catlin St.

**Literature Report** – Stephanie read the report. Courtney was voted in as Secretary. The next meeting is November 4, 2013 at 6:15 p.m. at St. Andrew's Church on Catlin St.

**Public Relations Report** – No one from PR was in attendance. Bill announced that the Chair and Vice Chair positions are OTF. The next meeting is on October 16, 2013 at 6:15 for orientation and 6:30 for the business meeting at First 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: Corn Maze for October 20, 2013 at Lyman Orchards and Sponsor/Sponsee Dinner/Dance on November 23, 2013 at Center Congo Church. She informed the group that the

Learning Day closed early and attendance was light. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 21, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at First Congregational Church on Colony Street. **GSR's were asked to announce to their groups that Activities is in need of addict support.**

John asked about the attendance and the early closing of the Learning Day and Michelle explained to the group that all the presentations had been made, the food had been presented and the bake off was judged. Due to the light attendance, the Learning Day broke up at around 2:30.

Chris G asked if Emmanuel Lutheran Church had been booked for the Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day Marathon meetings and Rose informed him that it had been.

**Activities Treasurer's Report** -- Rose gave the report in Vicki B's absence. Rose read the breakdown of all the events that had happened over the summer. Lou asked why a grill was rented for the Learning Day and he was informed that there was not a grill to be used at the pavilion. Michelle informed the group that Pragueman Park will not be used in the future due to the fact that there was no electricity for coffee pots, very little parking and the bathroom facilities were quite a distance away.

Bill asked what the status of the Poker run t-shirts was and Michelle informed him that 6 had been sold at the Learning day for \$5 apiece and the rest had been raffled off.

**Policy Report:** Chris gave a verbal report. There were no policy changes last month. Chris asked the subcommittees to amend their policies to include a clean time requirement for their Vice Chair positions. Public Relations and H&I already have this requirement.

**Webservant** –Cathy W. reported that all is well with the website. She informed the group that her position is up next month.

**Enders Island Spiritual Retreat Subcommittee :** Steve B. read the report. The Spiritual Retreat has been booked for next year for 9/19/14-9/20/14. Tony S. has been voted in as next year's Chairperson.

### **BREAK SUSPENDED**

Sherry K. read the 12 Concepts.

### **Elections**

**Alt RCM** – Rose nominated Allen. Chris informed us that he cannot be both Alt Secretary and Alt RCM. Allen decided to step down as Alt Secretary and accept the nomination for Alt RCM. He qualified, the clean time requirement was waived and he was voted in.

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

**Alt Secretary** – OTF for 30 days.

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

**OLD BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS** --

1. Coffee to be served at Area – anonymous Agenda item; no discussion.
2. Ria asked why the \$53.48 from last month was fund flowed to World. Steve, Treasurer, informed her that this was incorrect in the minutes and that the money had been fund flowed to Region.
3. April asked if side talking during the Area meeting could be kept to a minimum because it disrupts the spirituality of the meeting and makes it difficult for everyone to hear what is being said. Cathy W. suggested that if a subcommittee needs to discuss something during the meeting that they should leave the room.

Next meeting of CCANA – Monday, November 4 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting closed at 8:15 p.m.

In loving service,

Pam F.