7:00 – Rich S, Chair, opened the meeting. Joyce read the 12 Traditions.

**New GSR’s, Alternate GSR’s:** Jake from Living Clean.

**OPEN FORUM:** Nothing to report

**ROLL CALL:** 20 out of 25 groups were in attendance. (GSRs: if you arrive after roll call please notify Area Secretary that your group is here)

**Secretary’s Report** – Read and accepted.

**Chair Report** – Rich submitted a budget for the Executive Committee.

**Vice Chair Report** – Filled in as Activities Chair at monthly meeting.

**Treasurer’s Report** –

Opening Balance: $5204.55
Deposits: $1146.94 ($627.53) Literature orders/funds from groups
Total of Checks Written: $1232.63
Ending Balance: $5118.86
Fund Flow: $191.85
Report was accepted.

Chris stated that he does not have all the budgets, so there are no approved budgets at this time. Currently there is $750 in outstanding checks.

Rich took the opportunity to explain that the former Treasurer left no reports, and that is why the current Treasurer is unable to provide each subcommittee with their expenditures. Rich suggested that each subcommittee do their best to submit an accurate budget.

**RCM Report** – Mike, RCM, reported that he attended the Regional Meeting, held in Danbury. There are still many positions OTF at the Regional Level, and support is needed. There was discussion about changing the location of the CT Convention; more will be revealed. CAR workshops are being held in several Areas, Mike has attended one. Mike stated that he will make himself available to any groups needing assistance with voting on the CAR motions. Regional budgets were issued, and were sent to the group level.

**Alternate RCM** – OTF

**Webservant** - Joyce made a flyer to introduce the Website to anyone who may be unfamiliar with it and what information is provided.

**Literature** – Stephanie reported that all is well, and everything is running smoothly. She received the CAR Reports and distributed to each group.

**H&I Report** -Michael B., Chair, read the report. All is running smoothly. **Next meeting is 2/23/16 at 6:30 for orientation and 7:00 for the business meeting at St Andrew’s Church, Catlin Street, Meriden.**

**Public Relations Report** Maria reported that she was the only one at her meeting. PR received 3 calls, one of which resulted in an addict being brought to a meeting. Positions of Chair, Vice-Chair,
and Phone Line Coordinator are OTF. The next meeting is on 2/17/16 at 6:15 for orientation and 6:30 for the business meeting at Meriden Public Library, 105 Miller St, Meriden, CT. GSR’S WERE ASKED TO ANNOUNCE TO THEIR GROUPS THAT PR IS IN DESPERATE NEED OF ADDICT SUPPORT.

Activities Report – Area Vice Chair Leigh B filled in as Acting Chair. The group is in need of support, with Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary positions OTF. There was discussion of a possible Bowling Event, more will be revealed. Treasurer Lee K. will get in touch with former Secretary to get BJ2 card and Secretary Book. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, 2/15/16 at 6:30 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church. GSR’S WERE ASKED TO ANNOUNCE TO THEIR GROUPS THAT ACTIVITIES IS IN NEED OF ADDICT SUPPORT.

Activities Treasurer’s Report – Budget was submitted by Lee K.

Policy – OTF.

Enders Island Spiritual Retreat Subcommittee: Next meeting for 2016 Retreat will be held on March 29, 2016, 6 pm at 150 Prospect Street, Wethersfield.

Coming Alive Campout Subcommittee – The subcommittee will be holding a Chili-Cook-off/Comedy Show event on Saturday, February 13. Extra tickets were made up due to the better than expected sales. Planning for the campout is running smoothly. Next meeting is 2/9/16, 6:15 pm at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

NO BREAK

Jaime read the 12 Concepts.

Elections

Policy Chair – OTF
Alternate RCM: OTF
Activities Chair: OTF
Secretary: OTF

OLD BUSINESS:

CAR Reports were purchased and distributed. Rich asked that if any group does not want to go through it they pass it on to another group instead of discarding, as the Area did pay for them.

NEW BUSINESS/AGENDA:

CAR reports were ordered and have been made available for each GSR/Trusted Servant. GSRs are responsible for attending a workshop to learn about the motions to be voted on by the fellowship. Each meeting needs to vote on the motions in one (or several) business meeting and turn in the votes to the RCM. One addict=one vote: Addicts are only to vote once and/or at one business meeting. GSRs: it is your responsibility to make all voters aware of this policy.
Subcommittee Budgets for the year 2016-17 are due at the February meeting. Each proposed budget needs to include these 3 items: 1. Last Year’s Budget  2. Last Year’s Expenditures  3. Proposed Current Year Budget. Any budget submitted that does not have all three listings will be ruled Out of Order, and will NOT be voted on, until it is corrected. Some Budgets were submitted but not all subcommittees brought them.

Meetings that had taken place at Hubbard Park and St. Andrew’s Church were discussed. Both meetings have folded, and it was questioned on why they are still in the schedule. The meeting at Hubbard Park has been out of the schedule for long time, so apparently someone looked at an old schedule. The meeting at St. Andrew’s has recently folded, and RCM Mike said he will make sure it is removed from the Meeting Schedule.

Meeting closed at 7:50 p.m. Next meeting is March 7 at 7:00 pm. at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

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