

# Mid State Unity Area of NA®

Area Minutes for July 10th, 2017

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**Open:** 7:04pm 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! **Chris, GSR (Miracles on Oak) Walter, GSR (Whole Lava Love) Barbara, GSR (Serenity Check) Rachel, alt GSR (Living Clean) Midge, GSR (Working the Steps) Sita, GSR (Sat Night Sanity) Leonard, GSR (New Perspective)**

**Mail:** Comcast junk mail, NAWS News, NA product news flash, NA unity day

**Roll Call:** 14 out of 24 groups present at roll call, 12 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 was NOT met. Retreat and Treasurer were absent. Came to Believe and Saturday Night Sanity were present but could not vote.

**Service Orientation:** MSUA Policy Page 7. 1V Trusted Servants A. General 1-3

## **Announcements:**

Briana – there are volleyball tournament flyers to come. Lenny stated it was an honor to serve Surrender to Win.

**Secretary minutes** – Could not vote

**Treasurer report** –Dave gave written/verbal report.

**Could Not Vote**

**RCM** –RCM and Alt RCM were absent, **Tonia** gave a verbal/ written report. **OTF: Alt. Treasurer, Policy Facilitator, BOD seat for USA. There are 3 motions from region under New Business that need to be voted on and brought back to August area.**

## **Activities** – Absent

***Activities meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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** – Tonia gave written/verbal

Regional learning day is Sept 17<sup>th</sup>, 12-4pm at Ashler Village Pavilion in Wallingford. Looking for speakers who serve H&I as well as received the message from H&I.

Orientation Policy- asked to bring policy for orientation to region to streamline all the areas into one manner of orientation. Intent is that volunteers can go from one area to another without reorienting. Would like our areas thoughts on this as it goes against our Fourth Tradition (Autonomy).

Andy C. stepped down as Chair (thank you for your service). Brett is nomination for chair. All positions are filled except Panel Coordinator Women Rushford.

H&I would like to participate in the learning day in November with PR.

***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** – Toby R. written/verbal.

All back orders have been filled. All is well

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

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## **Public Relations – Adam H (Chair)**

PR vice-chair OTF; still looking at tentative date of November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 for Learning Day. Scheduled a poster drive for Sat, September 16, 2017, Flyer to follow shortly.

List of Current Racks in Area

Middlesex Orthopedic Surgeons, 410 Saybrook Rd #100, Middletown, CT 06457 (pain treatment center via the side entrance. Rack is on table just to the left of the entrance)

Middlesex Hospital, 28 Crescent St., Middletown, CT 06457 (emergency room, on top of the television)

Middletown Police Department, 222 Main St, Middletown, CT 06457 (counter to the left of the entrance)

Middletown High School, 200 La Rosa Ln., Middletown, CT 06457 (Health center)

Main Street Market, Main St., Middletown, CT 06457 (large brochure table by book store)

Middlesex Hospital Family Practice, 13 High St., Portland, CT 06480 (window sill in lobby)

If any group is interested in adopting any of these racks, please let us know. We also used to have ones at the soup kitchen and food pantry but they've disappeared and we are reconnecting with those facilities to get the racks back in there.

**Public Relations meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> 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 –Absent**

Retreat Budget was ruled out of order

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

## **AD-HOC Committee**- for 2018 Speaker Jam- “In the Park”

Sunday August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at at St. Vincent’s Soup Kitchen 617 Main St. Middletown at 12:30pm.

For more info contact Nasheed- 860-869-5628, or Karlene- 860-680-4177

## **Group Reports**

16 out of 24 groups present	Concerns	Positions OTF	Groups	Concerns	Positions OTF
A New Awakening: Jerome	Absent		Till The Wheels Fall Off: Absent	Absent	
After the Weekend: Megan	AIW		Saturday Night Sanity: Sita	AIW	Alt GSR
All About Change: Absent	Absent		Serenity Check: Barbara	AIW	Alt GSR
Basically Lit: Billy	AIW		Stepping Free: Keenum	AIW	Sec, Treas, Alt Sec
Came to Believe: Briana		GSR, Alt GSR	Stepping Into the Weekend: Greg B	AIW	
Coming Alive: Absent	Absent		Stepping Thru it All: Absent	Absent	
Living Clean: Orlando R	AIW		Stepping Up: Absent	Absent	
Miracles On Oak: Chris R	Need Support	Sec, Treas, Alt GSR	Straight Lace: Absent	Absent	
New Freedom: Chick	AIW				
New Perspectives: Leonard	Discussing new format	Sec, Treas, Alt GSR	Where We are Going: Absent	Absent	
No Joke on Oak: Absent	Absent		Whole Lava Love: Walter	Needs support	Discussion on new I
Over The Wall: Absent	Absent		Working the Steps: Midge	AIW	
			The Crossroads: Ryan B	AIW	

**Break: 8:04 to 8:19pm**

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**Roll Call II:** 14 out of 24 groups present, 12 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 not met.

## **Sharing Session:**

1. After the weekend- Never got to review retreat budget at area table, not submitted in correct format. Correct budget will be provided
2. Whole Lava Love is looking for new location
3. H&I- looking for ideas to get more people involved
4. Discussion on Volleyball flyer not being a part of NA

## **Old Business:**

Retreat budget ruled out of order

**Elections:** Can't Vote

- H&I Chair- OTF Brett recommended
- Lit Chair- OTF in August

## **New Business:**

**Motion #2 (5/20/17):** "To Move the CTRSC to a central location permanently."

**Intent:** to make the CTRSC more accessible to RCMs and all CTRSC members.

**Please Vote and bring back to Area.**

**Motion #3 (5/20/17):** "To add to Policy under Schedule Facilitator Responsibilities to do an annual review and cost analysis to include 3 bids for the printing of CTRSC Schedules to be approved by the RCMs. Also, to include in Section IV.E.3.b.v Reports: out of date loss."

**Intent:** to be financially prudent with NA funds.

**Please Vote and bring back to Area.**

**Motion #7 (6/17/17):** "Any motion that seeks to add to, remove from, or change CTRSC Policy shall be automatically postponed for two months to allow for Area consideration."

**Intent:** To allow the RCMs the opportunity to discuss RSC policy changes with the members in their Areas, in keeping with Tradition Nine.

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## Upcoming Events / Changes

### Group level changes:

**New Perspective:** Group wants to change the format to the Guiding Principles Book.

**Basically Lit:** Potluck Unity Picnic, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 3pm food, fun, fellowship. 8pm speaker meeting

**ECCNA 21<sup>st</sup> Convention**, planting the seeds New London CT June 23-25

**Miracles on Oak:** 31 year Group Anniversary, August 7, Food and Fellowship 6-7pm, Meeting 7-8pm. Open Door Missionary Baptist Church, 47 Oak Street, Middletown.

**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*