

CT Region Service Committee

January 26, 2008

Safe Haven Recovery Club, 74 Grove St., Meriden, CT

The meeting opened at 2:15 p.m. with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.

Group members read the Twelve Traditions and the Twelve Concepts.

Visitors: There were no visitors in attendance.

Roll call was taken. All 9 areas present. Regional Delegate, Alt. Web Servant and BOD were absent.

Lois E. reviewed the minutes from December – they were voted on and accepted, 9-0-0. Lois thanked Justin A. for his great note taking at last month's RSC!

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Chair – Susan O. reported that she has been corresponding with an insurance agent, Royco Sharmott, in Rocky Hill that the Philadelphia Insurance Co. referred her to regarding getting a quote for insurance. An application has been completed and a quote will be forthcoming for our region to evaluate. Gary (H&I) voiced concern that we aren't getting 3 quotes from different insurance companies – Susan explained that she is doing this research as a result of a motion that was voted on at this table in October, and the Philadelphia Insurance Co. was a recommendation by the World Service Office. At this point, any quote that is received would still need to be thoroughly evaluated and discussed in order to proceed further.

Vice Chair – Jim H. prepared a written report. He created a monthly calendar for February based on the information found on the website. Also picked up the mail from the P.O. Box.

Treasurer – Dwight presented a written report. Roberta (WSR Chair) noted that the budget & expenditures for WSR were missing from the report; therefore, the report will need to be resubmitted and voted on next month. Dwight will correct the report and email a copy to the secretary for distribution to the RSC with the minutes. Opening balance: \$2,048.95 Area donations: \$810.14 Expenditures: \$1,928.77 WSO Fund Flow: \$0 RSC Closing Balance: \$930.33 Schedule Closing Balance: \$1,836.46 Checkbook Balance: \$2,766.79.

Alt. Treasurer – OTF.

Regional Delegate – Glen A. is currently attending the North East Zonal Forum (NEZF) in Williamsville, NY.

Alt Regional Delegate – Melinda S. reports that the World Service Conference to discuss & vote on the motions in the CAR will be held 4/26 thru 5/3. Both RD and Alt. RD will be attending. Three CAR Learning Days will be scheduled – they are looking for areas to volunteer to host before or after their Area meetings, preferably in

central locations that are easily accessible to all addicts.

Web Servant – Julie S. gave a written report. Outdated events were deleted and 18 new events were posted. Meeting schedules were also updated. There were 4,680 hits in December, with an average of 150 hits per day. The domain registration renewal was paid. More details re: the domain registration will be discussed at February's RSC.

Alt Web Servant – Absent.

SUBCOMMITTEES:

B.O.D. – Absent.

Convention – Jimmy C. gave a written report and thanked the Region for allowing him to serve as Convention Chair. The 23rd Convention was a great event and was successful financially and spiritually. The kickoff meeting for the 24th convention will be held on February 17, 2008 at 1 p.m. at 74 Grove Street, Meriden, CT.

H & I – Gary M. reported that there are no major changes in H&I, except that big Cheshire has been taken over by CCANA.

Literature – OTF

PI/PL – Justin A. gave written report. A pager & one year's service has been purchased for \$135.67. Workshop at the convention went well. There were 12 calls to the regional box this month. Requesting a check for 3 month's rent today.

Schedules - Cathy D. gave a written report. Approximately 500 schedules were mailed out, and 6,000 schedules are available for distribution. Prepared the 08-09 proposed budget. She has served this commitment for 2 years, so position will go OTF today. Cathy was thanked for her service to the Schedule Committee. She is willing to work closely with a new Schedule Chair in placing orders with the printer and other responsibilities. Will place a new schedule order and then will hand everything over to the Vice Chair.

WSR – Roberta gave verbal report. WSR Workshop at the convention was a success – 11 new step writers were oriented.

AREA REPORTS:

CCA – Cathy W. gave report. Reports that Treasurer position vacated by previous Treasurer, who addressed the area at the ASC meeting and signed a promissory note of repayment . The Alt. Treasurer was voted in as the new Treasurer.

Lucy's position as RCM is up, and Cathy plans to step as RCM.

Positions OTF: Alt. Treasurer, RCM, PI/PL Chair, PI/PL Vice Chair.

GDA – Bill B. gave report. RCM is OTF. Fund Flow: \$381.76

GHA – Sharon B gave report. Position OTF: Alt. RCM.

GNHA – Ron D. gave report. Position OTF: Alt. RCM. Fund Flow: \$692.62

GWANA – Karen R. gave report. Positions OTF: Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, RCM, Policy, Campout Chair, PI/PL Vice Chair, BOD. Reports

that the ASC meeting will be changing it's meeting night to Mondays from 7 – 9 p.m. starting on 4/7/08 – location to be determined.

MSUA – Robin S gave report. Was unable to attend ASC in January. Announced a new meeting, “Serenity Check” on Wednesdays from 5:45 to 6:45 at 47 Oak St., Middletown, CT.

SFCANA - Lou T. gave report. Notes Area concern re: lack of group contributions to fund flow. Fund Flow: \$62

Positions OTF: RCM, Alt RCM, Vice Chair

TVA – Linda F. gave report. Positions OTF: Vice Chair, Alt. Treasurer, BOD

USA – Vicki McN. gave report. Positions OTF: Vice Chair, Alt Treasurer, Alt RCM, PI/PL Chair. Reports that Stonington Institute needs an H&I Panel Coordinator. ASC Meeting will be held on the 2nd Sunday of the month due to the Superbowl.

BREAK

SHARING SESSION:

~Susan O. noted that most budgets for the 08-09 fiscal year had not been properly prepared and brought to the RSC today. Discussion on how this should be handled – should budgets be postponed 1 month or should attempts be made to quickly prepare or email budgets to the Secretary who could attach them to the minutes? See Motion #2, New Business.

~Jimmy C. announced that the Convention Committee brings its recommendation to the RSC that Kaye W., the current Vice Chair, be elected as the Chairperson for the 24th Regional Convention. Kaye qualified and was elected.

~ Ray G. introduced himself as the new Alt. RCM from TVA – he was welcomed. Asked if the RSC could cut down on the use of abbreviations, as it is confusing to someone new to the RSC and unfamiliar with the terminology. Also asked about the use of tape recorders. He was encouraged to ask questions and to take notes. He was informed that he would also be receiving minutes in the mail.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

ELECTIONS:

Alt. Treasurer: No nominations or volunteers. Remains OTF.

Literature Chair: No nominations or volunteers. Remains OTF.

BOD seat out to TVA: No nomination. Remains OTF.

BOD seat from GWA out 'at large' to the fellowship: No nomination. Remains OTF.

Schedule Chair goes OTF today.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion #1 1/26/08 To hold CAR Workshops during months of February and March as opposed to all three Workshops in February, as stated in policy.

Intent: To ensure that the three workshops can be held in a reasonable timetable.

Maker: Melinda S (Alt. RD) 2nd By: Linda F. (TVA)

Motion Passed, 7-0-2.

Motion #2 1/26/08 To table all budget submissions, extending for 1 month.

Intent: To give all subcommittees time to prepare their budgets.

Maker: Robin S. (MSU) 2nd By: Karen R. (GWA)

Motion Passed, 12-1-0.

Note: Susan O. reviewed with the RSC the proper way to submit a budget.

The meeting closed at 4:15 p.m.

In Loving Service,
Lois E.

The next meeting will be on February 23, 2008

YMCA, High Street, New Britain, CT

Parking available on street in front of building or in parking lot in back (Columbus Blvd entrance)

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Take Rt. 84 West to Exit 35 (**Left exit** Rt. 72 & Rt. 9 New Britain)

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Right at 2nd light (High St.)

YMCA is immediately on right.

From points West (Waterbury / Danbury):

Take Rt. 84 East to Exit 35. (**Stay in left lanes for exit** Rt. 72 & Rt. 9 New Britain)

Exit 8 (Columbus Ave)

Straight thru 1st traffic light.

Right at 2nd light (High St.)

YMCA is immediately on right.

From points South – East (Middletown / Shoreline)

Take Rt. 9 North to Exit 26 (Downtown New Britain)

