

CT REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE
MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 25, 2010

Location: First Lutheran Church, 88 Cooke St., Waterbury, CT 06710

Meeting opened at 2:06 p.m.

Visitors and/or new RCM's were welcomed: JRob C. (Alt. RCM from MSUANA), Tommy B. (visitor), Buddy O. (RCM from SFCANA), Cathy D. (RCM from TVANA)

Moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer

The Twelve Traditions (Cathy) and the Twelve Concepts (Matt) were read.

Roll Call – Regional Committee Members (RCMs) from all nine (9) areas were present at roll call. Convention Chair, Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) Chair and 25th Anniversary Ad-Hoc Chair were absent.

Minutes from August were reviewed. **The minutes were accepted 9-0-0**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Chair – Adam presented written report. Updated website, brought up issue of converting flyers to PDF (see Activities page of our website), asked whether flyers should be submitted through RCMs and brought updated pages of regional policy to insert into policy booklets.

Vice Chair – Bob F. made the monthly calendar for July. CCANA Literature needs to be added on Monday, October 4 at 6:15pm. Also, a question was raised about the printing and not being able to view the whole thing. Bob will work on it.

Treasurer – Woodsy presented written report. Opening Balance: \$3848.38, Donations Received: \$2722.83, Expenditures: \$ 722.88, Fund Flow: \$ 2310.50, Closing Balance: \$ 3537.83.

The financial statement was approved 9-0-0

Alt. Treasurer – OTF

Regional Delegate – Gerry presented written report. Read some more information about the Service System proposals.

Regional Delegate Alt. – Jimmy presented written report. Three Service System workshops remaining. Jimmy will not be at Region next month.

Web Servant – OTF

Alt. Web Servant – OTF

SUBCOMMITTEES:

BOD – Vince submitted a written report. Contracts for tapers, sign language, DJ, sound, lighting and jazz band were approved. Comedy contracts were flawed and will be resubmitted.

Convention – Absent. Vince gave an informal report. It was brought up that, in this day and age, a written report should be submitted via email if both the Chair and Vice-chair are unable to be at the RSC. Adam will contact Cathy.

H&I – Absent. Similar discussion about no written report or why the Vice-Chair didn't attend. The picnic is next Saturday (Oct. 2) in Wallingford.

Literature – Donna submitted a written report. Trying to find information to order from the Greater New York Regional Service Office. Next chapters of “Living Clean” is out for review and input. Due back December 31. If you’re interested go to: http://www.na.org/?ID=Living_Clean_Project. New schedules were ordered and 7,600 were sold last month.

There was a question regarding updating the meeting information with World Services. Adam explained that Julie was the last person authorized as our web contact. Roberta was supposed to get authorized but stepped down before finishing that process. So at this point our meetings have not been updated with World Services unless the groups have been doing it themselves.

Public Information – Debbie D. submitted a written report. They participated in the Recovery Walk in Hartford this morning. Very productive, had some requests for presentations, answered questions. Regional and Spanish Phoneline coordinators are out to the Fellowship.

WSR – Pat submitted a written report. Trying to figure out how to get more support from United Shoreline and Greater Hartford Areas.

Web Re-design Ad-hoc Committee – Rich submitted a written report. Put together a flow chart and will begin soliciting proposals.

25th Anniversary Ad-hoc Committee – Absent but Janice emailed a report to Adam (attached to these minutes). The event was a success. Sold 197 tickets and made almost \$300.00 after expenses.

AREA REPORTS:

CCA – Robin B. gave report

Positions OTF: Alt. RCM, Policy Chair, and Assistant Secretary

Fund Flow: \$0

Concerns: Lyman Orchards (October 3rd)
Sponsor/Sponsee Dinner Dance (November 13th)

GDA – Gay H. gave report

Positions OTF: Chair, Vice Chair, Activities Chair, and Literature Chair

Fund flow: \$123.61

Concerns: trouble filling commitments

GHA – Alfred D. gave report

Positions OTF: Alt. Treasurer, Alt. RCM, and Policy Chair

Fund Flow: \$666.39

Concerns: Third Friday Movie Night (October 16th)
All activity details at www.ghasc.org

GNHA – Lou D. gave report

Positions OTF: Alt. Secretary, Alt. RCM, and Literature Chair

Fund Flow: \$179.19

Concerns: Alternative Lifestyles meeting (see more after all Area reports)

GWANA – Matt S. gave report

Positions OTF: Treasurer and Secretary

Fund flow: \$0

Concerns: Only 1/5 of groups attend Area. Chair is going to start visiting meetings.

MSUA – Jennifer K. gave report

Positions OTF: Chair

Fund Flow: \$0

Concerns: Became Willing 12 Step Retreat
Halloween Dance (October 23rd)
Home Group Chili Challenge (October 9th)
History of NA Conference (November 19-21st)

SFCANA – Buddy O. gave report

Positions OTF: Vice -Chair

Fund Flow: \$371.83

Concerns: H&I/PI Learning Day (October 16th)

TVA – Cathy D. gave report

Positions OTF: RCM and Alt. Treasurer

Fund Flow: \$384.06

Concerns: Learning Day (October 23rd)

USA – Rich G. gave report

Positions OTF: Chair

Fund Flow: \$0

Concerns: Café NA Halloween Party (October 30th)
Various ECCNA Fundraiser Activities

Next RSC meeting location will be Greater New Haven Area. Please come back with a location and directions for November, December and January

Lou was approached by a couple of addicts in Milford looking to start an “alternative lifestyles” meeting and churches were telling them they weren’t welcome. One suggestion was that they just ask for space for an NA meeting, since that is what it is. They can focus on GLBT topics if they wish and there are other GLBT meetings around. Also suggested to look on the na.org website for information about how to start a meeting.

There was a question about the East Coast Convention and if the Region or an Area is hosting the convention. Jimmy C. explained that the United Shoreline Area is hosting it and there’s an Advisory Board that oversees it (similar to our Regional Convention and the Board of Directors). All money left over goes to buy Basic Texts for Hospitals & Institutions.

BREAK:

SHARING SESSION:

Change date of October RSC? - Gerry brought up the idea of changing the date of the October RSC meeting so some people could go to Baltimore for the Service System Workshop. There was little discussion and no motion was made.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

ELECTIONS:

H&I Chair – OTF

Regional Delegate - OTF (6 year clean time requirement)

Regional Delegate Alternate - OTF (5 year clean time requirement)

Chairperson - OTF (5 year clean time requirement)

Vice-Chairperson - OTF (4 year clean time requirement)

Secretary - OTF

Treasurer - OTF (5 year clean time requirement)

Alt. Treasurer – OTF (4 year clean time requirement)

Web Servant – election suspended until ad-hoc is finished

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NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

Closed about 3:30pm

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Oct. 3, 2010 - CCANA - Walk the Corn Maze - Lyman Orchards, Middlefield, CT - 2pm

Oct. 16, 2010 - SFCANA - H&I/PIPL Learning Day Picnic - Shelton War Memorial, 695 Howe Ave., Shelton, CT. - 12noon - 5pm

Oct. 23, 2010 - TVANA - Learning Day - YMCA, 50 High St., New Britain, CT - 10am - 4pm

Nov. 13, 2010 - CCANA - Sponsor/Sponsee Dinner Dance - 1st Congregational Church, 62 Colony St., Meriden, CT - 5pm - 7pm (Dinner), 9pm-12am (Dance)

Nov 19-21, 2010 - BNL Group - History of NA Conference - Stamford Plaza, Stamford, CT

Nov. 24, 2010 - MSUANA - Feast Before the Feast - TBA - 6pm - 9pm

April, 2011 - MSUANA - Became Willing Retreat - TBA

Connecticut Region 25th Anniversary Celebration

ADHOC Committee Report

The event went well. We had a great committee, all hard working and having fun. The weather was perfect for a picnic and meeting.

We sold 197 tickets at \$5.00 each equaling \$985.00. Expense and Food receipts are attached.

\$495.57, \$42.24, \$155.83, \$53.40 adding to \$747.04 subtracted from \$985.00 equals \$237.96.

The town of East Lyme refused payment. Copies for tickets and fliers were donated by a member.

Thanks to all who attended and worked with us.

Grateful to be able to participate.