

**CONNECTICUT REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
February 16, 2013**

VISITOR INTRODUCTIONS AND QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION

Welcome Rocky F

CALL TO ORDER

The CTRSCNA met at the Grace and St. Peter’s Episcopal Church, 2927 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, Ct. 06518
Meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity prayer. The 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts were read.

ROLL CALL

Eight areas were represented.

APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH’S MINUTES

Secretary – Absent, Dyan F. read the Old Business, Elections and New Business sections of the January minutes. New Business Motion #7 was actually approved by a vote of 6-0-0 and not postponed for 60 days. The minutes were then accepted as corrected.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair – Steve read report. We filled a few request for insurance certificates for the past month. Chair was in contact with Literature Chair and sent electronic copies of tally sheets.

Schedule Recap; 1/19/13

Sold 3,300 schedules to Connecticut Areas
Transferred 2,000 to H&I
Total disbursements 5,300

We will be ready to print again in March.

May - July meeting will be scheduled for the Greater Hartford Area. Chair is asking RSC member to secure a location and bring directions to the April RSC meeting.

The next RSC meeting will be on March 16, 2013, at 2:00pm at the Grace and St. Peter’s Episcopal Church, 2927 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, Ct. 06518

Vice Chair – Leonard S read report. He did not attend any meetings due to blizzard. Leonard also turned in quote from Hitchcock Printing & Distribution and minuteman press.

Treasurer – Joey read the report. **(February 2013 report)**

Opening Balance:	\$ 6,325.76
Donations Received:	\$862.35
Misc. Donations/Funds Returned	\$818.00
Expenditures Total:	\$1,360.12
Donation to WSO:	\$ 0.00
Closing Balance:	\$6,645.99
Schedule Reserve:	\$3,000.00
Checkbook Total:	\$9,645.99

Treasurer report passed 8/0/0

RD & RDA – Adam H. read the report. RD and Alt RD attended the NEZF. The NEZF seems to be moving in the direction of doing different things. At the RSC meeting it was discussed that we are happy with the NEZF providing workshops and similar services to the local (hosting) fellowship and that was brought up at the NEZF. RD also presented a proposal that we all formally ask our Regions if we supported, both spiritually and financially, a service symposium in the Northeastern US. RD will be gathering more information so all RD/AD teams can effectively bring the issue back to their Regions. One thing we definitely need to decide upon is proposal from the New Jersey Region to form standing committees at the NEZF. It was explained that the main purposed of this proposal was to make the NEZF relevant to its member regions.

In the Regional concerns part of the weekend we learned that the Greater New York Regional Service Office is in debt to NAWS for \$58,000 and the Mid-Atlantic Region wanted to know what other regions are doing regarding the (United States Service Conference). There were several workshops at this event; you can access power point presentation (Service System Project) with all of the notes, at <http://www.passaicarea.org/adhoc121111.html>.

RD attended the GSU in Hartford, it was facilitated in a similar fashion to workshops we present and attend. From RD understanding all of the other GSUs that are being held around the country have been arranged through a collaborative effort at the ASU meeting.

Mid-Atlantic Regional Learning Conference of NA (MARLCA), RD and AD attended. On Friday there was a NAWS Update session and on Saturday they had a Third Tradition workshop, Tradition Book workshop and SSP update/ presentation session.

RD and AD will be attending the Florida Service Symposium (FSS).

Some reminders:

- The “Introduction to NA Meetings” project; <http://www.na.org/?ID=intromtgs>
- The New Traditions Book; <http://www.na.org/traditions>
- Service System Project: <http://www.na.org/servicesystem>
- All of the Issus Discussion Topics: <http://www.neorg/?IDT-IDT>
- The 35th World Convention of NA <http://www.na.org/wcna>
- The commemorative edition of Living Clean: The Journey Continues is now available for sale: <http://www.na.org/ID=OrderLiteratureOnline-NAW>

Web Servant – Absent, Alt. Donna gave verbal report. All request and updates are current to date, online and paper.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

BOD – Troy B/Phil D. read report. The BOD did not meet for January. However, some members met to work on the 2013 Convention Final Accounting. The draft 2013 final Accounting will be presented at the next BOD meeting reviewed and voted on. It will be presented at March RSC meeting on schedule. BOD received the estimate from Allegra on the cost of re-doing the remaining (10) Banners. The total cost is \$1,668. The RSCs consideration (approval) of this expenditure has been placed on today’s agenda. **Position out to fellowship**, Alternate Technical Director- 4years clean time/ work with Technical Director the first year and then as Technical Director the second year.

Convention – Cynthia S. read report. Convention Committee met on January 20, 2013 for the Convention wrap-up meeting. A recommendation for next year Chair is Lisa Marie O. The Kick-off was held in the GDA, Sunday February 17, 2013 at the United Methodist Church, 5 Clapboard Ridge Road, in Danbury CT. Cynthia S. would like to thank the RSC for allowing her to serve as the Convention Chair all year.

H&I – Absent –Phil read report. One meeting had an issue. Some meetings were canceled due to weather condition.

Note: secretary did not receive written report and could not hear verbal report.

Literature – Present-no report at this time.

Public Relations – Debbie D. read report. PR met on January 9, 2013. There were 6 out of 9 areas present. However, PR did not meet in February because of the weather conditions. PR finally filled the Phone Line Coordinator position. Thanks Sam from TVA. Positions OTF are Vice Chair. Spanish Phone Line Coordinator

Public Relation next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 13, 2013 at 7:00 pm at St. Andrews Church, Meriden CT.

WSR – OTF, clean time requirement 2 years and 1 year served on the WSR committee

Policy Ad-Hoc – Verbal report by Adam, met on February 16, before RSC meeting. They are moving forward with reviewing Policy’s.

AREA REPORTS

Central Connecticut Area – Libby R (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: Alt Treasurer, Alt RCM and Secretary

Activities: CCANA Learning Day/ Chili Cook-off Contest and Dance March 30, 2013 2:00pm- 12:00am Masonic Temple 112 East Main St Meriden Ct., Women’s Sponsorship Retreat May 10-12, 2013, 4pm Fri -11:00 am Sun., Incarnation Retreat Center 253 Bush Hill Rd, Ivoryton, Ct

Fund Flow: \$240.80, Area Concerns: None

Greater Danbury Area – Mike Q (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: Vice-Chair, Chair, PI Chair, and Treasurer

Activities: Starting Over 30 Anniversary 6:30-7:30, April 30, 2013 Madison Ave Danbury Ct

Fund Flow: \$0.00, Area Concerns: Did not meet. Note: secretary did not receive written report

Greater Hartford Area – Cindy C. (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: Vice Chair

Activities: Campout Spiritual Breakfast Fundraiser April 14, 2013, 9:00am-12:00, 1301 Forbes St. East Hartford Ct, Campout Lasagna Dinner March 23, 3:00pm-9:00, 1301 Forbes St. East Hartford Ct, Miracles Do Happen Campout May 5, 2013 9:00am-12:00pm

Fund Flow: \$0.00 Area Concerns: Did not meet due to weather condition

Greater New Haven Area – Roberta/ Artie (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: Alt Secretary

Activities: None

Fund Flow: \$855.03 mailed, Area Concerns: February Speaker Jam was cancel due to weather and will be rescheduled

Greater Waterbury Area – Beverly H (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: Secretary and Treasurer

Activities: Basketball Shoot-Out April 27-28, 2013, (9:00am Sat. 1:00pm Sun) North End Recreation Center 268 Kingsbury St Waterbury Ct, Shoot-out Sneaker Jam April 27, 2013, 8:00pm-1:00, North End Recreation Center 268 Kingsbury St Waterbury Ct,

Fund Flow: \$0.00 Area Concerns: None

Mid-State Unity Area – Al W. (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: Activities Chair, PR Chair

Activities: None

Fund Flow: \$000. Area Concerns: Did not meet due to weather condition

Southern Fairfield Country Area – Absent

Positions Out to Area: None

Activities: None

Fund Flow: \$ 0.00 Area Concerns:

Tunxis Valley Area – Darlene B (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: Alt RCM

Activities: Bowling at Bowl-O-Rama March 2, 2013, 8:00pm, 2143 Berlin Turnpike, Newington Ct, Spring Fling March 16, 2013 9:00am-1:00pm St Marks Church 147 West Main St, New Britain Ct, March Madness (H&I) March 23, 2013 12:00pm-4:00pm, 50 High St YMCA New Britain Ct

Fund Flow: \$0.00, Area Concerns: None

United Shoreline Area – Howard O (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: Alt RCM, Literature and Secretary

Activities: Keeping it Green March 17 2013 1:00pm-5:00pm, 39 Columbus Ave Niantic Ct.

Fund Flow: \$0.00 Area Concerns: Did not meet due to weather condition

Break:

Sharing Session:

- **Meeting Schedule Change**

Why was a message bcc to Chair, about schedule change? Why can't we get this issue corrected?

There is a lot of information on schedule changes coming in from different direction and it is making the process difficult (Is it personalities?) how is this position gone to work moving forward. It was suggested to eliminate paper changes, and if done on website may flow easier and quicker. Much discussion no conclusion

- **Insurance certificate (Beverly H)**

Q. One of the Churches is requesting a copy of insurance certificate **A.** e-mail RSC Chair

- **BOD resizing of Banners (Troy B)**

The banners were delivered to Allegra after Convention. We have 5,000 for seed money, the BOD budget do it has to come to RSC for a vote. However, report should come to Region table.

- **Regular Workshops at RSC (Adam H)**

Requesting RD to come to ASC meeting to explain RD language and information, there will be new things coming about in NA. Some information is on World web sites. Regular workshops at RSC meeting would be good to implement on a regular. Maybe this body should invite the GSR to Regional table for workshops. (RD has always been open to do presentation/workshops, and is still open to doing presentation/workshops. He feels we need to discuss at RSC meeting so this body can go back to their areas and discuss the process of presentation/workshops. We need to be able to train the trainer. Maybe this body can bring videos' back to their areas from the training from RSC.

- **Creating a Regional Staples Reward Account for all areas to gain credit for copies at Staples (Roberta)**

If were printing at staples we can be rewarded points. It should be the areas, to get the staples reward. GSR brings back to their area, for area consideration. After much discussion, money can be saved.

Old Business:

Motion# 1 (1/19/13) M/S: Sean O (H&I)/ Cindy C (GHA-RCM)

H&I budget for 2013/2014(see attachment)

Intent: Carry the message

Motion: M/S: Howard/ Mike

To postpone for 60 days to allow for Area consideration

Motion is postponed for 60 days to allow for Area consideration. Due back at March RSC

Motion# 2 (1/19/13) M/S: Leonard S (Vice Chair)/ Al W. (MSUA-RCM)

Executive budget for 2013/2014(see attachment)

Intent: To follow policy and be financially responsible

Motion: M/S: Howard/ Mike

To postpone for 60 days to allow for Area consideration

Motion is postponed for 60 days to allow for Area consideration. Due back at March RSC

Motion# 3 (1/19/13) M/S: Debbie D (PR Chair) Libby R. (CCA-RCM)

PR/PL budget for 2013/2014(see attachment)

Intent: To follow policy and be financially responsible

Motion: M/S: Howard/ Mike

To postpone for 60 days to allow for Area consideration

Motion is postponed for 60 days to allow for Area consideration. Due back at March RSC

Motion# 4 (1/19/13) M/S: Adam H. (RD) Howard O (USA-RCM)

RD/ALT RD budget for 2013/2014(see attachment)

Intent: To follow policy and be financially responsible

Motion: M/S: Howard/ Mike

To postpone for 60 days to allow for Area consideration

Motion is postponed for 60 days to allow for Area consideration. Due back at March RSC

Motion# 5 (1/19/13) M/S: Gerry P (WSR) Beverly H. (GWA-RCM)

WSR budget for 2013/2014(see attachment)

Intent: To be financially responsible

Motion: M/S: Howard/ Mike

To postpone for 60 days to allow for Area consideration

Motion is postponed for 60 days to allow for Area consideration. Due back at March RSC

Motion# 6 (1/19/13) M/S: Justin A. (Web Servant) Cindy C. (GHA-RCM)

Web Servant budget for 2013/2014(see attachment)

Intent: To be financially responsible to the Ct. Region of Narcotics Anonymous

Motion: M/S: Howard/ Mike

To postpone for 60 days to allow for Area consideration

Motion is postponed for 60 days to allow for Area consideration. Due back at March RSC

Motion# 8 (1/19/13) M/S Mike Q (GDA-RCM) Libby R (CCA-RCM)

For the RSC to begin printing a service schedule with a complete list of all area and regional service committee and subcommittee meetings

Intent: Effective communication in our service structure; to carry the message

Motion referred to Literature Committee

Elections:

Congratulation! Lisa Marie O. Convention Chair

OTF WSR: clean time requirement 2 years and 1 year served on the WSR committee

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion# 1 (2/16/13): M/S: Al W (MSUA-RCM) Howard O (USA-RCM)

To table all CTRSC budget voting until April

Intent: to allow all regional groups the opportunity to vote

7/0/0 Passed

Motion#2 (2/16/13): M/S: Donna H (Alt Web Servant) Mary R (Literature)

To move \$350.00 from literature conference line item to Web Servant hosting maintenance line item to pay annual hosting fee to Image Works

Intent: to be financially responsible and pay our bills

OUT OF ORDER

Motion#3 (2/16/13): M/S: Joey C (Treasurer) Beverly H (GWA-RCM)

To move \$159.21 from Literature Committee line items \$72.09 copies, \$11.82 supplies, \$24.30 postage, \$51.00 PO Box

Intent: to balance Literature committee budget line items per RSC policy

7/0/0 Passed

Motion#4 (2/16/13) M/S Mary R (Literature) Donna H (Alt Web Servant)

To move a total of \$96.67 from the literature conference line item to the following items copies-\$9.55, 11.82 supplies, \$24.30 postage, \$51.00 PO Box

Intent: to be financially responsible

OUT OF ORDER

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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The Meeting closed at 5:30pm.

Love to Serve NA,
Mary H.

Connecticut Region of N.A. Activities Calendar



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GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATION (THE ABC'S OF NA)

ASC – Area Service Committee
BOD – Board of Directors (for the CRCC, Inc. – Connecticut Regional Convention Corporation)
BT – Basic Text
CAR – Conference Agenda Report
CAT – Conference Approval Track material
CBDM – Consensus Based Decision Making
CCA – Central Connecticut Area
CTRCNA – Connecticut Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous
CTRSCNA – Connecticut Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous
FIPT – Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust
GDA – Greater Danbury Area
GHA – Greater Hartford Area
GLS (GTLS) – A Guide to Local Services in Narcotics Anonymous
GNHA – Greater New Haven Area
GWA – Greater Waterbury Area
GWSNA (GTWS) – A Guide to World Services in Narcotics Anonymous
H&I – Hospitals & Institutions
IW: H&W – It Works: How & Why (Green & Gold)
JFT – Just for Today daily meditation book
MARLCNA – Mid-Atlantic Regional Learning Conference
MRLE – Multi-Regional Learning Event
MSUA – Mid-State Unity Area
NEZF – North East Zonal Forum
OTA – Out to the Area
OTF – Out to the Fellowship
PI/PL – Public Information & Phone Line
PR – Public Relations
RCM – Regional Committee Member
RD – Regional Delegate
RDA – Regional Delegate Alternate
RSC – Regional Service Committee
SFCA – Southern Fairfield County Area
SWG – Step Working Guides
TVA – Tunxis Valley Area
USA – United Shoreline Area
WSO – World Service Office
WSR – Writing Steps for Recovery