

Bryan D. opened the meeting AT 7:36p.m. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The 12 Traditions and the 12 Concepts were read. Attendance: 14 voting GSR/AGSR's were present.

OPEN FORUM:

Don N. announced that ***Grow With The Glow*** will be celebrating its 27th anniversary on January 28th from 5-8:30pm at the Noank Baptist Church, 18 Cathedral Heights in Noank, CT. There will be a candlelight buffet, music and meeting.

Frank P. announced that fliers for New Years Eve event need to be amended.

Angel N. announced that ***Day at a Time Group*** in Mansfield has folded until further notice.

Don N. announced that fliers for the ***Grow With The Glow*** anniversary meeting are available on the flier table.

Gail S. asked about removing ***Day at a Time Group*** from the schedule. Since they are part of the Hartford Area, they will have to deal with that.

Howard O. brought up issue of errors in the regional schedule and asking region to set up an ad hoc to improve the schedule editing process.

Jill T. stated that this was just discussed at last regional meeting, is in the RCM report, and is being addressed.

Bob M. suggested Howard should bring this to his group rather than directly to area.

Rose J. announced a new meeting in Willimantic. It is a Woman's Step Meeting.

Sheila B. asked if she is ad hoc chair for Spiritual Weekend or if she should be discussing it in open forum.

Jill T. informed that she was putting meeting schedule forms out with fliers and reports.

Gwen L. asked if a new group can be added to the schedule.

John F. announced that ***Great To Be Straight Group*** is hosting NA's Got Talent the 3rd Sunday of every month through the winter from 3pm-6:30pm at Roger's Lake Clubhouse 75 Rogers Lake Trail, Old Lyme.

Bob M. asked if we have an area policy regarding specialty meetings. We do not.

Paul P. asked for clarification regarding representing more than one group.

Gail S. stated that there is no policy stating that 1 person can't vote for multiple groups.

Bryan D. asked if anyone was representing ***Miracles Happen Here*** or ***We Do Recover***.

Don N. stated that something needs to be done, as both of these groups are still listed on the schedule, but they are no longer being held.

Gail S. stated that the groups are actively seeking a new meeting place.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Secretary: Pete C. read last month's minutes. Accepted, passed

Vice-Chair: Bryan D. read report. Accepted, passed

Bryan announced that he is moving out of state and that Vice Chair will be vacant as of tonight.

Treasurer: Dwight T. read report. Accepted, passed

R.C.M.: Jill T. read report. Accepted, passed

Gail S. added that RDs asked if areas want to host a presentation on our service structure. We can request a presentation if we want one.

Don N. stated booklet is confusing and presentation can answer questions.

Bob M. asked possibility of presentation coinciding with regional service committee meeting since it is currently being hosted in our area.

Gail S. stated that presentation can be made to more than one area at once. More info to come.

H. & I.: Lisa W. read report. Accepted, passed

P.I./P.L.: Mike R. read report. Accepted, passed

Literature: Steve B. read report. Accepted, passed

Spiritual Weekend: OTF ; **Sheila B.** informed the area body that Spiritual Weekend contract with Ender's Island is not in the area's name, but rather simply in NA name. We can cancel up to 60 days prior to the event, but the deposit is non-refundable. Tony from ***Pure and Simple Group*** in Wethersfield, CT told Sheila that they do not have money for the deposit, but they can cover the operating cost, and are willing to host the event.

Activities: Angela M. read report. Accepted, passed

Balance info is soon to come.

Area web page Ad Hoc: Bob M. had no report.

Motions were submitted by the ad hoc.

OLD BUSINESS: ELECTIONS;**Alternate Treasurer OTF****ASC Chair**

Jill T. was nominated by **Don N.** She declined.

Sheila B. was nominated by **Bob M.** She declined.

OTF

Activities Chair

Angela M. was nominated by the **Activities Committee.** She accepted, qualified and was voted in.

Spiritual Weekend Chair OTF**Regional Committee Member**

Gail S. was nominated by **Bob M.** She accepted, qualified and was voted in.

Public Information and Phonenumber Chair

OTF

OLD BUSINESS: MOTIONS;

Motion 2- (from June) **regarding looking into a new bank for ASC treasury: This motion had been tabled to December ASC, but was apparently overlooked. Should be reopened at January ASC.**

Motion 1- (from November) That the chair submit EIN form so the USANA service committee obtain an EIN number for banking.

Bryan D. asked **Gail S.** to acquire an EIN number on behalf of our area. She accepted the task and will report back in January.

NEW BUSINESS;

Motion 1- To have the area secretary send all USANA business deemed necessary by the area body to the regional webservant. (underlined words were modified for clarity. Original motion read, "To have the area secretary input all USANA business deemed necessary by the area body onto the regional website.")

Intent- To have the info smoothly put online. We don't see a need for a separate position at this time.

Maker- Bob M.- Ad hoc chair

Outcome- Tabled to groups (policy change)

Motion 2- That an addict only be allowed to vote once on motions that haven't been sent to groups.

Intent- To not let any addict have more than one vote on matters which don't have group conscience.

Maker- Bob M.- Ad hoc chair

Outcome- Tabled to groups (policy change)

Motion 3- To have the area secretary send monthly, approved area minutes, monthly calendar of events to the regional webservant to be posted to USANA section of regional website. (underlined words were modified for clarity. Original motion read, "To have the area secretary input monthly, approved area minutes, monthly calendar of events on to USANA section of regional website.")

Intent- To supply people with basic info of our area.

Maker- Bob M.- Ad hoc chair

Outcome- Tabled to groups (policy change)

Motion 4- To move \$100 from "copies" line item to "host region" line item in RCM budget.

Intent- To cover cost of hosting region.

Maker- Gail S.- Alt RCM

Outcome- passed 14-0-0

Motion 5- Create an ad hoc to work on how best to distribute CAR reports and make that method policy.

Intent- To do a better job of distributing the reports. The old method of addicts passing them among each other to different groups has not worked well the last 2 years.

Maker- Bob M., Ad hoc chair

Outcome- failed 3-6-5

Gail S. announced that CAR reports are available online to all.

Motion 7- End USANA affiliation with Narcotics Anonymous Spiritual Weekend.

Intent- Prevent executive committee from unnecessary burden.

Maker- Sheila B.- GSR for ***End of the Road Group***

Outcome- Tabled to groups (policy change)

Motion to proceed past 9pm passed.

Motion 8- Transfer \$1000 of Spiritual Weekend account to ***Pure and Simple Group*** for 2012 contract deposit.

Intent- Enable Spiritual Weekend to continue and ***Pure and Simple Group*** to provide trusted servants.

Maker- Sheila B.- GSR for ***End of the Road Group***

Outcome- tabled for 30 days

NEW BUSINESS; ELECTIONS; None

AGENDA;

Jill T. stated that allowing one addict to vote for 2 or more groups is not in keeping with our way of doing things.
Discussion followed.

Motion to Close at 9:23pm

Next Area Service Committee meeting is January 8th, 2012.

Alternate RCM is now OTF.

Also: Alt Treasurer, Chair, Vice Chair, Spiritual Weekend Chair, PIPL chair, all are OTF.

In Loving Service,

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