

USANA Minutes

March 2, 2014

Park Congregational Church, 283 Broadway, Norwich

Vickie M., Area vice chair, opened at 7:30 pm with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. 16 voting GSRs and alt-GSRs were counted at start of meeting

Open Forum:

Cheryl G., Activities subcommittee chairwoman, announced the subcommittee will hold a Café NA event, on April 19 from 7 to 10 p.m., at Rogers Lake clubhouse in Old Lyme, following the Connecticut Region service committee meeting. The event, with a \$5 admission, is a fundraiser for the activities committee.

Bill B. announced that the Outer Limits group, which meets Wednesday nights at 7:30 p.m. at Grace Methodist Church, Park Street, Westerly will celebrate its 1-year anniversary with a special celebration meeting on March 12 starting at 7 p.m. Speaker, food, fun, fellowship.

Elizabeth E. announced that the Basically Lit group will conduct a fundraiser dinner/ speaker meeting on April 26 at 6 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church, 300 Washington St., Middletown, Conn. Raising funds for a history of NA conference planned for September.

Executive Committee Reports

Secretary minutes:

Dale F., read Vicki M.'s minutes. Motion to accept (Bill B/Don N). Passed 14-0-0

Vice Chair Report

No report.

Treasurer Report

Gail S. read report. Ending balance: \$1200, which is prudent reserve. Passed 15-0-0

Subcommittee Reports

Literature Report

Elizabeth read report as Penny M., committee chair, and James M., committee vice chair were absent. Passed 16-0-0.

Activities Report

Cheryl G. read report. The committee is looking into a new meeting space with cheaper rent. Keepin It Green fundraiser scheduled for March 16, 2-6 p.m. Rogers Lake clubhouse, Old Lyme. Admission is \$7, food, f & f. Event is a fundraiser for the committee. Report passed 16-0-0.

RCM Report

Howard read report. Regional meeting was cancelled due to snow storm. Tally sheets for GSRs to record votes on the CAR were available. The sheets should be returned, filled out to show total vote count (pros and cons) since all votes, not just yes or no, are recorded. An assembly, for members who did not yet vote on the CAR, will be conducted at 6 p.m. on April 6 at Park Congregational Church, 283 Broadway, Norwich, just before the Area meeting. Report passed. 15 in favor 0 opposed, 1 abstention.

H&I

Sheila read report. Sheila's term as chairwoman has expired. Position is out to the fellowship.
Passed 15-0-0

PR

Mike gave report. Poster drive planned for April or May. Preston Middle School would like us to again participate in its Annual Awareness day on May 8. Four 45 minute workshops. Anyone interested in talking to 6th-8th graders talk to Mike or another subcommittee member. Passed 16-0-0

GSR Orientation Ad-hoc Committee

Vicki gave an overview of changes made to the orientation guide and made recommendation on budgeting for copies of the guide. Report passed 16-0-0

New Business:

Welcome all new GSRs and Alternates.

- Keith T. GSR Great To Be Straight
- Chris A. Alt GSR Three Steps Forward
- Shaheed T New Beginnings
- Brittany A. Alt GSR Live the Steps or Die

WELCOME!!

Old Business

Elections:

- USANA Area Service Committee coffeemaker:
- Kylie nominated and elected (clean time requirement waived)
Alt –RCM: No nominations or volunteers. Position remains OTF.
Policy Facilitator: No nominations or volunteers. Position remains OTF.

Motions

Motion 1: Regional Budgets

Motion Passed: 15-0-0

Motion 2: RCM budget

Motion Passed: 15-0-0

Alex stepped down as Policy Facilitator and the position is now OTF.

Motion 3: GSR Orientation Guide

Motion Passed: 14-0-1

New Business

PR flyer to be approved:

15-0-0. Approved.

Café NA flyer

15-0-0 approved.

Positions OTF: Policy Facilitator, Coffee Maker and Alternate RCM, H&I chairperson, Area treasurer, Convention BOD seat.

Motion 1: To change policy that any request to “table to groups” made by a GSR or alt, which has a valid 2nd, be automatically tabled to groups without the need to vote on that request.

Intent: To allow GSRs to effectively know and carry out the conscience of those they serve.

Maker: Three Steps Forward Group; Second: Keith T. (Great to be Straight)

Motion failed by 8-3-1 vote because 2/3 majority required for policy changes.

Motion 2: To have a GSR orientation meeting at 7 p.m., for new GSRs who desire it, run by the policy facilitator.

Intent: To help GSRs learn their position.

Passed 14-1-0.

Motion to close: Bill B/Don N.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

The next Area Service meeting is scheduled for April 6.

In loving service,

Dale F.