

USANA Minutes

May 4, 2014

Park Congregational Church, 283 Broadway, Norwich

Glen A., Area chair, opened at 7:30 p.m. with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts.

16 voting GSRs and alt-GSRs were counted at start of meeting

Open Forum:

Bob C. announced that he was circulating a flier announcing that the Living Clean Group, which meets Tuesday nights from 7 to 8 p.m. at Saint Ann's Episcopal Church, 82 Shore Road (Route 156), Old Lyme will meet outdoors from June – September, depending on conditions.

Don N., secretary of the Chelsea Group, which meets in the same location as the USANA Area Service Committee, announced that he was submitting a motion asking the ASC to pay for half the cost of a replacement coffee maker machine. The ASC uses the group's machine for its monthly meetings.

Cheryl announced that the Living Group, which meets from 6 to 7 p.m. on Sundays at First Congregational Church, 66 Union St., New London will celebrate its anniversary on May 25.

Executive Committee Reports

Secretary minutes:

Dale F., USANA Area Service Committee secretary, read minutes. **Don N.** said that he had obtained one of two missing keys for the ASC. Motion to accept minutes. Passed 15-0-0

Vice Chair Report

Vicki reported that she had made two changes to the Area schedule. Passed 15-0-0.

Treasurer Report

Joel T. read report. Ending balance: \$1,166.89, which is \$33.11 below prudent reserve. The cost of hosting Region was mistakenly charged to the RCM's current budget rather than his budget from the previous fiscal year. The error will be corrected. Joel asked committee chairs to notify him of expenses that come in toward the end of the fiscal year so that he applies them to the proper year. Report passed 15-0-0.

Subcommittee Reports

Activities Report

Cheryl G. read report. Report passed 16-0-0.

RCM Report

Howard O. read report. Region needs: Public Relations chair, Writing Steps for Recovery chair, alt. web servant, Literature chair, alt.-treasurer, convention board of directors at large member. Region is asking all area lit chairs to attend the next regional lit meeting. Report passed 15-0-0.

H&I

Sheila read report. The committee is continuing to work on revising its policies. York needs male addicts to go in; Corrigan/Radgowski needs an addict to fill the 2nd Thursday of the month;

Stonington panel coordinator is OTF; Milestone is looking for another monthly meeting . Passed 15-0-0

PR

Mike gave report. A whopping 8 addicts attended monthly meeting. A poster drive, covering Jewett City to Westerly occurred on May 3. Report passed 16-0-0.

Literature Report

Penny M. read report. Her position is OTF as she must resign due to an imminent relocation. The sub-committee has a member who is interested in serving as chairwoman. Report passed 16-0-0.

New Business:

Welcome all new GSRs and Alternates.

- **Stephanie C.**, GSR Living Clean Today
- **Kyle G.**, alt GSR HOW Group

WELCOME!!

Old Business

Elections:

No candidates for policy facilitator, alt-RCM, alt-treasurer, convention BOD

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 7 in favor 9 opposed, 0 abstentions

Motion 2:

Regional Lit budget passed 14-0-1

New Business

Living Clean group flier approved.

Activities flier approved.

Positions OTF:

policy facilitator, alt-RCM, alt-treasurer, convention BOD, Area secretary, Literature chair.

Motion 1:

To pay half the cost (\$20) of a new coffee pot for the Chelsea Group, which had to buy a new one recently.

Intent: To be financially responsible and continue to have coffee at Area Service every month.

Maker: Don N., How Group.

Motion passed 14 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstentions.

Motion 2:

To create a state of Connecticut regional service schedule that can be sold with the other IPs. Would include where region meets and all service committee.

Intent: To keep addicts informed on the many ways they can get involved and give back. Not everyone has internet service and the availability of information is extremely hard to come by. Many subcommittees are in need of support.

Maker: Howard O., RCM (tabled from Region)

Motion failed : 0 in favor, 14 opposed, 2 abstentions.

Motion 3: (This was tabled to groups)

For Connecticut Region to be financially committed to hosting the Northeast Zonal Forum at a cost of no more than \$2,000.

Intent: To host the Northeast Zonal forum.

Maker: Howard O, RCM (tabled from region)

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

The next Area Service meeting is scheduled for June 1

In loving service,

Dale F.