USANA Minutes
May 3, 2015
Park Congregational Church, 283 Broadway, Norwich

Mike R., Area chair opened at 7:30 p.m. with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts.
15 voting GSRs and alt-GSRs were counted at start of meeting

Open Forum:
Bob C., policy facilitator, noted the Activities Subcommittee has it policy on line on the regional website and said our other subcommittees should as well. He also asked whether the area should consider making the minimum number of groups required to establish quorum higher than the current 14 since the area has quite a few more groups now than when the 14 quorum number was established.

Cheryl G., activities subcommittee chairwoman, reminded all of the subcommittee chair people that their attendance at the Luau/Learning Day, June 20, from 12 to 4 p.m. at Washington Park, Groton, is desired. Also, the kickball/volley ball event is coming up on July 19 from noon to 8 p.m., same location.

Carl H., Great to Be Straight alt-GSR, announced his group will be celebrating its 31rst anniversary on Aug. 6 (Sunday) from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Rogers Lake Club House, 75 Rogers Lake Trail, Old Lyme. Food, fun, and fellowship are predicted.

Executive Committee Reports
Secretary minutes:
Dale F., USANA Area Service Committee secretary, read minutes. Passed 17-0-0

Vice Chair Report
No report. Position is vacant.

Treasurer Report
Glen A. gave report. We are at our prudent reserve of $1,200. Asked all GSRs to fill money orders out completely otherwise making deposits at the bank is difficult. No additional information yet on the mysterious deposits that Joel T., former treasurer, mentioned in April. Glen will be ordering more meeting
schedules this month. He later added that expenditures for the learning day might bring us a little under prudent reserve. Passed 18-0-0.

Subcommittee Reports

RCM
Elizabeth, RCM, gave report on the April 18 meeting of Region. A workshop meeting on effective communication was conducted. She put in a request to have three meetings that folded in the area removed from the regional schedule. The alt-RDM’s report was not accepted because parts of it were determined to be untrue. The Hartford Area has proposed a social media policy. The proposed policy is being reviewed by the regional policy facilitator. Report passed. 16-0-0.

Activities
Cheryl G., subcommittee chairwoman, gave report. Subcommittee is planning a talent show for Set. 26. Passed 18-0-0.

Literature
Amanda H., subcommittee chairwoman, gave report. The sub-committee has recommended a candidate to succeed Amanda as chair. The candidate is expected to attend Area in June. Passed 17-0-0.

Hospitals & Institutions
Steve K., committee chairman, gave verbal report. Only three addicts attended H&I’s last meeting. With such light attendance it is difficult to get much accomplished or to have meaningful discussions. He encouraged panel facilitators and others to show up for subcommittee meetings to fulfil commitments. You are not doing NA a favor by serving, NA is doing you a favor. Also, e-mailed or texted reports are not satisfactory.

Public Relations
Cheryl G. gave the report in Katie L., chairwoman’s place.
Only three addicts attended the April mail out. A poster drive was conducted today (May 3). The following positions are out to the fellowship: sub-committee vice-chair, secretary, and phone line coordinator. Passed 17-0-0.

New GSRs and alt-GSRs:
Vicki M., GSR, Grow With the Glow; Chris R., GSR Chelsea Group; Lee S. alt-GSR, Saturday Night Fever; Aldo P., GSR Keep It Simple; Don B. GSR Living Clean Group; Joe B. Five and Dime Group GSR. Welcome.

Old Business:
Motion 1: Regional H&I budget
Intent: To be fiscally responsible. Approved 12 in favor, 0 opposed, 4 abstentions.

Elections:
- Dale F. nominated and elected as USANA vice-chair.
- Bob C. Nominated and elected to second term as policy facilitator

The USANA needs trusted servants for the following position:

Area secretary.
Area alt- treasurer.
Literature subcommittee chair.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

The next Area Service meeting is scheduled for June 7, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at Park Congregational Church, Broadway, Norwich.

In loving service,
Dale F.