

USANA Minutes

Aug 2, 2015

Park Congregational Church, 283 Broadway, Norwich

Mike R., Area chair opened meeting 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:

Amanda H., announced Grow With the Glow needs support

Amanda H., made the ASC aware that money orders for Literature must be signed, please.

Tamara E., announced a new Westerly meeting "Therapeutic Value". Fri night 7:00 – 8:00. Childcare is available with advance notice.

Executive Committee Reports

Secretary minutes:

Jill T., Area Secretary, read minutes.

Correction to Don N last initial.

Passed 17-0-0

Vice Chair Report

Dale F., Area Vice Chair, gave verbal report.

Some corrections were received from GSRs for the Area Schedule drafts and finalized schedules will be available next ASC.

Passed 17-0-0

Treasurer Report

Glen A. Area Treasurer, read report.

USANA fund flowed 495.95 to RSC.

USANA is at prudent reserve (1200.00)

Efforts to get the signor card up to date still in progress.

The annual fee for the Groton PO Box was paid.

The Group Donations portion of the Treas. Rpt is coming along and next month should reflect previous months donations back to when Glen took over.

Passed 17-0-0

Subcommittee Reports

Hospitals & Institutions

Absent

Public Relations

Amanda H. PR Chair, verbal report.

All is well, nothing new

Passed 17-0-0.

Literature

Aile H. Literature Chair, read report.

Lit order was delayed at WSO as they are behind. Medallions were obtained for groups.

Passed 17-0-0.

Activities

Cheryl G., subcommittee chair, read report.

Kickball Cookout was a success.

Please buy advance tickets for Volleyball Cookout on Aug 9.

Talent show for Set. 26, please sign up on Sept 12 at St James Church or contact committee member.

Thanksgiving Marathon will be held Nov 25. GSR's need to bring back group commitments to take marathon time slot. Lottery for slots to be held Oct 4th at ASC. Passed 17-0-0.

RCM Report

Elizabeth E., Area RCM and Al D., Area Alt RCM, gave verbal report. Regional minutes were summarized. Regional Motion #1 was withdrawn and replaced new motion (see new business).

Passed 17-0-0.

New GSRs and alt-GSRs:

Tamara E. Secretary for Therapeutic Value. **Welcome!**

Old Business:

None

Elections:

None

All USANA trusted servant's positions are filled!

New Business:

Agenda

None

New Business

Regional Motion 1 (July-15) – the CTRSC (defined as Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Regional Delegate, Alternate Delegate, any and all subcommittees and subcommittee chairs included Public Relations, H&I, WSR, any and all ad-hoc committees, Executive Director of CRCC, Inc., Policy Facilitator, and any (WSC Nominees) not use any form of social media in providing NA services (services defined as all duties and responsibilities for trusted servants and subcommittees as set forth in CTRSC Policy)

Intent – The intent is that we be in spiritual conscience with the principle of anonymity expressed in the 11th Tradition and consistent with the 2nd Concept which states the final responsibility and authority for NA Services rest with the groups.

Maker – Middletown, 2nd Hartford

Outcome – Tabled to Groups for 60 days

MUCH discussion ensued as to the meaning and purpose of this motion and what follows are points made by addicts.

Don N asked why did region withdraw the motion when it was already out to groups for vote?

Tad V questioned what constitutes social media?

Aile H asked if email is considered social media?

Al D repeated that this applies to regional trusted servants only

Bill B suggested that the language is vague and asked 'where are the boundaries'?

Al D asked if last month's motion was discussed at the groups? Gsr's responded "yes"

Bill B expressed his opinion that the motion is in violation of traditions, that we need more definitive language.

Dale F. expressed that last month's discussion pertains to social media: not email, not closed Goggle Groups.

Mark Q asked if World has a social media policy?

Don N suggested we think about the future and future social media sites.

Bill B suggested that this should be addressed on an individual basis instead of legislating solutions, asked if we can send motion back to region?

Jill T expressed that motion is on the table and GSR's can inform groups of pros and cons in order to vote.

Glen A suggested we ask RCM to take our concerns back to RSC.

Area Motion 1 (8-2-15) – That the Area Service and all it's Sub Committees hold a 2nd Learning Day at the Activities Thanksgiving Marathon and that all remaining Sub Committee's Learning Day moneys be donated to Activities Committee to hold this event.

Intent – In keeping with area policy to hold 2 Learning Days each year and to get our message out to newcomers.

Maker – Don N (HOW Group), 2nd Bill B (Outer Limits)

Outcome – Tabled to groups for 30 days

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

The next Area Service meeting is scheduled for Aug 2, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at Park Congregational Church, Broadway, Norwich.

In loving service, Jill T.