

Park Congregational Church, 283 Broadway, Norwich

Dale F., Area Vice Chair opened meeting at 7:30 p.m. with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts.

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

Open Forum:

Vicki C., GSR, asked if we could discuss the motion re: regional schedules which is scheduled to be voted on at tonight's ASC. Asked if the out dated schedules were being gotten rid of as new printings were acquired?

Dale F. responded that schedules were being purchased every other month and old ones were disposed of.

Vicki asked why this was never an issue before and was told that it has been the same situation for a while.

Vicki C., GSR, asked if "Sisters In Recovery" has folded as no one has been representing them. Discussion continued re: the need to update the Regional Schedule and On-Line Schedule with a new location (1st Baptist Church, 268 State St, New London) for the following groups:

NA in the Day, Saturday Night Fever, New Beginnings & Sesame Street.

Don N. reminded us that the On-Line changes can be emailed to the Web Servant by any group member and the paper schedule updates are to be arranged through the RCM.

Sheila B., addict, asked that "Reaching Out" pamphlets be handed to H&I representative and not put out on table. Further discussion directed Lit Chair to please pick up any flyers left over at close of ASC. Can be brought back following month if they are not out dated.

Executive Committee Reports Secretary minutes:

Jill T., Area Secretary, read minutes.

Passed 19-0-0

Vice Chair Report

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

Signor card is up to date at Charter Oak Bank!

Dale along with Aile, Mike and James gave presentation at Thanksgiving Marathon Learning Day

New scheules are available.

Passed 19-0-0

Treasurer Report

Glen A. Area Treasurer, read report.

Prior to reading Glen commented re: the surplus schedules, the difficulty with the yearly transition of trusted servants being added to Charter Oak signer card and that he feels it would be helpful for future Treasurer to have more substantial coaching beyond just receiving the "cheat sheet" he was given when he assumed the Treasurer position and to perhaps put into policy who takes care of updating the signer card at the bank.

Report: USANA fund flowed 412.29 to RSC. USANA is at prudent reserve. Passed 19-0-0

RCM Report

Al D., Alt RCM, gave synopsis of Regional minutes as report.

OTF: Chair, Vice Chair, Alt Treasurer, WSR Chair, Alt Web Servant, Schedule Facilitator, TVA BOD.

Region is in dire need of trusted servants this past month an RCM chaired the meeting

Al D reported that he had volunteered to chair RSC next month and as such would not be able to represent USA and needed volunteer to perform the RCM duties.

Discussion of the failed Regional Motion #4 (not fund RD & ARD attendance to MERLE in Maine) ASC wanted clarification of what MRLE is: Multi Regional Learning Event. Passed 19-0-0.

Subcommittee Reports

Hospitals & Institutions

Steve K., H&I Chair, verbal report. Report was email to ASC Secretary

New regional H&I Chair – Jimmy C

Time change being worked on in order to serve Brooklyn Jail

Corrigan needs support

Scadd PC still OTF.

York Men's minimal attendance due to conflict with rec and visits – hoping for time chg

York West needs support. New PC Sheila B.

GSRs - PLEASE ANNOUNCE H&I needs support

Passed 19-0-0

Katie L. PR Chair, absent, no report.

Literature

Aile H., Literature Chair, read report.

\$510.62 spent on literature last month and \$184.80 was spent on 11 CAR reports (which are also available on-line at www.na.org/conference and also includes the approval draft of *Guiding Principles: The Spirit of Our Traditions*, as an addendum to this CAR). Passed 19-0-0.

Activities

Cheryl G., Activities Chair, read report.

Thanked USA for helping to make the Thanksgiving Marathon a success.

New Year's Eve Pot Luck and Speaker Jam to take place Dec 31 8:00 – Midnight at St James Episcopal Church, 76 Federal St., New London.

Cheryl announced that the Activities committee has recommended her for Activites chair.

Katie L is the new committee Vice Chair and Don N is the new committee Secretary.

Don N relayed that any new ideas and members are VERY welcome at the committee.

Some new activities are being discussed include a Halloween bus trip to Salem MA and a holiday bus trip to NYC. Passed 19-0-0

New GSRs and alt-GSRs:

Jeff M., GSR Keep It Simple. **Welcome!**

Jose B., GSR Miracles Happen Here. **Welcome!**

Jared C., Alt GSR Keep It Simple. **Welcome!**

Natasha M., GSR Three Steps Forward. **Welcome!**

Keith T., Alt GSR Great to be Straight. **Welcome!**

Old Business:

Motion 1: Have Area Treasurer buy Regional Schedules as needed, but at least quarterly

Intent: To be financially responsible

Maker: Glen A (Treasurer)

2nd: Bill B (Outer Limits)

Passed 17-0-1

Elections: .

Activities Chair - Cheryl G. was presented as the recommendation from the Activities Committee as a nomination for another year as USANA Activities Chair

Tad V. was also nominated and respectfully declined. Cheryl was voted in.

RCM – Al D. was voted in as RCM

Coffee Maker – Jeff M. volunteered and was voted in as Coffee Maker

OTF: Alt RCM

New Business

Motion 1: Literature inventory should be on hand for purchase and acceptance by groups at area each month. Special and/or excessive inventory orders can be ordered at current month and fulfilled the next month.

Intent: To carry the message and serve the addict.

Maker: Bill B (Outer Limits)

2nd: Vicki M (Live the Steps or Die)

After much discussion Acting Chair asked Lit Chair to consider the motion for 30 days

Some pros and cons:

Pros: Bill B – it was easier the old way and is do-able.

Cons: Dwight T – there was a lot of theft

Comment: Dale F. – discussion should pertain to our directing how a sub-committee should perform their job

Agenda

Al D. asked ASC what we did as far as providing food at the last USA CAR Workshop.

We will be supplying up to \$100.00 for pizza, however this cost might be covered by the Region CAR workshop is scheduled for Jan 3rd from 4-7 at Park Congregational Church, 283 Broadway, Norwich.

Meeting adjourned at 8:41p.m.

The next Area Service meeting is scheduled for Jan 3, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at Park Congregational Church, 283 Broadway, Norwich.

In loving service, Jill T.