

# USANA Minutes November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017

## **Park Congregational Church 283 Broadway Norwich, CT**

**Dale F., Area Chair**, Opened the meeting at 7:30pm with a Moment of Silence and the Serenity Prayer. The 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts of NA were read. There were 23 voting GSRs and Alternate GSRs present.

**Dale F., Area Chair** –Spoke to the Pastor of the church, who confirmed that Area can still meet at the Park Congregational Church in Norwich even though the Chelsea Group can no longer meet there due to a decision of the church's board. The Pastor also mentioned that the Church is going through a transition period and their decision to not allow the Chelsea Group to meet there any more wasn't solely based on damage to the restroom. However, the damage to the restroom cost the church \$1,300.

Dale F., Area Chair – The motion from region concerning composition of the public relations subcommittee, that was discussed last month, should have been ruled out of order by Dale because the motion maker was not present at the time of the vote.

**Dale F., Area Chair** – We are having trouble getting information posted to the Region Website. This information includes, but is not limited to; Area minutes since January, Positions that are OTF and Meeting updates. We will continue to send the proper information to the Web Servant with hopes that it will be posted as soon as possible.

### **OPEN FORUM (20 Minutes)**

**Sheila B., H&I Chair** – St. Mary's church in New London is where H&I meets. The Friday night NA group that relocated from that church has not yet returned their key. If the key is not returned the church will have to change all of the locks. Please, if anyone has any information of who has the key from that meeting, please have it returned to the church as soon as possible. If the key is not returned it will be a very expensive problem for the church and it will also have a negative reflection on NA as a whole.

**Leah R., GSR** – Is the Area responsible to pay the church for the bathroom damage during the time the Chelsea Group met?

**Artie T., GSR, Great to Be Straight Group** – His group discussed it and believes that our area should either pay the entire bill or a portion of it.

**Al D, RCM** – Offered to look into whether the insurance policy for groups could pay for the damage.

**Tad V., Alt RCM** – The Chelsea Group is now meeting on Monday nights at 7:30pm-9pm at Christ Episcopal Church, 78 Washington St. Norwich, CT. The group has kept the same format.

Dale F., Area Chair – Reminded the Area that an orientation is available for new GSRs and Alternate GSRs.

**Bekkah P., Policy Facilitator** – Is available at 7:00 before any Area to orient new GSRs/Alternate GSRs. There will be an orientation at 7:00 before the next area on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Committee Reports**

**Anthony M., Area Secretary** – Read minutes from area held on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

Al D., RCM, Clarified that he had to leave area early in October due to a family emergency. Minutes passed.

**Aldo P., Area Vice Chair** – Read Vice Chair Report. There was no discussion. Report Passed.

**Steve B., Area Treasurer** – Read Treasurer's Report. Group Donations totaled \$733.49. Expenses totaled \$733.49, which includes a fund flow of \$72.81. USANA is at prudent reserve. Report Passed

**Nick S., Literature Chair** – Read Literature Report. No Discussion. Report Passed.

**Katie L., Activities Chair**- Read Activities Report. No Discussion. Report passed.

**Tad V., Alternate RCM** – Read RCM Report. There was some discussion.

**Gail S., GSR** – Our area voted to fill the BOD seat but the seat is still open?

**Tad V., Alternate RCM** – The seat is still open because the USANA BOD recommendation has not attended to be voted in at the BOD meeting.

Dale F., Area Chair – Why is region under prudent reserve?

There was some discussion after Dale's question. The donations receive from some areas in the region were light. Also, not every area has been donating. Also, the payment for the schedule order was due.

Report Passed.

**Sheila B., H&I Chair** – Read H&I Report. No discussion. Report Passed.

**Stephen A., PR Chair** – Read PR Report. No discussion. Report Passed.

### **Ad Hoc Reports**

**Bekkah P., Policy Facilitator** – Gave verbal report. The Policy Ad Hoc met at 6:30pm before area this month. There were 3 addicts in attendance. The Ad Hoc is now working on the final changes and will be drafting motions starting the next meeting.

**Aldo P., Learning Day Ad Hoc Chair** – No report.

## **New GSRs and Alternate GSRs**

Richard M. – GSR for Living Clean Group

Scott W. – Alternate GSR for Living Clean Group

Nate P. – Alternate GSR for Outer Limits Group

Tim E. – GSR for More will be Revealed Group

Hiram H. – Alternate GSR for Finding the Way Group

**Welcome and thank you for your service!!!**

## **Elections**

Dale F., Area Chair – Read the qualifications for all of the following positions:

Alternate Treasurer – OTF as there were no nominations or volunteers.

RCM – OTF for 30 days

## **Regional Motions**

Motion #2 – To change the section VI on the cover of CTRSC policy to change the wording from “within 90 days of their adoption” to “at the next RSC meeting”. See policy cover.

Intent – To keep the CTRSC informed of subcommittee policy changes in a timely manner.

Maker – SFCA Second- CCA

The Motion was tabled to areas from region.

Area voted on motion. The results were 17-0-1. The motion has passed and the USANA RCM will be voting in favor of the motion at the next Region.

Motion #3 – To Determine if the change to Region PR policy allowing anyone to vote at the Regional Subcommittee meeting after attending two meetings is valid.

Intent- To be compliant with policy.

Maker – SFCA Second – USA

This motion was tabled for 30 days at the October USANA. It was voted on at this USANA. The results were 3 – 11 – 5. The motion failed and the USANA RCM will be voting against this motion at the next region.

## **Agenda Items**

Item #1 – Would the USA area of NA like to have a workshop with the CAR report as the topic?

There was some discussion about this agenda item. It was agreed that the best time for this workshop to be held would be in February before USANA meets. Al D and Tad V volunteered to speak to the RD Troy about this workshop and also to get more information to the area. There was no vote on this as a CAR workshop is required by USANA policy.

Motion to close at 8:51pm.

**The next USANA will be held on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 at Park  
Congregational Church 283 Broadway Norwich, Ct.**

Thank you all for allowing me to be of service!

In Loving Service,

Anthony M.