



Greater Waterbury Area Service Committee

October 9, 2017 Area Meeting Minutes

Meeting opened by Bette at 1903 with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. 12 Traditions read by Devon. 10th Concept passed around and read aloud.

No newcomers came forward.

Discussion: Roland posed the query as to how we can make area and service work more attractive to others in the area, and how can we make the area less divided.

Joyce R. stated she was chair of Hotels and Hospitality at the Convention and is looking for addict support for the hug squad at the Convention.

Bette stated that our Area Webservant had to step down from his commitment.

Number of voting GSRs: 14

September minutes read by Vanessa. Motion to accept made by Millissa 2nd by Lisa. Passed 14-0-0.

Chair Report: Bette was re-elected as Area Chair in September. September minutes were taken by Bette due to the absence of the Secretary due to work constraints. Webservant Ryan B. had to stepdown from the commitment. \$180.00 rent paid to Thomaston Savings Bank was donated to Watertown Food and Fuel Bank. A thank you letter was received and read aloud by Bette.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer absent, report read by Mike Q.

Public Relations: Chair absent, report read by Ryan

1930: GSR arrived making total number of voting GSRs 15

RCM Report: Read by Cameron. Motion to accept made by TamiJo, 2nd by Chuck. Vote:14-0-1.

Vice Chair Report: Mike Q attended Policy, campout, and H&I subcommittee meetings in September. All subcommittees are in need of addict support. Treasurer's report read by Mike and has checkbook if any checks need to be written. No vote d/t Michelle not being present and it is considered a verbal report.

H&I Vice Chair Report: Vice chair absent, but report was read by Vanessa. No vote-verbal report.

Literature Chair Report: Millissa has no report ready due to the fact that she just returned from vacation and did not attend the subcommittee meeting. Orders were filled and brought to ASC meeting by Millissa. Chuck Z. vice chair stated there were seven addicts in attendance at the last literature subcommittee meeting.

Policy Chair: Ryan stated that 4 motions were found in documents. These motions were passed but never made it into policy. Ryan read the motions, there are 2 that the policy subcommittee had questions on. Jason asked why not just put the motions up on the website. Mike Q stated we could make a motions addendum on the website, but policy is in the midst of being reviewed.

Campout: Tom M had verbal report. Met on 9/18, 4 addicts in attendance, discussed setup and planning of picnic on 9/23. Only 3 commitments are filled. Next meeting is on 10/16 at Thomaston Savings Bank in Harwinton 7pm-9pm. Bob raised the question if the campout made money. Final campout report is due in November, so more will be known next month.

Events Committee: Written report passed around by Joyce R. Chair and vice chair OTF. They will be making a donation to Area of \$425.00. They meet the 1st Monday of the month from 6pm-7:15pm at Barnes and Noble in Waterbury. Motion to accept made by Millissa, 2nd by TamiJo. Vote 15-0-0.

Webservant: OTF

Elections: RCM OTF x 30 days. Events chair, H & I chair, Campout Chair, and Webservant all OTF.

Old Business: None

Next ASC meeting will be on 11/13/17 at Thomaston Savings Bank, 203 Main St Terryville.

Agenda: Roland: How do we make ASC and service work more attractive to addicts? Bob: don't talk badly about service work. Promote the positives. It seems that there is "a few doing for the many." Promote events and service work at meetings. If people don't step up, then events won't happen. Jason: Length of commitment at Area may be too long. This is a just for today program. TamiJo: make it so that sponsees are required to do service work. Offer free food. That always gets people to come out. Ryan: form a subcommittee joint venture to promote service work, but don't promote it as a learning day. Dave: area groups need to come together. There seems to be a disconnect between groups in our area, such as inner-city groups vs. the groups in the outskirts. It is felt that the excuse that no one wants to go to a meeting in the hood is invalid. It didn't matter where you went to get high, so why does it matter where you go to a meeting. Donna H: promotion needs to happen in the groups. There seems to be too much of personalities before principles. Everyone needs to come together for the greater good of the fellowship. Bette: Bring this information back to groups and promote Area Service work. The subject of ad hoc standing marathon committee was one of the old motions found by policy committee. Motion was made to table until more was known whether or not the events committee wants to take on that ad hoc or can we dissolve it.

Group reports were read. Motion to accept made by TamiJo 2nd by Jason. Vote: 15-0-0.

Motion to close made by Chuck at 8:50pm. 2nd by Jason. Meeting closed with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

As always. In loving service;

Vanessa T.

ASC Secretary