Southern Fairfield County Area of Narcotics Anonymous
Minutes of Meeting Held on March 20, 2019

- Meeting called to order by Chairperson at 6:34pm. Opened with the Serenity Prayer.
- 3rd Concept read by Frank L.
- Welcome New GSRs:
  - Janice M. – Same Meeting New Day
  - Annette E. – Courage to Change
  - Truman S. – Open Arms
  - Mike P. – There is Hope
- Welcome new visitors:
  - Fanny A. – Recovery on Park
- **Roll Call:** 16 GSRs present at 6:40 pm.

**Open Forum**
No Discussion

**Administrative Committee Reports**

1. **Secretary Report** (Reading of prior months ASC meeting minutes)
   - Submitted and read by Gerry T.
   - **Motioned to accept:** Bill B., 2nd by Tali R. 16/0/0

2. **Chair report** - Submitted verbally by RJS
   - **Motioned to accept:** Bill B., 2nd by Tali R. 16/0/0

3. **Vice-Chair Report** - Submitted and read by Doug B

   I spoke with the PR sub-committee vice chair. No issues to report but we did discuss the absence of a Chair and his willingness to volunteer for the Chair position. Spoke with the Literature chair as well and no issues or concerns since our last meeting. I Reached out to the H&I chair and Activities Chair as well and did not hear back from either one. I did not speak with the Policy Chair, but I did plan on attending the monthly policy committee meeting prior to our meeting today. Also, I was in touch with other executive committee members throughout the month and assisted the treasurer with generating his report.

   - **Motioned to accept:** Cisco, 2nd by Tali R. 16/0/0

4. **Treasurer’s Report** - submitted and read by Kevin C

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Motioned to accept: Angel L., 2nd by Janice M. 16/0/0

5. **RCM Report** - Absent

0/0/0

**Subcommittee Reports**

1. **Policy**: Submitted and read by Jerome R

I continue reviewing and familiarizing myself with the current 2018 AFCASC Policy Manual. The Committee met and reviewed the current ASC Policy Manual. I am in the process of redlining the manual and developing motions to address areas in need of revising. I am proposing to submit motions at the April ASC meeting for adoption.

I am requesting that GSR’s inform their Groups that the Policy Resource Committee is seeking Addicts to participate on the Committee.

2. **Hospitals & Institutions**: Submitted and read by Bob M

I attended the H&I subcommittee meeting held here at the Saugatuck Congregation on February 24th, the last Sunday of the month. We meet at 7pm. Our SFCA H&I positions are fulfilled.

I attended the regional H&I meeting in New Britain on March 6th. Most AREAS were in representation. Schedules have been replenished for SFCNA H&I and will be stamped and distributed to our presentations.

Much discussion has been taking place regarding MAT/ORT at Regional H&I. Collectively we are seeking assistance from Region/World to provide all H&I AREAS with a standardized NA statement regarding MAT/ORT for potential addicts willing to serve at H&I.

We currently have 9 presentations in local detox's and hospitals in lower Fairfield County. H&I attendance is up with a diverse committee of male/ females and willingness to serve. If interested in serving at H&I there is always needed support for addicts who are unable to get to outside meetings! Our Next meeting will be here on 3/31 @7pm sharp.

3. **Public Relations**: Submitted and read by Eric A

On Thursday, March 14th, the SFCANA PR subcommittee met for its monthly meeting. In attendance were two committee members.

The lack of attendance prohibited any new actions or discussions from taking place.

The subcommittee was not present at the Regional Public Relations meeting held in Portland, CT.

There are plans to place new literature racks in Southern Fairfield County. Two groups have expressed interest in "adopting" racks in their specific areas. These groups would be responsible for filling the racks after being placed by the PR subcommittee. Responsible group members would receive literature from the subcommittee so the group would not be fiscally responsible for the refills.

The subcommittee has not been able to locate a cost-effective merchant to purchase new literature racks. A discussion will take place on this topic at our next meeting in order to continue placing literature racks.

There is also a plan to organize a poster drive in the spring. A planning discussion will take place at the next subcommittee meeting.

The subcommittee's next meeting is Thursday, April 11th at 7:30 PM in Room A of the Triangle Community Center, 618 West Avenue, Norwalk, CT.

4. **GSR Liaison**: Submitted verbally by Len H
5. **Web Servant:** Submitted and read by: **Bill B**  
   The regional web servant and alternate are fixing bugs and working on increasing the efficiency of the new site. They are also in the process of creating an online form for individual groups to fill out for COI (certificate of insurance) requests.
   The first updates to NAWS from the new server with all the new meetings and changes was sent this month. Also, the next schedule printing will also reflect all corrections and new meetings.
   Last month’s Area minutes and meeting flyers have been posted to the SFCA website.

6. **Literature** - Absent  

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7. **Activities:** Submitted and read by J.D.
   
   Are in need of Trusted Servants!!! Bring your ideas and willingness so we can fan the flame of desire. Activities will meet the 2nd Tuesday and the 4th Thursday of every month @ CCAR, 35 Courtland St, BPT.
   
   **Contacts:**
   J.D. @ 443-282-7804 (Activities Chair) or Fannie A @ 347-430-6368

   Motioned to accept: Tali B, 2nd by: Cisco 16/0/0

**Question/Comments for Subcommittees**

**BOD Report** – Submitted and read by Ron B

The board did not meet on April 10th because the facility where the meeting was to be held was closed due to bad weather. The united Shoreline Area (USA), Greater Waterbury Area (GWA), Central Connecticut Area (CCA), and one At Large Board seat are OTF. We also have Technical Director and Alternate Technical Director seats open.

I met with the Executive Director and the Treasurer to finish the Final Accounting Report. After it is reviewed by the Board, it will be presented at the Regional Service Committee meeting.

**Group reports** – Read and submitted by GSR’s.
Annette announced a new group: **Recovery on Tuesday meeting @ 7pm, 41 Stillwater Ave, Stamford, CT**
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Break: 7:27

Roll Call: @ 7:37- 16 GSRs present.

Old Business:

Elections:
Alternate Treasurer-OTF
Public Relations- Erik A volunteered and was voted in as PR Chair- 16/0/0
A motion to move our meeting to the next week in the case of a cancellation was submitted by Angel L. Motion/Passed

New Business:

Learning Day Ad Hoc Committee selected:
Bill B       Elaine R
Erik A       Frankie L
Angel L      Lisa T
Mike P

Motions

Motion #1 (03/20/2019): To append ASC Policy 4.a.ii to read:
The ASC meeting may be cancelled/postponed (to a later date in the month, if resources are available) due to inclement weather or other unforeseen events.
Maker: Angel L. (Lost Then Found) 2nd by: Alex S. (By the Text)
Intent: to maintain consecutive monthly ASC meetings
Passed 8.3.1

Motion #2 (03/20/2019): To amend SFCA Policy 6.a.v -All Administrative Committee and Subcommittee Chair positions are elected by GSRs only; and only at the ASC meeting.
Maker: Jerome R. (Policy Chair) 2nd by: Bill B. (Never Alone, Never Again)
Intent: For clarification and better understanding of ASC policy
Passed 12.0.0

Motion #3 (03/20/2019): To allow Policy Resource to propose and submit policy changes to ASC
Maker: Jerome R. (Policy Chair) 2nd by:
Intent:
Passed 10.0.4

Motion #4 (03/20/2019): To amend - SFCA Policy 5.a.i - The ASC shall adopt those portions of the NA Guide to Local Services that apply to Area Service Committee except where they may be inconsistent with ASC policy
Maker: Jerome R. (Policy Chair) 2nd by: Tali R. (Success Downtown)
Intent: clarification and better understanding of ASC policy
Passed 8.0.5
Motion #5 (03/20/2019):
To amend - SFCA Policy 6.a.vi - When an ASC position becomes vacant or "open", nominations go out to the fellowship for thirty (30) days.
To read - When an ASC position becomes vacant or "open", The ASC position goes out to the fellowship for thirty (30) days.
Maker: Jerome R.  (Policy Chair) 2nd by: Tali R. (Success Downtown)
Intent: clarification and better understanding of ASC policy
Passed 10.0.4

Motion #6 (03/20/2019):
To amend - SFCA Policy 6.a.iv - All Trusted Servants, Subcommittee Chairs, and Resource Personnel of the ASC are required to be present throughout the ASC meeting.
To read - All Trusted Servants of the ASC are required to be present throughout the ASC meeting.
Maker: Jerome R.  (Policy Chair) 2nd by: Tali R. (Success Downtown)
Intent: clarification and better understanding of ASC policy
Passed 11.0.4

Motion #7 (03/20/2019):
To amend - SFCA Policy 6.b.v (3) - Reimburse Administrative Committee or Subcommittee Chairs for budgeted expenses. Reimburse Administrative, Subcommittee, Resource or Ad-hoc committee for budgeted expenses, providing a valid receipt is provided.
Maker: Jerome R.  (Policy Chair) 2nd by: Tali R. (Success Downtown)
Intent: clarification and better understanding of ASC policy
Passed 12.0.2

Motion #8 (03/20/2019): That all ASC trusted servants use the CTNA.org email address assigned to their ASC positions
Maker: Web Servant 2nd by: Tali R. (Success Downtown)
Intent: to better communicate ASC information between ASC trusted servants
Passed 12.0.0

Sharon G stepped down as Alternate RCM

There being no further business and without objection, a Motion to Close was made and seconded @ 9:00

The next ASC meeting will be on Wednesday April 17, 2019
@ Saugatuck Congregational Church, 245 Post Rd E, Westport, CT 06880
6:30pm
Thank you for allowing me to serve,
Gerry T