

**The Greater Providence Area (GPA) Service Committee of
NA**

January 28, 2007

The next meeting is February 25, 2007

Area Meeting Times:

Administration 12:00-1:30 pm
Literature Sales 1:30-3:00 pm
Subcommittees 2:00-3:00 pm
New GSR Orientation 3:15-3:30 pm
Area Service Meeting 3:30-5:30 pm

Area Service Meeting Agenda

1. Meeting called to order / Moment of silence / Service prayer
2. Reading of the Twelve Concepts
3. Introduction / Roll Call / GSR Report
4. Secretary Report
5. Treasurer Report
6. Vice-Chair Report
7. RCM Report
8. BOD Report
9. Subcommittee Reports including:
Activities, Finance, H&I, Literature, Phone Line, Policy, PI, Ad-Hoc
(Inventory Day)
10. Open Forum
11. Old Business
12. New Business
13. Motions (submit at beginning of ASC meeting)

Roll Call and GSR Reports

Groups in Attendance (18)
Total Area Meetings (57*) *Please note that this number is updated and correct as of 10/22/06 for RI meeting listed on meeting list.
(Previous months have show 62, but this was in error and based on a combination of Free Spirit, Greater Providence, and SE Mass Area meetings.)

List of GPANA Meetings as of Spring 2006 (Only RI)

Sundays

J.D.D.

Sunday Serenity/Insanity
Never Alone Again
Recovery Is More than Abstinence
Faith in Recovery
Starting Over
Dedication

Mondays

Basic Steps
Narragansett Recovery Systems
Grow or Go
Straight-Forward
Primary Purpose
Smith Hill NA
New Freedom

Tuesday

Blackstone NA
Recovery in the Country
Not High Nooners
Living Free
A Ray of Hope
We Do Recover
Road to Recovery
Positive Steps
Recovery in the Beach

Wednesday

Drug Busters
Not High Nooners
Steppin Out Wednesday Night
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans Gendered & Friends NA Group
Recovery in the Lake
Love Line
Women United
Awakenings
Straight Today

Thursday

Cross Mills NA
Better Way
Free At Last
Recovery In Johnston
Not High Nooners
Recovery at the Edge
Choose Life
The Meeting Street Meeting
Hole in the Wall
Why Are We Here
Alone No More

Friday

Recovery in the Chapel
Hope Is In the Air
Free At Last
Not High Nooners
New Associations
Gimmie Shelter
The Lie Is Dead
Traditions at the Crossroads
Late Night with NA
Clean & Serene
Welcome Home Group

Saturday

Hi Hopes
Recovery & Beyond
Opt For Life
Breakfast Club
Saturday Night Live
Keep It Simple Saturday
Surrender or Die
Sisters in Recovery
Hard Core Recovery
Saturday Nite Right

Groups that made a donation

Groups did donate but there will be no group list this month.

Groups in Attendance 18

We Do Recover
Sunday Serenity/Insanity
Faith In Recovery
LoveLine
Gays, Lesbians, Bisexual, Transgender and Friends
Meeting Street Meeting
Recovery Is More Than Abstinence
Smith Hill NA
Recovery In The Lake
Steppin Out Wednesday
Sister's In Recovery
Never Alone Again
New Associations
Hardcore
Recovery and Beyond
The Lie Is Dead
A Better Way
Surrender Or Die

Chair Report-Sully D:

Beginning discussions are under way with Free Spirit Area about the possibility of re-unification with Greater Providence Area. This idea stems from interest expressed by members of the Free Spirit Administrative Committee to me at their Area Service last week of this month.

Vice Chair-Rob S:

No report.

Secretary-Donna W.:

I was contacted by a number of members who wanted to discuss the option of getting a wireless internet service offered by Verizon. This writer will be going to Circuit City were this type of service is offered to see whether this new technology make sense for GPANA to purchase. I also discussed this with the Website Coordinator who says she will go by a Circuit City near where she lives to find out more about this herself. I will be bringing this option back to next Area Service so that we make this decision. More will be revealed. In Loving Service. Donna W.

Sub committee Reports: Please be advised, to submit a sub committee report in writing on a sub committee report forms. Your subcommittee reports are very important information. Please print so that the information is legible. The information will not be in the minutes without this process. Information on scrape paper or lined paper will not be accepted. If you have flyers please give a copy to secretary to attach to minutes because scanning is not possible to date. Please see Secretary for all forms. Please submit all sub committee forms directly to Secretary for accountability. Thank you.

Activities: Sheelah M.

No report this month.

Board of Directors: Kevin V

We had a meeting today and all is well. The BOD decided to meet every other month starting today until the Convention Committee finds a date. Our next meeting will be the fourth Sunday in March. In Loving Service, Kev V.

Finance: Susan W.

I am working on filling out application for federal tax exemption. I also need to get with our Area Treasurer to prepare our 2006 paperwork to file taxes.

In Loving Service Susan W.

H&I :Celia W.

Problems: We are in need of willing members to take on panel leader positions. A few of us have been covering commitments through out the month and are struggling. Group support is needed. Groups who take on commitments should show up for what they signed up for. Also, we are in need of members to get involve.

Committee Update: Policy Ad-Hoc Committee has started to work on policy. We now have commitments in the Women's Medium ACI and we also have a women's wing in the Wyatt Center. Please spread the work so that people can start the application process.

Announcements: Could we please start spreading the word that elections will be coming up in the next 4-5 months and panel leaders and alternate panel leaders are needed. Also, an H&I Learning Day is going to be in April, and anyone wanting to become a member of the Ad-Hoc Committee for that needs to come to the next H&I Subcommittee meeting for more details and for more information. In Loving Service Celia W.

Literature: Jim S.

Problem: Need to coordinate meeting list with Public Information. GSR's, please inform your groups to limit literature sales to one month at a time so there is not much of an "over order." We don't want meeting list left over at the end of the month. Changes are up to date this way. Please sign the order form with a contact number.

In Loving Service Jim S.

Phone Line: (Position Open) Reported by Susan W.

Things ran smoothly this month. Nothing significant to report. I have been in touch with Free Spirit Chairperson. They are also trying to fill their phone line chair position. If you know of any one that might be interested, please call me or have them call me at 438-2375.

In Loving Service Susan W.

Policy: Kim L.:

Committee Update: We met once since the last ASC meeting. Still working on completing motion lists using old copies of minutes. Once, this task has been completed, the committee will begin to address the known holes in our policy due to incomplete and inaccurate record-keeping. The subcommittee is still in the process of comparing 2 GPA GSR packets to determine differences between them, and is prepared to work with the H&I Subcommittee on reviewing and revising their policy. The issue of taking the quorum before voting was researched and settled: more information on this topic will be included in the minutes and can be found additionally in the GPA Rules of Order under the heading "vote required for adoption."

In Loving Service, Kim L.

PI: Claude J.

Problems: We have had contacts: DCYF-Prov, TriHab, Probation. All info has been misplaced so meeting list can't be sent.

Committee Update: All books went to libraries. We are working on two more libraries. All meeting lists were updated. Invoice went to Sully D. Two fliers were sent to Cox Cable to their Public Access Community Bulletin Board. They will be going on Statewide on Channel 18. By February 1st, we will be putting posters in Supermarkets. Also, we are working on a Learning Day. Region will be involved.

Announcements: PI is always looking for new committee members to join and help us serve. In Loving Service, Claude J, Robin, and Gail L

RCM: Lewis S.

Hi Family,

Do to personal problems in my life, I did not go to the last Regional Service Meeting in December, 2006. I have minutes from the Regional meeting. The next Regional Service Meeting will be hosted in Falmouth, MA, February 10 and 11 at Heritage Christian Life Center on Rt. 151 and Roxbury Hill Road. Subcommittee will meet Saturday February 10th at 12 noon to 5pm. Regional Service Meeting will be held Sunday, February 11 at 1pm to 6pm. Fliers are on the table for anyone interested in going. Also, NERC Fundraiser will be held on February 10, 2007 with a dinner, meetings and a dance. Full course meal 5:30pm to 7pm, meeting 7:15pm-8:30pm, Live Entertainment pm-11pm at Our Lady of Grace Church, 19 Nichols Street, Evesett, MA. Contact Ana at 508-427-5476. Tickets in advance \$10 at the door \$15. In Loving Service, Lewis S.

Treasurer: Paul F.

Please see attached Treasurer's Report

Convention Committee Report:

Next meeting Sunday, March 4th @12:30pm. Location has changed and is now at 6th Ward Democratic Headquarters, 957 Atwells Ave. where Sunday Serenity/Insanity meets.

Old Business

See motions sections for voting results.

New Business

- Meeting attendance sign in should be explicit with instructions so we can follow direction.
- 10% from world prices to off set H&I budget. 6% discount for paying the bill on time, and possible discount for ordering bulk? Is there a formula for supporting H&I somewhere in Policy?
- Cover phone bills and rent and other financial responsibilities.
- Donations to Area from the groups that make up the Area: Group come together to purchase literature and donate money. If we don't have enough group participation to support our Area functioning. Is it in the policy to have the groups contribute both in literature and donations. We need to get more involved in the AD-Hoc in getting groups on board to participate at the Area level.
- 57 groups in our Area, only 17 in attendance this month. Are groups under obligations to show up and help financially support the Area?
- What are the groups that don't donate their doing with it?
- All groups are autonomous; we can only make suggestions regarding fund flow. Unless they're breaking tradition, we can't say they're not able to hold NA meeting.
- 7th Tradition. Every group out to be fully self supporting. Can't direct meeting's money-handle.

Policy Change:

No policy changes discussed for voted on this month.

Open Forum: No open forum discussion this month.

Announcements

**THE GREATER PROVIDENCE AREA OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS
WEBSITE web.gpana.org**

If you have an NA related Event or Group Anniversary and would like to have it posted on the website, contact the Web Coordinator, Gail L. web@gpana.org or 401-954-6642

Welcome Home Group

George Hunt Center
Mathewson Street
Providence, RI
Fridays 2-3p
Contact Wendy K. 996-3514

The 12th New England Regional Convention

March 2,3,4, 2007 Sturbridge Host Hotel
366 Main Street
Sturbridge, MA
508-347-7393

Send Registrations to:

NERCXII
P.O. Box 202
Sturbridge, MA 01566
Reg. Paula K.-508-846-2172

Sister's In Recovery

Shattering the Illusion of The Old Self Retreat
June 8-10, 2007
Contact: Donna W. 497-4285, or Wanda B. 226-2698
For Registration go to web@GPANA.org or Contact Ros M. at 401-524-3282.

South Side NA Picnic

Food, Fun, Fellowship
August 26, 2007
12 noon until
Lincoln Woods State Park site A & B
Free, Donations are Always Welcome
Contact Kev. V at 401-480-3837 or keveel1959@yahoo.com

Motions:

11-26-06-02

Submitted by Lewis S.
Seconded by Kim L.
Money Motion

Motion: Asking for Policy Change to pay for traveling expenses of the RCM at the rate of 40 cents per mile to be calculated from the RI State House. Funds to be paid as an operational expense and ongoing travel budget.

Intent: To make it easier for future RCM Chair holders to be able to travel to and from region. Also due to increased gas prices.

Passed-Voting member 14, 2/3 majority=10, 12 pro, 2 con, 0 abstentions.

11-26-06-03

Submitted by Claude J.
Seconded by Robin D.
Policy Change

Motion: To Change GPASC PI website guidelines as follows: 1.
Responsibility/Accountability: Web page coordinator appointed by PI and approved by the area to read appointed by PI.

Intent: Groups voted on web position being part of PI subcommittee and not an area position.

Passed-Voting members 11, 2/3 majority=10, 9 pro, 2 con, 0 abstentions.

Contact Information

Administrative Body:

Position	Name	Phone Number	Subcommittee	Chairs: Name	Phone Number
Chair	Sully D.	954-8745	Activities	Sheela M.	475-7485
Vice Chair	Robert S.	339-7347	Convention	Daryl F.	226-2556
Treasurer	Paul F.	678-0305	Finance	Susan W.	438-2375
Alternate Treasurer	[Open]		Hospitals & Institutions (H&I)	Celia W.	475-5992
Secretary	[Donna W.]	497-4285	Literature	Jim S.	846-7899
Alternate Secretary	open		Phone line	[Open]	
Board of Directors	Kevin V.	331-2871	Policy Public Information (PI)	Kim L Claude J.	419-1976 432-4548
Regional Committee Member Alternate RCM	Lewis S.	473-5463			