The Greater Providence Area (GPA) Service Committee of NA

December 27, 2009

The next meeting is January 24, 2009

Area Meeting Times:

Administration 12:30-2:00pm

1:45 to 2:45 pm**Note time change Literature Sales

H & I Panel Leaders 1:30-2:00 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 Report8. BOD Report
- 9. Subcommittee Reports including: Activities, Finance, H&I, Literature, Phone Line, Policy, PI, Convention, Ad-Hoc
- 10. Old Business
- 11. New Business
- 12. Motions (submit at beginning of ASC meeting)
- 13. Open Forum

Roll Call and GSR Reports:

Groups in Attendance (16)

Total Area Meetings (41*)

Groups that made a donation are marked with \$

Groups that attended ASC meeting marked with @

Addicts "R" Us

Breakfast Club...\$

Blackstone NA

Choose Life

Clean & Crazy...@

Dig Deep

Faith in Recovery...@. needs active members and support

Gimme Shelter...

Hardcore Recovery...@..\$

Jamestown NA

K.I.S.S....@....needs active members

Late Nite....@

Living Free

Loveline..@...\$

Lie is Dead...@...\$ **Meeting Street Meeting...\$** Narragansett Recovery System Never alone again... needs active members and support **New Associations New Way of Life** Opt for Life---needs support Ray of Hope...\$ **Recovery and Beyond** Recovery in the Chapel..@..\$ Recovery in the Country..@ Recovery in the Lake Recovery is More then Abstinence...@ Resurrection Road to Recovery...@...\$ Sisters in Recovery Smith Hill NA...@.. Start your Nite Right Starting Over Step Sisters...\$ Stepping into Recovery Straight Today Stepping Out Wednesday....\$ Sunday/Insanity...@..\$ Surrender or Die...\$ We do Recover..@ Why are we here...@..\$..needs Support

Administrative reports

Vice Chair: Delia F.
Not Present....No Report

Secretary: Dawn J
Not Present...No Report

BOD: Kevin V

Not Present. No Report

Treasurer Report: Please see attached reports

RCM: Brian C.

RCM Report 12/27/09

Happy Holidays everyone!

The NE Region met in Brockton on the weekend of Dec. 12th and 13th, 2009. I attended both the PI subcommittee meetings on Saturday 12/12 and the Regional Service Committee (RSC) meeting on Sunday 12/13.

This report is based on the notes that I took on both days. (I will not receive minutes until after this ASC meeting) Because of this I am unable to give an accurate detailed NERSC Treasury report at this time. I can report however that the NE Region Treasury balance is several hundred dollars below the amount established as their Prudent Reserve. Thus, NE Region is operating at a Treasury balance of less than \$0.00. The reason that has been given to me for doing this is that Prudent Reserve is designed to be there to provide in times like this.

All expenditures that I have seen spent by the NE Region have been motivated by the noble intention of improving the NE Region's ability to spread the message to the all addicts that recovery is possible. I hope that the GPA will understand this concept in order that a donation can be made to the NE Region in the near future. It has been many months since the Greater Providence Area has participated in the NA money-flow process by making a donation to the NE Region.

The main topics discussed at the NERSC meeting were as follows:

- 1. The PI subcommittee is studying ways to improve the format of the Regional Meeting Directory (RMD). A variety of modifications are being considered to determine which ones will best serve the needs of NA members trying to attend meetings in our region. (more information on this topic can be found in the PI report in these minutes.
- 2. The Conference Agenda Report (CAR) has arrived. The edition for this cycle (2010) contains 111 pages of text. There are 14 Motions to be voted on by groups participating in this world-wide exercise of group-conscience. A free, unabridged copy of the entire CAR is available to groups by going on-line to www.na.org. If it is impossible for your group to do this, copies (or portions of the document containing just the Motions) will be made available to groups at their expense. On 3/6, 2010 the Regional Assembly will hold a workshop for those wishing to learn more about the CAR. This "Learning Day Workshop" will be held from 11am to 4pm at the First Evangelical Lutheran Church at 900 Main St., Brockton, MA.
- 3. An Ad Hoc Committee has been formed to gather and inventory all NE Region property (i.e. T-shirts, coffee cups, books, etc.) from past conventions and regional events. If you have, or know someone who has, any such property that is collecting dust in a garage or basement, Please contact me so that this information can be passed along to the Ad Hoc Chair.
- 4. The next Regional Service Committee weekend will be held on Feb. 13th and 14th in Malden MA at St. Paul's Church on 25 Washington St. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

Hope you all have a Happy, Healthy, Prosperous and Clean New Year! ILS, Brian C.

Subcommittee Reports:

Adhoc/new area meeting site: Lyz M.

A letter was sent to the Chair for the change in facility for the area meeting.

H&I: Bob (not present), Stephen reports

9 Panel Leaders, 8 H & I Reps in attendance

All commitments are being filled. H & I panel leaders are doing a good job filling commitments. All positions are filled: Roger Wms. Detox 7-8 Thurs; Roger Wms. Detox 10:30-11:30 Sat; Roger Wms. psych temp on Sat AM

10:30-11:30. An adhoc committee was formed to attend group business meeting to help improve participation in H & I. We need active support in H & I on the group level. ILS, Stephen

Phone Line: John D

Hi Family, Happy Holidays. Just 11 calls came into the voicemail box. 10 were hang-ups. 1 was from Jamie Savage from the House of Hope in Cranston regarding them wanting NA to come into that facility. I referred that call to PI.

ILS, John D.

Policy: Robin D *No report*

PI: Lewis S.

Hi family, PI is doing well. We picked up 1,000 meeting lists for the month of December. We received two calls this month wanting to know about NA and wanting information on commitments. We are planning a poster day in the near future. More will be revealed. I also attended the regional meeting this month. We talked about brainstorming and changing meeting lists. We also talked about PI event coming up for the year 2010.

ILS, Lewis S.

Convention Committee: Wayne G 473-1749 (subcommittee chairperson)

The Subcommittee still needs active members.

There will be a meeting will be held on **January 17**, **2010 at 4:30 PM** at the Nickerson House on Delaine St. in Providence). The positions available for the Convention Executive Committee Must be voted on at the Area level. There are 3 subcommittee positions available and will be voted on January 17at the meeting. Those positions are

- 1. Convention Information
- 2. Arts and Graphics
- 3. Merchandising

Also, the theme and logo for the 6^{th} convention is currently open to any member of our fellowship. The winner of the theme and /or logo shall receive a registration for the convention.

Please relay the message for active members.

ILS, Wayne G

ADHOC Committee on Area History: Steve S.

No Report

Finance: Tom C

Not present No Report

A letter is being sent to finance chair requesting his presence at next Area meeting.

Literature Report

No Report...sales and monthly order listed below

Literature Sales for the month of December 2009

Literature Sales: \$ 938.20

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Phone line:

Total Monthly Order \$ 695.99 Greater Providence Meeting Lists Sold: Total New England region meeting lists sold: 0

Old Business:

****This motion passed****

092709m1 Submitted by Wayne G Seconded by Daryl F

To implement 2 new Convention Sub-Committee positions Alt Treasurer and Alt Secretary to be voted at the ASC.

Intent: To add these positions to the GPACNA Executive Committee and to follow GPA policy

****This motion passed****

092709m4 Submitted by Sam Q Seconded by LA Mike

To accept both locations that have been bid on at today's mtg. and allow body to choose either locations following review.

Intent: To allow access to Handicapped addicts immediately per our 12th tradition.

New Business:

**** Back to Groups****

112209m1-Submitted by Wayne G Seconded by Susan W

To Have the Qualifications and Responsibilities of 2 New Executive Committee of the Convention Committee.

- 1) ALT Treasurer
- 2) ALT Secretary

To be designated by the Area as is written with the policies of Area responsibilities & qualifications of the Treasurer and Secretary to which reads as included with this motion.

Alternate Secretary:

Qualifications: Two (2) years clean time, Service experience and good typing skills, as well as service experience to ensure that accurate minutes are distributed to the committee members.

- a. Assist secretary in all duties noted above.
- b. Performs secretarial duties in his/hers absence.

Alternate Treasurer

Qualifications: Five (5) years clean time, demonstrated stability in the local and NA communities, accounting skills, service experience with conventions or other large-scale Fellowship activities, and accessibility to other committee members, especially the Registration

- a. Assists Treasurer in all duties.
- b. Performs Treasurer duties in his/hers absence.
- c. Co-signer on bank account

Intent: To Stay within the guidelines and polices of area and the policies and guidelines of the position which were previously voted upon.

ILS, Wayne G

****The above motion is put back in the minutes because there was no quorum for vote.

****This motion passed****

102509m1 Submitted by Steve S. Seconded by John D.

That the following announcement be included in the minutes so that groups may or may not read and or discuss this at their group.

(SEE ATTACHED)

Open Forum:

Elections:

Activities Chair-Mara G. is new GPANA Activities Chair

Open Positions:

Convention Treasurer

Announcements:

1.) Greater Providence Area Convention Committee meeting January 17^{th} at 4:30 PM.

Nickerson House 133 Delaine St. Providence, RI 02909

Positions Elections and openings

Treasurer

- 1.)Arts & Graphics
- 2.)Convention Information
- 3.) Merchandising

Please come, looking for active members

2.)From 102509m1-to be read and/or discussed if group chooses:

With the current H1N1 crisis we as a fellowship should review the concept of individual responsibility. As many of our members live with secondary illnesses or have immediate family members who do, we as a fellowship must review our responsibility to ourselves and our fellow members.

While there are no musts, it may be in our best interest to not attend a meeting if we are sick or feel as if we might be.

While normally we do not condone nor promote non-attendance at meetings, in this situation it may be prudent.

We as a fellowship may be better served by calling other members, listening to a recovery CD or tape, accessing an online meeting or reading some of our literature as opposed to attending a meeting. This virus is spread though micro-drops when we cough. The virus can live on objects/surfaces and is also spread through touch.

3.)The GSACC(Granite State Area) Programming Committee is looking for Speakers and tapes for their convention at Radisson Hotel in Nashua, NH on July 30, 31, and Aug 1, 2010. Tapes must be received no later than 4/1/10.

Contact: John W. (603) 965-6127 or Peter M.(603) 738-3325

Mail tapes to: GSACNA VI Programming Committee (contd)

PO Box 564 Pembroke NH 03275-0564

*Be sure to include speaker's name address phone number and clean date on tape or CD.

4.) Recovery in The Country 7th Anniversary JANUARY 19, 2010 8-9:15 Food, Fun, Fellowship, Raffle, CleantimeCountdown St. Thomas Chruch Rt. 44 and Rt 116, Greenville, RI

Description	Income Expenses		Check #
Literature Sales	938.20		
Group Donations	393.01		
Free Spirit Area	151.32		
Church Hall Rent	50.00		2030
Verizon (Local/Toll Free)	24.20/68.44	1	2027/2028
Answering Service			
Regional Phone line			
Secretary Expenses	32.10		2033
Treasury Expenses			
Literary Purchase			2032
Meeting List Purchase	77.40		2029
H&I Subcommittee			
PI Subcommittee			
Activities Subcommittee			
Literature Subcommittee	10.61		2031
Policy Subcommittee			
RCM Expenses			
Convention Committee			
Region or World Donation			
Miscellaneous (Storage Fee)	264.00		2026
	Previous Balance Reported	\$	8,154.82
	Monthly Income		1,482.53
	Monthly Expenses		(1,222.74)
	Final Balance		8,414.61
	Area Prudent		(3,500.00)
	Reserve		(1.010.10)
	Area Insurance (7) months Reserve\$173.30/mn	th	(1,213.10)
	Available Funds	\$	3,701.51