

**The Greater Providence Area (GPA) Service Committee of NA
April 22, 2012**

The next meeting will be held on May 27 ,2012

Area Meeting Times:

Administration 12:30–2:00pm
Literature Sales 1:45 to 2:45 pm**Note time change
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 Report
8. Alt RCM
9. BOD Report
10. Subcommittee Reports including:
Activities, Finance, H&I, Literature, Phone Line, Policy, PI, Convention,
11. Old Business
12. New Business
13. Motions (submitted at beginning of ASC meeting)
14. Open Forum

Roll Call and GSR Reports:

Groups in Attendance 22
Total Area Meetings 44
* = GSR representation

Addicts “R” Us
Basic text *
Better Way
Breakfast Club
Change or die*
Choose Life* in need of support
Clean & Crazy
Dig Deep
Faith in Recovery*
Gimme Shelte
Hardcore Recovery
Jamestown NA
K.I.S.S*
Living Clean Spanish Speaking
Late Nite
Living Free*
Loveline
Lie is Dead*
Meeting Street Meeting*

NA in the day *
Never alone again in need of support

New Associations*
New Way of Life
Opt for Life
Ray of Hope*
Recovery and Beyond
Recovery in the Chapel*
Recovery in the Country*
Recovery in the Lake
Recovery is More than Abstinence
Resurrection
Road to Recovery*
Sisters in Recovery
Smith Hill NA*
Start your Nite Right*
Starting Over*
Step Sisters * needs support
Stepping into Recovery
Straight Today needs support
Stepping Out Wednesday
Sunday/Insanity*
Surrender or Die*
We do Recover*
Why are we here*

Administrative reports

Chair: Mike G : contact info: 401-831-8958 – mqianfrocco@msn.com

Vice Chair: James M. **report :** I have taken the time to meet with policy, on the g.s.r. booklet. One was done by using south shores and switching the names. Some info was overwhelming and some was removed. We believe we have a new and improved copy. We will have copies at the next GPA area service comm. Meeting we will be sending this copy to the world website. And adding it to our gpa website. In loving service James m.

Secretary: John C. **contact info :** phone # 401-644-6381 ; **E-mail:** bigjohnciotti@yahoo.com

Alternate Secretary: open

BOD: no report

Treasurer : Peter s :contact info : 401-255-7197, peter041486@yahoo.com
report attached

Literature: Paul F. contact info: 401-678-6839 nofish4@cox.net



GREATER PROVIDENCE AREA LITERATURE REPORT

April, 2012

Literature Sales for the month of April, 2012	
PI:	\$ 38.00
Rent:	\$18.85
No matter what	\$6.40
Step sisters	\$10.80
Group Sales total:	\$1238.15
Total sales:	\$1312.20

Literature restock: \$814.56

GPANA meeting lists restock: \$ -

RMD meeting lists restock: \$31.80

Total Costs for literature restock: \$ 846.36

Hospitals & Institutions: Stephen C contact info 401-286-3554

H & I report :meeting opened with attendance . 12 grp reps, and 6 pl's 10 voting members.tim d is new pl at butler hosp, kent unit.all h&l positions filled. Learning day will be held on april 28th from 1-5pm, at anchor recovery center. 21 of 45 commitments were taken by groups. H & I is always in need of help. H & I put in a motion for \$ 133.00 for lit. ILS steve c

Corrections report : John F contact info 401-714-9765
john.fallen1@verizon.net regular order of business.

Rcm report: John D : contact info 401-744-1260
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nedlandry4@gmail.com

Sunday, April 29, 2012 11:56 AM

Hi everyone. Ned and i attended the last R.S.C. meeting in Boston Ma.. There were 11 areas represented. They started the day with a balance of 8.20. There are 2 open positions.Activities and ass. secretary. A adhoc was developed to rejuvenate the activities committee since this position has been open for some time. The next Rsc meeting will be held at [822 Church St.,New Bedford, Ma. 6-912 and 6-10-12](#). Next Rsc there will be elections. The convention committee has 1 open position ass. secretary. They have 1 upcoming event June 23, 12-9pm, a summer celebration. 170 School St., Taunton, Ma.. Their are flyers for booking your room for the convention. I sat down with the Insurance chair to get info about getting a certificate for the insurance.The facility has to email the [insurance@newengland na.org](mailto:insurance@newenglandna.org) and request the certificate. They will need the time, place, and name of the meeting.They also need a email or mailing address. I gave the treasure the check for the insurance and the donation. I have receipts for them today.The phone-line has 1 open position vice-chair. Gary B. the chair is in contact with the provider to get the Gpa set up on their phone-line.It seems to be a free charge, more will be revealed. The New England lit. committee is

asking for addicts input: stories, poems etc.

Email: literature@newenglandna.org. The P.I. subcommittee has just finished a presentation at the Harvard medical school. All went well and they got a lot of feedback. The Rd and the Rda will be leaving for the WSC on 4-27-12. They will be taking group voting forms for the car report up until that day. Email: rd@newenglandna.org. They closed the meeting with a 0 balance and a donation to NAWS of 1,598.77

I.L.S. Ned L. and John D

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no report

Policy: Lewis S. contact info 401-952 8109 lminor02@yahoo.com

1 POLICY REPORT

APRIL 2012

Hi, service members

The Policy Sub-Committee has been focusing on updating the area's policy and now has policies up to date. The GPSC policy has not been updated since 2008. It has also been updated on the web-site. We also met with the area vice-chair to look over and revise the GSR orientation packet to see if any changes need to be made. Motion 03-25-12-05, was referred to policy to increase the seed money from 5000.00 to 7500.00. Motion 7-26-98-08 was found in policy that reads as follows "To establish 6000.00 prudent reserves to be held by the GPACNA Corporation, at the close of each convention as seed money for the following years' convention, with any money in excess of this to be returned to the ASC automatically. Now that the convention committee is a standing sub-committee of the ASC and should we follow existing policy from July 98, or revisit and revise where necessary? A request has been made of the policy committee, to consider if the positions of the convention sub-committee be the same as all other ASC committee positions. "It reads that a trusted servant can be elected to two consecutive terms"? Additional terms can be waived by a vote of the GPA.

Refer to the guidelines of local service, page 53 under elections and rotations. This should be opened for discussion, if we should change the policy for the convention-committee only. I attended the regional sub-committee meeting on April 14th, to represent our area. We are still looking for addicts to step up and help the committee to fulfill its primary purpose.

In Loving Service

Lewis S.

Public information: John N contact info:774-208-2285
jnorton@paragonnt.com

This month we have one presentation coming up with RICARES on Tuesday from 1-5 at the Rhode Island State House. We are also participating in the H&I learning day on the 28th at 249 Main street. We have also been developing a resource tool for our learning day to be used both locally and regionally at least that is the hope of the committee. We are always in search of active members for the subcommittee as we cannot do this alone

ILS John N

Convention Committee: no report.

Finance: Courtney B : contact info: 401-440-2182 cb.gpana@me.com
No report

Activities: Charlene L

New Business:

Motion : 4222012-01 passed :

to donate a group start up kit for step sisters...

Intent : to help carry the message

Motion :4222012-02 passed :

\$38.00 dollars for literature re-stock for Tuesdays event

Intent: to further our primary purpose

Motion: 04222012-03 passed

H & I request \$133.00 to buy literature

Intent : to help carry the message

Motion : 04222012-04 passed

\$149.10 to buy literature for corrections commitments

intent : to help carry the message.

Motion : 04222012-05 : passed

To hold an activities event in the area. Speaker jam, dance,

Intent : to help carry the message

Motion : 04222012-06 : back to groups: maker convention comm. & B.O.D.

To increase prudent reserve from 6,000 to 7,500 for next convention in 2014

Intent : to give convention comm. 25% of what it cost to put on last convention cost of doing business keeps increasing, by 2114 the cost to put on convention will cost more than what it was in 2012 ex food, beverage cost, mtg. space 7 hotel.

Old Business:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday serenity / insanity has moved to 62 dyke st prov. 10;30-12pm

Late night Friday night has moved to 62 dyke st. prov. 10 pm- 11:15

New group no matter what thur. from 7-8:30pm starting april 19th

156 broadway pawt ri 02860 (Austin place) baby sitting available at the meeting

Time change why are we here tues. 7-830pm 133 delaine st prov

The "**Lie is dead**" group is celebration their 10th Anniversary Friday night

May 18th 2012 at 133 Delaine st. prov. The nickerson house

Elections:

Current Vacant Administrative Positions : Alt. Secretary,

**Convention committee chair, convention vice chair, convention treasurer,
convention secretary**

Greater Providence Area Service Committee

Administrative Positions: Qualifications & Responsibilities

Greater Providence Area Service Committee (GPASC) Administrative Positions:

Chairperson

Vice Chairperson

Secretary

Alternate Secretary

Treasurer

Alternate Treasurer

Regional Committee Member (RCM)

Alternate RCM

Board of Directors

Suggested Qualifications of the GROUP SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (GSR):

- A. The stated qualifications of general service apply to this position.
- B. One (1) year continuous abstinence from all drugs.
- C. Prior service experience serving as an Alternate GSR.
- D. Active participation in the group they are representing.
- E. Knowledge of the GPANA service structure.

Suggested Responsibilities of the GROUP SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (GSR):

- A. Attend each meeting of the GPASC.
- B. If unable to attend the ASC meeting, asks the Alternate GSR, or in the Alternate's absence, another group member to assume the GSR responsibilities.
- C. Suggested participation with and Area subcommittee to promote the GSR involvement with GPA.
- D. In keeping with the Seventh Tradition, and Second Concept of N.A., bring group donation to the ASC Treasurer.
- E. Carry Group Conscience on all matters affecting their group or N.A. as a whole.
- F. Inform the GPA of all Group activities, strengths, and problems.
 - G. Inform the Group of all business, activities, and special needs discussed at ASC meetings

All Greater Providence Area Convention Executive Committee positions will be nominated and elected at the GPASC meeting. This is to take place in July prior to the beginning of the Convention cycle.

Purpose

The Convention Subcommittee Executive committee executes the conscience of the overall committee. It functions as the administrative committee of the convention and holds separate, periodic and special-subcommittee meetings. Its function is to ensure that the various subcommittees work together and to assist subcommittees that may need extra help. The Executive Committee also makes regular reports to the Area Service Committee sponsoring the convention. The members of the Executive Committee discuss the performance of Subcommittees as well as the convention budget and other matters that affect the convention. The results of these discussions are included in reports at the convention committee meetings.

Qualifications of General Service for Convention Subcommittee Officers:

- A. Clean time requirements for Convention Subcommittee Officers:
 - Chairperson Five (5) years
 - Vice Chairperson Four (4) years
 - Treasurer Five (5) years
 - Secretary Two (2) years
 - Subcommittee Chairs Two (2) years
- B. Working knowledge of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of N.A.
- C. Willingness to give the time and resources necessary.
- D. Ability to exercise patience and tolerance.
- E. Active participation in Narcotics Anonymous.

Qualifications of the GPA Convention Subcommittee CHAIR:

- A. Five (5) years continuous clean time.
- B. Demonstrated stability in the local N.A. community.
- C. Administrative abilities.

Responsibilities of the GPA Convention Subcommittee CHAIR:

- A. Organize subcommittees, and delegate major tasks to specific subcommittees. Stay informed of the activities of each subcommittee, and provide help when needed.
- B. Helps resolve personality conflicts.
- C. Keeps activities within the principles of the Twelve Traditions of N.A. and in accord with the purpose of the convention.
- D. Monitors the fund flow and overall convention costs, and helps organize the subcommittee budgets. Prepares a budget for the Executive Committee function.
- E. Prevents important questions from being decided prematurely, in order to foster understanding by the entire committee prior to action.
- F. Allows the subcommittees to do their jobs while providing guidance and support. Only major issues need be brought to the Convention Committee meeting. Subcommittees should be given trust and encouragement to use their own judgment.
- G. Prepares the agenda for Convention Committee meetings and Executive Committee meetings.
- H. Votes only to break a tie.
- I. Chairs the Convention Committee meeting as well as the convention.
- J. Gives a monthly detailed report—in person to the body at the GPASC meeting and in writing for inclusion in the Area minutes—to the supporting Area Service Committee. Included in this report: all committee activities and all financial activity.

