

## The Greater Providence Area (GPA) Service Committee of NA:

The next meeting will be held on: February 25, 2024

### Area Meeting Times:

- Literature Sales: 1:00 to 2:15pm
- **H&I Subcommittee: NOW MEETING FROM 2:30 to 3:30 HYBRID**
- **PR Subcommittee: NOW MEETING VIA ZOOM NEXT MEETING:**
- Activities Subcommittee: 2:30 to 3:15pm
- Convention Subcommittee: 12:30 to 2:30
- New GSR Orientation: 3:15 to 3:30pm
- Area Service Meeting: 3:30 to 5:30pm

### Area Service Meeting Agenda:

- Meeting called to order / Moment of silence / Service prayer
- Reading of the Concept of the Month
- Officers reports including: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer
- Regional Committee Member Report
- Board of Directors Report
- Subcommittee Reports: Activities, Convention, Hospitals and Institutions, Literature, Policy, Public Relations
- Group Concerns
- Old Business
- New Business
- Motions (submitted prior to ASC meeting)
- Open Forum

### Administrative bodies contact

- **Chair: Sandy**
- **Vice Chair: Thom**
- **Secretary: Chelsea B. [secretary@gpana.org](mailto:secretary@gpana.org)**
- **Website: OPEN**
- **Treasurer: Peter R.**
- **Board of Directors: Carrie**
- **Regional Committee Member (RCM): Gail L.**
- **Activities: Lizzy**
- **Policy: Jacqueline R.**
- **Convention Chair: Susan W. 401-480-4835**
- **Convention Vice Chair: Cindy W.**
- **Hospitals and Institutions Chair: Mike**
- **Area Literature Chair: Open**
- **Public Relations: OPEN [gpanapublicrelations@gmail.com](mailto:gpanapublicrelations@gmail.com)**

**GSR'S IN ATTENDANCE FOR GROUPS ARE HIGHLIGHTED**

GSR'S IN ATTENDANCE: 17

	Recovery and Beyond
Better Way	Recovery in the Beach
Breakfast Club	Recovery in the Chapel
Clean and Serene	Recovery in the Country
Cookies and Recovery	Recovery in the Lake
Dedication	Recovery is More than Abstinence
Dig Deep	Regardless of Sexual Identity
Edgewood NA	Resurrection
Faith in Recovery	Rockets in Recovery
Foundations for Success	Serenity Plus
Free at Last	Serenity/Insanity
Frightening Bottoms	Serenity Maniacs
From Active to Action	Serenity Seekers
Gimme Shelter	Smith Hill NA
Grow or Go	Step Sisters
H.O.P.E.	Start Your Nite Right
Hardcore Recovery	One day at a Time
Hope in the Dark	Steppin' Out Wednesday Night
Hope Not Dope	Steps in the Chapel
IP Time	Steps to Freedom
Just for Tuesday Morning	Straight Forward
KISS	Surrender or Die
Late Nite NA	The Text Message
Learn to Live	Who is an Addict?
Little Rhody	Why R We Here?
Living Free	Why Not Men's Group
Loveline	New Life
Men with a Vision	The Journey Continues
NA in SA	Warehouse Meeting
NA in the Day	Water Place
Never Alone Group	Spiritual Solutions
New Life	
New Freedom	Recovery in the Bucket
New Normal	On a Mission
The 107 Club	Under the Bridge
The Lie is Dead	Straight Today *
The Meditation Meeting	Opt for Life
The Message of Hope	

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**Chair (Sandy)**

No report

**Vice Chair (Thom)**

No report

**Secretary (Chelsea)**

Not present, no report

**Literature Report: (Rick D.):**

<b>Literature Sales Report</b>	
AREA	#REF!
ACTIVITIES	#REF!
CONVENTION	#REF!
FINANCE	#REF!
HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS	\$71.60
PHONELINE	#REF!
POLICY	#REF!
PUBLIC INFORMATION	\$68.25
PUBLIC RELATIONS	#REF!
EXPENSES	\$139.85
GROUP SALES	\$1,920.82
<b>TOTAL GROUP SALES &amp; EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$2,060.67</b>
LITERATURE RESTOCK	\$1,755.18
GPA MEETING LIST RESTOCK (700 MEETING LISTS)	\$125.00
TOTAL LITERATURE RESTOCK (ORDERED)	\$1,880.18

**Treasurer's Report: (Peter R.)**

**GPANA Treasurer's Report**  
01/28/24

Opening Bank Balance		\$6,932.63
Plus Income:		
Literature Sales	\$1,920.82	
Contributions	\$874.05	
Contributions - Online	\$57.78	<u>\$2,852.65</u>
		\$9,785.28
Less: Prudent Reserve	\$1,700.00	
Set Asides:		
Activities	\$250.00	
Hospitals & Institutions	\$150.00	
BOD Insurance	\$500.00	
Public Relations	\$300.00	
Convention XI	<u>\$4,300.00</u>	<u>\$7,200.00</u>
Operating Balance		\$2,585.28
Minus Expenses:		
Printing	\$120.00	
Zoom	\$17.11	
Rent	\$50.00	
Literature*	\$1,836.18	
Activities	\$250.00	<u>\$2,273.29</u>
Working Balance		\$311.99

Notes: Literature made two purchases in the month.  
Activities received money for February Sock Hop Event

**RCM Report: (Gail)**

no report, region did not meet.

**BOD (Carrie)**

BOD has met twice since the last area meeting. We've reviewed contracts for the convention and additionally Carrie B. met with convention treasurer, chair and vice chair to review GPACNA current financial status and expected expenditures.

We expect it will be necessary to use at least some of the funds held aside by the area.

We will be meeting again on zoom the week of Jan 28<sup>th</sup> to file the Annual Report to the state.

Carrie B

## **Activities Report (Lizzy)**

The Activities Committee met 1/6 with 5 people in attendance, 1/20 with 5 people in attendance, & 1/28 with 4 people in attendance.

It was been mentioned to us that the GPA Activities Facebook page is difficult to locate, so this is the HTML for anyone looking to join: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/553764073604401> PLEASE make sure you answer all of the entry questions in entirety or we will not be able to allow you access. This is for the safety of the anonymity of everyone within the group. This page is the best way to also contact any of our Activities Committee members if needed.

Our Coffee Hours for February will be held on Sunday Feb 4th & Sunday Feb 18th at 10am at 42 Commonwealth Ave Unit 4 Attleboro Falls, MA 02763. In March they will be back in East Greenwich on Saturdays (Dates not yet available). Our goal going forward is to keep up this "flip-flop" between Saturdays/Sundays as well as RI/MA in an attempt to make these get-togethers as accessible as possible to all members of the GPA.

Our next upcoming event is the Valentines Day 50's Sock-Hop/Ice Cream Social on Sat Feb 10th. This will be held at the Faith Baptist Church located at 765 Commonwealth Ave. Warwick, RI 02886 from 6:30pm to 10:30pm. The event is free to attend & 50s dress is encouraged but not required. We will be having several games: Musical Bingo, 50s Trivia, Hula-Hoop Contest, & a Limbo contest, for which we will be giving out NA related prizes! Food will be available & we will also be having a photo booth! Any food donations are greatly appreciated.

We have also moved forward in the planning for our St. Patty's Day Open Mic Event that will be on Sun, March 17th. The event will be held at the Cameron Recovery Center located at 68 Falmouth St. Attleboro, MA 02703 & will be from 2-6pm. This event is also free to attend & anyone attending is encouraged to wear green! In an attempt to limit funds given from the area this is a pot-luck event & we do request everyone bring a little something with them to donate, but of course no addict will be turned away.

As mentioned previously, our committee's main focus for the next couple months is to bring some events to our area on days that are considered to be tough, especially for those in early recovery (i.e. New Years, Valentines Day, St. Patrick's Day, etc.). We hope to keep this going in an effort to show the newcomer that we still have fun in recovery, even on days that can be hard to get through.

-Lizzy F

## **Convention report (Susan W.)**

12/17/23

Convention Comm Report

Chair Susan W

V Chair Cyndi W

The committee met today with 12 members in attendance. Our treasury opening balance was

\$17,384.94 + income of \$1753.76 - expenses \$927.54 = balance of \$18211.16.

The hotel room count at this time is 208.

The total registrations at this time is 169 and 40 banquet.

Fundraising & Entertainment has a New Years Eve event coming up at 225 Main St, Pawtucket, RI, 6:30-12:30. \$10 suggested donation, no addict will be turned away. Food, fun, fellowship, raffle, dancing, clean time countdown & midnight celebration.

We will be meeting twice in January & weekly in February.

ILS

Susan W

1/28/24

Conv Comm Report

Chair Susan W

V Chair Cyndi W

We met today with 12 members in attendance. Our opening treasury balance was \$18,211.16 + income \$4355.29 - expenses \$1824.29 = total of \$20,752.16.

We have 279 room nights booked at the hotel. We have exceeded our commitment of 209 room nights.

Programming has at this time 100% confirmation of our convention speakers. We are ready to go to print with our convention program.

We have 240 pre-registrations, 59 banquet tickets, 44 Saturday night dance, 40 fashion show, 41 comedian, & 41 Sunday brunch.

We have all our merchandise for the convention that we will need.

Arts & Graphics is working on signage for the convention weekend.

Convention Information is an open position.

We are now meeting weekly till the convention.

ILS

Susan W

**H&I: (Mike M)**

Good afternoon,

All is well with H&I. All commitments were filled. We are continuing to grow and entered a new facility, CSU on the Butler Campus in January. We are currently in 5 facilities with plans to expand into 2 additional facilities in the next few months.

H&I Regional Subcommittee will meet on 2/10 @1130. All are welcome, service positions are available.

The H&I subcommittee created an adhoc committee to create a learning day. Our first meeting will be at 7pm on 2/19 on Zoom. Link is in the minutes. All are welcome.

Thank you,

Mike M

### **Policy (Jacqueline)**

not present

### **Public Relations Report (OPEN)**

**Website Chair (OPEN):** [www.gpana.org/wordpress](http://www.gpana.org/wordpress)

### **Administrative Motions**

- **Motion:** 20240128-01  
**Date:** 1/28/2024  
**Maker:** Activities Subcommittee  
**Seconded By:**  
**Motion:** requesting \$250 seed money  
  
**Intent:** To fund the upcoming valentine's day sock hop/ ice cream social on Saturday Feb 10 2024  
  
**Count:** 18 Yes: 18 No: 0 Abstain: 0 **MOTION PASSES**
- **Motion:** 20240128-02  
**Date:** 1/28/2024  
**Maker:** PR Subcommittee  
**Seconded by:**  
**Motion:** to purchase \$29.25 worth of literature for Thrive Behavioral Health
  - 1- Who, What, Why x25
  - 2- Am I an Addict? x25
  - 3- Intro to NA Meetings x25
  - 4- For Those in Treatment x25

Intent: To provide literature to a facility seeking NA commitments and information for their clients.

Count:19 Yes:19 No:0 Abstain:0 **MOTION PASSES**

- **Motion: 20240128-03**

Date:1/28/2024

Maker: PR subcommittee

Seconded by:

Motion: To purchase literature to restock the PR case for events and presentations

1- Who, What, Why x50

2- Am I an Addict x50

3- Intro to NA Meetings x50

4- Info about NA x50

\*Info about NA is not on the order form and may require us to print, other costs are \$40.50.

Intent: To provide literature and information about NA at our PR presentations

Count:17 Yes: 17 No: 0 Abstain: 0 **MOTION PASSES**

### **Motions to Groups:**

- **Motion: 20240128-04**

Date: 1/28/2024

Maker: Policy Subcommittee

Seconded by:

Motion: That online literature orders must be completed by 2:15 on the day of the ASC. Completed is defined as ordered, paid, and picked up.

Intent: To facilitate an accurate and timely treasurer's report at the ASC.

- **Motion:**

Date:

Maker:

Seconded by:

Motion:

Intent:

Count: Yes: 0 No: 0 Abstain:



## **Group Concerns:**

## **H&I Learning Day**

**ad hoc meeting 2/19/24 at 7:00 on zoom. ID 719-036-7110 PW 0000**

## **Old Business:**

### **OPEN POSITIONS:**

- PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIR: OPEN
- RCM Alternate
- Website Chair
- BOD members (2 open)
- Literature Chair
  
- Discussed status of adding additional licenses to zoom. Motion was previously tabled.

## **New Business:**

Area Information Table at the convention to spread the word about what happens at the ASC and what services are provided. Volunteers Zack M, Lizzy F, H & I members, Jaqueline

Southside Picnic having committee meeting soon. Please contact Pete R for more info.

Zack M voted in as Ad Hoc chair to find a new facility for ASC meeting.

## **Open Forum:**

**Meeting Adjourned**

