



Southside Area Service
South Boston, VA
Sunday May 6, 2012

Meeting Open with Serenity Prayer at 2:00pm
12 Traditions read by Kim
12 Concepts read by Andrew
Purpose read by Mary Kay

Open forum: Discussion- William asked how often and how much money is sent to the region. Mary Kay read policy.

Discussion- How will groups handle violence? Sergeant at arms? Bouncer? Get 2 people to take the person out, call the police. All groups are NOW. If this happens what will you do? There is a service pamphlet you may read, *Disruptive and violent and violent behavior*. This available on our website.

Roll Call:

Chair	Jack C.	Present	No Report
Vice Chair	Paul	Present	No report
Treasurer	Gary	Present	Report
Co-Treasurer	Dave M	Present	No Report
Secretary	Holly	Present	Report
RCM	Kim A	Present	Written
Alt RCM	Vacant		
H&I Chair	Vacant		
PR Chair	Robin	Not Present	Written
Literature	William	Present	No report
Policy Reviews	Mary Kay	Present	Written

Available Positions: Vice Chair, Literature Chair, RCM, RCM Alternate, Web Servant, PR Vice Chair, H&I chair, H&I Vice Chair, Secretary as of August

Home Groups Roll Call:

A New Beginning	Karen	Present
A New Hope	Gary K.	Present
New Attitudes	Paul	Present
New Vision	Andrew	Present
Recovering Vigilantes		Not Present
Rude Awakenings	Robin G.	Not Present
Solutions W/ Serenity	Scottie	Present
Stick and Stay	Dana	Present
Survivors		Not Present
Vision of Hope		No Present

Minutes were accepted motion made by Gary , seconded by Paul

Reports:

SOUTHSIDE AREA TREASURER'S REPORT
APRIL 4 2012

BEGINNING BALANCE \$1600.99

GROUP DONATIONS

A NEW BEGINNINGS
A NEW HOPE
NEVER ALONE \$0.00
NEW ATTITUDES \$20.00
NEW VISION \$60.00
RECOVERING VIGILANTES
RUDE AWAKENINGS \$
SOLUTIONS W/SERENITY \$ 41.34
SURVIVORS \$ 20.00
STICK AND STAY \$ 5.00

OTHER INCOME

LITERATURE \$ 37.20
MISC \$
TOTAL INCOME \$183.54

TOTAL AVAILABLE \$1784.53

LESS EXPENSES

CHK#

2018 US POSTAL SERVICE \$48.00
2019 ROBIN G. \$164.36 PR/PHONE

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 212.36
ENDING BALANCE \$1572.17
LESS PRUDENT RESERVE \$650.00
TOTAL AVAILABLE \$ 922.17

LITERATURE \$ 32.70

GROUP 32.70

Motion made to accept Treasures Report by Paul and seconded by Andrew

Secretary

Hello Family,

I would like to thank the area for allowing me the opportunity to serve as your secretary; however my year ends in August. This commitment will be available In September.

In loving service, Holly T.

PR Reports:

PR Report

Hello Family,

Public Relations has been on the quiet side this month. I'm sorry to say I didn't receive any responses from the high schools in our area that I wrote too, but I haven't given up hope. It may have been too late in the year with prom and gradations coming up. I hope to get in touch when school starts back up. I'm not going to forget about the colleges in our area. When I went to GSR assembly, I was put in touch with another Public Relations Chair from the Tri Cities area named Jacob. His area gets together with two other areas, and share ideas about how to get information about Narcotics Anonymous out to the public (twice a month). One of them is doing a Unity Walk.

All is well with the phone line. Alex had nine calls this month, eight from addicts and one from the parent of an addict. From those calls he directed three of those addicts to meetings. We would like to have a phone line workshop in the very near future to teach people how to carry the NA phone. We also put our new phone service into affect Sunday April 29th, 2012. We switched from Straight Talk to Tracfone. We were paying 32 dollars a month for 1000 minutes (that was the least amount that we could buy). We were only using from 15-30 minutes a month and spending close to a hundred dollars in three months on minuets. With the Tracfone we spent \$116 (\$9.96for phone +\$99 for minuets). The kind of phone we bought, the minuets double for the life of the phone. So, the \$99 phone is a year of service + 400 minutes which doubles to 800 minutes. We also received, an additional 100 minutes in 24 days . So as of 4/28/2012, we have 900+424 days to use them. That saves area approx. \$300 for a year and a month.(That's if the phone has less than one hour and fifteen minutes of usage per month). Records will be kept to monitor the phone lines.

I am grateful to serve on this committee and to serve our Area.

In loving service,

Robin G.

Webservant Report

I updated the website as needed (minutes, events, etc). I am submitting the invoice for yearly hosting today. My commitment as the web servant is up and I need to let you all know that the commitment is now available. I am willing to continue to update the website as a volunteer until the commitment is filled.

Also we are submitting the new PR Policy to the Policy Subcommittee for review today and would like direction on the steps we should take in getting it approved and put in place as an addendum to our Southside Area Policy.

ILS,

Kim A

PR/Web servant Southside Area

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RCM Report

I attended Region on April 21, 2012 in Virginia Beach.

- **Speaker Jam Chair** – (OTF) Out to the fellowship
- **Convention Committee:** Vice-Treasurer and Web Master.
 - If you or anyone you know is interested in being of service on the Convention Committee please come to next monthly meeting in Roanoke at the Comfort Inn 5070 Valley View Blvd. Roanoke, VA. on Sunday, 5/20/12

- **Current Regional Bank Balance** is \$7,943.78.
Budget needs to date are \$9,514.00.
\$1,322 could be considered over our prudent reserve.
- **October Multi-day for October 20,21,2012** from 10am-5pm on both days at The Valley Mission 1513 West Beverly St. Staunton Va. 24401
- **Autonomy Zonal Forum July 28th 2012 In EPARNA.** The location will be at 328 Summit Ave Jenkintown PA 19046 from 11-5.
- A lot of good participation from our region for the **CAR Workshops**. There were 95 voting groups at the GSR Assembly with 3 groups from the Southside Area (out of 12)

Quote from Chair's report: I have three more requests for policy to review and bring back, in three separate motions for our June RSC.

First, I think we need a **time-line**, written in policy, establishing a budget meeting, presentation of the budget, and budget approval. I think this time-line will help make it easier for future members of the RSC fulfill their duties.

Second, I want to create a vice-treasurer position and add it to policy. The intent will be to help train and secure our treasurer's position. This may be only a 1-year commitment.

Finally, I want Policy to work with the Treasurer to create a Standing Operating Budget. For instance, once we approve the budget for our help-line, we shouldn't have to re-approve the base amount for it each year. Budget approval would only be needed for any increases or additions to the budget.

A standing budget would stay in place to insure we always have a budget to guide our outgoing expenses.

Our next Budget meeting is August 18th after the RSC at the Hinton Ave UMC. Time will be determined at the close of that RSC. We will need to consider a break and travel to the different location. The meeting room at UVA was not available."

Motions that need our conscience:

Motion 154-3: Change CARNA Guidelines & Rules of Order

Section IX: OFFICERS DUTIES/QUALIFICATIONS

1A. CHAIR DUTIES

From: Schedules and plans RSC conferences up to one year in advance, including meals and lodging as needed. (152^{ed})

To:

Schedules and plans RSC conferences **and annual budget meeting** up to one year in advance, including meals and lodging as needed. (152^{ed})

Change:

4A. TREASURER DUTIES

From: Will submit a yearly projected budget, running from January 1 and ending on December 31 regardless of the Treasurers term of office, with a line item bi-monthly funding and maximum account levels at the October RSC. (142nd)

To:

Will submit a yearly projected budget, running from January 1 and ending on December 31 regardless of the Treasurers term of office, with a line item bi-monthly funding and maximum account levels at the October RSC (142nd) **to go back to areas for approval.**

Intent:

To uphold Concept 2 responsibility and authority rest with NA groups and financial accountability to groups.

Pros

1. This motion sets a clear budget process from initial August budget meeting to the final group conscience approval at the December RSC.
2. Clear accountability to duties and groups.

Cons

1. Why add groups for approval

Motion 155-3

Change CARNA Guidelines & Rules of Order

From: RSC will maintain a prudent reserve. After expenses are paid, all remaining money will be donated to NAWS.

To: RSC will establish a prudent reserve equal to 25% of the total of the previous year's actual expenditures + the current year's approved budget. After expenses are paid and prudent reserve is met, all remaining money will be donated to NAWS.

Intent: To enable the Central Atlantic Region of Narcotics anonymous to manage out funds responsibly as per our 11th Concept

Motion 155-3 RSC will establish a prudent reserve equal to 25% of the combined total of (the previous year's actual budget plus the current year's approved budget).

- My RCM commitment is up and I need to let you all know that the RCM position is now Out To The Fellowship (OTF). I have thoroughly appreciated being of service. This is a wonderful commitment and I am willing to assist this area in whatever way I can in making sure we have representation at the June RSC.
- I'm submitting a gas receipt for attending Region on April 21, 2012 today in the amount of \$50.00

ILS,

Kim A

RCM Southside Area

Policy Committee Report

Sorry that I had to cancel the policy committee meeting as my Daughter went into premature labor and I was in Greensboro, haven't figured out how to be 2 places at once. The Area Policy committee is now rescheduled to meet in Martinsville 5/19/12 at 12noon before the NA Speaker Jam that New Vision is holding at Christ Church, 1425 Spruce St. Ext., Martinsville, VA 24112.

Public Relations will be submitting their Guidelines for their Subcommittee and the Website today and these will be set up as further Addendums to the Area Policy.

If anyone has input to the current draft to the policy please feel free to send it to me at marykaybrgr@gmail.com all input is requested, needed, loved, longed for, dreamed about, obsessed over and any other word you can add to the list that might encourage you to read and input.

In Loving Service,

Mary Kay Berger

GSR Reports:

A New Beginning	Karen	\$10.00	Written Report
A New Hope	Gary K.	\$0.00	Written
New Attitudes	Paul	\$20.00	Oral Reprot
New Vision	Andrew	\$30.00	Written
Recovering Vigilantes	Not Present	\$0.00	
Rude Awakenings	Not Present	\$40.00	Emailed Report
Solutions W/ Serenity	Scottie	\$106.57	Written
Survivors	Not present	\$0.00	Oral report
Stick and Stay	Dana	\$10.00	Written
Vision Of Hope	Not Present	\$0.00	

New Vision-Home Group report

Hello Family,

New Vision held its group business meeting on 4-22-12. We completed the revision of our meeting format

and are currently using it in our meetings. On that same day I attended the GSR Assembly and will have to say it was very informative. We are continuing to prepare for our speaker jam and dance on May 19th from 2pm-12am. In the month of May we have to addicts celebrating. Also, this month we have a \$30 donation.

In loving service,
Andrew D.

Rude Awakening Home Group Report

Hello Family,

I am very pleased to say several dedicated home group members showed interest in the CAR Report. We spent several hours reviewing and voting on it. It gave me great pleasure and also humbled me to represent my Home group at the Assembly.

All is well with the Rude Awakenings home Group. Our meetings have been well attended and our primary purpose is being carried out. We held our Group Conscience on April 25th. All of our Trusted Servants Were present, as well as other home group members. We chose new Chairpersons for the month of May. We began preparing for our annual picnic. *A New Hope* and *Never Alone Never Again* will be joining us and contributing as well. We have reserved shelter #10 in Ballou Park for Sept. 8th, 2012 from 10-3. We have a \$40 donation at this time for Area to carry the message.

In Loving Service, Robin G.

OLD BUSINESS:

TAKE BACK TO home group

- Alt RCM - 3 years clean time requirement. Position 2 year 6 month commitment.
- H & I CHAIR – 1 Year clean time.
- Chair Person for Southside Area – 3 years clean time. Voted to nominate Paul for Chair Person for the area. Passed! Paul is our new chair person.

Please look at current policy and policy draft on WEBSITE on www.southsidearea.org for detailed requirement for each position that is open. Please support your area and be a part of.

NEW BUSINESS:

Positions available: **Vice Chair, Literature Chair, RCM, RCM Alternate, Web Servant, PR Vice Chair, H&I chair, H&I Vice Chair, Secretary as of August or September -- You must be present to be elected.**

- Discussed make donation for Region.
- Motion made to approve adding PR policy and website and guidelines as addendums to the new policy. Motion passed- 5 -0-0
- Motion made to reimburse Kim for \$117 for website hosting and domain name. Motion made by Gary, seconded by Paul, motion passed.
- Motion 154-3: Change CARNA Guidelines & Rules of Order-- Motion Passed
- Motion 155-3 RSC will establish a prudent reserve equal to 25% of the combined total of (the previous year's actual budget plus the current year's approved budget).- Motion Failed - 0-5-0
- Define Prudent reserve – Tabled to policy revision.
- Voted to send \$111.65 to region per current policy.

Motion to close given by Gary and seconded by Dana

Next Meeting June 3, 2012 in Martinsville VA. @1:00 sub committee , 2:00 Area Service

In Loving Service, Holly T. 434-489-6360 Email: holly.testerman@live.com