

November 25, 2007 Minutes

The next meeting is December 30, 2007

Area Meeting Times:

Administration	12:30–2:00om
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, 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 (20)

Total Area Meetings (42)*

Groups that made a donation are marked with \$

Groups that attended ASC meeting marked with @

Better Way.....\$
Choose Life.....@
Faith in Recovery @
Gimme Shelter.....@....\$
Hardcore Recovery.....@....\$
Keep it Simple Saturday.....@
Lie is Dead..... @....\$
Living Free.....@
Loveline @ ...\$
Meeting Street Meeting @....\$
Narragansett Recovery Systems..@....\$
Never Alone Again.....@
New Assication.....@....\$
Opt For Life..... @....\$
Ray of Hope..... @ ...\$
Recovery in the Chapel @....\$
Recovery in the Country @ ...\$
Recovery in the Lake.....\$
Recovery is More Than Abstinence@
Road to Recovery.....@....\$
Sister in Recovery.....\$
Smith Hill NA@....\$

Straight Today.....@.
Steppin Out Wednesday.....@
Sunday/ Serenity.....\$
Surrender or Die.....@....-\$

Reports:

Activities: Cyndi W

Activities Chair not present- Guy S gave report on the outcome of "Spirit of A Man" event.

Board of Directors: Kevin V.

Committee met today at 2:00 pm. Discussed and reviewed corporation bi-laws. Committee will research with assistance from Susan W and Delia F the article of incorporation, including bi-laws and internal guidelines for next meeting.

Finance: Open Position

Report given by Chair Susan]

We are continuing with the process of completing the tax forms for the area to become federally tax exempt. Once complete the accountant will have to look it over before it will be filed. This area is in need of a Finance Chair. We have also asked the board to review the corporation by-laws that are needed to file the 5013C form. More to be revealed.

ILS Susan

H&I: John D

Hi family- GPA H&I has 46 commitments this month, 25 were taken by H&I group reps. 21 were filled by panel leaders. 13 groups attended. H&I and PI are working together to get all INFO on all new commitments. H&I has 2 possible panel leaders for Zambarano & Urban League. The Zambarano commitment will be overseen by Free Spirit. The Urban League will be overseen by GPA. GPA and Free Spirit Area Subcommittees of H&I, PI, and Phonenumber are hosting a Learning Day. Tentative date of February 2008 more will be revealed- contact John D @ 952-9658 if you are interested in participating in the learning day.

H&I group reps need to screen speakers before the commitments. Speakers need to follow guidelines of H&I and the rules of the facility. (Park in designated area's only). For further info please contact John D H&I chair.

H&I is looking for possible Panel Leaders for the following commitments: Zambarano, Urban League, Wilson House, PC OASIS, and RI Hospital.

Phone Line: Lewis

Hi Family. For the last month I have been updating the volunteer phone list also talking to the Free Spirit Area treasurer about there share of the phone bill. The H&I Chair and the P&I Chair have been talking about having a joint Learning Day, possibly having Free Spirit join in. More will be revealed. Loving Service Lewis S

Policy: Kim L

I have distributed the revised and updated the administrative Positions Qualifications and Responsibilities to the GPASC Chair and the Secretary. If you would like a copy of this document, please see me. I will have the revised Sub Committee Qualifications & Responsibilities available next month.

PI: Robin D

Hi Family, The PI Sub Committee attended the homelessness Rally on Nov 10, 2007. Information was handed out. PI has sent out an Information packet to the following schools: Barrington High School and East Providence High School. Both schools are interested in PI speaking at there school. PI is planning a learning day with Free Spirit. First meeting will be on Nov 28th, for more information contact Robin D 345-5776

In Loving Service Robin D.

Treasurer: Sully D

See attached report

Month *OCT* 2007

	Income	Expenses	Check #
Literature Sales	1500.30	1,926.59	1771
RI State Sales Tax Received	100.91		
Group Donations	671.50		
Free Spirit Area			
Church Hall Rent (2 months)			
Verizon		48.40	1774
Answering Service (NE in Touch)		209.99	1775
Regional Phonenumber		66.86	1773
Secretary Expenses		51.96	P.C.
Secretary Returned			
Treasury Expenses		27.59	P.C.
Literary Purchase			
Meeting List Purchase		103.50	1772
H&I Subcommittee			
PI Subcommittee			
Activities Subcommittee	413.55		
Literature Subcommittee		6.63	P.C.
Policy Subcommittee			
RCM Expenses		41.08	P.C.
Sales Tax (Balance:)			
Other Tax Responsibilities			
Convention Committee			
Region or World Donation			
Corporation Fee			

Previous Balance	9152.42
Monthly Income	2686.26
Monthly Expenses	2482.90
Final Balance	9355.78
Area Prudent Reserve	-3500.00
Activities Prudent Reserve	-500.00
Area Insurance Reserve	-693.80
Available Funds	4661.98

Greater providence area Literature report

November 2007,

Sales for the month of October

HI sales:	\$197.75
PI sales:	\$39.70
Phone line:	\$0.00
Sales total w/o tax:	\$1440.75
Sales total w/tax:	\$1541.60

Total RI meeting lists sold: 785

Total New England region meeting lists sold: 0 OUT OF STOCK

Cost for literature restocking order: \$1360.15

Starting this month there will be a new literature order form. I took the time to go over what we sell and what we don't. I made the necessary additions and subtractions of items based on that. I also added a special order section. This section will be available for the ordering of any piece of literature that is not available on the main order form. I have downloaded a copy of the literature catalog from the NA website and will have a copy available for all groups to look through. Unfortunately we don't have the resources to carry an inventory on every single item available online. The groups would have to pre order the item, pay for the item, and pick it up at the following area literature sales meeting. I think this better serves the groups by making every piece of literature online available to them. It serves the area by only carrying an inventory on the items the groups buy most frequently. Also if the demand for any particular item that is not on the order form grew I would be able to add it to the order form pretty easily, and begin to carry an inventory on the item.

Problems: Broken Laptop

Convention Committe- Daryl F

On 11/22/2007 Convention Committee held a fundraiser event @ John Hope Settlement House. All went well. The door raised \$461.90, Soda & water raised \$66.50 total \$528.40 and 1 convention registration at \$20.00 totaling \$548.40. Minus see money of \$350.00, and registration of \$20.00- balance of \$178.40-

RCM report: Hal B –

No report given - RCM not present

Old Business:

Elections:

Finance: no nominations- OPEN POSITION

Alt Treasurer: no nominations- OPEN POSTION

Adhoc for Outreach Committee- the area Chair appointed Delia F.

Motions:

This motion did not pass

Motion 08192007-1: The area stop printing it's own meeting list and sell Regional Meeting List instead.

Intent: Stop the current inefficient, flawed and impudent printing of meeting lists and provide more accurate and a greater volume of meeting information to our area in a more efficient and cost effective manner.

This Motions did Pass

Motions

102807-01 (Submitted by Sully Seconded by John) To change H&I, Policy, PI, Phone Line, Activities, Literature, Chair positions clean time requirement from 1 year to 2 years.

Intent: to have the ASC policy coincide with the individual subcommittees policies.

This motion was narrowed down to Best Western in Marlborough and Sturbridge Host.

Motion

102807-03 To decide on 2 out of the 3 hotels for New England Regional Convention. Groups are asked to narrow it down to 2 final hotels using the information provided.

Intent: To allow groups into the process of deciding where our Regional Convention will be held.

New Business:

Motions:

This motion is tabled for one month

112507-01 submitted by Darly F seconded by Robin D.

To move forward with the impeachment of convention committee treasurer.

Open Forum:

Regional Service Committee meets December 8th for Sub Committees and December 9th for Main Body-meeting will be held in Brockton MA- please see NE Regional website exact location.

General Announcements:

The next Area Service Meeting has been changed to December 30th 2007 same time.

***GPA has OPEN POSITIONS: Finance Chair and Alternate Treasurer
Meeting Cancelled : Monday 6:30-8:00pm Straight Forward @ West end Recreation
Center 109 Bucklin Street.***

H & I is in need of support there are several open Panel Leader and Alt Panel Leader positions available.

Convention Committee Fundraiser Presents

Holiday Speaker Jam – December 15th - Silver Lake Community Center Plainfield St Prov

Suggested donation \$5.00 no addict will be turned away

For more information contact Donna W 401 465-7707 or Wayne G 401 473-1749

**Sister's in Recovery Group is Sponsoring "2008 Women's Retreat" in June 2008
Need Women Support For Committee Formation**

New Year Celebration- Monday 12/31/2007 Warwick Central Baptist Church
 Regularly scheduled meeting from 7:30 to 9:00 dance, food, fun, & fellowship from 9:00pm
 to 12:00 am- ** Candle light meeting 2008 from 12:00 am – 1:00am. Suggested donation is
 \$5.00 there will be music, buffet, refreshments, coffee & desserts.

Contact Information

Administrative Body:

Position	Name	Phone Number
Chair	SusanW	
Vice Chair	Robert	
Treasurer	Sully D	
Alt Treasurer		
Secretary	Delia F	
Alt Secretary	Cathy A	
Board of Directors	Kevin V.	
RCM	Hal B	
Alternate RCM	Jackie L	

Subcommittee Chairs:

Subcommittee	Name	Phone Number
Activities	Cyndi	
Convention	Daryl	
Finance		
H&I	John D	
Literature	Tim C	
Phone line	Lewis	
Policy	Kim L	
Public Information (PI)	Robin D	