Minutes: 126th Regional Service Conference  
Region of the Virginians RSC  
April 21, 2007

Met in Lynchburg, VA at 10am on 04-21-07.  
Began Region with Open Forum at 10am with Serenity Prayer.  
Opened the Region Business at 11:15 with Serenity Prayer.  
Purpose was read by: Burrell P., 12 Traditions read by: Jimmy C., 12 Concepts read by: Elmer S.  
Note: Review motion generated from GSR assembly

Roll Call | Roll Call | Reports
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Chair: | Present | Written
Vice Chair: | Present | Written
Secretary: | Present | None
Treasurer: | Present | Written
RD: | Present | Written
RDA: | Present | Written
RDA2 Pro Tem: | Present | Written
VRCC Rep: | Present | Written
VRCC Chair: | Present | Written
Activities Chair: | Present | Written
H&I Chair: | Present | Written
Literature Review Chair: | Present | Written
Outreach Chair Pro Temp: | Present | Written
Policy Chair Pro Temp: | Present | Written
Public Information Chair: | Present | Written
Speaker Jam Chair: | Present | Written

Roll Call | Roll Call | Reports
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Almost Heaven: | Present | Written
Appalachian: | Present | Written
Blue Ridge: | Absent | None
New Dominion: | Present | Written
New River Valley: | Present | Written
Outer Limits: | Present | Written
Peninsula: | Present | Written
Piedmont: | Present | Written
Rappahannock: | Present | Written
Richmond: | Present | Written
Roanoke: | Absent | None
Shenandoah Valley: | Present | Written
South Side: | Present | None
Tidewater: | Present | None
Tri Cities: | Present | None

Quorum met with 13 areas present.  
Break for lunch at 1pm. Reopen business at 2:25pm with Serenity Prayer by Chair.

Minutes: Motion to defer reading of 125th Minutes. Made by: Jeff H. H&I Chair 2nd: Bronwen M. New Dominion  
Passed 11-0 Motion to approve the minutes for the 125th RSC as submitted. Made by: Bob M. Peninsula 2nd: Ernest A. OLANA Passed 13-0

Old Business
Motion 124-4 Mover: Tim C. Treasurer 2nd: Jane F. Tri-Cities  
To amend GRO to eliminate the position of VRCC Rep. and to include the VRCC Chair in the RSC Chair’s  
prearranged agenda for the roll call and reports without making the VRCC Chair an officer of the RSC.
Policy will come up with a suggested section on “Creation and Removal of Positions and Subcommittees” for the Guidelines and Rules of Order. Vote at 126th RSC was Yes: Almost Heaven, Appalachian, New Dominion, New River, Piedmont, Rappahannock, Richmond, Shenandoah, and Tri-Cities. Passed 9-0

Nominations and Elections
Chair: Burrell P. acclimated Motion: to close nominations for Chairperson at the 126th ASC. Intent: To fill position. Mover: Jeff H. H&I Chair 2nd: Jane F. Tri-Cities Passed 13-0-0
Treasurer: Tim C. acclimated: Qualifications: 18 years clean, NA home group and sponsor, served 2 complete terms as RSC Treasurer (4 years) and experience with Steps and Traditions.
Motion: Move nominations are closed for the positions of treasurer. Intent: To fill position. Mover: Mike E. NRVANA 2nd: Ernie A. OLANA Passed 12-0-0
Policy Chair: Cynthia W. accepted nomination and Pro Temp: Qualifications: 5 years recovery time, working knowledge of 12 Steps, 12 Traditions, and 12 Concepts, Have a sponsor who has a sponsor, been in service since 30 days clean: Alt GSR, GSR, Secretary for home group, Area Asst Secretary and Secretary, Regional Secretary and Pro Temp Policy Chair since Oct. 2006 and the willingness to learn.
Motion: To close nominations for Policy Chair. Intent: To not have to take back to groups for more nominations. Mover: Sherry V. RD 2nd: Bob M. Peninsula Passed 12-0-0
Outreach Chair: Pro Temp George B. and Back to Group for nominations, Secretary: Back to Group, RDA-2: Etta S. acclimated.
Vice Chair: Floyd A. nominated. Qualifications: clean date, April 14, 1990, home group service: GSR, Treasurer, and trusted servants Area Service: Treasurer, Vice Chair and Chair of Area Regional Service: ASR Convention Committee Service: 4 AVCNA, VRCC Rep, trusted servant in various subcommittees and Vice Chair of Danville Convention. A working knowledge of the 12 Steps, 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts of NA by way of a sponsor who has a sponsor and a willingness to serve in any capacity for the service of NA Appalachian Area. Motion: to appoint Floyd A. Pro Temp Vice Chair. Intent: to have someone in place to back up chair. Mover: Cynthia W. 2nd: Melvin L. Appalachian Passed 10-1-0

Break at 3:45 and reopen at 4:00.

New Business
Direct donations to subcommittees: There was a lot of discussion on the subject but no motion was turned in to handle the situation so moved on.

Motion 126-1: Mover: Tim C. Treasurer 2nd: Jane F.
To increase the Secretary budget for the period ending April 30, 2007 by $66.90. Intent: To approve Secretary expenses of $126.90. Passed 11-0-0

Motion 126-2: Mover: George B. Pro Temp Outreach Chair 2nd: Nina Mc. Richmond
Under Outreach Subcommittee Activities
Change: 1. Outreach Subcommittee contacts nonparticipating areas to determine if help is needed and coordinates services to assist new or struggling areas specific to the needs of the area.
To: 1. Outreach Subcommittee contacts nonparticipating areas to determine if help is needed. A nonparticipating area would be any area that has missed two consecutive RSCs. A contact could range from communications to a visit to their ASC. Outreach Subcommittee coordinates services to assist new or struggling areas specific to the needs of the area. Intent: To better explain how the Outreach Subcommittee helps nonparticipating areas. Passed 11-0-0
Motion 126-3: Mover: George B. Pro Temp Outreach Chair 2nd: Nina Mc. Richmond
To have the Secretary put the following note on the RSC agenda. Any area that missed two consecutive RSC will be referred to the Outreach Subcommittee. Intent: To inform the areas that the Outreach Subcommittee is concerned about any area that becomes isolated. Passed 10-1-1

Motion 126-4: Mover: Policy 2nd: Jane F. Tri-Cities
Add New Section
Creation and dissolution of Officers Positions and/or Subcommittees
1. Officer Positions
   a. A motion to go back to the Home Groups to create or dissolve an officer position needs to be presented at one RSC, referred to Policy for impact statement and be considered at the next RSC.
   b. The motion should have a detailed intent which should contain at least
      1. Duties and Qualifications of the office proposed to be created or dissolved.
      2. What is the need to create or dissolve the Officer Position?
   c. The motion will be voted on according to Section III of the ROVNA Guidelines and rules of order.
2. Subcommittees
   a. A motion to go back to the Home Groups to create or dissolve a subcommittee needs to be presented at one RSC, referred to Policy for impact statement and be considered at the next RSC.
   b. The motion should have a detailed intent which should contain at least
      1. Duties of the subcommittee proposed to be created or dissolved.
      2. What is the need to create or dissolve the Subcommittee?
   c. The motion will be voted on according to Section III of the ROVNA Guidelines and rules of order.

Now
Section IX: Removal of Officers
Section X: Conference Procedure
Section XI: Standing Subcommittees
Change to
Section IX: Removal of Officers
Section X: Creation and dissolution of Officers Positions and/or Subcommittees
Section XI: Standing Subcommittees
Section XII: Conference Procedure
Intent: To have guidelines in place for creating and dissolving positions in G&RO. Back to Groups

Motion 126-5: Mover: Tim C. Treasurer 2nd: Etta S. Rappahannock
To reschedule the 129th from an overnight event to a one day event. Intent: To cut spending on an overnight RSC one time by $1500. Chair ruled to send motion back to home groups and George B. appealed ruling. Appeal failed 5-7-0. Back to Groups

Motion 126-6: Mover: Tim C. Treasurer 2nd: Jane F.
To increase the Treasurer budget for the period ending April 30, 2007 by $1.09. Intent: To approve Treasurer expenses of $21.09. Passed 11-0-0

Motion 126-7: To give the area the money which they paid to the church where the last speaker jam was held. Intent: To cover the costs of our event. Motion to table. Mover: Jeff H. H&I Chair 2nd: Tee T. Piedmont Passed to table 12-0-0

Motion from the GSR Assembly
Motion Maker: Delegate Team
Seconded: Jennifer D.-Almost Heaven Area
Motion: To submit for inclusion in the Conference Agenda Report (CAR) or Conference Approval Track (CAT) the following motion:
To make available in the Narcotics Anonymous World Service, Inc product inventory all styles (bronze, etc) medallions with the old design roman numerals imprinted on them. Intent:
Our groups voiced wanting the old design available. It is understood that with the long-term recovery and the number increases the numerals will be smaller to accommodate the space and it will be somewhat more difficult to read.

Financial impact: unknown depends on if the original mold is still available and possible set up fee.

GROUPS:
The only thing we are voting on is to put this in the CAR/CAT. Your Group will vote on this motion this coming year in the CAR/CAT.

Planning for Next RSC
June 16: 127th Regional Service Conference, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Bethany Church of Christ, 5400 Forest Hill Ave., Richmond, VA

Subcommittee Meetings
May 19: 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Christ Episcopal Church, 16 Amiss Ave., Luray, VA, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Literature Review, 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Lunch Break, 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Hospitals & Institutions, 2:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
Public Information and 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Outreach
May 20: More info to come on meetings of Policy, Activities and Speaker Jam in Cumberland, MD.

VRCC and RSC Meetings
It will be at the Region 10 Center in Charlottesville on July 7, 2007 from 10:00am until 3:00pm. Please announce at meetings. All are welcome.

Motion to adjourn at 5:07pm. Mover: Jane F. Tri-Cities 2nd: Bob M. Peninsula Passed 13-0
Closed with Serenity Prayer

Trusted Servant Reports
Chair
Dear Family,
It is with both sadness and joy that I submit what should be my last chair report. I am sad that my interaction with you elected trusted servants will probably be diminished in the immediate future. And, I am happy that my term is over and hope that I have done an adequate, but certainly not perfect, job as chair. Throughout my term, I have viewed the chair’s main duty to be to facilitate the RSC’s in a manner that would allow for addressing the greatest number of topics possible in the shortest time possible. With your patience, help, and guidance, I think we have done a pretty good job, and in the process, learned a little more about our own Policy and Robert’s Rules of Order. It has been a pleasure to have had the opportunity to serve our Region with the capable and hard working trusted servants that have served here over the past two years. The following is an incomplete list of some of our accomplishments over the last two years, in no particular order:

1. We have reestablished subcommittee system at the Regional level.
2. We have donated $1000.00 to hurricane relief.
3. We are organizing and putting on two Speaker Jams each year.
4. We have divided the ROV into four quadrants for the purpose of moving the RSC and subcommittee meetings around the entire Region.
5. We have improved financial reporting to the areas.
6. We have changed our answering service to provide much improved disbursement of meeting information and response to addicts in need.
7. We have improved communication with and understanding of VRCC.
8. We have represented NA at a conference at the request of and with the support of NAWS.
9. We have greatly improved our communication with and understanding of NAWS.
10. We are now supporting the following active subcommittees: Activities, Hospitals and Institutions (H&I), Literature Review, Outreach, Policy, Public Information (PI), and Speaker Jam.
11. We have developed a line item budget for all Regional expenses.
12. We have improved the flow of business at RSC’s.

I also need to thank the other members of the executive committee (chair, vice chair, secretary, and treasurer) for their endless efforts and assistance.
Since the 125th RSC, I was unable to attend any of the subcommittee meetings. It has been an honor to serve.
In Loving Service, Don V.

Vice Chair
Hi family, on March 24th in the Peninsula Area I was able to attend the Public Information and Outreach Subcommittees. Special thanks go to the area and home groups who helped in preparing a nice lunch for us. March 25th in the tidewater Area I was able to attend the Speaker Jam, Activities and Policy Subcommittees. We continue to look for committed subcommittee members for each of the subcommittees. Thanks for letting me be of service.
ILS, Burrell

Treasurer
1. LEDGER: At the last RSC, I reported $6,582.10 on hand as of February 16, 2007. Deposits and credits from February 16 to April 20 totaled $2,592.14 and withdrawals and debits totaled <$3,521.54>, bringing the balance to $5,652.70 as of today’s date.

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**Total Withdrawals & Debits** <$3,521.54>
Microsoft Money shows $5,662.70 on hand, so I am still off by $10.00, which is very aggravating. I hope to have this error corrected quickly.

2. PRUDENT RESERVE: The base prudent reserve for the period March 1-April 31, 2007 is $9,240.00 (motion 119-2). Discretionary funds reserved include $1,413.04 for H&I Subcommittee (motion 119-3), and $100.00 for Outreach Subcommittee (motion 124-7) bringing the adjusted prudent reserve for the period to $10,753.04. After expenses, funds available today for the period of March 1-April 31, 2007 are <$3,532.49>: Our balance is well below prudent reserve.

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3. 2007-2009 BUDGET: The budget effective July 1 was approved at the 125th RSC (Motion 123-1).

4. CONTRACTS: PCMS (Professional Communications Messaging Service) has already increased our monthly rate to $627.00/month because of increased call volume. Clearly, PI's efforts to improve phoneline services are working well, at a consequence of unanticipated expenses. The budget will need to be increased, so funds are reserved and other services won't have to be cut. The phoneline is an automatic expense that take priority over other wants and needs like speakerjams, workshops, and hotel rooms, so there is no immediate need to correct the budget, but the adjustment should be made before donations catch up to our prudent reserve deficit.

TASCO changed us for a final service period, because they were not given sufficient notice of service disconnection. This was a reasonable move on their part, but I have requested a copy of the contract from TASCO, and my calls haven't been returned. It didn't occur to me to request the contract when my term as Treasurer began, but I strongly believe the Treasurer should keep a copy of contracts and other service agreements (including meeting room reservations) so details like cancellation fees might be known in advance. So far, this hasn't been a major problem with Activities, but Speakerjam and other subcommittees holding service events could consult more. I have requested a copy of the PCMS contract from PI, but it hasn't arrived yet.

At some point in the future, we will need to discuss event insurance, but I expect this can wait until after the joint open forum meeting with VRCC. I haven't been advised of any progress on motion 125-10, so I guess more will be revealed...?..

5. LONG TERM: We aren't taking in as much in donations as we did in 2003, 2002, 2005, or even 2004. Donations in 2006 were $3,920.06 (18.88%) below 2004, or $8,823.31 (34.37%) below 2005. We are providing more services (H&I, PI, Speakerjam, Lit Review, Outreach) than a few years ago, but we need to further control our urge to say YES to every opportunity to spend.

I strongly believe the overnight RSC scheduled for October 2007 needs to be reduced to a one-day event, to save the Region over $1500.00 in spending, and if donations don't permit a donation to NAWS by the end of 2007, we may need to implement further spending cuts, such as 5 or 4 conferences per year.

The responsibilities of the RSC Treasurer are barely described in the GRO, but I have a few ideas how to reduce my workload. The lack of willing replacements has probably concerned me more than any of you, but I am willing to "keep coming back".

Just for today, Tim C.

Regional Delegate
Hi all this past two months I'm glad to have been able to attend our 7 subcommittees in March. It was a great weekend and enjoyed tremendously the evening fellowshipping.
I really enjoy being a part of our subcommittees and see how are Region is working together to help carry our message.
I have also been working with some the chairs to help get our wonderful GSR assembly together for tomorrow. I hope everyone is staying and if you are using your cells call now and invite all to our assembly tomorrow.
Our delegate team is gearing up for our trip to the world wide workshop in Lincoln, NE and looking forward to learning about our new issue discussion topic and able to better facilitate to you all in the future the IDT and upcoming car and cat motions.
Please know that anytime our delegate team can be of service at anytime please let us know.
See everyone tomorrow.

ILT, Sherry V.
Regional Delegate Alternate

Hello Family, Welcome to The Appalachian Area, and welcome to Lynchburg! Since the last regional service, I have not attended any subcommittees or any other area services. I received a mailing from World Services, which was the new Public Relations Handbook. During MARLCNA we were informed that there is a link on the World Website that will post the changes to the handbook as they are made. You can find these updates, as well as this and other service manuals online by going to www.na.org and clicking on the handbooks icon towards the top of the page.

I have been working on researching Resolution A, and have a presentation to present during the GSR assembly tomorrow regarding my findings. I hope that our region will seriously consider the seating of new regions for the next Conference in April of 2008, as there seems to be some prejudices towards seating American Regions. Hopefully this is just my paranoid nature, but the evidence seems to be leaning towards the contrary. This will be discussed more tomorrow during the GSR assembly.

I am making arrangements to attend the worldwide workshop in Nebraska, which will be in May, and plan on taking thorough notes, to have the most information to relay to this body. I will present my year-end report during the GSR assembly tomorrow.

With Love of the fellowship, Greg H.

VRCC Rep

Good morning, at our meeting in March the total figures were given from the 25th AVCNA. Total generated by 25th was $51,948.38, total expenses $46,081.97 with difference of $5,866.41 net. Motion was passed to have VRCC Chair meet and setup open meeting with Regional Chair and fellowship on cooperation.

26th AVCNA can be registered with the Hotel Roanoke online at the VRCC.org. Positions open: Treasurer, Vice Treasurer, and Website Chair.

ILS, Jimmy B.

Virginia Regional Convention Corporation Chair

Hello, family! Things are going very well with the 26th AVCNA so far. A motion was passed at the last VRCC meeting for the Chair of the VRCC to get together with the Chair of Region to have an open session meeting. I also called Don, the Chair of Region, to help get some dates so we can move forward with this.

The next VRCC meeting is the Retreat which will be held at the Quality Inn in Roanoke on May 19 & 20, 2007. The Retreat starts at 10am on Saturday, May 19th. VRCC.org link no longer works the link now is AVCNA.org.

In loving service, Jim H.

Activities

The Activities Subcommittee met at Norview United Methodist Church, 1112 Norview Ave., Norfolk, VA, March 25, 2007. Attending were Jimmy C. (Chair), Burrell P, Bonnie W., Cynthia W., Sherry V., Teddie A. & teleconference w/Tim C. Topics of discussion were February 08, RSC location. Car Workshop for each quadrant, Feb 08 and Mar 08 time fame, possible two per month; and April 08 RSC/GSR (CAR) locations Sherry V. and Bonnie W. will be looking into the 4H Club. Also was discussed was April 07 lunch menu for GSR Assembly and hotel room shedding. The committee decided to change from Virginia Beach location to Outer Banks for October 07 since VAB has not been confirmed. I talked to Denise on the telephone and will be my contact for the Outer Banks.

The purpose of the subcommittee was defined as follows: to schedule and plan RSC Conferences, GSR Assembly, CAR Workshop, and Autonomy Zonal Forum. All events are on rotating bases by quadrants, although the one day and two day events do not coincide with each other.

Activities:
1. Schedule and plan RSC Conferences up to one year in advance, including meals and lodging as needed.
2. Schedule and plan the GSR Assembly annually in April.
3. Schedule and plan the CAR Workshop every two years, (mid-February to mid-April).
4. Schedule and plan the Autonomy Zonal Forum approximately every three years (last was Jan 2005)
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(TBA=To Be Announced)

ILS, Jimmy C.

Hospitals and Institutions
Hello family, H&I have had a lot of activity since the last RSC. We met in Williamsburg on March 24 for our last subcommittee meeting. We had a good turn out with about 12-15 in attendance. Minutes from our last subcommittee meeting are attached

We discussed and planned the Inmate Presentations for the Goochland Correctional Center for Women. On March 31st we executed the presentation. We took 14 members into the facility with about 60 inmates. We were very well received by the inmates. We did have a few obstacles once we got there, but it was a very successful event. Since the event we have several female members who are interested in making a regular commitment. We are working with the facility currently to coordinate this effort. New Dominion and Piedmont both have approved to support this meeting, Richmond has interest as well. It will be nice to see these areas working together to provide members to support this commitment. We will keep you posted.

We have continued to mail informational packages. Our mail has been routed through the ROV’s mail box in a satisfactory manner.

We also approved to contact two request for inmate presentation, one in Cumberland Maryland, and the other at Southampton Correctional Center. We have made contact with the facility in Maryland. We will have more information at our next subcommittee meeting.

Our Literature supply consist of one inmate presentation package, eleven information packages, 100 white books, and some white chips. We plan to compile a literature order in our next subcommittee. We also plan to make an order before the end of our budget year.

We have a few money matters. We approved two expenditures at our subcommittee meeting plus postage for several Information Packages. The total with receipts is $168.43

We continue to discuss how to improve our Regional H&I subcommittee. We encourage all our areas to participate on the regional level. H&I is growing throughout our region. Together we can carry the message move efficiently. Please discuss this on your area level to support the Regional H&I Subcommittee.
Our next subcommittee meeting will be held on May 19th in Luray Va., times to be announced.
In Loving Service, Jeff H

Outreach
The meeting was held at the Wesley Foundation at College of William and Mary, 526 Jamestown Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185. The meeting started at 2:00 pm with the serenity prayer, reading of the 12 Traditions and the reading of the 12 Concepts.
The Outreach Subcommittee web page was read aloud and then passed around. Discussion about just how did meetings get listed on the Outreach Subcommittee web page. After long discussion, I believe that the following was the thinking of those in attendance.
1. We locate the meeting from the na.org web site.
2. We try to contact the meeting. We try to determine if the meeting still exists.
3. We visit the meeting to see if it really is a NA meeting.
4. We ask the meeting if there is any way that we can help them. We ask the meeting if they want to be
   listed on the Outreach Subcommittee web page.
The minutes were read.
Burrell P. reported that he had tried to attend the following meeting but no one showed up. He left his name
   with the Church.
Committee Code 00163506
Committee Name Life & What You Make It Group
Location Sharon Baptist Church,
   901 Sharon Road, King William, VA 23086
Day and Time Thursday @ 20:00 hours
Outreach Questionnaire
After much discussion, we came to the opinion that Amanda H. would put something together and we would
   discuss it over email. WE WILL REPLY ALL.
Outreach Activities addition
After much discussion, we came to the opinion that George B. would try to capture what we had talked about
   and we would discuss it over email.
   WE WILL REPLY ALL.
Motion to approve Tim C. mailing information about the GSR Assembly and Outreach Subcommittee to every
   group on the isolated meetings list at a cost of $10.00 or under. Motion passed
Motion to approve Tim C. visiting the New Way of Life Society Group in Orange, VA and the Clean & Sober
   Group in Mineral, VA. The reimbursement of gas expenses is up to $50.00. Motion passed.
Motion to pay $10.00 for our meeting space. Motion passed
Motion to meet with Public Information Subcommittee on May 19, 2007, Place and Time to be announced.
Meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer
The following were in attendance.
George B., Cynthia W., Amanda H., Burrell P., Bonnie W., and Sherry V.
Minutes taken by George B.

Policy
Read Traditions Sherry V.
Read Concepts Teddie A.
Minutes approval: Motion to dispense with reading and approval of minutes from January 27, 2007. Mover:
   Sherry V. 2nd: Teddie A. Passed 5-0-0
Reports: Chair-I made 50 copies of G&RO for 125th RSC at cost of $60 and about half of them were passed
   out. People who received them signed for them. I have a copy of motion about creating and dissolving
   positions that was emailed to me from George. Thanks for allowing me to serve. ILS, Cynthia W.
Old Business: 1. Motion 124-4 about VRCC sent to home groups
   2. Motion 124-7 passed at RSC 125th
   3. 50 copies of G&RO made
New Business: 1. Motion on Creating and Dissolving
   2. Report for April GSR Assembly will be a short power point presentation.
3. Motion to add page to website with clerical changes. Mover: Sherry V. 2nd: Burrell P. Passed 5-0
4. Motion to pay $10 for rent to facility. Mover: Burrell P. 2nd: Jimmy C. Passed 5-0

Next meeting Date and Time and Quadrant Location Co-op AHA on Sunday, May 20, 2007
Close meeting with Serenity Prayer at 4:30.
In loving service, Cynthia W.

Public Information

I want to take a moment and thank everyone who works and supports ROVNA PI. Every positive thing we do has an effect, just as negative actions do. I just seem to notice the negative more readily.

We met on March 24, 2007 in Williamsburg, VA. (yeah!) There were 12 addicts present. Two motions were passed. One motion was to approve the Policy page for inclusion on the web site and another to maintain an electronic backup of all database information weekly. Both passed. We discussed various topics at length during open discussion, including rotation through region and the need for a Master Calendar for Sub-Committees. Richmond has placed their Phoneline on 211virginia.org. I am passing the flyer around and encouraging all Area PI/Phoneline Sub-Committees to investigate this for your Area. United Way will refer folks seeking help with drug problems to us and this is a source for calls that come to us where we can’t help.

Of course, we are not affiliated with 211 but they are a resource center and referral agency for lots of those “other” issues.

Still working on 411 issues and have made contact with both Primus Corporate Escalations and Verizon Corporate Customer Service. A letter to a CEO usually gets some response; although the answer isn’t always what I want. I will keep you posted on this one.

If VSIAS funds are approved today, PI will proceed with organizing this event. We were granted a 50% scholarship for the exhibitors’ package; our fee will be $175.00. They want us to hold a meeting there any evening of the event. Virginia Summer Institute of Addiction Studies is another exciting opportunity to inform a group influential in introducing addicts to Narcotics Anonymous. PI will focus on including as many members to “work” the booth as we can. We will need about 12 volunteers for the 16-20th in Williamsburg, VA. So far I have had 4 volunteers come forward.

We are still working on our Sub-Committee guidelines. Web site is being updated as we go along. Our Webmaster seeks some assistance with maintaining our website, so anyone interested in serving, please come forward!

I had the wonderful experience of serving on the H&I panel at Goochland Women’s Facility this past month. Our H&I Sub-Committee did a fine job coordinating and setting up this meeting and it is one of the most powerful experiences I have had as a member of NA. If H&I only did these events at the Region they would be serving us and the fellowship well. Speaking of presentations with H&I, the Level 3 prison in Cumberland, MD with 2000 beds and 150 attending their “own” NA meeting (3 groups of 50 inmates once per month) is interested in a presentation/panel meeting and willing to allow up to 6 men into the facility for this kind of “one time” event and open to a monthly volunteer. PI, H&I and the Cumberland COOP folks will work together to make this happen.

We have had an exciting year on Regional PI and it is beneficial to look back and see what we have accomplished. For me the most important step we have made is bringing folks together in an atmosphere of good will and cooperation. Talk about attraction. At some point this last year, PI has made contact with every Area PI Chair in our Region. I can say for myself, the benefit of rotating through the Region has been wonderful. I have so enjoyed connecting with addicts in different areas. We are amazing people to know.

Thanks, Amanda H. Chair

Speaker Jam
There were six addicts in attendance
Burrell read the Traditions
Bonnie read the Concepts

Phoneline Stats:
1063 minutes used in last billing cycle. We are in the $625 call slot; we had 43 overage calls, not enough to increase to $820 package.
The Speaker Jam from March 17, 2007 was a huge success. There were 180 or more in attendance. Virtually all stayed for the entire jam and the chair has a cd from each speaker’s in his possession.

Motion maker: Sherry Motion: To pay member for special needs services in the amount of $30.00
Second by: Burrell
Passed 6-0

He has receipts:
Copies and coffee: $17.00 ________________
Special Needs: $30.00 ________________
Total: $47.00 ________________

Please make check for special needs payable to Tara Bossi Reid

There were no bids turned in at the Speaker Jam. As far as the next speaker Jam that is today’s agenda.

Motion Maker: Burrell- Motion: to take it to OLANA in September 2007 since they have already placed a bid
Second: Jimmy C. Passed: passed 6-0

Motion: To change method of speaker jam bids being turned in during current speaker jam to; bids have to be brought to Speaker Jam Committee. Pass 6-0

Motion by Cynthia Second by Jimmy To give church $10.00 for rent. Passed 6-0

Motion: To closed……passed

ILS, Teddie A

Area Reports
Almost Heaven
Almost Heaven Area has 28 homegroups and has 42 meeting per week; we have 10 GSR’s and 1 Co-op representative representing 9 homegroups.

We currently have 4 positions open, Vice-chair, Treasurer, Newsletter and Policy.

The Convention committee is on schedule, with already picking the main speakers for this year convention.

PI is up and running with the annual mailing in progress.

Co-op has 1 new meeting to be put on the webpage, and 1 meeting has wrong information on the website. I will get with the Regional PI chair to give her this info.

Special Events: on the Area, we have a 3 on 3 basketball event on April 28th 2007

Co-op Special Events: as we speak they are having their 2nd Annul Spiritual Breakfast in Laval MD from 9am to 12.

H&I: we are taking meetings into the WCDC & ERJ on the women’s side twice a month, only going into the men’s side in the ERJ.

CO-OP H&I are asking for Regional support and participation to form a panel to put on a presentation at a new facility. Co-op submitted a motion to the regional H&I sub-committee.

We have current meeting list here today.

We have a donation of $462.29 from Feb & March ASC.

We meet the 1st Saturday of every month except for June, July, and August. In Shepherdstown, WV. Starting 1:30pm.

Our Co-op meets the last Sunday of every month in Wiley Ford, WV. Starting at 3pm

In Loving Service, Jennifer D.

Appalachian

We have 12 groups with 9 GSRs present at our area meeting. We have open position for PI Chair: Mark E. nominated and Special Events Chair: Stephanie W. nominated. Open Region position: Chair: Burrell P. area voted 9-0 for him and nominated Floyd A. for RDA-2. Region motions 124-4 passed and 125-8 failed. Greg H. made a motion to pay St. Andrew Presbyterian Church meeting place $50 for damages doing the Region Speaker Jam passed 9-0 to pay. Our is doing fine with what we got. We are always trying to get the newcomers to get involved. Announcements: Together We Care would like to ask for participants interested in a Softball tournament this summer. Terry celebrates one year at Keep the Faith group on 4/23/07 with Floyd A. and Frances W. speaking. We are meeting at Gateway 12 and Church St. in Lynchburg, VA on the first Sunday of each month.

In loving service, Melvin L.
New Dominion
New Dominion Area is a strong area with 28 groups. Quorum is routinely met averaging 20 GSRs present. We currently have 1 position open VRCC Director. No new elections to report at this time. PI is doing well; our new area phone line system is a true blessing. I had the opportunity to take a newcomer to a meeting. My communication with this newcomer was initiated directly from our new phone line. H&I has been consistently strong in carrying the message; recently H&I supported a speaker jam event to VA correctional center for women in Goochland which happens to be the first time NA entered this institution in several years. Special Events will be having an Annual Campout May 18-20 at Low Water Bridge Campground in Bentonville, VA Contact Randy C. 804-814-2276 or Rick B. 804-920-2063. New Dominion Area Treasurer faithfully sends in monthly donations to the Region. Our next ASC will be May 13, please note the New Dominion Area will be hosting our next Regional in June.

ILS, Bronwen M.

New River Valley
Greetings form the New River Valley. Needless to say it has been a rough week, but the spiritual principals of the program have gotten us through. NRVANA has recently had our area service board elections. We currently have a new slate of trusted servants in place with the exception of RCM alternate. We have two area activities planed. The Spring Picnic is set for May 19th from 11:00 till 5:00, at Carter Park in Wytheville, VA. This is a covered dish affair, with Speaker Meetings throughout the day. We have our Area Campout set for June 29th through July 1st. The Campout will be held at Camp Alta Mons (2842 Crockett Springs Rd. Shawsville, VA) More information and fliers will be coming out in the near future.

We are excited to announce the formation of a new meeting. This is the “Together We Can” group in the beautiful Town of Floyd Virginia. This meeting is from 7to8 pm, Thursday nights at the NRV Community Action building, (323 Floyd Highway South, Floyd, VA 24091). This is an Open Basic Text Study meeting. We now have a total of 11 meetings in our area.

The area still has a need for outside assistance; therefore we are planning to but a bid in for hosting the Regional Speaker Jam in March. Our area has reserved a place for the Regional Meeting in December. The meeting will be held at St. Thomas Episcopal Church located at 303 East Main St. Christiansburg, VA 24073. We are currently operating below prudent reserve and have no regional donation at this time.

In loving service, Mike E.

Outer Limits
Hi family, the Outer Limits now has six active home groups. All six GSR attended ASC. Two new groups joined since RSC. No1 is Stick and Stay group at the Bethlehem Professional Building 401 Halifax St. Emporia, VA 23847. They meet Monday 7pm to 8:30pm. No2 The Spirit of Recovery meets on Thursday from 7pm to 8pm at First Gravel Hill Baptist Church 5230 Old Stage Highway (route 10) in the Rushmere Area in basement by the grace of God we are on a comeback. We have new trusted servants, our Vice Chair is David D., our Secretary is Scott C. and Alt RCM is Leon G. These positions are open Alt. Secretary, Alt Treasurer, Alt. Literature, and H&I Chair. Our two new groups are in need of support. If you in the Rushmere area or the Emporia area please come out and support. The area has its first new subcommittee, Special Events; they should have a report by next region. The next ASC will be held on May 5th, at the hospital in Emporia, VA.

In loving service, Ernest A.

Peninsula
Our area still has 35 plus home groups, which facilitate 40 plus meetings per week. Several groups which met at a facility that closed have found new meeting places. 22 GSRs attended our March ASC meeting. A new chair, Teresa F. was elected and the PI Chair position was filled. 14 GSRs attended the April ASC and our vacant positions of Vice Chair and H&I Chair were filled. Our RCM alternate stepped down at the April ASC due to personal hardships and our Activities Chair also stepped down. Those are our open positions at this time. The area spending is in suspension once again as our literature back orders and new orders exhausted our funds. We have spent from our prudent reserve and misc. funds to cover the shortfall. Therefore I have no regional donation at this time.

A motion has been put forth to hold an area convention at some future time and has gone back to the home groups. Our next ASC meeting will be on May 5th.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service, Bob M.
Piedmont
All is well in the Piedmont Area. We currently have 28 meetings represented by 13 home groups with 12 GSRs attending our area service. Our area is preparing for PACNA 17. the camp out will be held 6/22-6/24/07 at the Small County campground on 3300 Byrd Mill Rd. in Louisa, VA. I have brought flyers with directions. The website for the campground is www.smallcounty.com the slogan for this year is “It is hip to be square inside the circle.” All positions are filled at this time except our RCM is in the process of stepping down from his position. I have brought updated meeting list with all groups that have made request at our area service to be put on the meeting list. Next ASC 5/6/07 at Wesley foundation 4pm.
ILS, Tee T.

Rappahannock
The Rappahannock Area reports 21 active meetings in our area. The area meets the first Sunday of each month. At last meeting we had 11 GSR’s attending. The Man Up to Recovery Group is about to celebrate its one year anniversary. They are currently planning it and will let us know the details. Our Late night meetings “the Clean and Serene” group has grown and is finally on our meeting lists. Current attendance is ranging from 4-15 people per night. There is no other news to report at time except that we have a large influx of newcomers in our area (50-75). We are currently considering extending the time from 1hr to 90 minutes so that more people will have an opportunity to share. We still have open service positions in our area that we are trying to fill. They are as follows, Outreach chair, VRCC rep, and alternate RCM. We are currently donating $120 at this time.
In Loving service, Etta S.

Richmond
Good afternoon family there is not much to report today other than a check was passed to our Regional Treasurer in the amount of $366 from our area. No new groups to report. GSRs reporting for ASC are the same. I was unable to stay for the entire ASC held on 4/6 and am unaware of any c/o other than those reported in previous minutes. Upcoming events: Memorial Day 5/28 12n-8pm cookout 713 N 1st St. sponsored by Simple Basics of Recovery contact John C. 804-461-6628. Old Style Sock Hop 5/5 9p-1m 6000 Midlothian Trpk. sponsored by Special Events contact Pam H. 804-937-3986 tickets $5 inadavance/$7 at door/food and drinks sold. Special Events is also sponsoring a Seafood Fest Free Event /Fashion and Talent Show scheduled dates and times will be forwarded to Tim for website entry as soon as I have confirmed them. Next scheduled ASC 5/13/07. Several GSR from the area are scheduled to attend assembly on tomorrow. Both motions sent back to home groups from our last meeting were passed.
ILS, Nina Mc

Tidewater
Good afternoon to the Region of Virginians from the Tidewater area of NA. Our area met on Sunday April 8, 2007 at Norview United Methodist there were 24 GSR in attendance. There are no open commitments as of right now. TACNA 8 is putting on a fundraiser on June 2, 2007 where the Agape group meets. Our area is looking to get more involved with the region and upcoming events. Our primary purpose is to help carry the message in and around the world that no addict seeking recovery need ever die from the horror of the disease of addiction.
In loving service, Glenn C.

Tri-Cities
Hello family, things are going well in Tri-Cities area. We currently have 19 meetings in our area consisting of 12 home groups. Currently we have the positions of H&I Chair, PI Chair and RCM Alt open. We average 6-9 GSR who attend area service on a regular basis. The H&I subcommittee currently has 2 regular commitments 1st and 3rd Wednesday at Riverside Regional Jail and every Tuesday at The New Direction Treatment facility. The PI subcommittee is participating in the Prince George Co. High School Health Fair today from 9am-12pm. I have a copy of our latest meeting list. Our area service meets the first Sunday of each month at 2pm at Poplar Springs Hospital in Petersburg. Next one on May 6th. We have a $233.37 donation to the region today.
In loving service, Jane F.
Blackwell-Southside
We meet at 600 Midlothian Trpk Richmond VA 23225 contact person Onesimus V. 2310 Semmes Ave. Richmond, VA 23225 804-247-0872. Thank you for allowing us to attend the 125th Region. Currently through ups and downs we are now at 5 meetings with 2 home groups. We need to elect trusted servants positions. We have been meeting since November 2005. Currently we are meeting with Public Information with New Dominion, Richmond, and Tri-Cities. We have been voted to host a phone line workshop June 30th at 6000 Midlothian turnpike Richmond VA from 12:30 to 3:30. Nothing to donate.
In loving service. Onesimus V.