

**131<sup>st</sup> Central Atlantic Region  
Regional Service Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
February 16, 2008  
Gloucester, VA**

**Open Forum – (begins at 10:04 am)**

2 Topics of Discussion:

1. Can votes be brought from the ASC by someone other than the RCM?
2. Division of the Region.

Open Forum closed at 11:04 a.m.

**RSC opened with the Serenity Prayer at 11:25 p.m.**

Purpose read by Mike, 12 Traditions read by Jimmy, 12 Concepts read by Pat.

**Roll Call - (all members below were present)**

Burrell P. . RSC Chair  
Greg G. . RSC Secretary  
Tim C. . RSC Treasurer  
Sherry V. . RSC Regional Delegate  
Greg H. . RSC Regional Delegate Alternate  
Jim H. . VRCC Chair  
Jimmy C. . RSC Activities Chair  
Jeff H. . RSC Hospitals & Institutions Chair (pro temp)  
Cynthia W. . RSC Policy Chair  
Amanda H. . RSC Public Information Chair  
Teddie A. . Speaker Jam Chair  
Bonnie W. . Almost Heaven RCM  
Eddie W. . Appalachian RCM  
Robert W. . Blue Ridge RCM  
Jeff H. . New Dominion RCM (pro temp)  
Mike E. . New River Valley RCM  
Beverly A. . Peninsula RCM  
Tee T. . Piedmont RCM  
Pat P. . Rappahannock RCM  
Nina Mc. . Richmond RCM  
Mike G. . Roanoke Valley RCM  
Norman C. . Shenandoah Valley RCM Alternate  
Carlton J. . Tidewater ASC Chair  
Audrey C. . Tricities RCM

Areas/Positions not present . Outer Limits, Southside, Vice Chair (vacant), RDA-2, Literature Review Chair (vacant), Outreach Chair

**Recognition of New Attendees** – Eddie W. (Appalachian RCM), Beverly A. (Peninsula RCM), Audrey C. (Tricities RCM), Carlton J. (Tidewater ASC Chair)

**Establishment of Quorum** - 13 RCMs present

**Reading and Approval of Minutes** - Motion to wave reading of the 130<sup>th</sup> RSC minutes. Seconded by Cynthia W. Motion passes 13 to 0. Motion to approve 130th RSC minutes with corrections. Seconded. Motion passes 13 to 0.

## **Trusted Servant Reports -**

### **RSC Chair Report**

I would like to thank the New River Valley Area for hosting the 130<sup>th</sup> conference on December 15<sup>th</sup> in Christiansburg. I also thank all of us who came out to do the work of NA. We are grateful that everyone got back home safely. Congratulations goes out to the Roanoke Valley Area for what I believe a great 26<sup>th</sup> AVCNA. Keep up the good work. Congratulations also goes to our Delegate team and everyone who helped out in hosting the Zonal Forum on January 26<sup>th</sup> in Fredericksburg. Thanks goes out to the Rappahannock Area for doing a good job. We need to encourage our groups in participating in helping our standing committees to do their job by sending members to participate. We are having a lot of openings for members and chairpersons.  
ILS Burrell P.

### **RSC Vice Chair Report - Vacant**

### **RSC Secretary Report**

Thanks for all the support. There are some revisions (typos) to the 130<sup>th</sup> RSC minutes. I am sure we will cover these during the approval process. The treasurer is submitting a motion to increase the Secretary's budget because I can't get the minutes out within a week after the RSC meetings because my budget only resets every 2 months. The treasurer will explain with a motion. Motion forms, Report forms, and Agendas are on the table by the door. I urge all committee members to submit reports to immediately after reading them. Thanks you for your cooperation in this matter. It is extremely difficult to fulfill my responsibilities as secretary, and provide RSC minutes in a timely fashion, if I have to chase down reports after the close of the RSC meeting. Thanks again for everyone's support.  
ILS Greg G.

### **RSC Treasurers Report**

1. LEDGER: At the last RSC, I reported \$ 9,424.65 on hand as of December 15, 2007. -At the 129th RSC, I reported a donation from the It Can Be Done Group in the amount of \$6.20, but the correct amount was \$6.10, resulting in a debit of <\$0.10>. Credit of \$17.71. -Check #2485 issued on 4/21/07 in the amount of <\$30.00> for E. Speaker jam activities (ASL interpreter) is void, resulting in a credit of \$30.00. -As previously reported, the ledger does not balance with the bank account. My efforts to locate the error(s) have been unsuccessful, so I am reporting a correction of <\$19.25>. Deposits and credits from December 15 to February 15 totaled \$4,980.04 and withdrawals and debits totaled <\$3,281.87>, bringing the balance to \$11,122.82 as of today's date.
2. PRUDENT RESERVE: Last period we finished with a deficit of \$419.59, and we started this period with a deficit of \$4,423.59 below the adjusted prudent reserve of \$14,057.75. The projected reserve for March 1-April 30, 2008 is \$15,414.93.
3. BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE: The budget from July 1, 2008-June 30, 2010 was presented for approval in motion 130-5, without amendment.
4. EXPENSES: I am requesting reimbursement for (B.) Secretary expenses @ \$64.55 (over budget by \$4.55) and (B.) Treasurer expenses @ \$22.38 (over budget by \$2.38). Due to the Secretary's outstanding efficiency, I felt it was necessary to cover his expenses from my personal funds.
5. CHECKS: After consultation with the RSC Chair, voucher checks were ordered from Intuit Software printed with the name %Regional Service Committee.+

6. COMPUTER: The Gateway laptop computer was purchased in January 2003. At the last RSC, Greg G. and I were unable to load its operating system, so discussion of repairs or replacement is needed. Please place %Computer+on the agenda in New Business.

In service, Tim C., RSC Treasurer

Almost Heaven ASC \$187.95  
Almost Heaven ASC \$15.86  
Peninsula ASC \$500.00  
Piedmont ASC \$235.00  
Southside ASC \$194.00  
Tidewater ASC \$1,625.74  
How and Why Group \$56.00  
New Vision Group \$10.00  
Verizon \$37.78  
OLANA Unity Fest \$2070.00  
VOID #2484 Teddie A. (E-Speaker jam) \$17.71  
VOID #2484 Tara Bossi Reid (E-Speaker jam) \$30.00

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Total Deposits & Credits \$4,980.04  
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(debit) It can Be Done Group (donation) <\$0.10>  
12/18/07 (debit) Intuit Software (A-Bank) <\$86.08>  
#2550 St. Thomas Episcopal Church. (B-Conference) <\$60.00>  
#2551 Tim C. (B-Treasurer) <\$21.05>  
#2552 Cynthia W. (E-Policy) <\$9.02>  
#2553 Tim C. (D-PI \$10.00, E-PI startup \$32.50) <\$42.50>  
#2554 Southside ASC (Verizon refund) <\$37.78>  
#2555 PCMS, Inc. (A-Answer) <\$444.68>  
#2556 Sherry V. (F-office supplies) <\$175.00>  
#2557 Red Roof Inn (C-MARLCNA/RDA lodging) <\$119.86>  
#2558 Greg H. (C-MARLCNA/RDA \$25.00 registration, \$70.00 per diem) <\$95.00>  
#2559 Quality Inn (B-Conference \$236.25, B-GSR \$236.25 rent) <\$472.50>  
#2560 VOID <\$0.00>  
#2561 VFW Post #3103 (B-AZF rent) <\$100.00>  
#2562 (B-AZF food) <\$89.85>  
#2563 Etta S. (C-MARLCNA/RDA2 \$25.00 registration, \$70.00 per diem) <\$95.00>  
</ FONT>#2564 Market St. U. M. Church (D-PI, Policy, H&I @ \$20.00; Activities \$13.34; Outreach, Speaker jam @ \$13.33)  
<\$100.00>  
#2565 Primus (A-Answer) <\$96.69>  
#2566 Tim C. (B-AZF food) <\$52.84>  
#2567 PCMS, Inc.(A-Answer) <\$603.63>  
#2568 Sherry V. (C-WSC/RDA air fare) <\$271.86>  
#2569 Sherry V.. (C-MARLCNA/RD \$133.18 lodging, \$15.00 registration, \$51.00 gas, \$70.00 per diem) <\$269.18>  
#2572 Galax Pentecostal Holiness Church (E-Speaker jam rent) <\$20.00>  
(debit) balance adjustment (correction) <\$19.25>

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Total Withdrawals & Debits <\$3,281.87>  
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## **RSC Regional Delegate Report**

The past two months have been very busy and very informative. I attended the Regional Policy and PI committee. In Policy we discussed a funds disbursement form and one member will be working on a draft to bring by for the committee to go over and approve. Great Committee work. On January 26, we hosted the Autonomy Zonal Forum in Fredericksburg. Many thanks to our RDA2, the Rappahannock Area and other Regional members for their hospitality and service in putting on this event. We had regional delegate teams from six regions and interested others from five states. We had two world board members one from PA, Craig R and from Wisconsin, Mark H. and one Naws staffer Travis, from California. Most of the delegate teams and interested others met Saturday morning for breakfast for a beginning meet and greet. At the Zonal we started with our normal agenda of updating by reporting on the regions business for the past six months. Then we had on the agenda 15mins for C&P to discuss 411. The only thing they wanted to say was that it was not as big an issue as previous thought. They really didn't get as many of our calls.

After lunch we introduced the member of the WB and staff and proceeded go through the CAR after that we broke up into small groups and were given the assignment of looking at our Literature and determining whether or not it was service or recovery material. In our small groups it was interesting as to how unclear this is in quite a few of our pieces. That evening many of members attended a local meeting and then probably about 20 of us went out to dinner. Such a wonderful fellowshiping opportunity.

Last week we went to Marlana. We started out on Friday night and went to 11:00. We started back at 9:00 a.m. had a dinner break and went back and stayed until 1:30 a.m.

Our regional motion on the medallion and the issue of bringing back our roman numeral on our medallion has stimulation a large outcry from our fellowship. Actually there was more email and input then on the stories in the basic text. The funding that is attached to our motion from the WB is deceiving without clear understanding that we plan to make sure gets out.

I am really grateful for the opportunity to hear all the discussion that went on at our Zonal and Marlana and feel that in our CAR workshop can give information so our groups can come to an informed conscience to submit your votes at the GSR assembly in April. We will be coming out with a motion form that if you find helpful

We look forward to our first CAR and Issue Discussion workshop next week. Our issue discussion topic are who's missing from our meetings and why? Building a strong home group . Conference Agenda and Conference Approval Track.

To get into the CAT since it is password protected due to the financial information. To get into the CAT from the na.org web page user: is cat . the password is cat2008 . we do try to keep this in our fellowship.

For Budget purposes...We are budget \$325.00 for Marlana and Total spent was \$269.18

There will be a motion for equipment to be used at the GSR assembly submitted.

On the states of West Virginia and North Carolina After discussion with the Webmaster have sent an emailed NAWS to fix.

Also for the phone line part of the NAWs website our regional phone was not listed under the states of Virginia and North Carolina. I email NAWS gave them this information.

ILS Sherry V. RD

## **RSC Regional Delegate Alternate Report**

Hello family.

It is the start of the busy season for the delegate team. Last week was MARLCNA with participation from the World Board and NAWS staff regarding CAR and CAT. Most of the forum was reporting on motions and CAT issues along with question and answer sessions directed to the WB/NAWS staff members. There was much information presented to the delegate team, which will be communicated to the region during the upcoming CAR workshops throughout the region.

On 1/26/08 I was present for the Autonomy Zonal Forum, which this region hosted, held in Fredericksburg. The WB was invited to attend and there were 3 members present. It was well attended by the other regions within the zonal forum as well as members from this region. The participation of the WB members afforded the opportunity to have questions asked and answered relating to the CAR and CAT. This was very important as the CAR had not been distributed long before then, and the CAT had yet to be received in hard copy form. There were also small discussions related to literature and classifying new literature, thus delegating how it will be approved.

There will be a CAR workshop held next Saturday in Bedford, which will be facilitated by the Delegate team, where we will be relaying information to the region relating to the upcoming Conference. I hope members of the region will be present to help relay this important information to the home groups.

I have submitted my receipts for MARLCNA including \$35.50 for gas, \$119.86 for hotel, and \$25 for registration. I had emailed Tim about the hotel cost, where he had written a check to the hotel for the cost of the hotel. When I checked

in I was informed that they did not take checks. So I incurred the cost and gave Tim the Check to the hotel to be reimbursed for the cost of this. Tim informed me that this would not be a problem. The \$25 registration fee was already given to me so I don't need to be reimbursed for that. I have reserved my plane ticket for the World Service Conference; I was able to get the ticket for the amount of \$271.86.

I have to inform this body that I have been introducing myself as the RDA from the Central Atlantic Region. Now I know that there is much feeling towards this subject but I felt that as the vote was taken and ruled as being changed that it was and is my obligation to introduce myself as the RDA from the Central Atlantic Region. I felt obligated to this body to inform you of the above information. I do understand that there is discussion surrounding the validity of the vote, but it is my understanding that the motion would continue as ruled until the body met again to readdress this issue.

With Love of the Fellowship, Greg H. RDA

### **RSC Regional Delegate Alternate II Report**

Hi Family, It gives me great pleasure to have the opportunity to report to you that we had a successful Zonal Forum on 1/26/08 in Fredericksburg Virginia. We were very fortunate to have a lot of unity within The Rappahannock area that served and gave donations as well as Tim C., Bonnie.W and many others who stepped to the plate to make this a success. We were very fortunate to have World Board Participation at this event. This is the first time in 20 yrs that this has occurred. Those in attendance were Craig, world Board chair, Mark, world board member and Travis, who is a special worker. Delegates from the central Atlantic region, Chesapeake and Potomac region, eastern Pennsylvania, free state, greater Philadelphia, and the mountaineer regions were present. The meeting opened with the 12 traditions and 12 concepts and minutes from last July's meeting were read and the reports from each region were read. One of the important things that we did at this meeting was go over the Car and we broke into small groups looking at our Ipc's. We were able to discuss whether they are service or recovery oriented. It was interesting to see how our ideas were slanted towards what we thought the ipc's actually slanted for. We also looked at the audience we attracting. We were under budget 57.31 and spent 242.69 on the event. The cat is available on line now and was announced that day. I was unable to attend Marlona due to extenuating circumstances and will be returning the budgeted amount for my per diem and registration to our regional treasurer. I am excited about the upcoming Car workshops and will be in attendance in Bedford next week.

In loving service Etta.

### **VRCC Chair Report**

Hello Family

The 26 AVCNA was a good convention, everything seen to fall in place as the convention started as they always do. When we get out of the way and let God will in. The number of attended was about 950 and the number look to at least break even. The 27-host committee was there most of the weekend to get first hand experience of how a convention works. And they learn a lot about what to expect, when they host the 27. The contract for the Westfield Marriott in Chantilly has been signed and they are taking reservations now, all you have to do is mention the 27 AVCNA when calling hope to have a website link soon you we can do it on line.

The joint meeting between the VRCC and Region had to be postponed until March 1 at the Region 10 center in Charlottesville.

The next meeting for the VRCC is March 15 & 16. It's the retreat and will be at the Red Roof Inn in Charlottesville. We will be holding election during regular business meeting Sunday afternoon. The following position are up for election Chair, Vice Chair and secretary.

In Loving Service Jim H VRCC Chair

### **RSC Activities Chair Report**

The Activities Subcommittee met at Market St. United Methodist Church, in Winchester Va., January 19, 2008. Attending were (Chair) Jimmy C. and Tim C. The April 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup> RSC/GSR Assembly location has been confirmed. June 21, 2008 RSC in quadrant 1 was handed over to the Richmond's RCM to take to their Area, still unconfirmed. Locations that have been confirmed and Areas still need to be contacted for August 16, 2008 RSC in quadrant 2, location Culpeper Va. and Charlottesville, Va., December 20, 2008 RSC in quadrant 3, location Danville, Va.

Topics of discussion were held on preparing hotel room lists that need to be turned in by March 19, 2008. October 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008 RSC in quadrant 1--location was confirmed for the New Dominion Area. Also motion 128. 1 was discussed.

I am not in agreement with motion 128-1. Some members may take for granted that activities were or should be responsible for arranging when their subcommittees should meet. The reason Activities never assumed the responsibility is because it is not in the purpose statement and Activities assume Subcommittee Chairs would be responsible for there Subcommittee's meetings as it was when we first began.

The motion reads:

Motion 128-1, which was referred to Activities

Motion 128-1: Mover: Jeff H. H&I Chair 2<sup>nd</sup>: Hunter C. Piedmont

For the ROV to direct Activities Subcommittee to ask areas to host the Regional meetings and Subcommittee meetings.

Intent: To encourage participation from our fellowship to serve on the Regional Service Committee and Regional Subcommittees.

Referred to Activities: to prepare guidelines on how it will be done by areas.

If this motion is as it stands, I will ask that the motion be ruled out of order as it assumes Activities are responsible for the scheduling of subcommittee meetings, and I assure you it is not. Area is already being asked to host the RSC in accordance to our service structure.

Finally, I'd like to thank this body for letting me serve. It has been a learning experience I greatly appreciate. I am grateful for all the people I've met around the Region, but unfortunately, this will be my last Regional for a while. I am humbly stepping aside knowing that someone will step up to the plate as long as there is nothing in the way. Thank you again for letting me serve, GOD bless.

ILS Jimmy C.

### **RSC Hospitals & Institutions Chair Report**

We met in Winchester on Jan 19<sup>th</sup> for our regular Business Meeting. We had 11 members present from 6 Areas out of 15. Rotation again proves difficult for regular attendance for the majority of our region. H&I need a Chairperson, Vice-chair and Secretary. Rotation has not proven to work in the H&I subcommittee as far as having regular attendance, rotation doesn't allow members to participate continuous and regular. Not having regular H&I members is why we can't fill these positions.

We had the Inmate Presentation with Buckingham Correctional Center (BCC.) It was about 60 inmates present. Nine members from the region, Piedmont Area, and from Farmville attending this presentation. We had a great panel with all our literature in place. The event went very well, BCC was very accommodating. The staff and inmates were truly grateful for our presents. Not only did we deliver our clear NA message of hope, we left them with a start up library. The members of the panel are working to meet a regular meeting commitment. More will be revealed.

At our last meeting I passed on the job of sending the Inmate Information Packages onto Norman C from Shevana. Thanks Norman.

We passed on two requests onto PI this pass month. One from Orange Behavioral Health Facility and another Brunswick Work Center.

We decided to have the Quadrant 1 H&I Workshop in New Dominion Area on May 10<sup>th</sup> 2008. Location has been secured at Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church, 2300 Dumbarton Rd. Richmond Va. 23228. Times will be determined at our next subcommittee meeting. Taylor A. will be coordinating the effort with New Dominion. The tentative plan is to have a learning day, most of the day with a cookout afterwards hosted by New Dominion. We would like participation from around the region. Remember this is a Quadrant Workshop, the first in our region. We as a region are responsible to set a template for future quadrant workshops. Please all H&I committees in quadrant 1 please attend the next H&I subcommittee so we can address all the concerns of the areas. You can also contact Taylor A.

[.thh3s@eservices.virginia.edu](mailto:thh3s@eservices.virginia.edu) to give input. Workshop fliers will be available at the GSR assembly. Please post workshop info on the Calendar Of Events on our website.

Inge Tracy, statewide program administration specialist, for DOC call me and reported that the Department of Correction was meeting next week to specifically discuss how to pave an easier path for Narcotics Anonymous enter into their institutions. They will also discuss a way to recognize inmate participation. This will encourage inmates to attend once we are in the institutions. This is a huge step forward in our relationship with the Department of Corrections. This is a direct result of the presentation H&I and PI had with the upper level of DOC last year.

We are submitting a literature order of 250.00 to be sent to Western Correctional Institution in Cumberland Md. This was an Almost Heaven request that has taken a very long time to meet.

We support the nomination for the H&I chair position, Richard P. He came to the last subcommittee meeting and qualified himself.

We will be meeting in New Dominion for our next Subcommittee in March. Please check ROVNA.org for time and place.

Again I want to thank the ROV for allowing me to serve on this committee.

ILS Jeff

### **RSC Literature Review Chair Report**

Position vacant at this time

## **RSC Policy Chair Report**

I would like to thank this body for the chance to serve. I would like to thank the members of NA who have personally attacked me for the last two months for the ruling at the 130<sup>th</sup> on the name change for the ability for personal growth. I am proud of my growth in this process. I based on our Guidelines still stay with ruling at the 130<sup>th</sup> on the name change motion. Policy met on 1-19-08. We discussed Motion 129-4 sent to us at the 129<sup>th</sup> RSC. The subcommittee recommends submitting motion to go back to way votes counted prior to Motion 119-7 passing at 121<sup>st</sup> RSC. We are submitting the motion today. We also discussed motion on Budget Committee that was sent back to us at the 130<sup>th</sup> for clarity. The subcommittee looked at the motion and clarified it and we are submitting a revised version will be submitted today. We have done some good work on the guidelines and there is still much more to go to completely clarify a lot of parts. We will need to work on this goal together in order to try to complete the clarification. We voted to pay \$20 rent for the meeting. Our next meeting will be in Quadrant 1 in New Dominion on Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup> time and place to be announced.  
ILS, Cindy W.

## **RSC Public Information Chair Report**

Thanks to everyone who is of service to PI.

We had a PI Sub-Committee meeting in Winchester, VA on January 19<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to the Shenandoah Area for welcoming us. Charles W., our Vice-Chair, chaired the meeting as I was ill that weekend and unable to attend. Thank you, Charles, having a Vice-Chair is such a support.

The task list we developed and approved as a sub-committee in Roanoke in September 2006 included completing guidelines and policy for our sub-committee; this work is to date incomplete. We have no policy in place beyond our Purpose, Activities and Chair Requirements as determined by the RSC. We have no voting mechanism in place, no procedure for elections or requirements for other positions on the committee.

As we have previously discussed in PI the possibility of an Ad Hoc to finish this work; an Ad Hoc Committee has been created to finish PI guidelines and policy. Nancy E., New Dominion PI Chair, graciously volunteered and will lead this effort. Our Sub-Committee is almost two years old; finishing this task will be a help to our future work and endeavors.

We have been contacted by Brunswick Work Center to support a small institutional meeting there on a quarterly basis with speakers. PI contacted OLANA (the facility is in OLANA in Lawrenceville, VA) and will coordinate with OLANA and H&I in responding to the needs of this facility. Partnering with H&I is really important as we respond to facility requests. There may be an opportunity there to make a presentation to the internal staff as there are three different facilities clustered around each other.

I was contacted by PRIMUS after they received my last communication regarding account credit for the service failure this summer. Mr. Yoshimada, our contact there, is a really helpful fellow; although there isn't much else PRIMUS can do for us or any other customer who has 411 issues like those we have experienced. I was glad to hear from PRIMUS that we will see an applied credit for the service failure. I am assured PRIMUS has done all the 411 tweaking they can for us with 800-information service. The decision to pursue more corrective action by paying for VERIZON for standard 411 listings will rest with this body, there is, however, more research to do before taking such measures.

On another note, we have a nuisance caller who is repeatedly calling the Answering Service. I will read an email from Jeff Slater at our answering service regarding this matter. I am sure we will find a creative way to discourage this particular caller.

Our next meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2008 in New Dominion Area. Check out [rovna.org](http://rovna.org) for more details as they become available.

In Fellowship, Amanda H. PI Chair (757-208-0534/email: [pi@rovna.org](mailto:pi@rovna.org))

## **RSC Outreach Chair Report (no report)**

## **RSC Speaker Jam Report**

Hi Family,

Sorry that I wasn't at the last sub-committee meeting due to the death of my sponsor's sister. Thanks to those who held the Speaker Jam Sub-Committee Meeting. We have a potential speaker list for the March speaker jam and topics are set. We need an audio company to tape the speaker jam due to our friend High Voltage not willing to drive nine (9) hrs one way for a one-day event.

I have found all the old checks and would ask that this body (rso) re issue them please.

The March Speaker Jam will be my last one and the April RSM will be my last one as speaker jam chair. It has been a great journey

ILS Teddie A.

**Adjourned at 1:07 pm, Re-adjourned at 2:25 pm**

**Area Reports -**

**Almost Heaven RCM Alternate Report**

We currently have 42 meetings a week that consist of 21 home groups. There is an average of 9 GSRs and 1 Co-Op rep that carry the vote of 9 groups.

RCM-Alternate is the only position that is currently open.

H&I- In our Area we are currently taking meetings into the women's side of two facilities and one meeting into a hospital that is a co-ed meeting. The meetings that are going into the women's side are taken in every other week on Wednesday. The co-ed hospital is taken in every week on Sunday. We are having problems getting men to take meetings into the two facilities. At one facility we haven't taken a meeting in for over a year. At our Co-Op we are currently taking meetings into three different facilities. These meetings are taken in every week. We were also able to contact the facility in Cumberland to get an address to send the literature that the Region previously approved. I submitted that information to our Regional H&I committee. We are still in need of trusted servants. At our Co-Op we are still having difficulty with carrying a clear NA message.

Policy- our policy committee is still working on updating our policy.

PI- Our Co-Op came down and attended our area PI with concerns about not having enough meeting lists. They thought that it would be more cost effective to start putting the lists on regular paper rather than the card stock that we currently use. However, it was found from the previous chair that the card stock didn't cost that much more than the regular paper. It was explained that there are plenty of meeting lists available and that there would be more given to the Co-Op.

Special Events- Held our annual New Years Eve dance. They are currently working on another upcoming event. More will be revealed.

I wanted to say thank you to the Rappahannock Area and to our Delegate Team for a great time at the Autonomy Zonal Forum. I could definitely tell that they did a lot of work in preparing for this event. I really enjoyed the World Board participation and I am glad that I was able to attend this event and fellowship with our World Board.

I have three checks to give. One is for \$655.36 another one is for \$51.68 and the last one is for \$365.49. Making a total of \$1072.53.

In Loving Service, Bonnie W.

**Appalachian RCM Report**

This is my first Regional Service Conference as RCM of the Appalachian Area. Melvin L. stepped down from the position at our January ASC after serving years above and beyond his initial commitment. I am grateful to Melvin for his service to the Appalachian Area, and for another opportunity to continue being of service to Narcotics Anonymous.

There are 12 groups meeting in the Area, and 10 GSRs present at our last ASC on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008. Currently there are 4 trusted service positions open on our ASC, including: VRCC Director, VRCC Alternate, Literature Supply Chair, and RCM Alternate. Debra J. of the We Do Recover group of Narcotics Anonymous was acclimated as Special Events Chair, and Jackie S. of the Together We Care group agreed to serve pro-temp as our VRCC Director.

Two of our newest groups (A New Way of Life which meets on Thursday & Sunday at 8\* pm in Amherst, and Journey Through Recovery which meets in Rustburg on Monday & Saturday at 8 pm) have recently experienced a lack of attendance but continue to carry the message and attend our monthly ASC.

A CAR Workshop will be held in our Area on Saturday, February 23, 2008 from 11 am . 5 pm at Holy Name of Mary, 1307 Oakwood St. in Bedford VA.

All of our subcommittees including H&I, Special Events, Phone Line, PI, and Policy are all holding monthly business meetings and experiencing fair support.

Our Area Vice Chair has made arrangements to meet with our previous Literature Chair to resolve the issues surrounding the mismanaged funds from our Literature subcommittee.

Special Events has been meeting regularly and is hoping to hold a speaker jam/workshop event in May but nothing has been submitted and no specific dates have been set as of yet (wedn keep you posted!).

Overall (during my service for the last several years at the ASC) participation in subcommittees has never been stronger and group participation at the Area level has rarely been more consistent. Our next ASC is scheduled for March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 at 2 pm, on the corner of 12<sup>th</sup> and Church St. in downtown Lynchburg and we have a \$300 Regional donation.

In Loving Service, Eddie W.



## **Blue Ridge RCM Report**

Dear Regional Members:

This report, for the Blue Ridge Area of Narcotics Anonymous covers the last two Area Service Meetings. We now have nine home groups in our Area. We had five attending GSRs at the last Area Meeting. Our current Area trusted service positions that are open are: Vice Chair, Secretary, RCM Alternate, and Policy Chair. We did elect a pro-temp Policy Chair, and we have a new Area Chairperson.

### **The latest group news within the Blue Ridge Area is as follows:**

- The Harrisonburg *It Can Be Done Group* is still planning a spaghetti dinner prior to the Area Planning Tool Workshop, scheduled for May 17th. They also have a new GSR.
- The Fishersville *Change Or Die Group* has been reporting that regular open+group meetings are going well with much attendance, but a weekly detox meeting has seen few, if any outside NA members support.
- The Staunton *Just For Today Group* reported, but I wasn't listening.
- Waynesboro's *Find A New Way To Live Group's* GSR was absent.
- Staunton's *A Chance For Gratitude Group's* GSR resigned during January's Area meeting, and the new GSR was absent for the February Area meeting.
- Harrisonburg's *Courage To Change Group* is struggling with everything except the message of recovery. They have established a prudent reserve, announced in January. The GSR was absent for February's Area meeting.
- The Staunton *Discovery In Recovery Group* reported on behalf of three home group members, and that donations are low.
- There are two new home groups in the BRANA Area.
  - The first, called the *Faith In Recovery Group*, is in the Craigsville community. The GSR was absent at our last Area meeting.
  - The second, called the *Step By Step Group* is in the Staunton community, and has been created by members leaving one of the other previously mentioned groups.

### **The latest Subcommittee news within the Blue Ridge Area is as follows:**

- Policy Chair (Pro-Temp) reported a goal to work on the policy, and asked for our patience due to much work ahead.
- Literature Chair reported little, and was unable to fulfill literature requests due to the absence of our Treasurer during the last Area meeting.
- Web Servant/BRANA Campout Chair reported the latest BRANA website updates, including the new meetings listings on the Area website.

Also, I have submitted a stack of BRANA 2008 *Campout flyers*, and a stack of *Speaker Call flyers* for the campout, which is going to be this July 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>.  
The July 2008 BRANA Campout flyers can be downloaded at [brana.org](http://brana.org)
- Special Events has been putting forth a tremendous effort to unify our Area's home groups. A recent *Home Group Jam* (Potluck Dinner, Dance, and Pep Rally) saw about 70 NA members join together. There is a *Laugh-A-Yoga Workshop* scheduled for February 23<sup>rd</sup>, a *Team Game Night* scheduled for March 15<sup>th</sup>, and an April Talent Show event, to be announced. Again, the Area Planning Tool Workshop is scheduled for May 17, 2008.
- The Outreach Committee's report included information regarding the creation of, distribution of, and response from NA's recovery message sent out to local city and county schools, jails, and colleges. One target, focusing on youth in recovery, has been school board systems. *Outreach* was recently contacted by a city school system, and there is an interest due to the BRANA Outreach Subcommittee's activity and effort to help carry the message. *Outreach* also reported phone-line transition progress. BRANA is in the process of utilizing the Regional Phone-line support, and we are working toward publishing the NA 800 number in community phonebooks.

### **The latest Area concerns within the Blue Ridge Area are as follows:**

- There is still an impact on the Area due to policy, lack of policy, lack of reading policy, lack of following policy, or lack of knowing there is policy.
- We are asking for help understanding the motion (#130-5) that reads, "to accept the 2008-2010 RSC budget as amended". If not already addressed before this report is read, I ask this service body to put on our agenda to help

this RCM with the best way to carry back to BRANA home group members how the Financial Impact presented on the motion says ~~No increase~~, but the suggested budget attached to this motion expects an increase above \$300.00.

To conclude, the Blue Ridge Area of Narcotics Anonymous has its next Area Service Committee Meeting Thursday March 13, 2008 at 6:30 PM. I have attached our latest meeting list to the Regional Secretary's copy of this report. I have also e-mailed this report to our Regional Secretary. The Blue Ridge Area of Narcotics Anonymous has decided to keep all meetings that are on our meeting list, on the meeting list regardless any representation at Area. We have agreed that our meeting list is offered as a tool to help addicts find meetings, and any listing of home groups or meetings on the meeting list may not actually have representation at BRANA Area Service. An updated stack of BRANA Area meeting lists have been submitted to this conference. Finally, due to the absence of our Treasurer, no donation has accompanied BRANA's RCM.  
In Loving Service, Robert W BRANA RCM

### **New Dominion RCM Report**

New Dominion is alive and well, with 28 groups. Our area service meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month at 4 pm at Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church 2300 Dumbarton Rd. Richmond, VA 23228. In February we had 12 GSR's present. Presently we have two positions open, RCM and RCM Alt. I was appointed pro-temp to the RCM position by our area chairperson, John M. We elected Cynthia J. to the VRCC Alt-Rep position.

There are many exciting things going on in our area. New meetings starting up. We are excited to have the Regional Subcommittees coming to New Dominion in March. We are currently looking for an adequate space. We are also proud to host the Quadrant 1 H&I workshop on March 10, 2008. There are other events like our Memorial Day Campout that we are still planning. Hope Fiend's Campout fliers are available today.

Our subcommittees are strong. H&I and PI have over 20 members in attendance. Special Events and Newsletter are well supported. We are working together on our upcoming annual budget. We have been lacking in this area in the past. Our subcommittee demands have forced us to look at our budget closer. This past ASC we passed our new budget. Guess what our Newsletter topic is next month? The 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition basket. We have a donation for the RSC for \$809.41. We voted on three motions that were sent back to groups. We also have a motion from New Dominion that concerns the motion 127-2-name change. We are submitting this motion to be heard in New Business.

New Dominion is a strong Area. We focus on our primary purpose and when there is a need, we step up. If there is any area that is struggling, we invite you to come visit us for any of our subcommittee meetings and/or our ASC.  
ILS Jeff H.

### **New River Valley RCM Report**

Greetings from the New River Valley. Our last ASC meeting took place on Sun. Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>. We ad a new home group join our area, the ~~Letting Go~~ group. The group meets on Tues. @ 12:15 in the Blacksburg Wesleyan Church on Giles Rd. in Blacksburg.

We are currently in the process of holding trusted servant elections with nominations going back to home groups for vote. Those are Treasurer, RCM, RCMA, and VRCC Rep. The NRVANA will be having our Area Inventory Meeting on Sunday Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>. We have formed a finance ad hoc committee to help reformulate what our prudent reserve should be. The NRVANA will be hosting the March Speaker Jam in Galax on Sat. March 15<sup>th</sup>. We have a \$50.00 donation to the Region.  
ILS Mike E.

### **Outer Limits RCM Report**

No Report.

### **Peninsula RCM Report**

Hi. I am an addict named Beverly. I am new to this Regional service body but not new to service work. I am looking forward to being of service to the region from our area.

We have 27 groups in our area and 17 GSR's attending our ASC. We currently have Vice Chair, VRCC Alternate, and the Secretary position open at the ASC. We just elected a chair for the Area.

Activities committee is planning a speaker jam/panel workshop on March 8<sup>th</sup> at the Honesty group.

PI and Phone line will be meeting with the N.N. school board on 3/11/08 to talk with school board officials about doing a presentation assembly in their middle and high schools about drug addiction.

H&I have meetings in 9 facilities and are looking for willing addicts to go into 3 other facilities that are asking for support in those facilities.

Literature Subcommittee is doing well. We have ordered 10 CAR Reports for our Area. We will be attending the GSR assembly.

One of our concerns was the sending of our donation to the region as to how it was to be sent.

Our next meeting will be 3/1/08 at 4 pm

ILS Beverly

### **Piedmont RCM Report**

Hello Family,

All is well for the most part in the Piedmont Area. Our special Events and H&I Subcommittees are growing. Special Events has something planned in each month for the next three months. H&I is carrying a message to a new facility and preparing to add another. However, our PI subcommittee is failing to keep up with the growth of the other two subcommittees. The attraction to our PI subcommittee is not as strong as it is to the Special Events and H&I subcommittees. Our PI Chair position is open and our past PI Chair, Alan H., is filling in admirably until we elect a new chair.

Our area currently has 29 meetings, serviced by 15 home groups. We have a Valentines Day party on 2/16/08 at the Wesley Foundation from 5 till midnight.

On 3/22/08 in Palmyra we have a game night at the Palmyra United Methodist Church. We have a donation of \$235.00. We are preparing for PACNA. The slogan is %Spiritual Hunger, Spiritual Thirst, Have to change the inside first+  
ILS Tee T.

### **Rappahannock RCM Report**

Hi Everyone

My name is Pat P and I am the RCM for the Rappahannock Area of NA.

On February 10, 2008, at 5:00pm the Rappahannock Area of NA was held with 9 GSRs present meeting quorum. We have 21 groups in our area.

The position for Alt RCM is vacant; the position for Alt Literature Chair was filled.

Our Area created an Ad Hoc Committee to institute Area Planning Tool. The first Ad Hoc meeting will be held March 9, 2008 at 2:00pm @ St Georges.

The only issue that was voted on was Motion 128-9.

Mover: Don V. Seconded: Ernie A (Outer Limits RCM)

Motion: To add on page 9 Section VII: Additional Guidelines #9

To amend ROV Guidelines to allow any or all ROV Guidelines to be suspended by a majority vote of RCMs at any RSC

Intent: To allow The RSC to do whatever they want when they want.

Our Area voted NO

Our Area did not vote for Motion 130-5 . did not know how much the existing budget is; in other words clarification.

We did not vote for Motion 130-10, either.

There were no donations from the Area at this time.

We are to host the CAR Workshop on March 22, 2008; a place has been selected it has to be confirmed. I will send out email to appropriate persons with the confirmed location.

The facility is asking \$100.00 for rent for the CAR Workshop.

Greg G. celebrated 4 years, February 9, 2008 at Bragg Hill Community Center.

Our next Area Meeting will be held March 2, 2008, 5:00pm at the St Georges Church on Princess Anne Street.

In Loving Service

Pat P.

RCM for Rappahannock Area of Narcotics Anonymous (RANA)

### **Richmond RCM Report**

Hi Family,

I am glad to be here. There is not much to report other then I would like to address the concerns of my area about whether or not the count of votes for the Region name change was done appropriately. Our groups continue to meet regularly. Those who continue to meet at the Greater Mt. Moriah are experiencing not being able to get into the meeting space on time. Our Special Events Subcommittee was unable to sponsor an event scheduled for next month because they did not meet the criteria of our policy. Time was allotted to hear all sides and the Chair of the ASC and Policy suggested that they better plan/prepare for events to be heard on the floor within the 2-month time frame. GSRs were concerned that the agenda that list the subcommittees, many times, some do not get an opportunity to be heard. A motion is in place to address this. The home group %Simple Basics of Recovery+is sponsoring a March Madness Speaker Jam on 3/22/08 from 12 noon to 8 pm, at the Greater Mt. Moriah Church. There was a check written to Region, but was

not on to this RCM. The Chair of the ASC did call and was informed and asked if the check could be mailed. All Area positions have been filled except the Alternate VRCC Rep.

In Loving Service, Nina Mc.

### **Roanoke Valley RCM Alternate Report**

Hi Family,

It's good to be back at the RSC. The Roanoke Valley Area is doing well and the message of recovery is being carried. We do have several Area positions open. At the January ASC I was voted/elected as RCM, and Maria J. was elected as Area Convention Chair.

We currently have 27 weekly NA meetings and approximately 17 GSRs attending the ASC. We have approximately 6 H&I meetings weekly. Our Area will be hosting a Spaghetti and Speakers+special events activity on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at Greene Memorial United Methodist Church at 402 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Roanoke, VA 24011. We have no donation to RSC at this time.  
ILS Mike G.

### **Shenandoah Valley RCM Alternate Report**

Greetings from the Shenandoah Valley ASC (SheVANA). The area is doing well.

- A. We currently have 21 groups;
- B. We had 15 GSRs attend the last ASC meeting;
- C. There are currently no open trusted servant positions in our area. New trusted servants were elected at the most recent ASC meeting and take office next month;
- D. SheVANA elects the following trusted servant positions: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Regional Committee Member, Regional Committee Member Alternate, Virginia Regional Convention Corp. Director and the chairs of the Literature, Hospitals & Institutions, Public Information, Policy, Newsletter, Outreach and Special Events sub-committees;
- E. No group news to report at this time;
- F. The area conducted an area inventory and a service-learning day on February 9, 2008. Although attendance was not as great as we had hoped, the inventory itself was very constructive. The issues that were focused upon were increasing communication between the area and groups and improving fund flow;
- G. All sub-committees are highly active. Upcoming events within the area include a bowling night and a comedy night;
- H. The area is concerned about all the controversy surrounding the region's name change and hopes that some time can be spent amicably discussing how to resolve the issue;
- I. Planning continues for the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Virginia Convention of NA in January 2009, which is being hosted by the SheVANA. The convention theme selected is, "Got Serenity." I have brought with me today pre-registration flyers for the 27<sup>th</sup> AVCNA and encourage everyone to take one. The convention will be held in Chantilly, VA, near Dulles Airport;
- J. SheVANA is very active and focused on furthering our fellowship's primary purpose of carrying the message of recovery to the still suffering addict; and
- K. The next ASC meeting will be on Monday, March 10, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

In loving service, Norman S. Cherner, RCM Alternate SheVANA ASC

### **Southside RCM Report**

No Report.

### **Tidewater RCM Report**

Hi Family,

The Tidewater Area has had some problems with the RCM committing. I just want to say that the Region will have a new RCM and Alternate at the next Regionals. Also, TACNA is Feb. 29<sup>th</sup>. March 2<sup>nd</sup> in Norfolk VA. You can contact me Carlton J. . Chair . 757-589-3514 for information.

ILS Carlton J. - Chair





**Motion 131-3**

Mover: Tim C. (RSC Treasurer) 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bonnie W. (Almost Heaven RCM)  
Motion: To increase B. Treasurer budget for the period ending 2-29-08 by \$2.38.  
Intent: To reimburse expenses of \$22.38.

**Motion passes 13 to 0.**

**Motion 131-4**

Mover: Tim C. (RSC Treasurer) 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bonnie W. (Almost Heaven RCM)  
Motion: To disburse \$125.00 for B. GSR Assembly payable to Audio Visual Services of Front Royal, VA.  
Intent: To provide LCD projector and screen package for GSR Assembly

**Motion passes 12 to 0.**

**Motion 131-5**

Mover: Tim C. (RSC Treasurer) 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bonnie W. (Almost Heaven RCM)  
Motion: To amend 2007-2009 budget, B. RSC primary operations, Secretary, to increase to \$90.00 bimonthly up to \$90.00 maximum and B. RSC primary operations, Executive, to reduce to \$20.00 bimonthly up to \$20.00 maximum.  
Intent: To provide sufficient funds for the Secretary to complete assigned tasks.  
Financial Impact: \$180.00/year increase offset by \$180.00/year decrease.

**Motion passes 11 to 1.**

**THIS MOTION TO GO BACK TO HOMEGROUPS**

**Motion 131-6**

Mover: Policy Subcommittee 2<sup>nd</sup>: Nina Mc, (Richmond RCM)  
Motion: To form a budget committee to assist with the duties of the Treasurer. To be added on p. 15 under Section VIII as 10A.

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**Motion 131-7**

Mover: Tim C. (RSC Treasurer) 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bonnie W. (Almost Heaven RCM)  
Motion: To disburse funds payable to Etta S. of up to but not more then \$1486.89 from C. WSC/RDA2 for airfare and hotel reservations.  
Intent: To allow RDA2 to secure transportation and lodging per Motion 130-13.

**Motion passes 12 to 0.**

**Motion 131-8**

Mover: Eddie W. (Appalachian RCM) 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jeff H. (New Dominion RCM pro-temp)  
Motion: To rescind the motion 127-2 (name change) to be considered a 2/3 majority instead of a simple majority.  
Intent: To not change the name without a 2/3 majority of the Region.

**Motion ruled out of order by the Chair.**

**Motion 131-9**

Mover: Tim C. (RSC Treasurer) 2<sup>nd</sup>: Pat P. (Rappahannock RCM)  
Motion: To disburse funds in the amount of \$100.00 payable to Unitarian Universalist Church of Fredericksburg  
VA for B. CAR Workshops.  
Intent: To pay rent for Quadrant 1 workshop.

**Motion passes 12 to 0.**

RSC Chair creates Ad Hoc Committee to Implement new name change.  
Purpose to give direction on how to implement new name and perform duties to change name.  
Appoints Charles W. Chair and ask for volunteers. Pat P. and Mike G. volunteer for committee.  
Motion to appeal decision of Chair to implement name change made by Jeff W.  
Vote for appeal was 4 for and 7 against. Appeal fails.

***Meeting adjourned at 6:34 pm.***



## Motions and Nominations To Go Back To Home Groups

### **THIS MOTION TO GO BACK TO HOMEGROUPS**

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### **The following positions are open for election on the Regional Service Committee: (Please Refer to RSC Guidelines and Rules of Order for Qualifications and Duties)**

1. Vice Chair
2. Treasurer
3. Literature Review Chair
4. Activities Chair
5. Speaker Jam Chair

