

**Williamsport Area Narcotics Anonymous  
Service Committee Meeting  
May 3, 2009**



Opened with Just For Today: Sheila  
12 Traditions: Carl  
12 Concepts: Jay

**Executive Committee Roll Call**

Chairperson: present  
Secretary: present  
Treasurer: present  
RCM: not present  
Finance: present

Vice Chairperson: present  
Alt Secretary: present  
Alt Treasurer: position not filled  
Alt RCM: position not filled

10 minutes taken to review the minutes.

Corrections to the minutes: none

Motion made to accept the minutes.

Groups in need: Never Again Never Alone, Bitter Ends New Attitudes

**Opening Treasurer's Report:**

\$404.96 starting balance (reflects new balance last month)

**Executive Committee Reports:**

**Chair Report:**

**Vice Chair Report:** Written report not given.

**RCM Report:**

Spring is here and Learner's Day is just around the corner. There is a Unity Day in the Lebanon Area on May 9<sup>th</sup> at noon at the Covenant United Methodist Church at the corner of Church & 9<sup>th</sup> Streets in Lebanon, PA. All are invited to attend. There is a motion which needs to go back to groups as follows: Motion 1208P1: To have Regional minutes emailed to Regional Committee members and hard copies mailed to members without internet access. Intent: Reduce the cost to Region and Area and home groups. To increase

funds to carry the 12 Step message. Submitted: Cumberland Valley Alt. RCM Seconded: Mason Dixon Alt. RCM The vote on this motion is needed by next Area.

#### **Alternate RCM:**

I would like to thank the Area body for voting me in as the Alternate RCM. I'm excited about the opportunity to serve the Area in this capacity. Region meets June 13<sup>th</sup> 2009 in Leesport, Pa. The RCM and I will be heading down there together. This will be my first Regional meeting so I'll going as an observer but will help the current RCM as much as needed.

#### **Finance Report:**

We discussed the information that has been gathered thus far. We have a literature inventory bank statements dating back 1 year from Area Treasurer. Convention has provided bank statements as well, and a standing inventory. We are still in the gathering and processing information stage.

#### **Subcommittee Roll Call**

Activities: present	Convention: present
Policy: present	Public Relations: present
Outreach: not filled	Hospitals and Institutions: present
Additional Needs: present	Website: present
Literature Sales: present	Literature Review: present

#### **Subcommittee Reports**

##### **Activities:**

Flyer on table for next event. Asking area for the funds for next event. It is noted by member of policy that any subcommittee having a treasurer must attend finance committee meetings.

##### **Additional Needs:**

We have 3 active members. We meet every third Saturday at 770 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street Apt. 112. We haven't had requests for any white books.

##### **Convention:**

After reviewing records from the treasurer, our committee found various errors and mistakes in bookkeeping. Cash on hand: \$96.38 Upcoming events: Speaker Jam May 23, 2009 2 – 8pm Merchandise on hand: \$2520.94. Open commitments.

### **Hospitals and Institutions:**

All commitments are being covered, but Clinton County men's and women's side of the prison is an open commitment as well as the women's side of PRC and vice-chair position. We've recently filled the women's side of LCP and everything is going well. We have had a regular attendance of 8 – 12 people.

### **Outreach:**

No report given. Position not filled.

### **Policy:**

We have had three Policy Subcommittee meetings since the last Area meeting. The scheduled two meetings were held and a third to get some extra things done. I attended a fourth, but when I called Mr. John and asked him why he wasn't there, he reminded me that we had just talked about the fact that it was unusual not to have a meeting the week after Area. He was so nice, he just said, "That's all right John, senility hits us all."

The Policy Subcommittee now meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 26 Washington Blvd., from 5:30 to about 7:30pm. There is usually plenty of parking out front. All are welcome to come and participate. We even have flyers that say that.

We again went over the Monetary Report in order to give support to the ongoing Quarterly Audit. This eight page report includes all of the financial information in the 2002 Area Policy. It is available for review by any member. Just don't try to ask me questions in the middle of the meeting, because I hardly have enough time to pay attention.

If you have a question about how to do something or about our Area Policy that comes up during the meeting you can ask to be recognized and if you are not recognized by the chair you can say "Point of Order". Also, any member can call for "Order" when things are getting disorderly.

One of the reasons that we have been studying the Area Monetary Policy is because of the problems that have come up in the last several weeks that the Quarterly Audit has uncovered. We have had to address a number of things across the spectrum of financial service. A short passage from Theft of NA Funds is attached to this report. The Policy Log for 2005-2008 has been written up and the Subcommittee is looking at it now. All members of the subcommittee have all of the answers that we need. It is my fault that the Log has not been produced sooner. It is my unmanageability. And not the fault of the subcommittee members, that this has occurred.

Let me remind everyone that the GSR Orientation and the Question and Answer session is open to everyone who would like to discuss the policy and how the Traditions impact how we make our decisions. Again Area Meeting to do New GSR orientation, and to answer Policy Questions. GSRs who know that they have Policy questions should attend the Q&A session before Area, and bring them there, or contact a member of Policy between meetings.

### **Public Relations:**

The Phonenumber Workshop is 3:00pm until 3:50pm on May 30, 2009 at Learner's Day at the St. Paul's Church on Memorial Ave. near Cemetery St. Anyone with one year or more and wants to be on the NA Phone List, needs to attend this workshop to stay on or get on the list needs to also attend the workshop. When you do get a year and notify the committee by coming to a PR meeting, you will be placed on the list. Literature distribution and mailing – We will be making up packets for distribution on May 16, 2009 at a members home. If anyone is interested in helping us please get with me at the break. A Vice chair is still needed for the PR committee and I believe that we will have on at our next meeting on May 23, 2009 at Divine in the auditorium at 12:00 until 2:00pm. We still need support from the fellowship. We're requesting \$10.00 for May's rent. We now have the room on the calendar of events at the hospital until next April 2010.

### **Literature Review:**

This committee meets the first Sunday of every month at The Center from 1PM to 2PM before Area Service. We are still in need of support. We had 4 members in attendance at our last meeting. Melissa K. was voted in to be secretary of the committee. We went over what literature is up for review. It includes *In Times of Illness Revision Project*, *Self Support Project* and *Living Clean Project*. Copies of In Times of Illness has been passed out to committee members for review and input. We plan on putting on a literature review workshop for new literature to be reviewed. We will perform a workshop for In Times of Illness at Learner's Day. We're requesting \$25.00.

### **Website:**

There has been an average of 6 visitors to the site per day. Website meets the first Sunday of each month at 1 pm at the Center. I went to Staples to inquire about the cost of a rubber stamp that would be used along with the WANA stamp for literature to include the WANA web address. Over the next few weeks I'll be looking into adding some sort of forum or chat room. It's just a matter of finding the appropriate program. Current positions open are web servant. Was thinking of whether or not we need a secretary for the committee to take notes at the meeting. Also, I would like to make everyone aware that June 2, 2009 was the 1 year anniversary of the W.A.N.A. website. I added a scrolling text banner acknowledging this fact to the homepage. I would like to thank everyone for your support this past year in continuing to carry the message.

### **Group Reports**

**Bitter Ends/New Attitudes** (9:00 – 10:00 am St. Paul's United Methodist Church 1427 Memorial Ave.) 15 in attendance. Consistent attendance and growth. Problems: Conflict with church. They say a church member witnessed someone burning the bathroom wall with a lighter and they want us to pay for the damage. GSR/Alt: Fred M.

**Canyon County Quitters** (8:00 – 9:00 pm First Baptist Church) No report given. Problems: unknown. GSR/Alt:

**Friday Night Daily Reprieve** (7:00 – 8:00 pm Great Island Presbyterian Church)  
No report given. Problems: unknown. GSR/Alt: Jody F.

**Double Trouble** (6:30 – 8:00 pm St. Paul's United Methodist Church 1427 Memorial Ave.) 25 in attendance. Our meeting is going well. We will be purchasing literature and making a donation to area. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Shirley D.

**Freedom From Bondage** (7:00 – 8:30 pm St. Paul's United Methodist Church 1427 Memorial Ave.) No report given. Problems: unknown GSR/Alt:

**Friday Night Candlelight** (7:30 – 9:00 pm Center & High Street) No report given. Problems: unknown. GSR/Alt: Rob N.

**Friday Night Divine**(7:00-8:30 am Divine Providence Hospital) 20 in attendance. Everything running smooth. Strong home group. Ten home group members at last business meeting. September 25-anniversary meeting for possibly the oldest meeting in the world still meeting at the same place! Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Tim N.

**Get a Day with NA** (Tuesday & Friday 1:00 – 2:00 pm) 25-30 in attendance. Rent is paid to date. We are donating \$20 to area. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Joan L.

**Just for Today (Tuesday Morning)** (9:00 – 10:00 am West End Community Center 901 W. Diamond Street) No report given. Problems: unknown. GSR/Alt:

**Just for Today (Sunday)** (12:15pm –2:00pm West End Community Center 901 W. Diamond Street) No report given. Problems: unknown GSR/Alt: Tim M.

**Keep Coming Back** (9:00 – 10:30 am Trinity Episcopal Church 800 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street) 15 – 20 in attendance. Message is still being carried. We will be making a donation to area. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Jeany

**Living the Program** (7:00 – 8:30 pm Scott and Beeber Street) No report given. Problems: unknown. GSR/Alt: Mark F./Rob

**Miracles Do Happen** (10:00 – 11:30 pm The Center 600 Campbell Street) 20 – 25 in attendance. Message carried. Rent paid. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Leon H.

**Monday Night Unity** (7:00 – 8:30 pm Grace & Campbell Street) 45-50 in attendance. Message of recovery is being delivered. Rent paid. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Roland C.

**More Than Clean** (8:30 – 9:30 am The Center 600 Campbell Street) 25 in attendance. Continuous stable meeting. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Mirtelle H.

**Never Again, Never Alone** (6:30 – 8:00 pm Christ Episcopal Church 4<sup>th</sup> & Mulberry Street) Last meeting was ten people in attendance and we still need support. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Darris

**New Life Group** (7:30 – 8:30 pm Muncy Valley Hospital) 25-45 in attendance. All is well. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: John P./Al M.

**Out of Isolation**(7:30-8:30 pm New Covenant Church of Christ 202 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street) Meeting's running smoothly, attendance is steady. Rent is paid. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Jay G.

**O & A (Questions & Answers)** (6:00 – 7:30 pm 600 Bethune Douglas 600 Campbell Street) 10-20 in attendance. The group is holding it down. Rent is paid and as always this group can always use more support. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Mr. John

**Recovery Works** (Thursday 7:30 – 9:00 and Sunday 7:00 – 8:00 United Lutheran Church 104 W. Church St. in Lock Haven) 20-30 in attendance. We changed the date of our picnic/campout from the first weekend in June to the last weekend in June. Please see flyers with the date change. All other areas are great. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Jaman A.

**Road to Recovery**(7:00-8:30 pm Monday Jersey Shore Trinity UME) 15 in attendance. Meeting is going well. All commitments are filled. Our 4<sup>th</sup> annual picnic will be on August 15<sup>th</sup> at the Lockport park, across the river from Lock Haven. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Mark U.

**Sunday Lyon's Den** (7:00 – 8:30 pm Center & High Street) 15-20 in attendance. The message is being carried and making donation to area on a monthly basis. Home group rent is paid. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Sheila A.

**Spiritual Growth** (7:00 – 8:30 pm Saturday, Great Island Presbyterian Church, Lock Haven) No report given. Problems: unknown. GSR/Alt: Lou F.

**We Choose to Live** (7:00 – 8:30pm Weds, Sat./ 7:00-8:00pm Sundays Bethany Lutheran Church 369 Broad Street) 20 in attendance. We have had good attendance and everything is going fine. Our rent is paid. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Maelea C.

**We Do Recover** (7:30 – 8:30 pm Newberry Church of Christ 822 Diamond Street) 70+ in attendance. Group has been steady in attendance. Rent is paid 3 months in advance. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Bobby D.

**We Surrender Group** (9:00 – 11:00 am Trinity Episcopal Church 880 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street) No report given. Problems: unknown. GSR/Alt:

**Welcome Home Group** (8:00 – 9:00 pm Big Woods Church in Castanea) No report given. Problems: unknown. GSR/Alt: Wes S.

**Willing to Change** (7:30 – 8:30 Corner of Grampian Blvd & Market Street behind the Church) 25-30 in attendance. Doors remain open, and the message of recovery continues to be carried. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Todd F.

**Women's Vigilance** (6:30 – 7:30 pm 807 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street) 15-20 in attendance. We removed the Thursday night meeting due to lack of attendance over a 60 day period. Message being carried, rent paid. Problems: none. GSR/Alt: Rebecca A./Meredith A.

### **Commitments and Elections**

#### **100% notification information:**

\***Vice-Treasurer** – Mark U. volunteers. Requirements were read by policy chair. Mark qualifies himself . Goes to a vote. *Congratulations Mark!*

\***Alternate RCM** – Tracy P. was nominated and accepts the nomination. Requirements are read by policy chair. Tracy qualifies himself. Goes to a vote. *Congratulations Tracy!*

\***Outreach** – Tracy nominates Rob. Rob says that's what he's here for and accepts the nomination. Requirements read by policy chair. Rob qualifies himself. Some confusion on the responsibility of attending all subcommittee meetings. Goes to a vote.

*Congratulations Rob!*

***All positions are now filled!!!!***

### **New Business**

Area body votes on Gilbert's motion...fails.

Jeff has brought the calendar of events to the area's attention: looking for feedback on the possibility of changing some dates. Due to lack of participation at area in the past on holidays, Jeff is looking to change July 5<sup>th</sup> ASC to July 12<sup>th</sup>, and Sept 6<sup>th</sup> ASC to the 13<sup>th</sup>. After no objections, Jeff states he will make those changes and submit a new calendar.

Jeff asks for input about the date changes. Still no objections. A new ASC calendar will be submitted.

A motion from Thursday night Diamond Street GSR is submitted. Please see attached sheet to view original motion. This is a policy-changing motion and needs to go back to the groups. This motion is already in policy according to Policy. They have to have \$1200 in literature at all times. Any expenditures are to be approved by Finance. Motion was seconded by Tim N. Motion sheets were signed by Finance Chair. Intent of the motion is further explained. 2 cons. 2 pros. Motion to move on and send it back to the groups.

Motion from Sheila to have an event in June 20<sup>th</sup>. Motion is out of order, because it has to go through the Convention committee first to be voted on there before coming to area.

Discussion on the insurance policy concludes with the insurance policy motion needing to go back to home groups for a vote and returned by June ASC so the result can be taken to region.

Literature received by H&I has not been stamped. Stamp is missing. Where's the stamp? Jeff calling for the stamp! Area body asking Literature Sales to please stamp all of the literature. Members volunteered to help.

Tracy getting prices on a whole new stamp which would include the web address and would help literature sales to get ahead.

Finance asks why all the controversy over the money when it's all area's money to begin with? There's so many different accounts. Jeff suggests finance committee takes it back to his subcommittee meeting. Come up with the solution there and bring it here.

#### **Area Literature Sales Report:**

Sales for this month:\$274.90. H&I: 50.93, PR 56.01 PR. April inventory: \$2,058.88 After today's sales, May inventory \$1853.37. Asking 742.86 from area but can deal with \$501.00. Gsr's vote on whether or not to give Literature Sales \$501. Approved. Treasurer will give Gilbert the money he asked for.

#### **Closing Treasurer's Report:**

Taken in: \$404.96

\$20 donations 424.96 paid checkpoint 316.96 paid center balance 241.96 donations brought us to 482.16 paid copies 44.79 436.37 lit sales gave 442.87 paid copy request 829.92. paid Pr rent \$10. 834.12. paid lit sales 501 ending balance 333.12.

Paid rent, Checkpoint, Secretary.

Meeting closed with Moment of Silence & Serenity Prayer.

**Next Area Service meeting July 5, 2009**