

## **Volume 31 Number 5**

### **Capital Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous (CASNA)**

Will A., Area Chair opened the 364th meeting of CASNA, on 5/3/15, at 2:00PM, with the Serenity Prayer. Henry J. read the 12 Traditions and Faith W. read the 12 Concepts.

#### **Agenda**

Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts  
GSR count/Attendance/Welcome new GSR's/New Meetings  
Correction/approval of the minutes  
Orders of the day

1. A member must be recognized by the chairperson to address the floor.
2. A member may speak once to an issue.
3. Subcommittee reports will be limited to 10 minutes, plus questions and approval.
4. Discussion topics must be in written form and given to the Chair.
5. For an item to be placed on the agenda, it must be in motion form with a second.

Opening Treasurers report  
Groups with problems/Group reports  
Subcommittee reports  
RCM and Alternate RCM report  
Old business  
New business Discussion  
Topics  
Closing Treasurers report

**GSR count:** 17 at 2:05 PM

**Attendance notes:** Literature Vice Chair and Unity Vice Treasurer positions are open.

**\*\*Next Area is June 7, 2015\*\***

**New GSR's:** Derrick S. (Honesty Group)

**New Meetings:** Steps to Freedom is starting back up at a new location, 6<sup>th</sup> and Forester Tuesdays from 7-8:30pm.

**Corrections to the Minutes:** The ending balance on the treasurer's report was incorrect and should have been, \$571.29. Motion to accept once corrected by Henry J., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trish M.

**Orders of the day:** Motion by Steve H., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ramona B.

**Opening Treasurers report:** \*See attached. Motion by Trish M., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kathy W.

**Groups with Problems:** None.

#### **Group reports:**

**Acceptance Group** – Grace UMC Carlisle, Pa Sun 6-7PM, Tues 7-8PM – Our alternate GSR has resigned - she has an Area administration position that will be very involved, thank you Stef! Fund flow this month is \$72.75. We will be updating the group's format to reflect the differences in Sunday being a closed meeting. This past week there was a non-addict who tried to share, someone with their child in the room (rather than playing in the hallway), and a member with a dog! Steve W GSR

**All Are Welcome** - 56 Banks St. Penbrook, HBG. Pa. Wed. 7-8PM – Greetings to everyone. We were able to give a small donation to Area. Our rent is paid through June and we placed an literature order. TFLMS. Henry Jr.

**Any Lengths Group** - Trinity United Methodist. 210 W. Main St. Hummelstown, Pa. 7:30-8:30PM – No report.

**Back to Basics** - First United Methodist Church. 135 W. Simpson St. Mechanicsburg, Pa – No Report.

**Bottom Line Group** – 6th & Woodbine St. HBG, Pa. Mon-Fri 12-2PM – Meeting doing well. Having a speaker jam May 16<sup>th</sup> and May 29<sup>th</sup> a home group cookout. All are welcome. Purchasing literature and making donation. Rich B.

**Clean and Free** - 2nd and State 12-2pm Sat. – No report.

**Commitment to Change** - 1422 Market St, HBG, Pa. Tues 7-8:30PM – No Report.

**Cut and Dry** - Epworth United Methodist Church 21st & Derry St. HBG, Pa. 7-8:30PM – No report

**Exodus to Genesis** - Wesley Church. 5th and Camp Hbg. PA, Sun 6-7:30PM. – No Report.

**Fresh Start**- 7-8pm Fri. Newport, PA- No Report

**H.A.N.A.** - 15th and Derry, Hbg. PA, Fri 7-8:30 – No report

**Honesty Group** - 5th & Bridge St, New Cumberland. Thursday 7:30 - 8:30pm. – Have a

well-balanced home group with no issues that need to be addressed. David P.

**Hope Station** - 149 W Penn St, Memorial Park, Carlisle- Friday 7pm-8pm – Meeting is very well attended. No problems to report. Tricia M. GSR

**H.O.W. Group** - Carlisle UMC. Carlisle, PA. Mon and Thurs 8-9pm – We had three new home group members join but the person who was opening is leaving since changing jobs. Trenton has committed to key for meetings. \$22.50 literature order. Chris W. GSR

**Journey Continues** – Mon. 6:30-7:30pm @ 4200 Londonderry Rd. Hbg- Attendance good. Home group members good. Meeting good. Denise H.

**Just for Today** - 15th and Derry, Hbg. PA. Sun. 10-12pm. – Our meeting continues to function well, usually 20+ attendance. Currently there are no problems with the facility or members. Betty W.

**Life or Death** - Sunday-7:00-8:15PM, 2nd & Swatara St, Steelton, PA. – Meeting is doing well. Average turn out 50 plus – We had a big home group turnover in the process of establishing home group positions. Lori O.

**Living Clean** - Calvary United Methodist, 7th & Market St., Lemoyne Tues 7:30-8:30PM. – No report

**Lunch Bunch** – Mon-Sat 12-1. Herman Ave, Lemoyne – Lunch bunch will be having its annual campout July 17, 18, & 19<sup>th</sup> at Kings Kids Campground in Dillsburg. Come out and join us.

More information will be announced at meetings as it becomes available. Thank you!

**Message of Hope** - Wertzville Rd, Enola Pa Fridays 8-9pm – No problems to report. Attendance is up from last month. We plan on having a camp out June 26-28<sup>th</sup> at Paradise Stream Family Campground. It will be \$15 for the weekend, \$7 to come up for the day. A dinner on Saturday will be provided by the homegroup followed by a bonfire meeting @9pm. Our goal for the camp out is to provide a fun activity for people in recovery. Olivia N.

**New Life Group** – 14 State Rd. Mech. Sat. 8-9pm- No report

**Nothing to Fear** - Corner of Simpson & Market St. (Rt. 114), Downtown - Mechanicsburg, PA. Monday 730-830pm, Fifth Tradition Thursday 7:30-8:30pm Survivors: Revisited Friday 10-11pm. – Group is in good standing at the church. Attendance is steady. Manny D.

**O.D.O.P.(One Disease, One Program)** – Fairview Brethren in Christ Church, 600 Evergreen Rd, New Cumberland, Wed 7-8:15pm – Group is doing well. No issues with facility. Attendance is going well. No issues to report at this time. Dave H.

**On Life's' Terms** - 6th and Forster St. Hbg, PA, Monday 6:30-8:15pm. – No Report.

**Only Hams Are Cured** – Sat. 7-8:30. 6<sup>th</sup> & Forester St. – Everything is going good at only hams are cured. We have a lot of newcomers and experienced members showing up. TFAUTS. Crystal D.

**Only the Desire Group** - 14th & Market St., Hbg, PA. Wed 7-8:15PM. – Our meeting is doing good. Open on time with good attendance. Muhtadi

**Rebels on The Hill:** 6300 Chambers hill rd., HBG wed 7:30-8:30 – No Report.

**Restored to Sanity**- 8 S. Hanover St. Room 10, Carlisle PA. Tuesday & Wednesday 12-1pm- No Report

**Rise to Freedom**- Thurs at 12pm, Cameron St, HBG- No Report.

**Saturday at Swatara** – 4680 Lindle Rd. Hbg, Sat 7-8 PM. – Gave \$23.50 to Area as donation. Still waiting on 2 how and why study guides. They have already been paid for and have been on backorder for well over a month. Group attendance is good. This group would like to know if our order does not come in, if a refund is possible. Tracey M GSR.

**Share and Care** - Baughman U.M. Church, 3rd & Bridge St., New Cumberland, Mon-7-8:15PM – Everything is going well. Good attendance. Good home group members. IF meeting is not on 1<sup>st</sup> floor it will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. Brian B.

**Step and Tradition** – 15<sup>th</sup> & Derry St., Hbg, PA. Thur 6:30-8:15pm – No Report.

**Steps to Freedom** - 2221 N.6th St, Hbg, PA, (6th and Woodbine Streets), Tuesday 630-8pm. – No Report

**Value of Life** – 131 Nittany Dr, Mechanicsburg, PA. Sunday 7-8 PM. – Meeting attendance is good. New format is well received. Literature order placed. Donation to Area made. TFAMTS Bridget H

**We Do Recover** - 15th & Derry St, Hbg, PA, 8PM to 9:30PM Monday – No report.

**Women with a message** - 4th and Reno in New Cumberland. Church of God Sunday(s) @ 6:00, In the Ladies Parlor on the 2nd floor. – No Report.

## **Subcommittee reports:**

**CAPITAL AREA UNITY SUBCOMMITTEE:** No report

**UNITY TREASURERS' REPORT:** See Attached.

**LITERATURE:** Sold \$559.35 worth of literature today. Our chairperson left a note saying, "I resign" prior to our meeting. We attempted to contact him and cannot get a clear answer on our previous order. This leaves us again without much in inventory and many back orders. He was supposed to order supplies for us, which didn't happen. Alice paid \$13.34 for 2 receipt books, is asking for reimbursement. Betty Jo H.

**POLICY:** Looking to set a meeting to discuss Area Policy either on May 16<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup>. Steve H.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Georgeanna spoke with the West Fairview Church to confirm there is not an NA meeting taking place. The updated helpline phone list was submitted to stericycle. Brendon was informed of the additional changes that need made to the Area website. Some wonderful members helped cross off the 3 groups from the excess January 2015 meeting lists that did not make it to MARLCNA. PR will utilize these so as not waste over \$100.00 from that extra printing. Chris W. Vice Chair

**RCM:** Motions to be voted on by groups for Region, bring to Area next month. Also included is group conscience and NA literature. Region will be in Allentown June 13<sup>th</sup>, flyer included. Many Regional positions up for election. Faith put insurance forms with your group name on the "flyer table" for all groups up to Thursday groups and will have the remainder ready to go this week. PLEASE fill them out to get to next Area. Faith W.

**AUDIT:** No Report

**HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS:** Ten in attendance. Facility reports given, we still have four open commitments (Capital Pavilion Men and Women, Conewago Men, and Dauphin County Prison Men). We have a new literature person Becca M. Vice Chair MaryAnn R.

**Facility reports:**

**ARC:** All is well at this facility. I will not be able to make this month's H&I meeting and need someone to cover for me. Rachelle W.

**C-90: 2nd and 4th Thurs. 7-8pm-** April 9<sup>th</sup> reported last month. April 23<sup>rd</sup> Rob took meeting in. Mary Ann R.

**Capital Pavilion: Men 7-8pm 2nd Tues. of month** – OPEN. No Report.

**Capital Pavilion: Women 7-8pm 2nd Tues. of month** – OPEN. No Report.

**Common Ground: 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 7-8pm.-** No report.

**Conewago Place: Men 1st and 3rd Tues, 5:30-6:30** – No Report.

**Conewago Place: Women 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 5:30-6:30pm** – All meetings made. Good participation. At this time Betty Jo would like to take this commitment over. I will still help. Bridget H.

**Cumberland County Prison: Womens'-Mon. 630-730pm-** Meeting is going well. I missed 1 week at the last minute. Chris W.

**Cumberland County Prison: Mens'-Thur. 700-800pm** – Same – they missed 1 week last month. Wayne S & Thomas G.

**Dauphin County Prison: Women-every Sunday 9-10am-** All is well with DCP women. Participation is between 10-12 weekly. All meetings but 1. The women are grateful for our presence. Jan A.

**Dauphin County Prison: Men, every Thurs 6:30-** Position is OPEN. No Report.

**DCP Men's Work Release- Weds 6-7pm.** – Meeting awesome. Average 10-12 people. Have had many speakers. Take meeting in almost every Wednesday. Need meeting lists and IPs. Dean L. celebrates 1 year clean Monday May 4<sup>th</sup> and will be celebrating Sunday May 10<sup>th</sup> 2015. Dean L.

**Perry County Prison- 2nd and 4th Weds 7-8pm-** No Report

**Salvation Army: 2nd and 4th Sunday 7pm-** Meeting is good. Attendance is good. TFLMS Brendan R.

**Woodside: Sunday 6-7pm** – All is going well. Average 15-20 women per meeting. I have to resign from this commitment due to work scheduling. Chrissy F.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Motion 3-1-15-2** – To make available any and all contracts or agreements by each subcommittee to the Area Service committee as they are signed. This supersedes any policy regarding contractual agreements. **Intent:** To provide accountability to our Area's groups. **Written by:** Chris W (HOW group) and **2<sup>nd</sup> by:** Tricia M. (Hope Station) **Discussion (April 12, 2015) Vote (May 3, 2015) Vote 13-1-4 \*\*\*\*\*Passed\*\*\*\*\***

**Motion 4-15-3** – To form a committee that is responsible for organizing and facilitating the marathon events, including Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years. **Intent:** To relieve Unity Committee of the responsibility of marathons and to form a committee directly responsible for the

events. Policy for new marathon committee is attached. **Written by:** Jose H and **2<sup>nd</sup> by:** Mark M. **Discussion (May 3, 2015) Vote (June 7, 2015)**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Literature chair resigned. Vice chair willing to step up.  
Literature Vice Chair Anthony K not voted into the position. 7-2-5  
Unity Treasurer – Ramona B willing to stay in the current position.  
Unity Vice Chair Kim P voted into the position. 15-0-0  
Unity Chair Rachelle W voted into the position. 10-2-2  
Vice Chair Area Crystal D voted into position. 11-0-0

**DISCUSSION TOPICS:**

Home groups not donating to Area Service. Patricia M.

**Notes:** None

**FINAL TREASURERS REPORT: \*\*See attached\*\***

**\*\*Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:55 pm, Moved by Steve H. & 2nd by Kathy W.\*\***

**Next area is 6/7/2015.** Subcommittees meet at 12:30pm, (H&I starts at 12:45pm), and Area Service starts at 2pm.

Chrissy F. – Area Secretary

Stef R. - Area Vice Secretary

|                             | Jan | Feb | Ma | Apr | Ma | Jun | Jul | Au | Sep | Oct | No | De |
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| <b>*****POSITIONS*****</b>  |     |     |    |     |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Area Chair                  | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Area Vice Chair             | O   | O   | O  | O   | O  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Secretary                   | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Vice Secretary              | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Treasurer                   | P   | A   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Vice Treasurer              | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Unity Chair                 | P   | A   | P  | P   | O  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Unity Vice Chair            | O   | O   | O  | O   | O  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Unity Treasurer             | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Unity Vice Treasurer        | O   | O   | O  | O   | O  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| RCM                         | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Alt RCM                     | P   | P   | P  | A   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| H&I Chair                   | P   | P   | A  | P   | A  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| H&I Vice Chair              | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Public Relations Chair      | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Public Relations Vice Chair | P   | P   | P  | P   | A  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Literature Chair            | P   | P   | P  | P   | A  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Literature Vice Chair       | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Policy Chair                | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Policy Vice Chair           | O   | O   | O  | O   | O  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
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| <b>*****GROUPS*****</b>     |     |     |    |     |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Acceptance Group            | P   | P   | P  | P   |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| All Are Welcome             | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Any Lengths                 |     |     |    |     |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Back to Basics              |     |     |    |     |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Bottom Line Group           | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Clean and Free              | P   | P   | P  |     |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Commitment to Change        |     |     |    |     |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Cut & Dry                   |     |     |    | P   |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Exodus to Genesis           | P   |     | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Fresh Start                 |     |     |    |     |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| H.A.N.A.                    |     | P   |    | P   |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Honesty Group               | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Hope Station Meeting        | P   | P   | P  |     | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| H.O.W. Group                | P   | P   | P  | P   |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Journey Continues           | P   | P   | P  | P   |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Just for Today              | P   | P   | P  | P   |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Life or Death               | P   | P   | P  |     |    |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Living Clean                | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Lunch Bunch                 | P   | P   | P  |     | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |
| Message of Hope             | P   | P   | P  | P   | P  |     |     |    |     |     |    |    |

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| New Life Group              | P | P | P |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nothing to Fear             | P |   | P | P | P |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ODOP (One disease one prog) | P | P | P |   | P |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Only Hams' Are Cured        | P | P | P |   | P |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| On Life's Terms             | P | P | P | P | P |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Only the Desire             | P | P | P | P | P |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rebels on the Hill          |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Restored to Sanity          |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rise to Freedom             |   | P | P |   | P |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Saturday at Swatara         | P | P | P | P | P |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Share & Care                | P | P | P | P | P |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Step and Tradition          |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Steps to Freedom            |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Value of Life               | P |   | P |   | P |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| We Do Recover               |   | P | P | P |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Women with a Message        | P | P | P | P | P |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Updated January 2015

*(Proposal)* **Marathon Sub-Committee Guidelines** *(Proposal)*

**Purpose:** The Marathon Sub-Committee shall serve a committee to put on the holiday marathon(s) – Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year’s, to help promote unity in the Area. Length of events are intended to be 24 hours, however, may be shorter based on availability of facilities used.

**Positions:**

**Chairperson:**

- **Requirements:** A one (1) year commitment (voted by ASC). Suggested clean time requirement of two (2) years. The Chairperson should have a working knowledge of the Twelve (12) Steps, Twelve (12) Traditions, and the Twelve (12) Concepts of Narcotics Anonymous. The Chairperson should have a willingness to serve and be actively participating in ASC.
- **Responsibilities:** To coordinate activities the sub-committee sponsors, by working with the committee to ensure that no one individual does more than his or her share of service. To ensure that monies are handled properly and not misused. The chairperson is required to submit a proposed budget to the ASC by June for all of the marathons. To make sure to the best of his or her ability that the committee maintain the spiritual principles throughout, for any function of business meeting in which he or she presides as chair. The Chairperson is responsible to attend Area Service each month and report the committee’s activities, bring back to the committee concerns raised at ASC concerning operations for all Marathons. Chairperson will also work as the liaison with facilities where marathon meetings are held. The Chairperson in this sub-committee has a voting conscience.

**Vice-Chairperson:**

- **Requirements:** A two (2) year commitment (voted by ASC). The first year is served as the Vice-Chairperson, the second as the Chairperson. Suggested clean time requirement of one (1) year. The Vice-Chair person should have a working knowledge of the Twelve (12) Steps, Twelve (12) Traditions, and the Twelve (12) Concepts of Narcotics Anonymous. The Vice-Chairperson should have a willingness to serve and be actively participating in ASC.
- **Responsibilities:** Assist the Chairperson coordinates the functioning of the committee i.e. overseeing individual assignments, insuring that no one individual does more than his or her share of service. Help to insure that sub-committee funds are not misused. And also be aware that the committee maintains the spiritual principles of the program in all of its affairs. This is a two (2) year commitment, one year as the Vice-Chairperson, the second as the Chairperson.

# MESSAGE OF HOPE 4TH ANNUAL CAMPOUT!!



WITH US  
MAY 18

**WHERE:** PARADISE STREAM FAMILY  
CAMPGROUND (PERRY COUNTY)

**WHEN:** JUNE 26, 27, AND 28TH

**COST:** \$15.00 PER PERSON FOR WEEKEND  
\$7.00 PER PERSON FOR DAY ONLY

MESSAGE OF HOPE WILL PROVIDE SATURDAY DINNER  
FOLLOWED BY A BONFIRE MEETING @ 9PM

DIRECTIONS FROM HBG: 81 SOUTH EXIT 57 (RT114) GO RIGHT. AT  
STOP LIGHT GO LEFT ONTO 944. STAY ON THIS GOING UP OVER  
STERRETS GAP. GO ½ WAY AROUND CIRCLE ONTO 34 NORTH,  
GOING THROUGH SHERMANSDALE TO 850 WEST, GO LEFT. STAY  
ON 850 UNTIL 2ND 4-WAY STOP SIGN, GO RIGHT. STAY ON 850  
UNTIL LOYSVILLE STOP SIGN. GO LEFT ONTO 274 WEST. STAY ON  
274 FOR 5 MILES TO COUCHTOWN ROAD, GO LEFT.

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT CAT @ (717) 275-2693

JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER: CAMPING FEES GO DIRECTLY TO PARADISE STREAM  
CAMPGROUND FOR BEING THERE, USING THEIR FACILITIES. THEY GIVE US A HUGE BREAK!!  
PLEASE RESPECT THEIR GENEROSITY AND PAY YOUR WAY. (IF YOU DON'T HAVE THE MEANS  
TO PAY, SEE A HOME GROUP MEMBER) THANK YOU, MESSAGE OF HOPE.

**MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL  
SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING OF NA**

**Hosted by: Little Apple Area NA**

**WHEN: Saturday, June 13, 2015**

**WHERE: St John's United Church of Christ**

**1027 Church St**

**Fogelsville PA 18051**

<http://stjohnsuccfogelsville.com/>

**Sub-Committees Starting at 10:00 a.m.**

**Regional Meeting Starting at 12:00 p.m.**

Tim F. 484 767-8275

Liss R. 484 860-9231

## Group Conscience & NA Literature

World Board

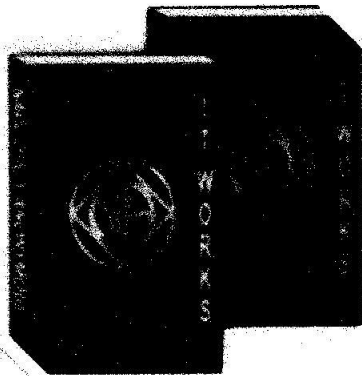
April 2015

In 1991 the World Service Conference passed two motions—one to reaffirm that the WSO holds ownership of NA's intellectual property in trust for the Fellowship of NA, and another to reaffirm that the WSO is exclusive publisher and distributor of all NA literature.

At the time, WSO's intellectual property attorney explained to the Conference:

"The need: to not give for the benefit of those except who do not have the time, energy, or the interest to look back at what really happened and would rather argue that the past consists of what they believe should have happened."

And here we are again—increasing numbers of our members are illegally copying and distributing NA literature around the world, sowing seeds of confusion and disunity, including places where NA is in early stages. In particular, people are publishing a booklet that contains the Third Edition Revised Basic Text with the Second Edition versions of the Fourth and Ninth Traditions, a booklet that was compiled by a few individuals and has **never been Fellowship-approved**. It is bad enough that we have had this ongoing struggle within NA; now it has become a public problem because these texts are being distributed in institutions.



The roots of this conflict go back more than 30 years. The history of the Basic Text is a story that gets told many ways, with different heroes and villains depending on who is doing the telling.

There are some things, however, that are not open to interpretation:

- 1. It goes against group conscience.** The fellowship has decided on these issues repeatedly,
  - ❖ beginning in 1984 when the fellowship voted to return to the First Edition language for the Fourth and Ninth Traditions,
  - ❖ and again in 1988 when the conference rejected the idea of extensive changes to the text beyond fixing the errors in the Fourth Editions,
  - ❖ and again in 1991 when the conference voted against reconsidering which edition of the book should be published,
  - ❖ and again in 1993 when the fellowship approved the *Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust*,
  - ❖ and again as recently as 2004 when a *CAR* motion was passed authorizing revisions to the Basic Text but specifying no changes be made to chapters one through ten of the text. That 2004 motion resulted in the Sixth Edition Basic Text, which was approved **unanimously** in 2008.
- 2. It's illegal.** The unauthorized reproduction of NA literature is a violation of copyright law. NA groups can copy and distribute NA literature for use within their groups, but that right does not extend outside the group or to individuals and service bodies.

**3. It doesn't make sense.** On top of everything else, the portions of the Fourth and Ninth Traditions reinserted into the text of the booklets that are being distributed don't reflect most members' understanding of NA service. The Fourth Tradition essay says of service committees, offices, and activities, **"these things are not N.A."** The Ninth Tradition essay says that service boards or committees **"are not a part of Narcotics Anonymous."** That doesn't even make sense, does it? Are the funds from your area dance an outside donation? Is your local H&I committee somehow not a part of NA?

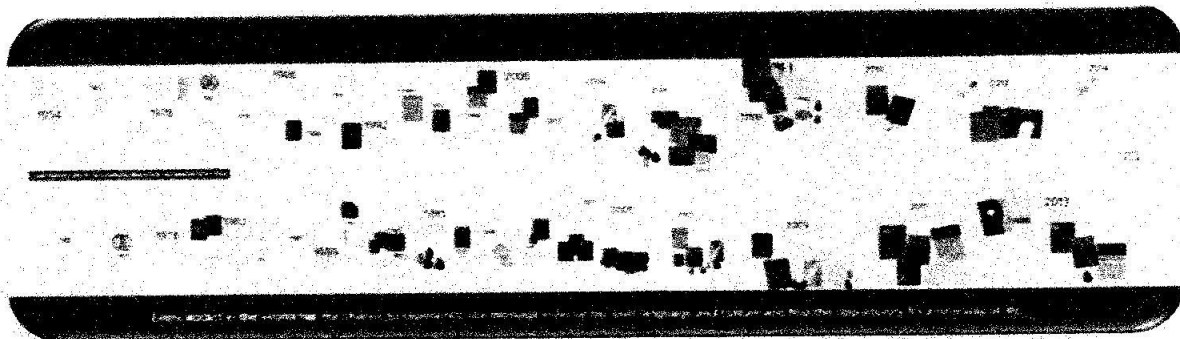
We are writing this on behalf of NA World Services, and we consider ourselves a grateful part of NA. NAWWS provides support and services to addicts, meetings, and service bodies in 132 countries, speaking 77 languages. We interact with professionals and officials who influence the lives of addicts around the world to make our message more available. Here are just a few figures to give you a sense of our work. In the 2013–2014 fiscal year, we

- ❖ gave away and discounted \$460,000 worth of literature;
- ❖ answered more than 5,800 inmate inquiries with an information packet and NA literature;
- ❖ sent out more than 450 group starter kits and more than 45 institutional group starter kits;
- ❖ held quarterly PR web meetings with 206 area and regional trusted servants from seven countries on four continents, and H&I web meetings with 149 trusted servants from 13 countries on four continents;
- ❖ published 54 new pieces of translated literature, bringing us to 900 translated titles for NA recovery literature; and
- ❖ participated in 32 fellowship development and zonal events.

The money to pay for those services comes mostly from literature sales. In essence, when you buy a Basic Text, you are helping to pay for the literature we give away around the world and all of our other efforts.

Despite that fact, some people will tell you that the Basic Text is too expensive and that is why they are illegally distributing an unapproved version. But again, the fellowship's conscience is clear: The motion to produce a lower-cost Basic Text has been before the conference at least nine times; it's been committed once, ruled out of order twice, and defeated at least six times.

In the end, this isn't about politics or personal views; this is about the spiritual principles of group conscience and NA unity. Please respect the will of the fellowship. Illicit literature has no place in our meetings. For more information about NA's copyrights and world services' responsibility to protect them, see [www.na.org/fipt](http://www.na.org/fipt).



**Open Positions:**

Vice Secretary  
Vice Treasure

Dinner Break : 5:30-6:15 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**0315WSC1: Motion:** The World Board only allowed a single vote as a body.  
**Intent:** That the World Board be treated as a single body such as they present themselves.  
**Reasoning:** That they can't have it both ways. If they wish to present actionable items as a collective then they must accept being treated as a collective body. If they wish to vote individually then any actionable item they wish to present should follow established protocol the same as any other member and such items should not be referred to as coming from the World Board instead it should be presented as coming from the individual wishing to submit said item.  
**Motion Made by:** Never Alone Group of CSVANA  
Motion to table till second motion  
**First:** Lane, RCM Pocono Mountain      **Second:** George L., RCM York  
**Passed**

**0315WSC2: Motion:** That the World Board no longer be allowed to make motions, proposals or any other actionable items.  
**Intent:** To return procedure to that stated in both tradition and the concepts.  
**Reasoning:** World Board Members are supposed to have home groups just like the rest of us. If any of us wish to make motions, present proposals or anything else as such we have a procedure we must follow from home group through our areas and regions to have something brought to the floor at the WSC. To allow with World Board to present without following protocol allowed the, to side step the service structure. They will still have the ability to fully participate in all proceedings as much as any other home group member. If they wish to present anything to the floor during the WSC they have their RD at the sessions and can request their RD to put in any request for action. If any home group member does not have the ability to directly submit an actionable item to the WSC then neither should anyone other than an RD. V/V if the World Board is able to directly submit an actionable item to the floor of the WSC so should any home group without process through the rest of the service structure. If the World Board is allowed to directly submit then this would present them as a singular body equivalent to the home group/area/region and as such they should only be allowed a single vote as a body, not individual votes.  
**Motion made by:** Never Alone Group of CSVANA  
**Second:** Bob A., Reading Alt. RCM  
**Take back to groups and vote on**  
RD&RDA will make CAR ready when it comes back from groups.

**0315WSC3: Motion:** To remove the 12 Concepts from our service structure.  
**Intent:** To remove guidelines that have been proven to be too easily misused and abused.  
**Motion made by:** Never Alone Group of CSVANA  
No Second  
**Motion Dismissed**

**0315WSC4: Motion:** To allow unseated regions to fully participate in the decision making process.  
**Intent:** To follow they concepts as previously argued by the World Board, that if something affects the fellowship they (World Board) must be allowed to fully participate in that decision making process; from making motions introducing, proposals, to voting. Decisions concerning the fellowship made without input of any, form from non-seated regions still affects these regions and not allowing them to participate goes fully against our traditions and concepts, as shown in arguments previously presented by the World Board about the World Board being allowed to participate as such: precedence already established by the World Board.  
**Motion made by:** Never Alone Group of CSVANA  
No Second  
**Motion Dismissed**

**0315WSC5: Motion:** To reduce the number of votes of the World Board from 1 per member to 1 collective vote for the entire world board in new business motions and proposals.  
**Intent/Rationale:** To achieve a balance between the weight of a regional conscience and the weight of the world board conscience. While we value the input and leadership of the World Board, we feel that each World Board member's conscience should not be equivalent to an entire region's conscience. Retaining a single vote for a World Board will keep intact the leadership that the board and the fellowship desire while balancing out the weight and representation each vote at the WSC carries.  
**Financial Impact:** None

**Changes to AGTWS:**

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Change to:

For the purpose of decision making, conference participants are defined as regional delegates and World Board members. Regional delegates vote and make motions in all business sessions at the conference. World Board members vote only in election and have 1 collective vote during new business motions and proposals, but may make motions in all sessions. The executive director of the World Service Office does not have a vote or the ability to make motions at the conference meeting.

**Motion made by:** Robin B., Mason-Dixon RCM

**Seconded by:** George L., York RCM

**Take Back To Groups and Vote on**

**0315P1: Motion:** To add to policy: The MARLCNA Subcommittee will bring before the regional body any request for price increases and will include the reason why the increase is needed.

**Intent:** Transparency of the pricing of MARLCNA

**Motion made by:** Never Alone Group of CSVANA

No Second

**Motion Dismissed**

**0315P2: Motion:** To add to policy: All disbursements made by the MARLCNA subcommittee be: (1) Properly recorded on disbursement forms whether they be cashed or checked, (2) Records include not only to whom, for what and the subcommittee requesting the funds; by also include the budget item from which money is to be paid. This budget item included will also state on the form the balance of that budget item.

**Intent:** To make all involved more clearly understand budgeting and to assist with the reconciliation process. This will also provide transparency of expenditures.

**Motion made by:** Never Alone Group of CSVANA

No Second

**Motion Dismissed**

**0315P3: Motion:** To add to policy: Each year at least 1 (HCC) meeting during the first 2 (HCC) meetings of the new/next MARLCNA be designated as to fully review the policy and guidelines covering the duties of each position on the MARLCNA subcommittee. A signature of an officer of the (HCC) and the signature of the person holding each/said position at MARLCNA will be recorded to show the guideline have been reviewed, understood and accepted.

**Intent:** To as best as possible assure that each person holding positions at MARLCNA know all policy and guidelines concerning the duties and obligations of their position. The budget/reconciliation meeting is a part of the closing MARLCNA as much as the opening MARLCNA, and as such exempt.

**Motion made by:** Never Alone Group of CSVANA

**Out of order**

**0315P4: Motion:** To approve the Proposal writing Steps in Recovery policy and guidelines.

**Intent:** To approve the guidelines created by the WSR Committee.

**Motion made by:** Liss R., Little Apple Alt. RCM

**Seconded by:** Kristen D., Lebanon RCM

**Take Back To Groups and Vote on**

**0315H1: Motion:** 0614H2 (old Number) Due to recent discrepancies in funds from MARLCNA, we feel an ADHOC Committee should be picked for an audit and a reconciliation of last 4 MARLCNA's and a written report brought to Region.

**Intent:** Follow all MARLCNA guidelines and the regional time line.

**Motion made by:** Jim G. CSVANA RCM

**Seconded by:** No Second

**0614H2 Old Number:** Discussed and voted on September 13, 2014, that Chair, Treasure, and Vice-Treasure of Region, will go down to MARLCNA end of year meeting to review records.

**Motion made by:** Jim G., CSVANA RCM

**Seconded by:** Timmy F., Little Apple, RCM

**0315H2: Motion:** To rescind motion 0313P3 that capped MARLCNA's start up fund at \$15,000. This would allow for \$16,000 for start-up in 2015 because 2 years have passed at \$500 each year for a total of \$1,000. The previous policy is 1210P3 stated an increase of \$500 annually increase for MARLCNA start up fund as to keep up with inflation/increase cost.

**Intent:** MARLCNA Chair stated the start-up cost during region explaining the increases of cost to the need for continued cost increases.

**Motion made by:** Faith W., Capital RCM

**Seconded by:** Rosa C, Williamsport RCM

**Policy Affected:** 0313P3: To limit start-up funds for MARLCNA to \$15,000.00.

**Intent:** There needs to be a limit. To continue adding \$500, each year which is current Policy will soon lead to start up money being greater than MARLCNA donation to Region.

**Submitted by:** Robin B., Mason-Dixon RCM

**Seconded by:** Mark D., Lebanon Valley RCM

TO GROUPS

**CLOSING TREASURER'S REPORT**

See attached report

**Betterment of the region:**

**Next region location/bids**

**June 13, 2015, Allentown**

**September 12, 2015, Mason-Dixon**

**December 12, 2015, Lebanon Valley**

**March 2016, CSVANA**

**June 2016, Lock Haven**

**September 2016, Pocono Mountain**

Regional Service Committee Meeting ended about 7:40 pm with a moment of silence followed by the We version of the Serenity Prayer.

C.A.N.A. UNITY SUB-COMMITTEE

TREASURERS REPORT

EVENT DATE: *May 3rd 2015* *ALSA Service*  
STARTING BALANCE: *800.00*

INCOME

ADMISSION: *0*  
FOOD: *0*  
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS *0*

SUB-TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

NEW BALANCE \_\_\_\_\_

EXPENSES

FACULTY RENT: *0*  
DJ: *0*  
FOOD: *0*  
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS: *#match for the shirts 25.00*

SUB-TOTAL *0*

ENDING BALANCE *\$775.00*

COMMENTS:

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