

Volume 28 Number 08

Capital Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous (CASNA)

Rob G. Area Chair opened the 331th meeting of CASNA, on 08/05/12, at 2:00PM, with the Serenity Prayer. Henry J. read the 12 Traditions and David P. 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. Discussion of motions will be limited to GSR's or a Group Representative only. (Supported by the 9th Concept) Extended discussion rests' with the Chair.

2. A member may speak once to an issue.

3. A member must be recognized by the Chair to speak.

4. Subcommittee reports will be limited to 10 minutes, plus questions and approval.

5. In order for an item to be placed on the Agenda, it must be in motion form and with a second.

6. Discussion topics must be in written form and given to the Chair.

7. Each member may speak once to a discussion topic for a maximum of 5 minutes.

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: 25 at 2:03 PM

Attendance notes: Vice Secretary and Unity Vice Treasurer position is open.

*****Next Area is Sept. 09, 2012*****

New GSR's: Dennis- GSR for Exodus to Genesis, Katie K- Alt GSR for Living Clean, Bridget- Alt GSR for Value of Life.

New Meetings: None

Corrections to the Minutes: Dennis from Exodus to Genesis was present during July's Area. Matt P was voted into H&I Vice Chair position.

Orders of the day: Moved by David P. 2nd by Katie K.

Opening Treasurers report: *See attached.

Groups with Problems: None

Group reports:

A Gift Called Life - 141 W. Main St, Elizabethville, Pa. 7:30-8:30PM - No report.

Acceptance Group - Allison UMC 99 Mooreland Ave. Carlisle, Pa 6-7PM - We need Support. Steve W- GSR

All Are Welcome - 56 Banks St. Penbrook, HBG. Pa. Wed. 7-8PM - Blessings to everyone. We had a new member join our home group this week. Our rent is paid thru Sept, and we were able to donate to area. TFLMS, Henry J. 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 - Group is doing well. Rent paid and made donation to area. Come check us out. ILS, Rachele W- GSR

Bottom Line Group - 6th & Woodbine St. HBG, Pa. Mon-Fri 12-2PM - Group doing ok. We need a lot of help. A lot of positions open so we are just winging it. A lot of new people come to the noon meeting so we could always use more help. TY, Anthony C.

Clean and Free - 2nd and State 12-2pm Sat. - No Report

Commitment to Change - 1422 Market St, HBG, Pa. Tues 7-8:30PM - Meeting is going well. We need more home group members to step up. Hedy W.

Cut and Dry - Epworth United Methodist Church 21st & Derry St. HBG, Pa. 7-8:30PM - Group is doing fine. No changes. We did make a \$15.72 donation this month. Robert H

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

Freedom Group - 6-7pm Mon. 219 Locust St. Steelton - 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. – Attendance has been steady. No problems to speak of. TFLMS, Will A.

Hope Station - 149 W Penn St, Memorial Park, Carlisle- Friday 7pm-8pm – Attendance remains low Steve W- homegroup member

H.O.W. Group - Grace UMC. Carlisle, PA. Mon, Tues, and Thurs 8-9pm – We are making our annual donation to world service of \$300.00 Wed and Thurs nights are struggling for attendance. Chris W. - GSR

Just for Today - 15th and Derry, Hbg. PA. Sun. 10-12pm. – No Report

Life or Death - Sunday-7:30-8:30PM, 2nd & Swatara St, Steelton, PA. – All is well. Thanks to area for coming out to support us. TFAUTS, Crystal D- GSR

Living Clean - Calvary United Methodist, 7th & Market St., Lemoyne Tues 7:30-8:30PM. - Average attendance has been up. To help better carry the NA message, the group has decided to change the meeting format. The group will be incorporating steps and literature into the meetings. TFAUTS, Chrissy F.- GSR

Lunch Bunch – Mon-Sat 12-1. Herman Ave, Lemoyne – Meeting is going well. Annual campout was rainy and moderately attended. Daily meetings average 25-50 ppl on various topics, steps, and literature. TFAMTS, Jada B- GSR

Message of Hope - Wertzville Rd, Enola Pa Fridays 8-9pm – Our group is well and has no problems at this time. There will be a campout sponsored by this group on Aug 24-26 at Paradise Streams Campground in Loysville, PA. Please refer to the flyer. We hope to see you there. Jan A

New Life Group – 14 State Rd. Mech. Sat. 8-9pm- Annual picnic Aug 11 @ 2pm at Kids Kings Camp in Dillsburg, PA. Food at 5pm, swimming, volleyball, bonfire meeting at 8:30pm. \$2 donation but no one will be turned away. Our regular meeting will still be held at the church. Thanks- Steve B.

Nothing to Fear - Corner of Simpson & Market St. (Rt. 114), Downtown - Mechanicsburg, PA. Monday 730-830pm, Survivors: Revisited Friday 10-11pm. - No Report

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. 3rd and Harris St – Attendance is needed. Home group support. We have no GSR, secretary, treasurer, or alt GSR. Meeting is not big, so the 7th trad amount has been low. I did give a donation to area. Grateful Servant, Iris N

Only the Desire Group - 14th & Market St., Hbg, PA. Wed 7-8:15PM. – No report

Rae of Hope - 100 West Main St., Corner of Church & Main, New Bloomfield, PA 17068, 7-8PM on Tuesday(s) – No Report

Rise to Freedom- Thurs at 12pm, Cameron St, HBG- Our group is doing good. We need support and people willing to do service. TFAMTS, Ron J- GSR.

Service is Recovery- Tues' 7pm, 8 S. Hanover St, Carlisle- We have met 4 times. Attendance is 4-7 so we need some support. Chris W.

Share and Care - Baughman U.M. Church, 3rd & Bridge St., New Cumberland, Mon-7-8:15PM – All is well. Frank Y.

Steps to Freedom - 2221 N.6th St, Hbg, PA, (6th and Woodbine Streets), Tuesday 630-8pm. - We are just managing with paying rent and the little literature we purchase. No donation for Area. Rob W- GSR

Step Working Guides - 15th & Derry St. Hbg, PA. Thur 6:30-8:15pm – No Report

Value of Life – 131 Nittany Dr, Mechanicsburg, PA. Sunday 7-8 PM. - Meeting attendance is doing well. We only have 4 hg members and more are definitely welcome. All is well. Josh T

We Do Recover - 15th & Derry St, Hbg, PA, 8PM to 9:30PM Monday night - 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. – Attendance is good and meeting is doing well. New hg members and support are always welcome. TFAMTS, Georgeanna W.

Subcommittee reports:

Ad HOC Committee- No report

CAPITAL AREA UNITY SUBCOMMITTEE: 4th of July event was a success. So was the fundraiser and monthly dance. We are currently planning our Labor Day event which will be at Brightbill Park starting at noon. We have also decided that we will be having a Halloween speaker Jam and Dance in Oct. We are planning to give prizes to the best costumes. TFAUTS- Jake N- Unity Chair.

UNITY TREASURERS' REPORT: See Attached.

LITERATURE: We spent \$507.90 on Lit this month and sold \$548.00 in Literature. TFLMS, Will A-

Lit Chair

POLICY: the policy has been making huge strides in updating all of the info and organizing all procedures, guidelines, and subcommittee policies. There are a lot of revisions and unneeded info being archived, therefore a lot of motions are to be expected in upcoming CASNA meetings. Policy is expected to be completely revised and improved by ASC elections in Dec. Katie K.- Policy Vice Chair.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Last month we did a presentation/ had a discussion w/ the GSR of the new meeting being held at the RASE office building. Myself and the vice chair are confident that they have done everything possible to insure that their meetings are not affiliated with the RASE Project. Website/phoneline updated. I also found a stack of flyers which we can hang up around the area to help remind the public that we are here to help. Also, we want to remind everyone to get involved in some blog discussions on our website. That is what it is there for and it is more appropriate than discussing NA on Facebook. TYFAUTS, Brandon R.- PR Chair

RCM: Nothing to report. Rob W- RCM

MARATHON: No Report

HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS: There were 15 in attendance today despite many missing members. We continue to work toward filling our outstanding commitments at the YMCA and Keystone work release. In addition, we are cross training our current commitments to insure that meetings continue as scheduled. TYFAUTS, Jan A- H&I Chair.

Facility reports:

ARC: All is well. No changes. Ilehne L.

C-90: 2nd and 4th Thurs. 7-8pm- All is well. No problems at this time. Jan A for Rob G

Capital Pavilion: 7-8pm first Mon. of month- New panel leaders Matt and Toni are setting up the meeting with Angelo. Hopefully they will start this month. Jan A.

Chambers Hill A/C: No report

Common Ground: 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 7-8pm.- All is well. Speakers and literature. Speakers needed. Please contact me 880-8068. TFAMTS, Steve B.

Conewago Place: Men+Women 1st and 3rd Tues – Great participation for both. No problems at this time. Jan A + Sheldon

Cumberland County Prison: Womens'-Mon. 630-730pm- No Report

Mens'-Thur. 630-730pm and 730-830pm- No Report

Dauphin County Prison: Women-every Sunday 9-10am- Participation is great! We have 15-18 women attending. No problems at this time. Jan A

Men, every Thurs 6:30- Good turn out and participation is great. Look forward to seeing us. Linda M and Jim C.

Perry County Prison- Thurs-6-7pm – All is well. No problems at this time. Jan A for Steve

Salvation Army: 2nd and 4th Sunday- No Report

Schaffner Detention Center: No Report

Siena House: No report

Woodside: Low participation since only drug court is mandatory attendance. Jan A

OLD BUSINESS: Motion #1: (Policy)(Vote on 9/2/12) – a 2pt motion. 1) To remove the treasurer as a member of the finance committee. Intent: to avoid a conflict of interest. We do not want the person who collects the money to also audit where monies come from and went. 2) We propose to change the name of the committee to the "Audit Committee". Intent: to clarify our position to area service as strictly auditing the financial records of area. We do not want any other financial responsibilities to the area. Written By: Allen W, 2nd By: David P.

NEW BUSINESS: **3 New Motions, 1 housekeeping Motion**

Motion #1: (Housekeeping)(Passed) To change Sept. Area from the 2nd to the 9th due to holiday weekend. Intent: to allow for member participation. Written By: Rachelle W. 2nd by: Chris W.

****PASSED**

Motion #2: (Policy)(Back to groups for Discussion) Amend current voting policy for the executive committee positions. Policy should be that voting is executive to GSR (or alternate). Intent: Current policy states any and all in attendance may vote for the executive committee elections, despite whether it's their 1st time at CASNA. This amendment would eliminate possible bias or ignorance (meaning lack of knowledge) of those voting. Keeping the voting exclusive to each groups representative follows our 5th, 7th, and 9th concepts. Written By: Frank Y, 2nd By: David P. (To be voted on at Oct Area)

Motion #3: (Policy)(Back to Groups for Discussion) To accept literature committee's officer position guidelines into the literature committee's policy, as well as CASNA policy. Intent: no guidelines were

in our current policy, so this will clarify all duties and qualifications for further elections of Lit committee officer positions. See attached Guidelines. Written By: Frank Y, 2nd By: Steve H. (To be voted on at Oct Area)

Discussion Topics: None

FINAL TREASURERS REPORT: **See attached**

****Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:26PM, Moved by Rob G & 2nd by Frank Y.**

Next area is 09/09/2012. Subcommittees meet at 12:30pm, (H&I starts at 12:45pm), and Area Service starts at 2pm.

Rachelle W. - Area Secretary

*****ATTENDANCE*****

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Ma	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
*****POSITIONS*****													
Area Chair	P	P		P	P	P	P						
Area Vice Chair		P		P	P	P							
Secretary	P		P	P	P	P	P						
Vice Secretary	P	P		P	O	O	O						
Treasurer		P	P	P	P	P	P						
Vice Treasurer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
Unity Chair						P	P						
Unity Vice Chair	P		P	P	O	P	P						
Unity Treasurer	O	O	O	P	P	P	P						
Unity Vice Treasurer				O	O	O	O						
RCM		P	P	P		P	P						
Alt RCM	P	P		P	P	P	P						
H&I Chair	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
H&I Vice Chair	O	P			P								
Public Relations Chair	P		P	P	P	P	P						
Public Relations Vice Chair	O	O	O		P	P	P						
Literature Chair	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
Literature Vice Chair	P	P	P	P		P	P						
Policy Chair	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
Policy Vice Chair				O	O	P	P						
Marathon Chair	P	P	P			P							
Marathon Vice Chair	P	P		P	P								
*****GROUPS*****													
A Gift Called Life													
Acceptance Group	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
All Are Welcome	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
Any Lengths		P		P		P	P						
Back to Basics	P					P	P						
Bottom Line Group			P	P	P	P	P						
Clean and Free	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
Commitment to Change		P		P	P		P						
Cut & Dry	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
Exodus to Genesis						P	P						
Freedom Group													
Fresh Start		P		P									
H.A.N.A.	P	P		P	P	P	P						
Honest Group	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
Hope Station Meeting													
H.O.W. Group	P	P	P	P		P	P						
Just For Today	P	P	P	P									
Life or Death		P	P	P	P	P	P						

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Ma	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
*****GROUPS*****													
Living Clean	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
Living Drua Free													
Lunch Bunch					P	P	P						
Message of Hope	P	P		P	P	P	P						
New Life Group	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
Nothing to Fear			P	P	P								
Only Hams' Are Cured		P		P			P						
On Life's Terms		P	P	P	P	P	P						
Only the Desire							P						
Rae of Hope		P			P								
Rebels on the Hill													
Rise to Freedom					P	P	P						
Service is Recoverv					P	P							
Share & Care	P	P	P	P		P	P						
Steps to Freedom	P	P	P	P	P		P						
Step Working Guides		P		P									
Value of Life	P	P			P	P	P						
We Do Recover		P					P						
Women with a Messaqe	P			P			P						

Legend:

P = Present

O = Open Position

Updated April 2012

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

TREASURERS REPORT

EVENT DATE:		<u>10-19-12</u>
STARTING BALANCE:		<u>713.71</u>
	<u>INCOME</u>	
ADMISSION :		<u>305.00</u>
FOOD :		<u>85.00</u>
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:		<u>- 0 -</u>
	SUB-TOTAL	<u>390.00</u>
	NEW BALANCE	<u>1103.71</u>
	<u>EXPENSES</u>	
FACILITY RENT:		<u>100.00</u>
DJ:		<u>250.00</u>
FOOD:		<u>72.74</u>
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:		<u>- 0 -</u>
	SUB-TOTAL	<u>422.74</u>
	ENDING BALANCE	<u>680.97</u>

COMMENTS:

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

TREASURERS REPORT

EVENT DATE:		<u>7-4-12</u>
STARTING BALANCE:		<u>680.97</u>
	<u>INCOME</u>	
ADMISSION :		<u>0</u>
FOOD : <i>Water + Soda</i>		<u>231.74</u>
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS: <i>Donations</i>		<u>113.33</u>
	SUB-TOTAL	<u>345.07</u>
	NEW BALANCE	<u>1026.14</u>
	<u>EXPENSES</u>	
FACILITY RENT:		<u>0</u>
DJ:		<u>0</u>
FOOD:		<u>535.96</u>
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:		<u> </u>
	SUB-TOTAL	<u>535.96</u>
	ENDING BALANCE	<u>490.08</u>

COMMENTS:

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

TREASURERS REPORT

EVENT DATE:	<u>7-21-12</u>
STARTING BALANCE:	<u>490.08</u>
<u>INCOME</u>	
ADMISSION :	<u>435.00</u>
FOOD :	<u>419.31</u>
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:	<u>0</u>
SUB-TOTAL <u>854.31</u>	
NEW BALANCE <u>1344.38</u>	
<u>EXPENSES</u>	
FACILITY RENT:	<u>100.00</u>
DJ:	<u>250.00</u>
FOOD:	<u>317.91</u>
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:	<u>0</u>
SUB-TOTAL <u>667.91</u>	
ENDING BALANCE <u>676.47</u>	

COMMENTS:

Literature Sub-Committee

CHAIRPERSON: one year commitment

Qualifications:

1. Willingness and desire to fulfill the responsibilities of the position
2. A growing knowledge of the 12 steps, 12 traditions, and 12 concepts of service in NA
3. A suggested 2 years clean, and a suggested 6 months of active Literature Sub-Committee service

Duties:

1. Coordinates the activities of the CASNA Literature Sub-Committee
2. Maintains the literature inventory, and manages the literature orders for the groups and the area
3. Responsible for making sure all receipts are filled out for each order and all monies are accounted for
4. Oversees the quarterly production of the CANA meeting lists

VICE CHAIRPERSON: one year commitment

Qualifications:

1. Willingness and desire to fulfill the responsibilities of the position
2. A growing knowledge of the 12 steps, 12 traditions, and 12 concepts of service in NA
3. A suggested 1 year clean, and a suggested 6 months of active Literature Sub-Committee service

Duties:

1. Will assume the Chair position in the absence of the Chair person
2. Work with Chair person to maintain the smooth operation of the Sub-Committee
3. Help Chair fill literature orders, maintain literature inventory, and help account for all monies and receipts
4. Will assume the Chair position after 1 year of service as Vice Chair, per elections

ATC Newsletter ~ July, 2012

Issue 1

(Formerly USFA Newsletter)

On June 16, 2012 in Milwaukee, WI. at USFA – III, a motion was passed which allowed for the continuation of our efforts in the creation of a United States Service Conference (USSC). The following is that motion:



THE UNITED STATES FELLOWSHIP ASSEMBLY



MOTION FORM

DATE: June 15, 2012

MOTION READS AS FOLLOWS: To make the United States Fellowship Assembly Planning Group responsible for transitioning the United States Fellowship Assembly into the United States Service Conference. The United States Fellowship Assembly Planning Group shall be hereafter known as the "Assembly Transition Committee." The committees Responsibilities shall be: (1) to assist the next Host Committee as needed. (2) To develop an initial set of guidelines and/or procedures necessary to facilitate the United States Service Conference. Guidelines will be established in close following of the 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts and the Guide to Local Services in Narcotics Anonymous. (3) Procedures for the nomination and election of all United States Service Conference elected trusted servants will be incorporated into said guidelines. (4) All work of this Transition Committee shall commence upon the ending of USFA – III and will be completed and ready for implementation at the USSC (date and location to be determined)

INTENT OF MOTION: To utilize the resources and experience of the United States Fellowship Assembly Planning Group in assisting in the creation of the United States Service Conference.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None

DATE VOTED: 6/16/2012

Motion: PASSED X FAILED TABLED

According to the above motion, The ATC has been given the responsibility to create an initial set of operational guidelines which will be used to facilitate the United States Service Conference. In addition to this, procedures will be drawn up for the electing of trusted servants. These guidelines will appear in a

future Newsletter. The next event planned will be called The United States Service Conference. The conference will be held in Layton, Utah October 26-28, 2012 at the Courtyard by Marriott Hotel. The Host Committee is in the final stages of creating a flier for this event.

The External Communications Subcommittee and Web Coordinator are working hand-in-hand in the building of a new website. The address of this site is www.usscna.org and will be operational in the near future.

On July 17, 2012, the proposed Vision statement and Purpose/Function statement were passed with a vote of 57 – 1. The following are those approved statements followed by a brief history of the United States Fellowship.

VISION

THE UNITED STATES SERVICE CONFERENCE OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS SHALL BE READILY AVAILABLE TO SERVE ALL ADDICTS AND GROUPS IN THE UNITED STATES BY UPHOLDING THE SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLES AND TRADITIONS OF NA.

PURPOSE

THE PURPOSE OF THE USSCNA IS TO COME TOGETHER IN UNITY TO FULFILL THE SERVICE NEEDS OF OUR MEMBER BODIES AS DIRECTED BY THE SPIRITUAL CONSCIENCE OF THE GROUPS THAT HAVE CREATED IT.

FUNCTION

OUR FUNCTION IS ONE OF SIMPLICITY; TO CARRY OUT GROUP CONSCIENCE AS DIRECTED BY THE FELLOWSHIP WE SERVE.

Approximately 2 years ago a group of NA members met in Marion, NC to begin concrete work to do what had been suggested for decades by Ad Hoc Committees from NA World Services; to create a National Service Body for the United States, a United States Service Conference.

NA started in the US and for many years, was strictly a US fellowship; the 'World' Service Office (WSO) and the 'World' Service Conference (WSC) being, in effect, a US Service Office and a US Service Conference. But as the fellowship grew and expanded to different countries, the need for National Service Bodies in these new countries and geographical locations became apparent as the WSC evolved into a truly worldwide body. In 1984, the European Delegate Meeting (EDM) was created. In 1989, when the WSC Ad Hoc Committee spoke to the issue of national assemblies, the Canadian Assembly of NA (CANA) formed. In 1992, the Asia-Pacific Forum (APF) was created, and in 1999, the Latin - American Zonal Forum (LAZF) was started. While 80 – 90% of the membership and funds still came from the US, the US remained without a National Service Conference.

There have been many changes that have created a “disconnect” between our members and all levels of NA service. While the disease of addiction continues to be a growing problem in the US, the explosive growth experienced in the early years of the fellowship has slowed dramatically and in some areas has dwindled to near non-existence; Yet there exists within the fellowship a tremendous and largely untapped base of experience, strength, and hope from members motivated by the spirit of selfless service, and grounded in the 12 Traditions. For many years this base has not been fully utilized for the common welfare of all NA groups in the United States. We desire to bring this awesome asset to bear “...to more successfully carry the message of recovery to the addict who still suffers”.

In addition, through taking advantage of current technology, specifically the wide variety of tools available through the internet, we are now able to rekindle the all-important principle of group conscience. This will give a voice not only to every region and area, but also to every home group, ensuring that we are truly being led by a loving God, expressing himself in our group conscience. Sometimes our best ideas and solutions come from the newest members; and their voices also need to be heard, for the benefit of us all.

The USSCNA is an idea whose time has come. We are groups of addicts from the Northeast, the Southeast, the Midwest and the West, who have come together in the spirit of unity and loving service to further our primary purpose. On October 26-28, 2012 at the 1st USSCNA in Layton, Utah, a lost dream will be awakened and new possibilities will arise. We invite you to join us on this journey.

In Loving Service,
The Assembly Transition Committee (ATC) for
The United States Service Conference of Narcotics Anonymous (USSCNA)