

Minutes: 125th Regional Service Conference
 Region of the Virginians RSC
 February 17, 2007

Met in Suffolk, VA at 11am on 02-17-07.

Began Region with Open Forum at 11am with Serenity Prayer.

Opened the Region Business at 12:15 with Serenity Prayer.

Purpose was read by: Sabrina M., 12 Traditions read by: Lisa B., 12 Concepts read by: Etta S.

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

Break for lunch at 2:00pm, Reopen with Serenity Prayer at 3:10

Roll Call	Roll Call	Reports
Almost Heaven:	Present	Written
Appalachian:	Present	Written
Motion: Mover: Sabrina Mc. Pro Tem RDA2 2 nd : Ernest A. OLANA		
To change the order of the day to deal with 2 money matters for RDA2.		
Intent: To have money motions approved or disapproved so RDA2 can leave RSC for previous engagement.		
Passed 5-1		
Motion: Mover: Nina H. Richmond 2 nd : Melvin L. Appalachian		
To return to order of day.		
Intent: To follow agenda. Passed 10-0		
Blue Ridge:	Absent	None
New Dominion:	Present	Written
New River Valley:	Present	Written
Outer Limits:	Present	Written
Peninsula:	Present	Written
Piedmont:	Present	Written
Rappahannock:	Present	Written
Richmond:	Present	Written
Roanoke:	Absent	None
Shenandoah Valley:	Present	Written
South Side:	Absent	None
Tidewater:	Present	None
Tri Cities:	Absent	None

Quorum met with 11 areas present.

Minutes: Motion to defer reading of 124th Minutes. Made by: Jeff H. H&I Chair 2nd: Bob M. Peninsula Passed 11-0. Motion to approve the minutes for the 124th RSC as submitted. Made by: Bob M. Peninsula 2nd: Ernest A. OLANA Passed 11-0

Old Business

Motion: Mover: Cynthia W. Secretary 2nd: Melvin L. Appalachian
To suspend with reading of old business motions back from groups or policy.

Intent: To reserve time for business. Passed 6-1

Motion 124-1 Mover: Policy Subcommittee 2nd: Nina H. Richmond

Policy Subcommittee moves

To add the following new section to the Region of the Virginians Regional Service Committee Guidelines & Rules of Order:

Section XIII: GSR Assembly

1. The ROV shall hold a GSR Assembly every April.

2. The GSR Assembly shall be planned and facilitated by the Regional Delegate.

3. Votes on Conference Agenda Report motions shall be taken and tallied at the GSR Assembly.

4. All Annual Reports by ROV trusted servants shall be given at the GSR Assembly. All reports are to be written and are limited to a maximum of ten minutes.

To make the following additions to Section VIII: OFFICIERS DUTIES AND QUALIFICATIONS

Paragraph 5A REGIONAL DELEGATE DUTIES

(L) Submits a written proposed agenda for the upcoming GSR Assembly at the December RSC.

(M) Facilitates the GSR Assembly.

Paragraph 1A CHAIR DUTIES subparagraph G:

From "Makes quarterly and end of term written report to the RSC."

To "Submits written reports to each RSC Conference and an annual written report at the GSR Assembly."

Paragraph 2A VICE CHAIR DUTIES subparagraph D:

From "Submits written quarterly reports at each RSC Conference, and annually."

To "Submits written reports to each RSC Conference and an annual written report at the GSR Assembly."

Paragraph 5A REGIONAL DELEGATE DUTIES subparagraph H:

From "Submits quarterly and end of term written reports to RSC."

To "Submits annual written report at the GSR Assembly."

Paragraph 6A REGIONAL DELEGATE-ALTERNATE DUTIES subparagraph D:

From "Submits written quarterly and end of term written reports to the RSC."

To "Submits written reports to each RSC Conference and an annual written report at the GSR Assembly."

Paragraph 7A REGIONAL DELEGATE-ALTERNATE 2 DUTIES subparagraph D:

From "Submits written quarterly and end of term written reports to the RSC."

To "Submits written reports to each RSC Conference and an annual written report at the GSR Assembly."

Paragraph 8A VIRGINIA REGIONAL CONVENTION CORPORTATION REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES subparagraph A:

From "Provides a written report for each RSC Conference."

To "Submits written reports to each RSC Conference and an annual written report at the GSR Assembly."

Paragraph 10A STANDING AND ADHOC SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR DUTIES (other than Policy Chair) subparagraph B:

From "Compiles a report of previous year's activities for the February RSC. (Standing subcommittees only)"

To "Submits annual written report of previous year's activities at the GSR Assembly."

Intent: To establish points of accountability for the GSR Assembly.

Amendment: add:

Paragraph 9A Policy Chair

subparagraph B:

From "Compiles a report of previous year's policy changes for the February RSC."

To "compiles a report of previous year's policy changes for the April GSR Assembly. Mover: Sherry V. 2nd:"

Mike G. Roanoke Valley Amendment passed 12-1

Roll Call Vote: Yes: Almost Heaven, Appalachian, New Dominion, New River Valley, Peninsula, Piedmont, Shenandoah Valley. Passed 7-0

Motion 124-4 Mover: Tim C. Treasurer 2nd: Jane F. Tri-Cities

To amend GRO to eliminate the position of VRCC Rep. and to include the VRCC Chair in the RSC Chair's prearranged agenda for the roll call and reports without making the VRCC Chair an officer of the RSC.

Intent: to make the VRCC Chair sole communication link between VRCC and RSC. **Back to Groups**

Policy will come up with a suggested section on "Creation and Removal of Positions and Subcommittees" for the Guidelines and Rules of Order.

Motion 123-1 Budget 7/1/07-6/30/09

Roll Call Vote: Yes: Almost Heaven, Appalachian, New River Valley, Outer Limits, Peninsula, Shenandoah Valley. No: New Dominion Passed 6-1

Motion 124-7 Mover: Speaker Jam 2nd: Elmer S. Southside

To select the Area's bid in the Speaker Jam subcommittee meeting.

Intent: to take care of subcommittees work in the subcommittee.

Amendment: Refer Motion 124-7 to Policy. Passed 6-2

Nominations and Elections

VRCC Rep: Pro Tem Jimmy B. , Chair: Burrell P. accepted nomination, Policy Chair: Pro Tem Cynthia W.

Outreach Chair: Pro Tem George B., Treasurer, Secretary, RDA-2

New Business

Motion 125-1: Mover: Tim C. Treasurer 2nd: Bob M. Peninsula

To reimburse Sabrina Mc for travel to Autonomy Zonal Forum in Feb. 2007 in the amount of \$68.37 over budget (\$100.59 total).

Intent: To be fully self-supporting. Passed 9-0

Motion 125-2: Mover: Tim C. Treasurer 2nd: Bob M. Peninsula

To reimburse Sabrina Mc for travel to MARLCNA in Jan 2007 in the amount of \$23.95 over budget (\$116.33 total).

Intent: To be fully self-supporting. Passed 10-0

Motion 125-3: Mover: Sherry V. RD 2nd: Melvin L. Appalachian

To increase the RD budget one time by \$300 to attend the upcoming worldwide workshop in Nebraska in May.

Intent: To allow the RD to participate in this event to better communicate worldwide issues to the Region.

Amendment: Change \$300 to \$120. Mover: Sherry V. 2nd: Jennifer D. Almost Heaven Amendment passed 9-0

Motion passed 8-1

Motion 125-4: Mover: Greg H. RDA 2nd: Melvin L. Appalachian

To increase the RDA budget one time by \$120 to attend the upcoming worldwide workshop in Nebraska in May.

Intent: To allow the RDA to participate in this event to better communicate worldwide issues to the Region.

Amendment: To postpone the vote for 15 minutes to allow treasurer to tally figures. Mover: Tim C. 2nd: Bob M.

Peninsula Amendment failed 4-5 Motion passed 7-1-1

Motion 125-5: Mover: Tim C. Treasurer 2nd: Bob M. Peninsula

To reimburse Amanda H. for copies for PI Subcommittee meeting on 1-20-07 in the amount of zero dollars and ninety cents over budget (\$4.95 total).

Intent: To be fully self-supporting. Passed 9-0

Motion 125-6: Mover: Cynthia W. Secretary 2nd: Melvin L. Appalachian

To not include whole budget in 125th minutes if approved.

Intent: To reserve space and save money on printing and postage. Passed 9-0-0

Motion 125-7: Mover: Jimmy C. Activities Chair 2nd: Melvin L. Appalachian

To approve Ramada Inn Lynchburg as the location for the 126th RSC/GSR Assembly in April 2007, at the estimated rate of \$1510 plus tax for hotel rooms, \$425 plus tax for GSR Assembly room and \$100 plus tax for

conference room. Financial impact: At projected 8% tax rate, hotel rooms will exceed budget by \$130.80, GSR Assembly will be under budget by \$741 and RSC rent will be under budget by \$292.

Intent: To plan for GSR Assembly. Passed 9-0-0

Motion 125-8: Mover: PI Subcommittee 2nd: Bronwen M. New Dominion

Have RSC approve \$500 to fund booth @ VSIAC in Williamsburg, VA from July 16-20, 2007.

Intent: to fulfill our primary purpose.

Amendment: To reduce the 2007-2009 budget, Section E Public Information to \$285.00/bimonthly up to \$1810 maximum. Mover: Bob M. Peninsula 2nd: Melvin L. Appalachian Amendment passed 7-3-0 **Back to Groups**

Motion 125-9: Mover: Policy Subcommittee 2nd: Melvin L. Appalachian

To change:

Now reads

Speaker Jam

Purpose

To help bring unity to section of areas who don't get support from the their areas and region

Bid Requirements

Dates are to be the third Saturday of March and September

(May have to be change due to other Regional events or conflict in dates)

To have a location adequate to host event

A letter of need from your Area or Institution

A letter of support from an adjoining Area

Bids are to be turned in at current speaker jam. They will be approved at next regional based on need.

Suggestions for Host Area

Provide lunch

Provide coffee pots

Invite Treatment Centers

Change

Bids are to be turned in at current speaker jam. They will be approved at next regional based on need.

To

Bids are to be turned in at the speaker jam. The Area will be selected by the subcommittee and announced by the second RSC after the speaker jam.

Intent: To take care of subcommittee business in the subcommittee. Passed 10-0-0

Motion 125-10: Mover: Jeff H. H&I Chair 2nd: Bronwen M. New Dominion

For the ROV Chair work in cooperation with the VRCC Chair to arrange a joint open forum meeting.

Intent: To create a motion for new policy for the VRCC and ROV to work in the best interest for the members of the ROV. Passed 9-0-0

Motion 125-11: Mover: Amanda H. PI Chair 2nd: Ernie A. OLANA

Move that all H&I related mail received at ROV PO Box be forwarded by mail to ROV H&I Chair or designated H&I contact person on at least a monthly basis; budget of \$4 bi-monthly for mailing/postage costs-\$24/year.

Intent: To ensure timely response to incarcerated members requests for help. Passed 9-1-0

Motion 125-12: Mover: Lisa B. Appalachian 2nd: Melvin L. Appalachian

To have a signer present @ this March 17, 2007 upcoming Speaker Jam event and possibly many more events, come pray fully provided by the Regional.

Intent: To carry the message to the hearing impaired.

Ruled out of order by Chair because cost exceeds \$300 that can be approved on RSC floor.

Planning for Next RSC

126th RSC will be held April 21, 2007 in Lynchburg, VA at Ramada Inn, 3436 Odd Fellows Rd. Lynchburg, VA 24501.

GSR Assembly will be held April 22, 2007 in Lynchburg, VA at Ramada Inn, 3436 Odd Fellows Rd. Lynchburg, VA 24501.

Subcommittee Meetings

March 24: 12:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

Wesley Foundation at College of William and Mary, 526 Jamestown Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185

12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m. Public Information, 1:45 p.m.-2:45 p.m. Outreach, 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Literature Review

4:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Hospitals & Institutions

March 25: 12:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Norview United Methodist Church, 1112 Norview Ave., Norfolk, VA 23513

12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. Speakerjam, 1:45 p.m.-2:45 p.m. Activities, 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Policy

Motion to adjourn at 5:57pm. Mover: Tim C. Treasurer 2nd: Melvin L. Appalachian Passed 10-0

Closed with Serenity Prayer

Trusted Servant Reports

Chair

Dear Family,

I am beginning to project that I will be missing not being able to serve on the ROV RSC. At the same time, I am looking forward to the break.

I have been in touch with both our PI Chair and Treasurer regarding payment for the new answering service.

All is well so far as I know, and I hope we will hear more from our PI chair on this subject.

Since the 124th RSC, I was unable to attend any of the subcommittee meetings. It is still an honor to serve.

In Loving Service, Don V.

Vice Chair

Congratulations and thanks goes out to the Southside and Appalachian areas for providing a place and food for our subcommittee's to meet. I was able to attend the Public Information, Literature Review, Hospital and Institutions, and Outreach on Jan. 20th. On Jan 27th I was able to attend the Activities, Policy and Speaker Jam subcommittees. We also like to thank the members who showed an interest in these subcommittees. It worked out real well to have the Speaker Jam subcommittee in the same area where the Speaker Jam will be held.

Thanks to the Appalachian area for you help. Again we ask the RCM to carry the message that our subcommittees need help and committed members. Congrats to Region and VRCC for a successful convention.

ILS, Burrell

Treasurer

1. LEDGER: At the last RSC, I reported \$7,525.85 on hand as of December 16, 2006. Deposits and credits from December 15 to February totaled \$1,103.82 and withdrawals and debits totaled <\$2,047.57>, bringing the balance to \$6,582.10 as of today's date.

Appalachian ASC \$294.70

New Dominion ASC \$100.00

New Dominion ASC \$125.00

Outer Limits ASC \$244.64

Shenandoah Valley ASC \$309.48

VOID #2389 Hurt Park Community Center \$30.00

Total Deposits & Credits \$1,103.82

#2436 Teddie A. (RSC Ops: Speakerjam) <\$20.66>

#2437 Sherry V. (Travel: AZF/RD \$52.50 per diem, MARLCNA/RD \$70.00 per diem) <\$122.50>

#2438 Greg H. (Travel: AZF/RDA \$52.50 per diem, MARLCNA/RDA \$70.00 per diem) <\$122.50>

#2439 Sabrina McB. (Travel: AZF/RDA2 \$52.50 per diem, MARLCNA/RDA2 \$70.00 per diem) <\$122.50>

#2440 Greg H. (Travel: AZF/RDA lodging) <\$105.28>

#2441 Mike G. (RSC Ops: Food) <\$24.98>

#2442 Sabrina McB. (Travel: AZF/RDA2 lodging) <\$105.28>

VOID - Stop Payment #2443 PCMS (Answer) <\$0.00>

#2444 TASC0 (Answer) <\$184.45>

VOID #2445 <\$0.00>

VOID #2446 <\$0.00>
VOID #2447 <\$0.00>
 #2448 Tim C. (Treasurer) <\$20.00>
 12/31/06 Debit: <\$3.00>
 #2449 PMSC (Answer) <\$233.00>
 #2450 Primus (Phone) <\$124.40>
 1/17/07 Debit (Stop Payment #2443) <\$30.00>
 #2451 TASC0 (Answer) <\$193.00>
 #2452 Primus (Phone) <\$120.25>
 #2453 First Presbyterian Church (Subcommittees)) <\$30.00>
 #2454 Greg H. (Travel: MARLCNA/RDA lodging) <\$137.62>
 #2455 Sabrina M. (Travel: MARLCNA/RDA2 lodging) <\$137.62>
 #2456 St. John's Episcopal Church (Subcommittees) <\$30.00>
 1/31/07 Debit: <\$3.00>
 #2457 Postmaster (Mailbox) <\$70.00>
 #2458 PCMS (Answer) <\$90.69>
 #2459 Tim C. (Treasurer) <\$10.89>
 #2460 Tim C. (PI) <\$5.95>

 Total Withdrawals & Debits <\$2,047.57>

2. PRUDENT RESERVE: The base prudent reserve for the period January 1-February 28, 2007 is \$9,412.00 (motion 119-2). Discretionary funds reserved include \$1,413.04 (\$1,487.45 less funds disbursed) for H&I Subcommittee (motion 199-3), and \$50.00 for Outreach Subcommittee (motion 124-7) bringing the adjusted prudent reserve for the period to \$9,035.04. After expenses, funds available today for the period of January 1-February 28, 2007 are:

A. Automatic expenses	Category	Base	Expenditures	Balance	Available
	Answer	600.00	516.69	83.31	
	Phone	367.00	244.65	122.35	
	Mailbox	66.00	70.00	<4.00>	
	Server	60.00	0.00	60.00	
	Bank	0.00	36.00	<36.00>	
	SUBTOTAL	1,093.00	867.34	225.66	6,356.44

B. Travel escrow	Category	Base	Expenditures	Balance	Available
	WSC/RD	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	WSC/RDA	600.00	0.00	600.00	
	WSC/RDA2	600.00	0.00	600.00	
	MARLCNA/RD	230.00	0.00	230.00	
	MARLCNA/RDA	230.00	137.62	92.38	
	MARLCNA/RDA2	230.00	137.62	92.38	
	Jan AZF/RD	137.50	0.00	137.50	
	Jan AZF/RDA	32.22	0.00	32.22	
	Jan AZF/RDA2	32.22	0.00	32.22	
	Jul AZF/RD	105.00	0.00	105.00	
	Jul AZF/RDA	105.00	0.00	105.00	
	Jul AZF/RDA2	105.00	0.00	105.00	
	WSW/RD	500.00	0.00	500.00	
	WSW/RDA	500.00	0.00	500.00	
	WSW/RDA2	500.00	0.00	500.00	
	SUBTOTAL	3,906.94	275.24	3,631.70	2,724.74

C. RSC ops escrow	Category	Base	Expenditures	Balance	Available
	RSC Rent	400.00	0.00	400.00	
	RSC Food	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	GSR Assembly	1000.00	0.00	1000.00	
	Overnight RSC	1000.00	0.00	1000.00	

CAR Workshops	400.00	0.00	400.00	
Speakerjam	334.00	0.00	167.00	
Zonal Forum	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Other Events	300.00	0.00	300.00	
SUBTOTAL	3,434.00	0.00	3,434.00	<709.26>

D. Subcommittee ops	Category	Base	Expenditures	Balance	Available
	Policy	91.66*	10.00	81.66	
	H&I	20.00	10.00	10.00	
	Activities	20.00	10.00	10.00	
	Outreach	20.00	10.00	10.00	
	PI	20.00	15.95	4.05	
	Lit Review	20.00	10.00	10.00	
	Speakerjam	20.00	10.00	10.00	
	Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	SUBTOTAL	211.66	75.95	135.71	<844.97>

E. Officer expense	Category	Base	Expenditures	Balance	Available
	Executive	50.00	0.00	50.00	
	Secretary	60.00	0.00	60.00	
	Treasurer	20.00	10.89	9.11	
	SUBTOTAL	130.00	10.89	119.11	<964.08>

F. Discretionary	Category	Base	Expenditures	Balance	Available
	H&I	1,413.04	0.00	1,413.04	
	Outreach	50.00	0.00	50.00	
	SUBTOTAL	1,463.04	0.00	1,463.04	<2,427.12>

G. Contribution	Category	Base	Expenditures	Balance	Available
	NAWS	0.00	0.00	0.00	<2,427.12>

Our balance is below prudent reserve by <\$2,427.12>.

3. 2007-2009 BUDGET: Next year's budget was presented at the 123rd RSC. Several amendments were submitted and approved, and an amended draft version of the budget was attached to the 124th minutes for discussion at the group level. I hope we are able to make a final decision on it today.

In loving service, Tim C.

Regional Delegate

On January 27, 2007 attended the Autonomy Zonal Forum Hosted by the Free State Region in Baltimore, Maryland. Each Region gave a report summarizing the highlights of the past six months in their respective Regions.

C&P

Hold regional assemblies. Updating regional policy not been updated since 1998. Will put archived minutes on webpage. Funds from the convention disperse to Asian Pacific Zonal forum, European Delegate Meeting and Latin American Zonal Forum Convention didn't make as much so donated less this year Start a Spanish speaking meeting and is going strong with 20+ meetings. Converted Regional meeting list into an access database. Can now print off regional meeting list and phonenumber list from the one database. C&P convention April 13-15 in O.C. Put out a flier that was 1/2 Spanish and 1/2 English and put in community they were actually approached by the community like a rehab.

Eastern Pennsylvania

Convention in Buck County. It's their 25th. It's not held every year. It's been since 2000. It will be March 2-4 2007. The now have combine meeting list with Greater Philly.

Since hosting the last zonal it helped to generate interest in regional service

One of their areas' is losing 1/3 of their meeting locations due to lack of insurance.

Freestate

They have compiled a new notebook for RCM's that has their policy, the guide to local service and other informational items to help a new rcm coming on board. The have formed an ad hoc committee to look at

insurance. They also formed ad hoc to look at the implementation of Resolution A. They are working to get Spanish speaking meetings in Region

Greater Philly

Has bi-lingual speaker jams and meetings –one meeting in the week, April 6, 7, 8 is the Greater Philly Convention. Their groups appear to feel that the Region funded enough by RSO so fund flow is not being passed on from the groups. H&I going in the Federal Prison in Philly. As reported before Groups ask to pay \$50.00 every 6 months. But some are not paying. They are still paying \$9000.00/year for insurance. Any groups are listed on their meeting list is covered. They talked with Northern Calif. Philadelphia insurance company. Another one in Cincinnati. See new bulletin. Some of their meetings are having to sign contract/ lease on an annual basis that includes number of meetings their times etc.

After reports we started a type of open forum discussion of Resolution A which the RDA will cover in his report. On February 9, 2007 we went to the Mid Atlantic Learning Convenence in Lancaster, PA.

At the Friday Night Meeting

We had as facilitators

Tom B. World Board Hawaii

Craig R. our World Board Chair who is moving to Philly in two weeks.

Ron-World Board member –Albuquerque, New Mexico

Arnie-Victoria British Canada

Travis –Who is a staff member at the world office in CA

Ron: overview of world fellowship

Projector broke

Travis gave the itinerary for Friday and Saturday

Friday night will be an update at world service in the past year.

8:30 starting building strong home groups

Who's missing from our meetings and why

And in the afternoon go over the Area Planning tool

2-90 minutes sessions. The will be Taping session

We went over our Vision Statement. World service and the Na community working together in Unity. They showed a map of world of where NA is around the world. Everywhere the basic text has been translated the membership has just taken off and the power of our literature is seen.

Northern America has the largest segment of the fellowship 85-90% of the fellowship is in NA. How many ASC's has their info to WS only 60%. Need ASC current information

Arnie spoke about Canada-they have 1200 areas and 370 they have info on. Canada has strong Zonal EDM.

Alaska has been invited to join Canadian Zonal

Part of Canada has or is joining the European Delegate Meeting for Zonal because they speak French in that part of Canada.

Central and South American

Is growing "gang buster" Was the second language Spanish is the second language

Farce now is the second language. Iranian language is now the second language.

World Service working a lot

Ron just came back from Argentina. He saw so much passion. At their Celebrations newcomers put on shoulders and ran around the room. Old-timers/ experienced members celebrating made to stand there and were told "we love you, We love you and played a song...the door of NA in Spanish

Fellowship development in Europe-Ron

Eastern Europe Poland, Western Russian there has been several trips and they are growing by leaps and bound. Hungry for Recovery

Workshop in Russia- There was a lot of isolated members all over Eastern Europe. Workshop brought them all together and talked the basics.

The also talked about the importance of being away a year or two and then go back. The follow up was really important. They got connected and start communicating.

Africa, South Africa Soweto both black and white areas are working together.

Kenya was then joined it in early stages but inroad are being created.

IP#1

4 African tribal languages 11 million African members Tanzania Mozambique Nigeria Kenya

Our world board travels with part of the World Health in an atmosphere of cooperation team and WB travels with them. This is the basic strategies.

In the Native American they are starting meeting but NA on the reservations is not recognized too much due to Cultural challenges.

Tom talked about bring 160 members from all over Russia and Siberia together.

Workshop in Ukraine. In Siberia-literature to 300 contacts. This is great because it such a large. They are using the internet.

Asia pacific China India

Tom: Australia and New Zealand and Hawaii part of the Asia

Tom: 1983 first world conference Develop the first international community.

Japan started NA invited to international drug conference in Hong Kong

8oz or more and they hung you. Everyone clapped. Tom wondered and had doubt would be every cross these boundaries Japan has NA after 23 years just got the basic text a year ago. Being received really well.

Fellowship is grownin

Korean Indonesia

Thailand-NA meetings all westerners run meetings. Government came in and started shooting addict in streets. A black list. A lot of PR work needed. There were 2500 addicts killed so not one will come out.

We are in China-huges challenges-Its softening but they are police states.

We are hoping Iran can help set an example for some of the hard countries for addict

Going back to Nepal-2 meetings in Katmandu. 5 areas now

India-committed for 2 or 3 trips for the next couple years. They fight like crazy and they have a lot of dialects.

Japan

Tom is call Tommy sun

Middle East Iran

Israel is very strong meetings are help in bomb shelters and they smoke like crazy

They go to the EDM for their Zonal Forum.

In Bahrain a member is celebrating 22 years

Challenge to translate steps into in a Islamic culture "god of our understanding" they came up with a translations

Stopped workshop 5 times for prayer time.

Egypt-when fellowship found out WS was coming the fellowship just wrapped them up and picking their brain about NA ie sponsorship next to Iran the largest growing area

Focus on the traditions they are growing.

Baharain Saudi Arabia Israel

Bring them together and help coordinate is WB may objective.

One woman in the gulf. There wasn't any but now there was one with 6 months

Craig ran into a women he got clean with 19 years and they put them together.

They went to a treatment center and there were women they didn't want to admit it. and they were allowed to meet with the women at the treatment centers.

Ron Couple years ago they got a report about a convention in Iran and heard about the convention of 30,000.

Sent two people there from WB to meet with fellowship to see if truly experience.

Daniel from Germany 10 time better than any NA we know.

Are numbers correct...no they are conservative.

Daniel and Pete asked to speak. Two weeks

9000 people showed up to meeting on a Wednesday night they knew if it was held on a weekend then they wouldn't have enough space

Tom's Story Began about opening off

120,000 members in Iran. 5500 rag meetings with attendance 2-300 in each meeting

They move around in Parks. A lot of professionals in meeting . Opium was socially acceptable for so longs.

They have 80 y.o's with couple years clean

They have metro system that really works

10 area's in Iran, They went to 7, Brought other 3 to Tehran

Help them to set up workshops on their own. They do great PR and follow up makes US look bad, NA is allowed in Iran

12 step Party-13 members just completed 12 steps their sponsors were there. A ceremony. Sponsor would give them a bouquet.

They were asked to speak at a large meeting, Anthony, Becky, Tony, Pete, Tom

A sports arena brought them through back door. They have 11,000 in arena with 3 or 4 thousand couldn't get in. and it was on a work day. Everyone wanted to come. 2-300 would come. They love NA Legal NGL status then they can have smaller meetings in school. There are about 3000 women in Iran. They are moving toward segregation. Women's and men's meeting. Women went with Becky and Tanya. A separate service structure and a separate hotline for women because they can't talk to men.

1 in every 4 sold was a farce 25% of all basic text were sold in Iran

Projects for world board. WSC seating recommending a moratorium

Basic Text: Around 48 countries, Send input on line, Approval draft

Input inmate from Nevada read the whole draft. Thanked us so much you don't know how much hope it gave them. North Carolina there were 40 members in prison. Sent a lot of input.

One of gaps ...a story diagnosed with a mental illness and went off medication.

Copies review and input of youth ip

Does Literature Chair have info on the new IP youth in Recovery? It is out for input and review.

Also talked Travis from the World Board and forward her email to the literature Chair as a point of contact that I hope will give the Literature Chair the information he requested.

On the off years the delegate team goes to the World Wide Workshop for experience in putting on workshops for the Issue discussion topics . NAWS put on a WWW just after the conference. The World Wide Workshop is being held May 11-13, 2007 in Lincoln, Nebraska at the Cornhusker Marriott.

As per guidelines a financial itinerary three months prior is: Approx. \$350.00 Airfare

\$225 hotel two nights, \$50.00 shuttle to and from airport/hotel, \$70.00 per diem, \$20.00 gas Approx \$715.00

this is \$265.00 over the \$450.00 budgeted. We are asking for a one time increase of the budget of \$300.00 to be covered of course with receipts.

I am submitting receipts for the two events as follows. Autonomy Zonal Forum, \$4.00 toll, \$30.00 gas, Total \$34.00

Marlcna: \$124.30 Hotel, \$20.00 registration, \$26.00 Gas, Total \$170.00 Grand Total \$204.00

In loving Service, Sherry V.

Regional Delegate Alternate

Hello family, It has been a busy couple of months since the last regional service. On January 27 I attended the Zonal Forum in Baltimore. Last weekend I was present for the MARLCNA in Lancaster PA. With the busy service scheduling with the various positions throughout the region I request that sub-committee's attempt to not meet during scheduled duties by our trusted servants.

Zonal Forum: C&P reported that they are struggling to fill positions filled they currently have 10 of 21 service positions filled. The C&P region depends primarily on their regional convention for funds. The C&P regional policy makes annual donations to the European Delegates Meeting, Latin America Zonal Forum, and the Asian Pacific Zonal Forum. They currently have a Spanish speaking meeting Solo Por Hoy which started on 1/5/07 and attendance is 20+ members at each meeting. There is an upcoming Convention held in Ocean City MD April 13-15. Eastern PA region provides service to 190 monthly H&I commitments. The Regional H&I chair is working on outreach to addicts in the prison system who are looking to connect with NA apart from the meetings that they take into the prisons. EPRNA and the Greater Philadelphia Region have combined efforts to produce a multi-regional meeting list. There is a convention in Bucks County March 2-4 at the Bucks County Sheraton in Langhorne PA. Free-state Region recently compiled their policy guidelines into a tabbed binder and reports that this works well. They also a lot one hour during each regional service for GSR training. They also reported a need for Spanish speaking meetings. The Greater Philadelphia Region is still providing insurance coverage for all home groups that are part of their region. There are still problems with generating funds to help cover this cost.

During the Zonal forum there was much discussion on Resolution A and its impact on the seating of new regions on the World Conference Floor. There seemed to be both pro's and con's from the members present that participated in the discussion of Resolution A. Some members fear that implementing Resolution A would make it difficult if not impossible to seat new regions within the United States. This seems to be held true as witnessed at the last conference where two US regions were not seated at the last conference, where there were three non US regions seated.

I have done some research on Resolution A, and have found it interesting. Resolution A was one of six resolutions passed in 1996 as a result of an inventory of world services that began in 1993. **Resolution A- To approve in principle a change in participation at a new WSC to achieve the following objectives:** *to reduce the total number of representatives; to provide for equal representation from all geographic entities; and to encourage a consensus-based decision-making process.* Now the resolution passed as noted above, but the difficulty has become of how to implement it. There have been numerous proposed implementation ideas, yet there seems to be none that are sufficient for the fellowship to approve. Since the WSC has taken an inventory and made changes regarding how the WSC functions, it is evident that many if not all of the problems preceding Resolution A have been resolved. For example just this last conference there were at least two motions that were passed by way of consensus. There was a problem of WSC's of the past with "motion-sickness", But as was noted in the last CAR, there were only a few motions. Of the discussion relating to Resolution A there seems to be a need to direct the WSO to either implement it or dissolve it. Maybe we as a Region could visit this topic and seek a solution.

MARLCNA- I will not elaborate much on information presented here as Sherry I'm sure will be thorough. There was a Question and Answer session on Friday night where members of the World Board provided answers. Saturday we broke into round table discussions. Our table did win a prize for being the first table to return from break and we were given mini Just For Today books! The first part was the home group inventory which is not yet fellowship distributed but we were given a copy and we broke into groups to work through the inventory process. The worksheet will be online but it is currently being revised. The next small group discussion was Who Is missing from our meetings? Old timers and young members were the number one groups missing from meetings. The last session we participated in was the Area Planning Tool, which is available in the Public Relations handbook recently approved. There is a process that was given for working through the planning process and the steps are as follows: 1) Gathering Information 2)Develop a list of issues too discuss 3) Identify Goals 4) Prioritize Goals 5) Develop Approaches 6)Prioritize Approaches 7)Develop an Action Plan and during the action Plan part there is a process for that as well: 1)Tasks that need to be done 2)Time Frame for accomplishing tasks 3) Trusted Servants responsible for completing tasks 4) Resources needed 5) Completion date. During this session each table went through the needed areas or problems to address and acted as an area and went through this process.

I am providing receipts for my hotel rooms for both events in the amount of 245.34, a receipt in the amount of 20.00 for MARLCNA registration, and gas receipts in the amount of 51.00. I am requesting that I be reimbursed for the 51.00 for gas. The cost of the hotel is 2.44 more than my travel itinerary; the problem with this was that I was unsure of the location of the Zonal Forum meeting until almost last minute.

Also there is a world wide workshop in Nebraska May 11-13. I am presenting a travel itinerary for this event. 350 for airfare, 225 for hotel, 50 for shuttle/cab, 70 per deim rate, and 25 for gas. This is an event hosted by the world services, and since the delegate team was not allowed to go last year due to it being a conference year, I hope that since its not a conference year that this body will allow this team to attend this function in attempt to better relay information from the fellowship to the region.

With Love of the fellowship, Greg H.

Regional Delegate Alternate 2

I attended the Zonal Forum on January 27, 2007 in Baltimore, MD.

The meeting was held from 12pm to 5pm.

Reports were given by the 5 Regions that attended: C&P, Eastern PA, Free State, Greater Philadelphia, and ROV

Mountaineer Region was absent.

The Greater Philadelphia Regional Convention of NA XXII will be held April 6-8, 2007 @ the Radisson Hotel Valley Forge Convention Center, 1160 First Ave., King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

It was discussed how the New Area Planning Tool (found in the back of the PI handbook) is a good tool to use to help bring structure to the meetings. Rhonda, Free State Region practiced it at one of their ASC meetings.

Topics of discussion:

NAWS Database – the importance of keeping it up-to-date is so that addicts that go to na.org will be able to find active meetings in the areas in which they may be moving or visiting. You must hold the following Trusted Servant position to be able to access it: RD or Web Master of either your Region or Area

Resolution A – Conference voted to not seat US Regions. How do we present it? Board seemed to be surprised at decision, it was against their recommendation. The sitting criteria seem to be in conflict with decision. Each RD needs to educate their region. Is there a difference between a region being seated from another entity opposed to a new region? The Regional motion deadline is August 29th.

Next Zonal Forum – July 28th in Greater Philadelphia

Agenda for next meeting would be Regional Resolution A solution, NAWS Data Base revisited, Insurance issues, and Issue discussion topics.

Minutes will be posted on the Zonal Forum website which can be found on our website (rovna.org)

Meeting was adjourned at 4:53pm

As a newcomer at my first zonal meeting, it was truly exciting and an honor to be amongst such dedicated Trusted Servants.

Funding for this trip is as follows: I was given a check in the amount of \$122.50 for the per diem for both Zonal Forum and MARLCNA. I was given a check for \$105.28 to cover the hotel room for the night, which since the change of date and location, the amount was different. I have a receipt for hotel room charges of \$112.80, a difference of \$7.52. I also have gas & toll receipts totaling \$48.98, making reimbursement for this event \$56.50. Due to an unforeseen incident (in PA) and the wind blowing my books with receipts, I lost 2 receipts for this trip. One was the toll on the way home and one was the gas on the way to Baltimore. However, the toll is the same as the receipt that is attached, \$2 and the gas was \$44.09, which I can produce a copy of my bank statement indicating the charge for that day in route to Baltimore. If acceptable I will attach it, if not, I guess I have to eat that cost. If acceptable, that makes the total reimbursement for the Zonal Forum trip \$102.59.

I attended the M.A.R.L.C.N.A. XXIII Conference, February 9-11, 2007, in Lancaster, PA.

I arrived Friday night, close to the ending of the NA World Services Updates meeting.

Saturday morning I attended the NAWS Building Strong Home Group meeting where we were given and giving ideas on how to build up our home groups. Most of the ideas were in unison, but here are a few that I jotted down from the different tables:

Principles in Action: Group members lead by example; newcomers time to share; 5th Tradition; effective chair person, and promote benefits of service.

Teaching Principles: Sponsorship, sharing principles (how they change your life); extend personal invite to members to group conscience; visit other home groups in area; encourage diversity; take group inventory and rotate service positions.

Model of Services: Principles in action; commitment; group policy; maintaining an atmosphere of recovery, and responsibility (being part of the group).

Each Group has but One Primary Purpose: Discuss spiritual principles; model of service, read traditions/steps/concepts; share solutions; consistency – commitment; and good public image.

Positive Message: Hug all members in meetings; welcome & warm atmosphere and home group encourage service @ ASC.

The next segment was Who is Missing from Our Meetings and Why?

The list was long and interesting, however out of all that were suggested, there were two groups that became the topic of discussion. Some of the groups that were mentioned as to being missing from our meetings were: Gay/lesbian; Puerto Ricans/Espanic; youth; old timers/experienced members; willing trusted servants; Asians; professionals; women w/clean time; native American; elderly; deaf/blind; and mentally ill.

The reasons for why they are not here is various, not comfortable, don't feel they fit; not sure if they are an addict; they didn't do what those people did, they have done their job; found other things to do; and anything else they could think of. There was discussion as to how to define an old timer. It was suggested that some people may say an old timer is someone with 7 yrs clean or someone with 30 yrs clean. It was suggested that we use the term more experienced member, and then it went in to the changing of the language in the basic text because the basic text refers to old timers, not more experienced members.

The two that were picked as the topics were youth and old timers. Ideas on how to get these two groups in or back to our meetings:

Experienced Members/Old Timers

Call & encourage participation

Youth

Maintain an atmosphere of Recovery

Stop placing unrealistic expectations on them
Make them feel needed/wanted
Mature topics
Group inventory
Old timer appreciation
Strengthen PI
Greeters
Maintain an atmosphere of Recovery
Practice Traditions

Greeters
Avoid clicks
Ask youth to read/speak
Invite to coffee/dinner after meeting
Emphasis on sponsorship
How to become a member
Format should be inviting & all inclusive
Distribute number of newcomers to
Trusted Servants
Practice Traditions
Provide refreshments geared towards youth

We broke for lunch and afterwards, unfortunately, and due to unforeseen circumstances beyond my control, I was unable to attend the last segment of the NAWS meetings. This is also when the incident of my receipts being blown out of my workbook occurred.

However, I was able to attend the alternate speaker meeting at 7pm and receive an awesome message. It is people like the speaker that help me stay here and remember why I do service in Narcotics Anonymous. I attended the Sunday morning speaker meeting and again was fed more hope and reason to continue on with my journey of recovery.

Funding for this trip is as follows: I have provided the treasurer with the hotel room charges of \$137.62; my gas receipts are attached, in the amount of \$47.06 & 49.27 and conference registration of \$20, for a total reimbursement of \$116.33.

Total funding for both trips to be reimbursed to me would be: \$218.92

One of the things I've learned in this fellowship was to take direction and it was suggested that I speak to my sponsor before taking on this commitment. I did and she suggested that I not take on such a challenging commitment at this time and even though I have the willingness and the desire, the time and the resources is something I really needed to take into consideration, as well.

So, I'd like to say thank you for nominating me and having the faith and trust in me to serve the ROV of NA in the capacity of RDA2, it was truly an exciting experience, but one that I can not take on at this time.

This being my last official RSC meeting, I'd like to, again, say that it has been an honor and a privilege serving the ROV. I am not gone from service. Please feel free to keep in touch and if I can be of service (outside of a long term commitment), let me know.

Thanks for allowing me to serve.

In loving service – Sabrina Mc.

Virginia Regional Convention Corporation Chair

Hello, family. The 25th AVCNA went very well and smooth and I would like to thank the Host Committee New Dominion and everyone else that helped. I bought with me bid packages for the 27th AVCNA to give out to all areas. To be sure each area gets one. The contract has been finalized for the 26th AVCNA at the Hotel Roanoke and I put flyers in the packages also. On the VRCC website is a link for all our banners and the 25th Ice Sculpture.

In loving service, Jim H.

Activities

The Activities Subcommittee met at St. John's Youth House, 226 Elmwood Dr., Lynchburg, VA, January 27, 2007. Attending were Jimmy C. (Chair), Burrell P, Lisa B., Teddie A., Cynthia W. Topics of discussion were April 07 and October 07 two day events and June 07. It was also brought to my attention to verify Aug 07 confirmed status. Greg H of Lynchburg offered to help secure a place for April. We reviewed April RSC/GSR assembly agenda. Also I was notified by Sherry V. that as soon as a place was secured, flyers would be done. Additionally, discussions were held on June's one day event which will be held in New Dominion Area and Brown of New Dominion is helping to secure a place in that area. Next, Activities Subcommittee Meeting will be held March 25, 2007 at Norveiw United Methodist Church, 1112 Norview Ave., Norfolk, VA 23513

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

Activities:

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

Unconfirmed/Confirmed Events: (TBA=To Be Announced)

Status	Date	Event	Location	Quadrant	Food and/or Lodging (Y/N)
Confirmed	4/07	RSC Conference 126th	Ramada Inn 3436 Odd Fellows Rd. Lynchburg, VA 24501	3	Y
Confirmed	4/07	GSR Assembly	Ramada Inn 3436 Odd Fellows Rd. Lynchburg, VA 24501	3	Y
Confirmed	6/07	RSC Conference 127th	Bethany Church of Christ 5400 Forest Hill Ave. Richmond Va.	1	N
Confirmed	8/18/07	RSC conference 128th	Weyers Cave Community Center 682 Weyers Cave Road Weyers Cave Va. 24486	2	N
Unconfirmed	10/07	RSC conference 129th	Virginia Beach Va.	4	
Unconfirmed	10/07	RSC conference 129th	Virginia Beach Va.	4	
Unconfirmed	12/07	RSC conference 130th	TBA	3	
Unconfirmed	2/08	RSC conference 131st	TBA	4	
Unconfirmed	7/08	Zonal Forum	TBA		

(TBA=To Be Announced)

Hospitals and Institutions

Hello family, we last met in the Southside area on January 20th. Our minutes are attached to this report. We have a motion to address a problem with our PO Box. We approved a request for an inmate presentation at Goochland Correction Center. It is the only women TC in Virginia Department of Correction. This presentation should be held soon, maybe the end of March. Three inmate information packets were sent out since the last RSC.

I have received a few request via email. All request needs to go the subcommittee. Please send request in motion form or please attend the H&I subcommittee in person. I won't approve request without subcommittee permission.

Our next H&I subcommittee meeting is March 24th in Williamsburg. Please encourage a representative from area H&I to attend, the Regional H&I.

ILS, Jeff H.

Literature Review

Greetings family, the literature review subcommittee met on 20 January, 2007, in south Boston, VA. There was a good representation of addicts present.

The main thrust of the meeting was "Where do we go from here?" now that the review process to the 6th edition of the Basic Text has been completed. Among the ideas we discussed were:

1. Find out what's on the "B" and "C" list to get involved in the process prior to approval.
2. Inform areas how the process of developing and approving literature takes place by giving information to RCMs.
3. Developing a list of resource persons.
4. Informational connection with areas; who is working on literature and what are they doing. It appears that in a number of areas, the function of the literature subcommittee is primarily literature distribution.
5. Explore the NAWS website about the process.
6. Contact other regions to see what they do.

Since the subcommittee meeting, our RD has placed me in contact with Travis K. at NAWS who has suggested involvement in the review process of the proposed IPs for Teens and Parents and perhaps writing service literature similar to what presently appears on the NAWS FTP site. I'm not sure these suggestions satisfy the purpose and role of the subcommittee as previously developed and the concerns expressed at the last meeting. I'll be in further contact with Travis on these matters prior to the next subcommittee meeting. As always, thanks for letting me be of service, Bob U.

Outreach

Outreach Subcommittee met on January 20 at First Presbyterian Church in South Boston, VA. Members attending included Tim C., Amanda H., Jeff H., Jane F., Burrell P., Charlotte, and several others.

1. Isolated groups: In July 2006, a report on meetings in Virginia, which are listed by na.org in the Region of the Virginians but not associated with any Area Service Committee, was reviewed. We decided to try to determine: (1.) If these meetings still exist? (2.) Do they want to be listed on the Regional Website, rovna.org? (3.) If in a correctional facility, are these meetings open to the public? Do they need to remain assigned to Region of the Virginians RSC? What Area, if any, is serving the meeting if it is an H&I meeting?

Based on a revised report of unaffiliated meeting on na.org, the remaining groups to be contacted are below. Jeff H. reported the status of the Mitchells and Victoria meetings, which are both institutional groups without ASC support. Jane F. will contact the Crewe group, and Charlotte will contact the Stuart groups. Tim C. will contact the Southside-Blackwell groups.

2. Webpage: We discussed creating a new outreach page on the rovna.org site to list the purpose and activities of the Outreach Subcommittee and its meeting schedule. We'd like to structure our webpage format similar to the H&I subcommittee format. We also intend to list isolated meetings that are interested in participating as a way of helping attracting members to these meetings. Meetings would appear on the Outreach webpage sorted by city and day of the week, possibly with links to areas near these isolated meetings. Only the First Step Group in Lawrenceville, VA has been contacted and is interested in listing on the Outreach page. Tim C. volunteered to create a rough draft of the Outreach page for discussion at the next Outreach meeting in March.

3. Outreach Questionnaire: In December 2006 a member volunteered to create a questionnaire or survey for RCMs to determine Area's needs relating to outreach services, but no progress has been made.

4. Chairperson: The subcommittee has no recommendations for the election of a subcommittee Chair. We need leadership and an ability to delegate and organize responsibilities. A member who serves as chairperson does not need a great deal of experience in outreach on the regional or area level, as we are all learning about this subcommittee's duties together. Only the ability to follow the subcommittee's stated purpose and lead us in designated activities is necessary. We would appreciate any support from RSC members.

Beyond leadership abilities, the ability to focus on area needs at RSC, especially during RCM reports and Open Forum, would be a terrific asset. As RSC Treasurer, I feel that I am distracted during these times, and another officer or RCM would be a better choice for Chairperson, whether elected or appointed.

5. Subcommittee expenses: \$10 rent to First Presbyterian Church, South Boston VA. No advance expenses for travel were requested or approved at this time

ILS, Tim C.,

Isolated groups list

H & I

Keen Mountain Group, 8:30 pm Mon, 9am Wed; Keen Mtn Corr. Ctr., Oakwood VA (contact available)
Substance Abuse Group, 7pm Tues; Keen Mtn. Corr. Ctr., Oakwood VA (contact available)
Surrender to Win Group, 6:45 Wed; Coffeewood Corr. Ctr., Mitchells VA (institutional, no ASC, contact unverified)

Lunenburg Group, 6:30 pm; Lunenburg Corr. Ctr., Victoria VA (institutional, no ASC, contact verified)

HOW Group, 7pm Mon; Haynesville Corr. Ctr. (contact available) west of Tappahannock VA

Locust Group; 7pm Tues, 7pm Thurs, 2pm Sat; Jail, 1600 Avon St., Charlottesville VA (no contact)

New River Valley

Foundation Group, 7:30 Tues; Willow Woods Apts, 222 Allen Ave. Radford VA (contact available)

Marion Survivors Group; 8pm Sun; Royal Oak Presby. Ch., Marion VA (contact unavailable)

Outer Limits

New Hope Group, 8pm Sat; So. Va. Reg. Hosp., Emporia VA (contact Outer Limits ASC)

First Step Group, 8pm Thurs; Laurence Town Building basement, Lawrence VA (contact Outer Limits ASC)
interested in web listing

Piedmont

New Way of Life Society Group; 10am Tues, 2pm Wed; 10am Thur; Nazareth Bapt. Ch., Orange VA (contact available)

Clean & Sober Group, 8pm Mpn; Kirf O'Kliffe Presby. Ch., Mineral VA (contact available) north of Mineral VA off Rt 522

Richmond

Life and What You Make It Group; 8pm Thurs; Sharon Baptist Church, King William VA (contact availale) west of West Point

Southside Blackwell (Tim C)

Lets Grow with Da Steps Group, 7:30pm Tues; REBOS, 6000 Midlothian Tnpk, Richmond VA (contact available)

Let's Keep it Simple Group, 9pm Sun; REBOS, 6000 Midlothian Tnpk, Richmond VA (contact available)

Today We Live Group, 8pm Wed; REBOS, 6000 Midlothian Tnpk, Richmond VA (contact available)

Let's Talk Group, 9:30pm Thurs; REBOS, 6000 Midlothian Tnpk, Richmond VA (contact available)

Freedom Group, 11am Sat; New Birth Fellowship Ministries, 2745 Orcutt Ln, Richmond VA (contact available)

Southside (Charlotte)

Patrick County Group, 8pm Tues & Fri; Stuart UMC, Stuart VA (contact unavailable)

New Beginnings Group, 12pm Mon, 6pm Wed; Horizons Building, 24141 Jeb Stuart Hwy, Stuart VA (contact unavailable)

Tri-Cities (Jane F)

Serene Team Group, 8pm Wed; Crewe Christian Ch., Crewe VA (contact available)

no meeting location - group subscribed to NA Way, mailing address available

Out of the Dark Group, no meeting (contact available) Luray VA

Narrows NA Group, no meeting (contact available) Narrows VA - Giles County between Pearisburg & Bluefield

New Canton Thursday Group, no meeting (contact available) New Canton VA - between Fork Union & Dillwyn

Policy

Open meeting with Serenity Prayer at 2:47pm in Lynchburg, VA by: Cynthia W.

Read Traditions: Burrell P.

Read Concepts: Lisa B.

Attendance: Cynthia W., Burrell P., Jimmy C., Teddie A., Eddie W., Lisa B.

Minutes approval: Motion to approve minutes from October 18, 2006 meeting. Made by: Jimmy C. 2nd: Burrell P. Passed 5-0

Reports: Chair

I have prepared the Guidelines and Rules of Order for print. I have implemented to changes voted on at last meeting. I would like a conscience of this group to go ahead with the printing of them to be passed out at February RSC. ILS, Cynthia W.

Old Business: 1. Updated Guidelines and Rules to Order for February

Changes have been made as voted on at last meeting.

New Business: 1. Motion 124-4

Motion 124-4 Mover: Tim C. Treasurer 2nd: Jane F. Tri-Cities

To amend GRO to eliminate the position of VRCC Rep. and to include the VRCC Chair in the RSC Chair's prearranged agenda for the roll call and reports without making the VRCC Chair an officer of the RSC.

Intent: to make the VRCC Chair sole communication link between VRCC and RSC.

Amendment: Refer to Policy Mover Tim C. Treasurer 2nd: Bob M. Peninsula Passed 7-1

Motion to table until further info is found. Made by: Jimmy C. 2nd: Teddie A. Passed 5-0

No info was found in the Guidelines and Rules of Order on how to create or remove a position.

2. Motion 124-7

Motion 124-7 Mover: Speaker Jam 2nd: Elmer S. Southside

To select the Area's bid in the Speaker Jam subcommittee meeting.

Intent: to take care of subcommittee work in the subcommittee.

Amendment: Refer Motion 124-7 to Policy. Passed 6-2

Motion to present recommended motion with changes. Made by: Burrell P. 2nd: Teddie A. Passed 5-0

3. Conscience for the go ahead with printing GRO

Motion to print updated G&RO. Made by: Burrell P. 2nd: Teddie A. Passed 5-0

Next meeting Date and Time and Quadrant Location

March 25, 2007 from 3pm to 4pm at Norview United Methodist Church, 1112 Norview Ave., Norfolk, VA 23513.

Motion to donate \$10 for rent. Made by: Burrell P. 2nd: Jimmy C. Passed 5-0

Motion to adjourn at 3:42. Made by: Burrell P. 2nd: Lisa B. Passed 5-0

Close meeting with Serenity Prayer

In loving service, Cynthia W.

Public Information

Hey!

Public Information held our regularly scheduled sub-committee meeting in South Boston, VA on January 20, 2007. We had sixteen members in attendance with 2 Area Sub-Committees represented, Appalachia and Southside; and 3 Area reports submitted by email: Shenandoah, Rappahannock and Roanoke Valley. Thanks to everyone for their participation!

We discussed the need of our Areas for more support from Regional Sub-Committees by participating in Workshops and Learning Days throughout our Region. Our Areas have expressed a desire for support from the Region in educating new members interested in service on several occasions. We also discussed the need for Region to support Areas in maintaining NAWs meeting directory. These topics remain on the open forum discussion list until the Sub-Committee is prepared to make recommendations we can commit to fulfilling. We also reviewed our existing purpose and discussed changes to it while we are drafting committee guidelines. These items will appear on our next meeting agenda.

With few delays, I am pleased to report the Phonenumber transition is essentially completed; PRIMUS connected us to the new service on January 26th 2007 - and so far so good. PI is fine tuning our call flow, messaging options, etc. with Professional Communications Messaging Service, Inc. and all is well. Thanks to everyone who worked on making this effort a success. (*Note: I have attached a copy of our letter terminating service with TASCOS in this report.*)

RCMs, please note it is possible to set up free text messaging for routing calls from the Helpline for Areas that have this need. Rappahannock is currently using this feature. Text messaging was a good solution for them since they don't have a pager set up but do have a small group of folks willing to respond to calls from addicts. Greg G. is the new Rappahannock Phonenumber Chair and he reports no text calls to date for Rappahannock. ROVNA HAS used **598** minutes since signing on with PCMS, and they have taken over **230** calls in that time. Needless to say, they are bumping us up to a higher usage plan to avoid paying service fees. Wonder what would happen if we didn't have so many local information glitches. 411 Issues – well, they exist and were first brought to light by the plea of Rappahannock for some assistance. How hard could this be right? I have talked with PRIMUS, our 800 number provider, apparently they have outsourced a good portion of their customer service to India. I actually had to explain what 411 meant to an operator there. The manager I spoke with was very little assistance. Verizon is little better to maneuver. I have written a letter to the Verizon corporate headquarters asking for help. We will see where this leads. I called 411 a few times doing a little research of my own and was given the 800# for our Region 3 out of 14 requests, results as follows: Hagerstown, MD (given a DC #); Martinsburg, WV (given Mountaineer Region #, upon calling it was given our ROV 800#);

Winchester, VA (given Mountaineer Region); Dinwiddie, VA (referred to South Boston – 800-918-0523 or Charlottesville, VA – ROV 800#); Richmond, VA (given our ROV 800#); South Boston, given their correct 800-918-0523#; Radford, VA (given 800-443-8248- gives a “TALK” number and hangs up); Fredericksburg, VA (given South Boston on first attempt, told no listing on the second and third attempts); Roanoke, VA (given 800-443-8248- no help there – see Radford); Ashland, VA (given ROV 800#); Culpeper, VA (given the Mountaineer Region #); Norfolk, VA (given 757-626-7685 {no longer in service}/or 757-459-8467 which is active); Littleton, NC (advised no listing exists); Powhatan, VA (told there was no listing in Powhatan or the surrounding area). My guess is we might get different responses on another day using the same list of towns and cities in our Region. Where to go from here? I am interested to see what results from the letter to Verizon. I expect we will at least get a call or letter in response. I will keep you posted on progress we make in this regard.

Sherry V., RD, forwarded a package from NAWA to me regarding the upcoming Virginia Summer Institute of Addiction Studies Conference at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, VA. I spoke with Cindy Blanton of Vanguard Services, Event Coordinator, and learned the Conference is widely attended (expecting 900 participants this year) by counselors, therapists and social workers in the field of Substance Abuse. Community Service Boards and similar agencies attend. The Department of Corrections sends a large number of their entry counselors to this event, according to Ms. Blanton. The registration deadline is June 1, 2007. The basic exhibitor fee is \$350.00. The conference is held from July 16th -20th. Ms. Blanton expressed that the Conference Board has wanted representation from NA at the event for years. As per my request, she will advise me next week as to the status of a registration fee reduction or scholarship for us. Public Information Sub-Committee will have two more meetings prior to this Conference to prepare. PI would like a vote of support from this body to attend the event and requests funds in the amount of \$500.00 for booth (may include literature, materials and registration fee). Committee may consider efficiency of printing a regional meeting list for this event – this item was included on our budget and the preparatory work to create such a list has been done as part of the Phonenumber transition.

RCMs, we need your help. Progress has been made in connecting with the Area PI Committees in our Region. I am passing a contact sheet out today – please make notes on it if any contact information has changed. In keeping the Phonenumber and web site information up to date, RCMs please report to your ASCs that meeting information should be emailed to webmaster@rovna.org AND to phonenumberupdate@rovna.org. Also, please note *the need for identifying handicap accessibility on meeting information*. This is an important and often overlooked element on meeting lists. Thanks for your help!

The next PI meeting will be held on March 24, 2007, 11am, at the Wesley Foundation at William and Mary in Williamsburg VA.

TOGETHER WE CAN AND WE DO! Thank you for allowing me to be of service to this body.

In Loving Service, Amanda H.

January 23, 2007

TASCO

Attn: Diane Morocki, Billing Representative

555 East Main Street

Norfolk, VA

Fax: 757-622-4084

Dear Ms. Morocki:

This letter is to inform you that the *Region of the Virginians of Narcotics Anonymous* no longer requires your service. Upon settlement of our final billing with TASCO, our business relationship is terminated. Therefore, please consider this letter notification of termination of our account with you.

We thank you for the service you have provided us over the years. We feel confident our decision to move on will prove beneficial to our members and to fulfilling our purpose as an organization.

If you wish to discuss this matter, please contact me at 757-332-6450.

Sincerely,

Amanda Holley, Chairperson

Public Information Sub-Committee

Region of the Virginians of Narcotics Anonymous

cc: ROV Executive Committee

Speaker Jam

Serenity Prayer

12 Traditions: Burrell P.

Format: Motion to leave format as is from past speaker jams. Made by: Cynthia W. 2nd: Burrell P. Passed 7-0

Theme: Traditions are Our Unity. Motion to accept theme. Made by: Mark E. 2nd: Cynthia W. Passed 7-0.

Flyer: Eddie W.

Motion to add AHA to speaker list. Made by: Eddie W. 2nd: Paul G. Passed 7-0

Motion to have Q&A panel discussion. Made by: Mark E. 2nd: Eddie W. Passed 7-0

Motion to have 3 people on panel. Made by: Lisa B. 2nd: Eddie W. Passed 7-0

Motion to have people on panel from Appalachian Area. Made by: Eddie W. 2nd: Mark E. Passed 7-0

New Dominion: 10:00am to 10:45am Traditions 1 and 2

New River Valley: 11:00am to 11:45am Traditions 3 and 4

Richmond: 12:00pm to 12:45pm Traditions 5 and 6

Panel Discussion: 1:00pm to 2:00pm Question and Answer

Shenandoah Valley: 2:15pm to 3:00pm Traditions 7 and 8

Tri Cities: 3:15pm to 4:00pm Traditions 9 and 10

Almost Heaven: 4:15pm to 5:00pm Traditions 11 and 12

Motion to donate \$50 to facility for rent for Speaker Jam. Made by: Mark E. 2nd: Burrell P. Passed 7-0

Motion to donate \$10 for rent for subcommittee meeting. Made by: Burrell P. 2nd: Mark E. Passed 7-0

Motion to adjourn 5:50pm. Made by: Paul G. 2nd: Burrell P. Passed 7-0

Closed with Serenity Prayer in Circle

.The Speaker Jam Sub-committee is asking for \$50.00 for the March '07 Speaker Jam, Made out to St. Andrew Presbyterian Church and \$10.50 for copies made out to Teddie A. ILS, Teddie A

Area Reports

Almost Heaven

We currently have 27 home groups with 1 new one joining at the last ASC; also we currently have 41 meeting per week. We have an average of 10 GSR's and 1 Co-op Representative who is representing 9 home groups attending our ASC every month. We currently have all positions filled with-in the last past 2 ASC. Positions as followed, PI: Courtney W. acclimated 1/07, Secretary: Cathy B. acclimated 2/07, Special Events: Sherron C. acclimated 2/07, Literature: Jeff L. serving Pro-tem until next ASC, RCM-Alt. Bonnie W. acclimated 2/07, RCM: Jennifer D. acclimated 2/07. Co-op positions open, H&I: Shannon B. nominated, Outreach: Shawn C. nominated. All sub committees and doing fine except for H&I. We had a situation at January ASC where our H&I chair want to spend half of the in the amount of \$286.70, at one time their H &I yearly budget is \$500.00, which would leave the Area with less than \$100.00 to run our area. We had been going into prudent reserve to pay our bills for the past couple of months. Solution: Our area took a stand and passes a motion to not pay for the H&I literature. Our area was not willing to let one subcommittee keep us from being an effective area in helping the still suffering addicts. We had another situation come up to where we were going into prudent reserve every month to pay our bills and needed to figure out why we were going in this direction. We pass a motion to have our budget not to exceed the previous year's home group donations. Solution: The Area created an Ad-hoc Budget committee to discuss what we could do to make sure every committee has a budget, we had a committee meeting and members of the committee made motions on to reduce most of the committee's budget that has just went back to home groups, but the committee understands that there is still work to be done so we are holding another meeting to try to figure what else we need to do to maintain an functioning area. We are having an Tradition Learning Day on February 24th 2007 from 1-7pm @ Elgin Station Community Center. @ 40 Elgin Blvd. Hagerstown MD. 21740. We have current meeting list here. In Loving Service, Jennifer D.

Appalachian

We have 12 groups in our area with 10 GSRs present at our area meeting February 11, 2007. We have open position for Treasurer, Co-Treasurer Christine B. nominated, and Alt RCM Lisa B. Open Region position VRCC, Outreach, Treasurer no nominations and Chair Burrell voted for. The Region Speaker Jam will be held in our area in March. Lisa B. motioned to raise funds for the Roanoke area's convention by selling t-shirts at the speaker jam. Region motions were voted on and were passed. Mackenzie C. and Lawrence K. attended

the ROVNA PI meeting. Our area's meeting list is up to date with region and world database. We are now combined with Phone line. Lawrence k. will be attending a Learning Day to be held March 10, 2007 for RVANA H&I and PI at North view United Methodist Church in Roanoke, VA. Celebrations-Valerie M. 7 years, Anthony S. 17 years, Ornette M. 4 years, and Leslie C. 2 years. We are meeting at Gateway 12 and Church St. in Lynchburg, VA on the first Sunday of each month.
In loving service, Melvin L.

New Dominion

New Dominion Area is running strong. We have recently added two new groups to totaling 29 groups in our area. Approximately 20 GSRs attend ASC. No current positions are open. At our last ASC we filled the following positions with excellent candidates as follows: Area Vice Chair-Mary W., Treasurer-Richard S., Policy Chair-William H., Special Events-Randy C., and VRCC Rep Alt-Jimmy B. Also please welcome our new RCM Alt Rick B. Due to lack of clarification and understanding the 2007-2009 budget votes for New Dominion Area was 0-Yes, 14-No, and 7-abstention. Motion 124-1 passed at our area. Area PI is planning a phone line workshop. H&I is working diligently planning a speaker jam at Goochland's Virginia Correctional Center for Women to be held possibly at the end of March. H&I also started carrying a meeting to Powhatan Correctional Center (Men's Facility to be held in general population). New Dominion Area has a quarterly Newsletter that is going strong. This quarter's topic is "service" work. New Dominion Area was proud to host our 25th AVCNA. Host Committee Chair reported approximately 1700 plus total registered members including approximately 300 plus newcomers. Our area would like to support Regional PI to register and maintain an exhibit (at Level 2) in the VA Summer Institute for Addiction Studies in July 2007. Our area concerns include the following: 1. Holding elected trusted servants accountable to their position and responsibilities. 2. H&I express a dire need for more women to be available to carry, facilitate and/or speak within the women's facilities H&I meetings. Overall, New Dominion Area is a strong well represented area. We look forward to our area continuing to grow. Next ASC will be March 2007. Thanks for allowing me to serve. Donation to Region in the amount of \$125.00.
ILS, Bronwen M.

New River Valley

Greetings from the New River Valley. The NRVANA currently has 10 groups with 17 regularly scheduled meeting covering Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski and Wythe counties and the cities of Radford and Galax. Our area service structure has struggled last year with five ASC administration positions vacant due to resignations. We have had our yearly nominations this month with all positions with nominations. We will be voting next month and new positions beginning in April. Our hope is to fill these positions with committed trusted servants in order to help bring some much needed unity back into our splintered area. Relearning commitment among addicts is an urgent task at times. Commitment has been a stumbling block for us. In spite of the vacancies, we do have some good projects in the works. The policy committee is currently totally rewriting our policy to better serve the area. H&I have some better participation as of late. Our "Basic Learning Day is February 29/9am-10pm.
In loving service, Mike E.

Outer Limits

Area still in need of support, position still open Vice Chair, secretary, Sabrina Mc. Secretary Pro Temp., Alt Treasurer, H&I Chair all sent back to home groups for willing trusted servant.
In loving service, Ernest A.

Peninsula

Our area still has 35 plus home groups, which facilitate 40 plus meetings per week. Several groups met at a facility that closed and are finding or have found new meeting places. A new meeting will begin on February 22nd at First Gravel Hill Baptist Church in Rushmere (between Smithfield and Surry). Spirit of Recovery meets Thursday from 7pm to 8pm.
13 GSRs attended our February ASC meeting. Currently the PI chair is the only open position. Our chair position will be open after the next ASC and we have two nominees who have expressed their willingness and the motion has gone back to the home groups.
The area spending is no longer in suspension, as the prudent reserve has risen above 50% of what is suggested. All of our budget categories were fully funded except for our misc. line item. A motion is back to the

home groups that will reduce our obligation by more than \$900 per year and if passed could possibly allow the Peninsula ASC to make a regional donation at the 126th RSC.

A New Year's Eve (December 30th) Dinner/Speaker Meeting and Dance was held and was a great success. More than 130 addicts attended and ate a great 5 course dinner. A meeting open to all with two great speakers was then held and finally there was a dance. This event actually brought in more than it cost and contributed to our areas coffers being replenished.

One of our home groups moved to a new venue and had their first meeting on February 10th. There is no other home group news of which I am aware.

Our next ASC meeting will be on March 3rd.

I would like to commend the Regional Secretary on the efficient and timely manner in which she provided us with the minutes and motions from the 124th RSC. It was very helpful to have the motions separated from the minutes and I would like to suggest that we continue to follow that practice. It allowed me to present our regional motions to Area at the January ASC. They had a full month to deliberate and did bring their votes back to the February ASC. All of our Regional nominations for positions and motions were approved.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service, Bob M.

Piedmont

All is well in the Piedmont Area. Positions are all filled at the area level. We added two new home groups. Friday night 7pm-8:30pm at the Thomas Jefferson Unitarian church at 717 Ruby Rd and the Men's Group will meet also at 7pm-8pm held at the Rockfish Valley Community Center 190 Rockfish School Lane off of Route 151.

Piedmont Area voted 6-5-0 to pass the motion 124-1. The area voted to abstain on the Budget due to lack of information. Questions were what the changes to the budget and what percentage changes were made to the budget.

In loving service, Rob B.

Greeting once again from the Rappahannock Area. We are still diligently trying to "carry the message". We still have vacancies at this time for trusted servants on the ASC level. The vacancies are VRCC Rep, H&I Chair, Outreach Chair, and Alt RCM. Our new phone line coordinator is Gregg G. we are happy that he has stepped up again for service and trust that he will do a great job. Our area chair Mike L. has expressed an interest also filling the vacancy for VRCC Rep. There is nothing in our by laws that says he can't and we are currently researching to see if this will be appropriate. Meeting attendance is back up in our area except for the Tuesday night meeting at Garrison Woods in Stafford VA. It has been in operation for 18 months and is seeing 2-4 people weekly. There is discussion that this meeting may close shortly as we can't find people to serve there and the meeting attendance is low. We recently had a dance/fundraiser for our area and it was well attended. The activities committee has really been working hard at creating more fellowship opportunities for the Rappahannock Area. There was discussion this month regarding the GSRs in our area properly disseminating information back to the groups and coming forth to area with proper votes. Many have said that they were not clear on the information. The importance of the NA voice was discussed on the floor and I have decided to make sure that all GSRs understand all information and can deliver it properly from this point on as a result of this revelation. The Rappahannock Area will not be voting this time. Learning to ask for help when we are unsure is something we all grow through in recovery and I trust the process that we will do better next time. Our donation will be \$100 this time to the Region. We currently have 21 groups, 8 GSRs attending ASR and we meet the 1st Sunday of each month.

Lovingly serving and staying grounded in my Higher Power, Etta S.

Richmond

Good afternoon family first let me recognize that the Richmond Area did write a check for \$216 and some change, which was given to me and stolen with some of my personal property. The executive body was informed so that protocol could be followed thru. There was a pro-temp Alt RCM appointed at our last ASC who could not attend today because of prior engagement. There are several events going on in the next couple of months as follows- March Madness Speaker Jam sponsored by the Simple Basics of Recovery Home group-3/24/07 913 N 1st St. 12n-8pm, Special Events-Old Timers Ball 3/31/07 1401 Hilliard Rd 9pm-1am admission \$10 in advance and \$12 at door, H&I Learning Day 4/21/07 3-6pm 107 E Brookland Park Blvd and Policy Learning Day/Host Special Events 4/28/07 1p-5p (YMCA) 220 E Franklin St.

All events will be passed onto Tim to be put out on our website. I would like to ask this body to clarify for me how abstention on motions affect voting on this level because I am trying to assist my area GSRs who continue to vote in this manner for lack of being responsible for asking for clarity. The Chair of ASC also read a letter from Greater Mt Moriah Church where a number of our meetings are held, confirming issues surrounding our use of their building for NA purposes and that issues are being addressed as a result of keeping the lines of communication open. Our newly elected Vice Chair of ASC felt it necessary to step down from her position because of health issues/surgery coming up which would have her off her feet for several months; however the position was filled immediately by Carol P. Currently the Alt VRCC position is still not filled. There were a total of 29 groups present with 24 reporting at last ASC. Next meeting is 3/11 at 4pm. All subcommittees are functioning however, H&I, Literature and Special Events continue to ask for support. Both events hosted by Special Events in my last report were successful. Updated schedules/newsletters are available. There are 40 home groups/47 meetings.

ILS, Nina Mc

Shenandoah Valley

The SHEVANA area is doing really well at this time, the majority of groups are attending ASC and we currently held elections at which every single area position was filled. In January our Special Events Subcommittee with help from all other subcommittees put on a Service Learning Day that seems to have been highly successful at drawing support to several committees that had been struggling.

Our 4th Annual Speaker Jam is scheduled for late June and details will be available on our website soon and flyer at next ASC.

At this time we are below prudent reserve and have no donation at this RSC. We have 20 home groups and 26 meetings per week.

ILS, James B.