

**132nd Central Atlantic Region
Regional Service Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2008
Front Royal, VA**

Open Forum – (begins at 10:00 am)

4 Topics of Discussion:

1. Meeting in C&P Region wants to put their meeting on the Piedmont-meeting list. Is this ok?
2. Rulings from appeals should be reflected in minutes. Reason for Chair ruling motions out of order.
3. Should the region purchase a recorder to aid Secretary in production of meeting minutes?
4. Activities are working on coordinating subcommittee meetings.

Open Forum closed at 11:00 a.m.

RSC opened with the Serenity Prayer at 11:20 a.m.

Purpose read by Norman C., 12 Traditions read by Beverly A., 12 Concepts read by Mike C.

Roll Call - (all members below were present)

Burrell P. . RSC Chair
Greg G. . RSC Secretary
Sherry V. . RSC Regional Delegate
Greg H. . RSC Regional Delegate Alternate
Etta S. . RSC Regional Delegate Alternate 2
Jim H. . VRCC Chair
Richard P. . RSC Hospitals & Institutions Chair
Cynthia W. . RSC Policy Chair
Amanda H. . RSC Public Information Chair
Mike E. . Outreach Chair
Teddie A. . Speaker Jam Chair (pro temp)
Bonnie W. . Almost Heaven RCM
Robert W. . Blue Ridge RCM
Jeff H. . New Dominion RCM
Mike E. . New River Valley RCM
Ernie A. . Outer Limits RCM
Beverly A. . Peninsula RCM
Tee T. . Piedmont RCM
Pat P. . Rappahannock RCM
Paula P. . Richmond RCM Alternate
Mike G. . Roanoke Valley RCM
Norman C. . Shenandoah Valley RCM
Brittany R. . Southside RCM Alternate
Mark W. . Tidewater RCM
Audrey C. . Tricities RCM Alternate

Areas not present . Appalachian

Recognition of New Attendees – Mark W. / Tidewater RCM, Tim B. / Tidewater RCM Alt., Sara S. / Shenandoah Valley RCM Alt., Brittany R. / Southside RCM Alternate. WELCOME, KEEP COMING BACK!

Establishment of Quorum - 14 RCMs present

Reading and Approval of Minutes – Motion by Cynthia W. to wave reading of the 131st RSC minutes. Seconded by Mike E. Motion passes 10 to 1. Motion by Norman C. to approve 131st RSC minutes. Seconded by Mike E. Motion passes 10 to 3.

Trusted Servant Reports -

RSC Chair Report

I would like to thank the Peninsula Area for hosting the 131st conference on February 16th, 2008. Also we had 13 areas represented, which was great. Congrats goes out to the Speaker Jam committee for a successful speaker jam in the New River Valley on March 15th. A thanks also goes out to our Delegate Team for representing the region on all of the CAR workshops at each of the quadrants. This was a big opportunity and a job well done. Thanks to all the areas who hosted us. I was able to attend some the subcommittees on 3/30/08; speaker jam, activities, and policy. I was able to attend the VRCC/RSC joint meeting on March 1st. We are working on 2 motions, one for the region guidelines and one for the corporation's guidelines. We also voted to change our group resolution for the joint VRCC/RSC which states: We, the joint trusted servants of the bodies of the VRCC and the Region, resolve that the VRCC become a subcommittee or committee of the RSC, while preserving and maintaining the autonomy of the VRCC.

We are in need of trusted servants for members of our subcommittees and also there is a growing need for officers. Please be a committee of one and pass the word around about our need for these positions to be filled.

ILS Burrell P.

RSC Vice Chair Report - Vacant

RSC Secretary Report

I would first like to apologize for not mailing the minutes from the 131st RSC. With the added responsibilities of the Regional Treasurer and certain circumstances in my life, I have been very busy. I assure this committee that it will not happen again. I would like to ask the chair to put the mailing list under new business. I believe there are a few members who are on the mailing list that are no longer members of this committee. Therefore, I would like to take some time to get an updated mailing list for the Region. I would ask all RCM's to fill out this mailing list for their respective areas. There are 15 areas that automatically get the hard copies of the minutes mailed to their PO boxes. In addition to these, there are 7 other individuals who have requested the minutes mailed to their home. I would like to discuss whether these individuals still need these minutes mailed to them.

Since the resignation of our previous treasurer, I have been checking the PO box once a week. I have received all the bills and correspondence for the region. A detailed report of all transactions will be given during the treasurer's portion of this meeting. One piece of mail we received was a letter from the World Services Board confirming our name change. This has been filed in the Secretary's archives for future use if necessary. I have a copy here if anyone would like to read it. Please see me during the break.

There have been some questions and accusations regarding the way the minutes are produced and what is included in them. I would first like to say, I took this position because I wanted to be involved in a level of service that I thought would bring great experience and much satisfaction in serving the fellowship that I love so dearly. What I have discovered is that this service commitment gives me many more opportunities to practice spiritual principles such as understanding, patience and acceptance. If I am not performing to the satisfaction of this committee then I would like to know what I could do to improve as your Secretary. What changes do I need to make to better serve the RCM's, Committee Chairs and everyone that uses the RSC minutes to communicate to home groups?

The motion that was passed regarding open forum said that the topics and the topics only would be included in the RSC meeting minutes. It is true in previous minutes I included more than the topics. I was trying to do the best possible job I could and didn't follow the intent of the motion. Therefore, it was assumed that a written statement could be turned in and then included in the open forum section of the minutes. I will take responsibility in not addressing this issue as soon as it arose in February at the 131st RSC and for letting people think letters would be included. If this committee wants letters to be accepted and included under open forum minutes then a motion regarding this should be passed. I do not decide what is or is not correct; I just follow guidelines, motions, and direction to the best of my ability.

Finally, there are some rumors floating around, started by me, that I am resigning my position because I am moving to New Jersey. In fact until one week ago, this was true. However, circumstances have arisen that altered my decision to relocate. I will not be resigning and I am not moving to New Jersey yet. As it stands now, I fully intend to serve the remainder of my term as Secretary for the Central Atlantic Region of Narcotics Anonymous. If things change in the near future, I assure this committee I will not leave the position vacant. I will serve until a replacement is found. Thank you for your support, more will be revealed.

ILS Greg G.

RSC Treasurers Report

I have been acting Treasurer in light of Tim's resignation at the 131st RSC. I believe that it is imperative that this committee adds some authorized signatures to the checking account. The RSC Chair and I are the only ones authorized to sign checks. If a Treasurer or Vice Chair are not elected today, I would recommend a member or the RD team be added to the account. Please keep in mind geographical differences, as it is sometimes difficult to get together to sign checks in between conferences.

The checking account name at Bank of America has been changed to %Central Atlantic Region RSC+. If all RCM's would have their area committees make the checks payable to this name, it will eliminate problems in making deposits. I had trouble depositing several donations last month because the checks were made out to the Central Atlantic Region before the name on the account was changed. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

I ordered new checks with the new name on them. There was a slight miscalculation on the starting numbers of the new checks, which resulted in some checks being voided and a lapse in the check numbers. That has been corrected and you will see this represented on the attached spreadsheet accounting for all deposits and payments I have made. I still have the checks with the old name on them and would like direction from this committee as to whether or not they should be destroyed. They were saved in light of the recent controversy surrounding the name change. If we stay the Central Atlantic Region, they should be destroyed. If we go back then new checks would have to be ordered. Let me know what direction to take. I would ask the Chairperson to put this under new business.

I also have in my possession, all of the treasury archives. I am relinquishing these records to this committee today. I am turning over all checks and deposits and all relative material concerning the Treasurers position. I cannot in good conscience continue as the Secretary and acting Treasurer, and be able to say, without a doubt, that I can fulfill the responsibilities of both positions, simultaneously. I will continue to act as an authorized signature for the account and will even take on limited responsibilities if called upon, i.e. paying the phone line bills and answering service bills. But the overall function of the Treasurers position is beyond my availability at this time.

All bills are paid and up to date including the phone line bills, Primus and PCMS. The PO Box has been renewed for one year. The domain name rova.org was up for renewal on May 4th. This bill has been paid and the domain names were renewed for two years. There was also a request from the web master to add the domain name, car-na.org to this account. That was also done and the cost for renewal for 2 years was \$134.42. There have been checks written for the 4 CAR workshops and I believe the budget of \$300 for each one was adhered to. As far as other checks that were written; RD travel to world, GSR Assembly Audio Visual equipment, Speaker Jam expenses, Secretary and Treasurer expenses; I do not know how these effect the budget and how much is left in each budget or when the budget periods end, etc. I will leave that to the new Treasurer to interpret. I don't have the time to figure it out, or the slightest clue where to start.

Finally, the Regions laptop has been repaired, thank you to Sherry for getting a new operations program successfully installed. This computer is ready to be used by the new Treasurer. The previous Treasurer informed me that this committee did not provide MS Money, the program that was used to track expenses. Therefore it is not installed on the PC. If this committee would like that program to be used you will need to purchase it.

CHECK #	PAYABLE TO	AMOUNT	DATE	Cleared
2569	RD travel to MARLCNA	\$269.18	2/14/08	Y
2570	Audio Visual Services - GSR Assembly	\$125.00	2/15/08	Y
2571	RDA travel to MARLCNA	\$155.36	2/15/08	Y
2572	Galax Church-Speaker Jam rent	\$20.00	2/15/08	Y
2573	Tim C. -Secretary and Treasurer expenses	\$86.93	2/15/08	Y
	*****2574 through 2581 - voided*****			
2582	RDA2 travel to WSC	\$1,391.89	2/16/08	Y
2583	Quad 1 CAR Workshop rent	\$100.00	2/16/08	Y
2584	131st RSC Conference rent	\$60.00	2/16/08	Y
2585	Wesley Foundation-Quad 4 CAR Workshop rent	\$100.00	3/15/08	Y
2586	Teddie A. -Speaker Jam Fliers	\$28.21	2/20/08	Y
2587	PO Box renewal (1 year)	\$56.00	2/20/08	Y
2588	Intuit - new checks	\$86.08	2/19/08	Y
2589	Quad 1 Workshop food	\$180.00	3/7/08	Y
2590	Primus	\$123.45	3/7/08	Y
2591	PCMS	\$581.35	3/7/08	Y

2592	Primus		\$161.54	4/6/08	Y
2593	Burrell P. - food for CAR Workshop in Williamsburg		\$143.31	4/9/08	Y
2594	PCMS		\$699.60	4/9/08	Y
2595	US Post Office - 2 books of stamps		\$16.40	4/9/08	Y
2596	Brinkster-domain names royna.org & car-na.org for 2 yrs		\$134.42	4/16/08	N

Total Payments - \$4,518.72

Area/Group	Check Date	Check #	Amount	Date Deposited
New Dominion	2/12/08	1317	\$809.41	2/19/08
New River Valley	2/3/08	412	\$50.00	2/19/08
Tidewater	2/12/08	2319	\$1,625.74	2/19/08
New Vision Group	1/19/08	998	\$10.00	2/19/08
Piedmont	1/25/08	1456	\$235.00	2/19/08
Almost Heaven (dec)	12/29/07	1351	\$655.36	3/5/08
Almost Heaven (jan)	2/16/08	1360	\$51.68	3/5/08
Almost Heaven (feb)	2/16/08	1361	\$365.49	3/5/08
Appalachian	2/2/08	1132	\$300.00	3/5/08
It Can Be Done Group	?	681	\$9.10	3/11/08
New Vision Group	?	1003	\$40.00	3/11/08
Southside	?	837	\$163.00	3/11/08
New Vision Group	3/14/08	1008	\$30.00	4.17/08
Richmond	?	1929	\$1,524.82	4/17/08
Total Deposits -			\$5,869.60	

Balance as of 4/18/08 is \$10,739.23.

RSC Regional Delegate Report

Hi All

This has been a very busy as usual for the Delegate Team.

February 23 we facilitated the first of four Issue Discussion Roundtable and CAR motion workshops in Quadrant 3-Bedford VA.

On March 1st I attend the Joint RSC/VRCC meeting held as usual in Charlottesville, VA. Our group, I feel made tremendous strides in working on mutual accountability without jeopardizing the protective function of our corporation. Motions were drawn up and I hope very soon brought to us and to our corporation for vote. We were able to get to a table and through roundtable discussion come up with some workable information.

On March 8th we did our second workshop in Quadrant 2 . Luray, VA

On March 22nd we did our third workshop in Quadrant 1-Fredericksburg, VA

On March 29th we did our fourth and final workshop in Quadrant 4-Williamsburg, VA

Attend that evening the Adhoc Implementation committee for the name change.

On March 30th attend the PI adhoc for guidelines and the Regional PI Committee.

It's been a long two months but so informative. Inter-acting with members from our region personally gives me a sense as to the conscience on some the issues affecting our fellowship so I can be a better delegate.

The delegate teams leaves on Friday for the World Conference. Tomorrow at the GSR assembly tallying our motions and talking about the Conference Approval Track with help your team to better carry you conscience.

As per policy our delegate team has to put in an projected itinerary for upcoming events 4 months in advance. So with the Autonomy Zonal forum being in July this would be the regional for that budget. It will be hosted by the Mountaineer Region. We have no idea at this point where so our budgets will be estimates.

Kearneysville WV to Charleston WV is 4 hours and 52 minutes or rather 5 hour and 314 miles.

Gas \$65.00
Hotel 125.00
Per diem-50.00 Total Estimate: 240.00

In Loving Service Sherry V.

RSC Regional Delegate Alternate Report

Hello family,

Well the busy season for the delegate team is in full force. I along with the other members of the delegate team was present for 4 CAR workshops throughout the region. On February 23 we facilitated the first of four workshops in Bedford, on March 8 in Luray, March 22 in Fredericksburg, and March 29 we facilitated the final workshop in Williamsburg. The participation in all of the workshops was excellent with many good ideas presented regarding the Issue Discussion Topics. I will say however that the attendance, at all of the entire workshops was a bit disheartening to me, as we had a total of 55 members during all of them combined. During the final workshop in Williamsburg there was a concept learning day held at the same time, and I am sure that the numbers would have been higher for the CAR workshop had another event not been taking place. I ask that consideration be made when scheduling events throughout the region. Of note the information that was presented during the issue discussion topics section of the CAR workshops was very dynamic in the sense that there were common threads presented during all of the workshops. Our RDA-2 will be presenting this information during the GSR assembly tomorrow.

On February 24 I was present for The Roanoke Valley Area Service, as members of this area requested my presence to inform the body of the name change motion. I went to this body and informed them of the name change during the open forum discussion period. There was little discussion surrounding this issue. I would like this body to know that it is the duties of the delegate team to come to an area as requested to discuss regional topics if feasible. I welcome any area to request mine or any other member of the delegate team's presence if we may be of service to you.

I was present for the Ad-Hoc name change subcommittee held on March 29, and felt that great strides are being made regarding the regional name change and its incorporation into all facets of the Region. I feel obligated to say something regarding the changing of the name of the Region. As most if not all of us are aware, there have been many email exchanges regarding this topic, and I have chosen not to participate in the emails as I did not feel that I would be providing anything solution oriented to this matter, as it appears that tempers tend to come out through this avenue. This subject is a sore matter for many members of *our* region both pro and con to the name change, and I am hoping that we are able to focus on the primary purpose of carrying the message to the addict that still suffers through this transition change for *our* region. I will report that the World Service Conference has recognized the Central Atlantic Region of NA and *our* region will be called the CARNA during the conference upcoming.

In my year-end report, which will be given tomorrow I will give the region a detailed report regarding all that I have done over the last 12 months as Regional Delegate Alternate, and I hope that I have served this body well in this capacity. I do encourage any member of our region to give me feedback as to how I am serving this body.

Next weekend the delegate team is Conference bound! I am filled with anticipation for the opportunity to serve this body at the Conference. It is my understanding that the presence of the delegate team has been requested in BRANA to present the Area Planning Tool, after we come back from the Conference. I am looking forward for this opportunity as well.

There will be a Zonal Forum held in the Mountaineer Region in June. The location has yet to be determined, or at least given to the delegate team, so I have assumed that it will be the furthest distance from our Region and have made an itinerary based on the furthest location. My itinerary is in the amount of \$262.50, with \$80 for gas, \$130 lodging, and \$52.50 for one and a half days of the per diem rate. I am hoping that this figure is greater than the actual cost, but again since the location has yet to be provided I based this estimate on the furthest location from our region.

With Love of the fellowship, Greg H. RDA Central Atlantic Region (formerly The Region of the Virginians)

RSC Regional Delegate Alternate II Report

Thank you again for allowing me the opportunity to report. We had an awesome time since our last meeting traveling around the Region presenting the Car and Cat materials; it was certainly a great experience meeting with old and new friends along the way. It is always about carrying the message and I feel that our endeavors were quite successful. Currently I am gearing up for my first trip to California for the WSC. I am truly excited about this opportunity to serve and to learn. I am looking forward to taking a lot of notes and bringing back my report to you soon. It has been a trying time for me personally this year dealing with a child with cancer. I did not book my flight or hotel room early as I not sure that I would be able to attend due to the life threatening nature of my daughter's operation last week. However, I am very pleased to report that she is doing quite well and I am clear to go. Because of my delay in registering, I will not be able to get lodging in the same hotel as the other delegates but have found another hotel within walking distance that is actually less expensive than the group rate at the hotel. My plane tickets came in at an average price and I am staying in budget

by riding with the other delegates to the airport so that I will not have to store my vehicle. I am doing all that I can to be responsible with the Regions funding. With that said however, the itineraries have been forwarded to the regional secretary/acting treasurer and I will be requesting additional funding to meet the cost of travel as what has been dispersed is not enough to cover the trip. Please be advised that I have made adjustments to not cost you more but have found that the cost for this trip will actually require additional funding in which I will submit a motion for today.
 In loving Service Etta S. RDA2

VRCC Chair Report

Hello Family

The VRCC held there retreat on March 15 & 16 in Charlottesville Va. Turn out was light to start the meeting but attendance got better as the day went on. There was a lot of motion made that weekend. One of the motions that passed was to put a five-year moratorium on a name change on the AVCNA. With a vote of 6-0-0

Things are going well and on time for the 27 AVCNA. I attended the host committee meeting in February and March in Winchester.

I attended the joint open sessions meeting between the Region and the VRCC on March 1 2008 in Charlottesville and worked out a motion to bring to both bodies hopefully at the next business meeting. To make the VRCC a committee of Region while preserving and mantling the autonomy of the VRCC.

I also have bids package for the 28 AVCNA to give the RCM.

Also at this time I do not have the final number from the 26 AVCNA and hope to have then on Sunday.

The following positions are up for election at the next VRCC meeting on March 18 at the Region 10 center. Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and vice treasure.

In Loving Service Jim H VRCC Chair

RSC Activities Chair Report

Status	Date	Event	Location	Quadrant	Food and/or Lodging (Y/N)
Confirmed	4/19/08	RSC conference 132nd	Front Royal	2	Y
Confirmed	4/20/08	GSR Assembly/Car	Front Royal	2	Y
Confirmed	6/21/08	RSC conference 133rd	2500 Park Ave. (Corner of Park and Davis) Richmond Va. 23220	1	N
Unconfirmed	8/16/08	RSC conference 134th	Culpepper, VA	2	N
Unconfirmed	10/18/08	RSC conference 135th 2-day	New Dominion Area	1	Y
Unconfirmed	12/20/08	RSC conference 136th	Danville, VA	3	N

Activities met in New Dominion Area at Hatcher Memorial Church on March 30, 2008 at 3:30. Attending were Chair Pro Temp Cynthia W., Don V., Burrell P. and Nancy S. We discussed the reservations for the 132nd RSC and GSR Assembly, which were finalized at that time. I informed those members present that I would contact Tee T. Piedmont RCM about space for August RSC and Mike E. member of Southside Area about space for December RSC. I as a member of New Dominion would take to my area about space for October RSC. According to schedule we are supposed to meet next in Quadrant 3 and I have asked Mike E. Outreach Chair to find a space for the meeting. I would like to remind us all that the rotation of RSC meetings is different for 1-day event and both 2 days are on different schedules so that all quadrants will receive the RSC. ILS, Cindy W.

RSC Hospitals & Institutions Chair Report

Hello Every One,

I would like to start by thanking the New Dominion Area for providing the space for our sub committee-meeting place. Also many thanks to the volunteers who filled in as secretary (Amanda & Hunter C.).

DISCUSSIONS:

Main discussion was centered on an H & I learning day. We will start a learning day to better inform both the public and members about H & I. The first one is a work in progress, so be patient of any mistakes. It will take place on May 10th, 08 in Richmond at the Hatcher Memorial Church 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Contact Richard P. (434)-227-0434 or Jeff H. (804)-512-6222 This will be a regular event to rotate to different regions. Fliers are available.

We now have an H & I inmate response representative title yet to come. He will send literature packets and responses to inmate letters asking for help. Norman C. Any areas that get requests from inmates can forward them to Norman Cherner, 4090 S. Amherst Highway, Madison Heights, VA. 24572.

Brunswick has asked for an H&I meeting. They are being no area established in their location; Amanda H. has taken on the job of trying to find the support and things needed to take a meeting to them. If any one can or knows of support to take a meeting to these women, please contact Amanda i.e., email ajholley@hotmail.com, or call (757)-332-6450. Getting the word into institutions is really important. Please give your support to this and any institution.

H&I will make a motion to ask for a point of accountability for scheduling sub committee meeting.

Open positions are,

Vice Chair

Secretary

Want to give back? Come fill these spots and learn the joy of selflessness.

Our next meeting will be in Quadrant 4 on May 18,2008. Place and time forth coming.

In loving service,

Richard P.

RSC Literature Review Chair Report

Position vacant at this time

RSC Policy Chair Report

Policy met in New Dominion Area at Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church on March 30, 2008 at 2:30pm. Attending were Chair Cindy W., Don V., and Burrell P. We discussed the motion about abstentions. I was informed by a member present that Rappahannock is willing to accept the motion that was presented at the 131st by Policy about how votes count. I have since spoke with Pat P. RANA RCM and she stated that the group is willing to accept the motion as presented last RSC. We will be resubmitting this motion. We also approved the Guidelines for printing. The annual report will be a power point presentation of the changes made to the Guidelines in 2007. We also discussed a motion brought in by a member present about clarity on recognized areas in Section II of Guidelines and we will be presenting that motion today.

Discussed Motion: To add to Section II, CARNA RSC Guidelines and Rules of Order, Item 3 as follows:

3. Areas absent from RSC for one or more years shall no longer be considered ~~recognized~~,+shall be removed from the roll call and shall be required to re-qualify per Item 2 above.

Change Item 2 from:

2. New Areas must show evidence (ASC minutes) of having held three monthly ASC meetings in order to be a recognized area in the Central Atlantic Region.

To:

2. New Areas must show evidence (ASC minutes) of having held three current, consecutive ASC meetings in order to be a recognized area in the Central Atlantic Region.

ILS, Cindy W.

Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:55 p.m.

Meeting re-adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

RSC Public Information Chair Report

Thanks to everyone who is of service to PI.

We had a PI Sub-Committee meeting in Richmond, VA on March 30th. Thanks to New Dominion Area for welcoming us. There were 5 members in attendance; we worked on the new look of our web page, which we will preview, tomorrow at the GSR Assembly, MAP INCLUDED!

The task list we developed and approved as a sub-committee in Roanoke in September 2006 included completing guidelines and policy for our sub-committee; I am delighted to report this work is in progress! Our PI Policy Ad Hoc, chaired by Nancy E. of NDANA, started the process at Sub-Committee at their first meeting on March 30, 2008. This work, two years in the making, will greatly support our future PI Sub-Committees in all their endeavors.

In addition, we NOW have a Phone line Coordinator, Welcome to James D. from Richmond Area and thank you for your willingness, James. This is an important role on our sub-committee. New River Valley is now using the Regional 800# as their sole Phone line service - so far so good. Please remember that the information we have for the Phone line meeting list is only as accurate as what is provided to the Phone line coordinator.

As previously reported, we have been contacted by Brunswick Women's Work Center to support a small institutional meeting there on a quarterly basis with speakers. PI contacted OLANA (the facility is in OLANA in Lawrenceville, VA). OLANA is unable to support such an effort currently; therefore Regional PI and H&I are responding to the needs of this facility. Partnering with H&I is really important as we respond to facility requests. We are waiting to hear back from the facility to make a group panel/presentation as we have done before in different facilities around the Region with H&I leading the way.

There are some changes to the web site under way now. These changes include a new look and a new web address. We will keep you posted as these items are completed.

Phone usage as follows:

January:	438 calls	877 minutes	2.001 minutes per call
February:	549 calls	860 minutes	1.566 minutes per call
March:	738 calls	1076.3 minutes	1.458 minutes per call

I am grateful for the opportunity to be of service to our Region these last 22 months. Please note that my final Regional Service Conference as PI Chairperson will be in July. Fortunately, we have a great Vice-Chair on PI prepared to step in and lead the team. Charles W. has been an asset to this body as Vice-Chair and will serve us admirably if allowed to do so.

Our next Regional PI meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2008 in the Tidewater Area. Check out rovna.org for more details as they become available.

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

RSC Outreach Chair Report

Hello All,

I want to say all is well. However, I am not sure. I wanted to resign, however, I will not. I do hope as I move into trying to better serve, I can get some guidance and suggestions. Please bear with me, as I am aggravated, yet still willing to serve in the capacity I serve.

ILS, Mike

RSC Speaker Jam Report

HI FAMILY WE MET ON SUNDAY THE 30th OF MARCH IN RICHMOND. WE OPEN THE MEETING WITH THE SERENITY PRAYER AND THE 12 TRADITIONS. WE TOOK INVENTORY OF LITERATURE AND IT WILL BE SUBMITTED ON A SEPART SHEET FOR YOUR VEIHING.

THE MARCH SPEAKER JAM WAS A GREAT SUCCESS. THERE WERE 175 ADDICTS THERE FOR 90% OF THE DAY, INCLUDING 3 TREATMENT CENTERS. WE SPENT \$277.64, SOLD A HOW & WHY FOR \$7.70.

WE RECEIVED 1 BID, FROM THE CO-OP A PART OF THE ALMOST HEAVEN AREA. AFTER A BRIEF DISCUSSION THE CO-OP'S BID WAS ACCEPTED AND THE SEPTEMBER'S SPEAKER JAM WILL BE IN CUMBERLAND MD. MAKE PLANS TO BE THERE **NOW**.

IM ASKING FOR REIMBURSTMENT OF \$282.65 WHICH I HAVE RECEIPTS, CK TO BE MADE OUT TO TEDDIE ALSTON. IM TURNING IN \$7.70 FOR A HOW & WHY.

THIS IS MY LAST REGION AS SPEAKER JAM CHAIR IT HAS TRULY BEEN FUN

ILS
TEDDIE A.

Ad Hoc Committee-Name Change Implementation

We thank all members who were able to attend the Adhoc Committee meeting held on March 29, 2008 at Williamsburg, VA. Our purpose was for discussing the how, when and where for implementing the region's name change. The objectives of the Adhoc Committees are as follows:

1. To assist with implementing the necessary changes as quickly and cost effectively as possible.
2. To receive updates from the regional and area level representatives
3. To track all changes as they occur.
4. To report the progress of implementing the region's name change.
5. To determine the budget impact of the name change at the regional level.

You will find in this report a spreadsheet that lists locations for changes, steps taken to implement the changes, dates of completion, and costs associated with those changes at the regional level.

Hoping to hold our next meeting during the scheduled times for the Regional Subcommittees in Tidewater on May 18th.

ILS, Charles W.

Area Reports -

Almost Heaven RCM Report

We currently have 41 meetings that consist of 21 home groups. There is an average of 7 GSR's and 1 Co-Op Rep who carries the vote of 9 home groups.

The current positions that are open are Outreach, RCM-Alt., Secretary, and Newsletter.

H&I- In our Area we are currently taking meetings into the women's side of two facilities and one meeting into a hospital that is a co-ed meeting. The meetings that are going into the women's side are taken in every other week on Wednesday. The co-ed hospital is taken in every week on Sunday. This is in need of some support. We are waiting for WCDC to approve the names submitted for the men's meeting to start. There was also a new request from Hagerstown State Prison for an H&I meeting.

Public Information- Our new spring meeting list were printed and distributed at area service. We are planning on doing a mailing and all of the IP's were purchased for this mailing. As soon as we receive the address labels from the co-op we will be doing our mailing.

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

Special Events- is currently working on holding another event. They are just having a problem getting committed members.

Our co-op will be hosting the next Speaker Jam in September.

At this time we don't have a donation for the region. Our next Area Service meeting will be held on May 3, 2008 at 1:30pm in Shepherdstown, WV.

In Loving Service, Bonnie W.

Appalachian RCM Report – no report

Blue Ridge RCM Report

Dear Regional Members:

This report, for the Blue Ridge Area of Narcotics Anonymous covers the last two Area Service Meetings. We now have ten home groups in our Area. We had seven attending GSRs in March and nine attending GSRs at the last Area Meeting. Our current Area trusted service positions that are open are: Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, RCM Alternate, Literature Chair and Policy Chair. There was a nomination to Chairperson, and this will go back to groups for voting and encouraging others to offer services if found attractive.

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

- The Harrisonburg *It Can Be Done Group* is no longer planning a spaghetti dinner prior to the Area Planning Tool Workshop, scheduled for May 17th. More news about the workshop during the Special Events section of this report. The *It Can Be Done Group* mentioned they may have a special meeting for their home group to work on the Area Planning Tool Worksheet.
- The Fishersville *Change Or Die Group* has been reporting that regular group meetings are going well with much attendance.
- The Staunton *Just For Today Group* reported short, that all is well.
- Waynesboro's *Find A New Way To Live Group* reported meetings are going well, announced the planning of a Spring Picnic, and that the group is helping to fund their GSR's expenses to tomorrow's GSR Assembly.
- Staunton's *A Chance For Gratitude Group* reported meetings are going well, they are trying to attract more NA Members toward service, and they submitted the Area Planning Tool Workshop Sheet's completion as part of their report.
- Harrisonburg's *Courage To Change Group* has recovered Area Representation. They have a new GSR, and three new home group members. There has been some monetary theft from this group, but the message of recovery is strong.
- The Staunton *Discovery In Recovery Group* report was brief. They have a new GSR.
- The Craigsville *Faith In Recovery Group*, reported short with a monetary contribution to Area.
- Staunton's *Step By Step Group* reported good regular meeting attendance, and a new home group member.
- Luray's *Surrender To Win Group* was absent again.

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

- The Web Servant/BRANA Campout Chair reported the 27th annual BRANA Campout is on as planned!
 - The July 2008 BRANA Campout flyers can be downloaded at brana.org
- Special Events continues to put forth a tremendous effort toward our Area's unity. BRANA's Special Events Chair collected some Area Planning Tool worksheets at the last Area Service Meeting. April 26th will see a speaker meeting/talent show, and the Area Planning Tool Workshop is still on and scheduled to welcome our Regional Delegate on May 17th, 2008 at Hillendale Park in Harrisonburg.
- The Outreach Committee also continues to put forth an awesome effort reporting distribution of IPs and other NA Literature to Rockingham Memorial Hospital, Harrisonburg Community Services Board, Waynesboro High School and local colleges. Outreach also reported Jail Meetings are going well.

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

- Our Trusted Servant Positions are in need of being filled, as mentioned earlier.
- We are asking for help understanding the motion (#131-6), which reads, "to form a budget committee to assist with the duties of the Treasurer". If not already addressed before this report is read, I ask this service body to put on our agenda to help this RCM with the best way to carry back to BRANA Area group members how to make sense of the items listed within the motion 1A, 2A, 5A, 6A, 7A, 8A and 9A. Please clarify, and send back to groups in a way that is understood so that we have an opportunity to vote with an understanding.

To conclude, the Blue Ridge Area of Narcotics Anonymous has its next Area Service Committee Meeting Thursday May 8, 2008. I hereby submit a copy of this report, and I have e-mailed this report to our Regional Secretary. BRANA is currently unable to meet our prudent reserve; therefore no donation has accompanied BRANA's RCM.

Finally, effective at the end of BRANA's next Area Service Committee Meeting, I will no longer serve at Area level for the Blue Ridge Area of Narcotics Anonymous. I have moved from the area, but will report from this Regional Service Conference back to the BRANA Area once more.

In Loving Service, Robert W BRANA RCM

THE BRANA RCM HAS REQUESTED ANY AND ALL RSC MEMBERS TO ATTEND THEIR NEXT ASC MEETING ON MAY 8TH. CONTACT ROBERT W AT RCM@BRANA.ORG.

New Dominion RCM Report – verbal report given

New River Valley RCM Report

Greetings from the New River Valley. Our area service meeting was held on April 6, 2008. We currently have 9 home groups. 8 GSRs were present for ASC. We had trusted servants installed this month. The positions of Treasurer, RCM, RCMA, and VRCC Rep remain vacant.

Our area just hosted the regional speaker jam in Galax. It was a huge success and a well needed boost to our area. 3 local treatment centers were allowed to attend, along with other recovering addicts throughout our area and region.

All of our subcommittee's chairs are full. This is good news because in the past we have rarely had them all filled at the same time. Policy is rapping up our revised policy and will soon have it ready to go back to the home groups. Activities have 2 events planned. Our spring picnic is set for May 31st from 11-6. The location is Saint Paul's United Methodist Church, 220 West Main St. Christiansburg (across from Burger King). It is a covered dish and the area will provide hot dogs and drinks. Our summer camp out is scheduled for June 27th through June 29th at Camp Alta Mons, 3842 Crockett Spring Rd. Shawsville VA. A flyer will be coming out soon with all the particulars including fees. Our next ASC is on May 4th in Dublin VA.

With Love for the Fellowship Mike E.

Outer Limits RCM Report

Hi family,

The Outer Limits area service was held on April 6, 2008. All ten GSRs attended. We are still in of trusted servants open position are Vice Chair, Alt Secretary, Treasurer, Alt Treasurer, Alt R.C.M. P.I. phone line and Policy Chair. We have two new groups joining Area names will be in next R.C.M. report. Special Events is having a Mother day celebration speaker/dinner on May 9, 2008 and is planning a father day cook out flyer will be out soon. Outer Limits back!

In Loving Service Ernie A

Peninsula RCM Report

Hi Family,

The Peninsula area is doing well. Our area meets the first Saturday of every month. April the 6th we had our quarter budget review. Our Activities Committee had a traditions workshop in March that went very well. The committee has nothing planned for the month of May. The home group The End of the Road will be having a speaker jam May 24th. H&I have 11 commitments and 1 pending they have 3 open commitments. Hampton city jail (men), Keystone (youth) and Regional jail (women) they will be having a workshop and business meeting the first in May. P I and Phone Line are in the planning stages of having a Unity Day. We have these positions open: VRCC ALT ASC Secretary P I and Phone Line (Paul B. nominated) Literature (position will be open in June) The Peninsula Area is very excited about the GSR Assembly. The GSR workshop in Williamsburg was a great success there were a lot of addicts from around the region in attendance. We would like to thank the RD, RD Alt and the RD2 for a very good and informative workshop.

ILS, Beverly A.

Piedmont RCM Report

Hello family,

Greetings from the Piedmont area. We currently have 30 meetings, serviced by 16 home groups, with 14 of them attending the last ASC. Our subcommittees are gaining major support from the members of the area. We had 22 members attend the H & I subcommittee and 10 members attend the PI subcommittee. Our website name is being changed to www.piedmontvana.org.

PACNA is coming along smoothly. It will be held the weekend of 6/13-6/15 at Misty Mountain Camp Resort in Greenwood VA. The theme is "*Spiritual hunger, Spiritual thirst, we've got to change the inside first.*" I have brought flyers.

In April our area has 11 members celebrating anniversaries. They will have a collective 111 years in recovery.

We have currently our PI Chair position, Alt VRCC Director position, and our secretary position open.

Our area has expressed some concern about way the region has conducted recent business. I will submit a motion regarding this.

ILS

Tee T., RCM Piedmont Area

Rappahannock RCM Report

Hi Everyone

We, the Rappahannock Area of NA bring you greetings. We held our Area Service meeting 1st Sunday April 5, 2008 @ 5:00pm at the Faulkner Hall. 9 GSRs was present. We have 20 group meetings in our area.

Our Area formed an Ad Hoc Committee to institute Area Planning Tool. The first Ad Hoc meeting was held March 9, 2008 at the 5:00pm @ St Georges Episcopal. A survey was taken to determine what NA members would like for our area to do to serve them better.

Since our present Ad Hoc Committee Chair is moving out of the area, we voted for the Alt Chair, Sara T to move into the chair position.

The next Ad-Hoc meeting for the area-planning tool will be held on Sunday, April 27th at 4:00PM at Faulkner Hall.

We hosted the CAR Workshop on March 22, 2008; it was very enjoyable, since this was the first Workshop I have attended I enjoyed it to the utmost.

The Trusted servants that were elected are:

Vice Chair - Sara T

Activities Chair . Corey C

Newsletter vice Chair . Kenny S

Newsletter Product ion Coordinator . Jamie C

Alternate RCM . John B

Treasurer . John S

The positions still vacant are: Outreach Chair Policy Chair Policy Secretary

Old Business:

Motion 129-4 . was tabled by chair for clarification from motion maker.

Motion maker consulted with the GSRs to clarify whether they agreed with the revised version submitted by RSC Policy Subcommittee. A meeting was held March 14th, 2008 after the Friday Night Meeting. The GSRs agreed with the revision and this trusted servant past the information on to the Policy Chair.

New Business:

Motion 131-6 - forming a budget committee to assist with the duties of treasurer; we did not vote on because we did not meet quorum. Only one group voted and that vote was yes.

We do not have money over prudent reserve therefore; we are not donating to region at this time.

We still have NA Tee shirts for sale. If you are interested you can purchase one through our website <http://www.rappahannockareaofna.com/> click on regional & area events.

They celebrations for the rest of April and May are as follows:

Cornelius R. . April 15th . 12 years

Juan P. . May 6th . 4 years

Antoinette B. . May 6th . 4 years

Roseanne G. . May 10th . 19 years

Robert C. . May 13th . 2 years

Jeff W. . May 19th . 5 years

A total of 46 years of clean time for April and May.

Our next Area Meeting will be held May 4, 2008, 5:00pm at the St George's Church, Faulkner Hall on Princess Anne Street.

In Loving Service Pat P. RCM for Rappahannock Area of Narcotics Anonymous (RANA)

Richmond RCM Report

Hi Family,

I apologize for my absence and would like to thank our alternate, Paula, for fulfilling her commitment. At our last Area Service there was an attendance of 26 total home groups, 20 voting and 6 reporting. Upcoming events: The Winners Circle Meeting has made a change in its time. It now meets from 8 pm to 9 pm. They meet Thursdays at 503 N. Lombardy. The Blackwell/Southside Area is hosting a phone line workshop on May 3rd from 12 pm till 3:30 pm at 6000 Midlothian Turnpike.

Special Events has 4 upcoming events: Fundraiser Dance beginning on 4/18 at Rebos at 6000 Midlothian Turnpike from 9 pm till 1 am with a dance every 2 weeks until the last event in July at this same address. The cost is \$5 at the door. Old Fashion Sock Hop on 5/17 from 9 pm till 1 am at Rebos, \$5 at the door. Apollo Night and Fashion Show on 6/28 from 8 pm till 1 am at the Clarion Hotel at the Richmond International Airport, 5203 Williamsburg Rd in Sandston. Contact for these events is Michael A at 804-283-1654. The Annual Free Event is on 6/19 from 12 noon till 6 pm at shelter 1 in Bryan Park with the same contact info above. Simple Basics of Recovery home group presents a Memorial Day Cookout on 5/26 from 12 noon till 7 pm at 713 N. 1st St. in Richmond. You are asked to bring a covered dish, chairs and blankets.

All positions on the Area level have been filled. Our Chair informed me that a check would be forwarded in the next week. Confirmation for our next RSC in Richmond on 6/21 from 10 am till 6 pm will be at 2501 Park Ave, corner of Park and Davis at the Metropolitan Community Church has been communicated to our Activities Chair, Cynthia W. ILS Nina Mc.

Roanoke Valley RCM Alternate Report

Greetings Family,

The RVANA is doing well and we continue to carry the message of recovery. Our subcommittees are functioning well and our newly formed Area Convention Committee held its first meeting in March. We have recently added the Roanoke City Jail to our list of active H&I commitments. The area wishes to thank our RDA, Greg H., for attending our February ASC to help shed some insight on the Regional name change. We have no donation to Region at this time. In Loving Service, Mike G.

Shenandoah Valley RCM Alternate Report

Greetings from the Shenandoah Valley ASC. The area continues to do well. SHEVANA has 21 home groups, which hold 27 weekly meetings. 11 GSRs attended the most recent ASC meeting. All area trusted servant positions are currently filled. SHEVANA elects the following trusted servant positions: Chair, Vice-chair, Secretary, Treasurer, RCM, RCM Alternate, VRCC Director, and the chairs of Literature, H&I, PI, Policy, Newsletter, Outreach, and Special Events subcommittees. No group news to report at this time. As a result of the area inventory held in February, SHEVANA amended its guidelines as to include more guidance to GSRs as to their duties and responsibilities in the hopes of improving communication between the area and the home groups. The area continues to be excited about hosting the 27th annual Virginia Convention of NA on January 9 - 11, 2009, which will be held at the Marriott Westfield Hotel. All area subcommittees are highly active. The H&I subcommittee recently decided to add a second weekly meeting at the man's detention facility. No major area concerns at this time. Most home groups have been focused on voting on the 12 CAR motions.

Special Events has the following activities planned:

1. April 26th . Carnival to be held at the Market St. United Methodist Church in Winchester
2. May 24th . Picnic to be held at Jim Barnett Park in Winchester
3. July 12th . Speaker Jam V to be held at the Market St. United Methodist Church. This year's theme is %Shelter From the Storm+

The pre convention committee has the following activities planned: Today we are having a sponsor/sponsee breakfast and on May 17th a speaker jam to be a location to be determined. SHEVANA continues to be active and focused on furthering our fellowship's primary purpose of carrying the message of recovery to the still suffering addict. The next ASC meeting will be on May 12th, 2008 at 7 pm. I have given the Regional Secretary a check for \$200 as the SHEVANA's donation to the Central Atlantic Region. It is my understanding that this check inaccurately reflects the intended contribution. A second check will be mailed to the region shortly.

Finally on a personal note, this will be my final RSC representing the Shenandoah Valley ASC because of a work transfer I will no longer be residing in the SHEVANA area. I have appreciated the opportunity I have had to serve my area and look forward to serving my new area sometime in the near future.

ILS, Norman C. RCM SHEVANA ASC

Southside RCM Report

Hello Constituents,

All is ok in Southside VA. We have had a home group disburse yet other home groups picked up the meetings. There is a new meeting started by the New Beginnings group of Halifax. The location is Tuller-Roberts conference room at the Halifax Regional Hospital on Sunday from 9:30 am till 10:30 am. On March 8th the Southside Area held a 12 Concepts of Service workshop. There were approximately 40 people in attendance throughout the day. It was a great success! We (Southside) would like to see more workshops on Concepts. I have brought receipts for this body. Southside has had some changes in the executive board as well as some changes in the subcommittee chairs. Southside is growing in the sense of new members. As well there seems to be a lot of interest in doing service work by some of the newer people. Southside did have a nomination for Vice-Chair, however they are not here so we will not make the nomination. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

ILS Mike E. Southside RCM

Tidewater RCM Report

Hey Family,

Im Mark W. and I was elected as the Tidewater RCM at our March Area Service Committee meeting. We also have a new alternate RCM, his name is Tim B.

We currently have 117 meetings every week that are represented by 89 home groups. We average 38 GSRs at our monthly Area Service Committee meetings. At this time all trusted servant positions are filled and new elections are scheduled for May.

Our area website is up and running thanks to the dedication of Denise B., Leo W., and the rest of the Public Information Subcommittee. The address is www.tidewaterareana.org. It is very well executed and allows access to a vast amount of information. There is also an NA Shout box (bulletin board) for sharing between addicts.

TACNA 8 (our local convention) was a huge success. It was so well attended that we ran out of registration packets early Saturday afternoon and addicts continued to come. The main speaker meeting Saturday night was packed, we had folks lining the walls in order to participate. The final tally was not available to me but I know that the event was financially in the black. TACNA 9 is already well into the planning stages. It is being named *Wrecovery* and is scheduled for the weekend of February 20-22, 2009.

Special Events in conjunction with TACNA 9 is hosting a speaker jam and dance on April 26th at St. Marks Episcopal Church in Hampton. Speakers are expected from New York, Richmond, and Baltimore.

Our area had a CAR Workshop on March 30th in Portsmouth. It was attended by only a few GSRs, however enthusiasm made up for the lack of participation.

I look forward to working at this commitment over the coming year.

In loving service, Mark W.

Tri-Cities RCM Report

Greetings.

The Tri-Cities area is saddened by the disharmony in the region. It is the desire of our area that the region is able to work through amicably the tension and move forward in unity.

Our area continues to grow and be of service in the Tri Cities area. Unfortunately, the subcommittees in our areas are struggling due to lack of commitment from its members. If anyone has any suggestions on ways that we can get more members involved, particularly old-timers, we appreciate it.

Hospitals & Institutions carry the message of hope to Riverside Regional Jail the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. H & I also carries the message of hope to New Directions treatment center each Tuesday. The H & I subcommittee is currently collaborating with the officials at the Petersburg city jail to begin a meeting in that facility. Our area is looking forward to the H & I workshop on May 10th in Richmond at Hatcher Memorial.

The Special Events subcommittee currently has 2 events on their schedule. A dinner sale is scheduled for May as well as a summer fling in June.

Public Information continues to provide information to various venues in the city as requested.

Our area has made a donation of \$375.00

Thanks for allowing me the opportunity to be of service.

Respectfully Submitted, Audrey C

Meeting Adjourned at 3:45 pm

Meeting re-adjourned at 4:00 pm

Old Business –

ORIGINAL Motion 129-4

Mover: Pat P. (Rappahannock Alt. RCM) Seconded: Robert W. (Blue Ridge RCM)
Motion: The Rappahannock Area would like abstentions to count as an abstention on regional floor voting.
Intent: To reflect those who may want to abstain rather than vote yes or no. This reflects more of a true voice of its members.

Motion to put motion 129-4 back on the floor. 12 in favor, 2 against.

Motion maker accepts amendment from Policy subcommittee as follows:

AMENDED Motion 129-4 – MOTION TO GO BACK TO GROUPS

Mover: Pat P. (Rappahannock Alt. RCM) Seconded: Robert W. (Blue Ridge RCM)
Motion: To change Guidelines and Rules of Order on page 7 numbers 16 and 17.
Now Reads: 16. An adopted motion shall take effect at the close of the Conference, unless otherwise stated in the motion.
17. Types of Votes (121st)
 A. Motions to amend Guidelines and Rules of Order
 1. Yes means that the area has decided to vote for the motion.
 2. No means on of the following
 a. That the area has decided to vote against the motion.
 b. That the area has decided that more information is required.
 c. That the area has not had a vote on the motion.
 B. Other Motions
 1. Yes means that the RCM (or RCM-Alternate in the RCM's absence) has decided to Vote for the motion.
 2. No means that the RCM (or RCM-Alternate in the RCM's absence) has decided to vote against the motion or has decided that more information is required.

To Read:

16. On motions that change guidelines, the following procedures apply:
 - A. Establish total number of members participating in vote.
 - B. Two-thirds (2/3) of the members voting must have a yea or nay vote.
 - C. Of the 2/3 voting yea or nay, there must be 2/3 majority in order to carry the motion.
 - D. Abstentions shall be taken prior to the yea or nay vote to determine if 2/3 of the members have a definite yea or nay vote. On motions where 1/3 of the voters abstain, abstentions will be polled. The motion will be tabled one time to old business at the next RSC where abstentions will have no effect on the motion.
 - E. Example (based on 10 voting RCM's):
 - I. During the first vote
 - (1) If there are 4 or more abstentions, the motion goes back to home groups.
 - (2) If there are 3 or fewer abstentions, the vote proceeds.
 - II. During second vote
 - (1) Abstentions are ignored
 - (2) If 2/3 of those voting cast a yea vote, the motion passes.
 - (3) Anything less than 2/3 yea votes, the motion fails.
 - F. Other Motions:
 1. Yes means that the RCM (or RCM-Alternate in the RCM's absence) has decided to vote for the motion.
 2. No means that the RCM (or RCM-Alternate in the RCM's absence) has decided to vote against the motion.
 3. Abstention means that the RCM (or RCM-Alternate in the RCM's absence) has decided that more information is required.
17. An adopted motion shall take effect at the close of the Conference, unless otherwise stated in the motion.

Intent: To have a clearer conscience and carry the true vote of the Area's.
Pros: This procedure was used for at least 6 years prior to the 121st RSC. It allowed groups the opportunity to get clarification when needed without resubmitting a motion due to failure. It also provides a clear closure to the motion being voted on. This procedure may have delayed the completion of vote, it did not significantly slow business.
This motion will allow a voting member, who does not have a conscience, to not affect the vote as a no. Also if several abstentions are made then it would give an opportunity for members to gather needed information for a true group conscience.
Cons: Motion takes us further away from Region purpose, %from our inception, we have worked in the spirit of Unanimity+.

Motion 132-7

Mover: Cynthia W. (Policy Chair) Seconded: Mike E. (New River Valley RCM)
Motion: To reimburse Cynthia \$17.70 over \$60 budget to print G & R.O. Total \$77.70.
Intent: To be fully self-supporting and fulfill chair duties.
11 in favor, 0 against. Motion Passes.

Motion 132-8 MOTION TO GO BACK TO HOME GROUPS

Mover: Amanda H. (PI Chair) Seconded: Mike E. (New River Valley RCM)
Motion: All Regional events to be held at handicap accessible facilities.
Intent: That all members be able to participate in our service structure.
Pros: As a person with a disability, it is important to me that our meetings be accessible to all. Persons in wheel chairs should face no barriers to attendance to RSC meetings.
this motion is to allow the opportunity for any member to participate in regional service. Americans With Disabilities Act allows for public facilities.

Motion 132-9 MOTION TO GO BACK TO HOME GROUPS

Mover: Don V. (Almost Heaven) Seconded: Mike G. (Roanoke Valley RCM)
Motion: To require all fliers for events funded by the region to include the full name of the region and for all previous fliers to be updated with any pertinent corrections. This motion, if passed, shall be included as an ~~an~~ additional guidelines in the Central Atlantic Regional Policy.
Intent: To promote unity through common identification.
Amendment: Remove word ~~previous~~ and insert ~~current~~. Amendment made by Teddy A. and accepted by Don V.
Pros: In the past, we have had many questions, from home groups and areas regarding what the RSC is doing. By including the Regional name change, we will be providing some help for this problem, and giving credit where credit is due. To further promote unity within our Region.
The region does not get deserved recognition for the funding and hosting of events. By insuring that the name of the region is on the flier will allow the members of the fellowship that their region is serving them in many capacities.
Cons: The motion is not clear enough in defining the elements of an ~~acceptable~~ flier.
The word funding needs to be amended in motion in order to accomplish intent.

Motion 132-10

Mover: Richard P. (H&I Chair) Seconded: Jeff H. (New Dominion RCM)
Motion: Would like to assign point of accountability for scheduling subcommittee meetings.
Intent: To better unify subcommittee meetings, to prevent over lapping of meeting and events, and to have a longer time in announcing meetings.

Chair sent to Activities for clarification because activities are already coordinating current RSC activities. Don appeals decision of Chair because motion is not specific; it doesn't need to go to Activities. Vote for Appeal is 12 in favor of appeal and 0 against. Appeal stands and motion doesn't go to Activities. Motion vote is 11 in favor and 0 against. Motion passes. Chair sends motion to Policy Subcommittee for clarification on who will be the single point of accountability. Report back to 133rd RSC.

Motion 132-11

Mover: Amanda H. (PI Chair) Seconded: Beverly A. (Peninsula RCM)
Motion: To dissolve standing Activities Subcommittee.
Intent: To create an Activities Coordinator (reports directly to RSC) maintaining RSC calendars and coordinating all RSC events, including subcommittees, working closely with Areas.

Chair sends motion to Policy for Impact statement and clarification. Report back to 133rd RSC.

Motion 132-12

Mover: Jeff H. (New Dominion RCM) Seconded: Tee T. (Piedmont RCM)
Motion: To discuss Motion 131-1 in order to properly record ruling from chair in RSC minutes.
Intent: To revisit Motion 131-1 in order to inform the fellowship of actions that are taken on the RSC floor, not Recorded in the 131st minutes and memory of ruling by Chair and Secretary.

Motion ruled out of order by Chair because motion 127-1 regarding name change was voted on and approved by body. Jeff H. appeals the decision of the Chair. Vote foe appeal was 4 in favor of appeal and 6 against. Appeal fails. Ruling of Chair stands.

Motion 132-13

Mover: Tee T. (Piedmont RCM) Seconded: Jeff H. (New Dominion RCM)
Motion: Region request a World member to look at the way region has conducted business and make recommendations as to how things might be improved and unity restored.
Intent: To look at how name change was voted on, and the ramifications, and suggest ways to prevent future likeness.

3 in favor, 7 against. Motion fails.

Motion 132-14

Mover: Sherry V. (RD) Seconded: Ernie A. (Outer Limits RCM)
Motion: To be reimbursed \$64.53 from Quad 2 CAR Workshop budget for food.
Intent: none

10 in favor, 0 against. Motion Passes.

Motion 132-15

Mover: Sherry V. (RD) Seconded: Bonnie W. (Almost Heaven RCM)
Motion: Estimated cost for budgeted attendance for participation at the Autonomy Zonal Forum to be held the last Saturday in July in the Mountaineer Region. Gas - \$65, Hotel - \$125, Per Diem - \$50
Total = \$240.00
Intent: So duties of position can be filled.

11 in favor, 0 against. Motion Passes.

Motion 132-16

Mover: Cynthia W. (Policy Chair) Seconded: Mike E. (Southside RCM)
Motion: To have this body to consider looking into getting a debit card.
Intent: To simplify the process of purchases and registering.

10 in favor, 0 against. Ad hoc committee formed and Cynthia w. named Chair with Pat P. Mike E., Greg G. volunteering.

Motion 132-17

Mover: Don V. (Almost Heaven) Seconded: Mike G. (Roanoke Valley RCM)
Motion: To create an Ad hoc committee in lieu of another immediate name change for the purpose of gathering suggestions from all areas as to what the name of the region should be, compile all suggestions and report same to the RSC for further (if any) action.
Intent: To avoid the prospect of having to change the name of the Region more than one time. To eliminate the creation of more confusion. To allow the RSC to return its focus to carrying the message to the addict who still suffers.

Motion to table made by Mark W. and Seconded by Tee T. 10 in favor of tabling, 1 against. Motion tabled till 133rd RSC.

ISSUES TO GO BACK TO HOME GROUPS

THE BRANA RCM HAS REQUESTED ANY AND ALL RSC MEMBERS TO ATTEND THEIR NEXT ASC MEETING ON MAY 8TH. CONTACT ROBERT W. AT RCM@BRANA.ORG.

Nominations and Elections –(see your local RCM for qualifications and duties)

Literature Review Chair . Send back to groups for nominations. Sherry V. suggests making subcommittee project driven instead of a standing subcommittee.

Activities Chair . Send back to groups for nominations. Amanda P. appointed pro-temp.

Vice Chair . No nominations. Send back to groups for nominations.

Treasurer . No nominations. Send back to groups for nominations.

Speaker Jam Chair . Send back to groups for nominations. Sean C. from Almost Heaven accepts nomination.

Qualifications for Sean C. . I have 5 years clean, I have a sponsor, a home group, and have worked the 12 steps with a sponsor. I sponsor people. I have served as GSR, Treasurer for home group, Secretary for my home group, Co-op Rep., and Co-op Chair. I have been involved in service at the area level for the past 18 months. I have also served and worked to secure the upcoming speaker jam for my area. I have reliable transportation and the willingness and desire to serve.

Jeff H. motions to close nominations and Mike E. seconds. 10 in favor, 0 against

Motion 132-8 MOTION TO GO BACK TO HOME GROUPS

Mover: Amanda H. (PI Chair) Seconded: Mike E. (New River Valley RCM)

Motion: All Regional events to be held at handicap accessible facilities.

Intent: That all members be able to participate in our service structure.

Pros: As a person with a disability, it is important to me that our meetings be accessible to all. Persons in wheel chairs should face no barriers to attendance to RSC meetings.
this motion is to allow the opportunity for any member to participate in regional service. Americans With Disabilities Act allows for public facilities.

Motion 132-9 MOTION TO GO BACK TO HOME GROUPS

Mover: Don V. (Almost Heaven) Seconded: Mike G. (Roanoke Valley RCM)

Motion: To require all fliers for events funded by the region to include the full name of the region and for all previous fliers to be updated with any pertinent corrections. This motion, if passed, shall be included as an ~~an~~ additional guidelines in the Central Atlantic Regional Policy.

Intent: To promote unity through common identification.

Amendment: Remove word ~~previous~~ and insert ~~current~~. Amendment made by Teddy A. and accepted by Don V.

Pros: In the past, we have had many questions, from home groups and areas regarding what the RSC is doing. By including the Regional name change, we will be providing some help for this problem, and giving credit where credit is due. To further promote unity within our Region.
The region does not get deserved recognition for the funding and hosting of events. By insuring that the name of the region is on the flier will allow the members of the fellowship that their region is serving them in many capacities.

Cons: The motion is not clear enough in defining the elements of an ~~acceptable~~ flier.

The word funding needs to be amended in motion in order to accomplish intent.

ORIGINAL Motion 129-4

Mover: Pat P. (Rappahannock Alt. RCM) Seconded: Robert W. (Blue Ridge RCM)
Motion: The Rappahannock Area would like abstentions to count as an abstention on regional floor voting.
Intent: To reflect those who may want to abstain rather than vote yes or no. This reflects more of a true voice of its members.

**Motion to put motion 129-4 back on the floor. 12 in favor, 2 against.
Motion maker accepts amendment from Policy subcommittee as follows:**

AMENDED Motion 129-4 – MOTION TO GO BACK TO GROUPS

Mover: Pat P. (Rappahannock Alt. RCM) Seconded: Robert W. (Blue Ridge RCM)
Motion: To change Guidelines and Rules of Order on page 7 numbers 16 and 17.
Now Reads: 16. An adopted motion shall take effect at the close of the Conference, unless otherwise stated in the motion.
17. Types of Votes (121st)
 A. Motions to amend Guidelines and Rules of Order
 1. Yes means that the area has decided to vote for the motion.
 3. No means on of the following
 a. That the area has decided to vote against the motion.
 b. That the area has decided that more information is required.
 c. That the area has not had a vote on the motion.
 B. Other Motions
 2. Yes means that the RCM (or RCM-Alternate in the RCM's absence) has decided to Vote for the motion.
 2. No means that the RCM (or RCM-Alternate in the RCM's absence) has decided to vote against the motion or has decided that more information is required.

To Read:

18. On motions that change guidelines, the following procedures apply:
 A. Establish total number of members participating in vote.
 B. Two-thirds (2/3) of the members voting must have a yea or nay vote.
 C. Of the 2/3 voting yea or nay, there must be 2/3 majority in order to carry the motion.
 D. Abstentions shall be taken prior to the yea or nay vote to determine if 2/3 of the members have a definite yea or nay vote. On motions where 1/3 of the voters abstain, abstentions will be polled. The motion will be tabled one time to old business at the next RSC where abstentions will have no effect on the motion.
 E. Example (based on 10 voting RCM's):
 I. During the first vote
 (1) If there are 4 or more abstentions, the motion goes back to home groups.
 (2) If there are 3 or fewer abstentions, the vote proceeds.
 II. During second vote
 (1) Abstentions are ignored
 (2) If 2/3 of those voting cast a yea vote, the motion passes.
 (3) Anything less than 2/3 yea votes, the motion fails.
 F. Other Motions:
 4. Yes means that the RCM (or RCM-Alternate in the RCM's absence) has decided to vote for the motion.
 5. No means that the RCM (or RCM-Alternate in the RCM's absence) has decided to vote against the motion.
 6. Abstention means that the RCM (or RCM-Alternate in the RCM's absence) has decided that more information is required.
19. An adopted motion shall take effect at the close of the Conference, unless otherwise stated in the motion.

Intent: To have a clearer conscience and carry the true vote of the Area's.
Pros: This procedure was used for at least 6 years prior to the 121st RSC. It allowed groups the opportunity to get clarification when needed without resubmitting a motion due to failure. It also provides a clear closure to the motion being voted on. This procedure may have delayed the completion of vote, it did not significantly slow business.
This motion will allow a voting member, who does not have a conscience, to not affect the vote as a no. Also if several abstentions are made then it would give an opportunity for members to gather needed information for a true group conscience.
Cons: Motion takes us further away from Region purpose, %from our inception, we have worked in the spirit of Unanimity+.

