

PASCNA MINUTES

July 7, 2018

Open Meeting: Lisa S.

Meeting Opened: 3:02pm

Serenity Prayer: All

Reading of the 12 Traditions: Paula

Reading of the 12 Concepts: Andy

Roll Call to Establish Quorum: at time of roll call (quorum established) 14 GSR's

General Information: Lisa S.

Please turn cell phones off/vibrate; we also ask that you please respect the business meeting by not texting; if you need to have a side conversation, please leave the room; turn in donations to Treasurer (please do not give more than \$1 change); home group reports may be read during open forum then turned into the Secretary (GSR's and Subcommittee Chairpersons, please try to write as clearly as possible and remember to put reports on full size sheet of paper with your signature); the literature chair cannot accept personal checks on behalf of home group purchases. Please update the meeting list and/or GSR mailing roster as needed--if you are a new GSR please put your contact information Please clean up after yourself--we should leave the church better than we found it.

Some announcements at the request of the church (applies to ALL groups that meet at the church):

- Smoking needs to be limited to the area by the receptacle and away from the entrance. Each group is responsible for cleaning up the butts after meeting
- No firearms (concealed or not)----"GUN FREE ZONE"
- No loitering after the meeting in the parking lot
- Don't park in the middle of the parking lot or block cars in
- Children are to be attended at all times
- There is NOT a public restroom---if random people wander in, we are to ask them to leave (use common sense)
- If there are any changes to the group's contact person, the church needs to be notified
- There will be periodic MANDATORY meetings with the church for ALL groups that use the facility

Welcome New GSRs: Anna- Women in Recovery; Audra- Surrender to Live; Kim- Women & Men in Recovery; Debra R.- No More Excuses

Review and Approve last month's Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes: John A Proven Program **Seconded:** Sam Out of the Ordinary----**PASSED**

ASC Reports

ASC Treasurer's Report- Norman

*don't have a copy of his report

RCM Report- Keon

*when I went to open his e-mail, it was empty, asked him to resend it to me and/or you.

VRCC Report- Lovely- Attended the retreat in May and discussed all business related to convention.

Subcommittee Chairperson's Reports

Activities- Sarah A.- Activities met with five in attendance. We discussed the bowling party. It was a great success with 35 in attendance, and we collected \$70 in donations. The next event will be the cookout at King Lincoln Park August 19th, 11-6pm. We are requesting a check at August area for \$600 for food and supplies. Today we are turning into area \$142.85 from pass the hat donations and bracelet sales. Totaling \$212.85 In loving service, Sarah A. Activities Chair.

H&I- Ernie : Meeting started on time, positions were discussed, people came out and sat in on the business meeting that are interested in serving and speaking at commitments. Ernie J, co-chairperson

Area Inventory- Greetings we met at Tabb Public Library last month. We will be having a learning day where we will be presenting consensus base decision process for inclusion in next area inventory and for possible change to that method instead of Robert's Rules. Budget review is tomorrow at 12:00. All subcommittee and committee chairs must attend. In loving service, Tim B.

Public Relations - Attendees Paula, Roger, and Burrell. Opened with Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions read by Burrell and 12 Concepts read by Roger. Paula read minutes. Meeting lists have been picked up and will be available for distribution. The summer institute is July 16-18, 8-4pm. 50 copies of meeting lists will be provided and committee will be coordinating time slots to cover the PR table. Discussion of unified meeting list. This is tabled until return of webmaster.

If anyone is in need of a location for a meeting, Mary Immaculate is available.

Discussion for budget review costs for website. Paula to attend to ensure coverage.

Trifold for PR committee is tabled until next month. Discussion of HRT posters is tabled indefinitely. Not able to get correct information to move forward. If you need new meeting lists please see a member of PR.

Webmaster- given by Paula (Craig out of town)- “good afternoon family, the website is currently in a transitional period, along with the meeting list; please be patient with us as we continue to work on it. Moreover, while I am currently traveling over the summer, I am still active in my role as webmaster, so please continue to send me material. From July 15-July 22, my access will be limited, so send any updates to Paula and Teddie. Thank you for letting me be of service. Love, Craig W.”

Literature

Old Business

2018-05-01 (replaced 2018-04-02 and 2018-04-03)

Motion Maker: Area Inventory (Tim B.) **2nd by:** none needed

Motion: To do one of the following options:

- Approve budget proposal (1) keeping Literature Inventory as is.
- Approve budget proposal (2) removing Literature Inventory which means we will no longer have Literature on Hand after we sell out what we currently have.

A NO VOTE does not accept either proposal. Intent: To approve a budget that meets the Area’s Literature Inventory desires. A NO VOTE would not fund our area website. Our revenue is still well below this \$8930 budget but funding has been possible because not all of the funds are not being utilized which reduces the budget burden below \$830 amount. This motion replaces Motion 2018-02-02 and 2018-04-03 to effect the changes expressed in those motions. Voting for the proposal (2) would fulfill desire of 2018-04-02 and 2018-04-03. PROs from the area floor: 1. You know what you will get when you order. No back orders 2. You will have a website. There will be funds for website. CONs from the area floor: 1. No last-minute orders Voting GSRs: _____ Abstain: _____ Approve: _____ Oppose: _____ PASSED: _____ FAILED: _____ TABLE ONCE: __X__ TABLE TWICE: __X__ SEE PROPOSED

BUDGETS 1 AND 2 ON PASCNA AGENDA FOR 5/5/18

Voting GSRs: 12 Abstain: 9 Approve: 1 Oppose: 2

MOTION FAILED

2018-05-05

Motion Maker: We Can Change **2nd by:** Trust the Process

Motion: To revise Area Service Committee (ASC) Chairperson Qualifications – Nominations. The issue is 1. Policy Section 5 b 1. Qualifications for ASC Chair requires candidate to be Vice Chair for 1 year and Vice Chair automatically becomes Chair if willing. Qualifies nominations can then be accepted without defining “qualified”. Pre-selecting candidates (Vice Chair) for elected office conflicts with the doctrine of free and fair elections. The current policy resulted in the same 4 to 6 members rotating ASC Chair in the last 8-10 years, 2. Clean time requirements is 2 years. 3. Policy uses the term “volunteers” for nominees or candidates for elected office. Nominations give GSR preference. REVISE Sec 5 B 1 to: 1. One year prior involvement as ASC Vice Chairperson, former ASC Chair, Subcommittee Chairperson, Group Service Representative (GSR), any elected position, member service on any subcommittee, if none of the aforementioned are nominated, the acting ASC Chairperson shall be Vice Chair, Policy Chair, Regional Committee Member (RCM), ASC Secretary or volunteer until a nominee is selected. 2. Change clean time requirement from two (2) years to four years 3. Remove the term “volunteers” from policy and replace with nominee or candidate. Intent: A Guide to Local Services in NA (GLS) Elections and Rotation – Have a mix of new and experienced members. This allows for the rotation of a variety of individuals through an area’s trusted servant positions, providing a diversity of viewpoints and talents and a freshness of perspective that would be lacking where these positions to be held year after year by the same individuals. Preventing the area subcommittee from becoming a mere extension of an individual’s personality. The practice of rotation is founded on this fellowship’s belief that service is more important than the servant, an extension of our tradition of spiritual anonymity. Expand the areas qualified candidates. Nominations – REVISE Sec 3 B 2 from: Accept nominations from the groups (GSRs) then from the floor. Anyone can submit a nomination or volunteer for the open position. Nominations are then closed.

MOTION WITHDRAWN BY MOTION MAKER

POSITIONS:

- **Vice Chair:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open
- **Alternate RCM:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open
- **VRCC Alternate:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open

- **Vice Treasurer:** no volunteers &/or nominations, positions remains open
- **PR Chair:** Paula pro-temp and Roger nominated- At July area Roger withdrew his nomination
Paula voted in
- **H&I Chair:** Ernie voted in
- **AdHoc committee chair:** regarding researching putting on an area convention
Lawrence and Deborah nominated
Lawrence withdrew his nomination
Deborah R. voted in, 1st meeting same day as next Area at 2pm

In order to get in line with the Policy calendar for elections/nominations, please note the following: July: nominations for **Secretary** election: September—Jenn will remain in position

Will review the calendar at Area—unfortunately due to lack of filled position, Area has been off in regard to the schedule.

New Business:

MOTION 2018-07-01

Motion Maker: We Can Change 2nd by: Trust the Process

Motion: to revise area service committee (ASC) chairperson qualifications-nominations

The issue is 1-policy section 5 B.1 Qualifications for asc chair requires candidate to be vice chair for 1 year and vice chair automatically becomes ASC chair if willing then qualified nominations/volunteers can be accepted. 1-preselecting candidates (vice chair) for elected positions conflicts with the doctrine of free and fair elections per Roberts Rules of order. 2- qualified nominees are not defined. 3- clean time requirement is currently 2 years. 4-policy uses the term “volunteers” for nominees or candidates. Motion- revise Sec 5B to: 1 year of prior service involvement as ASC vice chair, any subcommittee chairperson, GSR, former ASC chair, any elected position, any member service on any subcommittee. If none of the aforementioned are nominated, the ASC chairperson shall be acting chair, then vice chair, then policy chair, regional committee member, VRSS, ASC secretary or volunteer until a nominee is selected. 2- change clean time requirement from 2 years to 3 years. Remove the word “volunteer” from policy and replace with nominee or candidate.

Motion: Trust the Process pull their 2nd, no other 2nd for motion, motion dies

MOTION 2018-07-02

Motion Maker: Ad Hoc Subcommittee Chair

Request \$25.00 from miscellaneous Due to Budget.

Was stated that there already is a budget.

POSTIONS:

- **Vice Chair**
- **Alternate RCM**
- **VRCC Alternate**
- **Vice Treasurer**
- **Secretary** Jenn willing, will vote in September, open for nominations
- **Literature** Rodney willing, will vote in September, open for nominations

Open Forum (30 minutes): read reports/announced celebrations

Group Reports

A Proven Program: continues to carry the message of recovery to suffering addicts. Area donation of \$40, No celebrations in July. In loving service, John P.

Nothing to Fear: Meets Fridays at 8:00pm, Sentara Williamsburg, Robert Graves Conference Room, next to cafeteria behind the fish tank. Area donation of \$75.00. No celebrations in July. In Loving Service, John P.

Saturday Night Alternative: Hello Family, we are carrying the message of recovery. We continue to meet every Saturday at 6:00pm with a large number of newcomers. Our homegroup member Diedre L celebrates 5 years July 14th. We gave \$25 to area and a literature order of \$30.60. In loving service, Jimmy R.

We can change: We can change attendance is steady, we welcome all newcomers. Area donation of \$19.00 In loving service Roger.

Surrender to Live: Good afternoon Family, the surrender to live group of NA is alive and well. Members continue to join the homegroup. Weekly attendance continues to average 55-60 people. This month we have no area donation and a literature order of \$3.64. Celebrations in July are: Raymond R. 19 years, Kerry R. 5 years.

Never Alone: Donated \$90 to area. Meetings are going well. Attendance is up, and down. John W.

Living the Program: Greetings family, all is well at living the program. we continue to carry the message. Dave M. Celebrates 7 years on 7/11.

Closer to Home: Good evening family, attendance is still low in Gloucester but a few newcomers are showing up. Addict Meredith celebrates 10 years at closer to home on July 20. In the beginning of August we will be starting a couple of new meetings near Walter Reed. Hopefully, more will be revealed. In loving Service, Sam B.

G.O.D. Good evening family- Good orderly direction has been having very good attendance. Justin C. will be celebrating 5 years on July 27. Thanks for letting me share, Adam H.

Nature of Recovery: Hi Family, we are still carrying the message of love and hope. There will be 2 celebrations in August, on the 5th, Scott H celebrates 2 years, and on the 19th, Mike A will celebrate 2 years. Sep. 19 Sheila W celebrates 20 years, Nature of Recovery picnic info is on the website. It's on Saturday 8/11. Donation \$15, Literature \$174.89.

End of the Road: Greetings family, continue to carry the message of recovery to the addict that suffers. Meeting attendance is good. We have two HG members celebrating, Levi W. 3 years and Sherri W. 11 years. We had a literature order of \$20.34. In loving service, Sherri W.

Warriors: At the warriors meeting we continue to give support to the still suffering addict. We are in need of support and homegroup members. In loving service, Renee D.

No More Excuses: Greetings Family, all is well with no more excuses. We have one celebration 8/11/18. An addict by the name of Wyndell will celebrate. Literature order is \$10.57. Donation is \$49.00. In loving service, Deborah R.

Women and Men in Recovery: Greetings, all is well with women and men in recovery. We had a celebration on 7/7/18 for Kim S celebrating 3 years. Our literature, key tag order is \$7.38. No area donations. Thank you, Kimberly S.