

WNYRSCNA Minutes for March 21,2009

Meeting opened: 12:25p w/MOS Serenity Prayer, Ed-Concepts, Susan M. 6th Concept,
Roll call: A-V. Chair, P-Rd, RDA, P-V.Convention Chair, A-Activities, P-Website, P-H&I, P-
Policy Chair, O-Lit., P-RCM's , O-PI, A-Secretary

Secretary position fills in: Paul & Retha

Quorum Established

Mail: Distributed

Next Meeting to be held: The next regional meeting will be May 16th 2009 at 160 chestnut st. (st
Johns outreach center) Lockport NY

Opening Treasurer's balance: \$8405.43

Minutes Accepted

Open Positions: Literature Chair, Public Information,

Nominations:

Reports:

RD: No written report accessible

Chautauqua RCM: CHAUTAUQUA AREA R.C.M REPORT

March 21st, 2009

First off I would like to let this body know that I am honored to serve at this level of service and I'm looking forward to the experience and growth that will come from this. Our area held elections for all position at area and filled most positions except R.C.M alt due to the fact the nominee resigned her nomination due to personal reasons. Nominations have reopened and hopefully when I see you at the next meeting we will have our alt.

Dunkirk has came to the last two area meetings and now is back actively involved in our area. We are trying to circulate the new hotline number we have from switching over to the magic jack. The number is 716-240-5983 and we are happy with the service that the magic jack provides us. All of our sub committees are up and running and are looking forward to another productive year. Our area would also like to know if any progress has come about for either of the problems from the last two conventions.

To the concern of keeping the convention we voted to keep it due to the fact as long as we carry a message to one addict we have done our primary purpose. Also we are going to be having a workshop on the new corrections to times of illness on April 25th 1-5pm at Immanuel Lutheran church 556 east second st. We have a regional donation of \$85.00 and that leaves us with a treasury balance of 122.07 that's including our prudent reserve.

ILS, Smitty

Buffalo RCM: BASCNA RCM Report to RSC - March 21st, 2009

Ø February 8th, 2009:

1. RCM absent, report presented
2. ASC Open & Close: Unavailable
3. Lit Open: \$ 3,060.50 Close: \$ 157.31
4. Treasurer: Kelly
5. Assistant Treasurer: Crystal M

6. Phone Line: Dan W
 7. Steering GSR2: Christal
 8. Positions remain open for nomination:
 - a. RCM-A
 - b. Activities
 9. BASCNA Donation: \$ 0
 10. Discussion of Area Calendar use to avoid conflicting events
 11. RITW given \$500 seed money
 12. Regional copier usage tabled
- Ø March 8th, 2009:
1. ASC Open & Close: Unavailable. Closing may be \$1,403.10
 2. Literature: minus \$500.00
 3. RCM Alt: Jose
 4. Activities Chair remains open: (Body refused Tony S for past misappropriation)
 5. Secretary: Danielle moving; stepping down, position open for nominations
 6. RDA nominee Ken Smith told by RSC Vice-Chair Richard Pompey he was ineligible to run for position as he currently holds RSC Subcommittee Vice-Chair position.
 7. Buffalo RCM seeking clarification on accuracy of statement, and whether to reopen nominations to all willing to partake.
 8. Steering Committee reported Group donations to Area are down
 9. Area Donation to RSC: \$ 0
 10. RITW Events / Fundraisers / Contact Denise S (716) 316-2510:
 - a. Apr 4, NA Court / Judging Defects
 - b. May 2, SJ Sponsor/Sponsee
 - c. Jun, Women's Unity Day
 - d. Jul 18, Men's Unity Day
 - e. Aug 8, Picnic
 11. Meeting Changes & Additions:
 - a. Recovery on the Lake, Saturdays 12pm, 7020 Erie Road, Derby
 - b. Hope & Freedom, Tuesdays 1pm, 750 Wehrle Drive @ Union Road, Cheektowaga
 12. RSC use of copier tabled again
 13. RDA Nomination - James Lowe. See Above.
 14. PI & Lit - no nominations
 15. Regional Convention Pros & Cons - Not done
 16. NF Area voting clarity - BASCNA also unclear
- In Unity & Service, Edward J. Brunner RCM / BASCNA (716) 318-1775
 ejbrunner54@yahoo.com
- Niagara Falls RCM: Report submitted by hand written at RSC retyped by Secretary into minutes as follows: Opening balance \$166.41 Closing Balance \$194.45 Literature order \$300.67 Stock pile \$3705.77 net worth \$3726.56
- We have submitted Niagara Falls Meeting Schedules to the RSC.
- Voted on having Convention in this Area? 10yes
- For RDA Jim L. & Ken S. Ken Declined
- Niagara Falls would like to hold a learning day possibly in June
- All Positions are currently filled in our area.
- ILS, Melvin J.

Ni-O: No written report; Closing Balance \$617.00, Phone line up and running 716-476-6992, sponsoring a learning day today at 185 Locust Street \$200.00 Donation to Region
Alle-Cat: No written report \$25.00 opening Balance, Closing Balance \$0.00 No regional donation, increased area meetings from 2 a week to 7 a week, GSR, Literature, RCM & RCM-alt positions filled in their area. Will be planning a speaker jam for May, working with local ½ way houses, rehab and supportive living within their area. Requests a undisclosed sum from region to purchase literature from BALCNA. See motion in new business. Discussion Ensued.
Secretary: Not present, No report. Sub present

Chair Report:

03-21-09

To: WNYRSCNA

From: Mark T.

Subject: RSC Chair Report

Hello family:

Welcome to the Chautauqua area for today's meeting. The coffee and meeting space is that of the our choice home group. Thanks to Dan S. for securing the facility and Ronnie B. for opening the church for us today. The facility is ours until 6 PM tonight. The fee for rent is 10.00 dollars and the our choice group is asking for a 5.00 dollar donation for today's coffee.

I believe that many of the executive committee and sub committee positions will be voted on in May 2009. We will review our by-laws today. If this is correct, we can open nominations for those positions today, close nominations at our May 2009 meeting and vote in July 2009.

The issue of the proper use of our tax exempt certificate hopefully will be put to bed today.

The convention committee by-laws ad hoc committee should be giving us a report today.

We will find out today from the RCM's if the four areas of Western New York want the WNYRSC to continue in the convention business.

Hopefully, with the response sent to an attorney representing James Ware, we will finally be done with last year's convention.

And lastly, we should have a report from Phyllis C., the activities committee chair, regarding her upcoming learning day in June and her proposed budget.

ILS

Mark T.

WNYRSCNA chair

Western New York Regional Service

Committee of Narcotics Anonymous

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Buffalo, NY 14207-0151

January 19, 2009

Ronald D. Anton, Esq.
Key Bank Building
800 Main Street, Suite 1A
Niagara Falls, NY 14301
RE: Mr. James Ware

Dear Sir:

In reference to your letter dated November 24, 2008 stating that the Western New York Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous (WNYRSCNA) owes Mr. Ware \$750, please be advised that the WNYRSCNA finds this allegation to be a complete fabrication.

In the course of our business we have contractual arrangements with vendors, entertainers and other providers of necessary services; however we are not aware of any employment agreement or independent contractor agreement with Mr. Ware.

If you would be so kind, please have Mr. Ware make available to this body his employment agreement or independent contractor agreement so that we can verify any financial liability we may have with regard to this matter.

If Mr. Ware is unable to produce documentation that supports his claim we will consider this matter closed.

Sincerely,

Heather Filyaw
Secretary, WNYRSCNA

Vice chair: Not present no report submitted

Sub Committee Reports

H&I: No written report, Requesting Budget for Stamps ink envelopes etc.

PI: Open Position

Literature: Open Position

Activities: REGIONAL ACTIVITIES REPORT

Good afternoon. Sorry for my absence, personal and family reason.

But I have been communicating with some people from different areas who are willing to help with the learning day in June. I have also been making announcement of different events that I know about that going on in the regions. I was asked to make a budget of what I would need to have these two learning days, I assume that, with food and drinks and the rental space that I can put on two events with \$750.00. So I am requesting a check for \$375.00 which is half for the learning day in June. Which will cover the food and the rental space.. The learning day will be Saturday June 13th, Those interested in being of service, please call (716)566-0395.

Yours in service,

Phyllis C

Ad-Hoc Reports

Policy: Guideline review report:

We met from 11:00-12:00 noon just before the regional meeting in Jamestown, NY. There were about 6 people in attendance. We made great progress reviewing a very sensitive and confusing area. We continue to move ahead steadily on our project. We are pretty close to completing our first review of the by-laws with only one section left. Our next meeting will be held an hour before our next regional meeting, at 11:00am in Lockport, NY on May 16th.

In Service

Dave M.

Website: 3-21-09

To: W.N.Y.R.S.C.N.A.

From: Michael B., Trusted Servant

Ad-hoc web site committee

W.N.Y.R.S.C.N.A.

Subject: 3-21-09-web site report

Hello family:

I no longer have FTP access to the website to upload or download pages. I will be working with Mark to correct this issue. I have been able to access the Monster controls to view site visits to the chat. The minuets from the last meeting have been posted. Updates have been made as they become available. If you have any information your area needs posted to the site please contact us.

In loving service,

Michael B.
Mark T.
Web site committee

Reopened Meeting @ 2:47 pm
WNYRCCNA: Regarding Convention Committee guideline review,
Kenneth S.

3/21/09

Ad Hoc. Convention Committee Guideline Review/Recommendations Report;

- I've contacted Earlie Harris on multiple occasions. It appears that he is quite busy formulating the Convention Committee that he chairs, Registration. He has assured me however that he will make the time available shortly.
- Ralph W. who's input I requested is involved in the frenzy of initializing a Convention Committee as well. He also assured me that he would make himself available shortly.
- I have begun to infuse the modifications/recommendations that were apart of my report at the January meeting titled "Lessons Learned".
- Because of the grammatical errors, misspelled and omitted words on the original document, I've begun making the changes in red so that when the document is reviewed by this body, in its finished state, the changes will be readily visible and more easily "ok'd" or "stricken".

Kenneth S.

Convention Chair: No report submitted to secretary via email. Lengthy discussion ensued with convention committee vice chair.

Treasurer's Report: No report submitted via email.

Old Business:

New Business/Resource Assignments:

1. Motion #1 reading: To give Alle-cat Area 250.00 for start up literature. Signed Bob B. motion carried (discussion ensued)
2. Motion #2 reading: to donate \$3753.43 to the WSO. Signed Bob B. 2nd'd motion carried.
3. RCM's to take questions back to areas and home groups; Frequency of Convention, time of year, location. Open RSC positions; PI chair, Regional Chair, Regional vice chair, Nominations: RSC chair Mark T. accepted, RSC Treasurer Susan M. Accepted

Closing Treasury Balance: \$8405.43

Meeting Closed @ reasonable time with prayer of some kind. =)

In Loving Service,
Minutes taken by Retha D.

Typed and deciphered to the best of her ability by,
Heather F.