

# S.H.A.S.C.N.A.

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April 2016

Secretaries Report/Area Service Committee Minutes, Held at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer.

The Twelve Concepts and the Twelve Traditions were read.

Executive Committee Report

Welcome any new committee members

Roll call of trusted servants

Acceptance of last month's minutes. Minutes were accepted.

<i>Position</i>	<i>Attendance</i>
Chair	Present
Vice Chair	Present
Secretary	Present
Vice Secretary	Absent
Treasurer	Present
H&I Chair	Absent
Vice Treasurer	<b><u>Vacant</u></b>
RCM	Present
RCM Alternate	Present
Spiritual Retreat Chair	Absent
A.B.R. Rep	<b><u>Vacant</u></b>
Convention Liaison	<b><u>Vacant</u></b>
P.R CHAIR	Present

Group Name	Attendance	Group Name	Attendance	Group Name	Attendance	Group Name	Attendance
Beginners Group	Absent	Better Change	Present (\$80)	By the Book	Present	Do It Now	Absent
Dormont Group	Present	Experience The Change	Present (\$60)	Feels Like Family	Present	Food For Thought	Absent
Freedom From The blvd.	Present (\$100)	Freedom To Change	Present (\$50)	Fri. Night Lights	Present (\$50)	Getting better Everyday	Present

Gimme Shelter	Absent	Gimme More Shelter	Present	Give Yourself A Chance	Absent	Greentree Group	Present (\$50)
High Noon	Present	Jefferson Group	Present (\$102.22)	Just Recovery	Absent	Keep it Simple	Present
Lie is Dead	Absent	Life after Death	Absent	Ladies First	Present	Miracles Happen	Present (\$50)
Mondays Mens Group	Absent	Monday Noon	Absent	Morning Glory	Present (\$230)	Mount Lebanon Group	Present
Password is Recovery	Absent	Pioneer Group	Present (\$50)	Recovery on the Mount	Absent	Recovery Sunday	Absent
Restored to Sanity	Absent	Sanctuary	Present	Sat. Morning Cartoon Alt.	Present (\$200)	See the Light	Absent
Thursday Noon	Present (\$100)	Tuesday Noon with Vigilance	Present	Uncommon Meeting	Absent	Under One Roof	Present
Unity in Carrick	Present (\$12)	Upper St. Clair	Absent	USC Rec, Center Group	Present	We Are Miracles	Absent
Winners Never Quit	Absent						

There were 24 voting GSR's.

**The following positions are still open at the area level:**

Convention Liaison- 2 years

ABR-3 years

**Anyone interested must have a working knowledge of the 12/12 the willingness to serve and, a South Hills Area home group, and a home group nomination. They should bring the nomination with them to the next area service meeting on February 7th, 2015**

**Trusted Servant Reports:**

**H&I:** Verbal accepted.

**RCM Report:** Verbal accepted

**PR:** None

**Spiritual Retreat:** None

**Treasure Report:** Written & verbal accepted.

**Abr Report:** none

**Convention Liaison Report:** None

**Sharing Session:**

**Old Business:**

**Motion 1:** In Guidelines to change Retreat Budget from “Prudence Reserve of no Less than \$1500 and no more than \$2000” to, “A prudent reserve of \$2000 shall be maintained”

**Intent:** To clarify the language in Policy and to allow for rise in expenses.

**PASSED**

**World Board Motions:**

**Motion 2:** To approve the book contained in Addendum A, “Guiding Principles: Spirit of Our Traditions,” as Fellowship-approved recovery literature.

**Intent:** To have an additional piece of Fellowship-approved material available about our Traditions for use by NA members, groups, and service committees.

**PASSED**

**Motion 3:** To approve the following changes to the World Board External Guidelines contained in A Guide to World Services in NA (GWSNA):

To change the size of the Board from up to 18 members to up to 15 members.

To remove the obligation for staggered terms if more than eight (8) members are elected at one time.

To change the limitation from two consecutive terms to two terms in a lifetime.

**Intent:** There are actually three intents: one to reduce the maximum size of the World Board for effectiveness and financial sustainability; second, to eliminate the requirement for terms of less than six years for some members; and third, to limit the number of terms for which any members is eligible for election to the World Board.

**PASSED**

**Regional Motions:**

**Motion 4:** That the NA World Board develop a project plan which includes a budget and timeline to create an informational pamphlet specifically about mental illness and recovery for consideration at the 2018 World Service Conference.

**Intent:** To have a fellowship approved, clear Narcotics Anonymous message about the important issue of mental illness and recovery that is available in a pamphlet format.

**PASSED**

**Motion 5:** That all future approved World Board Minutes be posted on no.org for download.

**Intent:** To create accessibility to all World Board minutes

**PASSED**

**Motion 6:** That all Financial Reporting for the World Convention of Narcotics Anonymous be provided in a detailed line item format and not in a summary as is currently available. This report will be posted on na.org and be downloadable

**Intent:** Financial Transparency

**PASSED**

**Motion 7:** That all face to face World Board Meetings be open to any NA member on a space available basis; unless the topic(s) being discussed are required by law to be confidential.

**Intent:** To return the WB to the common practice that other NA boards and committees follow.

**PASSED**

**Motion 8:** That if there continues to be WSC Participants Discussion Board on NA.org that it be accessible to non WSC participant; only for viewing, not posting.

**Intent:** To allow any interested member to see what our WSC participants are discussing regarding fellowship and world service issues.

**PASSED**

**Motion 9:** To direct NAWS to produce a low-cost paperback English version of the Basic Text which contains only the first ten chapters called “Our Program”.

**Intent:** To provide a cost effective means to carry our message and fulfill our primary purpose.

**FAILED**

**Motion 10:** To direct the World Board to post a PDF version of all approved English and translated Basic Texts on na.org for free download.

**Intent:** To provide no cost access to our main piece of recovery literature.

**PASSED**

**Motion 11:** To hold every other WSC outside the US and to begin this rotation with WSC 2020 to be held in Moscow, Russia.

**Intent:** To launch rotation of the location of the WSC in order to provide local fellowships around the world new opportunities for growth and development.

**FAILED**

**Motion 12:** To allow a delegate from any Zonal Forum who requests to be seated at the WSC as a non-voting participant. The expense of attendance will be the responsibility of the Zonal Forum and not the WSC.

**Intent:** To involve zones at the WSC.

**FAILED**

**Motion 13:** That Narcotics Anonymous World Service add the following “What is NA Service” card as part of the Group Readings offered by the World Service Office. What is the NA Service? This is a very important integrant of our recovery, this is how our gratitude speaks, yet this is a way to carry the message of recovery to those addicts who still suffer. We usually begin being of service in NA making coffee/tea or cleaning our rooms after meetings. As we get some experience serving at the group level, many of us try ourselves out at a different point of service structure, for instance, - area or region. Being of service in NA is for any of us. True service can be expressed by simple words quoted from the Basic Text :< True service is “doing the right things for the right reasons”>. Being of service at a group level helps to strengthen the very foundation of our recovery because it could probably be the first time when we do something for others without seeking to profit, expecting nothing in return. Serving at a group is another motive that helps us to attend meetings regularly. And our experience tells us that those who keep coming back regularly stay clean. Being of service in NA is our gratitude to the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous for a new clean life. Many of us always wanted to be “a part of something”. Service in NA indeed gives us a chance to become a part of a fellowship that saves our lives and helps addicts all over the world to stay clean and follow the way of recovery.

**Intent:** To provide NA groups with an approved piece of literature to use as a tool to foster a culture of getting involved into service.

**FAILED**

**Motion 14:** Each World Board member votes only in Elections and may make motions in all sessions. The World Board has one collective vote (made by the Chairperson of the World Board) in new business sessions.

**Intent:** This motion would change World Board voting in a new business from (up to) 18 individual votes to one collective vote.

**ABSTAINED**

**Motion 15:** That the World Board or members of the World Board no longer make motions or proposals for decision at the WSC. The World Board may still forward ideas or work that regional delegates may present as a motion or proposal to the WSC for a decision.

**Intent:** To remove the ability of the World Board and World Board Members to make motions or proposals in old business or new business at the WSC.

**ABSTAINED**

**Motion 1:** To nominate Pat B. for Merchandise Chair of Tri-State Regional Retreat 34.

**Intent:** To fill position and serve the fellowship

**PASSED**

**Motion 2:** to nominate Donny C. as Area Vice Treasurer

**Intent:** To fill vacant position

**PASSED**

**New Business:**

**Regional Positions:**

Open Positions - Chair, vice – chair, secretary, Public Relations Chair, Literature Chair, Additional needs Chair, P&A Chair, RDA and BOD at large positions, Web Vice – chair, Treasurer, Out Reach Chair

**\*\*\*The next ASC is scheduled for May 1<sup>st</sup> 2016\*\*\***

**H&I Subcommittee meets @ 1:30PM**

**South Hills Spiritual Retreat Committee** Meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 6pm at Gimme More Shelter.

**PR Subcommittee** Meet the first Sunday of each month at 4:30 after Area Service.

**Meeting Attendance AD-HOK** Meets every Tuesday at 11:30 Saint Episcopal Church

Yours in Service,

Danni M.