

# Eastern PA Regional Service Minutes

August 7, 2005

- 2:00pm Meeting called to order with the Serenity Prayer.
- 12 Traditions read by: Mike S.
- 12 Concepts read by: Tim R.
- Last month's minutes read and accepted.
- Roll Call:

RSC Chair	Hadi M.
RSC Co-Chair	<i>Position Open</i>
Secretary	Michele M.
Co-Secretary	Lin M.
Treasurer	Dick R.
Co-Treasurer	<i>Position Open</i>
Literature Review	<i>Position Open</i>
H & I	Tom F.
PI/Helpline	Tim R.
Activities	<i>Position Open</i>
Policy	<i>Position Open</i>
Meeting List	Mike S.
Regional Delegate	Henry D.
RD Alt.	Merle H.
RCM Beehive	<i>Not Present</i>
RCM Bucks Co.	Brian D.
RCM Mont. Co.	Walter E.
RCM Pure & Simple	Michelle B.

- Quorum met.

**Regional Delegate Report:** The July 2005 Zonal Forum was hosted by the Region of the Virginians on July 30, 2005. The RD, RDA and the H&I chair from EPARNA were in attendance. The other regions in attendance included the Chesapeake Potomac Region, Free State Region, Greater Philadelphia Region, Region of the Virginians, and Mountaineer Region. The regions shared their challenges and gave regional reports. Our report included information about our meeting list, that we are carrying 180 H&I meetings, our discussions about CAR voting, and that we are looking to invite other areas to our region. We handed out some of our meeting lists to share with the other regions. There was discussion regarding Public Image and the NA Infrastructure, and how attending members related their region to feedback from MARLCNA as well as at the World Wide Workshop. The emphasis of that discussion was on groups leaving a meeting place clean, groups that have lost meetings due to leaving cigarette butts on the ground, as well as handling disruptions during a meeting. We set the agenda for the next AZF to include discussion regarding the CAR. This AZF will take place in January in the Free State Region (Baltimore.) On July 30, the RD, RDA, and the H&I Chair were in Martinsburg, West Virginia for the Zonal Forum. Allowing that we were voted in at the end of the regional meeting in June, we did not make a budget request at that time. In the future, any budget requests will be made prior to the time when needed so the region can reach group conscience when approving monies spent. The RD contacted the Regional chair to discuss this matter. We will submit a receipt in new business for one nights stay.

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In loving service, Henry D. and Merle H.

## Area Reports

**Beehive:** *Not Present.*

**Bucks County:** Bucks County met July 31<sup>st</sup> in Levittown. Elections were filled, but there are still many that need to be filled. Open positions include: Co-Secretary, Co-Treasurer, Cleansheet, Lit. Review, and Meeting List. I neglected to pickup the \$220 donation. I will get it, and mail it to the treasurer. We voted to have a convention in the near future. Nominations for Convention Chair are out and will be voted on next month. Carl G. was elected Alt. RCM.

In loving service, Brian D.

**Montgomery County:** Our area is doing well for the most part, however there are some groups that are in jeopardy of losing their meeting places. One of the issues is some of the places are asking for insurance verifications from the groups. The other is cost. This seems to be a growing problem throughout the region. Montco Area will be hosting a Speaker Bash and Picnic Sept. 4 behind Building 50, Norristown State Hospital 12-8pm. Donation of \$5.00; food-fun-fellowship. Positions filled are as follows: Unity/Activities – Claudia, Meeting List – Amanda. Our area donation to the region is \$579.76.

In loving service, Walter E.

**Pure and Simple:** Picnic going on at Peace Valley until 6pm. Adhoc Committee was formed for insurance. Things are well. I will be resigning today with my RCM commitment. It was a pleasure serving. Thanks for your support. A new meeting joined our area: “Recover or Die” Saturdays 4pm-5:15pm at 30 W. Hancock St. (Behind Pet Groomer) in Lansdale. Donation \$773.00.

In loving service, Michelle B.

## Subcommittee Reports

**H&I:** *See attachment.*

**Meeting List:** The Meeting List subcommittee met today. In attendance were myself and the Montco Chair. The meeting lists were counted and distributed. Unfortunately, there were only 2,500 lists because the printer ran into a problem. However there were 3,700 last regional meeting, so it all equals out. Next month I will not be here, so the committee will meet next in October.

In loving service, Mike S.

**PI:** *See attachment.*

## Old Business

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- **Letter from the GPRSO** Discussion moved back to Open Forum.
- **Little Apple Area** Henry D. and Tim R. attended a group conscience of one of the Little Apple Area's groups and answered questions about our region. Their group may consider asking their area to form an Adhoc committee to explore the possibility of joining our region.

## Treasurer Report

- Note: The closing balance at the last Regional Service was off by +\$50.00. A Beehive donation of \$40.39 was added to the revised closing balance on 8/1/05 bringing our closing balance to \$5,678.97.
- This month's transactions:

Check#	Description	Amount
	Opening Balance	5678.97
	Pure and Simple Donation	772.35
	Montco Donation	579.76
	Balance After Donations	7031.08
151	St. Marks Lutheran Church – Rent	-50.00
152	Signius – Phoneline	-704.35
153	Postmaster – P.O. Box	-44.00
154	Mike Sultan – Meeting List Printing	-183.21
155	Henry Dietz – Autonomy Zonal Forum	-123.17
	<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>5926.35</b>

## New Business

- **Motion by RD/ RD Alt.** *We are requesting reimbursement for one night's stay, 1 male + female room. Total cost: \$123.17. Intent: in light of the new positions, we were unable to present this request prior to the zonal forum. Motion passes U.*

- **Motion by RD/ RD Alt.** *Budget for the fiscal year 2006.*

A) WSC '06 - \$725.00

B) MARLCNA - \$150.00

C) C.A.R. Workshops - \$100.00

*No per diems will be included and all amounts are approximate. Intent is to start the process of our inclusion into the World Service Conference recognition.*

Motion passes U.

## Open Forum

- **Letter from the GPRSO** Discussion continued as to how we should act in response to the letter from the GPRSO stating that we owe them additional monies for shared services (originally brought up on the floor in June). An Adhoc committee was formed and will be meeting before the next RSC meeting in order

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to research the appropriate course of action. Points to be considered: legal obligations, future World Service recognition, our primary purpose, etc.

- **3:10pm Meeting closes with the Serenity Prayer.**

Regional Services	Subcommittees
February 6 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm	February 6 <sup>th</sup> and March 6 <sup>th</sup> at 1pm
April 3 <sup>rd</sup> at 2pm	April 3 <sup>rd</sup> and May 1 <sup>st</sup> at 1pm
June 5 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm	June 5 <sup>th</sup> and July 3 <sup>rd</sup> at 1pm
August 7 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm	August 7 <sup>th</sup> and September 4 <sup>th</sup> at 1pm
October 2 <sup>nd</sup> at 2pm	October 2 <sup>nd</sup> and November 6 <sup>th</sup> at 1pm
December 4 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm	December 4 <sup>th</sup> and January 1 <sup>st</sup> at 1pm

*\*Dates and times are subject to change.*

### Position Open at Region:

**Co-Chair • Co-Treasurer • Lit. Review • Policy • Activities**

### Announcements:

- **Bucks County Labor Day Picnic –**

September 5<sup>th</sup> from Noon-Dusk at Hickory Nut Grove in Tyler State Park in Newtown

- **Montco Speaker Bash and Picnic –**

September 4th behind Building 50, Norristown State Hospital 12-8pm.  
Donation of \$5.00; food-fun-fellowship

- **Beehive's Serenity Sleepout XXII –**

Labor Day Weekend at Ricketts Glenn State Park in Benton  
Cost is \$10 per person, \$5 kids 6-12, 5 and under are free

- **B.H.A.B.C.N.A. XVI 2005 Birthday Convention –**

November 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> at the Ramada Inn in Wilkes-Barre  
Registration is \$10 through October 31<sup>st</sup>, \$20 after October 31<sup>st</sup>