Eastern Pennsylvania Region of Narcotics Anonymous
Regional Service Committee Report

MEETING MINUTES

The EPARNA RSC was called to order on
Sunday – April 3, 2011 at 2:08PM
by the EPARNA RSC's Chair with a moment
of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

12 Traditions was read by: Suzanne
12 Concepts was read by: Michael J.

ROLL CALL:

REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE							
Position:	**Name:**	**Attendance 2011:**					
		FEB.	APR.	JUNE	AUG.	OCT.	DEC.
Chair	Tom F.	P	P				
Co-Chair	*Open*	-	-				
Secretary	Kim D.	P	P				
Co-Secretary	*Open*	-	-				
Treasurer	Todd S.	P	P				
Co-Treasurer	Sarah S.	P	P				
Regional Delegate (RD)	*Open*	-	-				
RD Alternate	*Open*	-	-				
RCM Bucks County	Jim B.	P	P				
RCM MontCo	Ed S.	P	P				
RCM Pure & Simple	Suzanne (proxy)	P	P				
RCM Twin Rivers	A.J. B.	P	P				
REGIONAL SERVICE SUB-COMMITTEES							
Position:	**Name:**	**Attendance 2011:**					
		FEB.	APR.	JUNE	AUG.	OCT.	DEC.
H&I	*Open*	-	-				
Policy	*Open*	-	-				
PI	Milton	A	A				
Unity	*Open*	-	-				
Newsletter (Clean Sheet)	*Open*	-	-				
Literature Review	*Open*	-	-				
Communications	Michael J.	P	P				

Quorum: 4 out of 4.
Quorum is met.

Last month's minutes were read by: Kim D.
Motion to accept last month's minutes by: A.J. B.
Seconded by: Todd S.

AREA REPORTS:

Bucks County:
"Hi family,
All is well in Bucks County. We have one open position, Co-Secretary. Upcoming activities are bowling night (April 22nd) and a Memorial Day picnic on May 30th at Tyler State Park. We have currently started a discussion about a Convention and also keeping the position of Convention Chair permanent. This is all preliminary and we'll keep the Region updated. We have also established the position of Webmaster with elections in April. Bucks County is making a Regional Donation of $500.00. I would also like to introduce to the Region body, Bucks County Alternate RCM – Chris C. We are concerned about all open positions at the Regional level. How do we pick up support? Also we would like to talk about the Regional Meeting location.

In Loving Service,
Jim B."

MontCo:
"MontCo Area has donated to EPARNA an amount of $570.69. There was a bowling night, this past month that was well attended. Upcoming event is the 'Lost Prom' – at Olivet Schwenkfelder Church, June 11 from 9pm to 1am. Semi-formal attire. Also this past month at our Area meeting, we had Jimbo of GPRNA visit and regarded he needed support with volunteers for GPRNA Phone line who have been receiving calls that are from the MontCo Area and needed direction on how to get to a meeting."

Pure & Simple:
"I am carrying the Area's voting confidence, also considering taking the RCM position for Pure & Simple Area. I will have a more thorough report next meeting.

Suzanne (proxy)"

Twin Rivers:
"The noon meeting is up and running and we have had another group join our Area in February.

Our H&I committee is still in need of support, particularly for female facilities and our PI could use some general assistance. Sub-committee meeting information is at the bottom of report. There is currently some discussion about holding a Learning Day in late May. We will forward a flyer for the website as soon as details become available.

Our Area has had increasing difficulty with our Literature orders and wants to get more information on getting our orders from Philadelphia. Our March order took almost four weeks to receive after ordering.

*- Has any of the EPARNA Areas discussed the **United States Fellowship Assembly***
*- Are any of the EPARNA Areas or GPRNA Areas holding any **Service System Workshops** in the coming months*
*- Does EPARNA feel that the **Service System Proposal** sufficiently address the needs of the fellowship*

We have no Regional donation is month. We have no nominations or motions this month.

Thank you,
A.J. B.

**NEW* Westside Sunday Night – Sundays, 7:00-8:00pm (Basic Text / Rotating Topic) at Rosemont Lutheran Church, 16th and Broad Street – 1705 West Broad Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018*

**NEW* Just42day Group – Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 12-1:30pm (Rotating Topic) at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 3771 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, PA 18020*

Twin Rivers Area – Sub-Committees meet 3rd Saturday of the month, 1-2pm at First Presbyterian Church, 333 Spring Garden Street, Easton, PA 18042

Twin Rivers Area – Area Service Meeting meet 3rd Saturday of the month from 2-4pm at Trinity Episcopal Church, 234 Spring Garden Street, Easton, PA 18042"

REGIONAL DELEGATE REPORT:
Open position, no report.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:
H&I, Chair position is open – *H&I Chairs from Bucks and Pure & Simple Areas met. All meetings are going well at present. Bucks County Women's Prison commitment was talked about with the hope of finding new women to serve between Areas. Also Sub-Committee discussed on how to fill the vacant Region H&I Chair position, if not permanently at least temporarily. In attendance today was Joe S. (Bucks County H&I Chair) and Joe L. (Pure & Simple H&I Chair).*
Policy, Chair position is open – no meeting, no report.
PI, Chair was absent – *Rick W (Bucks County PI Chair) was present and brought a Meeting List from the Lower Bucks Area.* No meeting – no report.
Unity, Chair position is open – no meeting, no report.
Newsletter (Clean Sheet) – Chair position is open – no meeting, no report.
Communications – Michael J.
"Greetings,
I was here at 1pm. Rick W. (Bucks County PI Chair) came to attend the PI meeting; EPARNA PI Chair was not here so we had an informal discussion about the Bucks County website. I was contacted by the Philly Phoneline Chair. I have yet to get final details, but the message was about sharing contact information.

In Loving Service,
Michael J."

TREASURER'S REPORT:
Attached in a separate .PDF file.

There were questions regarding treasury that the Treasurer had answered. Such as, Suzanne inquired about the Insurance policy and what's covered under our Insurance policy? Todd S. confirmed that it's the meeting locations of all EPARNA's home groups, unity events, etc. Chris C. (Alternate RCM of Bucks County) asked about the bills and Region's donations, that if they were only done once every two months. Todd S. verified that it's bills we pay bi-monthly (due to the fact, RSC meets twice a month) and make World Services donations bi-yearly. Kim D. made a motion to donate the amount of $2,360.48 to WSO, Ed S. seconded. All in-favor. ***Motion passed.***

~ BREAK ~
The RSC Chair opened meeting back open with a moment of silence,
followed by the Serenity Prayer at approximately 3:14pm.

OLD BUSINESS:
None.

NEW BUSINESS:
A.J. B. (RCM Twin Rivers) inquired about Merle H. and if there was any report on the events she had attended. Tom F. (RSC Chair) said he would get in contact with Merle H. and find out his unanswered questions due to Merle H. was not present at Region.

OPEN FORUM:
Jim B. (RCM Bucks County) brought up discussion on the RSC Meeting Location. Also brought up by Jim B. were

the unfilled positions on the regional level and of how to get people in-service?

A.J. B. (RCM Twin Rivers) mentioned NA Workshops – Service Structure Project, as well as United States Fellowship Assembly of NA (which focuses on specific issues and problems).

Ed S. (RCM MontCo) was looking to see if any other Areas had experience with the World Service Board of Trustees Bulletin #29 – "Regarding Methadone and Other Drug Replacement Programs".

Todd S. (RSC Treasurer) mentioned that he had the participation of a PI presentation table setup at a NAR-ANON Convention since the PI Chair was unreachable and there is no support on the Area level from where this Convention was taken place (MontCo). But brought up that if that this issue should be something that the Area handles that the event corresponds with, or should it be brought to the Region. As well as, something new to the MontCo Area is a Special Interest group; the "Men Stepping Up Group" has joined MontCo.

Tom F. (RSC Chair) pointed out that this would be Milton's second absence, and as per EPARNA Policy (two unexcused absences) he is to be removed from his position. Todd S. (RSC Treasurer) motioned to enforce EPARNA Policy and remove Milton of the position of PI Chair. Kim seconded this motion. All in-favor. ***Motion passed.*** *This would now make ten (10) open positions at EPARNA.*

As per last month's Open Forum:

No one had nominations for any of the open positions. Tom F. (RSC Chair) encouraged that all RCMs take back to their Areas that the positions need fulfilling. The following open positions [in brackets is the Cleantime Requirement] are:

1) RSC Co-Chair [5 years]
2) RSC Co-Secretary [2 years]
3) Regional Delegate (RD) [5 years]
4) RD Alternate [5 years]
5) H&I Chair [3 years]
6) Policy Chair [3 years]
7) Unity Chair [3 years]
8) Newsletter (Clean Sheet) Chair [2 years]
9) Literature Review Chair [3 years]
10) Public Information (PI) Chair [3 years]

**** See EPARNA Policy for Qualifications and Duties of each position. ****

Jim B. (RCM Bucks County) motioned to close, and with Ed S. (RCM MontCo) seconding this motion – we closed at approximately 4:25pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Regional Service Committee	**Regional Service Sub-Committees**
Sunday, June 5 at 2:00 pm	**Sunday, June 5 at 1:00 pm**
Sunday, August 7 at 2:00 pm	**Sunday, August 7 at 1:00 pm**
Sunday, October 2 at 2:00 pm	**Sunday, October 2 at 1:00 pm**
Sunday, December 4 at 2:00 pm	**Sunday, December 4 at 1:00 pm**