

Eastern Pennsylvania Region of Narcotics Anonymous Regional Service Committee Report

MEETING MINUTES

The EPARNA RSC Meeting was called to order on
SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2014 at 2:05 PM by the Region Chair
with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

12 Traditions were read by Matt F.
12 Concepts were read by Rick D.
NA Vision Statement was read by Evan V.

Regional Chair asked for a show of hands of RCMs, 3 out of 4. Quorum is met.
Last Region's minutes (February 2015) were read by Derek Y, secretary.
Minutes were accepted as read, with no opposition.

ROLL CALL

| REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE | | | | | | | | |
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| POSITION | NAME | AREA | ATTENDANCE (2015) | | | | | |
| | | | FEB | APR | JUN | AUG | OCT | DEC |
| Chair | Harry D | Pure&Simple | P | P | | | | |
| Co-Chair | Jill G. | Bucks | P | P | | | | |
| Secretary | Derek Y. | Bucks | P | P | | | | |
| Co-Secretary | <i>Vacant</i> | | V | V | | | | |
| Treasurer | Tim R. | Montco | P | P | | | | |
| Co-Treasurer | <i>Vacant</i> | | V | V | | | | |
| Regional Delegate "RD" | Merle S. | Montco | P | P | | | | |
| RD Alternate | <i>Vacant</i> | | V | V | | | | |
| RCM, Bucks | Evan V. | Bucks | P | P | | | | |
| RCM, Montco | Duane S. | Montco | P | P | | | | |
| RCM, Pure & Simple | Angelique F. | Pure&Simple | A | P | | | | |
| RCM, Twin Rivers | AJ B. (<i>acting</i>) | Twin Rivers | P | P | | | | |
| REGIONAL SERVICE SUBCOMMITTEES | | | | | | | | |
| POSITION | NAME | AREA | FEB | APR | JUN | AUG | OCT | DEC |
| H&I Chair | <i>Vacant</i> | | V | V | | | | |
| Policy Chair | <i>Vacant</i> | | V | V | | | | |
| PI Chair | Rick D. | Bucks | P | P | | | | |
| Unity Chair | <i>Vacant</i> | | V | V | | | | |
| Newsletter (Clean Sheet) Chair | <i>Vacant</i> | | V | V | | | | |
| Literature Review Chair | <i>Vacant</i> | | V | V | | | | |
| Meeting List Chair | <i>Vacant</i> | | V | V | | | | |

| AREA REPORTS | |
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| Bucks County – Evan V. | <p>Bucks county area is doing well. Our area convention was a huge success. There was a motion made to keep \$10,000 dollars from the profits of the convention to keep as seed money to help start another convention. The motion passed. There was another \$5,000 left over from convention profits that will be voted on what to do with at our next area meeting.</p> <p>We have a February donation of \$208.65 and March donation for \$750. Our total regional donation is \$958.65. There was also a motion to combine pi and pr into one at the regional level that passed. We currently have a few open positions at our area including co secretary ,alt rcm, and convention chair. We are currently serving 42 home groups . Thanks Evan</p> |
| Montco – Duane S. | <p>My name is Duane and I'm an addict. I'm the new RCM for Montco. Montco is serving 34 groups in total.</p> <p>New group: "Hope in Hatboro" on Wednesdays @ 7pm in Hatboro at the Church of Advent Episcopal church.</p> <p>Donaation: \$584.14</p> <p>H&I needs support for Montco correctional facility, both men and women's side. Contact Alicia W (aliciaward87 -at- gmail.com), Dave F (jdfarrell /at/ verizon.net), and/or Chris L (chrislennox "at" comcast.net) for more info.</p> <p>Unity is hosting NA's Got Talent show. Acts ranging from comedy, music, dance, and spoken word. This event will take place on Saturday May 2nd from 7-11pm at Valley View Community Church in Audubon (778 Sunnyside Ave). A suggested donation of \$7 and covered dish.</p> <p>All positions are filled. Next ASC is April 26, subcommittees 10:30am, area 12pm. ILS, Duane S.</p> |
| Pure & Simple – Angelique F. | <p>Pure & Simple just had our elections. All positions were filled except for Alternate RCM, co-treasurer, literature, meeting list, and unity committee chairs. We donated \$878.11 to the region.</p> <p>Unity committee is hosting a speaker jam on Saturday, May 2, 12-9pm at Pleasantville church in Chalfont.</p> <p>In loving service, Angelique F.</p> |
| Twin Rivers – Vacant | Nothing new to report. |

REGIONAL DELEGATE (RD) REPORT

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| <p>Regional Delegate Merle S.</p> | <p>RD Regional Report April 5, 2015</p> <p>World Seating: Last RSC, it was decided by 3 of the 4 areas to not go forward at this time to seek seating at World. I have also had discussions with Twin Rivers during their last area service meeting about this decision. This decision is something we can put on the table again after WSC 2016, and at that time, there may be further information regarding the</p> |
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seating criteria. Part of the process may be to have zonal seating, which is why the Autonomy Zonal Forum is attempting to be more functional, at the direction of our regions (yes, we did have discussions about this on our floor, and agreed with the concept). Further information will be gathered at the World Service Conference in April 2016. In looking ahead, hopefully the region will be supportive of me or a future RD in attending this event.

MARLCNA:

We did some work on the Traditions workbook project in small groups. NAWS discussed the challenges of the World convention in Rio De Janeiro. This will be taking place during June 2015. Another area discussed and of concern is in protecting our NA Copyrights: NAWS is asking for your help protecting NA's property and keeping it safe for the future of our Fellowship. Please join us in taking a stand against illicit production and distribution of our literature. For more information see "NA Literature and Copyrights" posted online at www.na.org/FIPT

Being a non-CAR year, it was a shorter, less intense year at MARLCNA.

Autonomy Zonal Forum:

EPARNA will be hosting the Zonal Forum July 25, 2015, from 11-5. I have contacted the church in Jenkintown and am waiting for confirmation before I put out a flier informing everyone of the date. Some members in our region have offered to assist in the preparation before and during our meeting.

We have our own website, with a new look. Each region has agreed to pay a portion of the bill for domain registration. It is our turn to pay our share. The total request from EPARNA is for \$7.50, which I will forward to the webmaster.

Please visit our new website at www.autonomyzonalforum.org There is a very new look, we are voting on a vision and mission statement at our zonal forum in July. PLEASE TAKE A LOOK AT THESE STATEMENTS, AND LET ME KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE ME TO APPROVE THEM AT OUR NEXT AZF, OR MAKE ANY CHANGES. We worked very hard over the past year to formulate these statements to reflect the zonal forum's purpose and visions. Please participate by viewing the website and these statements and share any input with me, via phone (215-275-3141), email (merlehug@gmail.com) or text message.

Traditions Workbook Project:

Review and Input:: The Introduction and Tradition One have been released for review and input. We want to encourage all members to participate in this process: www.na.org/traditions In the meantime, we still desire input on Traditions 2–12; we hope you will share your experience, strength, and hope with us.

East Coast Convention of NA:

I am the regional liaison for this group. Although there was no timeline as to how long I would remain liaison, I will step down after this year's convention is over. If anyone would like to take on the position as liaison, I would be happy to fill you in on how it works. It is basically a monthly phone meeting.

This convention will take place June 12-14, 2015 at Lakewood, NJ. It will be at The Georgian Court University. More information can be found at www.eccna.org. You can also register online. Please view the website for further information about the convention.

This is a topic for discussion at each area. Please bring back your thoughts to the next RSC meeting:

The Mid-Atlantic region is interested in creating a Pennsylvania Zone. This zone would be comprised of the 4 regions in Pennsylvania, Eastern Pennsylvania, Greater Philadelphia Region, Mid Atlantic Region and Tri-State Region. We believe that this smaller zone all in one state would improve our services better fulfilling our primary purpose, to carry the message to the addict that still suffers. Some things we could do meeting in person as a statewide zone would be create a state website, state phone line, state PR presentations and work better with the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections. Our travel costs to zone would be lower as we would have less distance to travel. Another benefit would be more time to focus on each region and providing services as there would be less regions to give time to.

This is just in the idea stage, it would take interest from each region to make this happen.

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| | Mid Atlantic Region of Narcotics Anonymous In loving service, Merle S. 215-275-3141 |
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| SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS | |
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| H&I | <i>Vacant – No report</i> |
| Policy | <i>Vacant – No report</i> |
| PI / PR – Rick D. | Nothing new to report. |
| Unity Chair | <i>Vacant – No report</i> |
| Newsletter (Clean Sheet) Chair | <i>Vacant – No report</i> |
| Literature Review Chair | <i>Vacant – No report</i> |
| Meeting List Chair | <i>Vacant – No report</i> |

OLD BUSINESS

The following motion went back to our areas to be discussed and voted on after our last (February) regional service committee meeting:

MOTION: To combine the region's H&I and PI subcommittees into one PR subcommittee.

INTENT: We've already been unofficially acting as PR. This would align us with the world PR guidelines.

DESIRED RESULT: To officially become PR at EPARNA.

VOTE: 3 yea / 0 no, **motion passed.**

The RSC discussed making one last payment to Windstream which will cover our help line's old 800 number for another 6 months, to ensure all callers using the old number will still be able to reach us. We will re-evaluate how much the old number is getting used 6 months from now.

TREASURY

Transaction 04-05-15

| | | | | Amount |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| 4/5/2015 | Checking | Opening Balance 4/05/15 | | 2,784.30 |
| DEP | A NEW BEGINING GROUP OF N | chk# 6594 | Donation | 31 |
| DEP | Pure & Simple | chk#1229 | Donation | 150 |
| DEP | Pure & Simple | chk#1233 | Donation | 493.84 |
| DEP | Pure & Simple | chk#1235 | Donation | 234.27 |
| DEP | Bucks County | check# 2633 | Donation | 208.65 |
| DEP | Bucks County Area | Check #2438 | Donation | 750 |
| | 484 Webmastery.Org | | RD | -7.5 |
| | 486 RSC Secretary | Copies | Reimbursement | -30.55 |
| DEP | Montco Area | chk# 1569 | Donation | 584.14 |
| DEP | Twin Rivers | chk# 1021 | Donation | 90 |
| | 485 Voided | | | 0 |
| | 487 Regional Delegate | Funds for Hostin | AZF | 400 |
| | 488 St. Mark's Lutheran Church | Apr-15 | Rent | -25 |
| | 489 Paetec | Account #43958 | Paetec | -180 |
| | 490 Postmaster Palm PA | POBox 271, 2015 Post Office Box | | -84 |
| | 491 World Service Conference | Donation | Contribution | -2,999.15 |
| Closing Balance 4/05/15 | | | | 2,400.00 |
| TOTAL INFLOWS | | | | 2,941.90 |
| TOTAL OUTFLOWS | | | | -3,326.20 |
| Balance Above Prudent Reserve | | | | 0 |

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: To provide \$400 to our Regional Delegate to pay for hosting the Autonomy Zonal Forum to be held July 25, 2015

INTENT: To pay for rent of facility and lunch for all participants

VOTE: 4 yea / 0 no, **motion passed.** *(Due to the financial nature of this motion, only RCMs voted.)*

MOTION: For region to write a check for \$7.50 to pay for EPARNA's share of domain registration for the AZF website

INTENT: To remain financially responsible

VOTE: 0 yea / 0 no, **motion passed.** *(Due to the financial nature of this motion, only RCMs voted.)*

MOTION: To donate \$2,999.15 to NAWS

INTENT: To be financially prudent as a fellowship and honor our regional policy

VOTE: 4 yea / 0 no, **motion passed.** *(Due to the financial nature of this motion, only RCMs voted.)*

MOTION: To pay \$180 to Windstream (our old help line 800 number)

INTENT: To continue carrying the message by continuing to make our help line available to as many

people as possible

VOTE: 4 yea / 0 no, **motion passed.** *(Due to the financial nature of this motion, only RCMs voted.)*

MOTION: To spend \$84 on renewing our post office box subscription

INTENT: To continue being financially self-supporting

VOTE: 4 yea / 0 no, **motion passed.** *(Due to the financial nature of this motion, only RCMs voted.)*

NOMINATIONS / ELECTIONS

Kim nominated Matt F. for co-secretary. Qualifications were read, and Matt stated his qualifications.

Matt nominated Kim D. for co-treasurer. Qualifications were read, and Kim stated her qualifications.

OPEN FORUM

It was decided unanimously to close. We closed at approximately 3:38pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Next RSC meets June 7th, 2015 at 2pm (12:30pm for subcommittees)

| EPARNA 2015 CALENDAR <i>(times are subject to change)</i> | |
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| RSC SUB-COMMITTEE | RSC MEETING |
| Sunday, February 1 at 12:30pm | Sunday, February 1 at 2pm |
| Sunday, April 5 at 12:30pm | Sunday, April 5 at 2pm |
| Sunday, June 7 at 12:30pm | Sunday, June 7 at 2pm |
| Sunday, August 2 at 12:30pm | Sunday, August 2 at 2pm |
| Sunday, October 4 at 12:30pm | Sunday, October 4 at 2pm |
| Sunday, December 6 at 2pm | Sunday, December 6 at 2pm |