

## PASCNA MINUTES

December 01, 2018

**Open Meeting:** 3:03PM

**Meeting Opened:** Lisa

**Serenity Prayer:** All

**Reading of the 12 Traditions:** Jeff, Hugs not Drugs

**Reading of the 12 Concepts:** Lawrence, Change I Must

**Roll Call to Establish Quorum:** 13 GSRs

**General Information:** Lisa S.

Please turn cell phones off/vibrate; we also ask that you please respect the business meeting by not texting; if you need to have a side conversation, please leave the room; turn in donations to Treasurer (please do not give more than \$1 change); home group reports may be read during open forum then turned into the Secretary (GSR's and Subcommittee Chairpersons, please try to write as clearly as possible and remember to put reports on full size sheet of paper with your signature); the literature chair cannot accept personal checks on behalf of home group purchases. Please update the meeting list and/or GSR mailing roster as needed--if you are a new GSR please put your contact information Please clean up after yourself--we should leave the church better than we found it.

**Some announcements at the request of the church (applies to ALL groups that meet at the church):**

- Smoking needs to be limited to the area by the receptacle and away from the entrance. Each group is responsible for cleaning up the butts after meeting
- No firearms (concealed or not)----"GUN FREE ZONE"
- No loitering after the meeting in the parking lot
- Don't park in the middle of the parking lot or block cars in, may impede emergency vehicles if needed
- Children are to be supervised at all times
- There is NOT a public restroom---if random people wander in, we are to ask them to leave (use common sense)
- If there are any changes to the group's contact person, the church needs to be notified
- There will be periodic MANDATORY meetings with the church for ALL groups that use the facility

**Welcome New GSRs:**

**Review and Approve last month's Minutes:**

**Motion to approve minutes:** Anna **Seconded:** Sam

**Passed** / Passed with Corrections / Failed- 13

### **ASC REPORTS**

**ASC Treasurer's Report-** Norman

Hello family, my name is Norman and I am an addict. I am resigning effective immediately, because I have relapsed. As per policy, I am no longer able to serve as area treasurer. However, I have put together this month's report. I have included a copy of the literature committee's report. Last months balance was \$3,861.42 after reconciliation. We deposited \$810.99. With group donations of \$551.99 and literature sales of \$259. Our ending balance should be \$3,569.73 after reconciliation.

In loving service, Norman T.

**RCM Report-** None

**VRCC Report-** Lovely- No written report given. It was verbalized that information is not being passed to our area, because we currently do not have an RCM or RCM alternate.

### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Activities-** Hi family, We met with 8 in attendance. We talked about our bowling event which is Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> from 2-5pm at Century Lanes bowling alley and our chili cook off which is Feb. 16 2pm-4pm at 2510 Armistead Ave. We are asking for \$300.00 today for flyers, venue, and prizes and supplies for both events. In loving service, Sarah A.

\*\*\*The activities were voted on by GSR's per policy via show of hands

**H&I-** Greetings from H & I, All is well. Still in need of committed individuals to join the subcommittee. Presentation went well with the pregnancy program. They were informed that it may take some time. Workshop 12/2/2018 from 2-4, Riverside Behavioral Center. In Loving Service, Ernest J.

**Area Inventory-** Tim B, no written report provided

The Area Inventory will not be held on 12/2/18.

Due to change in Treasurer, per policy an audit has to be conducted. This will be on 12/12/18 at 5 pm at the Tabb Library.

**Public Relations-** See attachment named Public Relations and Webmaster Report

**Webmaster-** See attachment. Also: Good Afternoon family, The website is still going strong. AS of today, I am stepping down from my position as webmaster. Please contact Paula with any web updates for the time being. Thank you for allowing me to serve this past year. It has been a pleasure, ILS, Craig W.

**Literature-** included in Treasurer's report.

**Ad-Hoc-** Open Meeting; 12 Traditions- Audra; 12 Concepts- Vernell; Review/Approval of Minutes: Lawrence 1<sup>st</sup> motion; 2<sup>nd</sup> Audra. Old business- 1. Vernell gave report on Holiday Inn (old Omni), charging \$1000.00 for entire weekend. Rooms \$114.00 a night. Free night for every 40 rooms sold. Waiting on Double Tree by Hilton (Kingsmill) quote who has yet to provide feedback. New date for convention is 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in November, waiting on proposal from NN Marriott.

2. Convention Insurance, attorney, 3 bids; We have gotten 3 bids from Hunter Law Firm, Kaufman and Canoles, and Kalfus and Nachman. \$300 per hour is the going quote. Individual guest rooms are not covered by insurance. Insurance covers the rooms needed by the convention committee. Motion to select 1 of the 3 law firms was motioned by Vernell and Audra 2<sup>nd</sup>, Hunter Law was selected for the contract.

3. Chair and Co-chair attended TACNA. The ad hoc committee tabled the motion and intent, requested by TACNA, until the Ad Hoc Chairperson returned from her trip.

4. Chair, Co-chair and addit named Lawrence went to Marriot City Center, Vernell and Teresa F. will be going to Coliseum Convention Center corporate office.

5. The donation to the First Presbyterian Church will be donated by ad hoc chair.

New Business: 1. Motion for TACNA/Intent -an interim meeting was held on 24 November 2018 to work on the motion to be presented to the Tidewater Area. Next Meeting 12/15/2018. Close Meeting with Serenity prayer and clean up at 1:45pm. In loving service, Deborah R.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **POSITIONS**

- **Vice Chair:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open
- **RCM:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open
- **Alternate RCM:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open
- **VRCC Alternate:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open
- **Vice Treasurer:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open
- \***Treasurer** **Anna is willing and voted in**, will need to vote again in March, 2018
- \***Webmaster** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open

**Motion 2018-08-07: \*\*\*See Attachment for original motion** (was discussed at September area, voted on in October area—initially rules as “failed”, after reviewing the policy and further discussion at December Area with the PASCNA parliamentarian—the ruling by the Chair was that the motion be tabled and go back to home groups and voted on in January 2019.)

**Discussion:** To further define the qualifications, to give other qualified candidates the opportunity. Would remove the word volunteer from policy.

**Point of Clarification:** Does the current language exclude other candidates?

**Pros:**

1. Current language might be excluding someone that might have qualifications to be chair, because of having the vice chair first right of refusal- should be based on qualifications.
2. The word candidate actually reflects service.

**Cons:**

- 1. Question of truthfulness of motion. The current policy is that vice chair has first right of refusal, not automatically voted to chair. We have always accepted volunteers from the floor for every position.

**2018-10-02**

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

**Yes 12 No 2 AB 0**

**Motion Maker: Norman T. (Area Treasurer) 2<sup>nd</sup>- none needed**

**Motion:** Amend policy section 5:D:2:iii (p. 21) from the PASCNA area service policy handbook “by providing area secretary with an electronic copy to be included with area minutes”

**Passed**

**2018-10-03**

**Yes 7 No 6 AB 2**

**Motion Maker: Norman T. (Area Treasurer) 2<sup>nd</sup>- none needed**

Reimburse Area Inventory Chairperson for the cost of policy handbooks for the amount of \$286.42

Intent: Handbooks later to be sold for cost of \$10. He has submitted receipts in the amount of \$61.27 due on invoice one; \$225.15 due on invoice two. A payment plan would take almost one year and not allow any other expenses for the committee.

**Passed**

**2018-11-01**

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

**Yes 7 No 0 AB 8**

**Motion Maker: Area Inventory Subcommittee- Budget Review, Second- none needed**

**Motion:** To make the changes on the attached pages to the Financial Guidelines and Budget pages of the PASCNA handbook. TABLED to Old Business for January 2019 area.

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- **Chair:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open---vote in February
- **Activities:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open---vote in February

**Motion 2018-11-03**

**Motion Maker: Honesty 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paula M.**

**Motion:** Voting procedures: All votes are to be counting and if there are 33% of abstentions, the motion gets discussed and sent back to groups to be decided.

**Intent:** Have an understanding of motions and or policy changes, and not blown off.

**Amendment accepted; Motion goes to Area Inventory.**

**Motion 2018-11-04**

**Motion Maker: Honesty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paula M.**

**Motion:** All contacts for subcommittees or vice chair who have outside contracts are to be contacted by chair of that subcommittee. No other persons are authorized to do so.

**Intent:** Subcommittee chairs have a clear line of communication with vendors without interference or miscommunications.

**Pros:** single point of accountability-contractor

**Cons:** 1. Would not stop someone, 2. Potentially violate traditions- non-governing

### **Motion was Withdrawn**

#### **Motion 2018-12-01**

**Motion Maker:** Honesty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Surrender to Live

**Motion:** Per concept #10, any member of a service body can petition that body for the redress of a personal grievance without fear of reprisal. The grievance process is important as well as conducting area service, so the grievance shall limited to should be 5 minutes to read, 10 minutes to discuss.

**Intent:** Conduct Area business to the fullest for that month meeting and then hear the grievance.

**Pros from area Floor:**

1. All motions should take priority over grievances.
2. A grievance time limit would allow area business to be conducted in a timely manner.

**Cons from area floor:**

1. Particular grievance was moved up because it was four months old.

#### **Motion 2018-12-02**

**Motion Maker:** Living Life on Life's Terms 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Living the Program.

**Motion:** Any work on area convention is halted until these area positions are filled: ASC Treasurer, ASC Vice Chair, ASC RCM, ASC RCM Alternate, ASC Webmaster.

**Intent:** Priorities are given to standing area positions before effort is given to an area convention.

**Pros:** None

**Cons:**

1. Will never happen, we have never had a full board.
2. Overly restrictive.

#### **Motion 2018-12-03**

**Motion Maker:** We Can Change, 2<sup>nd</sup> by:

**Motion:** To have ASC vote on VRCC convention in 2020.

**Intent:** to have PASCNA included on bid area policy is silent on issue.

**\*Motion maker not present----MOTION TABLED**

**Open Forum** (30 minutes): N/A

#### Group Reports:

Hugs not Drugs: Hugs not drugs continues to carry a message of recovery every Wed. at 7pm at Community Presbyterian Church in Hampton. Our home group currently has three members, and as such could use some support. On Wed, Jan 2, Maggie will be celebrating 8 years. ILS, Jeff M.

Never Alone: Meeting is going well. A lot of newcomers coming, gave several key tags out, one new home group member. We donated \$115.00 to area. Thank you, John W.

We can change: we carry the message and welcome newcomers. Donations are nominal paid rent and made \$39.00 lit order thru wso. \$10.00 area donation. ILS, Roger R.

#### Change I must or die I will:

Group donation, \$25. Average attendance 15 addicts. Group continues to carry a clear NA message. 12/17 Carlos, 10 years, 12/24 Artilco 20 yrs; 12/31 Kathy 4 years. ILS, Lawrence

Nature of Recovery: Hi Family, Attendance is steady between 55 and 90 and all is well. We are still sharing the message of Hope and the promise of freedom. We will conduct our annual group inventory soon. Literature \$48.89, Donation \$55.11, Total \$104.00. ILS, Nature of Recovery

Surrender to Live: Good afternoon family, the surrender to live homegroup of Narcotics Anonymous is alive and doing well. Addicts continue to join the homegroup. This month we have 2 celebrations: Melessa 25 years on Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Joyce 7 yrs on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>. Surrender to live has a \$128.20 literature order and a \$5.00 area donation. ILS, Audra

A Gift Called Life: Please see attachment

Closer to Home: Good evening family, gloucester is doing awesome. WE now have 5 meetings in our area, all are well attended. We have been having a lot of newcomers showing up. We also have a couple meetings that start at 8pm. So if you want to go on a nice drive. Come on over the Coleman Bridge and hang out with us for a while. ILS, Sam B.

### **Close Meeting**

Please help put chairs away and clean up.