

Roanoke Valley Area of Narcotics Anonymous
Area Service Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: April 14, 2024

Meeting held in person at Roanoke Metaphysical Chapel

The ASC meeting opened at 2:30pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, The 12 Traditions & 12 Concepts were read.

Voting GSRs Present: 10

Acceptance of Last Month's Minutes: Motion passed 10/0/0

Administrative and Subcommittee Roll Call

Position	Name	Attendance	Report
Chair	Marvin W	Present	Attached
Vice Chair	Courtney D	Absent	No Report
Treasurer	Stacey J	Absent	Attached
Vice Treasurer	Savannah F	Present	Attached
Secretary	Kara C	Present	No Report
Vice Secretary	Danielle M	Absent	No Report
RCM	Greg H	Present	Attached
Alt. RCM	Skeet C	Absent	No Report
Policy	Patrick T	Present	Attached
VRCC Director	Danny C	Present	Attached
Alt. VRCC Director	Sabrina E.	Absent	No Report
Literature	Jacob M	Present	No Report
Activities	Sabrina E	Absent	Attached
H&I Chair	Kevin R.	Present	Attached
PR Chair	Amanda E	Absent	No Report
Ad-Hoc	Philip W.	Present	No Report

Home Groups Roll Call

<u>Homegroup</u>	
<u>1,2,3... 24/7</u>	Kenny C.
<u>A.I.R.</u>	Charley
<u>Against all Odds</u>	Taylor H.
<u>Another Step to Freedom</u>	A
<u>Breath of Life</u>	A
<u>Clean and Serene</u>	Debra M.
<u>Do or Die</u>	A
<u>Grateful Heads</u>	A
<u>Hope in Her Story</u>	A
<u>Just for Today</u>	A
<u>Spiritual Principle a Day</u>	Katie S.
<u>Sicker than Most</u>	Delores C.
<u>Start from the Beginning</u>	Logan L.
<u>Time for Change</u>	A
<u>Wecovery</u>	A
<u>Weekends in Recovery</u>	A
<u>Step into Recovery</u>	Danny G.

<u>Steps Hugs and Rock n Roll</u>	A
<u>Higher Power Hour</u>	Stephen E.
<u>The Journey Continues</u>	Philip W.

Administration and Subcommittee Reports

Chair –

Good afternoon Family. As I previously mentioned I've been in contact with someone folks from Rebos. They requested a meeting with members from Area. I could not attend the meeting myself however Jacob M our Literature Chair was able to meet with them. I requested that Rebos sent an email with the details surrounding the be email to me which I will read now. I would like to bring to the attention of this body Area Service will not be meeting on the 2nd Sunday in May, it will be moved to the 3rd Sunday.

In loving service Area Chair
Marvin W

Vice Chair- No report.

Treasurer – See hyperlink on website.

Hello All,

This is a friendly reminder that I will not be at ASC today. I took the liberty of updating the treasury report with the expenses, including the payment for the literature order that was debited from the account on April 1, 2024. I also transferred the funds to the activities account to cover the storage fee of \$62.00, added the rent of \$40.00 and the bank fees of \$9.95.

ILS,
Stacey

Secretary – No report.

Vice Secretary- No report

RCM –

Hello Family,

There has not been a regional meeting since our last area so there is nothing new to report, having said that the next one will be next weekend on Sunday and the GSR assembly taking place on

Saturday starting at 10am. GSR's please attend (everyone is welcome) as this is where you provide direct

input into our service structure at the regional level here is the link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/828898368> .

This is the agenda for the GSR assembly:

10:00am- 10:45am Reports from the admin body & committees

10:45am- 12:15pm Issue Discussion Topic (IDT): Reimaging and Revitalizing Service Committees

12:15pm-1pm Lunch

1:00pm- 2:00pm World Services, World Planning, World Convention

2:00pm- 2:15pm Break

2:15pm- 3:15pm What is a Zone and US Collaboration of Zones

3:15pm- 3:30pm Break

3:30pm- 4:00pm Open Forum- Zone (what to do)

4:00-4:15 pm Wrap up

As a reminder, newly formed groups should use this link to list the meeting with the region:

https://car-na.org/car-na_meetings/bmlt-meeting-update-form/ .

The World Convention is going to be held in DC this year and it is from August 29- September

1. There is a link on the area website under events, but you can also access it here:

<https://www.na.org/?ID=wcna-index> . I will not be able to attend the RSC meeting as I have a family conflict.

ILS,

Greg

Alt RCM- No report.

VRCC-

To whom it may concern, The vrcc met March 17th. I was in attendance on zoom as it was an all virtual meeting. Phillip W attended with me for support. Vicky B from Lynchburg was voted in as the VRCC chair. The multi hour discussion was primarily to solidify the contract with the Richmond Marriott for the 41st AVCNA. We as a voting body were unable to do that. During open forum I formally announced the RVANAs bid intention for the 42nd AVCNA. THIS WAS MET WITH OVERWHELMING SUPPORT FROM ALL DIRECTORS ALL OVER THE STATE. What we are lacking in our bid is a confirmation of a hotel fact sheet. There are no Jan dates available in 2026. It's been recommended and suggested to seek out a Feb weekend and move forward with the bid at the VRCC the 3rd Sunday in May. I have broken correspondence with the Hotel Roanoke. We did however finally get an informal confirmation of dates in February. I'm currently waiting on the information. The VRCC chair called an emergency meeting Mon evening March 25 to redress the contract. The Marriot and the VRCC were unable to come to agreement. The new Hotel is the Doubletree in Richmond. They put together a impromptu contract to at least secure dates as the 41st is 8 months away. I abstained from that vote due to lack of information on occupancy. The meeting rooms are small. 400 max. This would split the main speakers into at least 2 or 3 rooms. I didnt feel comfortable voting to settle on something without the corresponding information. The next VRCC is the 3rd Sun in May. In service,,, Danny C

Alt. VRCC- No report.

Ad Hoc Committee - No report.

Policy-

Hey family,

I have updated our area's policy to the changes voted on in the previous meetings and have printed out a total of 25 hard copies of the policy for homegroup members and administrative members. The total for printing these copies out was \$84 and I will be completing a funds request to reimburse for the cost. I have \$30 a month as policy chair to work with that I have not used yet since being in this position. I have attached the receipt from Staples to this report. I have also emailed an electronic copy of the staples receipt to our ASC's Vice Treasurer today.
ILS,

Patrick T.

Literature- No report

Public Relations - No report.

Activities-

I have deposited all the money I had into the account. All the change as well as all the petty cash, which totaled \$57. I've reserved the brick picnic shelter at Wasena Park for our next event, Memorial Day. I have attached the receipt for that. We will have a cookout with two speakers and a pie in the face auction. We will be providing hotdogs, coffee, and koolaid. Asking members to please bring a covered dish. The subcommittee met last Saturday so we could work on plans for that and have more to report to the ASC about it. We also voted to change the regularly scheduled subcommittee meeting from the 3rd Saturday of the month to the 1st Saturday. We have a total of \$76.52 in the Activities Account right now. It's my understanding that the account wasn't replenished after the last ASC Meeting because we didn't have an upcoming event planned. Since we do now have a planned activity, I would like to make that request again for the account to be replenished.

In loving service,

Sabrina E

H&I Subcommittee-

The H&I subcommittee met Saturday April, 13 2024 6pm at Thrasher Memorial Church. All panel. Leads were able to attend and gave positive reports. All commitments have been filled. We are seeing addicts showing up at meetings after discharge from these facilities where we have carried the message, crediting the Panels for their introduction to the program. We still need male volunteers for the Roanoke City Jail commitment. See me for applications if interested. Also, a commitment has been secured at the Salem Va and we held the first meeting yesterday morning. It went great with excellent participation. We are excited about this going forward. That commitment is every Saturday at 10 a.m. Steven W was unanimously voted as panel lead for that commitment at our April 14 subcommittee meeting. The Alpha program at the Roanoke city jail has expressed that they have a sufficient female population to have H&I expand into a female commitment. As chairperson I will be pursuing that this week. More will be revealed. Lastly, the subcommittee voted unanimously to change the verbiage of our guidelines. The revision is in section 2 General Information part M that states “Any member of this subcommittee shall become a voting member on issues within this subcommittee after attending 2 H&I subcommittee meetings.” The change will state “Any member of this committee shall become a voting member on issues within this subcommittee after attending 2 CONSECUTIVE meetings within 6 MONTHS of the issue being voted upon”. Thank you all for your service and affording me the opportunity to serve as well.
Kevin Rosser, H&I Chairman

Home Group Reports

1,2,3 24/7 –

Hey family, homegroup is starting and ending on time. We continue to carry the message of recovery. Attendance averages 40-50 addicts. Donation to area is \$110.35 this month.
ILS, Kenny

Against All Odds –

Hey family,
AAO continues to meet everyday of the week and carrying a strong message of recovery. AAO continues starting and ending on time with regular attendance of 20-70 in our central location of Roanoke Ave baptist church. AAO is meeting at Wasena park on Mondays and Tuesdays at noon at whatever shelter is available. This upcoming month :•We have 1 home group member celebrating, Taylor C. - 1 year on 05.05.24. AAO is not donating to area this month.
In loving service Taylor N.

A.I.R.-

The doors are open and meeting is opening and closing on time. We are getting new homegroup members. We have two members celebrating on 4/14/2024. Cait and Jarred. Our speaker jam on 3/23/24 was a success. We are unable to donate to area this month.
ILS, Charlie.

Another Step To Freedom- No report.

Breath Of Life- No report.

Clean and Serene –

Hi Family, Clean and Serene is still opening and closing on time. Our celebration meetings do run an extra 15 minutes. Due to a one-time loss of our meeting space due to a funeral, we were required to meet somewhere else on April 13th. Our homegroup spoke with another homegroup who occupies a church on Saturdays, but doesn't meet anymore. They relayed their typical meeting cost, which is more than we usually pay but it was a one-time thing, so our group was prepared to donate that amount out of our 7th tradition. Unfortunately, a single member disregarded the homegroup's conscience and took the entire basket of 7th tradition collected. When the treasurer asked for the basket the member became disruptive to the meeting. At that time, our GSR and treasurer stepped into another room with this member who told us "it wasn't up to the group." He went on to say that Clean and Serene would not be able use that facility again if we did not give him the money. We were under the impression that our treasurer would make the donation to the other treasurer but felt pressured into giving our entire collection to prevent further disruption during a 25-year anniversary celebration. We turned over \$32 to the member who placed the money into his pocket. We need help navigating this situation In hopes that the 2nd tradition is followed. This is a We fellowship no one person dictates. Thank you. At this time, we have no donation to Area.

ILS, Debra M

Do Or Die- No report

Grateful Heads – No report

Hope in Her story- No report.

Just for Today – No report.

Sicker Than Most-

Homegroup is opening and closing on time. Homegroup is carrying the message of hope. Our meeting attendance is 15-35 weekly. We have Two homegroup members that is celebrating some clean time. Delores H. 9 yrs. Vincent 37 yrs. Sicker Than Most is donating \$13.50 to Area Service
In loving service
Delores H.

Step into Recovery-

Step into recovery is opening and closing on time and a strong message of recovery is being carried . Approximately 45 addicts are in attendance each week. Donation to area is \$129.60. Jackie celebrates 18 months Wednesday may 8th at 6 o'clock.

In loving service, Danny G.

Start From the Beginning-

Start From the beginning has been opening and closing in doors on time. With an average attendance of 50 to 60 people weekly with a strong message of recovery, a strong newcomer presents and participation. We have 3 members celebrating this month, Logan. L is celebrating one year on May 9th, Fernando R and Shannon M. Are celebrating 1 year on May 16th. We are donating twenty three dollars to area this month in loving service logan L

Spiritual Principle a Day-

The Spiritual Principal A Day group is continuing to carry a clear NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS message. SPAD is consistent with opening and closing on time and following the 12 traditions of NA. We are meeting at St. Elizabeth's Church on Mondays at 8pm (2339 Grandin Rd., SW). Our meeting attendance is between 30-50 addicts consistently. Doug M will be celebrating 29 years 4/15/24, Rob celebrating 1 year 5-6-24, Hunter H celebrating 4 years 5/20/24, and Jeri is celebrating 36 years on 5/27/24. We are donating \$3 to area this month.

In loving service,
Katie S

Time For Change- No report.

WeCovery- No report

Weekends in Recovery- No report.

Steps Hugs and Rock and Roll-

We meet at Christ Lutheran Church on grandin road every Thursday from 8 to 9 pm we still have an average attendance of 20 people we have no celebrations this month and donated 5 dollars to area service in loving service Nathaniel A.

Higher Power Hour-

Hey family meeting is opening and closing on time. We have three homegroup members and between 5-15 addicts in attendance. We could use some support. No donation to area this month.

ILS, Stephen

The Journey Continues-

The journey continues homegroup continues to start and end on time meeting on Fridays at 7:00 pm with attendance growth each week. We are grateful for area's continued support. Our donation to area is \$20.50 after literature purchase and rent.

ILS,

Jeffery L.

Open Forum

- Member stated new homegroup starting new home group noon-1 Gainsboro Group
-809 Orange Ave NW
- H&I chair brought to the body about changing the verbiage of H&I policy. Went to the body for guidance and support.
- Chair suggested revisions to be written down for H&I guidelines and bring them to area next month.
- Member stated that H&I chair be accountable to ASC, and read the 9th tradition. Stated that ASC serves the homegroups, but does not have to bring H&I business to homegroups.
- Member stated that the subcommittee follow the traditions and guidelines as the groups do.
- Member confirmed that H&I does not need to bring all business to ASC.
- Member discussed that any changes made does not need to be brought back to ASC.
- Member stated Clean and Serene should ask for support out of other homegroups. Also stated that any member is allowed to question another groups financials.
- Member reminded the body that their was a miscommunication between both homegroup members regarding 7th tradition funds.
- Members discussed the "Disruptive Behavior" I.P.
- Member stated that they appreciated the concern for the groups, but reminded ASC that ASC cannot govern the groups and that we serve the groups.
- (Please refer to Clean and Serene's report)

Old Business

- The body recognizes "The Journey Continues" as a new homegroup. 6/0/0
- 3/10/2024 Motion: To increase the Public Relations budget for PR Part2, 2, Section D, 1c to a monthly budget of \$75. Intent: To be able to provide more up to date meeting lists.
Motion by: Amanda E. Second: Debra M.: **Motion Passes**

- Motion made to replenish Activities account today 3/10/24.
Motion made by: Philip W Second: Katie S.: **Motion did not pass**

New Business

- Funds request: Made by Patrick T. Second: Philip W. Reimbursement for printing copies of updated Policy. \$84.00
- Recognizing the new homegroup: Gainsboro Group
- Motion made by Philip W. to replenish Activities account to \$250.00
Motion passes.

Treasurer's Report:

- See hyperlink on <http://www.roanokena.com/2023-minutes-and-treasurers-reports>

Area Minutes Submitted by Secretary: Kara Coffey