

BUCKS COUNTY AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE

Meeting was opened at 3:30, with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer. The 12 Traditions were read.

GSR REPORTS

SUNDAY- Living Clean

Attendance could be better. Need support of people with quality cleantime, because we get good amount of newcomers. We need support at our group conscience and business meetings. Also, we need an Alt-GSR.

Radcliffe Recovery-no report.

Honesty in Recovery

Meets 7:30pm at St. Stephens Church on Street Rd. in Feasterville. Attendance this month was 25 with 3 newcomers. We need an Alt-GSR, Treasurer and support in our business meetings.

MONDAY- Watch Your Step- No Report Submitted.

New Way Group

Meets 8pm at Taft and Maple at Morrisville Methodist Church. Attendance has been better, we had 20 a week and 3 newcomers. We still need an Alt-GSR. Donation \$10.00.

TUESDAY-Coming of Age

Meeting itself is going very well. We need Basic Texts very badly. We need a GSR & Alt-GSR. Newcomers every week. Donation \$2.00.

One Step at a Time-No Report Submitted.

Together We Grow-No Report Submitted. Donation \$19.25.

WEDNESDAY-Clean and Serene

Meets 7:30pm at Trinity United Church, on Buck Rd. in Holland. Attendance was good this month at 100 and 15 newcomers. We need an Alt-GSR and Secretary. Donation \$24.00.

Fearless and Thorough

Attendance is good at 30 a week and 8 newcomers this month. Group is growing and getting stronger. Trusted Servants are fulfilling responsibilities. We still need support in our group conscience and business meeting. Donation \$4.25.

Aldie Foundation- No Report

THURSDAY- Tag Topic

Meets 8pm at St. Joseph the Worker Church, on New Falls Rd. in Levittown. Meeting is going well with 10+ newcomers. We have changed our name to further clarify our purpose, keeping the focus on the Principles of N.A. Our new name is Principles that make our Recovery Possible. Donation \$2.20.

Thursday-continued

Hope Without Dope

Meets 8pm at Grace Lutheran Church on Street Rd. in Warminster. Attendance is good at 35 wk. and 2 newcomers. Opening for yearly Chairperson. Donation \$12.46.

More Will Be Revealed

Meets 6pm at St. Johns United Methodist Church on Almshouse Rd. in Ivyland. Attendance this month was good at 45 and 5 newcomers. Donation \$7.48.

FRIDAY- 5th Tradition

Meets 8pm on Main St. in Doylestown. Attendance has been better at 9 a week and 1 newcomer. We need Trusted Servants and support. If we aren't able to get support we will have to close the meeting. Please help us carry the message. Donation \$29.00.

Changing Times

Meets 8:30pm at Hugh Carcella Hall on Trenton Rd. in Fairless Hills. Group is stockpiling literature and Basic Texts because of excess funds. We have plenty of newcomers. Plenty of coffee. Not enough support at business meeting, Come support us.

Through Principles We Unite

Meets 8pm at Trinity Lutheran Church on 5th & Chestnt in Perkasie. Attendance is fair at 10-14 week and 1 newcomer. We are an Alternating Step/Tradition Discussion. We have merged with the Sat. night "Never Too Late" Group. We need an Alt-GSR and GSR. Donation \$9.67.

SATURDAY- Never Too Late

Meets 12 midnite at Pebble Hill Church on Edison Furlong Rd. in Doylestown. We are an open topic discussion meeting. Donation \$12.82 (See Fri. Through Principles for more info)

Friendship Group

Meets 7pm at Holy Trinity School on Penn Ave. in Morrisville. Attendance is good at 40 a week and 6 newcomers. We still need support at business and group conscience meetings. We have elected a new GSR-Alt. who is Bill W. Donation \$36.95.

We Have A Choice Today

Meets 10:30am at 856 Euclid Ave. in Warrington. Attendance is fair at about 7 and 1 newcomer. We need books, Alt-GSR, Treasurer and support. If you need directions please call Julia B. 343-3645. Donation \$2.00.



## SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

H&I-New meeting; Bucks County Rehab., Tues. 8:00p.m. on Almshouse Rd. and Rt. 611. The meeting is doing well.

The More Will Be Revealed Group is sponsoring the Today Inc. commitment. Other commitments are filled and doing well.

H&I meets at 2:30p.m. before Area Services. We will elect a Co-chair at the next meeting next month.

We are asking the Area for a \$95.59 donation for literature.

Delaware County is having a H&I Workshop. 10:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.. FREE DINNER. \$5.00 dance till 11:00p.m.. Place: Aldergate Methodist Church, Rt. 202. See or call Dorothy P. at 244-1218 for directions.

Smile, you're another day clean!

### P.I.- Regional Report

Proofread the new meeting lists for printing. The new meeting lists will be available in about 3 weeks. No meeting lists were available this month.

A P.I. Workshop is being set up at the Region. More info. to come.

#### AREA REPORT- FOLLOWUPS AND OLD BUSINESS

Delaware Valley Medical Center; Contacted Nancy Hood. Tentatively scheduled for Wed. Sept. 28 at 10:00a.m. M/S/P To cancel until 2 people can attend.

Breakthrough; Cancelled again. No date set for rescheduling. We will contact them about rescheduling for Fri. Oct. 14th.

Adult Probation and Parole; Scheduled a presentation for Fri. Oct. 14th at 9:00a.m.. We will cancel by Oct. 7th if 2 people cannot attend.

Juvenile Court; Wm. Ford, Head of Juvenile Court wants a presentation. We will be in contact to establish a possible date.

Bucks County Drug and Alcohol Center; Sent order forms to Margo Hanna.

Helpline Posters are finished. For use for P.I. presentations only; M/S/P To ask Area for \$16.10 for interchangeable rubber stamp for stamping P.I. literature.

Tough Love; Need further information from Gwenn.

A Basic Text was donated to the Northampton Free Library by Bill D. A Dedication was inscribed in the front.

#### NEW BUSINESS

No meeting lists are available this month. We could'nt get any from the Region.

Secretary was given literature for 10 info. packets to be kept on hand.

M/S/P For 30 of each I.P.'s used on presentations to be kept on hand for this month.

Literature Inventory:	<u>Have</u>	<u>Need</u>
I.P.#16-	13	17
I.P.#13-	13	17
I.P.# 1-	11	19
I.P.# 7-	13	17
I.P.#22-	3	27
I.P.#20-	6	24

Total Literature needs: \$17.96.

M/S/P For \$50.00 for new meeting lists. We have \$50.00 already but we'll need 1000 new meeting lists when they come out.

P.I.-(Continued)

Secretary was given contact lists to file in new filing system before next month.

M/S/P To vote on Co-chair next month.

M/S/P To ask Area for \$86.06 (\$50.00 for new meeting lists, \$16.10 for rubber stamp, \$17.96 for literature needs and \$2.00 owed from Area from last month)

Attention GSR's:

M/S/P To meet the 3rd Sat. of every month at 12:00 noon at St. Roberts Bellarmine Church as well as before Area Services.

Next meeting is Sat. Oct. 15th at 12:00 noon at St. Roberts Bellarmine Church in Warrington.

Any meeting list changes please contact the P.I. Committee.

Thanx,

John H.

Unity Committee- We are meeting at 7:30 instead of 7:00 at Grace Lutheran Church in Warminster.

The Committee has sent a budget for the dance out to the groups to be approved or disapproved.

The Co-chair and Secretary positions have been filled. Karl F. is the new Co-chair and Mary M. is the new Secretary.

The format for Unity Day is finished and the Committee is looking into Speakers and Chairpeople.

Members are attending regularly and the Committee seems to be growing.

BUDGET FOR DANCE (Take back to groups)

Bucks County Unity Committee needs \$175.00 (\$50.00 for rent and \$125.00 for the D.J.) to start a dance at United Christ Church on New Falls Rd. in Fairless Hills. The dance would be held the 3rd Fri. of every month. The dance would be on a 3 month trial basis. Approve or disapprove.

Please give Unity Committee direction on functions that you, the groups, would like to hold.

For info. call: Joe G. 639-0465

Karl F. 245-8465

Literature Review- No report submitted.

Hotline-

Need people to go down to the Phila. Area to get involved in the Hotline Helpline the 2nd Sunday of the month at EVM Hall on Old Bustleton near Welsh Rd. at 6:00p.m. For more info. call Mike 637-1285

Convention Rep.- Program Committee Representative Report:

The theme has been changed from "The Magic Continues" to "The Miracle Continues".

T-shirts and bumper stickers are in the process of being made. The shirts will have a Magician, Wizard, and Rabbit being pulled out of a hat logo's.

There is a 3 year contract with the Adams Mark Hotel that will end in 1991.

The Convention Committee is NOT paying for airfare or rooms for speakers.

The first day of the convention, Thurs., will consist of a marathon meeting, registrations, and a possible dance.

The Program Committee is selecting speakers for our banquet with a minimum of 5 years clean time. The Opening and Spiritual speakers must have 3 years clean time.



Convention Rep.-(Continued)

The following criteria will be used in selecting Speakers and Chairpersons:

- a) N.A. terminology must be used.
- b) They identify simply as an addict.
- c) They must have a N.A. sponsor.

There will be NO special interest meetings at this Convention.

More flyers will be given out in the near future. Registrations and rooms are now available to the Fellowship.

The Program Committee meeting is held on Sundays at 11:30a.m.. Place: the Philadelphia Psychiatric Center  
Ford and Monument Rds., Phila., Pa.  
(Near City Line Ave. and the Adams Mark Hotel)  
The meeting is in the basement.  
The End.

R.S.O. Board Report-

Terms of Intent:

R.S.O. Board members would like the Fellowship as a whole to know some short term goals that the Board has planned:

- a) We feel that our main purpose at this time is to legalize the fund flow of Narcotics Anonymous in the Philadelphia Region.
- b) Convincing our Region for the need of a start up budget of \$5000.00:
  - 1) \$2500.00 to be used for an office that will be centrally located and easily accesible. With that goes insurance, utilities, etc..
  - 2) \$2500.00 to be used for literature. Literature will be purchaseable during certain hours each week.
- c) We also have planned a Regional Hotline.

(Information that have been given to us to make this report is out-dated information. Due to the fact that the R.S.O. Board members have been asked to step down from their positions we have not been given an informational and up-dated report from our R.S.O. Board Rep. Hopefully, our Area will be able to resolve this situation and provide our Groups with up-dated information.)

## ASR REPORT

There was a R.S.O. Workshop held on Sept. 11th to answer questions concerning the opening of a Regional Office. I have all of the information that was discussed at the workshop. If the GSR's would like more information on the opening of our Regional Office I can make a report based on all of the information I have collected. I would suggest that a motion be made for copies of this report to be submitted.

We now have 7 areas being represented in our region.

Regional P.I. reports that it will probably be another month before the new meeting lists are out.

Regional Policy Committee asks that we please read the following statement in our Area Service meeting:

THE REGIONAL GUIDELINES ARE UNAPPROVED AND INCOMPLETE. There are many sections in these guidelines that still need further attention. The Regional Policy Committee is not trying to govern the actions of regional services. They are here to serve in providing a worthy and understandable document to be used as a guideline for regional services. These guidelines MUST be approved by the member areas before becoming regional policy. If you have any comments or input on these guidelines contact the Regional Policy Committee.

The Policy Committee will meet at our next Regional Weekend. Their meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 5th at 1 p.m. .

Regional Literature Review is trying to get together a Regional Workshop for Lit. Review with Area Lit. Review representatives.

Regional Activities Committee is working on a New Year's Eve party. Flyers are available.

Cleansheet is working on policy. They need area representatives. Input is needed. Our area now owes the Cleansheet \$40.00. Areas need to be responsible and pay for Cleansheets.

The Convention Committee has dances happening to raise funds. The dances need your support. Flyers are available.

There is no current policy on voting in representatives to fill absent areas positions.

The J.A.C. reports that due to lack of support their meeting was cancelled. Aside from our next Regional Weekend, no date has been set for the next J.A.C. meeting.

The Hotline reports that they are looking into a Bell Syntrex System. They are working on an information packet concerning this system to be distributed to the areas. Their next meeting will be held on Oct. 8th at 12 noon. The location is yet to be announced. For more information call Tom N. at 638-4088.

The Administrative Committee has information and flyers to be brought back to the areas.

The 7th Tradition Committee says that they are forming a workshop. They will also be holding a meeting at our next Regional Weekend. Their meeting will be held on Sat. Nov. 5th at 10 a.m. .

The Treasurer reports that our present balance is \$4042.55 .

The Literature Committee reports that literature should be in sometime this week. Keytag prices have been lowered to .25. White Books to .40. Checks for literature should be made out to The Phila. Literature Committee.

Results of motions dealt with in old business will be given in next months report.

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ASR REPORT (continued)

NEW BUSINESS

M/S/P Review convention policy and vote on at the next Regional meeting.

M/S/P To act under the Regional Guidelines for 1 year at which time we will decide if we need to make changes and input and decide if we need to take it back to the areas.

M/S/P Hotline- All Hotline Committees form 1 committee with 1 number.  
Intent: To better serve the still suffering addict.

M/S/P Donate \$1000.00 to the W.S.C..

MOTIONS AND INFORMATION TO GO BACK TO THE GROUPS

*Failed*  
M/S/P Reconsider vote that the R.S.O. Board members step down. (Note: If we vote yes to have the Board members step down we should have members ready to fill those positions at the next Regional meeting)

Nominations are open for the following Regional positions:

Co-chair, P.I. chair, Secretary, and R.S.O. Board members. R.S.O.

Board members cannot be present R.S.C. trusted servants.

We will be having a Regional Conference Weekend on November 5th and 6th at the George Washington Motor Lodge in King of Prussia. Overnight charge will be \$37.00 per room. Banquet price will be \$15.00 apiece. Saturday will start with Sub-committee meetings followed by a J.A.C. meeting followed by a Banquet dinner and Dance. The Regional Meeting will start Sunday at 10a.m. . Chairpeople of sub-committees should contact Regional Committee chairpersons and decide if you want to have a meeting. All addicts are welcome. The Regional Conference Weekend will be filled with lots of information and lots of fun. Come support us and help to unify our Region.

In Loving Service,


Mark H.

**BUCKS COUNTY AREA  
LITERATURE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT  
SEPT. 1988**

**Financial Report-**

We had a balance last month of \$382.67. This month I purchased \$430.24 worth of literature. We now have a balance of \$812.91. Although last month our literature sales totaled \$571.76, I have not yet turned this money over to the region because last month I had turned over all funds collected to the area; however due to problems with our area bank account, even though the money was deposited, as I understand it, our area treasurer does not have access to the account since the former treasurer's name is still on the account. I see this as a serious problem that demands immediate attention. Due to the fact that the regional literature person received the order from the W.S.O. a few days ago, as of this writing I have not yet received the order. He was making arrangements to make sure we had it in time for the area service meeting.

**MOTIONS-**

The region is lowering the price of two items. White books are going to be \$0.40 and key tags will be \$0.25. It has been suggested to me that maybe we should raise our prices to help reduce the balance we have with the region. So, I decided to put it in the form of a motion to see how the rest of the area feels about this. Every other area in the region charges \$10.00 for a basic Text.

I would suggest the following prices:

Basic text \$10.00  
White books \$0.50  
key tags \$0.35

Also I would suggest, for simplicity, to no longer have the groups individually pay the shipping, since these prices would also help offset those costs.

**POLICY-**

The policy of having the groups call in their literature orders seems to be going well. Many groups have called their orders in and hopefully next month more will do the same.

**INFORMATION-**

There are 2 new pamphlets available "HEY, WHAT'S THE BASKET FOR" and "STAYING CLEAN ON THE OUTSIDE". Also the 4th step guide has been approved and we have a few copies available. We were unable to get any Basic Text's. The region has not received them.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

JOE S.  
LITERATURE CHAIRPERSON





*passed*  
Motions-Tabled to Groups cont.

Motion#4- To have the name of each person who gave the report about each group included in the minutes. INTENT: So individuals can ask Representatives questions about matters in each group on a personal basis.

*Amendment - to go over policies at workshop*  
Motion #5- To send existing ASC Policies back to groups for review & input, then to be compiled by the Policy Committee. Bring back to groups again for review & input, compiled by the Policy Committee and then voted on by our groups. INTENT: So that ASC Policies reflect what the groups want and not what the individual wants. NOTE: If there is no Policy Committee at the time the Policies are ready to be compiled, the review and input from the groups will be compiled by a Committee formed by the ASC.

*passed*  
Motion#6- To take back to groups the motion which states that the GSR's phone in Literature orders during the week prior to ASC. INTENT: To get group conscience on this motion because it effects the Home Group. Policy says it must go back to groups for approval.

REMEMBER TO BRING BACK NOMINATIONS FOR: LITERATURE REVIEW CHAIR, POLICY CHAIR AND LITERATURE DISTRIBUTION CO-CHAIR.

ALSO, BRING YOUR GROUP CONSCIENCE ON ALL MOTIONS IN "MOTIONS-TABLED TO GROUPS"

Meeting closed at 7:45 with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Next ASC meets October 23, 3:30pm- 4th Sunday.

In Loving Service,  
Deborah & Amy