

BUCKS COUNTY AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE

Meeting was opened at 3:45, with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer. The 12 Traditions were read.

GSR REPORTSSUNDAY-Living Clean

Meets 7:30 pm at 4242 Bensalem Blvd. Attendance is good at 120 this month and 16 newcomers. We are in need of a Treasurer. Donation to Area: \$40.00.

Radcliffe Recovery

Meets 3pm at St. Marks Rectory, on Radcliffe St. in Bristol. Attendance is good at 76 this month and 10 newcomers. Donation \$1.50.

Honesty in Recovery

Meets 7:30pm at St. Stevens Church on Street Rd. & Bustleton in Feasterville. Attendance is good at 30 and 5 newcomers. We will be moving. New place will be announced. If we don't move this month, there will be no meeting Dec. 11 and Dec. 25. The possible new place looks good for this month. Donation \$10.42

MONDAY-Watch Your Step

Meets 8pm at 4242 Bensalem Blvd. Attendance good at 25-30 weekly and 5 newcomers. Still need an Alt-GSR. The GSR was not present at the business meeting, so no conscience from the group. Donation \$37.00

New Way Group

Meets 8pm at Morrisville Methodist Church on Taft & Maple Aves. Attendance has been better with 60 this month and 6 newcomers. As of Dec. John McF. has been voted in as GSR and Mike is our Alt. Donation \$11.00.

TUESDAY-Coming of Age

Meets 8pm at Reformation Church (United Christ Church) Group needs people with time to come and support. Discussed the fooling around at meeting and we are changing it. Donation \$13.81.

One Step at a Time

Meets 8pm at St. Pauls in Feasterville. Attendance has been better. We need an Alt-GSR. Donation \$4.00.

Together We Grow - No Report Submitted.

WEDNESDAY-Clean and Serene

Meets 7:30pm on Buck and East Village Rds. in Holland. Attendance is good at 120 this month and 12 newcomers. We will be having our 3 year group anniversary December 14. It will be a double speaker meeting with food, fellowship and fun.

Fearless and Thorough

Meets 8:30pm in Morrisville. Attendance is good at 45wk. and 2 newcomers. Meeting list states we meet at 8:00. Please make a note we meet at 8:30. Need support at Business and Group Conscience meetings Business mtg. Wed. before Area. Group Conscience meets 7pm, 1st Mon. of month, at the same place the meeting is held. Need Alt-Gsr. Donation \$21.25.

Aldie Foundation- No Representative.

THURSDAY- Principles That Make Our Recovery Possible- No Rep.

Hope Without Dope

Meets 8pm at Grace Lutheran Church on Street Rd. in Warminster.
Attendance is good at 30wk. and 1 newcomer. Donation \$15.30.

More Will Be Revealed

Meets 6pm on Almshouse Rd. in Ivyland. Attendance is fair at 45 this month and 3 newcomers. We need support in fulfilling the Today Inc. commitment. Donation \$18.82.

FRIDAY- 5th Tradition

Meets 7pm on Main St. in Doylestown. Attendance is good at 40 this month and 5 newcomers. We still need an Alt-GSR and yearly chairperson. We need support. Donation \$8.00.

Changing Times

Meets 8:30pm at Hugh Carcella Hall. Group doing well. Lots of newcomers, need GSR and Alt. Developing Group Policies and changed format to Alt. Step-Tradition Speaker meeting. 1st wk. Step/Speaker, 2nd wk. Speaker, 3rd wk. Trad./Speaker, Last wk. Speaker.

Thru Principles We Unite/Never Too Late

Meets 8pm Fri. and 12 midnite Sat. respectively. Attendance has been fair with 20 wk. and 3 newcomers. All Trusted Servant positions have been filled. We could use support. Donation \$53.60.

SATURDAY- Never Too Late- See above.

Friendship Group

Meets 7pm at 201 Penn. Ave. Attendance is good at 160 this month and 2-3 newcomers. We need support at our Business and Group Conscience meeting. Need people to chair. Donation \$28.95.

We Have a Choice Today

Meets 10:30am at 856 Euclid Ave. at St Roberts Bellarmine Church in Warrington. Attendance is fair at 40 this month with 1 newcomer. All positions are open except GSR. Please announce that we need Trusted servants. Need support at Business and Group Conscience meetings.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

H & I-

Need help this month for chairpersons and speakers at: Bucks County Rehab, Tues. 8pm; Womens Prison, Thurs. 8:15pm; Mens Prison, Thurs. 8:15pm; Warminster Detox, Fri. 8pm and Livingren, Sat. 8pm. Sending a volunteer list around for Chairpersons and Speakers; 6mos. clean-time, willingness to serve and N.A. message. We are requesting \$40.50 for literature and \$6.00 for meeting lists. Elected Dorothy M.-Co-Chair.

H & I cont.-

Small Wonder Area is having a Regional Unity Day next Sat. Dec. 3 at Aldersgate United Methodist Church- Rte. 202; Fairfax, Delaware; 10am-5pm, Dinner 5-6:30, free to anyone attending Workshop, and Dance 7-11pm, \$5.00. If you need directions call 244-1218. Selling T-Shirts \$8.00, with 7 hands representing 7 Regions, holding the World.

Dorothy P.

P.I.-

FROM REGION

Regional Weekend was Nov. 5 & 6 in King of Prussia. Good turnout for P.I. from almost all Areas. Region would like an Area in GPR to host a Regional P.I. learning day. New Chair was elected and is Brian H. Regional P.I. needs a Co-Chair. Next Regional weekend is in January, in Delco. More info will be available. Please help support it.

AREA REPORT- Followups & Old Business:

Livengren-Presentation on Fri. Nov. 25 went extremely well. Councilors were very receptive. H&I meeting will start Sat. Dec. 3 at 8pm. They also purchased 100 meeting lists.

Del. Val. Med. Center-Tentatively have presentation for Dec. 16. We have one person to go and 2 possibles. Will discuss at presentation about the purchase of bulk meeting lists for this facility.

Breakthrough-M/S/P to table until they contact us. Will try for presentation in January.

Juvenile Court-Tentatively reschedule for Jan. No contact from Wm Ford.

Adult Probation-No contact about the purchase of meeting lists. John will contact Sean Ryan this week.

Next Regional Meeting-Dec. 10 at noon, hosted by Montco. John and Bill will attend. We are going to ask Brian H. to share at Unity Day on "What Is P.I. and how it has helped his Personal Recovery!"

NEW BUSINESS

M/S/P to ask for \$10.00 for purchase of Basic Text for Perkaskie Library. Money needs-\$10.00 for Basic Text.

Meeting Lists Announcement: We need corrections for meeting lists today, see Bill D. for registration forms. Also, please purchase meeting lists before or during break, as Co-Chair has to leave early. Meeting list price is .12 each.

M/S/P to ask Area to host a Regional P.I. Learning Day, in Bucks County tentatively for April of '89. Could Unity Committee help P.I. with this project, with the Region?

Announcement-"If anyone is interested in P.I. Chair position, I have resigned as of last month and am just acting Chair for now. Also, I have a new home group in another Area and feel that this creates a conflict of interest in performing the duties of Chairperson. I will continue to serve for now, but a replacement should be found."

P.I. recieved a check from Livengren for the purchase of meeting lists. Since it is made out to the Bucks County Area, we would like to donate it to the Area. So we have a donation of \$12.00.

Any meeting list changes- Please see Bill D. Meeting lists can be purchases from P.I.

Next Meeting-Dec. 17 at 12noon, at St. Roberts Bellermine Church in Warrington. We Need Support....

John H.

HOTLINE- No report submitted.

CONVENTION- No Report Submitted.

UNITY- The Unity Dance last month went very well. We have \$245.00 after all expenses are paid. The committee paid back the \$63.00 borrowed from the area and are donating \$245. to the ASC.

We have Unity Day Tickets for sale, There is a 200 seat limit. For more info. call Joe: 639-0465 or Karl: 245-1584. Donation \$5.00.

Unity Committee is doing well, but we still need Support to carry out functions.

Send Back To Groups- Do you want Unity Committee to organize a Ski Trip? Motion for \$200.00 to hold a dance on the 3rd Fri. of Dec.

LITERATURE REVIEW-No Rep. Present.

POLICY- The Policy Workshop began meeting on 11/12/88. In attendance were John H. Mary Ellen, Joe, Bill H. and Myself. The Agenda for that meeting was selecting a meeting place and discussing how we could begin writing Policy Guidelines. Prior to 11/12/88, I had begun compiling notes and info from around the Fellowship. From the group level, on up to the World. I've received much valued info from the W.S.O. and that info packet has been the basis on which we began.

Everything I've come across has been a big help. People from the Bucks Area have provided input and support. As the Chair of this committee, I feel it is very important that we work together to form a Policy that will foster Unity and provide a more effective atmosphere at our Area Service meetings.

We felt it was important to begin since there is a lot of work to be done. Our first meeting we began writing and compiling articles for the guidelines. The name, the boundaries, etc. The 2nd meeting held 11/22/88, we continued on with other articles, voting, non voting and things of that nature. I feel we are moving along at a steady pace and that all people who are interested are providing a lot of valuable info. We are using existing guidelines from around the region and other regions in the U.S, as input.

The Subcommittee Meeting 11/27/88, we reviewed what has been established so far and we rewrote a section in Article VI concerning nominations. We feel it's important that each G.S.R. should attend at least one workshop so they can see what's being done and they can let their homegroups know also. We are trying to meet at least twice a month and before A.S.C. Our next meeting has not been established as of yet, but I will let the Area know as many days in advance as possible. Anyone interested in the Policy Workshop can call me and let me know: 785-1152.

In Service & Fellowship,
Bob M.

RSO REP- The Board members decided not to step down from their service positions, under the advice of the Lawyer who advises the Board. The motion asked the Board members to step down and the intent was to give others a chance to serve. There are 2 positions on the Board designated to the Region, which are not filled, and many Areas are not represented, so there is room for others to serve. Also, the members of the board have not been serving that long, so the Board respectfully declined to step down.

The Board resolved to find a centrally located office since the Region decided to allocate the Board \$5000.00. Roxborough was designated to be the ideal central location for the Phila. Region, which takes in Bucks, Chester Montgomery, Delaware County, and Delaware. An office was found in Roxborough and approved. The GPRSO Inc. has the office and the literature has been moved in. Delaware County, Bucks Co, Phila, Montgomery Co have been represented plus Region Board members. The goals set forth by the GPRSO Inc. are being met. The fund flow is being legalized, as the Regions monies are all coming under the GPRSO accounts. An office has been opened and literature will be sold out of it.

ASR-

All area representatives were present and their reports were given. Our R.S.R. reports the following: The Select Committee on "The Guide To Service In N.A." is working on how the Traditions affect our groups.

The W.S.C. Policy Committee is looking into what measures would need to be taken if we wanted to make changes in our Steps.

The W.S.C. Literature Committee is working on a handbook that should be in our next Agenda report. "It Works": Traditions; are being sent out for 1 year of review and input.

The Board of Trustees are implementing trustee internal committees.

The 5th Edition Basic Text should be available within 1 month. The 5th Edition will be the 4th Edition with the 25 deletions put back in.

GROUPS: If there is anything that you feel needs to be changed concerning the Agenda Report, bring information to be taken to the Agenda Workshop in February.

The R.S.O. Board reports that they have decided to go ahead with the Office. The R.S.C. still needs to elect 1 Board member. The Office's address is; 6174 Ridge Ave., Roxboro. The Office is located on the 2nd floor. Their monthly expenses are \$300 for rent +\$50 for utilities. R.S.O. Board meetings will now be held at the Office. These meetings are open to the Fellowship. Contact our A.S.R., alt. A.S.R., or our R.S.O. Board Rep. for more information on their next meeting. The Office's hours have yet to be determined.

The Literature Review Committee reports that attendance was poor at their Oct. 30th Workshop, but they feel that they made progress. The Tri-County Area will be hosting the next Literature Review Workshop which is to be held on Dec. 11th in Delaware County.

The P.I. Committee reports that they are doing well. They ask that any group with wheelchair accessibility let the P.I. Chairperson know so that they can get this information out to the Fellowship. The next P.I. meeting will be held on Dec. 10th. The place is yet unknown. The next Meeting List meeting will be held on Dec. 12th. For more information contact Bob at 483-9864.

The H&I Committee reports that their next workshop will be held on Dec. 9th at 2627 Edgemont Str. at 2:00p.m..

The Policy Committee reports that their next meeting will be held at our next Regional Conference Weekend.

The Activities Committee reports that we need to get our New Year's Eve Banquet tickets early if we want to go. There is a limited amount of tickets available. Tickets will be distributed evenly throughout the Region. Call by Dec. 1st to reserve a room.

The Hotline Committee reports that the Centrex System will go into effect on Jan. 1st, 1989. The approximate monthly cost will be \$367.66. Their 1-800 number will go in the phonebooks and also be posted on Hotline posters.

The J.A.C. asks that the sub-committees submit a projected budget up to May. The J.A.C. will be meeting on the same weekend as the Regional Conference Weekend.

The 7th Tradition Committee reports that they held their first meeting at the Conference Weekend. They will be trying to educate members as to where monies go and where monies are going. Their next meeting will be the Sat. of the Regional Conference Weekend prior to the J.A.C. meeting.

The Literature Chairperson reports that literature prices will go back to normal effective Jan. 1st. Areas need to contact the Literature Chairperson within 3 days after their Area meeting with their literature order.

Nominations were presented. Bill O. was elected as our Regional Co-Chairperson. Brian H. was elected as our Regional P.I. Chairperson. For Regional positions still open look at the end of this report.

There are Regional motions that MUST go back to the groups to be voted on. They will be listed in the back of the minutes. Also, attached to this report will be the Regional Convention Policy. This policy needs to be taken back to the groups to be voted on. This policy will be voted on at our next Regional Meeting so make a note that all input coming from the groups regarding this policy will have to be voted on at our next Area meeting. This policy has been up for review and input for quite some time. Please review this and bring a vote back to our Area meeting so that we can have a vote ready for the next Regional meeting.

All Regional Sub-Committee positions will be open in May of 1989. Chairpersons will serve for a 2 year term.

Regional positions that are still open include: Secretary, Activities Chairperson, and Convention Chairperson. These positions will be voted on at our next Regional meeting.

Our next Regional Service Conference Weekend will be held January 7th and 8th, 1989, at the Brandywine Hotel and Resort in Downingtown. Flyers should be out soon with more information. All addicts are welcome and encouraged to attend and help to support and unify our Region.

In Loving Service,
Mark H.

BUCKS COUNTY AREA
LITERATURE SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT
NOVEMBER 1988

FINANCIAL REPORT-

Last month we had a balance with the region of \$770.74. We gave the region a check for \$884.37, this included \$92.09 for H & I's literature from the previous month. However, this check was returned to me because they now want checks for literature made out to G.P.R.L. instead of W.S.O. This months purchases totaled \$642.65. Our balance with the region is now \$1413.39. We have last month's check for \$884.37, therefore, there is a difference of \$529.02, minus whatever our literature sales are for this month.

INFORMATION-

The region will be returning prices for white books to \$0.45 and key tags to \$0.30 as of the first of the year.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



JOE S.
LITERATURE CHAIRPERSON

OLD BUSINESS

Motion #1- At least 2/3 of the voting body must be present for a motion to be voted on. Intent: True Group Conscience is not being met when motions are passed and only 2-3 GSR's are left. M/S/P (12-2-0)

Motion #2- To keep ASC Policy Guidelines as is until a Policy Committee is developed. Intent: To alleviate conflicts of Policy. Point of Interest: Bruce H. and other members worked from Nov. '87-Feb. '88 constructing these guidelines. Designated in Oct. '87 and Feb. '88 minutes. Each month GSR's voted to take 1 page back to group. No group disputed at that time. Further changes should go through a Policy Committee and voted on before acted upon. M/S/P (11-1-2)

Motion #3- To throw out all motions that were passed, if any, in order to deal with the ASC Policy. Also, to have a Policy Workshop set up by the Policy Committee, if we don't have one, the Co-Chair of the ASC, if we don't have one, the Unity Committee, to inform the Area how the Policy works and what they mean. Also, to accept the Policy as is. Intent: The most important thing about this motion is simplicity. If a group wants to make a change or addition, they can bring the motion to Area, then it will go back to groups for approval. This will be our review process. Individuals can get informed at the workshop and make motions to change policies at the Home Group. M/S/Dies (3-4-7)

Motion #4- To change Policy so that only groups be allowed to bring motions to the floor of the ASC except motions made by Subcommittees that deal with their committee, motions pertaining to ASC monies and certain motions pertaining to Regional matters and ASC Elections. M/S/Dies (5-6-2)

Motion #5- To throw out all the motions, if any, in order to deal with RSC Policy. Also, to have a regional Policy Workshop, set up by the Policy Committee, open to the entire region, to inform the Region on how the policy works and what they mean. Also, to accept the Policy as is for the RSC meeting. Intent: If this motion passes, the groups who want to understand the RSC Policy may go to the workshop, and if any group would like to change Policy, it may do so, because this Policy is not written on stone. This can be done in the normal process of bringing a motion to the Area, then to the Region, then back to groups, and so on. This will be our review and input process. M/S/Dies (3 3-8)

ELECTIONS

Treasurer- Pat A.

Clean Sheet Rep- Tricia

POSITIONS OPEN: Area Co-Chair, P.I. Chair. Please Bring Back Nominations For These Positions.

TREASURY

OLD BALANCE-	\$.00
GSR DONATIONS-	\$	600.10
SUBTOTAL-	\$	600.10
EXPENSES-	\$	492.23
NEW BALANCE-	\$	107.87
PRUDENT RESERVE-	\$	(107.87)
BALANCE-	\$.00

NEW BUSINESS

Motion #1- H&I requests \$46.50 in literature and meeting lists, and \$76.23 owed from last month. M/S/P

Motion #2- P.I. requests \$10.00. M/S/P

Motion #3- Secretary requests \$25.00 for supplies. M/S/P

Motion #4- Donation of \$50.00 to RSC. M/S/P

Motion #5- To establish \$107.87 Prudent Reserve. M/S/P

Motion #6- Pay \$25.00 for rent. M/S/P

Motion #7- To give Unity \$200.00 to hold activities. M/S/P

Motion #8- \$10.00 for coffee. M/S/P

Motion #9- \$50.00 to ASR and Alt, for one nights lodging to attend Jan. RSC. M/S/P

Motion #10- Give Trisha Group Starter Kit for New Meeting. M/S/P

MOTIONS TABLED TO GROUPS- FROM REGION

Motion #1- Each Program Committee Rep. have a vote on the main Convention Committee. INTENT: To encourage participation throughout the Greater Philadelphia Region, from all the Areas.

Motion #2- That the gains incurred through the sales of literature be used to offset the cost of running the RSO. INTENT: So that the office can be self supporting through the sales of literature at the office.

Motion #3- To have the Convention Committee change their policy of allowing members to take the place of the seven members on the Program Committee. They replaced 3 Reps. because they missed 1 meeting. INTENT: To keep the Conventions Program Committee based on Area Conscience and not on individual interest.

NOTES GSR'S- HAVE YOUR GROUPS VOTE ON CONVENTION COMMITTEE GUIDELINES (ATTACHED TO THESE MINUTES) APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE: BRING BACK YOUR GROUP CONSCIENCE!!!

***VERY IMPORTANT *** VOTE ON REGIONAL MOTIONS

NEXT AREA SERVICE MEETS: DEC.17, 2pm. at United Church of Christ, New Falls Rd. in Levittown.

CALL DAVE R. TO PHONE IN LITERATURE ORDERS: 357-7715

NEW MEETING- Starts Dec. 10 at St. Stephens in Feasterville.

In Loving Service,
Deborah F.

P.S. GROUPS- DO YOU WANT UNITY TO ORGANIZE A SKI TRIP?

POLICY FROM 1988 PHILADELPHIA REGIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE
(To be approved by the Region)

1. Suggested Qualifications:

Executive Committee

Chairperson	- 5 years	Secretary	- 2 years
Co-Chairperson	- 4 years	Treasurer	- 5 years

Sub-Committee Chairs

Hotel Liaison	- 2 years, Good Communication Skills
Program	- 3 years
Registration	- 3 years, Bookkeeping Skills
Fundraising	- 2 years, Job
Merchandising	- 2 years, Job, Some Business Knowledge
Hospitality	- 2 years
Convention Info	- 2 years
Arts & Graphics	- 1 year
Security	- 2 years

All chairpeople should base their lives and recovery on Narcotics Anonymous and have a good working knowledge of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions. Also, some experience on Convention Committee helpful.

Intent: Continuity of personal and service recovery.

2. Program Committee consist of Chairperson and a representative from each area. Persons do not have to be sent by the Area. If Area is not represented, fill in voted by Convention Committee. If vacancy occurs, that Area has priority to fill it. Five members have votes; all others may attend for input. Chairperson votes in case of ties.

Intent: To have input from all Areas.

3. Nar-Anon must make all their own arrangements.

Intent: Nar-Anon is a separate fellowship and must stand for themselves.

4. All speakers and chairpeople at conventions base their recovery on powerlessness over addiction, identify themselves as addicts.

Intent: To assure NA members get a clear NA message.

5. No special interest meetings.

Intent: For unity at conventions and to go along with convention handbook.

6. No names on programs and tapes at convention.

Intent: To keep with anonymity.

7. Anyone can make a motion at convention meeting, but it must be seconded by a chairperson. Only chairs and executive committee have votes.

Intent: To develop consistency among committee and encourage participation throughout the Fellowship.

8. Security Committee should be formed.
Intent: To assist our members to stay within our spiritual principles.
9. Confirmations be sent out by Registration Committee.
Intent: To avoid confusion.
10. Monies from fundraising and registration to be given to treasurer at meeting following event or collection.
Intent: To be more accountable of funds.
11. When next committee is formed, nominate co-chairs for all sub-committees.
Intent: To have members with experience for the next year. Qualification to correspond with chairpeople.
12. To go to dance you don't have to register for convention.

In Loving Service,
Convention Committee