

GREATER PHILADELPHIA REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 17, 1988

I. OPENING

1. Meeting opened at 12:30pm with a moment of silence for the addict who still suffers, followed by the Serenity Prayer. The Twelve Traditions of N.A. were read followed by introductions of everyone in the room. All ASR's were eventually present.
2. Secretary announced resignation but will keep minutes today. Minutes will be taken care by Regional Co-Chairperson.

II. MINUTES

1. The minutes were read & approved with these corrections:
(The bottom of pages #2 & page #3 were cut off when copied.)
 - A. Add in the Activities Comm. Report (p.2) "...the contract with Brandywine Hotel & Resort for New Year's Eve banquet. A \$500. deposit is required. No..."
 - B. Add in motion from Bucks Co. (p.3) "**NOTE** RSO elected last July 1988 to serve a (2) year term."
 - C. Change word in the 4th line of the RSR report (p.2) from "WSO" to "WSC".
 - D. Added note into the RSR report (p.2) that the WSC AD-HOC Special Interest Committee Chairperson is from this region. Delete "...,no one from our Region."

III. AGENDA

1. The agenda was presented and approved by the ASR' as noted:
 - A. Move the Literature Committee in front of the areas.

IV. RECEPTION OF REPORTS

1. LITERATURE COMMITTEE

Cash Balance:	\$6473.93	ORDER WITH REGION
Phila. I.O.U.	147.75	
Riverfront I.O.U.	730.27	Philadelphia
Bucks I.O.U.	386.00	Bucks
Montco I.O.U.	+1140.62	Riverfront
-----		Montco
	\$7828.57	Clean Acres (Balt)
Balance owed WSO	- 6000.00	Delco (Balt)

NET CASH BALANCE	\$1828.57	

A back order of \$14,000. is owed was sent out 9-12-88. (Takes (5) to (7) days shipping).

Following changes for literature prices:

KEY CHAINS NOW \$.25 DOWN FROM \$.30

WHITE BOOKS NOW \$.40 DOWN FROM \$.45

This will be a trial basis for (6) months.

Presently we're pretty stocked with key chains & I feel \$.02 profit from I.P.'s & a 10% discount will be enough to hold a good stockpile & help carry the message to addicts.

2. PHILADELPHIA AREA: Area doing well and is continuing to grow. Our 7th Tradition is also growing. The new area has not seemed to hurt us! The Riverfront Area donated \$100.00 to the hotline and \$100.00 to the area. Hotline Committee doing bad, lack of support. Barely enough people to cover shifts. Public Information are giving the main branch of the Phila. Public Library a Basic Text. Unity Committee needs support. Had a volleyball day that went very well. H & I needs support. The problem with people sharing a mixed message has been cleared up. All other sub-committees not present
Donation to the region = \$500.00

3. RIVERFRONT AREA: Doing well. Sub-Committees were formed. Unity committee doing well. Other committees are still in organizational stage. We have had (2) more groups join. We lost (1) group and we have (2) more meetings starting this month. We have donated money to Philadelphia Area. Our Area Service meeting is 3rd Sunday at 7:00pm in the roofers hall on Torresdale Avenue.
Donation to the region = \$84.74

4. BUCKS COUNTY AREA: All new trusted servants have been elected at the area. We are doing well overall. We have (1) new meeting and (1) change of address.

The new meeting is:

MORE WILL BE REVEALED
United Church
Almshouse Rd
Ivyland, Pa Thurs. @ 6pm

The change of address is:

FIFTH TRADITION GROUP
1st Baptist Church
S. Main Street
Doylestown, Pa Friday

Literature Review is still inputing on "IT WORKS:HOW & WHY". This committee needs support. Public Information has presentations they are working on. No new commitments for H & I. Also delivering (1) Basic Text to a public library per month. Bucks County is in the process of reviewing and inputing all area policies to try to cut down on confusion and misunderstanding regarding policy in BCASC meetings. In Loving Service:

Mark H.

913 Arch St.

Perkasie, Pa 18944

ASR

Bill S.

74 Candle Rd.

Levittown, Pa 19057

ASR-ALT

Our sub-committees meet the last Sunday of the month 2:00pm at Washington & Chancellor Sts. in Newtown. Unity also meets at 7:00pm every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at Grace Lutheran Church on Street Rd. in Warminster. Area services meets at 3:30pm at Washington & Chancellor Sts. in Newtown the last Sunday of every month.

Donation to the region = \$100.

5. **CLEAN ACRES AREA:** (16) Groups and (20) meetings. Two (2) new meetings in the last month. We are going through a lot of growing pains. Working on setting up guidelines for a good working area. The unity in the area is real strong right now. At this time we have a Literature, H & I and Hotline Committees, Treasurer, Secretary, Chair and Co-Chairperson and ASR. Need more information on the RSO. Need to get better link up to Regional Literature Chairperson. H & I donated (12) Basic Texts to prison. Would like copy of Regional Policy Committee report. Nominated for convention program:

Junie 942-3218 Kenny 269-5245

Questions to the region:

1. Why the word "RECOVERED" was used in a P.I. PSA?
(could be from old White Book at radio station)
2. Why do not get the regional minutes?
(Regional Secretary has resigned)
3. Did we send money to the world?
(\$1000 last sent to world in March)

New meetings:

FOOTWORK

Messiah Lutheran Church
46 W. Lancaster Ave
Friday 8:00pm
O.T.P.D. 1st=Step

BURNING DESIRE

W. Chester Clubhouse
575 E. Gay Street
Friday 11:00pm
T.P.D. Candlelight

Donation to the region = \$500.

6. **SMALL WONDER AREA:** H & I Regional Unity Day November 5th. [SEE OLD BUSINESS #8 & PAGE #9] Meeting, dinner and dance. Public Information has PSA for radio station WSTW; will contact other areas concerned. The PSA's were received from world. SWANA Area doing well; all area positions filled. Will send donation to region.

Activities: PICINIC October 9, 1988 12:00 noon at the
 Bellevue State Park \$5.00 per person.
 HAYRIDE October 22, 1988 8:00 pm at the
 Carosel Farms-Hockosin \$5.00 per person.

Contact Mike at (302) 571-1118.

7. **MONTGOMERY COUNTY AREA:** Groups doing well, growing as an area. Sub-Committee are doing well with good support. All H & I commitments filled with good support. Policy committee formed and moving along & first committee meeting 9/22/88 at 6:00. P.I. needs support & consistent chair. We have gone through (2) chairs in the last (2) months. Short on money, no regional donation. A lot of new people involved. Area growing. No rep. on Convention Committee because meeting was held same time as area services, if there is still a need we would like to send a rep. Helpline would like to talk with regional Hotline chair for discussion of regional Helpline. Rep for RSO voted in.

8. DELCO AREA: Area new name "DELCO" changed from "TRI-COUNTY". Area passed \$500.00 for RSO board. Convention policy has not been voted on at this time. RSO Board member was elected - Jimmy K.----H & I has new chairperson and has good support from area. P.I. has strong support, working on info to schools. Hotline fine. Activities has no new activities as of now. Meeting list o.k. Cleansheet new representative elected - Roger-----Treasury reports \$1085.21 on hand.

9. REGIONAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (RSR): [NO WRITTEN REPORT]
Our RSR is currently attending the WSC Quarterly in Detroit.

10. G.P.R.S.O. BOARD INC.: The RSO has had (2) meetings and (1) workshop since the last RSC meeting. At the July 16th meeting the following business was conducted:

- Previous Chairperson resigned
- Joe F. voted in as new Chairperson
- Bill L. voted in as Co-Chair

Both new electives will complete former directorates term ending July 1989. Secretary was instructed to mail to the RSC Secretary 1. Next meeting agenda, date, time & place 2. Workshop date, time & place 3. Terms of intent of the RSO.

Also discussed closing out of all RSC bank accounts and placing them under the umbrella of the RSO. At the August 31st meeting all questions that were referred to the RSO were discussed and the Board came to a definitive answer for each question. An RSO workshop was held Sept 11th at Pratt & Summerdale. All questions that were referred to the RSO were discussed at length and the workshop proved to be a great success for all those attending. The last pool member elected by the RSC has been elected to the Co-Chair position. The RSC at this time has (3) positions that they have the opportunity to fill. The RSO is asking the RSC to fill these positions. The following areas are still not represented on the Board:

Riverfront, Montco, Clean Acres and SWANA

There is a meeting tentatively, tomorrow night 6:00pm at Joe F.'s house 9535 Baner St. 676-5065. This meeting will be held should the RSC decide on giving the RSO the necessary monies needed to open up an office.

(Discussion followed concerning checks signed by (1) Board member that passed the banks alright. This procedure was admitted to be used temporarily. Presently this has been corrected so that more than (1) Board member's signature is required to pass all checks. Areas requested that the RSO include a treasury report in the minutes).

11. PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE: [NO WRITTEN REPORT]

Progress stated on the booklet form meeting list directory. Proofs have been received with wrong format. Need the areas to send a representative to proofread the final plates. Approximate date for printing in (1) month. All areas please send rep's or input to Bob K. 4833 Ridge Ave. Phila Pa. 19129

(Question made on if any P.I. work has been performed by the Regional P.I. Committee lately; Received no definite answer).

- 12. HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE: [NO WRITTEN REPORT]**
Our H & I Chairperson is currently attending the WSC quarterly. in Detroit. No questions entertained.
- 13. POLICY COMMITTEE: [FIND ATTACHED REPORT IN THESE MINUTES]**
Temporary guidelines submitted to the region today.
- 14. LITERATURE REVIEW COMMITTEE:** No action as of 9/7/88 from committee. A regional Literature Review Workshop to be announced (within Sept/Oct). Need a word from Clean Acres, Montco & Phila to find out if we will get involvement for this committee. (Discussion followed the WSC procedures of handing out tasks to certain regions requesting work. Lit. Review has been in contact with the WSC and is still sorting out some details).
- 15. ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE: [NO WRITTEN REPORT]** Find attached flyers for the New Year's Eve Banquet & Dance at the Brandywine Hotel & Resort. Also find attached reservation request form for the hotel. Cost is \$25. with 1000 people guaranteed. Weekend packages available. No profit will be made. Need areas to get involved in support of unity. Unlimited coffee for everyone.
- 16. CLEANSHEET NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE:** Working on policy. Committee is doing well. Current balance \$113.00. Need representatives from areas. Currently involved areas: Phila., Delco & SWANA. Input is needed. "Easy does it" to "Take it easy" policy has been eliminated.. Money owed from Bucks-\$20.00, Montgomery-\$20.00, Riverfront-\$10.00. Cleansheet Committee would like to know why there was only (1) signature on the check from the RSO.[SEE RSO REPORT]. It cleared. Need possible Co-Chair & Secretary. Need definite Bucks, Clean Acres & Montgomery. Need Riverfront guy to contact.
- 17. HOTLINE COMMITTEE:** Has a phone system which will be cost effective and better equipped to handle more people quicker! First we must wait to see if the motion this committee is sending to the groups carries. Our next meeting will be November 5th at 11:00am George Washington Motor Lodge, King of Prussia. (Syntrax system being investigated. Area hotline rep's have approved the system. One line handles calls from all (7) areas by forwarding out the calls. Initial cost about \$300.00. Additional costs \$26.20 per line. Total operating costs could add up to \$1000. monthly depending on where office is located. For further info call Tom at 638-4088).

- 18. CONVENTION COMMITTEE:** Presently the Convention Committee after a few months of struggles is finally coming together, As of today the monies that we are working with is \$4621.46 which is a reduction from the original \$5000. we received from the region. Although we have not been able to generate any funds thus far, we are in the process of making a concerted attempt at doing so. We finally have a place to hold fundraisers, starting tonight we will have a fundraiser at Broad & Duncannon from 9:00pm till 2:00am and also we are booked there for (13) weeks including (3) Fridays. The dates for this month are today, 9/17, 9/24, 9/30. Hopefully with support from the fellowship and a loving God we will be able to get fundraising off on a positive note. (Flyers will be distributed throughout the region) The theme for this year's convention will be "The Miracle Continues". As I stated above concerning the flyers and presently they are at the printer and will be ready this week.[THE FLYERS ARRIVED LATER AT THIS MEETING AND ONE IS ATTACHED IN BACK OF MINUTES]. The total package for this year's convention is as follows: \$50.00 total package, \$15.00 registration, \$15.00 breakfast,. Also our Hotel Committee is in the process of making final arrangements with the Adam's Mark and has been given a commitment from the hotel for us to open the convention a day early for registration with a possibility of having meetings and a dance. Convention dates are as follows: Feb.16th-19th, 1989. [NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT PPC 9/25 AT 1:00PM IN THE STAFF'S CAFETERIA]
- 19. JOINT ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:**[NO WRITTEN REPORT] Last meeting held 8/13 canceled due to lack of support. Cleansheet & H & I Chairs only ones present. No date scheduled for next meeting; Waiting on outcome of conference weekend vote in Old Business. Do the committees want to get involved?
- 20. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:**[NO WRITTEN REPORT] Items in the regional mailbox were announced including flyers from various conventions, the WSC Fellowship Report is available by subscriptions, the WSC April Conference was taped and these tapes are for sale, and a request for this region to send a copy of the GPRSC regional minutes to the world.
- 21. CONFERENCE AD-HOC COMMITTEE:**[NO WRITTEN REPORT] Committee Chairperson holds report waiting the outcome of the vote for the Regional Weekend Conference in Old Business.
- 22. 7th TRADITION AD-HOC COMMITTEE:**[NO WRITTEN REPORT] This committee is looking for guidance and input on the intent and the service this committee is to provide. [WORKSHOP LATER SET UP DURING NEW BUSINESS AT THE REGIONAL WEEKEND CONFERENCE STARTING AT 11:00AM SATURDAY NOVEMBER 5th].

***** B - R - E - A - K *****

23. TREASURER'S REPORT: [NO WRITTEN REPORT]

8/17/88	\$2662.16	Starting Balance
	- 4.35	Service Charge

9/17/88	\$2657.81	Opening Donations

	\$4442.55	Balance

All accounting paperwork is in progress to close the regional accounts and open up a new account under the RSD umbrella. (Question answered from floor that last regional donation to the WSC was in the amount of \$1000 transacted 3/12/88) (Issues arose on the RSC/RSD relationship which was set aside until later in this meeting).

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V. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**1. NOMINATIONS**

A. Regional Co-Chairperson: The ASR from Phila read a letter from Ray H. regretting that he could not attend today's meeting. He has been backed by the Philadelphia Area, (18) months clean, active in Regional P.I. Committee and group services. Willingness and desire to serve.

[AFTER THE REGIONAL MEETING THE CLEAN ACRES ASR BROUGHT FORTH THEIR AREAS NOMINATION OF BILL O. (8) YEARS CLEAN, PAST REGIONAL, AREA AND GROUP SERVICE EXPERIENCE. PHONECALL RECEIVED BY ACTING REGIONAL SECRETARY FROM BILL ACCEPTING].

M/S/P (4-3-0) TO LEAVE NOMINATIONS FOR REGIONAL CO-CHAIRPERSON OPEN TILL NEXT REGIONAL MEETING. NOMINEE MUST BE PRESENT TO QUALIFY AND BE PRESENT TO BE VOTED IN.

B. SECRETARY: Lynde was nominated and seconded by an ASR. Nominations will remain open until next regional meeting.

C. RSD BOARD MEMBERS: The region has the opportunity to elect three (3) RSD board members. No nominations were tendered at this time. these positions remain open.[SEE OLD BUSINESS #6].

2. ELECTIONS

A. Public Information Chairperson: No Nominees tendered
M/S/P (7-0-0) TO TABLE ELECTION OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CHAIR

B. Regional Chairperson: **M/S/P (7-0-0)** TO GIVE THE REGIONAL CO-CHAIRPERSON A VOTE-OF-CONFIDENCE TO MOVE UP TO REGIONAL CHAIRPERSON.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. RSO FUNDS

Questions were raised on whether or not to vote on giving the RSO any funds or if each area had a group conscience vote.

M/S/P (- -) TO VOTE ON THE RSO FUNDING ISSUE TODAY.

M/S/P (4-3-0) TO DONATE \$5000. TO THE RSO FOR OFFICE START-UP.

2. CONVENTION POLICY

The Convention Committee has had the convention policy out to the fellowship for over six (6) months now. Discussion from the ASR's revealed that they are not ready to vote on this issue today. The Convention Committee will continue to utilize this policy until approved by the region.

M/S/P (5-1-1) TO TABLE THE CONVENTION POLICY VOTE.

3. NO RESERVED TABLES AT THE PHILADELPHIA CONVENTION

VOTE TAKEN (7-0-0) MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

4. CONVENTION SPEAKERS PAY THEIR OWN WAY

VOTE TAKEN (5-1-1) MOTION CARRIES BY MAJORITY VOTE

5. NO ASR SERVE ON THE RSO BOARD

VOTE TAKEN (5-1-1) MOTION CARRIES BY MAJORITY VOTE

6. MOVE REGIONAL TREASURER AND LITERATURE CHAIR INTO RSO

VOTE TAKEN (4-0-3) MOTION CARRIES BY MAJORITY VOTE

These people are now (2) of the (3) RSO Board members the region is allowed to fill on the Board.

7. TWO (2) YEAR TERM FOR REGIONAL SUB-COMMITTEES (EX. CONVENTION)

VOTE TAKEN (7-0-0) MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

8. TWO (2) DAY REGIONAL SERVICE CONFERENCE FORMAT

VOTE TAKEN (3-0-4) MOTION CARRIES BY MAJORITY VOTE

9. ALL RSO BOARD MEMBERS ASKED TO STEP DOWN

VOTE TAKEN (4-1-2) MOTION CARRIES BY MAJORITY VOTE

Discussion followed as whether or not the areas had the correct intent attached to the motion. The ASR from the originating motion said that their area was misinformed.

M/S/P (5-2-0) TO RECONSIDER THIS MOTION IN IT'S ENTIRETY.

TAKE BACK TO THE GROUPS AND IF YOUR AREA DECIDES TO VOTE THE RSO MEMBERS OUT THEN BRING NOMINATIONS FOR NEW MEMBERS.

TWO (2) DAY CONFERENCE WEEKEND REPORT

The first conference is scheduled for Saturday, November 5th at the George Washington Motor Lodge in King of Prussia. The conference begins at about 10-11:00am with sub-committees meeting from the areas as well as the region. The Regional J.A.C. will meet late Saturday afternoon followed by a sit-down (\$15.00) dinner. There will be a \$5.00 dance Saturday night to cover the overhead costs of renting the space at the hotel. The Regional meeting is scheduled for Sunday at 10:00am. The second conference is TENTATIVELY scheduled for January 7th & 8th at the Brandywine Hotel & Resort in Downingtown. The third conference is scheduled for March 4th & 5th at the Holiday Inn on Street Road in Bucks County (close to US Rte #1). This committee's chairperson needs input from the fellowship on what goes on at a weekend conference, how it is handled, ideas, thoughts, etc...

VII. NEW BUSINESS**M/S/ MOTION FAILS BY POINT OF ORDER**

TO HAVE ALL REGIONAL SERVICE MEMBERS ATTEND ONLY N.A. MEETINGS TO SUSTAIN THEIR RECOVERY. A point of order was made and the regional chairperson ruled this motion out of order.

M/S/P (5-1-1) MOTION CARRIES BY MAJORITY VOTE

TO DONATE \$60.11 TO THE POLICY COMMITTEE TO REIMBURSE EXPENSES INCURRED FOR POLICY WORKSHOPS AND (35) COPIES OF THE TEMPORARY REGIONAL GUIDELINES.

M/S/P (5-1-1) MOTION CARRIES BY MAJORITY VOTE

TO ACT ON THE POLICY GUIDELINES FOR ONE (1) YEAR AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL BROUGHT TO A REVIEW AND REVISED AS NEEDED.

M/S/ MOTION GOES BACK TO THE GROUPS

THAT ALL THE HOTLINE COMMITTEES FROM EACH AREA FORM ONE COMMITTEE AND ESTABLISH ONE HOTLINE NUMBER.

INTENT: TO BETTER REACH THE ADDICT STILL SUFFERING AND ASKING FOR HELP. WE WILL BE ABLE TO COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY TO THE SUFFERING ADDICT.

M/S/P (?-?-?) MOTION CARRIES BY MAJORITY VOTE

TO DONATE \$250.00 TO THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE FOR START-UP COSTS (FLYERS, BANQUET TICKETS, ETC...)

M/S/P (?-?-?) MOTION CARRIES BY MAJORITY VOTE

TO DONATE \$10.00 TO SECRETARY FOR REGIONAL'S MINUTES. (\$5.00 FROM LAST REGION AND \$5.00 FOR THIS REGION).

M/S/P (?-?-?) MOTION CARRIES BY MAJORITY VOTE

TO DONATE \$30.00 TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE FOR RENT.

M/S/P (5-0-2) MOTION CARRIES BY MAJORITY VOTE

TO DONATE \$1000.00 TO THE WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE.

VIII. OPEN FORUM, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND DISCUSSION

NEXT REGIONAL MEETING WILL BE A TWO (2) DAY WEEKEND FORMAT AT THE GEORGE WASHINGTON MOTOR LODGE, NOVEMBER 5th & 6th.

*****TENTATIVE SCHEDULE*****

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5th:

- 10:00AM 7th TRADITION AD-HOC COMMITTEE
- 11:00AM HOTLINE COMMITTEE
- 1:00PM POLICY COMMITTEE
- 3:00PM JOINT ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
- 6:00PM DINNER
- 9:00PM DANCE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6th:

- 10:00AM REGIONAL MEETING

ATTENTION ALL AREA SUB-COMMITTEES: IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A ROOM WHERE YOUR COMMITTEE CAN MEET PLEASE CONTACT STEVE L. AT 342-0114 TO RESERVE A TIME AND PLACE.

M/S/P (?-?-?) MOTION CARRIES BY MAJORITY VOTE TO CLOSE THE MEETING AT 5:40PM

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT
SEPTEMBER 17, 1988

A preliminary draft of the regional guidelines is complete. Thirty-five copies are being distributed as follows:

(2) each to member Area's	= 14 copies
(1) each to RSR & ALT-RSR	= 2 "
(1) each to active sub-committees	= 10 "
(1) each to Administration	= 4 "
(1) each to WSC Select Committee	= 1 "
(1) each to Region Archives	= 1 "
(3) each extra copies	= 3 "

35 copies

TO THE MEMBER AREAS:

Please read this statement at your area service meeting:

THE REGIONAL GUIDELINES ARE UNAPPROVED AND ARE 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 & 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 following is a statement on this committees finances:

02/13/88	-\$ 20.44	-Flyers for Phila. Workshop
03/10/88	- 16.96	-Flyers for other workshops
04/24/88	- 20.00	-Rent Trico workshop
04/24/88	- 20.00	-Rent Bucks workshop
06/12/88	- 20.00	-Rent & coffee Montco workshop
09/15/88	- 62.71	-Copies (35) of guidelines

09/17/88	\$160.11	-EXPENSES
03/12/88	-\$100.00	-FORWARDED FROM REGION

09/17/88	\$ 60.11	-BALANCE DUE (Request from region)

Respectfully Submitted,
The GPRSC Policy Committee