

In Loving



Service

Greater Philadelphia Regional Services Committee



AGENDA
MEETING JUNE 2, 1991

- 1. Open with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer.
- 2. Read the Twelve Traditions, Attendance & Introduction of everyone.
Read the minutes from the previous Regional meeting in April.
- 3. Introduce the Agenda, changes additions and or deletions.

4. ORDER OF REPORTS:

AREA REPORTS:

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| 1. Philadelphia | 2. Riverfront | 3. Bucks County | 4. Clean Acres |
| 5. Small Wonders | 6. Montco | 7. Delco | 8. InnerCity |
| 9. Beehive | | | |
| 10. Scranton Metro | 11. Schuylkill Valley | 12. Pure&Simple | 13. Greater Camden |

RSR or RSR ALT:

RSO BOARD INC. / MEETING LIST

SUB COMMITTEES:

- | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1. PI/PHONELINE | 2. H&I | 3. POLICY | 4. UNITY/CLEANSHEET |
| 5. CONVENTION | 6. JAC | 7. ADMINISTRATIVE | 8. CONFERENCE |
| 9. EAST COAST CONVENTION | 10. WORLD BID -1994 | | |

***** BREAK *****

- 5. NOMINATIONS: Folows same as reports
- 6. ELECTIONS: same as reports
- 7. OLD BUSINESS
- 8. NEW BUSINESS
- 9. TREASURER'S REPORT
- 10. OPEN FORUM: Announcements, discussion if time allows

Next Regional Service Weekend to be held August 3, 4, 1991

11. ADJOURNEMNT

1. OPENING

Meeting opened by the Co-Chair with a moment of silence. Followed by the Serenity Prayer and the reading of the Twelve Traditions..

2. Minutes were read from the previous meeting.

Corrections to the minutes, Philadelphia Area H&I Chair and Co-Chair.
Gail G and Mark P. Delco Area correction PI Chair is Rob A. Co-chair is Rick D.

Minutes approved 7-0-1

3. Motion to change the Order of the Agenda, to add New Areas. Motion passed 10-1-0. Pure & Simple Area and Greater Camden Area received a vote of confidence from the Region. Vote taken to add P&S, 8-0-1 Greater Camden 7-0-2

Motion to create Regional Adhoc Lit Coordinator to distribute and receive all Literature information and pass it along to the areas.

Note: Info is not being received from the WSO to have the participation in revising NA Literature.

Two pro and cons were given. Nominations for Coordinator were taken. Cindy was nominated.

Motion to close nominations 11-0

Motion to elect 9-0-2 Cindy was elected to serve as Coordinator. Any one wishing to contact her 215-532-2657

4. Order of Reports;

1. PHILADELPHIA AREA:

The Philadelphia Area now has 54 Groups with new meeting stations all the time. All Sub committees doing well. We have no Regional donation because of our overwhelming Helpline Bill.

In Loving Service, Hank S.

2. RIVERFRONT:

Area is doing well. As of March 17, we had 18 groups and most of our commitments are being served. We still have problems most months with the 7th Tradition, it seems like more money goes out each month than comes in. So it can become a problem in the future. Also our Unity committee is just starting to set up plans for two fundraisers for the annual Conference. The Riverfront Area has 2 motions to go back to Group Conscience.

In Loving Service Fred F & Vanessa S

3. BUCKS COUNTY:

It seems that almost all of the groups in the Area are doing good. So far, 13 out of 18 groups have handed in the results of the World Agenda Report.

The Sub committees are doing okay. Our H&I Committee has been having trouble filling the Women's prison. If there is no support this month, we will have to drop it or turn it over to another Area. The Unity Committee doesn't have any functions going on. The committee has some ideas for events after the Area Convention. There is nothing going on with PI. Our Policy Committee is still taking new input and tying up some loose ends. Our Lit Review Committee is not getting any support but they have been given two IP'S for review and input. Helpline is informed of the new System and also sent information about it in our Area minutes so our groups will be well informed. The Convention committee is having a problem with the hotel identifying whether the people who are registering are in the program or not. There is no longer monthly dances in Bucks County.

1. Motion from the Region: That a statement to be added to the meeting list, stating that this meeting needs support. FAILED
2. Motion from the Region: To give permission to the RSO to reprint the pamphlet. From the Trustees point of view on the relationship to AA.. PASSED

We have filled RSO Board Rep. GPRCNA Rep Vice Secretary. Unity Chair, & Alt GPRCNA Rep are open. A motion was made on the floor at the March ASC. That BCA Policy state that all Area Sub Committees or their perspective Co-chairs attend all RSC Subcommittee meetings. The motion PASSED

Our donation to the Region \$ 360.84

In loving Service Joe G.

4. CLEAN ACRES: ABSENT NO REPORT GIVEN

5. SMALL WONDERS:

The Area is financially stable at this time. All Sub committees are functioning, but all are in need of support. The Area is sponsoring a picnic May 11, 1991 at Bellveve State Park, Wilmington DE, off Marsh Rd exit I-95. We need support at the group level. We have several groups on the verge of folding. An Area campout is being planned for July probably around the 2nd or 3rd Weekend. More details will follow.

In Loving service, Vinny

6. MONTCO: ABSENT NO REPORT GIVEN

7. DELCO:

Area purchased 14 Agenda reports from the Region and 21 from the World. The JAC held an Agenda day for groups and got support from the ALT RSR. Activities committee held a St. Patrick's Day Skate party at C&N Skate place and attendance was good.

NA Rocks meeting has moved to Middletown, PA. The group will meet at Middletown Presbyterian Church at 830 on Saturdays. Delco has a new RSO rep. Bill O. Secretary and Lit Co-Chair positions are still open.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS:

H&I Meets 2nd Sat. of every month at Glenolden 6:30PM

PI Meets the 2nd & 4th Thursday of every month at Keystone.

Lit Review 1st & 3rd Thursday at 700PM. 1st Thursday at Keystone, 3rd Thur. in DE.

ACTIVITIES: Meets the Saturday before ASC meeting at Glenolden at 700PM

JAC Meets April 8th at Keystone 700PM

In Loving service, Steve M.

8. INNERCITY:

Area is doing well, 84 groups are participating in the Area. We need a deadline for the Agenda Report. Unity Comm of Inner City will host our Annual Memorial Day picnic on May 27th 1991- Location is Lemmon Hill in Fairmont Park at 33rd & Poplar.

Inner City owes a donation of \$200.00 from February. The \$200.00 is present. It has a donation to the Region of \$800.00, today

9. BEEHIVE:

Our Area is doing well with all meetings following the 12 Traditions of NA. We have formed our Convention committees for our 2nd Birthday Convention to be held Thanksgiving Weekend 1991. We will be adapting a theme and logo at our next convention meeting. Fliers announcing the Convention will follow. We are formalizing a location and cost shortly. We have tentatively planned a camp-out for the July 4th weekend as a fundraiser for the convention. We hope our fellow member living in the city and surrounding areas will come out for the weekend in the Poconos.

Our Acceptance Group Outreach meeting will celebrate one year in April. Group members have supported two meetings in Tunkhannock for the last year and attendance of two local NA members is increasing.

We have a Unity Day planned for May 11th 1991 in Hazleton, at the Diamond United Methodist Church. We hope that our fellow regional members attend. Fliers are available. Many Beehive members attended the Phila Regional Convention in March and our Area is glowing with the recovery that was experienced. Our sincere thanks to the Convention Committee for a job well done.

We have been encountering some financial difficulties with our Phoneline/ answering service and the accountability that we require in attempting to assist a neighboring area. We have brought all Phoneline services for the Beehive Area into our local city and maintain all accountability for them. Some of the group donations have been down and we have had to transfer funds from our prudent reserve to meet expenses. In keeping with the fund flow our donation to the Region is \$77.00

In Loving Service, Brett D.

10. SCRANTON METRO:

Group support is doing better. We still need support with officers at group and Area levels. Area has 6 regular meetings per week and one H&I meeting Sunday night. Area has no donation at this time. Area will be having a Campout July 4th weekend, Flyers will be out soon.

In Loving Service, Don K. ASR

11. Schuylkill Valley:

The "here at Last" group is losing their meeting place. The Miracles Club which is the landlord is closing. this group is going to look for another new place to meet. The new RSO Rep is Greg D. All groups have improved attendance But still a lackof committment in service within the area. The Area needs a H&I Chair, certain members of the Area are considering a Service Learning Day to improve awareness and understanding of the service importance. The Marathon meeting was a flop. The Area made \$8.00. Donation today is \$100.00 to the Region.

In Loving Service Jerry..

12. Pure & Simple Area:

To the Phila RSC.. We are the "Pure & Simple"Area of NA. After holding a series of Open Forum during the last year and a half, we the four groups, "justfor Today", "Just for Tonight", "Free at Last" and "Thru Principals we Unite", decided to form a transition committee. During which time we formed a draft of the ASC guidelines. At this time our groups withdrew from the Little Apple Area to form the Pure & Simple Area of NA. We have had our first ASC Meeting on March 10, 1991. We are in the process of creating a H&I PI and Lit committee with nominations coming back to the April ASC meeting. Our ASC Vice Chair will be purchasing our areas Literature fromt he RSO. Our ASC has decided to withhold all funds from being passed on to the RSC until we can establish our prudent reserve. We willthen at that time passon all left over money as part of our policy of Funf flow to the RSC. At present we have one H&I meeting at the Quakertown Renewal Center on Tuesday 8-9PM. It is a speaker meeting closed to the public. we are looking forward to the Centrax phone system so we can set up and tap into it with the area Helpline number. We have been researching the 1-800's numbers. We look forward to our new relationship with the GPRSC with much enthusiasm and thespiritual unfoldment of the new area. If we even have a littlegrain of the tru Faith, our service will soothe and Heal and Restore.

In Loving Service Gene R.

P&S ASC.....
Chair: Randy H 28203410
Vice Chair: Debbie B
Secretary: Chris C.
Vice Secty: OPEN
Treasurer: Ginny H
Vice Treas: Jeanne H.
H&I /PI : OPEN
Literature: OPEN
ASR: Gene R. 346-8192
ASR Alt: Bob L 536-3990

Note: There is a 2nd H&I meeting at the Quakertown Renewal Center on Saturday from 7-8:30 PM the format is a Basic Text Discussion.

13; GREATER CAMDEN AREA:

Our First ASC meeting was held on March 24, 1991. All groups reports are doing well. We have Six groups joining the Area. The Area has 11 meetings being held. Elections for Trusted servants will be held at the next Asc meeting at 7PM at the Camden Rescue mission 1634 Broadway, Camden NJ

In Loving Service, Theron M

RSR / RSR ALT: NO REPORT GIVEN

RSO BOARD INC:

The Board met on 4-6-91 Six Areas were represented, Delco, Beehive, InnerCity, Riverfront, Clean Acres, Schuylkill Valley. There were also 3 Regional Reps. We discussed the proposed budget and after much discussion finally approved it. We also approved Letterhead for the office, I will submit a copy of this letter head with the revision. This letterhead will be printed in blue ink. We are also discussing a God box, which was brought up by a member of the office. This motion failed. We were also discussing the possibility of a satellite office to be opened up in the Northeast section of the state, to facilitate Literature sales in that sector as well be open to Rehabs who wish to purchase our Literature. There was a motion to move the office from the present address to a location down the street. This was seconded and passed. The Rent will be \$500.00 per month plus utilities for approx. 1100 square feet which would provide ample space for the Cleansheet. I am also submitting a financial report.

In Loving Service GPRSO

GPRSO FINANCIAL REPORT:

Lit on Hand	37298.50
VALUE	81233.07
OWE WSO	14170.97
BALANCE:	67062.10

P.S.F.S	10264.26
CONT	35910.96
	5000.00
CASH ON HAND:	51175.22

Office Expenses:	2000.00
Old Conv/CASTOR	163.00
KEY TAGS:	2065.00
Riverfront(reimbursement)	12.65
OFF EXP.	3000.00
CASH ON HAND	43934.57

OFFICE EXPENSES:

RSO	5356.58
RENT	300.00
Ulti.	41.00

RSO OFFICE EXPENSES CONT'D

PHONE	74.14
OFFICE SUPPLIES	73.44
TAX-ACC	2000.00
SHIPPING	84.12
PETTY CASH	77.60
ADDL	762.00
BALANCE:	1944.28
Phone reimbursement	45.19
BALANCE:	-----
	1899.09

MEETING LIST:

The Spring 1991 Meeting list came out right after our Regional Convention in March. The next scheduled printing will be in July. This committee has not met in several months. Meeting Lists Reps or other Trusted servants have been calling in changes or turning them in at RSC meetings, but noone seems to be able to come out to the committee's scheduled meetings. Yesterday one Rep showed up. We could use the support. Several people have suggested possibly changing the format of the meeting list, but no action can be taken on this until Reps are willing to get together for discussion.

A meeting will be scheduled for May. When the exact time and date are scheduled, all Meeting list Reps will be notified(or if an Area does not have a Rep, the ASR will be notified) And as always the committee is scheduled to meet at the Regional Weekend....10AM. Saturday June 1, 1991 Rm 101 Howard Johnson's on Roosevelt Blvd. We hope to have a more substantive report by the next RSC. The committee does not have a nomination to make for chairperson. Meeting lists Changes can still be called in to the present chairperson, Arlene at 215-473-3249.

In Loving Service, Arlene

SUB-COMMITTEES:

1. PI April 6, 1991

The meeting was opened with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer. The Twelve Traditions were read.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

* InnerCity will be having a PI Learning Day on April 27, 1991 from 12noon to 6PM at 22nd & Lehigh Philadelphia

*Beehive Area will sponsor a Learning Day, May 11, 1991 in Hazleton at the Diamond Methodist Church, corner of Diamond & Locusts Sts.

* In Binghamton ,NY on June 15, 1991 from 100-600PM there will be a Learning Day. They are in need of support. A group will be going from the Region, see the PI Chair.

- * The University of Delaware will be the site of a conference sponsored by the Delaware D&A Agency. Starting July 22, thru the 26th. On Tuesday July 23, 1991 we will have a NA Presentation followed by an open NA meeting. We will have speakers discussing how the Phoneline, and what PI is all about.
- * PI was contacted by "Recovery Resource" to attend their conference. We will be able to have a table with NA PI's and be able to answer any questions about NA and the Steps. We need volunteers, any one interested see Rob A.
- * PI Budget was approved for the next fiscal year, motion passed 9-0-0
- * An Emergency plan was composed and will be taken to the World conference in April.
- * A Written detailed explanation of the Purpose and Intent of the Phila. Metro PI committee will be sent to the WSC
- * PI will be asking for \$750.00 to contribute to the Multi regional Learning Weekend. Each Region is contributing \$750.00 to help with start up. Our money will be used to purchase the T-shirts to be distributed at the next Multi-Regional planning meeting.

In Loving Service Bill M

H&I:

All Areas were present except Schuylkill Valley and Scranton Metro. Sub committee showing great unity. An H&I Adhoc committee meeting was held March 16, 1991 at the Home of the Riverfront Chairperson. The purpose of this meeting was to gain structure in the Phila, Riverfront & InnerCity Areas. Our workshop at the Phila Convention went very well with 4 speakers sharing on the topic.. "Why is H&I Needed?" "What happens when no one shows?"

InnerCity chairperson resigned, Co Chair, Mary is acting until April elections in her area. Tim F was voted in as Co-chair of the GPR H&I. He is from the Riverfront Area.

A budget was drawn up for the next fiscal year. WE are asking for \$2000.00 \$1500 of which goes to the 10 Areas (150.00) each for Lit Emergency. \$500.00 for workshops & Learning Days and secretarial expenses.

Sean D was given a vote of confidence for H&I Chair to move up at the next Regional.

A point of interest is discussion was taken on an Area bringing in Keychains to their facility. This violated Policy as well as the H&I Handbook.

In Loving Service Sean D.

POLICY:

The committee met at Regional Weekend on April 6, 1991. There were about 30 people in attendance. We are reviewing current Policy. Two motions were introduced at the Regional Meeting, you will find them in the minutes. Starting next Regional we will be compiling guidelines for Areas admission to the Region. There were 4 Area Reps out of the 13 Areas in attendance.

1. Bucks County 2. InnerCity 3. Delco 4. CleanAcres

To have all Areas be represented on our Policy Committee, we need to have ALL 13 Areas! Please send those Reps to this meeting.. There will be a special meeting next month at the RSO regarding Policy admitting New Areas, on April 18, 1991

In Loving Service Vito L.

UNITY/CLEANSHEET:

We met! Although the meeting was small, we got a lot done. The meeting was attended by InnerCity Cleansheet Chair and Bucks County Unity Chair. We discussed the direction of the committee. We will start working as soon as the Budget is approved and will hopefully have a news letter to something like "Unity NEWS". As it is Regional Policy to call Newsletter Cleansheet we will return next Regional with a motion. We discussed our budget.

Proposed Budget:

1 New years Eve party	2000.00
2 Region Unity workshops	1000.00
6 printings of Newsletter	1500.00
Computer & Supplies	3000.00
TOTAL	7500.00

We will meet at the next Regional meeting at 12 noon in Room 101

In Loving Service Debbie F.

CONVENTION:

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve on the 9TH GPRCNA...

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Balance:	24,876.35
Unsold Merchandise;	6,846.00 (at RSO office)
Total	31,722.35
Less Start-up	- 8,000.00(Original 5000.00 plus 3,000.00 additional allotment)
Profit:	23,722.35

We may owe the hotel up to \$3200.00 for not filling our block of rooms. If this is so, our final balance will be \$20,522.35.

\$20,522.35
- 2,132.00 RSO for merchandise

\$18,390.35
1,900.00 Refund tax

\$20,290.35 (Profit of merchandise and cash)

This figure is a rough estimate because of the money we may have to reimburse the hotel for, until our hotel liason speaks to them concerning the 3200.00 the final figure is not known. Also there is money we have to refund \$200.00

So you can't say that \$20,000.00 is pretty close to being the profit which is in merchandise cash. The RSO never provided the tax exempt information to the hotel Therefore we were charged approx \$1900.00 sales tax.This can be refunded by the state when the RSO obtains the tax documents.

FUNDRAISING: 1st Unitarian Church at 22th & Chestnut Sts has been booked from October 1991 to March 1992 by word of mouth. The Registration committee has made a suggestion I would like to mention, that next year no cash registers will be available for the convention committee to borrow. We need to purchase 9 registers to be used from year to year at the convention by Merchandise and Registration for accountability purposes(and possibly could be used by the RSO thru out the year for merchandise, books, Literature, key tags etc.) The recommended Chairperson for the 10th GPRCNA is Paul V. I would like to say as the Convention Chair, that thru out the year there was talk of not having this convention because of the fear of not having the funds. There wasn't alot of support from all Areas for "their" convention This year the committee had to prepare a rough draft to provide a new hotel and despite all of the fear everything worked out in th end.

It takes alot of faith and hard work to go thru the wall of fear. I was really proud to be apart of this committee that understood that. I'm personally grateful we even made a profit and I believe it was a weekend that definitely provided a atomsphere of "RECOVERY"...

I strongly suggest for future conventions that we look into why we as Areas don't get involved in doing some kind of fundraising to help support our Regional convention thru out the year or offer assistance to the convention committee holding the fundraisers, instead of offering support only at the Convention itself. Anyway,Thank God for the word"WE" because it did shine through in the end and our theme really did happen..."The Ties did bind us together"

Once again its been an honor and a privilege to serve on the 9TH GPRCNA

In Loving Service Gary F.

NOTE FROM THE CONVENTION COMMITTEE:

Please take it back to the Areas that the next meeting will be held on June 1, 1991 at the Howard Johnson's at 10:00am. We will be electing a theme and logo at that time. Also we will form new convention committee for the 10th GPRCNA. If you want to get "Involved" be there, or send a Area Rep or Program Rep.

Two Motions coming from Convention committee:

1. That the Present Convention committee remain intact until the next Regional in June..

INTENT: TO help make the work for the next convention committee be continuous and expedited.

MOTION 2: To have the convention start out with a balance of \$10,000.00

INTENT: TO allow for inflation in the last 9 years.

JAC:

PROPOSED BUDGET REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE 1991-1992

H&I	2000.00	
PI/PHONELINE	8786.00	
UNITY	7500.00	
CONVENTION	10,000.00	
MEETING LIST	100.00	
RSR 3 QUARTERLYS	4590.00	}
WSC (10 days)	500.00	
COPYING	500.00	
AGENDA WORKSH	1000.00	
MISC:	250.00	
TOTAL FOR RSR		⇒ 9290.00
POLICY	500.00	
RSO	35899.00	
SATELITTE (RSO)	4719.00	
RSC SECRETARY	750.00	
JAC	10,000.00	
CONFERENCE	3600.00	

The Treasurer gave his report on the status of the money in the accounts. This year we have a \$90,000.00 proposed budget.

A Motion was made that the JAC's budget be raised to \$10,000.00
\$7500.00 as a donation to the WSC
2500.00 for traveling expenses and meals

Motion passed 9-0-1

CONVENTION (World BID)	250.00	
EAST COAST CONVENTION	250.00	proposed budget
TOTAL OF ALL COMMITTEES	\$88644.00	

Motion made to accept Budget Passed 9-0-1

Motion made to have one centralized travel agency handle all arrangements
MOTION PASSED 9-0-1

Motion made to have all travel mileage credited and applied to an account for
Regions purpose PASSED 9-0-1

Two New Areas joined the GPRSC The Pure and Simple Area and the Greater Camden
Area. Discussion of setting up Policy for new Areas joining the Region. To help
support and give direction, to define what an Area is and the Geographical
boundaries etc.

CONFERENCE:

\$897.36	ROOMS, DINNER Expenses
180.00	Dinner and Dance revenue

717.36	Weekend total April 1991
20.00	adjustemnt late donation

697.36	

A Schedule of all meetings will be included in the Regional minutes. All committees
will meet at the next Regional Weekend. Please take note. Any Add/changes/deletions
please report it to Rob U (ASAP) 215-873-9374

NEW:::::::::: NO DINNER OR DANCE at next Regional. RSR will use this time
to give a WSC synopsis...

EAST COAST CONVENTION:

The next meeting will be held at the EastCoast Cnvention June 21, to 23 1991
College Park, Maryland

WORLD BID 1994 COMMITTEE:

One bid has been received. A committee meeting is being planned for May. All those
whol volunteered to help will be contacted with the exact time and place.

NOMINATIONS:

Vote of confidence to Ernie E to move into the RSC Chair position

Nominations for RSC Co-Chair	Gary f.
RSC Treasurer	Mike B
RSC Co-Treasurer	OPEN
RSR	John S.
	Rob U.
	Joe G

Note; Rob U has withdrawn his nomination from RSR position

LIT Review	Brett D.	
H&I	Sean D	
PI/PHONELINE	OPEN	
CLEANSHEET	Debbie F	
RSC SECRETARY	Beth K.	
POLICY	Vito	
MEETING LIST	Danny B	
	Agnes	
RSO BOARD CHAIR	Don C	
RSO BOARD Co-Chair	Steve R.	
RSO SECRETARY	OPEN	
RSO TREASURER	OPEN	
CONVENTION	OPEN	
CHAIR	Paul Z	ELECTED 10-0-1PASSED
Co-CHAIR	OPEN	

Motion to close Nominations.. closed

OLD BUSINESS:

MOTION 1# From Riverfront- That the GPRC help any of the Main Speakers at our GPRC with any financial problems they might encounter getting to the convention. *Failed*

INTENT: That the GPRC act as a host and allow all members of our Fellowship to participate in carrying the message at our conventions regardless of financial status. BACK TO AREAS

MOTION 2# From Riverfront- That a WSO branch office be opened on the East Coast.

INTENT: To better serve the growing needs of NA *passes*
Motion failed 6-2-1 BACK TO AREAS

Question

MOTION 3# From Policy - That existing changes effective at the RSC during the six month updated period to our Policy be sent back to the groups at the end of that six months to be voted on line by line.

INTENT: To have accountability by member groups. *not* BACK TO AREAS

MOTION 4# From Policy - Any motion from the region that is to be put in the Agenda Report be sent back to groups first.

INTENT: That Groups in the Region approve what "they" want in the Agenda report
BACK TO AREAS. *passes*

NEW BUSINESS:

The addition of the new areas into the GPRSC. Order of agenda was changed.
The Fiscal Budgets for the 1991-1992 year see JAC

Note the RSC Chair couldn't remember what other New business we had, due to the over abundance of "stress" that day!

Motion to the ASR's to accept JAC's budget to pay bills.
motion passed 9-0-2

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer noted that \$1821.82 were recieved in donations. And that the Current account balance reflects the amount of \$15,472.59

OPEN FORUM:

Motion to nominate JR for the WSO Board of Directors
Motion passed 6-4

Motion that the GPRSC not recognize any more Areas until the Regional Policy can develop a Policy for seating New Areas

INTENT: There has not been a Policy with seating of new Areas in the GPRSC since its existence. The Formations of New Area should be spiritually motivated with the intent and desire to provide service. that an area could provide. If we stay on the path we are on we can possibly have over 20 Areas in the next six months and possibly over 19 areas just in Philadelphia alone.

Motion-declared OUT OF ORDER

NEXT REGIONAL WEEKEND set for June 1, & 2, 1991 Howard Johnson's Roosevelt Blvd.
Philadelphia, Pa.
215-464-9500

Meeting adjourned 5:30PM

GPRSC SCHEDULE - HOWARD JOHNSONS

SATURDAY:

<u>ROOM</u>	<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>CAPACITY</u>
112	POLICY	10A-12N	25
112	RSO	12N-2p	25
101	MTG LIST	10A-12N	15
101	UNITY	12N-2p	15
LOBBY	CONVENTION	10A-2p	20+
BOARD	<OPEN>	10A-12p	15+
BOARD	P.I.	12N-2p	15+
BOARD	METRO	2p-3p	15+
LIBERTY	H+I	10A-2p	40
LIBERTY	EXEC	2p-3p	40
LIBERTY	J.A.C.	3p-5p	40
BALLROOM	DINNER	5 ³⁰ -7p	20+
	SPEAKER	7p-8p	20+
BALLROOM	DANCE	9p-1A	50+

SUNDAY:

LIBERTY	RSC	10A-5p	50
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Service

Greater Philadelphia Regional Services Committee

To: Greater Philadelphia RSC

From: Al Reisser & John Swanson, RSR & RSR Alternate

Re: Report from the World Service Conference

Date: June 2, 1991

Once again we return from beautiful, sunny, Southern California with news concerning our fellowship. We left for L.A. with approximately 25% of our groups having conscientized the agenda report and given us the results. (Again we hope for a better turn out next year). We spent about 100 hours at the W.S.C. in 7 days deliberating, listening to discussion and deciding on issues.

So much went on at the conference that, again, it would be impossible to include it all in this report. We will walk you through the W.S.C. however and touch on the highlights of the conference. The minutes should be available soon, (or for the real service hounds a full set of conference tapes will be available for a mere \$180.00). We recommend listening to them in 18 hour segments for a full appreciation of what the conference is like.

Seating of Regions: All regions who requested seating were rather uneventfully seated, except for the Bahamas Region, mainly because that region consists of six groups, nineteen meetings, and two areas. The final outcome supported the region, based on the fact that the Bahamas are a sovereign nation and are not in fact a part of Southern Florida.

RSR Panel Presentation: Copies of our presentations are in your packets. RSR presentations were effective, and promoted lively discussion. The overall feeling of the Conference was toward expanding this format next year, trying to involve groups of regions getting together to discuss issues throughout the year. I was appointed to serve on one of the panels which discussed the three topics: 1. "What Are We Here? = The Need To Establish An NA Identity. 2. Is There A Need To Formalize Inter-Regional Communication? 3. What is Group Conscience?" A copy of the report from that Panel is also included.

The Traditions Project: A review and input draft of traditions 1-6 was released to conference participants. It should be available from the R.S.O. shortly. A complimentary copy should be available today for regional trusted servants.



Panel Presentation: "Relationships: World Service Boards and Committees, the World Service Conference and the NA Fellowship"; It was clear from this discussion that there is a lot of ambiguity in World Services about who makes what decisions, who is in charge when W.S.C. is not in session, who should work with whom on what issues and to what extent, etc. It seemed however that the discussion leaned more in the direction of the Board of Trustees being the "Single Point of Decision." The efficacy of this is at least questionable and most dangerous at least as far as we can tell.

Administrative Committee: Motion #1 (C.A.R.) failed (51-26-0), which means that we should be able to place regional motions in the C.A.R. Publication of the Conference Digest passed (62-13-0) as well as motion #3 changing Fellowship Report to Conference Report. Motions #4 (Conference Taping) and #5 (Relocation of the W.S.C. Annual Meeting) both passed.

Joint Administrative Committee: During the JAC session motions were entertained to disband the committee altogether. After a long tug-of-war, the motions were referred to an adhoc committee to return later in the week with a recommendation. The adhoc committee returned with the "Interim Committee Proposal" which is included as an addendum to this report. We voted in favor of this.

W.S.O. Board of Directors: A long panel presentation covered the office's activities throughout the year. We then focussed on motions #112 & #113, included as an addendum to this report also. These were substitute motions for the two affirmation statements that were presented in the C.A.R. Motions #13, #14, & #15 failed after little discussion. At this point the conference went into a committee of the whole for one hour. The end result was the formation of an adhoc committee to develop a conference support statement, concerning the 5th Edition, and any future infringements on the copyright. The result was Motion "999" which is being issued to the entire fellowship. This is also included as an addendum to this report.

A motion was also passed for the publication of an "Introductory Guide to Narcotics Anonymous." This would be a compilation of already conference-approved literature including "Chapter 4 - How it Works" from the Basic Text. The table of contents will be distributed to regional literature committees soon. If approved the book will be released around September, 1991.

One of the reasons that this motion was passed was due to the W.S.O.'s lengthy discussion for the need for new "product" to make up for the decrease in sales of the Basic Text recently. It seems that sales for the Basic Text have reached a peak and are sloping off due to the saturation in the fellowship market for the book.

The W.S.O. lost money within the past year. For more information ask about the W.S.O. annual report.

The approval copy of the Spanish Basic Text went out on April 11, 1991.



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Policy: The policy guidelines (#21) failed, mostly because of the full funding of committee members. This opened up a lengthy discussion about whether there should even be a Policy Committee. Many motions were submitted ranging from disbanding the committee, making it an adhoc committee, or placing the committee under the direction of the Board of Trustees. All of these motions came close to a 2/3 passage, falling short by only a few votes. The committee will continue to operate under its old guidelines this year.

I (Al R.) was nominated and elected to the W.S.C. Policy Committee for the present year.

Guide to Service: Another hot potato that got juggled around the Floor was the Guide project. Many recommendations about who should be in charge, who should be doing the work, and who should have nothing at all to do with the Guide were discussed. The most popular concept was disbanding the NAS Committee and assigning the responsibilities to the Board of Trustees. This motion also narrowly failed. The adhoc committee will be meeting two or three times a year to complete the final approval draft of the 12 Concepts. This draft will be included in the 1992 Conference.

Literature Committee: Shortly after motion #19 passed with little resistance, we were able to see the results: the daily book production schedule. It seems that only 25% of the book will reach fellowship review & input. The other 75% will be developed within committee, using staff teams and review panels of general members. I strongly protested this process and requested, along with several other regions, that the minutes reflect this objection.

Steps Adhoc Committee: There were pre-review drafts of Steps 1, 2, and 3 released about two weeks prior to the W.S.C. During this panel presentation, much disappointment was expressed over the current pre-review drafts of Steps 1, 2, and 3. Again, many motions were addressed covering a full range of alternatives from republishing the 1985 Blue version to having the Board of Trustees facilitate regional review & input on existing drafts. The outcome was continued support of the Steps Adhoc Committee, speeding up the process, and a virtual spanking of the Board of Trustees to be discharged from any further consideration of the steps portion of IT HURTS: HOW & WHY.

PI: All PI motions passed. There was also a motion passed to develop a video about NA. This project will be equally funded by W.S.O. and W.S.C., and is expected to cost roughly \$30,000.00.

Budget: There seemed to be hours of discussion on the subject of MONEY, opening the conference up to what seemed like a fully expanded JAC meeting. All committees put in their "Plug" for why their committee should be funded. A \$262,000.00 fixed expense budget covering all conference committees was presented; the conference developed a priority list (enclosed in your packet) by written secret



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ballot. These priorities will be considered by the Interim Committee along with a negative priority list and the fixed expense budget in trying to develop a reasonable disbursement plan in the coming year. It is certain that the financial condition of World Services is not good. There is simply not enough money to support the projects that are desired to be seen through to their fruition. The priority list will certainly give some direction but it is we who need to decide as to whether we want to eliminate projects or cough up the cash in order to see them through.

Elections: Four Trustees, three of whom we supported were elected. There was no second Vice-Chair elected. The election results are included in the report.

Results of CAR Motions: There is a list of the results of the CAR motions included as an addendum to this report.

International Forum: The entire day of Saturday, April 20th, before the WSC, was dedicated to a workshop on International Issues. A number of issues were addressed including; translations and the difficulty of translating literature into other languages, the inability of others in foreign speaking nations to read any service related material, the struggles developing NA Communities are experiencing, the financial burden of sending trusted servants to events such as the W.S.C. and Quarterly meetings, how differences in culture make translating concepts very difficult, ie; the idea of admitting powerlessness in some cultures is unspeakable and unheard of, the God concept in other cultures is considered blasphemous. We in the U.S. are very de-sensitized to the struggles other NA Communities are having as we engage in our sometimes petty disagreements. We need to recognize that there are other NA members out there who struggle daily with issues we have never and will never need to address. Let's keep focussed on the primary purpose: To help others recover from the disease of addiction. We now exist in 65 countries but most of them have only a few meetings. Let us remember the addict in Argentina and Nepal as we remember those in our region.

Article on Prejudice: There is included in your report an article on Prejudice. It was written by the Board of Trustees External Affairs Committee. Please study, copy, and distribute it. It is to stimulate discussion only. Please do not use it as a weapon, but as a tool.

Personal Reflections: In closing, I'd like to thank you all for the opportunity to have served you in this capacity. I feel different than I did in 1986, 5 short (or maybe long) years ago, when I became RSR Alt. This commitment has changed me as a person. There are so many people I have met, things I have shared and life lessons I have learned as a result of serving in this manner. These treasures I will carry with me the rest of my days. It has taught me what commitment is because there were times when I wanted or other people in my life wanted me to resign but I hung in there and saw it through. I'm leaving with a mixture of sadness (like giving up an old friend) and relief (like the feeling you get when you stop banging your head



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against a wall). In all seriousness, thanks for the experience!!

I will remain your
trusted servant,
In Loving Service,
Your Friendly Neighborhood
RSR.

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RESULTS OF CAR MOTIONS

F=FAILED P=PASSED W=WITHDRAWN R=REFERRED TO COMMITTEE OR BOARD

WSC COMMITTEES

- 1. F 51-26
- 2. P 62-13
- 3. P
- 4. P
- 5. P
- 6. F
- 7. P
- 8. F 46-25
- 9. W
- 10. P
- 11. P
- 12. P
- 13. F 23-51
- 14. F
- 15. F 21-55
- 16. W
- 17. Out of order
- 18. P
- 19. P
- 20. P
- 21. F
- 22. P
- 23. P
- 24. P

REGIONAL MOTIONS

- 1. F 35-28-10
- 2. F
- 3.
- 4.
- 5. F
- 6.
- 7. R to ADMIN
- 8.
- 9. Postponed indefinitely
- 10.
- 11. F
- 12. Object to consider
- 13.
- 14.
- 15. R to POLICY & BOT
- 16. F
- 17.
- 18.
- 19.
- 20. W
- 21. Died/ lack of second
- 22. R to BOT
- 23.
- 24.
- 25.
- 26.
- 27.
- 28. Died/ lack of second
- 29.
- 30. R to ADMIN
- 31. F
- 32. Died/ lack of second

*Note: a blank space next to the motion number signifies that the motion was never brought to the floor by the originating region.