

RIVERFRONT AREA SERVICES

PHILADELPHIA, PA. 19135

JULY 16, 1990

Meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer and the 12 Traditions. Meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by Loretta.

ROLL CALL

Chris	For Addicts Only	Jim	Recovery Starts Here
Kareem	Living the Program	Mike S.	Spiritual Connection
Randy	Midnight Miracles	Steve	Steps for Solutions
Bill	Need Never Die	Sam	Surrender to Win
Qaydir	NOANDA	Kevin	The "we" Group
Dan	One Step Closer	Wayne	The Ultimate weapon
Samir	Part of the Healing Process	James	One Solution
Adrienne	Promise of Freedom	Joe	We do Recover

GROUP REPORTS

For Addicts Only: Meets Tuesday nights at 8:00 PM at Longshore & Hegerman. The group is doing great. We carry a loving and caring message. Come and join in our recovery.

Living the Program: Meets Thursday at 1319 Locust Street at 7:30 PM, with the exception of the second Thursday of the month, when we meet at 8:00 PM. Our group is doing well, we are carrying the message of recovery through the grace of God. Group conscience meets the first Wednesday of the month, business meeting is the last Thursday of the month following the regular meeting. You are a member when you say you are.

Midnight Miracles: Meets Friday & Saturday at Midnight, our location is at Jeff's Gym on 20th & Federal Streets in Camden. A strong message of recovery can be heard. Let the God of your understanding lead you there, we need your support, our attendance is down this month.

NOANDA: Meets Monday through Friday at City hall, Rm. 329 at 12 Noon. A clear N.A. message is being carried. Attendance is up, the group is doing well.

One Solution: Meets Wednesday at Haines & McMahon at 7:00 P.M. The one Solution group invites you to attend our meeting. We meet every Wednesday from 7:00 to 9:00 PM we are located in the Germantown section of Phila. All are welcome to share the N.A. Way.

Promise of Freedom: Meets every Friday at 7:30 to 8:45 PM Rm. 9607 Jefferson Hospital 11th. & Chestnut Street. Business/Group conscience meeting is held on the 1st Friday of the Month following the regular

meeting. We need support. All are welcome.

Steps for Solutions: Meets Wednesday at 7:30 PM at Lawndale United Methodist Church (Levick & Palmetto Sts.). We are a new meeting and need support and home group members. Our Group Conscience meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM and we encourage you to make this your home group and help us carry the message of recovery.

Surrender to Win: Meets every Saturday night at 8:00 PM at United Methodist Church located at Longshore & Hegerman Sts. Our group conscience meets the second Thursday of the month at 8:00 PM also at United Methodist Church. The group is carrying a clear message of recovery and is continuing to draw newcomers into the room. Still looking forward to your support. All are welcome, please come out and get some solutions.

We do Recover: Meets Sunday's at Longshore & Hegerman at 1:30 PM. The group is going well, carrying a clear N.A. message. New GSR & Alt. have been elected. Attendance has picked up in the last 2 weeks.

The "WE" Group: Meets Thursday at Ridge Ave & Schoolhouse Ln., at 7:30 PM. The group is doing OK, the message is being carried. Group conscience meets the second Wednesday of the month, and our Tradition workshop is the 4th Wednesday at the same time. We can use N.A. support.

Ultimate Weapon: Meets Monday 8:00-9:00 PM at 7th & Woodland Sts. "Outreach House" I.P. Discussion, Tuesday 8:30-10:00 PM Speaker Discussion and Thursday 8:00-9:30 PM. Steps & Traditions at Dudley & Westfield. All need support. Group Conscience meets the 2nd week of the month on Sunday at 1:00 Dudley & Westfield: Business meeting is the 3rd week on Tuesday following the Meeting.

#### SUB - COMMITTEE REPORTS

H & I Committee: The committee is doing well. 11 commitments are being held, 7 by panel and 4 by groups. We are getting women to get involved, but still need involvement by men & women. We have one commitment not covered. We request \$10.00 per month for literature and stamps. Literature status is \$150.00 per month consisting of white books and meeting lists. We on the sub-committee need responsible people willing to carry the message of hope and the promise of freedom to the still sick addicts, even people just willing to speak.

Mark P.  
H&I Committee Chairperson

Unity Committee: The Unity Committee is pleased to report that both fund raisers held during the past month were a success. However we are still far from our mark to meet our needs at the Conference. We are asking that each GSR from the Riverfront Area to please try and purchase one complete Conference package, and to push registration fliers in your home groups. Hotel rooms are still available and are being held until the 20th of July, personal checks will be accepted until the 18th. of July.

This is our Area's Anniversary so please come out and help to make it a success. Help to deliver the message.

Lawrence Watson  
Unity Committee Chairperson

Ad-Hoc Special Interest Committee: We will meet Saturday, August 4, 1990 at Longshore & Hegerman at 7:30 PM. This will be our first meeting. Anyone wishing to participate, please come down. All are Welcome.

Jim McGinley

Helpline Committee: Committee is in desperate need of emergency 12 Step volunteers who are responsible individuals. If interested, attend the Philadelphia Helpline meeting at BVM Church on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 6:00 PM. If there are any questions please contact Billy V. at 468-2526.

Billy V.  
Helpline Committee Chairperson

#### Old Business

- M/S/P: That the Philadelphia Region not have any involvement with the F.L.C. until the F.L.C. has been accepted by the Areas.  
Intent: There are too many questions to be answered that may affect N.A. as a whole.
- M/S/F: For the G.P.R.L.C. to become part of and participate in the F.L.C. Intent: so that addicts writing literature for addicts becomes part of the fellowship again.
- M/S/P: That the meeting list not include formats, however, the meeting lists will still include non-smoking (NS), wheelchair accessible (WC), open (O) and closed (C) codes.  
Intent: To be more cost effective by 1) Decreasing typesetting costs. 2) Decreasing changes, and 3) Decreasing space and the number of pages; and to work within the 4th. Tradition.

pp63-64 (5th. Ed. Basic Text)

"A Narcotics Anonymous group is any group that meets regularly, at a specified place and time, for the purpose of recovery, provided that it follows the Twelve Steps and Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous. There are two basic types of meetings: Those open to the general public and For Addicts only. Meeting formats vary widely from group to group; some are participation meetings, some are speakers, some are question and answer, and some focus on special problems discussions.

What ever the type or format a group uses for its meetings, the function of a group is always the same; to provide a suitable and reliable environment for personal recovery and to promote such recovery".

M/S/F: To change the name of the Region to Keystone-Small Wonder  
Intent: To reflect the geography of the region.

M/S/A: What exactly does this motion mean? Does it include fliers,  
memos, etc. what? Be more specific.  
Intent: To clarify that area motion that all designs, logos, insignias,  
and phrases on anything bearing the N.A. insignia. We suggest  
that this pertain only to items for sale.

M/S/P: That our RSR resign as RST if he takes a position on the World  
Trustee Ad-Hoc committee on the 12 traditions.

Intent: See RSC minutes dated 9-12-89, page 10.

M/S/P -That the RSR and RST Alt. from the GPR not hold any  
standing committee positions at the WJC, while serving this  
region.

Intent - So that the RSR and RST Alt. may focus all their  
attention to all WSC committees and not any specific committee  
and not lose focus of their WSC committees and not any specific  
committee and not lose focus of their primary responsibility and  
possibly missing valuable information. This is against the  
spirit of our regional Policy. Our policy was not written to  
include WJC Ad-Hoc committees. This is because no one thought  
of it. This can be a conflict of interest especially since this  
Region supported "9-0-0" motion to return the traditions to the  
fellowship, by following the "89" World Literature Guidelines.

M/S/F/: That the Riverfront Area purchase or produce literature and  
other recovery related materials from source or sources that  
does not send money to the World Service Office.

Intent: To stop the profiting by the WSO. Our home groups have become  
store fronts for the WSO merchandise. None of the funds  
generated by these items is available for use in our service  
efforts. The fellowship as a whole created our literature and  
gave the copyrights, in trust to the WSO, the WSO has violated  
that trust.

M/S/F: That the Riverfront Area support our Area Literature committee  
in its desire to be part of the fellowship literature Committee.

Intent: To keep alive the Traditions, we have of our literature for  
addicts. The World literature process is no more and will be  
asked to approve literature written by paid professionals.

\*\*M/S/P: All further motions be in the form of a statement, instead of a  
question.

Intent: Clarity.

M/S/T: That only members of the Home Groups in the Riverfront Area hold  
Area Commitments.

Intent: Anything else would be in conflict of interest.

\*\*Effective 7/16/90 this motion is now an amendment to Riverfront Area  
Policy.

## TREASURER REPORT

NO WRITTEN REPORT SUBMITTED.

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## NEW BUSINESS

- Motion: That the current secretary of the Riverfront Area resign from the position.  
Intent: To elect a new secretary that will be responsible, and assure that the minutes get mailed out to the group GSR's promptly.
- Motion: That the Riverfront Area Secretary include in the minutes any new policy and any old policy that is replaced in the form of an addendum page.  
Intent: To keep Groups aware and allow them to participate in our Area.
- Motion: That the Riverfront Area not submit any more Area donations to the Greater Philadelphia Region and to put these moneys back in the flow to serve our Area's needs.  
Intent: To stop the flow of money from the Region to the World. To support our Area and Sub-Committee's needs.
- Motion: Need to know what source or sources literature and other recovery materials will be coming from.  
Intent: To clarify where our literature will be obtained from and how.
- Motion: Please be more specific about only members of Home Groups in the Riverfront Area holding Riverfront Area Commitments. Many of us are not sure what kind of commitments are involved.  
Intent: If we pass this motion won't we be contradicting ourselves. i.e., We can hold commitments in other Areas but someone from another Area cannot hold a commitment in the Riverfront Area.
- Motion: To have a statement added to the front page of our meeting lists "IF YOU ARE NEW TO N.A., PLEASE CONTACT OUR HELPLINE TO INSURE THAT THE MEETING YOU HAVE CHOSEN IS STILL IN EXISTENCE"  
Intent: To supplement that lapsed time between updated meeting lists. So that the newcomer is being given the best chance to attend an active meeting.

Meeting was brought to a close at 8:15 PM followed by a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted  
Gail F.  
Area Secretary