

RIVERFRONT AREA SERVICE
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Sunday 21 March 1999

Meeting opened with Serenity Prayer at 7:15 PM. Readings: 12 traditions, tradition 9,
tradition 12, 12 concepts, concept 3.

Attendance and Open Commitments

JENKINTOWN GROUP	GSR	Jefery B			
NEED NEVER DIE	GSR	Donna M	Present	215 742 3485	
LEARNING TO LIVE	GSR	Mike F	Present	215 624 4196	
	Alternate GSR	Tom A		215 338 0485	
FOR ADDICTS ONLY	GSR	Diane L	Present	215 624 7337	
	Alternate GSR	Troy S	Present	215 333 6789	
WAKE UP & RECOVER	GSR	Rocco D	Present	215 335 0726	
STARTIN OVER	GSR	Michael S			
	Alternate GSR	Joe D			
FAITH IN NA	GSR	Mike K	Present	215 281 3871	
	Alternate GSR	Vince P		215 357 4633	
WE DO RECOVER	GSR	Kim R	Present	215 335 0385	
LIVING THE PROGRAM	GSR	Demetrious W	Present	215 735 5354	
	Alternate GSR	Sheila B			
SPIRITUAL SOLUTIONS	GSR	Ron D		215 878 2149	
ONE STEP CLOSER	GSR	Jim B	Present	215 335 0385	
	Alternate GSR	Tom W	Present	215 673 4304	
HOPE FOR TODAY	GSR	Tom R	Present	215 634 1989	
	Alternate GSR	Joe M	Present	215 332 1490	
HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE	Chair	Diane L	Present	215 624 7337	
MEETING LIST SUBCOMMITTEE	Chair	Paula D	Present	215 745 6945	
POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE	Chair	Shelly B		215 244 9344	
CONVENTION SUBCOMMITTEE	Chair	T C		215 217 8318	
UNITY SUBCOMMITTEE	Chair	Jim B	Present	215 335 0385	
PUBLIC INFORMATION SUBCOMMITTEE	Chair	OPEN			
LITERATURE SUBCOMMITTEE	Chair	Tom M	Present	215 441 5698	

Attendance and Open Commitments

RIVERFRONT ASC

Chair	Carol-Ann M	Present	215 856-9051
Co-Chair	Shelly B		215 244 9344
RCM	Vince P		215 357 4633
Alternate RCM	OPEN		
Secretary	Tom S	Present	215 676 7905
Co-Secretary	OPEN		
Treasurer	OPEN		
Co-Treasurer	OPEN		
Alternate Regional Service	OPEN		
Convention Rep	T C		215 217 8318
Alternate Convention Rep	OPEN		
RSO Board Rep	OPEN		

8 of 12 groups represented at area - Quorum reached at 7:18 PM.

Corrections to last months minutes:

- Treasurer commitment is open.
- Wake up and Recover: GSR incorrectly reported that the group voted to leave the area. The group remains in Riverfront Area.
- Policy does not meet at Longshore and Hegerman. Contact policy chair for meeting information.
- Meeting List Committee: Report was given to the secretary but they were not in the minutes.

M/S/P to accept last months minutes as ammended.

Group and Subcommittee Reports

Need Never Die

Recovery Meeting

Monday 7:30 PM

Business Meeting

Second Monday 9:00 PM.

Location

Tyson & Sacket

Group Conscience

First Monday 9:00 PM.

Tradition Workshop

Format

1st - speaker. 2nd - sponsorship pamphlet. 3rd - step. 4th - Trad. 5th - Anniversary.

Report

Group is doing well. Carrying a strong message of recovery.

Learning to Live

Recovery Meeting

Monday 8:00 PM

Business Meeting

Second Tuesday 7:30 PM

Location

Academy & Linden

Group Conscience

Second Tuesday 7:30 PM

Tradition Workshop

Second Tuesday 7:00 PM

Format

1st - 1st step. 2nd - Sponsorship Homegroup. 3rd - Chairpersons Choice. 4th - Trad. 5. 5th - Step 2.

Report

Group is doing well. The message is being carried. We are having a learning day on May 1 1999 from 12 noon to 6:00 PM.

Group and Subcommittee Reports

For Addicts Only

Recovery Meeting

Tuesday 8:00 PM

Business Meeting

Tuesday after group conscience

Location

Cottman & Erdrick

Group Conscience

Second Monday 7:30 PM

Tradition Workshop

During Group Conscience

Format

1st - Pamphlet & Speaker. 2nd - Homegroup & Sponsorship. 3rd - Alt Steps 1,2,3. 4th - Who is an Addict?. 5th - The importance of traditions.

Report

Group is doing well. We are celebrating our 13 year anniversary on March 30th 1999. Two speaker meeting.
In loving service, Diana Linke

Wake Up & Recover

Recovery Meeting

Wednesday 9:00 AM

Business Meeting

Third Wednesday after meeting

Location

Longshore & Hegerman

Group Conscience

Third Wednesday after meeting

Tradition Workshop

Format

1st - Speaker Disc. 2nd - Step 1,2,3. . 3rd - Just for Today. 4th - Beginners. 5th - Grab Bag.

Report

Our group has been in some conflict due to our prior GSR communications that we brought back to our group. The information that was carried back to the group was invalid and there seems to have been a premature vote on our group wanting to move. In addition, there was an impulsive decision to move the group. When all group members were present, we disagreed. Our GSR understands and accepts his responsibility in the part he played in this situation. Selina C & Rocco D are here to communicate to the area that the Wake Up & Recover group as a whole wants to participate in the Riverfront area. This area has been meeting the needs of our group for two years. Our group attendance is well. Also we have a new GSR Rocco D. Further more, our groups anniversary is April 14th wed 9:00 PM to 12:00 PM. All are welcome.

Thank You, Selina C.

Startin Over

Recovery Meeting

Wednesday 7:00 PM

Business Meeting

Second Wednesday 8:40 PM.

Location

4416 Elizabeth Street

Group Conscience

Third Wednesday 8:35 PM.

Tradition Workshop

Format

1st - Speaker Disc. 2nd - Speaker steps 1,2,3. 3rd - Home Group & Sponsorship. 4th - Chairperson's Choice. 5th - Topic-Grab Bag

Report

Faith in NA

Recovery Meeting

Wednesday 8:00 PM

Business Meeting

Second Wednesday 9:30 PM

Location

Bustelton & Trevoise

Group Conscience

Second Thursday 8:30 PM

Tradition Workshop

Second Thursday 8:00 PM

Format

1st - Staying Clean. 2nd - Step One. 3rd - Home Grp & Sponsrshp. 4th - Speaker Discussionr. 5th - Pamphlet & Speaker.

Report

Faith in NA is carrying a strong message of recovery. Our meetings attract a lot of newcomers.

Group and Subcommittee Reports

We Do Recover

Recovery Meeting

Thursday 8:00 PM

Business Meeting

Third Thursday

Location

Longshore & Hegerman

Group Conscience

First Monday 8:00 PM

Tradition Workshop

First Monday 7:30 PM

Format

1st - Staying Clean. 2nd - Self Acceptnce. 3rd - Pamphlet. 4th - Step One. 5th - Trad One.

Report

Group is doing fine. Thank you for your support.

Living the Program

Recovery Meeting

Thursday 8:00 PM

Business Meeting

Last Thursday after meeting.

Location

1319 Locust St

Group Conscience

First Wednesday 7:00 PM

Tradition Workshop

Format

1st - Step. 2nd - Speaker Discussion. 3rd - Tradition. 4th - Cliche. 5th - Pamphlet.
Back Room - Rotating Steps.

Report

Living the Program is doing well and carrying a clear message of NA. We could use more homegroup members. Our policy is currently being reviewed. In loving service, an addict.

Spiritual Solutions

Recovery Meeting

Friday 8:00 PM

Business Meeting

Second Friday 9:30 PM.

Location

Academy & Linden

Group Conscience

Second Wednesday 8:00 PM

Tradition Workshop

Second Wednesday 7:30 PM

Format

1st-Staying Clean. 2nd-Tools of Recovery. 3rd-Step of Month. 4th-Open. 5th-1,3,12
Tradition.

Report

One Step Closer

Recovery Meeting

Friday 8:00 PM

Business Meeting

Second Friday after recovery
meeting

Location

Somerton Methodist
Church - Bustelton &
Trevose

Group Conscience

First Sunday 7:15 PM

Tradition Workshop

First Sunday 6:45 PM

Format

1st - Step 1, 2, 3. 2nd - Tradition 1, 2, 3. 3rd - Alt Self Acceptance / Just for Today.
4th - Opn Spkr & disc. 5th - Just for Today with Discussion.

Report

Group is doing well and newcomers always welcome.

Group and Subcommittee Reports

Hope for Today

Recovery Meeting

Saturday 7:30 PM

Business Meeting

Third Saturday following
recovery meeting

Location

Longshore & Hegerman

Group Conscience

First Monday 7:30 PM

Tradition Workshop

First Monday 7:00 PM

Format

1st - What is NA. 2nd - Speaker on JFT Pamphlet. 3rd - Pamphlet. 4th - Rotating Steps
1,2,3. 5th - Speaker 1st Tradition.

Report

Group is doing well. Carrying a clear N.A. message. We're planning an anniversary
meeting in April. Date to be announced.

Hostpitals and Institutions Subcommittee

Recovery Meeting

Third Sunday 5:30 PM

Business Meeting

Location

Longshore & Hegerman

Group Conscience

Tradition Workshop

Format

Report

Sub committee is doing very well. All commitments are filled.
We are asking all groups to announce that the H&I subcommittee is in need of support for
people to get involved. We are being asked to give up one of our commitment at Charter
Fairmount to the Schuylkill Valley Area. They do not have any commitments at this time.
Committee is not willing to give up this commitment.

WE filled the 3 prison meetings and all facilities are filled. We have a H&I co chair
Steve O. we have prison coordinator 1 for female, 1 for male facilities. We came up with
our policies for the H&I sub committee M/S/P. There was a very good turn out at the H&I
meeting.

In Loving Service, Diana L.

Meeting List Subcommittee

Recovery Meeting

1st Saturday 9:00 AM

Business Meeting

Location

6212 Ridge Ave

Group Conscience

Tradition Workshop

Format

Report

LAST MONTHS REPORT:

We meet the first Saturday of every month. We updated the regional meeting list. We
created policy for our committee. Our regional list will be printed 4 times a year.
Love & Respect, Paula.

THIS MONTHS REPORT:

We meet at the RSO on the first Saturday of March. In attendance were the chair,
cochair, and myself. Also another RF area rep. We only had discussion. NO business done.
Love & Respect, Paula D.

Group and Subcommittee Reports

Policy Subcommittee

Recovery Meeting

Business Meeting

Contact committee chair.

Location

Longshore & Hegerman

Group Conscience

Tradition Workshop

Format

Report

Convention Subcommittee

Recovery Meeting

Business Meeting

Third Sunday at 5:30 pm

Location

Longshore & Hegerman

Group Conscience

Tradition Workshop

Format

Convention Committee and Program Committee Business

Report

Literature Subcommittee

Recovery Meeting

Business Meeting

Third Sunday ASC 7:00 PM

Location

Longshore & Hegerman

Group Conscience

Tradition Workshop

Format

Report

Due to a bounced check written to the RSO and the problem with establishing a new bank account, I was unable to purchase any literature for this month. A money order was sent for about \$400.00 and we still currently owe \$634.98 to the RSO.

Today we sold \$335.00 plus \$110.00 for H&I. I will try to buy as much literature as I can as we need a lot of literature.

Also, my commitment is up in May and I will not be accepting nominations to renew.

In "Loving" service, Tom M.

Riverfront ASC

Recovery Meeting

Business Meeting

Location

Format

Report

Treasury Report: None

Old Business

The issue of the rent for use of the facilities at Academy and Linden for the H&I learning day is not resolved.

The regional ad hoc committee on misappropriation of funds has provided a document to Riverfront area for our discussion. Groups should be prepared to vote on the plans at the next Riverfront area service meeting. The document is attached to the minutes.

Old Business

Motion to accept plan 1 (Hire a special worker to manage regional funds)

Yes 6

No 2

Abstain 1

Motion passed - Plan 1 is accepted.

New Business

Motion: To take Startin' Over group out of area minutes as they have not attended the last two area service meetings.

Motion is tabled as it is known that the group is active but circumstances prevents representation from the group to attend area service.

Chair: Policy committee is an ad-hoc committee that no longer meets as it has completed it's work on updating the area policy. The committee will reconvene as required.

Open Forum

Meeting closed with serentiy prayer at 8:30 PM.

Dear Family,

The rumors of the demise of the Riverfront Area service are greatly exaggerated! We are alive and well and meeting at Tacony United Methodist Church, Longshore and Heggerman, the 3rd Sunday of every month starting at 5:30 for sub-committee meetings. AND it ain't just a place to get your literature anymore!!!

Most committee and sub-committee chairs are filled, an H&I learning day was held recently, and an area level Speaker Jam or Unity Day Conference is in the works. The Policy has been re-vamped and re-written to reflect the needs of the area, we once again have a voice at the regional level, the Riverfront area is participating in the Phila. Area Phonenumber and Literature, key tags, etc. are ALWAYS available, and plentiful.

Addicts with a willingness to be of service are stepping up to the plate to see that the message of Narcotics Anonymous is carried and we need to be grateful and show them support. How can we do that you ask????
Let me ask you a few questions.

1. Does your Homegroup have an alternate GSR? When the GSR is unable to attend the area meeting, an alternate should be available to take his place and keep the group involved in the process.
2. Does your Homegroup announce area meetings that need support? Do any of the Homegroup Members consider going to support new or struggling meetings?
3. The Phonenumber and H& I are ALWAYS in need of support, does your Homegroup have a sign-up sheet on the table? Do you announce that it is there?
4. Did your Homegroup announce the recent H&I learning day?
5. Do the Homegroup members support the Homegroup financially to the best of their ability?
6. Does your Homegroup announce open Area positions and nominate home group members for those positions.
7. Does your Homegroup support the area financially? We appreciate any financial support that the groups send us. However, we know that there is a reluctance on the part of the groups to give a donation to the area. There is a general lack of knowledge of exactly what we do with the money. PLEASE ask your GSR, he/she was at the meeting, The Area is financially responsible for absorbing the cost of ALL the literature for H&I. In order to have Literature available at all times, a supply has to be kept on hand and that costs money. If you have any questions, please ask your GSR or attend an area Service meeting.

Area Service is a reflection on the Groups it serves. We are only as good as you are willing for us to be.

Yours in Service,

CAROL-ANN
Chairperson,
Riverfront Area Service