

N.A. Area Service Meeting
Norrilstown, Pa. - Dec. 14, 1980

Bill B. opened the meeting at 2:10 with a moment of silence for the still suffering addict, and a reading of the Traditions.

Each delegate present gave a report on how their group is doing.

George K. reported that the Addithon at Plymouth Meeting was a success. There were 123 people present and \$123.68 was donated to the convention fund.

Hotline - Ken reported that things went well with the hotline this past month. Oxford Circle group took the commitment for this month. A motion was approved that each delegate go back to their group to get two current phone numbers for the hotline box. The list of all the numbers will not be typed up until this is done.

Literature - Rich reported that we owe California \$200 for literature. We have \$16.43 on hand. A large shipment of literature just arrived. We will have \$562 worth of literature on hand after what we owe California is paid. Rich asked if it is alright for him to remain as literature chairman since he will no longer be representing any group in 1981. This was discussed and found to be alright according to the N.A. Service Manual which says that officers do not have to be delegates. A motion was approved that delegates, officers and alternates all have a voice at Area Service. A motion was made to give the meeting lists out for free starting next month. The motion was approved. We still need money for literature for prisons and institutions. A motion was approved that Rich order 30 N.A. World Directories.

Treasury - Lee reported a balance of \$191.11. Bills are currently paid up. \$52.00 was collected in group donations during the meeting. The hotline sent us a bill for \$52.00 this month which represents a \$10.00 increase. They also charged us for message units this month. Barb is going to get in touch with Phyllis to find out what this is all about. Ray T. submitted a bill for \$20.67 for a new coffee pot for Area Service.

Public Relations - Pete reported that they met with the reporter from the Bulletin to discuss the story on N.A. in the Phila. area. More will be done on the story after January 1st. Marty Jacobs on channel 48 wants two N.A. members to appear on his show. Faces will be blocked out for anonymity. He wants to tape the show on December 29. We elected Cindy and George R. to appear on the show. George K. and Jane will be backups in case they can't make it. 1100 posters were made up and the total cost was \$35.00. It was decided that the treasury would absorb this cost and the posters will be given out for free. George reported that he will have the new

letters for rehabs done for next month. He is also sending out letters to radio and T.V. stations before the end of the year asking them to put the N.A. hotline number on their public service announcements.

1981 Convention - The program committee has been formed. They have a tentative schedule drawn up for the convention. Around 1,000 flyers were sent out around the country. NarAnon will have some activities at the convention. Harrisburg donated \$100.00 to the convention fund. There is a balance of \$950.00 in the convention fund plus the donation from the Addithon. It was brought up that some areas on the East coast are upset because they were not given a chance to make a bid on the 1981 East Coast Convention. Since we would like to keep the convention in our region, a possible solution would be to change the name of the convention. This is something that should be brought up for discussion at the next Regional Service Meeting.

Prisons and Institutions - John M. was not present. Bill B. gave out the commitments for the coming month.

An A.A. clubhouse has invited N.A. to participate in a program with speakers. We discussed whether or not this would violate our traditions. We decided to do it as a public relations function just as we would send speakers to a school.

There is a new group called the WAIT group (Where am I today) that meets at 8:30 Friday nights at 37th and Chestnut Streets.

George R. reported that we did receive the eighth chapter of the N.A. Big Book from Bo S. to be typed by our area. George said that he has some people helping him with this.

A.J. from Edison, New Jersey reported that they had their first New Jersey Area Service meeting on December 7th. They plan to meet every second Sunday of the month in Toms River, N.J.. They have a meeting list now which A.J. brought some copies of. They plan to have a hotline number and a P.O. box within the next few months.

It was suggested that someone from each area within our Area Service group call their local telephone company and ask about getting the N.A. hotline number put in the front of the phone book where they have emergency numbers.

George reported that a group of people are getting together to start a clubhouse called Recovering Addicts. This will be completely separate from N.A. but the space in the clubhouse will be available for N.A. meetings.

There will be a special meeting held on the third Sunday in January to go over the N.A. Service Manual and see how we can conform to the guidelines in our area. This meeting is open to all who are interested in attending. It will be

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held at the YMCA in Norristown if the room is available. This will be announced at the next Area Service Meeting.

The meeting ended with the Serenity prayer.

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Maggie P.
Secretary