

Minutes for the Dulles Corridor Area Service Committee

October 28, 2007

Opening – Opened with Serenity Prayer. Service Prayer read by Angela T.; 12 Traditions were read by John R.; 12 Concepts for NA Service read by Daniel T.; ASC purpose was read by Barbara P.

... to provide a forum where representatives from the Groups within our Area can come together, help solve one another's problems, and make available to all Groups with the Area services which might not be provided by individual Group efforts. These service include, but are not restricted to: providing a means for purchasing literature locally (Literature Subcommittee), providing information to the community about Narcotics Anonymous (Public Information Subcommittee), carrying the NA message to addicts who for specific reasons are unable to attend an NA meeting (Hospital and Institutions Subcommittee) and providing a way for the suffering addict to call for help (Phone Line Subcommittee).

We must always remember that we formed DCANA to help each other carry the message of NA more effectively. Our conduct at the ASC shall be one of love and respect for every member of the ASC. We are not in competition with each other and never should be. We can work separately as well as together in pursuit of our common goals. *Reprinted from Official Bylaws for DCANA, approved at 10/96 ASC*

Officer Reports

Chair (Jim M.) – I thank you for the opportunity to chair this committee. After last month's meeting, you may have an idea of my style. I intend to conduct our business in a spiritual manner, and sometimes that includes tough love. I apologize to anyone who may feel I did not give them an opportunity to speak fully, but we have been told that while our group tally on the regional motions would be counted, the outcome was likely irrelevant. So, I did not want to spend as much time on it as we did. I stand corrected, and intend not to bring matters to a vote until discussions are complete.

However, when it comes to motions, I intend to ask for questions and cons. If there are no cons, let's go straight to a vote. If a motion has more abstentions than yeas or nays, we should continue discussion or send it back to the groups. If anyone doubts my rulings, please appeal my ruling and let the committee decide. If things get disputatious again, remember the serenity prayer can be called for at any time.

In loving service.

Vice Chair (Keith H.) – Nothing to report other than thankful to serve.

Treasurer (Susan F.) – Opening balance was \$1792.49, with \$717.08 available. Group donations were \$545.89, \$717.00 donated to region, with a reserve of \$1075.90.

Secretary (Mary F.) – Copies of September Area Service Committee (ASC) minutes are available. Please ensure subcommittee and group report forms are completed and submitted to me once you have given your report. Thank you for letting me serve.

Subcommittee Reports

H&I (John R.) –

Contacted all panel leaders for ANB Meetings and confirmed commitments through the end of 2007.

Need panel leader for A New Beginning (ANB) every other Friday. Dave C. volunteered for position.

Met with ANB facility contact to provide him with my contact information, introduce myself and ask him if they were pleased with our ability to carry the message to their patients. Good response and very positive feedback.

Submit current H&I meeting list to ASC.

Request DCANA ASC and DCANA literature chair guidance in ordering necessary literature for new H&I meetings.

Discuss plan to add H&I meeting at the Loudoun County Adult Detention Facility. Chris has been taking the lead on this endeavor and I will work with him to assist in any way possible and ensure that the meeting is included under H&I subcommittee and follows the guidelines in our H&I handbook.

Contacted Sunrise House and left message for facility manager.

Contact Loudoun County Juvenile Detention Center and gave counselor my name and number. Offered to come in for a H&I meeting presentation to staff.

Contact Bob, who has been taking a meeting to Leesburg facility. I will bring the meeting information to ASC and make sure that the panel members receive and H&I handbook and understand the guidelines for H&I meeting.

Request DCANA ASC suggestion and guidance in scheduling a regular H&I subcommittee meeting.

ILS,
John

DCANA H&I SUBCOMMITTEE CURRENT MTG LIST 10/28/07				
Meeting Location	Meeting Day	Meeting Time	Meeting Panel Members	Contact Numbers
A New Beginning	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Patty and Lee B.	703-973-5228 and 571-216-7974
A New Beginning	Thursday	7:00 PM	Steve C. and Daniel	571-437-5891 and 703-554-9019
A New Beginning	Friday	7:00 PM	Noelle	571-331-4852
A New Beginning	Sunday Bimonthly	7:00 PM	Tommy W.	703-217-7751
A New Beginning	Sunday Bimonthly	1:00PM	Ed M.	703-351-0399

Total Facilities: 1 Total Mtgs: 16 All ANB Meetings are Panel Meetings

Notes for 10/28/07 DCANA ASC Meeting: Current Panel Leader Needs are: Every other Friday at A New Beginning, Clean Time Requirement 1YR

Public Information (Michael R.) –

Activities Last Month:

This is the first month I chaired the PI subcommittee so we did not have a subcommittee meeting yet. I did attend part of the Regional PI meeting. The highlights from that are that the Region has purchased a number of basic texts in English and Spanish for distribution to Northern Virginia public libraries. I am going to attend the Norvana PI subcommittee meeting today to work with them to determine which Areas will handle which library systems. Another issue brought up at the Regional PI meeting was a request to have our Regional Delegates bring up inter-region phone line cooperation at the next Zonal Forum, as apparently there is some concern with Region of the Virginians members calling our phone line but us not being able to help them.

Planned Activities for Next Month:

Our first PI subcommittee meeting for Dulles Corridor will be the first Wednesday in November at 6 PM at the Countryside Starbucks. Unfortunately due to a last minute work trip, I will not be able to attend however I will make sure the meeting is covered and provide an agenda for the person who covers for me. Since I will be out of town I am also scheduling a follow-up PI meeting later in the month on Saturday, November 17 at 2 PM at the Countryside Starbucks. Since there is currently no subcommittee in place, I imagine our initial efforts will be around seeing who is interested in serving. This area has not done much in the way of PI in the last few years and it's my hope that if we get enough interested trusted servants we will be able to reach out to the professional community in our area to provide them with meeting lists, IPs, etc.

Regional PI budget was cut in half. Hopefully, funds will be reinstated. DCA meeting list has been updated to include new meeting on Thursdays in Leesburg.

Phoneline (Vacant) – no report.

Literature (Dave R.) – backorders are in. Please submit literature orders as soon as possible. Thanks for letting me serve.

Newsletter (Erica B.) – not in attendance.

thegroupconscience@yahoo.com

Regional Delegate to World Services (Allen J.) – no report.

Special Events (Kenny S.) –DCANASpecialEvents@hotmail.com

Upcoming Activities and Status:

Chili Cook-off (DCA)	November 3
Decades Dance (Central)	November 10
Thanksgiving Marathon meetings (Mont.)	November 22
Free State Regional Convention (Free State)	November 23 – 25

Family Bingo Night (DCA)	December 8*
Bowlathon (DCA)	December 9*

Regional Service Committee meeting (Rock Creek)	December 8
New Years Eve event (DCA)	December 31

Subcommittee Status: We meet monthly (2nd Wednesday of every month) at 38 Christopher Lane, Sterling, Va. All are welcomed. Our charter is to provide diversified activities that all can participate and enjoy. We try to have at least one event every month. Upcoming events listed above. We are always open for suggestions and volunteers to participate either on the committee or at the events. We could definitely use support. Please ask me how: (703) 851-6572.

We did not have a S/E activity in October because we hosted two events in September (Chesapeake Fishing and Cluck N' Squeal).

Upcoming Events:

We have two confirmed events for the remainder of the year (Chili cook off and New Years Eve event). We are still open for an additional December event.

It was decided that the Chili Cook off would be a free event but we will have soft drinks/bottled water available for purchase to offset expenses. We will also be passing the basket at the end of the meeting. S/E subcommittee will be responsible for one pot/tray of Chili and two trays of cornbread and cheese topping; prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. S/E committee will be coordinating board games, cards, etc.

We are in the midst of planning our New Years Eve gala. Our plan is to have activities similar to last year's event (full dinner, 50/50 raffle, speaker meeting, 5 minutes of fame, Comedian, DJ dance, New Years line dance, party favors, game room, etc.). This year's New Years event will be a PAID event; cost is \$10 for ages 16 to adult, \$5 for ages 10-15 and free for children under 10. Dining will be more structured so that all will have an opportunity to eat.

The next S/E meeting will be at 7:30 pm, November 14th at 38 Christopher Lane. All are welcomed!

Special Events Committee Report September 2007

Last Event(s):

**Chesapeake Bay Fishing party (August 26)
Cluck N' Squeal campout (September 14-16)**

Upcoming Events:

**Chili Cook-off (November 3)
Family Bingo Night (December 8) **
Bow-a-thon III (December 9) ****

New Years Event (December 31)

Financial Report

Beginning Balance as of 10/1	\$ 750.00
Total Income:	\$ 0
Subtotal:	\$ 750.00
Donation to area:	\$ 0.00
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Final Balance:	\$ 750.00
Area to replenish - \$ 0	bank balance \$750.00

****tentative activity**

Outreach (*Jim Mc.*) – no report for October as subcommittee is newly formed. First subcommittee meeting is on November 5, 2007, at Countryside Starbucks in Sterling, at 6:15 PM. The Thursday, Friday and Saturday meetings at ANB, Literally Speaking on Saturday and the new Miracles Happen meeting in Leesburg on Thursdays are lacking outside support. Plans are to visit those meetings to see how we may help.

Policy (*Daniel T.*) – The March 2007 version of the DCA Policy is still current as no changes have been made. Subcommittee meeting will be held on November 4, 2007, at Starbucks in Cascades.

Regional Committee Member (*Erika S.*) –

Two motions made: 1) To include two versions of Regional policy, one historical and one working copy. 2) Policy to be made available on website.

The upcoming Convention, CPRC XXII will be hosted by our Region vs. one Area. Flyers are available to join a subcommittee. In need of a Registration Chairperson and an Indigent Registration Chairperson.

Flyers for other Areas Special Events are available.

Need for servants in our Area. Starts with showing up – practice for the real world. The avenue is sponsorship – guidance/mentoring.

The BOD has asked that groups discuss changing Host Procedures to remove Childcare and be brought back to December Region.

CPRC Rep (*Fred K.*) – no report.

Visitors from other areas – John – Inter-Area Liaison for NORVANA.

Tawanna and Cyndie for CPRCNA XXII. Brochures are now available, GSR's, please take them back to your groups. Flyer for speakers is available. If interested, please use contacts indicated on flyer. Subcommittee flyers are also available. Online registration is now available. Please visit <http://www.cprcna.org> for more information.

Group Reports

To Tell the Truth (Tim A.) – 20-30 attend. We have moved to our new location at 111810 Ridge Heights Rd, Reston, Va. First classroom on the right. We still meet at the same time. 9:45 on Sunday morning. We had a \$150.00 Area donation this month. Celebrations: Tim A., 5 years, 11/15; Nate F., 18 years, 11/20 Positions open: Alt. GSR

Keep It Real (Anthony H.) – Sundays (10 am), 10-20 attend. Wednesdays, (7 pm) 20-22 attend. The group is struggling in attendance and finances but blessed. There were lots of celebrations last month. Celebrations: Anthony H, 1 year, 11/24 Positions open: Greeters, Alt. GSR

3rd Tradition (Jim R.) –20-30 attend. Seeking home group members. If your sponsor suggested that you get a service position, please give us a chance. We are friendly. Positions open: Greeter, Secretary, Alt-GSR

Free to Live (Barbara P.) – 40-50 attend. Beginners meeting, strong message of recovery Celebrations: Kenny S, 9 yrs, 11/5; William, 16 yrs, 11/12 Positions open: None

Conscious Contact (Vacant) – no report.

Getting Centered (Dave C.) – 20-30 attend. Rent is high, still discussion of moving. Celebrations: Chad E., 11 yrs, 11/5. Positions open: None

Bottom of the Mountain (Kevin E.) – no report.

New Attitudes (Keith H.) – 20-35 attend. Doing well, it is our group conscience that all literature is given for free at our meeting. Celebrations: Mark W., 7 yrs; 11/20; Gail M., 22 yrs 11/27 Positions open: Alt. GSR

Survivors (Vacant) – no report.

New Hopefuls (Vacant.) – no report

Miracles Happen (Vacant) – no report.

Keyhole to Recovery (Lauren T.) – 35-45 attend. Meeting is well attended. Strong message. Come out and visit us. Positions open: Treasurer, Alt. GSR

A New Beginning (Vacant) – no report.

Friday Night Girlfriends (Vacant.) - 10-15 women attend. Meets Friday nights, needs a lot of support. Offers childcare. Celebrations: Joanna J., 9 years; 11/30 Positions open: - Alt. GSR, coffeemaker

Just for Today (Chris P) – 20-30 attend. Friday night candlelight meeting with various amounts of clean time and a strong message of recovery. Childcare is offered. Positions open: Alt. GSR

Bedrock (Kevin C.) – no report.

Gut Level (Vacant) – no report.

HOW (Vacant) – Reported by Chris A. - 15-20 attend. Positions open: - GSR

Literally Speaking (Jeff L.) – 5-10 attend. Meeting format has changed to specific Basic Text study. In need of support. Positions open: - Alt. GSR

Saturday Night Saying Alive (Kat D.) – 20-30 people attend. We need support from outside NA members. 2 service positions are open. Positions open: - Chair, Treasurer

Saturday Night Live (Chris W.) – Angela T. reporting. 15-25 attend. Open discussion, doing well. Strong message, come check it out. Celebrations: Angela T., 1 year; 11/10/07 Positions open: - None.

Quorum - Attendance on 9/30: 10 and 8/26: 9
Required for Quorum: 5 GSRs present: _____

Old Business:

	Pro	Con	Abstain
Voted on at Area			
Kenny S. for Special Events Chair	12	0	1
Jim Mc. for Outreach Chair	13	0	0
Motion #1: <i>To no longer provide for Childcare Services for the Convention in Ocean City.</i>	1	4	6
Intent: <i>It is losing money year after year.</i>			
Motion #2: <i>That a meeting list code be added in the C&P Region of NA List, designating meetings that are Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender allied.</i>	7	3	2
Intent: <i>“To provide a setting for identification and a healthy atmosphere of recovery”. To discuss matters relevant to a specific group of suffering addicts.</i>			
Back to Groups			
Motion #1: <i>To submit a one time donation of \$500.00 in Area funds to Region.</i>	8	0	2
Intent: <i>Area funds are substantial. Now is the time to donate.</i>			

Motion #2: <i>To amend Area policy to say: “To be nominated for a position at Area Service, you must be present to accept and qualify; you must also be present to be elected.”</i>	6	3	1
Intent: <i>To show willingness and desire, demonstrates a willingness that one will show up for their position.</i>			

Open Forum

- Change ASC meeting date in November to the 18th, due to holiday.
- Special Events: There is concern regarding Bingo Night. It isn't a gambling function for prizes. Considering making a donation to the gentlemen loaning bingo supplies. A GSR may send a motion in for opinions.
- Regional phone line discussion regarding the call over flow to the Region of Virginias phone. Regional Delegate may want to consider discussions with other Regions to show how our lines were handled.
- The first motion from Regional to change Host procedures to remove childcare at CPRC was rescinded. The second motion was tabled until more information is provided regarding liability factors. Motion doesn't go back to groups.

New Business:

	Pro	Con	Abstain
Voted on at Area			
None			
Tabled:			
Motion #1: <i>To have our ASC make a donation of one basic text to every meeting.</i>			
Intent: <i>To carry the message to the still suffering addict. To give a group the flexibility to give a book away if needed.</i>			
Tabled for seven months until new version of the Basic Text is published.			

	Pro	Con	Abstain
Back to Groups			
<p>Motion #1: <i>To change clean time to 3 years instead of 5 years for a workshop speaker at CPRCNA conventions.</i></p> <p><i>Intent: To allow those with quality clean time to carry the message</i></p>			
<p>Motion #2: <i>That the Rock Creek Area Host CPRC XXIII in 2009, with Carey F. as Chair for the convention.</i></p> <p><i>The theme will be “Diversity is Our Strength”.</i></p> <p><i>Carey F. has been actively involved in the Merchandise, Program, and Convention Information areas of NA conventions as well as being CPRCNA 12 Vice-Treasurer and a BOD member for several years. He was also the C&P Region's Regional Delegate and knows about NA's Traditions and Concepts of Service.</i></p>			

Closing Financial Report – Ending balance is \$1049.37, with \$369.19 available. Group donations were \$279.21, with a reserve of \$680.18.

Next Meeting - November 18, 2007, from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at St. Timothy’s in Herndon.