

WNYRSCNA Minutes 11-18-2017

I. Open Meeting @ 12:01pm

a. MOS

b. SP

c. Reading of page XVI Basic Text Edition 5 (Edition 6 page XVIII)

d. 12 Traditions/12 Concepts

II. Roll

a. AREAS

- i. Buffalo present absent late
- ii. CAMNA present absent late
- iii. Niagara Falls present absent late
- iv. NIO present absent late
- v. North East WNY present absent late
- vi. NAMANA present absent late
- vii. Chautauqua present absent late

b. Executive Committee

- i. Chair present absent late open
- ii. Vice Chair present absent late open
- iii. Secretary present absent late open
- iv. Treasurer present absent late open
- v. RD present absent late open
- vi. RDA present absent late open

c. Subcommittees

- i. Activities present absent late open
- ii. Convention present absent late open
- iii. H & I present absent late open
- iv. PR present absent late open
- v. Literature present absent late open
- vi. WEB present absent late open

III. Establish Quorum Yes No

IV. Next Meeting Location: 203 Arnold Avenue Port Allegany, PA 16743 on January 20th, 2018. Ad-hoc committee meeting at 11.

V. Mail distribution. Mail distributed.

VI. Reports

a. Executive Committee

i. Opening Treasurer's Report including opening balance

1. Opening Balance: \$3899.89

ii. Chair

1. No report.

iii. Vice Chair

1. No report.

iv. Secretary

1. No report.

v. RD

1. Attended the NEZF, submitted detailed report to the web servant (See attached). Guidelines available upon request.

2. NEZF PR and NEZF H&I created Facebooks groups running successfully, and you must conduct yourself spiritually.

3. Adam H from Connecticut was nominated for chair, Dennis M. nominated for vice chair, Wilvena G. nominated for secretary, no web servant.

4. NA speaks 82 languages with literature printed in 53. There are currently 67,000 weekly meetings. Income from fiscal year is 88% from literature and 12% contributions.

5. To host the NEZF it cost the NJ region approximately \$4000, NNE will be the next region to host.

6. MARLCNA to review the CAR/CAT and will be held in February 2018. Will request \$1250 to attend in February and will attend MERL depending on funds

7. We will be requesting to attend MERL in December 2017 with an anticipated budget of \$,1250.

vi. RDA

1. Attended ZONE will return total of \$72 to the treasurer.

b. Area RCMs

i. Buffalo – RCM Valdina (RCM Alt Sadie A)

1. Read report

2. \$500 donation for October

3. Opening balance of \$3560.05 donation of \$1263.07 & expenses of \$1034.33 brings it to a closing balance of \$3788.79

4. BICCNA would like to be posted on the Regional website per RCM.

Convention will be held the weekend of April 20-22, 2018 at Adams Mark

Hotel. It was approved that BICCNA can create flyers to be distributed without the homegroup name on it.

1. Something can be posted to the Regional website if a member of a standing subcommittee makes the request.
 5. All area positions are currently open. Adam was nominated for Chair, Alison C for Vice Chair, Molly M was nominated for secretary, Joe was nominated for literature, Nelson and Aaron C nominated for H&I, Crystal was nominated for phone line, and Eric J nominated for activities.
 6. Concerned with the amount of money that has been donated to world on the regional level (Not enough funds being donated).
- ii. CAMNA – Area Chair Darlene
 1. No report
 2. No donation
 3. Updated meeting schedule needs to be posted online.
 - iii. N.F. – RCM Ronnie B
 1. Absent
 - iv. NIO – RCM Dave R
 1. Read report
 2. Donation of \$100
 - v. NEWNY – RCM Susan M
 1. Gave verbal report
 2. No donation
 3. New meeting in our area We all do recover on Friday at 7:00 LGBT meeting
 - vi. NAMANA – RCM Don
 1. read written report.
 2. Donation of \$532.35
 3. Donation sent 4-30-17 for \$594.33, The check was cashed on 5-23-17 but the donation was not reflected on the regional level. The check is actually reflected in the May minutes.
- c. Subcommittees
 - i. Activities-Open
 - ii. Convention – Earlie H
 1. Planning portion of the Convention has been closed. There are no final numbers to submit today.

2. We have two banners because the first banner forgot to include the Chautauqua area, so a new banner was created that cost \$150. The first banner will be auctioned off in a silent auction unless the region decides otherwise.
 3. 96 banquets sold which exceeds the contractual amount required, 86 comedy tickets sold, and as it stands currently our room block is sold out, which would imply 200 rooms.
 4. The hotel is going back on things that have been verbally promised but not actually written in the contract.
 5. Speaker tapes will not be sold until later this evening or tomorrow morning. The programs are running minute to minute which did not leave break down and setup times for the tape recorder, but we are adjusting as they arise.
 6. Would like to know what to do as far as inventory left from the convention and where to store the materials.
 - i. There is an issue with Metro Storage availability because their storage hours are only on Saturdays.
- iii. H & I – Erik J.
1. No report.
 2. Two letters from inmates from Wendy Correctional and Mohawk Correctional requesting meeting schedules and literature. The Mohawk Correctional is not a part of this region but will be forwarded to the correct region.
- iv. PR – Jim L
1. Request for the RCM's to bring back to their Area the availability to put on a learning day in the Area and gave out contact information.
 2. Done several this year that were very successful just waiting for a request to be made.
- v. Literature – Isaiah
1. Excused.
- vi. WEB – Michael B.
1. The WNY regional website continues to be up and running.
 2. Minutes from the last meeting have been posted and updates have been made as they become available.

3. If your Area has information that needs to be updated, please contact me.
4. No response from former secretary.
5. Website hosting company is paid until January 19th, 2018 and will be requesting \$217.86 during the next meeting.

vii. Convention Guidelines

1. Did not meet today, will meet next month.

VII. Old Business

- a. An address or resume was not available for the previous secretary to return missing funds and materials, so an email was sent directly to her email address. There has been no contact made between the region and the previous secretary. We are dismissing this matter as far as money and material being returned but making note that there was a misappropriation of funds by Lyndoris and she will be unable to be involved in service at the regional level for 10 years.
 - a. Vice Chair proposed motions to be taken back to each area and voted on individually at our November meeting.

1. Motion to change #2 of addendum B to "2) If you are appointed or elected as a trusted servant and, attempt to steal, steal, misappropriate or misuse property and/or money, your service commitment will terminate immediately.

2. Motion to add to section A in Article IX. "Voting shall take place during the regular November meeting."

3. Motion to change the order of the meeting agenda in #1 of section D of Article V to add "Set up next Regional meeting." as C) after Roll call. All items after will be re-lettered.

4. Motion to add to section E. (application) of Article III "All completed service resume's and theft policies shall be held in the RSC archives for a minimum of 5 years after the end of the trusted servants term of office."

5. Motion to add to section F, number 1. of Article V; shall now read "1. Quorum requirements for the RSC shall be defined as two thirds (2/3) of Regional trusted servants as defined in section C of Article III and fifty percent (50%) of the ASC's.

6. Motion to add a letter L. to Article VI. "L. A nominee shall have the required clean time for a service position by the date they will take office, not the date that they are nominated."

7. Motion to add #4 of section F of Article V: "4. If an ASC has lost their voting rights, they will not be included in future quorum calculations that they are absent from

until they have attended 2 consecutive regular RSC meetings. They will be included in quorum calculations that they are present for.” Current #4 will become #5.

8. Motion to add letter D) of section A of Article VII. “D) Arriving 30 minutes late to three (3) regularly scheduled meetings within any 12-month period.”

9. Motion to remove letter J. from Article IV eliminating the Activities Chairperson position.

10. Motion to remove letter H. from Article IV eliminating the Literature Chairperson position

11. Motion to add a Website Chairperson position after I. (H & I Chairperson) section in Article IV. “Website Chairperson” It is the duty of the Website Chairperson of this committee to:

1) Coordinate the functions of all subcommittees for listing on the website, stays informed of all committee activities, and consult when scheduling conflicts arise.

2) Conduct correspondence of the Committee, as may be necessary.

3) Vote on all Regional business matters.

4) Post on website all updated meeting schedules, events, minutes and any other information that will further our primary purpose in a timely manner.

5) Make sure all bills and expenses needed to keep the website running properly get paid on time to make sure service is not interrupted.

6) Submit a written report to the RSC at all regularly scheduled meetings.

7) Submit a proposed budget for the upcoming 12 months at the meeting following their election or appointment.

8) Make an annual written report of each year's work.

9) Must have necessary computer, technological and website development skills necessary to perform the duties of the position.

The required clean time for this position is five (5) years continuous abstinence from all drugs. Must have a working knowledge of website design. The term of office for this position shall begin at the end of the November meeting and shall continue for a period of twenty-four (24) months.” Letters L. and M. will become letters M and N.

12. Motion to re-letter Article IV to reflect any guideline changes made.

13. Motion to add page number column on the table of contents to the far right.

14. Motion to revise the table of contents to reflect any changes to guidelines passed.

Vote: We only have 3 areas present in the room at this time, so we will table this motion until the meeting in January.

- b. WSO donation – no donation today. We should wait at least until September to discuss a WSO donation. We may want to hang on to the money that we currently have. A motion has been made to send a \$1000 donation to world, it has been seconded. Discussion of the funds needed for the convention room rental as per contract could impact the amount of funds available. The motion maker withdraws motion and will be tabled until November to verify if we reach the room limit sold for the convention. A motion has been made and seconded to table the motion again until January **due to numbers from the convention not being final.**

VIII. New Business

- a. Any requests for Disbursements

- i. RD - \$1,250

- b. Nominations/Elections

Elections: NONE

Nominations: WEB – Ed nominated Janine for WEB Chair, she accepts.

Janine read resume and answered the questions to vote on next meeting.

- c. ECCNA donated basic texts in English and Spanish to be distributed to the Areas. The books must be distributed to the jails. The books will be distributed to 5 areas.
- d. Discussion to address concerns that the Buffalo Area brought up regarding world service donations, what happens at region, and a regional meeting list. The purpose stated in the Regional By-laws was read in response to the concerns.
- e. Check cashed that was donated from the NAMANA Area and discussed during Area Reports. This will be investigated and discussed next month. The check was discovered and is reflected in the May minutes.
- f. Chautauqua area mentioned that there have been several issues within the area and members are not reliable. The area lost one jail and does not want to lose the other one. The area is requesting support.
- g. Motion to give RD \$1,250 to attend the MRLE meeting and was seconded. Consensus unanimous.

IX. Closing Treasurer's Report

- a. OB: \$3899.89
- b. Income total: \$1464.35
- c. Disbursements total: \$1280

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d. Return of fund: \$267

e. CB: \$4165.24

OB this meeting reflects outstanding deposit from the last convention and the difference from the CB last meeting. \$365 check deposited.

Motion to approve minutes: X

X. Motion to Close

XI. Close @ 4:13pm