

South Philadelphia Area Service Meeting Minutes from 07/18/20

Opened meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the serenity prayer, and 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts were read.

Roll Call Home Groups and Officers:

Officers and Sub-Committees:

POSITION	REPRESENTATIVE	ATTENDED
CHAIRPERSON	Na'il	NO
CO-CHAIRPERSON	KEVIN	YES
SECRETARY	LOLITA	NO
ASST-SECRETARY	Karen	YES
TREASURER	PONCHO	YES
Asst-Treasurer	JOHNATHAN	YES
RCM	WAHIDAH	YES
ALT-RCM	AUGUSTINE	NO
H&I	MARVIN	YES
LITERATURE	BOBBIE	NO
CONVENTION REPRESENTATIVE	JIHAD	NO
ALT-CONVENTION REP	VACANT	
MEETING LIST	KAYKAY	NO
PUBLIC RELATIONS	MARVIN	YES
PHONE LINE	CAROL C	NO
ASST-PHONE LINE	VACANT	
UNITY	LETTIE	YES
POLICY	MIKEL	YES
LITERATURE REVIEW	VACANT	
LIASION	NA'IL	NO
CLEAN SHEET	VACANT	
STEWARD	BILL	NO

HOME GROUPS:

Group Name	Attended	GSR/Alt-GSR
Concept of Truth	NO	Grant Y
Freedom & Hope	YES	Robert H
Grays Ferry Recovery	YES	Carol J
God Has A Plan For Us	YES	Kayak(alt) Demetrius
God's Will For Us	YES	Bill
South Philly Do Recover	YES	George
Ties That Bind Us Together	YES	Russell H
No More Excuses	NO	Lisa H
MORNING NA FIX	NO	MARIYALL
SURRENDER TOGETHER	YES	Bill H.

Open meeting with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer, and 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts were read at 1pm. Quorum was established at 1:13pm with 7 GSR's in attendance. Last month minutes were read and a motion to accept and seconded the reading of minutes and passed. Discussion- Poncho stated that God Has A Plan for Us gave money to Region not SPA.

MSP:7-0-0

Home Group Reports:

Surrender Together will be having a Hybrid meeting at Reed Street Park on August 1,2020, bring your chair to sit and social distancing will be effect.

Chairperson –Administrative Committee Report:

No Report

Co-Chairperson and JAC Report:

- Treasurer discussed holding representatives accountable for requesting money and not turning in receipts. Treasurer stated until receipts are given, they cannot request any funds from SPA for transparency and accountability purposes.
- Representatives holding multiple positions. SPA Policy states that representatives can only hold two positions. The SPA Liaison position was discussed regarding accountability purposes as well. Marvin(H&I) asked for clarity regarding holding multiple positions. Mikel (Policy) read SPA Policy, which states you can only hold two positions. Marvin asked does that mean if a person volunteer for a position for point of information. Poncho asked Marvin to do he vote at Region. Marvin stated no he is the chairperson.
- Rob stated to be clear about members holding multiple positions it is only information that is brought back to SPA.
- Marvin asked if the liaison turned in any receipts. Poncho (Treasurer)stated the Liaison has not given any receipts for SPA paying rent.

MSP: 5.0.0

Secretary Report

No report

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

H & I REPORT

Everything is going well, and nothing to report.

MSP: 6.0.0

UNITY COMMITTEE REPORT:

Had a meeting on July 12,2020, and the sub-committee decided to table the marathon in order to work on policies for the sub-committee.

MSP: 5.0.0

REGIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBER(RCM)

No Report- RCM wanted to know if the CAR will be done in New Business or Open Forum.

Discussion- Kevin stated it was agreed upon to do during Open Forum. Wahidah asked GSR's who was prepared to do CAR today and four GSR said yes(Surrender Together, Ties That Bind us Together, South Philly Do Recover, and Freedom and Hope) The other GSR's present(God's Will For Us, Grays ferry Recovery , and God Has A Plan for Us) agreed to link up with RCM during the week to give their vote. Mikel asked GSR's will they give RCM a vote of confidence to turn in SPA conscience. All GSR's stated yes.

MSP: 6.0.0

AREA CONVENTION REPRESENTATIVE (ACR)

Vacant-No Report

PHONE LINE COMMITTEE REPORT

No Report

PUBLIC RELATIONS (Acting Chair) Marvin

No Report

MEETING LIST REPORT

No Report

LITERATURE REVIEW

No Report

POLICY COMMITTEE

Policy sub-committee met on July 12,2020, and it was three members in attendance. The sub-committee discussed Consensus Based Decision Making being used at SPA. Policy sub-committee will be meeting every Sunday at 11:00 AM Mikel will send out link via group text. Motion was made and second. Discussion-RCM asked what time on Sunday and Mikel said 11AM. Bill stated that GRS's should have been included in the meeting. George asked what is Consensus Based Decision making? Bobbie stated that she would send secretary the consensus-based decision-making policy to be reflected in the minutes. Letti asked is Policy changing policies. Bobbie agreed that GSR's should have been a part of Policy meeting.

MSP: 6-0-0

LITERATURE REPORT

Bobbie received three letters as well and they will be attached with the minutes for point of information.Below is the email Bobbie received regarding the literature purchase.

Subject: South Philly Vend orders

Date: July 13, 2020 at 10:43:22 PM EDT

To: [REDACTED], southphillyarea@gmail.com

Cc: Edward Watts <efwjr03@comcast.net>, RSO Treasurer
<rsotreasurer@newyorkna.org>

Bobbie,

I have attached a letter addressed to you which walks us through the last three orders between South Philly Area and the GNYRSO, Inc. Also enclosed are copies of the invoices from those orders which reflect your check payments. Should your records reflect additional payments to the GNYRSO, Inc. can you please send copies of the front and back of the checks so that we may trace them in our records. If there are no other checks I believe the balance shown on the latest order is correct and we should discuss payment terms.

Thank you for all your help in looking into this matter.

Best regards,

Eddie Watts

Discussion-Bill stated it was a lot of information to retain and the bottom line is they are saying we have a balance of \$475.30. Bobbie asked the Treasurer does he have any information on the check in the amount of \$475.30 reflected in the checking account. If not, SPA will owe that amount. Rob asked Bobbie was it a check for \$154. Bobbie stated no in January no literature was ordered.

MSP: 6-0-0

SPA Treasures Report

Beginning balance-\$2,709.17

Contribution-\$91.00 (Freedom and Hope gave \$70.00-??15-?5- Poncho stated people are sending money via Cash App, but he cannot identify who sent the money. Also, he does not have any proof that the rent is being paid. SPA is paying rent for Grays ferry Recovery group for the past two years. The Liaison is absent today and said maybe Carol the GSR of Grays ferry can provide some insight on this matter.

Ending balance-\$2,798.17-Discussion-Bill stated its confusing the way Poncho give the report. He asked are the checks being cashed. Treasurer stated yes, the checks are being cashed. Bill said that is proof that rent is being paid. Rob asked does SPA have concern about what a homegroup is doing. Bobbie, she has copies of all the checks she received, and said accountability goes both ways. Bill(God's Will For Us) asked are the checks made out to the church and who is the SPA Liaison because it sounds like a transparency as well as accountability issue. Demetrius asked why SPA is paying Grays ferry Recovery

rent. Carol (GSR for Grays ferry Recovery) asked Mikel to do you want clarity now or in open forum. Mikel said open forum.

MSP: 4-0-1

OPEN FORUM

- Demetrius stated it might be a new meeting that will be joining the SPA. We are not receiving SPA minutes and we need to discuss the timeframe for minutes to be sent out. Mikel read Policy states the minutes should be sent out 14days after SPA meeting.
- George asked Bobbie how we get in touch with her to purchase literature. Bobbie called her via cellphone.
- Bobbie stated that GSR's should be taking notes, because you never know what can happen.
- Rob asked is the problem with the secretary that she does not have everyone's email address, because he has not received minutes in a very long time.
- Bill stated GSR's should take notes to take back to your homegroup and for a long time he has not received minutes.
- Demetrius stated that he understands that notes should be taken, but that still does not have anything to do with not receiving minutes as reflected in policy within 14 days. He stated he spoke with Alt. Secretary and was informed she was waiting on secretary to follow up with her to complete the minutes
- Alt. Secretary stated she was informed by Chairperson to wait until Secretary reaches out to me because that's not my job.
- Bill stated the person has the problem should bring it to SPA. Mikel stated it was brought to the floor by Demetrius and that is why its being discussed now.
- Bobbie asked Mikel to read Alt. Secretary responsibilities. Mikel read the policy of the role of Alt.Secretary that state **“Assists secretary in secretarial duties., Types announcements and anniversaries to be given to the secretary for inclusion in the minutes., and Assumes the responsibilities of the secretary in his/her absence.”**

- Carol (GSR for Graysferry Recovery)stated that it is true fact the homegroup do not pay rent and it was misinformation taken to St.Gabe for SPA to pay our rent.
- Mikel asked Carol does the homegroup disbursement read.
- Curt stated SPA do not have nothing to do with each homegroup. The Treasurer need to go with liaison to the church. A suggestion could be Graysferry Recovery could donate \$50 towards the \$100.00 rent that SPA pay. The homegroup can be put out of SPA as a result of violating the 7th Tradition.
- Bill asked do we have proof of this information.
- Wahidah stated that it was misinformation of the home group, and it is a violation of the Tradition.

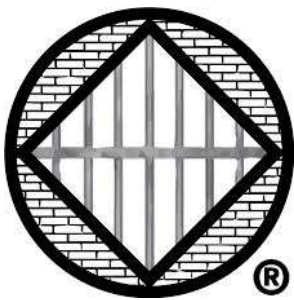
- Letti said lets allow Carol to address this issue with her home group, then we can discuss the matter next month at area service.
- Bill asked Carol has this information been discussed at her home group. Carol stated she is sending a text out now for the home group to have an emergency meeting to discuss the home group not paying rent.
- Curt stated his last remarks was taken out of order. The area cannot tell the group what to do. He asked the Treasurer has he been getting receipts. This is why policy state we look at the books every 6 months. Do we have a written lease. He informed Carol that she cannot go back to her homegroup saying SPA said anything.
- Rob suggested that the co-chair should sit in on Graysferry Recovery group conscience meeting.
- Bobbie stated in reference to what Curt shared that Carol should give her report to the group “that it was brought to SPA attention and it needs to be addressed.
- Poncho asked is it legal for the home group to ride off SPA rent. Mikel stated this issue will be addressed next month at area.
- Marvin asked why is Policy chairing area service meeting, because it appears the chairperson has not chaired twice so far. Mikel stated last month the chairperson had death in his family and today he called out. Curt stated this why SPA should have an agenda at area service meeting.
- RCM called GSR’s to vote on the 16 motions for CAR.(1)-3-0-1 passed,(2)-2-0-2 passed,(3)-2-0-2 passed, (4)-3-0-1 passed,(5)-3-0-1 passed,(6)-0-3-1 failed,(7)-0-1-2 abstained,(8)-0-1-2 abstained,(9)-0-1-3 abstention,(10)-3-0-1 passed,(11)-1-3-0 failed,(12)-0-3-1 failed,(13)-0-3-1 failed,(14)-2-2-0 (tied until the RCM gets votes from the 3 GSR as agreed to break the tie),(15)2-2-0 (tied until the RCM gets votes from the 3 GSR as agreed to break the tie),(16)-0-4-0 failed

NEW BUSINESS

Home Group

- Curt-Surrender Together will have hybrid meeting on the first Saturday, August 1,2020, at Reed Street Park. Everyone should bring their own chairs and social distance must be adhered.
- George-South Philly Recover is in dire need of support.
- Policy will be meeting every Sunday at 11AM a group text will be sent out with the zoom code.

Motion was made to close meeting followed by serenity prayer. MSP meeting closed at 4:15PM.



Hospitals & Institutions

AREAS PRESENT: Clean Acres, ICA, SVA, Phila, NW, SPHILA

AREAS NOT PRESENT: WSW, DANA, POF, Camden, Delco, Montco

Opened Meeting with Serenity Prayer

READINGS: 12 Concepts, 12 Traditions, Basic Purpose & Function, Secretaries Report from 1/2020

ADMIN REPORT: Received email from the RSC special worker on 1/20/2020 with contact information for 3 facilities Inquiring about H&I presentations at their facilities.

- A.) *Marvin Price, Work Place Wellness Center @ 2nd floor 8th & Jarrod. Called him & he relayed that he attended the ICAASM on 1/12/2020 and locked in an H&I presentation.*
- B.) *Mike Melcher, Montco Emergency Services @ 50 Beach DR, Norristown. Dual Diagnosis, Inpatient, Co-ed facility. Spoke to him & he relayed the information that NA has been bringing 2 H&I presentations in there sense the 90's, the facility was very pleased with our fellowships service, however, within the past 6 weeks **ALL** presentations have stopped & he did not know who to contact & find out why & if they can start 1 again initially, hopefully in the future 2. Networked & found Montco H&I Chairs Phone #left a voice message on 1/31. Told Mr. Melcher would bring this to RSC & contact him to follow up after RSC weekend with information on getting a presentation in that facility again if possible.*
- C.) *MaryAnn Calabrese, from Jefferson Health Care. There is a Regular NA meeting at that location and the facility offers A LOT of 12 step support groups to the community, however they do not have a NA group meeting at their Abington Lansdale Location & this facility is available if there are NA groups that would like to meet there. This is NOT an inpatient facility, so it does Not qualify for H&I services. I explained this to Ms. Calabrese & told here I would bring this information to the RSC, & also get her in touch with the PR RSC. Emailed all her information and request to the PR Chair.*

AREA REPORTS:

ICA: Area is struggling with participation from members willing to be involved in H&I service efforts. The following commitments have fell off: Wed Impact on 1st & Indiana, Fri & Saturday @ ADC on 8th & Jarrod, Richard Lewis on Mondays' RSC has offered to help out & attend ICASCM, suggested ICA contact these facilities to maintain open communication & make adjustments to amount of commitments the subcommittee currently has based upon current member participation.

SKVA: Area is struggling for members willing to be involved in H&I Service efforts, 1 miss at Sun DRC, will be submitting updated commitment list 3/2020, DRC follow-up presentation scheduled for Monday 2/3/2020 @ 4:00PM

PHILA: Area is in need of approved female & male speakers to carry our message into the Prison on Thursdays. 1 new commitment at Ambrosia on Allegheny on Sun nights. 1 miss at women's prison.

NW: Area is struggling with participation from females, especially need help for wed H&I meeting at 7pm on west Upsel ST. 1 Miss @ Interim House. DRC men & women meetings currently suspended until follow-up presentation on Monday 2/3/2020 @4:00pm

CLEAN ACRES: Area is in need of both female & male approved speakers for prison. Area especially short on females I have forms on hand. Also available at: www.cleanacresna.org under H&I link, 1 Miss@ CCCF men's. Will submit commitment contact info on 3/2020

SPHILA: 1 Miss @ Rivers bend on Thursday, submitted up-to-date commitment contact info

OUTREACH: The outreach recipients from 1/2020-2/2020 are: NW 1 member, WSW 2 members. Anyone interested in this important 12 step work please email:

OUTREACH@NAWORKS.ORG

OLD BIZ: We went over the outline for the follow-up presentation on Monday 2/3/2020 @ 4:00pm.

NEW BIZ: We talked about the decline in H&I service participation efforts, this is NOT just 1 area, it's all throughout our Region & **WE** are actively working on **solutions** going forward. Asking all H&I areas to submit current up-to-date commitment contact info.

***CLOSED WITH SERENITY PRAYER ***

In Loving Service,

Heather B