

NEW DOMINION AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MINUTES  
August 14, 2011

1. Opened with Serenity Prayer at 4:00 p.m. by Richard S.
2. Purpose was read by Johnny C.
3. Traditions read by Chris T.
4. Concepts read by Harry M.
5. Attendance:
  - a. Roll Call: Quorum met with 18 voting and 8 reporting GSR's.
  - b. New Meetings: None
  - c. Minutes approved: Motion: To accept minutes as written. Mover: Harry M. 2nd: Johnny C. 18-0-0.
  - d. Call for new motions to Policy to be given to Policy Subcommittee Chair.

6. Executive Committee Reports

Chair: All is well. I am grateful to be of service. - ILS, Richard S.

Vice Chair: Not Present.

Treasurer: See attached report.

Secretary: All is well. – ILS, Brian C.

7. Group Reports

All Are Welcome: Not Present.

Another Look: Not Present.

Courage To Change: Not present.

Courthouse Freedom: We meet on Fridays at 8:00PM at the Central Baptist Church in the Annex Building on Courthouse Road. We have had 20 addicts on average attending. All is well. No special needs and no donation this month. - ILS, Harry M. (No Donation)

Fan Club: Not present.

Gratitude Group: All is well. We continue to meet Monday nights at 7:30 at Bon Air United Methodist Church on Buford Road. Attendance is good and the homegroup membership is strong. We'd love to see you, so come out and show some support. – ILS, Chris S. (Donation \$75.00)

Grow or Go: Our group meets on Tuesdays from 6:30-7:30PM at 306 Turner Rd. We average around 30 addicts per meeting. Our next pot luck eating meeting is on Tuesday September 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:30PM. Please feel free to join our meeting, we will be more than glad to have you. – ILS, Morris D. (Donation \$50.00)

High Hopes High Hopes is loving and caring homegroup that meets every Thursday night from 7:30-8:30PM at Cool Springs Baptist Church in Mechanicsville, VA. Attendance has been sporadic, averaging 4-8 people. We are in dire need of support. – ILS, Lee T. (Donation \$11.00)

Hope Fiends Hope Fiends is doing well on Thursday evenings in Midlothian. We have struggled with A/C issues but have found a “somewhat solution” to our heat problem. Chris C. will celebrate five years on August 25<sup>th</sup>. The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Brunswick Stew and Bonfire is scheduled for Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Jeff H’s house on Three Bridges Road in Powhatan. This is a family event with a pumpkin carving contest, plenty of stew, and of course, meetings. Fliers are available. – ILS, Bill M. (Donation \$100.00)

HOW: All is well at HOW. We meet at 7:00PM every Sunday at 13710 St. Francis Blvd. in Midlothian to share our experience, strength and hope. Our attendance varies between 12-20 addicts per meeting. Our GSR recently switched homegroups so we are in the process of filling this position. If you are looking for more involvement in a homegroup, we would love any support you could give. – ILS, Kyle M. (No Donation)

I Can’t We Can: All is well at ‘I Can’t We Can.’ We meet every Friday night at 8:00PM at the Westminster Presbyterian Church at the corner of Monument and Malvern. Average attendance is 40-60 people. Please come join us. – ILS, Charles L. (Donation \$142.00)

Inside Hope: Not present.

Into the Light: We meet on Wednesday at 7:30PM at St. Marks on Lucks Lane. Average attendance is 25, with strong home group attendance. – ILS Chris A.. (Donation \$60.00)

It Works How and Why: It Works How and Why meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the VCU Campus every Sunday at 8PM. We continue to thrive and often have newcomers at our meeting, where we read the steps and traditions. Attendance varies from 20-50 people a week. – ILS, Adam W. (Donation \$64.00)

Just Steppin’: Just Steppin meets every Monday at 2300 Dumbarton Rd. from 7:00-8:00PM We average 50-60 addicts weekly. Jeff W. is celebrating 2 years on August 22. Homegroup is steadily growing and we’d love your support. – ILS, Joe B. (Donation \$83.00)

Keep Coming Back: Keep Coming Back meets Tuesday nights from 8:00-9:00PM at Epiphany Catholic Church in Smoketree Subdivision in Chesterfield. Keep Coming Back has a steady flow of attendance. We need home group members to carry positions. – ILS Papa John (No Donation)

Keeping It Simple Hello everyone. Keeping it Simple meets every Wednesday at 5:30pm at 306 Turner Road. We are a It Works: How and Why book study meeting. Our attendance is o averaging about 10-15 addicts weekly with occasional new-comers. I am finally very happy to say that I now have another home group member that expresses interest in getting involved in service and you know I’m more than happy to show him that. – ILS, Johnny C. (Donation \$20.00)

Let the Healing Begin: Hello Family! Let the Healing Begin is doing well. We meet every Thursday night from 7:30-8:30pm at the River of Life Church on Woodman Road. We a Just for Today/Open Discussion meeting with 2 minutes of silent meditation to start the meeting. We have been averaging 20-plus addicts a week. The fourth annual “Summer Wood” event hosted by our homegroup and the No Strings Attached homegroup was a great success. We had a great day of fellowship and recovery at Lake Anna and raised a \$75.00 donation to carry the message of NA. – ILS, Scott T. (Donation \$75.00)

MFS: MFS meets every Monday at 8:00PM at the Gayton Road Christian Church. We have increased attendance and are averaging 10-15 attendees. Please come out and support us. We are doing well. – ILS, Robert W. (No Donation)

Never Alone: Not present.

No Matter What: Not present.

No Strings Attached: All is well at No Strings. We had a home group member by the name of Rusty celebrate 3 years. We have an average of 10-15 addicts attending weekly. We could, as always, use more women with clean time showing up regularly. – ILS, Mike P. (Donation \$45.00)

Not High Noon: All is well at Not High Noon. We continue to average 15 addicts per meetings. We meet Monday – Thursday from 12:15-1:15PM at the Family Counseling Center of Richmond just off Midlothian Turnpike. – ILS, Gwen T. (Donation \$25.00)

On Our Way: Not present.

Riverside Recovery: Hello Family! Riverside Recovery has been blessed with 20-30 regular attendees this past month. We meet every Sunday from 10:00-11:00AM at Pony Pasture Parking lot and hold our meeting outdoors beside the river. With threatening skies this morning, 20 people met to hear a message of recovery and enjoy some fellowship. Please bring a lawn chair and join us on Sunday morning. – ILS, Walter B. (Donation \$118.25)

Serene Women: Serene Women meets every Monday at Hatcher Church from 5:30-6:30PM. We have anywhere from 15-30 addicts every week. We have no donation at this time but could use some support. – ILS Sara O. (No Donation)

S.H.A.R.E.: S.H.A.R.E. meets Tuesday at 8:00PM at the Lakeside United Methodist Church, 2333 Hilliard Road, Richmond, VA. We are undergoing a format change, but though our group is small it is growing. We have no anniversaries this month, but God willing we will have one next month. No donations this month, but we hope this will change very soon. We always welcome attendance from other home groups. – ILS, Bruce H.. (No Donation)

South of the James: - South of the James is doing well. Message of recovery is alive and well – continues to be a book study meeting and we are currently on the traditions. Two home group members will be celebrating in September. – ILS, Bronwen M.. (No Donation)

Spiritual Connection: Spiritual Connection meets every Saturday from 6:30-7:30PM at the Johnston-Willis campus of CJW. We are growing and average 45-50 addicts each week. We have added two new home group members and are looking for more. - ILS, John F. (Donation \$154.00)

Sunday Hope: All is well at Sunday Hope. We meet every Sunday at 6:00-7:00PM at Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church, with an average of 20-40 addicts. All is well. – ILS, Justin H. (Donation, \$30.00)

Survivors: The meeting is going well, with 50-75 addicts in attendance each week. We meet Wednesday nights at St. Marks Episcopal Church from 8:00-9:00PM. – ILS Danny H. (Donation \$295.00)

T.A.P.S.: Not Present.

Together We Can: We meet at 7:30PM every Thursday at the Rogers Building in Chesterfield County. We have approximately 15-20 addicts per week. We have one celebration this month, Shawn C. celebrates 1 year on August 25<sup>th</sup>. – ILS, Carl D.. (Donation \$36.00)

Vision Without Limits: Visions without limits is doing very well. We meet on Wednesday nights at Mount Vernon Baptist Church on Nuckols Rd. from 7:00-8:00PM. Our attendance averages 15-20

addicts each week, and we just added four new home group members last month, giving us a total of nine in all. We would like to thank Area and Outreach for their assistance and support in starting and supporting our meeting. – ILS Steve K (Donation \$15.00)

We Women Do Recover: All's well. We are a women's meeting that meets Tuesday nights from 7:00-8:00PM on the Boulevard, with an average of 10-20 attendees each week. The first three Tuesdays we read literature; the fourth Tuesday is open discussion; if there is a fifth Tuesday in a given month, we invite in a speaker. We have two new homegroup members and no anniversaries at this time. – ILS, Sara A. (Donation \$99.01)

Winner's Circle: Not present.

#### 8. Subcommittee Reports 4:23 p.m.

Public Relations: Seven members and four visitors were present at this month's PR meeting. We elected a new secretary, Catlin, and our webmaster, Jerry V, said things were going well with the web server.

The current meeting list is accurate, please note there will be one new meeting and two closed meetings on next month's lists. Any other changes for the meetings, see me after area.

Our old phone bill is paid and we have a new one for \$92.32, which I'll be turning in this month, along with copies of the old bills.

I will be making two calls, one to Chesterfield Office of Domestic Violence and Intervention and the Federal Bureau of Prisons to discuss possible presentations, hand out IPs and meeting lists.

On July 16th we had a new members orientation/learning day all of Unified PR showed up. It went well and was very informative. Thanks to all predecessors for all your help.

Upcoming events include

- A phone line workshop on Monday, August 29th from 6:00-7:30PM at the Boulevard United Methodist Church, Stuart Street Entrance. GSRs, please remind your home groups about this event.
- UnityFest Saturday September 24th from 2:00-5:00PM, rain or shine at Crystal Lake, 3502 River Road, Hopewell, VA 23860. We will have a table at UnityFest and are using 1,000 meeting lists.

Please see [www.metrorichna.org](http://www.metrorichna.org) for other upcoming special events. - ILS, Diane R.

Hospitals and Institutions: Hello Family, all is well with H&I at this time. The subcommittee spent a total of \$187.85 of our budget this month for literature, we also spent \$67.50 of our budget on literature we handed out at a resource day at Deep Meadows Correctional Facility. H&I was also contacted by the Federal Bureau of Prisons. We have passed this on to the chair of the PI Subcommittee. She said she will be in touch with him in see their needs are and if we can help. – ILS, Brad J.

Literature: Hello Family, Literature is going well as I continue to improve my organizational skills. I was invited to speak on how the literature subcommittee works for the New Dominion Area at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Unity Fest that is hosted by the Tri-Cities Area on Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-5:00PM in Hopewell. Please come out and show your support.– ILS, Angel B.

Policy: The policy committee met at 3:58PM today. We tabled an item till next month due to circumstances beyond our control. Breakfast was good too.. – ILS, Tom B.

Special Events: Special Events has been pretty inactive for the previous months due to the schedules of the two members Ryan C. and Kim M. With the help of Jimmy M. we have a Golf Tournament scheduled for October 1<sup>st</sup>. We are asking home groups to sponsor a hole for \$30.00. Thanks for your support.

Outreach: Hello all. Outreach continues to be strong hitting multiple meetings this past month. We had the special privilege to attend several celebrations this past month and while this isn't particular an Outreach thing we do want others to know how much we appreciate them and their individual service. Several Outreach members also got together and took a meeting inside one of the area hospitals at the request of a recovering addict. Yes we are all over the place and that's where we want to be. We are presently having some talks or some interest from another Area about a GSR workshop so if that fans out I will let you know. Anyway, come join us for an OUTREACH meeting on the last Wednesday of the month 8/31/11 at 306 N. Turner Road or call me at 615-1099 if you would like to become involved or have a special need. – ILS, Johnny C.

9. Trusted Servant Reports:

VRCC Director: Everything moving along with the 30<sup>th</sup> AVCNA which will be hosted by the Tidewater Area of NA. They still need a Convention Information Chair.

Also, the 30<sup>th</sup> AVCNA Pre-Convention Subcommittee is hosting a Sponsor/Sponsee Dance as a fundraiser on August 20<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at the Easy Does It Club, 1153 Harmony Road in Norfolk, VA from 9:00PM-1:00AM

The VRCC still needs a Vice-Chair, so if you have any nominations, please bring them to area. Thank you. – ILS, Randy C.

Alt. VRCC Director: No report.

RCM: There was no RSC last month, but if you have anything you'd like me to bring to the RSC this month, please get with me after the meeting. – ILS, Brad M.

Alt RCM: Not Present.

10. Quorum check: 18 voting

11. Call for Policy Chair to bring new motions to Chair. 4:37 pm.

12. Money Matters

13. Old Business: 4:37 pm.

- a. Requested votes from groups (for Area)
  - a. 4-7 – Bring voting procedures on abstentions in line with Regional policy. **(PASS 17-1-0)**

14. New Business: 4:39 pm.

- a. None.

15. Motions:

- a. None.

16. Open Forum: 4:39 pm.

- a. Bill M. reminded newer GSRs that it was important to show up as “voting” as opposed to “report only” even if there is nothing that has been sent back to groups to vote on, the GSR is there to represent their group for normal business items that are not sent back to groups.
- b. There was a quick discussion about how groups could spend money not donated to area (it was up to their group conscience if they wanted to make a direct donation to world, for instance.)

17. Motion to close: Mover: Johnny C.. 2nd: Bill M.. 18-0-0.

18. Announcements

17. Closed with Serenity Prayer at 4:45 p.m.

ILS, Brian C.