

NEW DOMINION AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 13, 2012

1. Opened with Serenity Prayer at 4:05 p.m. by Richard S.
2. Purpose was read by Tara S.
3. Traditions read by Robert W.
4. Concepts read by Heather R.
5. Attendance:
  - a. Roll Call: Quorum met with 12 voting and 6 reporting GSR's.
  - b. New Meetings:
  - c. Motion: To accept minutes as written.  
M: Richard S. S: Robert W. (Acclaimed)
  - d. Call for new motions to Policy to be given to Policy Subcommittee Chair.
6. Executive Committee Reports

Chair: All is OK, I guess. We need to either make a motion to change the week we have area away from Mother's Day and Easter or not show up. Not meeting quorum does not help us carry the message. – ILS, Richard S.

Vice Chair: Not present.

Treasurer: Emailed report was as follows:

**April 2012 Income:**

7th Traditional	<b>\$ 743.43</b>
Literature	<b>146.04</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>889.47</b>

**April 2012 Expenses**

Budget	Amount	Check #	Payee
1100-ASC Budget	<b>\$ 79.81</b>	1202	Brian C
11000-Outreach Budget	<b>\$ 108.69</b>	1203	Johnny C.
6100-Public Relations Budget	<b>\$ 99.86</b>	1204	RASCNA
9100-Literature Budget	<b>\$ 263.58</b>	1205	Free State
4100-H&I Budget	<b>\$ 253.88</b>	1206	Free State
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 805.82</b>		

Bank Balance	\$ 4,660.36
Less Accrued Budget	\$ 2,439.41

2011 Fiscal Year Uncleared Checks	\$	22.00
2012 Fiscal Year Uncleared Checks	\$	753.82
Prudent Reserve	\$	3,000.00
Remaining Amount	\$	(1,554.87)
Forecasted Regional Donation (70%)	\$	(1,088.41)
Forecasted World Donation	\$	(466.46)

	YTD Accrued	YTD Spent	Available Budget \$
ASC	\$ 291.33	\$ 118.01	\$ 173.32
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Policy	\$ 133.33	\$ 150.00	\$ (16.67)
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Newsletter	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Newsletter	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Hospitals & Institutions	\$ 1,833.33	\$ 706.10	\$ 1,127.23
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Special Events	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00
Special Events	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00
Public Relations	\$ 1,250.67	\$ 609.79	\$ 640.88
Public Relations	\$ 1,250.67	\$ 609.79	\$ 640.88
RCMs	\$ 106.67	\$ -	\$ 106.67
RCM	\$ 53.33	\$ -	\$ 53.33
ALT RCM	\$ 53.33	\$ -	\$ 53.33
Money Matters	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Money Matters	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Outreach	\$ 200.00	\$ 108.69	\$ 91.31
	\$ 200.00	\$ 108.69	\$ 91.31
Ad Hoc ASC Inventory	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sub-Total	\$ 4,115.33	\$ 1,692.59	\$ 2,439.41

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

## 7. Group Reports

All Are Welcome: Not present.

Another Look: Not present.

Better Understanding Recovery: Not present.

Courage To Change: Not present.

Courthouse Freedom: All is well at Courthouse Freedom. We are averaging 25 addicts each week. We are also increasing our home group membership. – ILS Butch N. (Donation \$4.80)

Fan Club: Not present.

Gratitude Group: All is well at Gratitude. We meet on Monday nights at 7:30 at Bon Air United Methodist Church on Buford Road; alternate site when church is closed is St. David's at the corner of Providence and Reams Rd. We average around 30-45 addicts per meeting. No special needs at this time. – ILS, Chris S. (Donation \$52.00)

Grow or Go: Not present.

High Hopes: Not present.

Hope Fiends: Hope Fiends is doing well on Thursday evening in Midlothian. Our tenth annual Serenity on the James campout was a rousing success; we had about 60 addicts attending our Friday night campfire meeting. Mt. Pisgah United Methodist Church is remodeling Jewitt Bass Hall and they intend on making it available to us for our meetings. We do not have any timeframe on an opening date at this time. More will be revealed. – ILS, Bill M. (No Donation)

HOW: Not present.

I Can't We Can: Not present.

Inside Hope: Not present.

Into the Light: All is well at Into the Light. We meet every Wednesday at 7:30PM. Attendance is steady at 25-30 addicts a week. – ILS, Jeff S. (Donation \$91.00)

It Works How and Why: All is well with It Works. We meet every Sunday at 8:00PM in room 403 of the HIBBS Building of VCU. We are a text study meeting with about 35 addicts showing up each week. – ILS, Charles H. (Donation \$75.00)

Just Steppin': All is well at Just Steppin. We meet from 7:00-8:00PM every Monday here at Hatcher. We average around 50 in attendance each week. – ILS, Brad C. (Donation \$134.00)

Keep Coming Back: Not present.

Keeping It Simple: Keeping it Simple meets every Wednesday at 5:30PM. We are a It Works How & Why study reading and discussion group. – ILS, Johnny C. (No Donation)

Let the Healing Begin: We are having/hosting the fifth annual Summer Wood Bash on July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012. I have flyers to hand out to area groups. Our attendance is suffering as of late, especially with female addicts. We often only have men at the meeting, and usually fewer than a dozen. Sometimes one or two women (show up) who usually comment about being the only ones. We discussed turning ours into a men's only meeting but wanted to keep the doors open to all who may want/need that meeting at some point. Is there a men's only NA meeting? Is there any interest or where do we where do we find out about it? – ILS, Matthew T.

MFS: All is well at MFS. We meet at Gayton Road Christian Church on Mondays at 8:00PM. An addict named Tom B. will be celebrating three years of recovery Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. We are averaging 10-15 addicts per week and have some newcomers that are showing up consistently. – ILS, Robert W. (Donation \$45.00)

Never Alone: Not present.

No Matter What: Not present.

No Strings Attached: Not present.

Not High Noon: All is going well. Not High Noon meets Mon-Thurs from 12:15-1:15PM at FCCR just off Midlothian Turnpike. We have four regular home group members. – ILS, Amy T. (Donation \$70.00)

On Our Way: Not present.

P.U.H.: All is well at Pure Unadulterated Hope. We meet here at Hatcher every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30PM and average about 15 addicts per meeting. – ILS, Jenny P. (Donation \$30.00)

Riverside Recovery: All is well at Riverside Recovery. We meet at 10:00AM every Sunday at the Pony Pasture. Attendance is steady. – ILS, Bill M. (Donation \$31.00)

Serene Women: Not present.

S.H.A.R.E.: Not present.

South of the James: Not present.

Spiritual Connection: All is well. Spiritual Connection meets Saturday nights from 6:30-7:30PM at Johnston Willis. Average attendance is 30-40 people. – ILS, Susan S. (Donation \$32.76)

Sunday Hope: All is well at Sunday Hope. We meet here every Sunday from 6:00-7:00PM. We average about 40 people. We could really use some more home group members. – ILS, Teresa A. (Donation \$24.00)

Survivors: Survivors, the longest continuously running NA meeting in the New Dominion Area (or Richmond) is doing well. We meet every Wednesday night at 8:00PM in St. Marks on the Boulevard. – ILS Danny H. (Donation \$124.00)

T.A.P.S.: All is well. We are sponsoring a drum circle at Pony Pasture at 11:00 every Sunday starting this Sunday May 20th. – ILS, Tammie N. (No Donation)

Together We Can: Not present.

Vision Without Limits: All is well at Visions Without Limits. We meet every Wednesday at Mt. Vernon Baptist Church from 7:00-8:00PM. We are celebrating our first year as a home group with an eating meeting on Wednesday May 23<sup>rd</sup>. We have a varied format open meeting and all are encouraged and welcome to attend. – ILS Steve K. (Donation \$25.00)

We Women Do Recover: All is going well. Coming up we have three home group members celebrating: Ann C. (3 years), Honesty T (5 years) and Decella (15 years). Our format uses NA approved literature for the first three Tuesdays; on the fourth Tuesday we have an open discussion meeting. If there is a fifth Tuesday in a month, we have a speaker meeting. – ILS, Jody S. (\$113.20)

What Can We Do: Attendance is low, however meeting is still going on. Still in need of experienced recovering addicts to share experience, strength and hope. – ILS, Kenny J. (No Donation)

Winner's Circle: Not Present.

#### 8. Subcommittee Reports 4:25p.m.

Public Relations: All is well with PR. We met today at 2:30-3:30PM.

We tried to have a phone line workshop but NO ONE showed on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Next one is July 30<sup>th</sup>.

We are having a PR workshop / learning day here at Hatcher on July 28<sup>th</sup> from 12:30-5:00PM.

Total Phone line bill is \$393.61; our 39% is \$153.51.

Not many showed for Unity Walk 2012.

I'm now in communication with GRTC, negotiations are taking place.

As in Jerry's report, web workshop is May 19<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon.

Meeting lists are done, please pick yours up; cost was 750 @ \$137.81.

Will check on what Hatcher wants for rent, basic texts for donation for learning day. – ILS, Diane R.

Hospitals and Institutions: All is well with H&I Chair at this time. We have a new literature chair. Gwen T.'s term was up and we greatly thank her for her service. Susan S. has been gracious enough to step up and be of service.

**We still need facilitators, co-facilitators and people willing to be one time speakers. Please announce this need at your home groups.** We have a literature order of \$53.30 this month. – ILS, Heather R.

Literature: Hello family, thank you for allowing me to fill in for Tom this month. All is well in literature and Tom will be back next month to fulfill his commitment. – ILS, Angel B.

Policy: All is well at Policy. I would welcome a motion to change policy to move April and May area service to the third Sunday of the month. Please submit the motion ASAP. – ILS, Robert W.

Special Events: Not present.

Outreach: All is well with Outreach. Our committee meets the last Wednesday of the month. At 6:45PM at 306 Turner Rd. Suite "L" (the SAARA Center). We continue to visit a home group a week. We provided a starter kit for the Just for Today home group as well as attending their first meeting (Mondays, 8:00PM, Bellwood Baptist Church). Again, I ask that if you know of someone who is homebound or in the hospital that needs a meeting brought to them, please let me or one of the other committee members know and we will see that it gets taken care of. – ILS, Walter B.

#### 9. Trusted Servant Reports:

VRCC Director: Hello Everyone,

Not too much to report this month since we're between meetings. In the process of recovering the remaining VRCC material from the former VRCC Treasurer; we will need nominations for a new VRCC Treasurer, or if the Vice-Treasurer is nominated and elected into the position, we will need a nomination for a new Vice-Treasurer. Both have a five year clean time requirement.

The VRCC retreat is next weekend in Roanoke. More will be revealed. – ILS, Randy C.

Alt. VRCC Director: Next weekend, May 19-20<sup>th</sup>, a two-day VRCC meeting will be held in Roanoke discussing next January's convention in Roanoke and other business.

The VRCC is now sitting on approximately \$60,000. I believe this amount is entirely too large. My hope is to find a way to return some of this money to the areas. I will try to keep this body informed as to what the VRCC plans to do with this money.

RCM: Not Present.

Alt RCM: Not present.

2014 AVCNA Convention Ad-Hoc Subcommittee: The AVCNA Ad-hoc subcommittee met twice since last ASC. Although fewer addicts than the first one attended the last few meeting, we kept the lines of communication open with the entire subcommittee.

The subcommittee selected the Hilton Richmond Hotel & Spa Short Pump as the primary convention facility and the Wingate y Wyndham Short Pump as an overflow facility. These two hotels are located within a few minutes' walk of each other and both have offered all the equipment necessary to simulcast the main meeting Saturday evening.

I want to take a moment to read the letter of need which accompanies the packet that fully explains why we chose Short Pump as the location.

*To: VRCC*

*Re: Letter of Need*

*The New Dominion Area of Narcotics Anonymous is requesting to host the 32<sup>nd</sup> AVCNA in January 2014. Within our area, the H&I Subcommittee is responsible for carrying 14 meetings into 11 separate facilities, including 7 into jails or correctional facilities and 4 treatment centers or hospitals. Our H&I Subcommittee regularly expresses their need for more facilitators and speakers within the New Dominion Area to help maintain our current meetings, as well as to service the ever increasing requests for new H&I meetings.*

*Our PR and Outreach Subcommittees also work hard at raising awareness for Narcotics Anonymous and support our groups in our underserved areas. Although NA is strong in the New Dominion area, our PR Subcommittee identified sections within the immediate southern and western counties that need support. They include Farmville, Powhatan, Western Hanover, Louisa and Goochland counties, and the cities of Glen Allen and Short Pump. In these areas, there are only two meetings per week, yet the addicts living in these communities not only attend our meetings, but also ask for support and means for hosting more meetings closer to their neighborhoods.*

*The group conscious returned to our April ASC, showed overwhelming support for hosting the convention in the heart of this underserved portion of our area with the goal of raising awareness of NA and supporting the addicts along the western I-64 Corridor.*

*The groups in our area believe that hosting the 32<sup>nd</sup> AVCNA would greatly help the New Dominion Area grow, enabling us to serve our entire community better but also enable our H&I Subcommittee to serve our area's institutions on a larger scale. The New Dominion Area of*

*Narcotics Anonymous grew after hosting two previous AVCNA's; however, we have not hosted a convention since 2007. We look forward to expanding again with this bid to host the 32<sup>nd</sup> AVCNA.*

*Thank you,*

*The New Dominion Area of Narcotics Anonymous, Area Service Committee  
NDASC  
P O Box 35496  
Richmond, VA 23235*

At this point, the bid packet needs the letters of support from the surrounding areas; we currently have one from Tri-Cities, and the letter of support from our area. We will have the entire packet complete at the next ASC and will then mail it to the AVCNA Directors well in time for the end of June deadline. – ILS, Bill M.

10. Quorum check: 12 groups voting.

11. Call for Policy Chair to bring new motions to Chair. 4:40PM

12. Money Matters.

a. None.

13. Old Business: N/A

- a. **Motion # 3-1 (Passed by Acclimation)**  
**Mover:** AVCNA Ad-Hoc Subcommittee **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Jeff S. (Into the Light)  
**Motion:** For the NDANA home groups to support this area's effort to host the 32<sup>nd</sup> AVCNA in 2014.  
**Intent:** Homegroups of NDANA support the hosting of the 32<sup>nd</sup> AVCNA.

14. Nominations and Elections: N/A

a. None.

15. New Business/ Motions: 4:45PM

- a. **Motion 5-1 (Passed by Acclimation)**  
**Mover:** Robert W. **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Bill M.  
**Motion:** To change area policy so that in the months of April and May, Area Service will be held on the third Sunday of the month.  
**Intent:** To allow us to meet quorum and carry the message more effectively.  
**Amended:** In the event Mother's Day or Easter falls on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month, Area Service will be held on the following Sunday.

16. Open Forum: 4:50PM

- a. A group will be meeting to discuss policy changes for future campouts at 2:00PM before next area service.

17. Motion to close: Robert W. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bill M.

18. Announcements

19. Closed with Serenity Prayer at 5:00 PM