

## Clean Acres Area of NA – Area Service Committee

### Minutes: October 2016

Meeting Opened at 7:00 with moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer. Addicts read the NA service paragraph, 12 traditions of NA, and the 12 concepts. Read old business and reviewed & accepted minutes from prior month.

**\*\*\*Attention\*\*\*** Please be aware, area service position terms end in December. **All positions are now open for nominations!** Bring nominations to area, they will be voted on in December!

Position	Representative	Present
Chairperson	Jimmy L.	Y
Co-Chair	Andy D	Y
Secretary	Angela L.	Y
Treasurer	Jeff G.	Y
Co-Treasurer	Vacant	-
Regional Committee Member (RCM)	Medford J.	Y
Alternate RCM	Josh D.	Y
Hospitals & Institutions Chair	Bob N.	Y
Hospitals & Institutions Co- Chair	Brad S.	Y
Literature Chair	Kim W.	Y
Literature Co-Chair	Pat C.	Y
Public Relations Chair	Vacant	-
Public Relations Co-Chair	Vacant	-
Convention Representative	Vacant	-
Alternate Convention Rep.	Vacant	-

Unity Chair	Lula H.	Y
Unity Co-Chair	Denise W.	Y
Policy Chair	Nicole K.	Y
Policy Co-Chair	Tom P.	Y

### Requirements for Vacant Positions:

*Co-Treasurer:*

Two years clean, employed, ability to balance a checkbook, willingness to serve. One year commitment, followed by one year as Treasurer.

*PR Chair:*

Two years clean and the willingness to serve. One year commitment.

*PR Co-Chair:*

Two years clean and the willingness to serve. One year commitment, followed by one year as PR Chair.

*Convention Rep:*

Two years clean and the willingness to serve. One year commitment.

*Alternate Convention Rep:*

Two years clean and the willingness to serve. One year commitment followed by one year as Convention Rep.

### Home Group Attendance:

Group	Present	Group	Present
Gratefully Not Dead	Y	Recovery on the Hill	Y
Wake Up & Smell the Recovery	Y	Drug Free in the DUB-C	Y
The WAIT Group	Y	Decision & Action	Y
12 Steps to Freedom	Y	Come Grow With Us	Y
Surrender to Win	N	Easy Does It	N
Sunday Steps at Eleven	Y	Find and Feel the Freedom	Y
STAR Group	Y	Message of Hope	Y
Stairway to Freedom	Y	KSQ Recovers 2	Y
Spiritual Awakening	N	Just for Today	Y
Saturday Night Solutions	N	I Can't, We Can	Y
How Group	Y	How & Why It Works	Y
Good Orderly Direction	Y	Focus Group	Y

Good Morning Group	Y		Give It Away	Y
Free at Last	Y		Footwork	Y
Anonymous Group	Y		New Life Group	N
Tuesday Night Group	Y			

## Sub-Committee Reports:

### ***Hospitals and Institutions Sub-Committee Report:***

Opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Read the 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts, and Area H&I Policy.

Attendance: Brad, Bob, Jeff, Debbie, Kyle, Logan, Mike M, Jess L, Josh D, Ally, Becky, Wendel, Julia

Read old business & accepted.

Commitment Reports:

-VA 39 Wednesday: All is well, Brad is looking for help chairing.

-VA 39 Sunday: All is well. Wendel ready to step down at the end of the year.

-Malvern: All is well.

-VA PTSD: All is well.

-VA Women's 8A: All is well. Need women speakers.

-Gaudenzia: All is well, some residents were giving chair a hard time, Logan handled it.

-CCCF: Number of residents 0-7. No one showed up once at work release and once at main prison. Jeff and Max are ready to step down from prison at end of year.

-Bowling Green: All is well.

Nominations & positions: Becky G panel leader VA women's building 8, passed. Kyle Co-chair, passed.

New Business: H&I learning day- November 12<sup>th</sup> @ Messiah Lutheran Church 10am-1pm.

Open Forum: Talked about people replacing people who are stepping down at end of year.

Motion to close. Closed with Serenity Prayer.

### ***Unity Sub-Committee Report:***

5:30pm – Opened with Serenity Prayer.

Attendance: Lula H., Denise W., Lelo B., Tony

Open meeting with discussion of tradition: our welfare should come first personal recovery depends on NA unity. Page 129 How & Why. The unity that supports our common welfare is created not only by working together but by working together, but by playing together. The friendships we develop outside meetings strengthen NA unity. Fellowship activities provide opportunities for us to relax, socialize with each other and have fun. Conventions, dinners, and holiday celebrations give us a chance to celebrate our recovery while practicing social skills.

Old Business: accepted

New business: receive \$100 from area. Receipts total to \$99.55. Left over returned to area treasurer (0.45) Requesting \$100.00 for holiday dance, dj, etc. Next event: bowling, skating, unity dinner. Feb 25, 2017 time of event 1pm-6pm. Will receive more input from addicts. Will be discussed next area Nov. 20, 2016. Lula H. did region. Will have flyers of upcoming events hand out to the groups. Convention/region reports on hand, feel free to read do have on hand. 6:45 Closed with serenity prayer.

### RCM Report:

OWAMOS followed by the Serenity Prayer.

ORDER OF REPORTS:

1. Area Reports
2. Subcommittee Reports

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Subcommittee Reports
2. Old business
3. New Business
4. Open Forum: Announcements and Discussion
5. Close Meeting
6. (6) RCM's were present

The Convention Committee has fulfilled its contract to the hotel and was paid off.

Flap Jack Fund Raiser on Oct. 9, 2016 at 2501 Aramingo Ave. Tickets are \$6 or 2 for \$10.

Masquerade Ball with Food at Concillios on 141 E. Hunting Park Ave from 8:00pm to 12:00pm.

\$150.00 to PR for pamphlets to be used in schools and Doctors' offices.

\$ 150.00 was requested from H & I for a Learning Day.

City Recreation Centers are requesting criminal background checks on designated group members. Working on setting up a presentation with the city to correct this.

Body voted to end odd month meetings

Unanimous vote for eliminating Special Interest Workshops at Conventions in 2017.

\$1,000 sent to World Services

Letter was sent to all members holding a position, RCM's and Sub-Committee Chairs, to be mindful of the commitment that was made.

A proposal for purchasing a building was made and ask to be considered.

Meeting was closed with the Serenity Prayer

Area Policy Report:

Attendance: Nicole, Tom, Patrick, Andy, Pat, Michael  
Acknowledged that some groups may not have received the amendment to the motions section of policy as it was not originally in the PDR attachment of the meeting minutes. Discussed upcoming vote on policy ammendments.

Area Literature Report:

End balance Aug:	\$638.70
Lit. Order:	\$637.58
Beginning Balance:	\$00.12
Sales September:	\$515.23
H&I	\$118.00
Ending Balance:	\$633.23

Area Treasurer Report:

Beginning Balance:	\$750.00
October Expenses:	
-service fee:	-\$7.50
	\$742.50
-unity:	-\$100.00
	\$642.50
-meeting lists:	-\$45.58
	\$596.92
-h&I literature:	-\$118.00
	\$478.92
October donations	\$440.26
<b>Current Balance:</b>	<b>\$919.18</b>
-less prudent reserve:	-\$750.00
<b>Functional balance:</b>	<b>\$169.18</b>

\*\*\*Area treasurer will not be present for November's area service meeting.\*\*\*

Old Business:

Voting GSRs present: 21, 22

GROUP: Policy Sub-Committee

MOTION: Documents previously attached to meeting minutes

Recommendations for changes to "**Trusted Servants**" and "**Motions**" sections of policy.

14 yes, 2 no, 6 abstentions

**DID NOT PASS**

Alternate RCM – Josh D.

Nominated by Area Co-Chair. Josh D. has 9 years clean. He has a homegroup & a sponsor. He has served as unity chair, H& I co-chair, policy chair, and as well as area chair at Laurel Mountain Highlands Area.

20 yes, 1 no

**PASSED**

## New Business:

Group: Footwork Group

MOTION: To raise monthly rent from \$25.00/month to \$40.00/month. This is a policy change.

Intent: This church is vita to this area. We, as an area, use this facility very often for many reasons. We use a/c, heat, water, trash bags, toilet paper, electric, and supplies, etc... before, during, and after with no problems. Even events. With smoking priveledges. We believe the right thing to do is to offer more money.

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Kyle has 23 months clean. He has been an active member of H&I. He has been in service at area level since 90 days clean. He has a sponsor, a willingness to serve, and a vehicle.

### **New Meeting being formed & recognized by Clean Acres:**

Group: We Grow from the Darkness

Location: Episcopal Church of the Advent; 401 N. Union Street Kennett Square,

PA 19348 Day & Time: Thursdays 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Meeting will begin on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016. All are welcome! Please come & show your support.

## *Motions & Nominations:*

**\*\*\*Below topics to be voted on by Home Groups\*\*\***

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## Group Reports:

Group: Anonymous Group

Meeting Place: 10 Liberty Blvd, Malvern PA (Malvern Center) Day & Time:

Fridays 11:00 pm- 12:30am

Report: Changed meeting time; meeting ends at 12:10a,.

Donation: \$0

Group: Come Grow with Us

Location: 9th and Merchant Street, Coatesville PA, 19320 (Second Baptist Church) Day & Time: Saturday 7:30-9:00 pm

Report: Still in need of trusted servants and more NA support. Doors open on time always.

Donation: \$

Group: Decision and Action:

Location: Manor Presbyterian Church. 505 Street Road. Cochranville, PA 19330 Days & Time: Tuesdays 7pm - 8:00 pm

Report: All is well. Still carrying the message to the addict who still suffers. However, we are in need of active homegroup members.

Donation: \$17.51

Group: Drug Free in Dub C

Location: Charles A. Melton Arts and Ed Center, 501 East Miner Street, West Chester, PA 19382 Day & Time: Saturdays 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Report: Attendance is good. We are having an event on Saturday November 26<sup>th</sup> with the sat. night solutions group. Please see flyer.

Donation: \$0

Group: Easy Does It

Location: Charles A. Melton Arts and Ed Center, 501 East Miner Street, West Chester, PA 19382 Day & Time: Thursday's 7:00 pm - 8:15 pm

Report: NONE

Donation: \$0

Group: Find & Feel the Freedom

Meeting Place: Church of the Holy Trinity, 212 South High Street, West Chester, PA 19380 Day & Time: Wednesday s 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Report: The group is doing well, and carrying the message. Our anniversary meeting is the last Wednesday of the month- October 26<sup>th</sup>. FFF dress up, Halloween theme, 2 speakers.

Donation: \$0

Group: Focus Group

Meeting Place: VA Hospital Building #6 2nd Floor, 14700 Blackhorse Hill Road, Coatesville, PA 19320 Day & Time: Tuesdays 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Report: Groups 16<sup>th</sup> anniversary is on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016 6pm-9pm. Food, fun, & fellowship.

Donation: \$0

Group: Footwork Group of NA

Meeting Place: Messiah Lutheran Church, 46 W Lancaster Ave, Downingtown, PA 19335 Day & Time: Fridays 8:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Report: All is well. Newcomer format.

Donation: \$24.58

Group: Free At Last

Meeting Place: The Malvern Center, 10 Liberty Blvd, Malvern, PA 19355 Day & Time: Mondays 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Report: All is well.

Donation: \$5.00

Group: Give It Away

Meeting Place: The Malvern Center, 10 Liberty Blvd, Malvern, PA 19355 Day & Time: Sundays 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Report: Attendance is good, carrying the message, all is well.

Donation: \$6.00

Group: Good Morning Group

Meeting Place: Quaker Meeting House, 37 N. Whitehorse Road Day & Time: Saturdays 9:00 am February 23, 2016

Report: We meet early on Saturday morning, everyone is welcome to come sip our coffee and help carry the message of recovery to the addict who still suffers.

Donation: \$61.00

Group: Good Orderly Direction

Meeting Place: St. James Episcopal Church, 409 E. Lancaster Ave, Downingtown, PA 19335 Day & Time: Tuesdays 8:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Report: All is well. Attendance is good. Still 12 step meeting.

Donation: \$5.00

Group: Gratefully Not Dead

Meeting Place: Malvern Center (shops at great valley) 10 Liberty Blvd. Suite 5b, Malvern, PA 19355 Thursday 12pm-1:00pm

Report: All is well, we are carrying the message and attendance is growing. All money has gone to rent, still in need of support/homegroup members.

Donation: \$0

Group: How & Why It Works

Meeting Place: Atkinson Shelter, 8th & Diamond Alley, Coatesville, PA 19320

Day & Time: Mondays 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Report: We are carrying the message of recovery. All is well.

Donation: \$100.00

Group: H.O.W. Group

Meeting Place: Honey Brook Methodist Church, 4510 Horseshoe Pike, PA

19320 Day & Time: Sundays 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm & Tuesdays 7:30 pm – 9 pm

Report: Group continues to carry the message. Rent is paid. Literature is

purchased. All is well. We no longer meet on Sundays.

Donation: \$0

Group: I Can't, We Can

Meeting Place: St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 121 Church Street, Phoenixville,

PA Day & Time: Thursdays 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Report: All is well- shooting to have anniversary meeting, November 10<sup>th</sup> if church allows it.

Donation: \$0

Group: Just For Today

Meeting Place: St. Paul's United Church of Christ. 101 Worthington Road. Exton PA, 19341. Day & Time: Wednesday from 6-7pm.

Report: Group doing well. Added a new homegroup member. Carrying the message to the still suffering addict.

Donation: \$31.00

Group: KSQ Recovers 2

Meeting Place: 210 South Broad Street, Kennett Square, PA Day & Time:

Wednesdays 7:30 pm – 8:45 pm February 23, 2016

Report: All is well, we are carrying the message.

Donation: \$13.00

Group: Message of Hope

Meeting Place: Honey Brook Presbyterian Church, 4331 Horseshoe Pike (rte.

322/Main St.), Honey Brook, PA 19344 Day & Time: Thursdays 8:00 – 9:00 pm

Report: Carrying the message well to newcomers. Join us for a cozy meeting on our comfy couches. Thanksgiving meeting open- come share your gratitude!

Donation: \$0

Group: New Life Group

Meeting Place: New Life in Christ Fellowship. 5th and Lincoln Highway.

Coatesville PA, 19320. Day & Time: Thursdays 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Report: NONE

Donation: \$0

Group: Recovery on the Hill

Meeting Place: Episcopal Church of the Trinity, 323 Lincoln Highway,  
Coatesville, PA 19320 Day & Time: Saturdays 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Report: NONE

Donation: \$0

Group: Saturday Night Solution

Meeting Place: 430 Hannum Avenue, West Chester Day & Time: Saturdays  
11:00 pm – 12:30 am.

Report: NONE

Donation: \$0

Group: Spiritual Awakening Group

Meeting Place: Open Arms Transformation Center, 645 E. Lincoln Hwy,  
Coatesville, PA 19320 Day & Time: Sundays 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Report: NONE

Donation: \$0

Group: Stairway to Freedom

Meeting Place: 129 South High Street Street, West Chester, PA 19382 Day &  
Time: Mondays 7:00 pm – 8:15 pm February 23, 2016

Report: Homegroup anniversary meeting October 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Please join us.

Donation: \$0

Group: STAR Group

Meeting Place: St. Andrews Episcopal Church Day & Time: Tuesdays 7:30-  
8:30

Report: All is well. Nate B. celebrated his 6 year anniversary. Group attendance  
is strong and we are continuing to carry the message.

Donation: \$42.00

Group: Sunday Steps at Eleven

Meeting Place: Fenns Coffee (Formerly Fennario's) 111 North Church Street,  
West Chester, PA 19380 Day & Time: Sundays 11am-12:15pm

Report: All is well, steady attendance. Come check us out!

Donation: \$32.00

Group: Surrender to Win

Meeting Place: Building #6 (L2) VA Medical Center, 1400 Blackhorse Hill Road,  
Coatesville, PA 19320 Day & Time: Mondays 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Report: NONE

Donation: \$

Group: Tuesday Night Group

Meeting Place: Fenn's Coffee. 111 N. Church Street, West Chester, PA. Time:  
Tuesdays at 7:00 pm  
Report: NONE  
Donation: \$0

Group: Twelve Steps to Freedom

Meeting Place: St. Simon and Jude Church Parish Center East, Rte. 3 and 352,  
West Chester, PA 19382 Time: Fridays 7: 30 pm – 8:45 pm

Report: All is well. Attendance has been great. We continue to have 2 treatment  
centers attending our meetings regularly. Homegroup member Rick celebrated  
29 years this past month! \*We did receive a message from the church about  
cigarette butts in the parking lot! If you come to our meeting please use the  
ashtray if you smoke. We meet at a school.

Donation: \$41.45

Group: WAIT

Meeting Place: CYWA 423 East Lincoln Highway. Coatesville PA, 19320.

February 23, 2016 Time: Friday 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Report: Group is still struggling with attendance & membership. Trusted servants  
are needed. Would like assistance from area subcommittee's to sponsor several  
panel meetings to help carry our message.

Donation: \$61.47

Group: Wake Up & Smell the Recovery

Meeting Place: The Malvern Center 5B, 10 Liberty Blvd, Malvern, PA  
19355 Time: 10:30 am – 11:30 am

Report: All is well. We continue to carry the message to the addict who still  
suffers, all bills are paid, no donation this month.

Donation: \$0

## [Open Forum:](#)

Discussed Policy Motion with various individual & group participants

-voting; need for 2/3rds majority to pass a motion, abstentions count as "NO"

-group's reasons for abstentions

-critique & questions of motion contents

-opinions regarding need for further clarification of policy

Meeting Closed at 8:30pm with serenity prayer in a circle.