# Clean Acres Area of NA – Area Service Committee Minutes: OCTOBER, 2017

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.

Position	Representative	Present
Chairperson	Andy D.	Y
Co-Chair	Patrick C.	Y
Secretary	Angela L.	Y
Treasurer	Adam	Y
Co-Treasurer	Vacant	-
Regional		
Committee	Josh D.	Y
Member (RCM)		
Alternate RCM	Vacant	-
Hospitals &	Brad S.	Y
Institutions Chair		
Hospitals &	Kyle W.	Y
Institutions Co-		
Chair		
Literature Chair	Pat C.	Y
Literature Co-Chair	Monica T.	Y
Public Relations Chair	Stephanie T.	Y
Public Relations Co-Chair	Vacant	-
Convention	Vacant	-
Representative		
Alternate	Vacant	-
Convention Rep.		
Unity Chair		Y
Unity Co-Chair	Naomi O.	
Policy Chair	Tom P.	Y
Policy Co-Chair	Vacant	-

# Home Group Attendance:

Group	Present	Group	Present
Gratefully Not Dead	N	Recovery on the Hill	Y
Wake Up & Smell the	Y	Drug Free in the DUB-C	Y
Recovery			
The WAIT Group	Y	Decision & Action	N
12 Steps to Freedom	Y	Come Grow With Us	Y
Surrender to Win	N	Easy Does It	Y
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	Y	Just for Today	Y
Saturday Night Solutions	Y	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	N
Anonymous Group	Y	New Life Group	Y
Tuesday Night Group	N	We Grow from the	Y
		Darkness	

## Sub-Committee Reports:

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

Opened with Serenity prayer, 12 traditions, 12 concepts, and H&I policy Attendance: Brad S., Kyle W., Jim L., Logan R., Josh D., Ryan D., Phil C., Renee K., Liz B., Victor M., George A., Mark F., Max G., Matt O., Juan M., Jess L., Nicole K., Steve P., Max G.

Regional Business: No secretary-> no minutes were sent out. They are looking for a space to have regional learning day.

Commitment Reports:

-VA 39 Wednesday:

all is well, no misses

-VA 39B Sunday:

all is well, no misses

-VA PTSD:

all is well, no misses

-VA Women's:

all Is well, no misses

-Gaudenzia:

all is well, no misses

-CCCF:

no misses/all is well -> in need of speakers -Bowling Green:

all is well, no misses

-Malvern:

all is well, no misses

New Business: Renee K. would like to get involved in Malvern commitment and will start chairing meeting. She has attended with Jess L. Bowling Green- follow up presentation b/c of staff turnover. H&I learning day- H&I will donate \$50.00 to Messiah Lutheran. Recovery Centers of America- Waiting for contact to reply. Literature report: Fully stocked with new order \$190.10

#### Unity Sub-Committee Report:

5:30- Opened with Serenity Prayer

Attendance- Ken, Angela, Becky, Naomi, Leola, Heather

Discussion- Upcoming holiday event details discussed. Date changed to December 31st, 2017. 9pm-1am. Location TBD. We are aiming for a venue in West Chester, PA. Intent is to provide a more central location and provide clean & serene NYE event for addicts. Theme will be a NYE Masquerade Extravaganza. Entry donation will be \$7.00. Newcomer packages will be offered at no cost. Donation covers: entry, food, dance, and childcare. We are in the process of setting designated responsibilities for Decorations (Heather, Becky, Angela), Clean Up (Naomi), Food/Drink (Ken, Leola, Angela), Entertainment (Ken). We encourage anyone who would like to get involved to come to Unity next month or Contact Naomi (484) 429-3027. We need all the help we can get!

### RCM Report:

#### RCM report for October

The regional meeting was held on October 8 with 9 of 11 areas representing. On the agenda were the following... region taxes and the 513c status, convention report, and the special worker and her duties.

#### Area reports

WSW area is having a unity day event. Details are in the Unity report. This was the only Area report given.

#### Sub-Committee reports

H&I

- WSW Area will be having a Learning day on Nov 7<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 4pm at 48<sup>th</sup> and Brown in Philadelphia.
- The mobile task unit idea has been tabled indefinitely until something else comes up due to lack of participation.
- They will be holding a mock presentation following the regular sub-committee meeting next month to familiarize members with the process.

### **Special Worker**

- An expense report is available. Please see me if you would like to see it.
- She reports that things are running smoothly with the Virtual office and our overhead expenses are all in order

### **Literature Review and Development**

- We have a new chairperson to fulfill the activities of this committee.
- He read a chapter from the Living Clean book and will chose something to read for each meeting.
- He is requesting a budget of \$1000.00

### Policy

- The co-chair will possibly be taking over the chair position for the current chair, and is currently acting chair in her absence.
- They are working with the convention committee with their policy changes.
- They will be reaching out to Areas who have not been represented at the regional meetings.

### Convention

- The committee is in the process of forming this cycles committee. The following positions are vacant: Fundraising Chair, Registration Chair, Hospitality Chair, and Arts and Graphics Chair. See me for Qualifications if you are interested.
- The Clean Acres Area is not, and has not been represented in the Committee
- They will be negotiating a 2 year contract with the Crown Plaza for our future conventions.

### **Convention Treasurer**

• The account balance is \$8053.61

• There are no foreseen problems at this point.

#### PR

- They held an event at the VA Hospital on September 9<sup>th</sup> that went well
- They are reading and discussing the PR Handbook at their regional meetings.

### IT

- Slack app policy has been written and approved
- Unity survey form is in production
- Meeting list form is in production
- They are proposing a tool for RCM and committees for reference online.

#### **Clean Sheet**

- Arts and Graphics person is working on a logo for the Clean Sheet
- I have 5 newsletters available. See me if you are interested.

#### RD

- The presentations done at the Area meetings are reported to have gone very well. Clean Acres is the only remaining area not to have had a presentation.
- They are proposing to have a CAR workshop at Clean Acres before our Area meeting on the day that they have the presentation. Looking at our schedules I would propose to invite them on January 21<sup>st</sup>.

The following is a schedule of CAR events at this point in our region and world

- Nov 29- receive the CAR
- Dec 3- Have copies for each Area at the Regional meeting
- Jan 13- CAR workshop hosted by WSW Area at 63<sup>rd</sup> and Cedar in Philadelphia
- Jan 27- Zonal Forum in Maryland

- Feb 10-12- MARLCNA and the World Board presentation on the CAR motions
- Feb 17- Regional CAR Workshop will be held at Roxborough Hosp. 10am-3pm
- Apr. 8- All motions will be voted on at Regional Sunday
- Apr 27- May 5- World Service Conference in Orlando

I have one registration form for the WSC **Unity** 

- November 25<sup>th</sup> at 63<sup>rd</sup> and Cedar in Philadelphia will be a dance from 9-1. Free admission and food will be sold.
- Discussed donations to Areas affected by the natural disasters lately.
- Discussed future events.

### **Meeting List**

• The IT committee has added the new meeting list update form on the website. It is now possible for anyone to submit change requests to the Meeting List Committee. Change requests will go to the committee for review and confirmation before being updated on the website. naworks.org

## ABC

- They are working with the IRS to reinstate our 501c3 status which has been removed due to not filing for years. More information will be discussed at our next regional meeting and they have also scheduled an emergency meeting to go over plans.
- They are working with the meeting list committee on ordering, dispersing, and storing meeting lists.

### Treasurer

• Current balance is \$9363.39 Please see me for details about donations and disbursements if you are interested.

#### P.R. Sub-Committee Report:

Wellsprings congregation in Chester Springs, PA has invited NA to participate as an exhibitor in their 3<sup>rd</sup> Addictions and Recovery Expo, "Pathways to Recovery." This event is on October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 from 10am-5pm at The Montgomery School on Rt 113.

This expo is committed to raising awareness about the prevalence of addiction and reducing the stigma that is often associated with substance use disorder and/or other addictions.

There is no cost to you/your organization to exhibit- ready draped table will be set up for us.

We are in need of people to help man our booth. If you are interested you may call me (484-364-9386) or see me after the meeting. Thank you in advance. We will need pamphlets to hand out along with meeting lists. I am requesting literature for 100 pamphlets- 50 Into to NA and 50 Am I an Addict. I am asking treasurer to write me a check for next months meeting lists (\$50.00).

Area Policy Report:

#### None

<u>Area Literature Report:</u> None

Area Treasurer Report	<u>.</u>
	748.55
Expenses:	
September-	
Bank Fee:	7.50
H&I:	195.00
Unity:	100.00
	\$302.50
October-	
Bank Fee:	7.50
H&I:	197.10
Meeting Lists:	72.92
USPS:	132.00
Unity:	100.00
PR Expo:	30.00
PR:	50.00
	\$589.52
Unity Donation:	6.00
Group Donations:	528.66
Expenses Total:	\$892.02

Donations Total:	\$534.66
	\$357.46
BB:	\$748.55
Bank Balance:	\$391.19
Prudent Reserve:	-\$358.81

Old Business:

### VOTING GSRS: 25

Group: We Grow From the Darkness

Motion: This motion will change area policy by adding a section entitled "Code of Conduct" and will read as follows:

"No attendee is permitted to disturb the area service meeting in any way. This includes frequent interruptions, talking out of turn, use of foul, abusive, profane, or threatening language and racial slurs. The chairperson may give one warning to the individual. If the disturbance continues the individual maybe asked to leave the area service meeting."

Intent: To maintain an atmosphere of recovery among trusted servants while conducting area business. As it states in our 8th concept, "Our service structure depends on the integrity and effectiveness of our communications."

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**DID NOT PASS** 

Group: We Grow From the Darkness

Motion: To remove Denise W. from her current position as Unity subcommittee chairperson. Denise has demonstrated a pattern of disrespectful and unacceptable behavior at area service meetings. On multiple occasions ASC meetings have been disrupted by these violent outbursts including yelling uncontrollably at other members, using abusive, threatening language, and racial slurs. Intent: To maintain an atmosphere of recovery among trusted servants while conducting area business. As it states in our 8th concept, "Our service structure depends on the integrity and effectiveness of our communications." \*\*\*NO vote held due to resignation of Denise W. as Unity Chair

Group: The New Life Group Motion: This motion will change area policy; To adopt Greater Philadelphia Region's policy on conduct and behavior at area service. (pls see regional policy pg. 19, article #10) Intent: To maintain an atmosphere of recovery in area service. Y- 10 N- 8 A- 7 DID NOT PASS

New Business: MOTIONS:

Group: Josh D (RCM) Motion: To invite the RD team to have a CAR workshop on Jan. 21st Intent: To further our service efforts VOTING GSRS: 23 Y- 19 N- 0 A- 4 PASSED

### Motions & Nominations:

Group/Individual: Andy D. Nomination: Monica- Literature Co-Chair Qualifications: 7 years clean, been serving as co-chair for past year, and would like to continue.

Group/Individual: Liz B. Nomination: Angela L.- Unity Co-Chair Qualifications: 12 years clean, NA HG, NA sponsor, treasurer for 4 yrs at Downtown & SV Areas of NA, previously served on Unity committee x's 2 yrs.

Group/Individual: Gillian Nomination: Brandon L. – Literature Chair Qualifications: 4 years clean, car, job, bank acct, has helped out literature in past.

Group/Individual: Patrick C. Nomination: Ally S. – Secretary Qualifications: NA sponsor, NA HG, 19 months clean, served as GSR, meets all area policy requirements, and a strong willingness to serve.

Group/Individual: Angela L. Nomination: Brad S. – Area Co-Chair Qualifications: 3 years clean, 3 years H&I experience, willingness to serve.

Group/Individual: Adam B. Nomination: Pat C. - Treasurer Qualifications: 10 years clean, NA sponsor/HG, prev. literature chair, meets requirements of position, willingness to serve.

Group/Individual: Brad S. Nomination: Ryan D. – H&I Co-Chair Qualifications: Has required clean time, knowledge of H&I practices, policies, & procedures, Willingness to serve.

Group/Individual: Stephanie T Nomination: (volunteer) – PR Chair

Group/Individual: Tom P. Nomination: (volunteer) – Policy Chair Qualifications: Previous policy many years experience at various area positions.

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

Group: Just for Today

Motion:

Article X

Conduct of Trusted Servants

- A) The purpose of this article is to keep an atmosphere of recovery, and preserve the meeting location.
- B) The following will not be tolerated during the ASC meeting.

1. The use of abusive language toward other individuals or the body as a whole.

2. The use of personal threats toward other individuals or the body as a whole.

3. Intentional or reckless false accusations or unwarranted attacks on the character of individual members or the body as a whole.

C) If such actions occur, the chair shall issue one (1) warning. If there is a reoccurrence by the same individual, that individual will be asked to leave the meeting. Repeat violations over more than one meeting may, at the will of the GSRs be considered grounds for removal from office.

D) Any acts of physical violence committed on area property will not be tolerated and shall be handled by the appropriate authorities with which the ASCand the GSRs, INC shall cooperate fully. If the act is committed by an ASC trusted servant this shall be, at the will of the GSRs, grounds for removal from office.

Intent: To provide direction and clarity in the event of issues pertaining to personal conduct.

Group Reports:

Group: Anonymous Group Meeting Place: 10 Liberty Blvd, Malvern PA (Malvern Center) Day & Time: Fridays 11:00 pm- 12:30am Report: Attendance is improving & several new HG members. 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: All is well with the group. Attendance is good. Still in need of trusted servants. Donation: \$0

Group: Decision and Action: Location: Manor Presbyterian Church. 505 Street Road. Cochranville, PA 19330 Days & Time: Tuesdays 7pm - 8:00 pm Report: NONE Donation: \$0 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: Meeting attendance of NA members is low. Rehab is attending, which drives costs up. 7 year anniversary NOV 25<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm! 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: Group is in need of NA support and experienced members to help. 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. November 1<sup>st</sup> 2 speakers, food, fun, & fellowship. Donation: \$12.50

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: Focus is doing well. Denise W. celebrated 13 years. 3 new HG members. Donation: \$20.00

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: NONE Donation: \$0

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: Group continues to carry the message. Rent is paid. Attendance is increasing (20-25 per wk). Donation: \$8.50

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: Things are well, still carrying the message. Donation: \$3.00 Group: Good Morning Group Meeting Place: Quaker Meeting House, 37 N. Whitehorse Road Day & Time: Saturdays 9:00 am February 23, 2016 Report: Group is doing well. Donation: \$64.00

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: Al is well. Donation: \$0

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: NONE. 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: All is well. Heather B celebrating 1 year! Meeting is wheelchair accessible. 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: The HOW group is in need of support. 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. Donation: \$19.00

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: Our group is still in need of support. Anniversary mtg went great. Hillary G. celebrated 18 years last week. Donation: \$10.00

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. Attendance is up. 2 new HG members. Donation: \$4.00

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: Continuing to share an atmosphere of recovery. Could use more support, though attendance is steady. We are having 9 yr anny Dec 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30. Donation: \$9.58

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: Group is doing well. HG member Lorenzo celebrated 18 yrs. HG anny 30 yrs will be Oct. 26 @ 6:30pm. Donation: \$28.27

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: All is well. 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: All is well. Message is being carried. Changing format back to step meeting format. Donation: \$23.61

Group: Stairway to Freedom Meeting Place: 129 South High Street Street, West Chester, PA 19382 (red door- ring bell) Day & Time: Mondays 7:00 pm – 8:15 pm February 23, 2016 Report: Our HG anniversary October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6-9pm. FFF! Donation: \$0 Group: STAR Group Meeting Place: St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Rt 401 (west of rt 100) Ludwigs Corner PA 19343 Day & Time: Tuesdays 7:30-8:30 Report: All is well. Nate B. celebrated 7 years. Donation: \$109.00

Group: Sunday Steps at Eleven Meeting Place: Local Yoga Café @ 216 East Market Street West Chester PA.Day & Time: Sundays 11am-12:15pm Report: Group is doing great. Increase in HG members. Donation: \$0

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: \$0

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. HG member Rick B celebrated 30 years this month. Donation: \$70.00

Group: WAIT

Meeting Place: CYWA 423 East Lincoln Highway. Coatesville PA, 19320. February 23, 2016 Time: Friday 6:00 – 7:30 pm Report: 33<sup>rd</sup> anniversary celebration Sat Oct 21 12-10pm. 12-6 speakers, 6-8 games & Halloween costume contest 8-10 dance. Food, fun, fellowship! Donation: \$0

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. New HG member, Greg. Donation: \$24.00

Group: We Grow from the Darkness

Meeting Place: Church of the Advent 401 North Union Street, Kennett Square, PA 19348 Day & Time: Thursdays at 7:00pm Report: Still carrying the message, celebrated our year anniversary with a great turn out.

Donation: \$11.20