



WEST SOUTHWEST AREA MINUTES

April 15th, 2023

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Co-Chair:	Eunid	215-303-3959
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WSW AREA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Melvin H.	Policy Chair	215-990-5254
Steve S.	Area Treasurer	267-239-6449
Ron J.	Area Co-Treasurer	215-681-0131
Ruth T.	Chair Literature Distribution	215-839-5899
Eleanor R.	Co-Chair Literature Distribution	267-391-7395
Tony F.	Regional Committee Member (RCM)	215-987-7821
Brenda P.	Regional Committee Member (Alt.)	267-584-9498
Keiv S.	Liaison / Steward	267-456-9041

SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRS / AREA SUB-COMMITTEE REPS

Shayla C.	Unity Chair	215-704-1349
Nicole E.	H&I Chair	215-906-8801
Warren R.	Public Relations Chair	267-994-9554
Melvin H.	Policy Chair	215-990-5254
Open	Phone Line Chair	
Open	Literature Review Chair	
Antonio C.	IT Chair	267-577-1493
Open	Convention Rep	
Open	Convention Rep Alt.	
Open	Meeting List Rep	
Leegrant	Clean Sheet Rep	267-276-8604

GSRs (GROUP SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES)

Jeff	11 th Step and Then Some Group	610-348-1371
Matthew S.	38 th Street Group	267-234-4422
Kevin D.	A Gift of Surrender Group	215-783-7631
Kevin W.	A Gift of Surrender Group (Alt.)	267-357-7835
Ron J.	Another Chance at Life Group	215-681-0131
Dorothy H.	Another Chance at Life Group (Alt.)	267-407-8434
Kevin B.	By the Grace of God We Live Group	
Eartha R.	Changing Lives Group	215-586-0001
Rhonda W.	Darby Hilltop Group	267-455-1386
Jamal H.	Enough Is Enough Group	215-954-9163
Willard W.	Freedom With No Limits Group	267-970-3075
Charles S.	Here's Faith Group	267-235-2213
Adrienne	Here's Hope Group	267-880-8389
Miranda M.	Here's Hope Group (Alt.)	267-618-3394
Darlene R.	I Can't We Can Group	267-634-1853
DeWayne T.	Keep Coming Back Clean Group	267-738-6813
Angus J.	Learning To Recover Group	856-580-3578
Orlando	Learning To Recover Group (Alt.)	267-701-2521
Scott D.	Let's Surrender by NA Means Necessary Group	215-500-4327
Anthony F.	Living Life on Life's Terms Group	267-968-6187
Tamiko	Living Spiritual Principles Group	856-449-7410
Tim R.	Message of Hope Group	215-789-8625
Leslie P.	No More Misery Group	856-631-7530
Shawnie	On the Right Track Group	267-320-4729
Roy H.	On the Right Track Group (Alt.)	267-379-6573
Roland	Recovery at 6901 Woodland Ave. Group	267-539-5220
Kyra W.	Recovery at 6901 Woodland Ave. (Alt.)	
Khalil A.	Recovery Down the Bottom Group	267-474-5132
Tony P.	Recovery in the Park Group	484-576-7230
Valerie H.	Recovery in the Park Group (Alt.)	267-978-8836
Evan J.	Recovery on Belmont Group	215-651-2858
Michael T.	Serenity on 63 rd Street Group	267-549-6107
Clarence A.	Serenity on 63 rd Street Group (Alt.)	610-659-4304
Meredith G.	Shopping for Recovery Group	215-921-0209
Leroy N.	Sunday Night Alive Group	267-334-9851
Reggie M.	Survival Group	215-601-0063
James R.	Time for Change Group	267-401-8503
Donna L.	TOUGH Group	215-868-8430
Bruce J.	TOUGH Group (Alt.)	215-880-8304
Robert R.	What Can I Do Group	215-630-9446
George D.	What Can I Do Group (Alt.)	267-992-3154

WSW AREA SERVICE MEETING

The West Southwest Area held a hybrid Area Service Committee meeting at the St. Joseph Baptist Church, 54th & Vine, and on the Zoom platform.

We opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts, and Purpose of Area were read.

The WSW Area conducts business using the CBDM (Consensus Based Decision Making) process and not by motions.

Group Roll Call: There were 11 voting members present (GSRs and/or Alt. GSRs). A quorum was established.

New Groups: None
New GSRs: None

We read and discussed the 4th Concept: “Effective leadership is highly valued in Narcotics Anonymous. Leadership qualities should be carefully considered when selecting trusted servants.”

Minutes were read from the March 18, 2023, ASC meeting.

GROUP REPORTS:

Another Chance At Life: The group had extended its meeting until 12 noon. But starting today, they are going back to 10 am – 11:30 am.

Serenity on 63rd Street: The meeting has re-opened on Wednesdays, 7:30 – 9 pm.

Keep Coming Back Clean Group: The group is celebrating its 15 Year Anniversary on Saturday, June 24, 2023, at 6037 Jefferson St. 12 – 2 pm: Anniversary Meeting. 2 – 8 pm: Anni-thon. *See attached flyer.*

GROUP CONCERNS:

NONE

JAC (Joint Administrative Committee) REPORT:

The JAC met this morning. In attendance were Antonio, IT Chair; Brenda, RCM Alt.; Robert R., GSR; Shayla, Unity Chair; Tee, Unity Co-Chair; Nicole, H&I Chair; Warren, PR Chair; Ruthie, Literature Distribution Chair; and Leegrant, Clean Sheet Rep.

Financial Proposals:

IT: The H&I Zoom account increased \$1.08 and now is \$17.27 monthly.

PR: Needs IP #15, "PI and the NA Member." \$20 for 50 pamphlets.

Unity: Requested \$1000 for upcoming Unity fundraiser on April 22, 2023.

Clean Sheet Rep: Requesting reimbursement for month of November 2022, \$27.64, January 2023, \$12.96 and \$14.85, and April 2023, \$43.20, for a total of \$98.20.

Open Forum:

H&I Chair Position: Chair is elected by the Area. The Chair reported feeling bullied/criticized with inappropriate communications. Subcommittees are to report to Area their concerns.

Unity Chair: The Unity Chair is feeling bullied/criticized by Area Service members with inappropriate communications and wanting to step down.

Subcommittee Receipts: Receipts from all subcommittees are to be turned into the Area Treasurer.

Grievance Policy: The Policy Chair stated that policy is available to grieve treatment from other Area Service members.

Clean Sheet Rep: Moving forward, he will be requesting funds prior to the month, versus asking for reimbursements.

PR Chair: The subcommittee is interested in doing PR presentations at home groups and/or marathons, etc., in order to share the message of PR to the NA member.

Subcommittee Meetings: Will subcommittees that meet twice a month be meeting once on Zoom (first Monday) and once in person on the 3rd Saturday?

Eunid, Area Co-Chair

AREA SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Phone Line

OPEN POSITION

Literature Review

OPEN POSITION

Hospitals & Institutions (H&I)

Discussion: There was clarification about the location of the Presbyterian commitment. The correct address is 51 N. 39th Street.

It was noted that information from this morning's meeting should be included in the report as well. There was discussion about the request received from some facilities (Belmont & Kirkbride) that literature not be stapled. Some of our pamphlets (e.g., For Those in Treatment) are stapled. A member explained that staples can be harmful to clients. They can be swallowed or used to cut themselves. Is there a solution for this issue? The subcommittee will ask the facilities to purchase the literature themselves and make the changes that they require so they can be safely given out to clients.

There was also discussion about the Chair's announcement at a subcommittee meeting that she was quitting as a result of some issues that came up during the meeting. The Policy Chair suggested that a grievance can be filed. It was also noted that a resignation has to be made in writing and presented on the Area floor. Nicole expressed her intention to stay in service. She does not intend to step down at this time. Do we need a policy to address the situation that arose at the subcommittee meeting? This question should be addressed later in the meeting in Open Forum.

Unity

Attendees:

Shayla C., Chair – Time For Change Group
Tee D., Co-Chair – Darby Hilltop Group
Joe C. – 38th & Chestnut St. Group
Tawanna – Here's Hope Group
Robert R. – What Can I Do Group
Antonio C. – On the Right Track Group
Donna C. – On the Right Track Group
Vershone T. – Shopping for Recovery Group
Aleem R. – Another Chance at Life Group
Anthony S. – Time for Change Group

March Speaker Jam Wrap-Up:

Shayla and Tee genuinely expressed their appreciation the group for an outstanding event.

Areas of Improvement:

- Opened the floor for sharing. Instead the DJ played music.
- Place a time in format for sharing and music.
- Bring more bathroom tissue for ladies' room.
- Present DJ with a donation for service.
- No outside beverages permitted during event.

Financial Report:

\$ 300.00 Rent
\$ 863.00 Food/Supplies
\$1163.89 Total Expenses
(\$ 36.11 – Area disbursement balance)

Revenue:

\$ 32.00 Donations at Event
\$ 220.00 Raffle
\$ 163.00 Event Cash App Sales
\$1974.80 Event Food Sales
\$2389.80 Total Revenue

\$2226.80 Presented to Treasurer
\$ 199.11 Cash App to Treasurer*
(*Reflects \$36.11 Area disbursement balance and \$163.00 event food sales)

April Marathon

April 22, 2023
12 noon – 9:00 pm
Norris Square Presbyterian Church
120 W. Susquehanna Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19122

Theme: A Hit on the Disease

Menu:

Platters	\$15.00
Salmon	\$20.00
Sandwich	\$ 7.00

Programming:

- Speakers every hour starting at 12 noon
- 5:00 pm – Clean Time Countdown, raffle, and music
- 6:00 pm – Resume meeting
- 8:00 pm – Main Speaker Meeting, Topic: A Hit on the Disease

Regional Unity Subcommittee Meeting: Every even 1st Saturday. No attendees.

Twelve, Twelve, & Twelve – Every 2nd Saturday

April 8, 2023	
12:00 noon	Step Four – Donna, Chair
1:00 pm	Tradition Four – Tony, Chair
2:00 pm	Concept Four – Tony, Chair

May 13, 2023

Marvin E., Regional Unity Chair, will fulfill May commitment and fill all slots
Fifth Step, Fifth Tradition, & fifth Concept

New Business

Proposal (Shayla): Omit a May event.
Unanimous vote (0 opposed)

Proposal (Joe C.): In the event a home group doesn't volunteer to chair the Twelve, Twelve, & Twelve at Area Service, the Unity Committee may rotate the service commitment.

Tabled until next meeting

Upcoming Events

The subcommittee is requesting \$1,000 for supplies and food for the April event.

The committee is planning a June event; possible dates are June 3 or June 24. Will have to confirm availability with the church.

Shayla C., Unity Chair

Discussion: The Chair was asked whether she has the form for reporting revenue from events. No, she needs to get that.

There are still some open slots for chairpeople for the April 22 marathon at Susquehanna & Hancock. The GSRs were asked to take this information back to their home groups to see if they are willing to participate. Available slots are 12-1 pm and 1-2 pm.

In reference to the upcoming June event, it was noted that June 3 is Regional Weekend and that a home group has an event planned on June 24.

The Unity Chair wanted to address some concerns she has about her position, but was not sure whether this was the appropriate time. She was told that it could be included as part of her report, and she did not need to wait for Open Forum. Shayla said that she does not feel that she is being treated properly. This has caused her to feel like she does not want to do this anymore. She reminded everyone that she is new to this position and asked that, if she is doing anything wrong or if anyone has issues with her performance as chair, they discuss the issues with her. She would like to feel supported.

Meeting List

OPEN POSITION

Public Relations

Attendance

Warren R. (Chair) – 38th & Chestnut Street Group
Keiv S. (Co-Chair) – 38th & Chestnut Street Group
Vonnie (PR Rep) – Darby Hilltop Group
Brother James (Regional PR Chair)
Tanya W. (Secretary) – Learning to Recover Group

Mock Presentation

A New Facility Presentation was conducted.

Brother James – Speaker

Warren R. – Presenter

Tanya W. – PR Reading

Discussion: Volunteers for next month's PR Subcommittee mock presentation: Keiv – Speaker, Warren R. – Presenter, Tanya W. – PR Reading.

If you are interested in volunteering for the Mock Presentation, please email the WSW PR Chair at warrenwalterroy@hotmail.com or the WSW PR Secretary at relationsp53@gmail.com stating what you are volunteering for and which month(s) you are available. Thank you in advance.

Chairperson Report

- WSW Area PR Subcommittee participated in setting up a table at the Unity Marathon which was on March 25, 2023, from 12 noon – 7 pm.
- The PR Subcommittee Chair and Co-Chair participated in a presentation to Belmont Comprehensive Center on 3/13/2023 with the H&I Subcommittee, which is going to restart the H&I meetings in that facility. We facilitated another PR presentation on 3/21/2023 at Kirkbride Center at 2 pm.
- There are 10 libraries in the WSW Area. I spoke to Mr. Bruce at the 40th & Walnut St. Free Library location, and he gave me the number of their Cluster Leader, Milka Moody, 215-685-7426. Mr. Moody would be the person who would tell us what needed to be done to have the books donated. I also sent them an email letting know what we wanted to do.
- WSW Area donated the literature needed for our table presentation, and we did not need the \$75.00 previously asked for at last month's JAC meeting.

PR Co-Chair Report

No report

Old Business

PR Month – June 2023: The WSW Area Subcommittee discussed and agreed on participating in the PR event on June 10, 2023, at McPherson Park, located in Kensington. The Regional PR Chair said that they will contact Prevention Point to see if they could coordinate something that week with them.

WSW Area will still look into hosting a table at Malcolm X Park, Cedar Park, or West Millcreek Recreation Center in June 2023.

New Business

JAC Meeting: Ask for \$20.00 to order IP #15 (Item #3115), "Public Information and the NA Member," for 50 pamphlets.

Agenda for next meeting

- Setting up tables during community/NA events.
- Discuss at WSW Area meeting PR Subcommittee asking home groups could we share on IP #15 (Item #3115), "Public Information and the NA Member," and getting/being in service at their meetings, anniversaries, or marathons.
- PR Chair will contact the Philadelphia Free Library and other libraries in the WSW Area concerning our donating literature (NA books and/or pamphlets) to them.
- PR Week June 2023
- Continue to coordinate with H&I, Unity, and Phone Line Subcommittees and the Regional Phone Line orientation.
- Discuss WSW Area PR Learning Day

Next scheduled meeting is 5/20/2023 at 10 am. The PR Subcommittee is now hybrid. We have begun meeting in person and are still available through Zoom.

Contact information:

Warren R., WSW Area PR Chair – warrenwalterroy@hotmail.com

Keiv S., WSW Area PR Co-Chair – ksimmons763@gmail.com

Tanya W., WSW Area PR Secretary – relationsp53@gmail.com

Brother James, Regional PR Chair – PR@naworks.org

WSW Area PR website – <https://wswana.naworks.org>

Warren R., PR Chair

Discussion: There was a question what the pamphlets "Public Information and the NA Member" would be used for. They would be included in table set-ups.

Policy

The meeting today was held at 10:05 am virtually. In attendance: Brenda P., On the Right Track; Kevin W., Gift of Surrender; and Melvin H., Policy Chair.

The final document draft for updated WSW Policy is now ready for review. It has been forwarded to the Secretary for inclusion with the monthly minutes. We proposed that the draft be approved with provisions that typos, spelling, and numbering of pages will be corrected. The discussion on the Area floor indicated that only a final corrected document can be approved. Therefore, the document is to be retyped and will be presented for approval at the next ASC.

Regional Policy Meeting – 4/1/23

Attendance: Curt L., RSC Policy Chair; Tom, Secretary, Philadelphia Area; Melvin, WSW Area; Brenda P., WSW RCM Alt.; Sid B., RCM Delco Area; James W., Policy Chair, Inner city Area.

Discussed a proposed policy change on travel cost for the RD. It was decided to refer this to the RSC for any requested policy change.

Melvin H., Policy Chair

Discussion: Does Area need to ok policy changes for typos, punctuation, etc.? It was suggested that sort of maintenance should be a part of the subcommittee's regular duties. The Policy Chair said that he would like to hear the Area body agree to that.

The document should be set up so that changes can be made easily.

IT

The IT Subcommittee meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7 pm on the Area Zoom platform. We need a Co-Chair or volunteers to help out and learn the WSW web page and help out with the WSW hybrid meeting in person.

The WSW Area website – <https://wswana.naworks.org> – is up and running with no problem. All home groups can send any group information or flyers to me by text at 267-521-1825 or by email to westsouthwestarea@gmail.com so we can update the website events.

The H&I Zoom account is up to date with no problems. Monthly cost increased by \$1.08 and is now \$17.27.

The IT Committee needs volunteers to help out with the 12, 12, & 12 Mini-Marathon putting literature up on the Zoom platform. That event is every 2nd Saturday on the Zoom platform from 12 – 3 pm. The meeting id is 222 673 8722. The password is 052607. We need home groups to participate in this event.

The IT Committee has volunteered to help out with the 12, 12, & 12 Mini-Marathon on the 2nd Saturday of the month, 12 – 3 pm, on the Zoom platform. Meeting ID: 222 673 8711. Password: 052607.

West Southwest Area Meetings:

Total active (in person, hybrid, and virtual):	41
In Person only	27
Virtual only	13
Hybrid	1

In loving service,
Antonio C., IT Chair

Clean Sheet Rep

Once again, I would like to thank this body for allowing me to be a trusted servant. Even when I don't attend the ASC meeting and I don't submit a written report, I still make sure that the monthly Clean Sheet is available – either on our website or as a hard copy. I especially would like to thank those of you that continue to submit information each month for the Cleansheet.

The cost for copying previous month's clean sheets was \$55.49. The cost for April copying was \$43.20. I would like \$30.00 to be disbursed to cover the cost of making copies of May's Cleansheet.

Trusted servant,
Leegrant, Cleansheet Rep

Discussion: There was a question what the \$55.49 was for. Leegrant explained that it was for the November and January Cleansheets.

How many copies are made and how are they distributed? Leegrant makes 15 copies of the Cleansheet and gives them out to GSRs at the ASC meeting. He also makes arrangements to get them to home groups whose GSRs do not attend the in-person meeting.

Will the Cleansheet be included with the minutes? Yes, it can be.

Leegrant has been paying out of his pocket for typing of the cleansheet. The costs are for copying only.

AREA SUPPORT SERVICE MEMBER REPORTS:

Convention Rep

No Convention Committee activity. No report.

Liaison/Steward

OPEN POSITION

Regional Committee Member (RCM)

Our Area had a GSR Learning Day, which was attended by 2 GSRs. Our next Learning Day will be July 22nd, 11 am – 1 pm. See our website for more information.

We had 6 home groups turn in their CAR tallies. Thank you for your service.

Our Region has been giving out our meeting list cards, as we continue to discuss whether or not to resume printing our meeting lists. Meeting information is on our Regional website as well.

We will be renewing our Regional insurance in June. We believe our premium will be higher.

Our RD and RD Alt. are looking into possibly joining the Northeast Zonal Forum (NZF). More information to come.

Also, our Region is asking all home groups to invite us – members of your Regional Executive Committee and 1 Regional volunteer – to be a part of one of your regular scheduled meetings to have discussion, questions and answers. If interested, contact your RCM (Tony F.) or RD (Clarence A.).

There was a proposal from a group from the Downtown Area: “To direct the World Board to create a project plan for the next World Service Conference for development of a new workbook for the groups entitled “Our Fair Share.” The maker would be the Greater Philadelphia Area of NA. *Intent:* To create a working guide for the group that explains the origin of the 7th Tradition, the purpose of the 7th Tradition, and the importance of our contributions. The proposal was passed at Region by the RCMs.

Tony F., RCM

Discussion: There was a question about a Regional donation to World. Our Region donated \$3000 to World.

The RCM was asked how he could vote on a motion to go to the WSC before it came back to the Area. Tony explained that there was discussion about this question at the RSC meeting. There was a concern that this motion not be delayed. He voted what he felt was the conscience of our Area. It was noted at the RSC that this motion was simply to create a project plan. If a new workbook is developed, it would require the approval of all home groups before becoming approved literature.

Liaison / Steward

[Not present. No report.]

Literature Distribution Report

Received \$600.00 in literature. There was a refund of 34.94.
Area inventory for March was \$4325.94. April inventory is \$3785 34

Cash app was \$33.00

Cash on hand is \$507.60

Total sales of literature for the month of March of is \$540.60

There will be an increase in the price of literature starting in the month of April.
An updated order form is available on-line. It will be available for in-person sales as well.

Discussion: A member asked if the new order form could also be sent to the Secretary to it can go out with the minutes.

Ruthie T., Literature Distribution Chair

Treasurer's Report

WSW Area - Treasurer's Report

Date	<u>4/15/2023</u>		
Number of Groups that donated	<u>11</u>	Area Prudent Reserve	<u>100.00</u>
		Unity Prudent Reserve	<u>2,425.91</u> proceeds from last event
Home Group Donations	<u>1,058.82</u>	Literature sold for the month	<u>540.60</u> (See detail)
		Literature in Bank	<u>2,856.72</u>
		Total Literature Cash	<u>3,397.32</u>
Total Area Funds	<u><u>1,058.82</u></u>	Total Cash on Hand	<u>5,923.23</u> Does not include home group donations
		Group Donation to Region	<u>139.80</u> (See detail) - grp donation 91.8- Insurance-48.00
Automatic Disbursements			
Rent-new facility on 54th st	<u>(80.00)</u>	Kiev	
Area Zoom	<u>(27.80)</u>	Ruthie	
H & I Zoom	<u>(17.27)</u>	Antonio unity ad H and I	
Secretary	<u>(15.00)</u>	Arlene	
Total	<u><u>(140.07)</u></u>		
Balance	<u><u>918.75</u></u>		
Additional Disbursements:			
RCM	<u>-</u>	Proposals	
Unity request	1,000.00	Shayla-Unity Event	
Unity request	(1,000.00)		
Clean sheet rep	(128.20)	Lee-Reimbursement	
Literature request	(20.00)	literature only-Warren	
Literature funding	20.00		
Subtotal	<u><u>(128.20)</u></u>		
Balance	<u><u>790.55</u></u>		
Area Donation to region :	<u>(790.55)</u>	RSC-Scott	

The Cash App account for the Area is \$westsouthwestarea.

Discussion: There was a question whether we still needed to maintain the Area Zoom account if we will be meeting in person starting next month. Subcommittees are still meeting virtually, and the Zoom account is used for those meetings as well.

The Treasurer has the receipts from the Cleansheet Rep.

Steve S., Area Treasurer

Financial Proposals:

PROPOSAL (Unity): \$1000 for our next event.
[This money will come from the Unity Prudent Reserve.]
Proposal passed without objection.

PROPOSAL (Cleansheet): Reimbursement of \$128.20 for copies made.
Proposal passed without objection.

PROPOSAL (PR): Receive \$20 worth of literature.
Proposal passed without objection.

PROPOSAL: That we send the remaining funds (\$790.55) to Region.
Discussion: One member felt that we should first send \$500 for insurance.
Proposal passed by a vote of 9-0-1

OLD BUSINESS:

Policy Draft

There was discussion of the draft of the Area Policy that was sent out with last month's minutes. It was noted that the page numbers and Table of Contents need to be corrected. There may also be other minor changes/corrections needed. We need to make a decision whether we are going to vote on this draft today. We have been waiting more than 2 years for an updated policy.

The Policy Chair asked the body for permission to make final corrections on the draft rather than to approve the draft as is. Melvin said the corrections will be made.

Elections

There were no volunteers or nominations for the open positions.

A complete list of open positions along with their qualifications is included at the end of these minutes. Please take this information back to your home groups.

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

OPEN FORUM:

I Can't We Can Group

Darlene, the GSR, reported that the group will end meetings on the last Tuesday in May. The recreation center where they meet will be closed for a year and a half for renovations. An update will be sent to the website that the group is temporarily closed. There are only a few active home group members, who will look for a new location. Darlene has receipt for all financial transactions.

Discussion: Has the group considered merging with another group? Or going virtual? One member recognized that it is difficult to let go but felt that the group may have to fold. It could always be restarted later if another meeting place is found. Darlene says that she wants to stay in service and will join another group if needed. She noted that there are still about 15 people attending the meeting.

H&I

There was further discussion about the issue of the H&I Chair verbally resigning and later coming back to the subcommittee. We have no policy to deal with that situation. Our current policy doesn't only talk about written resignations. How could we handle a similar situation in the future? We would have to change or add to our policy. Some members felt that the situation can be handled within the subcommittee. It was again noted that our Area does have a grievance procedure in the Policy.

After discussion, the following proposal was made:

PROPOSAL: That when someone abdicates their position, that position should be up for review.

Discussion: We are already having problems getting people in service. Would this proposal make that more difficult? Being in service can be an emotional process. Perhaps the issue is really about how we treat each other and talk to each other in our service committees. A new policy would not resolve that problem.

Following discussion, the proposal was withdrawn.

There was a suggestion that we might need to hold a service meeting within a service meeting or a workshop on subcommittee chair positions.

West Southwest Area webpage:

<https://wswana.naworks.org/>

WSW ASC Minutes:

<https://wswana.naworks.org/wswana-minutes/>

WSW Area Clean Sheet:

<https://wswana.naworks.org/wsw-clean-sheet/>

WSW Area Events:

<https://wswana.naworks.org/events-2/>
<https://wswana.naworks.org/w-sw-area-meetings/>

The next Area Service Meeting will be held on

Saturday, May 20th, 2023, 1:00 PM.

It will be an *in-person* meeting at:

St. Joseph Baptist Church

54th & Vine Streets,

in the upstairs classroom.

West Southwest Area Open Positions

Concept 4: Effective leadership is highly valued in Narcotics Anonymous. Leadership qualities should be carefully considered when selecting trusted servants.

All WSW Area Service positions require:

- **Home group in the WSW Area**
- **NA Sponsor**
- **Knowledge of the 12 Steps, 12 Traditions, and 12 Concepts**
- **Time and resources to fulfill the commitment**
- **Required to attend the monthly Area Service Meeting**

Elections will be held at the December ASC meeting for new officers to take position at the January ASC.

Area Co-Secretary

1 year clean time

Steady job or source of income

Phone Line Chair

2 years clean time

Working knowledge of the Phone Line Handbook

Previous experience as a group Phone Line representative

Hospital and Institutions (H&I) Chair

3 years clean time

Working knowledge of the H&I Handbook

Previous NA experience within the H&I Subcommittee

Literature Review Chair

2 years clean time

Ability to read and interpret literature

Meeting List Representative

1 year clean time

Regional Convention Representative

3 years clean time

Alternate Regional Convention Representative

2 years clean time