



WEST SOUTHWEST AREA MINUTES

November 18th, 2023

Area Website:

<https://wswana.naworks.org>

WSW Area Literature Store:

<https://wswana.naworks.org/store-2>

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Treasurer:	Steve S.	267-239-6449
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WSW AREA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRS / AREA SUB-COMMITTEE REPS

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Open	Convention Rep Alt.	
Open	Meeting List Rep	
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GSRs (GROUP SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES)

Jeff	11 th Step and Then Some Group	610-348-1371
	38 th Street Group	
Keiv S.	38 th Street Group (Alt.)	267-456-9041
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
Aleem R.	Another Chance at Life Group (Alt.)	267-490-6239
Conway B	Changing Lives	
Voni C.	Darby Hilltop Group	267-455-1386
Charles S.	Here's Faith Group	267-235-2213
Lawrence M.	Here's Faith Group (Alt.)	484-609-3573
Adrienne H.	Here's Hope Group	267-880-8389
Miranda M.	Here's Hope Group (Alt.)	267-618-3394
DeWayne T.	Keep Coming Back Clean Group	267-738-6813
Avery B.	Learning To Recover Group	267-934-4876
Courtney D.	Learning To Recover Group (Alt.)	215-375-5316
Scott D.	Let's Surrender by NA Means Necessary Group	215-500-4327
Eleanor R.	No More Misery Group	
Roy H.	On the Right Track Group	267-379-6573
Antonio C	On the Right Track Group (Alt.)	267-577-1493
Tony P.	Recovery in the Park Group	484-576-7230
Valerie H.	Recovery in the Park Group (Alt.)	267-978-8836
Michael T.	Serenity on 63 rd Street Group	267-549-6107
Clarence A.	Serenity on 63 rd Street Group (Alt.)	610-659-4304
Lovy W.	Shopping for Recovery Group	
Leroy N.	Sunday Night Alive Group	267-334-9851
Ivan B.	Sunday Night Alive Group (Alt.)	267-250-2845
Louise F.	Surrender Around The Way Group of NA	215-526-8609
Reggie M.	Survival Group	215-601-0063
Sean W.	Survival Group (Alt.)	267-234-8790
James R.	Time for Change Group	267-401-8503
Al T.	Time for Change Group (Alt.)	215-833-2297
	TOUGH Group	
Lawrence J.	TOUGH Group (Alt.)	312-320-6060
Janet L.	What Can I Do Group	609-933-0147
Robert R.	What Can I Do Group (Alt.)	215-630-9446
Bruce J.	Why Are We Here	215-880-8304

To facilitate open communication within the Area, please reach out to the Area Secretary (deluxega@gmail.com) with any updates to this list

WSW AREA SERVICE MEETING

The West Southwest Area met in person at the St. Joseph Baptist Church, 54th & Vine.

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). Quorum is 10.

New Groups: None
New GSRs: Conway B. – Changing Lives
 Louise F. – Surrender Around the Way
 Harold D. – A Gift of Surrender
 Al T. – Time for Change

We read and discussed the Tradition Two out of the Basic Text: “For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants, they do not govern.”

Minutes were read from the October 21st, 2023, ASC meeting.

GROUP REPORTS:

Shopping For Recovery: Shopping for Recovery Group of Narcotics Anonymous is having their Annual 8 Hour Holiday Marathon Monday, December 25th, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Doors open at 1:30 p.m. Bible Way Baptist Church Basement -1323 North 52nd Street (Corner of 52nd & Master Street) Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19131. Dinner Hour: 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. "An addict alone is in bad company" especially during the holiday season. You are welcome to spend your day with us; safe and secure...in a warm and loving atmosphere of recovery. Living and enjoying life without the use of drugs; sharing our message of hope and the promise of freedom with each other. Food ~ Fun ~ and ~ Fellowship! All are Welcome!

Surrender Around the Way: Starting December 4th, 2023, Surrender Around the Way Group of Narcotics Anonymous is back! We meet every Monday and Wednesday from 1 pm - 2:30 pm so spread the word! We meet at 428 N 41st Street, Phila, PA - Mt. Pisgah AME church.

A Gift of Surrender: A Gift of Surrender Group of Narcotics Anonymous is Celebrating 31 years!! Come out and celebrate with us!!

Theme: A Gift of Surrender

When: Sunday, December 10, 2023, 10am

Doors open at 9:30am and meeting starts at 10am

Where: 6310 Market Street (Eastern Delaware County Life Center) Upper Darby, PA 19082

Darby Hilltop: Homegroup Anniversary will be held on December 20th, 2023, from starting at 7:00 PM at 16 N. 19th Street, Darby PA – Darby Diner. Food, Fun & Fellowship.

GROUP CONCERNS:

None

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Hybrid ASC meetings – During the discussion the following proposal was brought to the Area Floor: PROPOSAL: Area Service become hybrid in January 2023. Discussion: What are some of the resources needed to accomplish this? We would need trusted servants to show up and stay the duration of Area Service so that the hybrid meeting and break out rooms can be manned. There would be no financial difference. The proposal failed.
2. Duties & Responsibilities of our Trusted Servants

JAC (Joint Administrative Committee) REPORT:

Meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

In attendance:

Area Co-Facilitator

IT Chair / Literature Distribution Co-Chair

PR Co-Chair / WSWA Liaison

H&I Secretary

Area Secretary

GSR – Time for Change

GSR – Shopping for Recovery

Member – Surrender Around the Way

Financial Proposals:

IT requested \$42.00 for Online Store Upgrade

Liaison requested \$50.00 for supplies.

H&I reported that the Learning Day went well, although costs exceeded the \$250 that was originally requested. Donations were made to cover.

The pamphlet, *Destructive and Violent Behavior* was read and discussed due to members being banned from meetings.

Meeting closed with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

AREA SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Phone Line

OPEN POSITION

Literature Review

OPEN POSITION

Hospitals & Institutions (H&I)

NO WRITTE REPORT

Unity

NO WRITTEN REPORT

Public Relations

Meeting opened at 54th and Vine St at 10:26 AM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Attendance

Warren R. (WSWA PR Sub Co Chair) 38th and Chestnut Street Group;

Keiv S.- PR Co Chair/ 38th Chestnut Street Group

Vonnie (PR Subcommittee Rep) Darby Hilltop;

Tanya W. (WSWA PR Secretary/Learning to Recover Group)

Brother James- PR Regional Chair/On the Right Track:

- The 11th Tradition was read.
- The 11th Concept was read.

- The 2nd Tradition was read.

Mock Presentations

There were no mock presentations done today.

PR Chairperson Report

- On 11/8//23 the WSW Area PR Subcommittee Chair and Co-Chair did a New Facilities Presentation with Pastor Washington of the Calvary Baptist Church, 6122 Haverford Ave for the Time for Change Group of NA with the home groups Liaison, Al C. The group is waiting to hear from the facility.
- We will not be setting up our Informational table until the weather breaks, Spring 2024.
- The PR slide Presentation was presented today with the assistance of the IT Chair and PR Regional Chair. The presentation will be edited to support New Facility and H&I Presentations. There was a discussion on when to ask questions when doing a presentation, during or after? The Regional Chair suggested logging onto the NAWS (Narcotics Anonymous World Service) website to get information on NA and World. The Regional Chair also suggested before beginning the presentation to ask if anyone in your audience has any experience or knowledge of NA, who we are or what we do?
- Darby Hilltop has a new meeting place. In August an incident took place between two attending members involving a gun that caused the home group to lose their meet space, The Darby Rec Center 1022 Ridge Avenue. The home group voted to place a ban on those two members until their issue has been resolved. They sent out a text to one of those members and PR is asking to do a New Facilities Presentation to inform and support the group.

New Business

No new business

JAC Meeting

There's no monetary request this month.

Agenda For Next Meeting

- New Facility Mock Presentation (Tanya)
- Review PR PowerPoint Presentation edits (Fonts and slide #18)
- 2024 Elections (Chair & Co Chair)
- Reaching out to The School District of Philadelphia with a letter addressing drug addiction amongst young addicts in local schools

The meeting closed with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer at 12pm.

Thank you all for your service.

The PR Subcommittee next scheduled meeting is 12/16/2023 @ 10:00AM. The PR subcommittee is now meeting in person at 54th and Vine St along with the ASC Meeting.

Much Love and Respect,
Warren R.
PR Subcommittee Chair
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- Keiv S. (WSWA PR Co Chair): ksimmons763@gmail.com
- Bro James (Regional Chair) - PR@naworks.org
- WSWA PR Website: <https://wswana.naworks.org>

Policy

OPEN POSITION

IT

IT subcommittee meets every second Monday of the month at 7:00 pm on the Area zoom platform (ID 222 673 8711 Password: 052607) and the 3rd Saturday at 10am at St. Joseph Baptist Church 54th Vine Street on the second-floor classroom. We need a Co-Chair or volunteers to help and learn the WSW Web Page – you do not need web page designer to help just a willingness to help. Our Area site is <https://wswana.naworks.org>. All Home Groups can send any Group Information or Flyers you have (Text) to 267-521-1825 or send it to the IT Subcommittee email wswaitc@gmail.com so we can update the website events information. If you have any questions or difficulties don't hesitate to call: 267-577-1493.

The H&I Area Zoom Account is up to date with no Problem. Mouthy Cost. \$17.27

The Area Zoom Account is up to date with no problem. Mouthy Cost. \$27.80

The West-Southwest online store for the WSW Literature Distribution is up and running monthly - cost is \$42.00. This should make things easy for our members and a link will be added in the minutes. The cost will come out of the Literature Account: <https://wswana.naworks.org/store-2>

In Loving Service

IT Chair. Antonio C

AREA SUPPORT SERVICE MEMBER REPORTS:

Regional Committee Member (RCM):

NO WRITTEN REPORT

Convention Rep

Theme for the Celebration - Areas should bring back their vote for the following themes:

Timeless
Surviving Our Past
Overcoming Our Past Through Diversity
Unity and Diversity are Important for Our Future
Involvement
Our Present, Our Past, and Our Future
Our Future Depends on Unity
History, Participation, and Growth
Our Message is in Our Diversity
Our History is Our Future

Next meeting: Saturday, December 2, 2024, 10 am at Roxborough Hospital Auditorium

** Convention Chair and Co-Chair came by WSW Area Service to talk about the importance of Unity in the region **

Liaison/Steward

Rent is up to date. Steward was not present last month, and the church was left a mess. Please clean up after yourselves.

Meeting List

OPEN POSITION

Literature Distribution Report

The beginning inventory of literature for the month of October is \$6,290.45

Literature sold for the month of October: \$548.80

This includes cash app total: \$0.00

The ending balance is \$6,750.65.

Literature Distribution will be obtaining a CashApp card for Literature Distribution funds so that moneys given to purchase Literature can be purchased with that card.

Trusted servant,
Ruthie T.

Clean Sheet Rep

NO WRITTEN REPORT

Treasurer's Report

WSW Area - Treasurer's Report

Date: 11/18/2023

Number of Groups that donated	<u>11</u>	Area Prudent Reserve	<u>300.00</u>	
				(waiting to receive 100 back from last month's disbursement)
		Unity Prudent Reserve	<u>1,313.44</u>	
Home Group Donations	<u>983.10</u>	Literature sold for the month	<u>548.80</u>	(Oct)
		Literature in Bank	<u>2,107.42</u>	
		Total Literature Cash	<u>2,656.22</u>	
Total Area Funds	<u>983.10</u>	Total Cash on Hand	<u>4,269.66</u>	Does not include home group donations
		Group Donation to Region	<u>148.00</u>	(See detail) - grp donation -\$100 Insurance-\$48
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>	Danielle		
Literature Store	<u>(42.00)</u>	Antonio Lit Store		
Total	<u>(182.07)</u>			
Balance	<u>801.03</u>			
Additional Disbursements:				
RCM	<u>-</u>	Proposals		
Liason				
Clean Sheet				
Unity Proposal				
Unity Proposal-funded				
PR-literature				
PR funded				
Subtotal	<u>-</u>			
Balance	<u>801.03</u>			
Area Donation to region :	<u>(801.03)</u>	RSC-Scott		
Home group donation to region :	<u>0</u>			
Insurance :	<u>-</u>	Region-Scott		
Addnl prudent reserve	<u>-</u>			
H&I:	<u>-</u>			
P.R.:	<u>0</u>			
Balance	<u>-</u>			

Financial Proposals:

PROPOSAL (Serenity on 63rd Street): \$42.00 – The cost of the WSW Literature Distribution Store be an automatic disbursement.

Proposal passed without objection.

PROPOSAL (Liaison/Steward): \$50.00 – Supplies for Area Service

Proposal was withdrawn due to members volunteering all supplies.

PROPOSAL: To donate \$801.03 to Region

Proposal passed without objection.

OLD BUSINESS:

Elections

Elections for Area Service positions will take place at the next Area Service on 12/16/2023. Please send HG representative to get in service. We need your support. Positions are listed below:

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***

Area Facilitator

Qualifications:

- Five (5) years clean time.
- Working knowledge of A Guide to Local Services in NA.

Area Co-Facilitator

Qualifications:

- Four (4) years clean time.
- Working knowledge of A Guide to Local Services in NA.

Secretary

Qualifications:

- One (1) year clean time.
- Steady job or source of income.

Co-Secretary

Qualifications and Duties:

- Same as the Secretary.

Treasurer

Qualifications:

- Three (3) years clean time.
- Steady job or source of income.

Co-Treasurer

Qualifications:

- Same as Treasurer

Phone Line

Chairperson Qualifications:

- Two (2) years clean time.
- Working knowledge of the Phone Line Handbook.
- Previous experience as a group Phone Line representative.

Public Relations

Chairperson Qualifications:

- Two (2) years clean time.
- Familiarity with the NA Public Relations Guide.
- Previous NA experience as a group Public Relations representative.

Hospitals and Institutions (H&I)

Chairperson Qualifications:

- Three (3) years clean time.
- Working knowledge of the H & I Handbook.
- Previous NA experience within the H & I Sub-committee.

Unity

Chairperson Qualifications:

- Three (3) years clean time.
- Steady job or source of income.
- Driver's license
- To be considered as Chairperson of the Unity Sub-committee you must have three (3) months of current, consecutive participation in the committee.

Policy

Chairperson Qualifications:

- Three (3) years clean time.
- Working knowledge of a Guide to Local Services in NA.
- Ability to keep, maintain and record changes to Policy.

Information Technology

Chairperson Qualifications:

- Three (3) years clean time.
- Computer knowledge of web page development.

Literature Review

Chairperson Qualifications:

- Two (2) years clean time.
- Ability to read and interpret literature.

Regional Committee Member (RCM)

Qualifications:

- Five (5) years clean time.
- Working knowledge of A Guide to Local Services

Alternate Regional Committee Member (Alt. RCM)

Qualifications:

- Four (4) years clean time.
- Working knowledge of A Guide to Local Services

Alternate Regional Convention Representative

Qualifications:

- Two (2) years clean time.

Literature Distribution Chair

Qualifications:

- Two (2) years clean time.
- Steady job or source of income.

Co-Literature Distribution Chair

Qualifications:

- Two (2) years clean time.
- Steady job or source of income.

Liaison/Steward

Qualifications:

- One (1) year clean time.

Meeting List Representative

Qualifications:

- One (1) year clean time.

Clean Sheet Representative

Qualifications:

- Two (2) years clean time.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OPEN FORUM:

The Unity Chair has stepped down. Thank you for your service.

**The next Area Service Meeting will be held on
Saturday, December 16th, 2023, 1:00 PM.
The meeting will be in person at:
St. Joseph Baptist Church, 54th & Vine Streets**