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**Portland Area Service Committee
Meeting of Narcotics Anonymous
53 SE 80th Avenue
Portland, OR 97213
March 26, 2005**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm. The meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer for those who cared to join in.

The Twelve Traditions were read by: Sally
The Twelve Concepts were read by: Jessica
The 3rd Concept was read by: Jeff.

Chris made an announcement about forming a new area. There is a subcommittee if anyone is interested in joining. This for the Clackamas Area only and a meeting will be held on Saturday, April 9, 2005 at 9:00 pm directly after the regular Canby Saturday night meeting.

Chair Report, Colin W.

Colin announced that he changed the order of the day and passed out new copies of the agenda. Paul is in Hawaii and stated he would entertain a motion to table the elections until next month.

The Dedication to Service was read by: Frank.

New GSR Orientation

Treasurer's Report, Victoria C.

No hard copies were supplied at Area. Will A. asked that copies be supplied at every area. Victoria will send report to Secretary. See attached report.

Roll Call of Officers

15 were present.

Roll Call of Groups

41 answered the roll call.

Quorum

Quorum is established at 22.

Secretary Report, Mary E.

Report given by Mary E., including the reading of the minutes from the last meeting. Motion to accept as written, seconded, voted and passed by general consent.

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Victoria made a statement that she will not be writing a check for the rent on the Office building because of motion #70 which did not pass by a 2/3 majority vote for the lease on the building. Discussion followed and Victoria agreed that since this motion had already been acted upon as stated in Roberts Rules of Order it became group conscience when we took possession of the building. Victoria will write the check for rent

Mary E.'s report to Area:

Thank you for allowing me to be of service. It hasn't always been easy or even particularly fun but I have leaned so much from this experience about myself and NA and our governing principles.

The past several months have been extremely stressful for me, partly because of my service position and partly because of my life circumstances.

As you may have noticed, I have become increasingly irritable and agitated as the close of my elected term approaches. I can apologize for my behavior, but it doesn't change the facts. I haven't done this perfectly but I have done this to the best of my ability.

We are ALL addicts and while I know we have a sincere desire to give back to a program that has changed our lives, our service work should never take precedence over our personal recovery. Unfortunately my service to this body has resulted in the neglect of my recovery and I'm sorry that I was unable to share or participate in this level of service without becoming angry and resentful because, truly, I am so grateful for the opportunity for growth this experience has given me.

I have tried to be accessible and approachable to the members of this service body and have tried to maintain enough humility to uphold the integrity that defines "trusted servant". I hope that you will all work together in a spirit of unity and love with whoever you select to fill these seats and the chair positions of the sub-committees.

I'm really excited to welcome a new BOD to the Portland Area officer positions. I believe they will continue what we began.

In spite of our ups and downs, I believe this body has accomplished a lot. We have, collectively, the best sub-committee chairs ever! Thank you for doing the best job possible! H&I is consistently missing fewer commitments, Literature handles close to \$20,000.00 a year in literature, they keep the orders in order and have kept the prices low. Thank you PI! for the job you've done on our website. We have one of the best websites in the entire country! PI also maintains our meeting schedule and they have done an excellent job of making sure the information in the schedule is accurate. That's no small task. The Hotline chair has managed to keep the shifts consistently covered and is holding you accountable for missing them, this is really important. Our Activities committee consistently puts on events so that we all have something to do and to practice socializing outside of meetings. They've incorporated some new events that continue to generate funds for our area recovery for our members by offering the activities and the service required to hold them. Thank you. Outreach has been busy following up on new groups and offering support to all the groups. They also play a significant role in making sure our schedule is accurate. Thank you to the PASO sub-committee for maintaining this facility. It seems to be working out in spite of conflicts. Please remember that, in

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November, when the lease runs out, this body will have to decide whether or not to renew it.

We are planning a smokin' convention in 2006, and have had the benefit of RCMs who have consistently provided us with information from our Region. I think we've had a pretty good BOD this past year.

We have lots of opportunities to be of service if you're new. Check out a sub-committee and get involved. We will always have something for you to do.

Change is uncomfortable and sometimes difficult but it's not something we need to be afraid of. I know you've grown used to me being the Secretary and doing what I do. The new Secretary will not do this perfectly but to the best of her ability. Please do not make her job more difficult. Work with her, she is your trusted servant, not your catch-all.

As much as I am grateful to be done here, I am also sad to be leaving.

Thank you and God Bless.....Mary E.

Unfinished Business

Motion to table Motion #96 made by Back to Basics, seconded by Hell to heaven. Passed. Tabled until May for technical reasons.

Motion #70 did not pass by 2/3 majority, however motion was acted upon and therefore is in effect per Roberts Rules of Order.

Motion #5 Submitted by PI Subcommittee. To adopt the website guidelines. 0 against, 3 Abstentions. Passed by general consent.

Motion #10 Submitted by PASO. Motion to establish a fundraising reserve of \$750 separate from the standing subcommittee monthly allotment. 8 For – 13 Against – 8 Abstentions. Motion fails.

Motion #12 Submitted by the PASC Secretary. Motion to approve letterhead from two possible choices.

A=4 votes B=24

Style B was approved by group conscience.

Motion #16 submitted by H & I. Motion to approve 1 case of Basic Text's for Clearence Facilites. For 25 – Against 7 – Abstentions 3, motions passes. Books will bew broken down as follows:

- 5 books to the Farm
- 5 books to Clackamas County Jail
- 5 books to Justice Center
- 5 books to CRCI
- 5 books to Inverness
- 5 books to McClaren

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Motion #4, tabled from 1/29/05, dies due to maker not present.

Copies of all subcommittees By-laws will be forwarded to Dennis P., web host to post on website.

Elections

JB elected as PASC Chair

Victoria C. elected as PASC Treasurer

Vickie D. elected as PASC Archivist

PASC Vice Chair still open – nominee not present

RCM still open – nominee removed himself from the nomination

Alt. RCM – still open, no nominees

PASC Secretary – still open – Becky V. who was nominated was not present and Carmen D. did not receive the needed votes for election.

Motion #8 Submitted by Michelle M. Motion to start holding new GSR orientation before Area at 1:30 pm.

Purpose of Motion: To reduce noise level and to allow GSR'S to be present for entire area meeting. Motion sent back to the groups for a vote.

Motion #19 submitted by Ron C. Motion that the Portland Area Service Committee (PASC) and it Board of Director (BOD) By-Laws be revised to read in Section Three, Line E. (Roberts Rules of Order – Revised)

Purpose of Motion: To bring our by-laws current and be in conformity with corporate laws. Current edition of Roberts Rules of Order in our by-laws is outdated and not authorized. Motion sent back to the groups for a vote.

Motion #24 Submitted by Activites. Motion to establish seed money on Beverly Beach campout as noted in past motion #94 establishing \$2,500.00 as set aside line item.

Purpose of motion: To foster unity within our area so members will have a vote on this issue. Motion sent back to the groups for a vote.

Motion #25 Submitted by Activites. Motion to establish seed money on Unity in the Streets, as noted in past motion #94 establishing \$2000 as set aside line item.

Purpose of Motion: to Foster unity within our area so members will have a vote on this issue.

Motion #26 Submitted by Wayne C. Seconded by Let's Get it On. Motion: To post a current version of all Portland Area Sub-Committee By-Laws/Guidelines on the Portland Area Website. Purpose of Motion: To have more access to current information and to save money on printing. Dennis P. motions to table, seconded by Kick The Monkey, table passes.

Motion # 27 Submitted by Linda R. Motion to direct the PASO subcommittee to obtain an occupancy certificate. Withdrawn by maker

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Motion #28 Motion made by Kick The Monkey. Motion that Area instructs the Activities committee to relinquish the Oak's Park Event to the PASO. Withdrawn by maker.

Motion #29 Submitted by PASO as an emergency motion, seconded by Starting Over. Motion: To approve T-Shirt logo for production using PASO funds already in PASO account. Chair ruled out of order due to incorrect wording.

Motion #30 Submitted by Ron C. Motion that I be reimbursed \$44.00 for copies made that were presented to the PASO for informational purposes. Motion dies due to lack of second.

Motion #31 Submitted by Victoria C. Motion to change the start time of the PASC Meeting to 12 noon. Motion ruled out of order, No By-Law change included.

Motion #32 Submitted by Kick The Monkey, seconded by Harold Street Blues. Motion: The PASC Treasurer submit a detailed plan of action and budget for the remainder of 2005 by the May 2005 PASC. This budget to include fundraising sources, utility, lease costs, insurance and all other operating expenses. Purpose of the Motion: To facilitate communication and unity within the area so that all groups feel comfortable supporting our area. Vote: 25 For – 2 Against – 6 Abstentions, motion passes.

Motion #33 Submitted by Ron C. Motion: That Section Three, Line E be changed to read "Roberts Rules of Orders – Newly revised" (by General Henry M. Robert) Motion withdrawn by maker.

Motion #34 Submitted by Hotline, seconded by What's Really Going On. Motion: To ratify Linda R. as Hotline Chair. Purpose of Motion: To ratify elections held by the hotline subcommittee. Motion passes by general consent.

Motion #35 Submitted H & I seconded by Hope No Dope. Motion: To ratify Brad C. as Chair for the H & I Subcommittee. Purpose of Motion: To follow the By-Law of the Portland Area. Motion passes by general consent.

Motion #36 Submitted by Aaron R. Motion: To split the Area in half. Chair ruled out of order due to ambiguity.

Motion #37 Submitted by Ron C. Seconded by Clean Freaks. Motion: That the PASO adhere to its approved business plan by establishing monthly fund raising events. Purpose of Motion: To raise the badly needed funds necessary to fund the Service Office and give the PASO direction. Chair tabled motion until maker discusses at the Sub committee meeting level.

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Motion #38 Submitted by PASO, seconded by Hope No Dope. Motion: That Rick P. be ratified as the PASO Chair. Purpose of Motion: To fulfill the position of PASO Chair. Motion passes by general consent.

Motion #39 Submitted by Victoria C. seconded by Let's Get It On. Motion: To make bylaw change Section Ten – Article II – Business meetings: Subsection C: “The regular meeting of the PASC is to begin promptly at 2:00 pm and will end at 5:00 pm. Extension of an area meeting can only be done by a majority vote of GSR's at the Meeting. Change start time to “12:00 pm”, End time to 4:00 pm. Purpose of Motion: To promote unity. Chair tables until maker addresses affected subcommittees.

Motion #40 Submitted by JB – RCM seconded by Minute by Minute.
Motion: To amend Section Seven: Article I – Executive Committee under Section – Treasurer – to include “The treasurer is also responsible for the preparation of an annual Area budget by the September PASC.
Purpose of Motion: To provide a single point of accountability for the groups.
Motion sent back to the groups for a vote.

Motion #41 Submitted by Aaron R. Motion was to ratify Wally as Activities Chair, however Chair ruled out of order because candidate was absent.

Motion #42 Submitted by Ron, Motion: That the PASO become a fully self-supporting sub-committee, motion dies due to lack of a second.

Motion #43 Submitted by LouAnne Pullen. Motion: To suspend nominations for secretary until April. Motion ruled out of order because maker was not present.

Motion #44 Submitted by Victoria C. Seconded by Kick the Monkey.
Motion: To suspend, Section 8, Article I, subsection A for one month in regard to nomination for the Portland Area Secretary.
Purpose of Motion: To provide for all interested applicants/nominees to be physically present to accept nominations. Motion passes by general consent.

Motion #45 Submitted by Rick P. seconded by What It Is.
Motion: To approve T-shirt design for future area useage.
Purpose of Motion: To have in advance t-shirt option to put into place if approved for fundraising. Withdrawn by maker.

Motion #46 Submitted by Clean Freaks, dies due to lack of a second.
Motion: If someone has been nominated for a area position and is not voted into that office, that the nominee eliminated from the nomination of that position until the next time that that position opens.

Nominations for Secretary:
Carmen nominated by SE Serenity

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Motion to close made by What's Really Going On, seconded by Hell To Heaven.
Vote: For 5, Against 17, Abstentions 1. Motion fails.

Motion to extend. Recovery in the House, seconded by Burnside Blues.
Vote: For 18 – Against 2 – Abstentions 0

Nominations for Vice Chair:

Barry D. nominated by Starting Over, seconded by The Solution. He accepts.
He has been Treasurer for convention committees, homegroup service, clean date is 12-28-91. He has served on H & I Regional Service Board and has no current service conflicts.

Nominations for RCM:

Jerry MacD. Nominated by Back to Basics, seconded by Recovery in the House. Clean date is 10/07/99. Prior experience; attends GSR assembly, consistently attends the PASC, and will give up GSR position. He has misappropriated NA funds. He took t-shirts to sell for Unity in the Streets and never paid back the money.

Nominations for Alt. RCM:

Kat H. nominated by Hope No Dope, seconded by Recovery in the House.
Clean date is 11/17/89.

Frank B. nominated by Here & Now, seconded by What It Is.
Clean date is 7/4/96.

Barry D. nominated by Recovery in the House, seconded by Hell to Heaven.

New GSR Recognition

New Beginnings	Lisa T.	Alt GSR
Burnside Blues	Carrie G.	Alt. GSR
Starting Over	Brian A.	Alt. GSR
Rise and Shine	David J.	Alt. GSR
Determined Dames	Ukana A.	Alt. GSR
Walk Your Talk	Jeff H.	??
Here & Now	Dennis P.	Alt. GSR

Open Forum

Aaron R.

Looking for a solution for the size of our area. An adhoc committee will be formed to split the area into two parts. There is a sign up sheet going around for anyone interested in becoming part of the committee.

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GSR Workshop

April 17, 2005 10:00 am at the Portland Area Service Office

Wayne C.

Open Forum needs to happen at the beginning of the Area meeting, not at the end.

Dennis

Timothy Lake Campout II, get sites now they're going fast. See website for dates and times.

Carmen D.

"We don't care or respect each other. Area's primary purpose is to serve the area. New GSR's are getting the wrong idea of how we run things. I want to be of service, I don't know why I was voted against, I will try again."

Vickie D.

Please make sure that all groups have submitted forms if there are any changes to the meeting schedule.

Ron C.

Portland Area Service Office has a game night on every Wednesday night at 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Come join in the fun!!

What happened to the copier proposal???? It never went back to the groups???

Claire

Please return any entertainment sheets for feedback.

Colin

Unity in the Streets adhoc committee meets at the Portland Area Service Office the 2nd Sunday at Noon.

Rick P.

Thanked Colin for his service.

Will A.

All sub committee reports will be in minutes, but will not be given orally.

Motion to close.

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Sub Committee Reports

Reports will no longer be given at Area but, will still be included in the minutes.

Activities

See attached financial statement.

Wally is the Chair and Eric is the Vice Chair. Many Activities coming up, see activities at a glance for all the fun in store for all the fun in our Area.

Beverly Beach Spaghetti Feed and Speakers Meeting this Saturday, April 23, 2005 at 6:00 pm, 4033 SE Woodstock, home of What's Really Going On.

Literature

Total sales this month - \$2,588.68

Total expenses this month - \$2,530.69

Current Balance \$192.60

Outreach

Elections – Chair Laurence, Vice Chair Bryan, Website Jerome, Treasurer Big Steve, Meeting Tracker Jessica

New Group registration: Not getting enough information from new groups.

Chair report: Vice Chair and I visited Monday Alternative, Newberg small group closed group.

Please fill out group report forms.

Going to throw away outreach archives, been carrying around for 3 years and never even looked at them.

Hospitals & Institutions

Total Commitments – 271

Missed – 7

Cancelled – 6

Number of addicts seen -707

Elections of Officers: Brad C. Chair, Steve P. Vice Chair, Misty Secretary, Nanette P. Treasurer.

Hotline

The hotline meeting was held Friday, March 4, 2005; we held Officer Elections. The Officers for the next year are; Chair – Linda R., Vice Chair – Shannon G., Secretary – Nannette P. I have submitted a motion for these positions to be ratified by the Area.

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We currently have two open shifts. They are: Monday 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm, Saturday 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm, anyone with 6 months clean and a telephone who is interested please call the Chair or Vice Chair. Our area's next hotline meeting will be held next Friday, April 1, 2005 at 7:00 pm here at the Portland Area Service Office.

Thank you, Linda R.

Public Information

We are currently in the middle of auditing our mailing list to where we will be able to create an accurate database and begin using the bulk mailing effective by our next meeting. We have contacted fifty-five of our one hundred and forty-seven contacts. Seven of these contacts are new, and immediately received an introductory letter with our Feb/March schedule, and "A Resource in Your Community" pamphlet. Out of the forty eight from our original list, fourteen have changed their address, three no longer exist, and only one does not wish to receive our mailing. We have gotten with the Activities Committee and will have the P.I booth present at the 4th of July picnic, Unity in the Streets, and the Annual Picnic. We will also have the booth at Saturday Market beginning in April one Sunday a month. There will be a P.I Booth sign up sheet available at the next Area meeting, or come to our next P.I. meeting April 22nd, 7:00P.M. at the PASO for more details. We have received a lot of support with the schedule form and appreciate all the feedback. In May we will begin to actually audit the schedule, so if there are any meetings out there that have not filled one of these out, we would ask that you please do so today. And we would like to thank the Hotline Committee for continuing to work close with us and providing us with new contacts, and the Activities Committee for their support in planning for the booth.

Thank you. Jim B.

RCM/Alternate RCM - JB

RCM Report for March '05:

- 1) Our next Regional Service Conference (RSC) will be held here in Portland at the PASO on April 16th. I'd like to encourage anyone that is interested in how our Region operates to attend. The sub-committees meet starting at 8 AM and the general business meeting starts at 10 AM and continues through the afternoon.
- 2) This Area will be hosting a GSR workshop on April 17th here at the PASO starting at 10 AM? Anyone that would like to get our Regional Delegate's take on Group service and representation is strongly encouraged to attend this workshop.
- 3) I attended Clean and Free by the Sea up in Ocean Shores Washington and the turn-out was great. There were more than 4,000 addicts registered during the 4 days of workshops, panels and speakers. The facility is building a new main structure to host the ever increasing event.
- 4) There are several flyers from events happening up in our neighboring Region in Washington.
- 5) I'd like to thank the Portland Area's groups for allowing me the opportunity to serve as your Regional representative during this past year. I feel confident that our next RCM –Your next RCM will serve well.

PASO

P.A.S.O. Sub-committee Minutes for March 6, 2005

The chair called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. The meeting was opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Roll Call

14 members present 11 voting members

Establish Quorum

Quorum was established at 6.

Agenda Corrections

Nominations will be made after chair report.

Reading of the Minutes

Minutes read by Terrie B.

Motion made to accept minutes as read. Motion passes.

Treasurer's Report – Rick P.

Please see attached report.

We have not had to ask for the \$125.00 sub-committee allotment as of yet.

Motion made to accept treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Chair Report

There will be a GSR Workshop at the PASO on April 17th, 2005.

There was some concern at the PASC about the PASO taking on the Oaks Park Picnic.

Discussion as follows: The PASO is to be directed by the Area. Is it the PASO's job to raise funds? Maybe we should put on the Oaks Park Picnic in conjunction with the Activities committee.

Nominations

Chair: Rick P., nominated by Ron C., 2nd by Voigt B., accepted nomination

Kat H., nominated by Jeff S., 2nd by Will A., accepted nomination

Vice Chair: John B., nominated by Michelle M., 2nd by Will A., accepted nomination

Treasurer: Michelle M., nominated by Rick P., 2nd by Sunny S., accepted nomination

Ron C., nominated by Voigt B., 2nd by Rick P., accepted nomination

Secretary: Terrie B., accepted nomination

Nominations closed

Elections will be on March 20, 2005

Motion: To vote for Vice Chair today, made by Sunny S., 2nd by Kat H., motion needs 2/3 to pass

4 for 3 against 0 abstentions motion failed

By-laws Ad hoc – Rick P.

Rick P. has asked for input from the PASO sub-committee regarding which by-laws the PASO wants to adopt from the PASC. The By-laws Ad hoc committee will start meeting every other Wednesday at 7pm starting March 9, 2005

Research Ad hoc – Dennis P.

Dennis not present

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T-shirt Ad hoc – Rick P.

We are in a holding pattern due to unfinished business at the PASC last month. Hopefully this will get addressed at the PASC this month.

PASO Volunteers – Sunny P.

Concessions at PASO brought in \$308.32. Discussed possibility of printing flyers with the PASO hours of operation and also putting the hours in the schedule. Rusty C. volunteered to make reminder calls about the PASO sub-committee meetings.

Oaks Park Picnic

Motion to ask Activities to co-sponsor the Oaks Park Picnic Event with the PASO and ask Activities to pay the deposit and split the net proceeds 50/50. Made by Kat H., 2nd by Will A.

Motion passed unanimously

Rick P. or Ron C. will take this matter to Activities.

GSR Workshop

Ron C. will make a ½ page flyer for the GSR Workshop and will make copies.

Motion for the GSR Workshop flyer to go out in the PASC minutes, made by Michelle M., 2nd by Rick P., motion passed.

The flyer will be available to go out in the PASC minutes.

New Business

Motion made for the PASO to start meeting the 1st Sunday of the month at 1pm starting in April made by Vicki D., 2nd by Will A. Motion passed.

Motion for the cut off date for the Treasurer's report to be the last day of the month made by Sunny S. 2nd by Will A. Motion passed.

Ron C. would like to take a motion to the PASC that the PASO become a fully self-supporting sub-committee.

Vote that the PASO sub-committee backs this motion –

O for 5 against 1 abstention Motion failed

Ron will look at different ways to present this idea to Area to get more direction from Area.

Motion made that all motions at the PASO to be in written form. Made by Vicki D., 2nd by Michelle M.

Friendly amendment made by Rick P. – all major motions to be in written form.

6 for 0 against 0 abstentions Motion passed

Open Forum

Michelle M. would like to make this committee aware of Bulletin 2 from World Services regarding fundraising – Fundraising must not be the primary goal or objective.

Rusty C. brought up the issue regarding handicapped parking. Rick P. said that we could bring this up with the city again. A suggestion was made to put up a temporary sign with cones that would be available for all committee meetings. Ron C. directed the concession manager to purchase handicapped signs for this purpose.

Motion to close at 4pm.

P.C.R.C.N.A.XIII

Financial - \$4120.00. Need help budgeting/planning.

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Merchandise - Will have fundraising merchandise by the May 14 Dance (clocks, bandanas, highlighters)

Entertainment – needs input. Please submit the ½ sheet form distributed last month.

Hotels & Hospitality - Our convention will be held May 12, 13, 14 in 2006 at the Downtown Hilton. Working on meals planning and hospitality.

Arts & Graphics – Needs support!

Programming – Need speaker tape submissions.

Fundraising – Breakfast 4/2 and Dance on 5/14.

Registration – Early registration begins 5/23/05.

Meetings –

Hotels & Hospitality 7:30 on the 3rd Thursday at 20647 NW Trailwalk Dr – H209

Convention Info 7:30 on 1st Thursday at 1215 NE 80th Ave

Programming 10:30 on 3rd Sunday at Providence room HCC8

Registration

Fundraising 6:00 on 1st Thursday at 5119 SE 140th Ave

Entertainment 2:00 on 2nd or 3rd Saturday at 7872 SE 66th Ave

Executive 12:30 on 3rd Sunday at Providence room HCC8

PCRCNA XII is on May 20-22, 2005 in Grants Pass, OR