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**Portland Area Service Committee
Meeting of Narcotics Anonymous
17200 SE Stark Street
Portland, OR
April 29, 2006**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 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 Eric
The Twelve Concepts were read by Syd
The 4th Concept was read by Steve S.
The Dedication to Service was read

Roll Call of Officers

10 were present.

Roll Call of Groups

32 answered the roll call.

Quorum

Quorum is established at 19

Treasurer's Report, Ron C.

See attached report.

Secretary Report (interim), JB

The year date on last months minutes should have been 2006 rather than 2005. I e-mailed out 165 copies of the minutes this last month. If you, or your Group, can only receive their minutes by mail, because of no e-mail address, please do your best to forward to me an internet address that can be used. Doing so will speed up the time Groups receive their minutes and is also being responsible for NA funds. I can be reached by phone or e-mail; PASC Secretary @ www.portlandna.com

Chair Report, Paul J.:

Ad-hoc Committee reports:

- 1) NAYC (Narcotics Anonymous Youth Committee): We are currently sending liaisons to this Area's Sub-committees to research on how we can be of service at the sub-committee level. We have an average number of 9 committee members

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and are averaging 11 attending our monthly business meeting. We meet 1st Monday at 6th and Burnside at 5:30 PM. Contact can be made to the committee by portlandnayc@yahoo.com In service, Drew M.

- 2) The shirts for books ad-hoc report: We have turned in to the PASC Treasurer \$468 of the initial seed money and in addition checks totaling \$1,026 for soft covered basic texts for H&I. In loving service and gratitude.....JB
- 3) Metro Ad-hoc report: Wally N.: No report submitted
- 4) The Chair announced the formation of an Ad-hoc Committee for a Area-wide Public Information fund-raiser. This Committee is to be Chaired by JB and will be making monthly reports to this body through the July PASC.

Vice Chair Report – Subcommittees and Regional Issues, Wayne C.

I would like to start by saying thank you for allowing me to be of service. I would also like to say that I will do my best to fulfill my responsibilities as I am directed.

The following is my understanding of the position: (as stated in our By-Laws)

“Vice Chair: The Vice-Chair is responsible for coordinating the P.A.S.C. Subcommittees and will serve as the Subcommittee Chair in the event of a vacancy, until a new Subcommittee Chair can be elected. The Vice Chair will provide copies of announcements received in the mail at the P.A.S.C. for disbursement to the GSR's. The Vice Chair will disburse schedules to the PASC and all interested Subcommittees. The Vice Chair will also serve as the Vice Chair for the P.A.S.C. B.O.D... The Vice Chair shall conduct the P.A.S.C. and B.O.D. meetings in the absence of the Chair. The Vice Chair shall have a suggested minimum of three years clean time.“

This is what has been accomplished this month;

1. Made contact with all Sub-committee Chair Persons except Activities. We discussed the committees. I let them know that I am here to help when needed.
2. Attended the following Sub-Committee Meetings; Convention meeting, Hotline, Hospitals and Institutions, Public Information, Outreach. (Could not attend Activities or Literature this month.)
3. Met with Area Chair and Treasurer at Bank to add name as signer.
4. Ordered and picked up Schedules.
5. Served as Chair for P.I. since they have no Chair at this time.

Here are some areas of concern;

1. Website is in the shambles. Rob (the new Web-Host) has his work cut out for him, but assures that he has been working on it and it will be completely up updated soon.
2. Public Information needs support. This is a crucial Sub Committee to our Area. They are the ones that give Presentations to the Public on what Narcotics

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- Anonymous is. They update the Schedules along with the Web Site, and many other things. There is no clean time requirement to join. The meeting is the last Thursday of the month at 7:00. The location is 87th & Sandy at The Fire Station. Please support!
3. We need to have the most current copy of the Guidelines/By- Laws from all Sub Committees. Please give/send an electronic version to me or to the Web Host.
 4. Outreach could also use some help. Please support this Sub Committee also. They meet at 12:00 before Area. Same day and place.
 5. How can we help this new Youth Committee and what part/parts will they have. They apparently want to be of service and have a voice. In other words...what's the deal?
 6. We have a Convention Committee that needs our help. They meet at the hospital at 47th and NE Glisan on Sundays at 12:30 PM.
 7. Lastly I will say that it seems that our Area has had some dis-unity over some issues. As a result there has been other areas form and a creation of a Meto. Will this be a benefit to our area? Will it help us carry the message better? Would it help our Sub-Committees to merge, or cause more chaos and dis-unity?

That's it for now.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service,

Wayne C.

Activities

For April 9, 2006
7817 SE Stark @ 1:30pm

Eric opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer. Barb read the traditions and Gene read the 4th concept. The first time visitor was Sam M. and the second time visitor was Gene L., he gave a verbal commitment to the committee. The Chair reported to the committee then called for reports from the Treasure, RCM. Calendar Coordinator, Flyer Coordinator, Reminder Coordinator, Gratitude Coordinator, Storage Coordinator, Archivist. The committee then went to unfinished business. We still need a Vice-Chair and a Secretary. The committee decided to have an ad-hoc committee review bylaws before the PAAS ratified them. The chair then moved on to future & ongoing events. Here we received reports from Beverly Beach, Unity in the Streets, Government Island camp out, and Bowling. April is the last month for bowling and Picnic in the Park starts in May. We have coordinators for all of the upcoming summer events; we are still looking for a coordinator for the End of Year dance.

A committee member presented a mini-workshop convention to happen in 2008 and would like input from the groups on whether it should be an Activities event an Area event and if they would support this event. The research of this project is ongoing and we would be grateful for any and all input.

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The meeting closed at 4:38pm.

Even though we have coordinators for these events we still need help putting them on, so keep your eyes open for flyers and information in the calendar and become part of. Remember that activities committee meet the second Sunday of the month at 1:30pm @7817 SE Stark, see you there.

The meeting in May will be the first Sunday of the month.

Thank you
Your trusted Servant
Eric P

Literature

Total sales-\$ 1967.85

Copies-\$16.00

Outreach

Lawrence stated during the PASC that he would not be able to accept the nomination/election as Sub-committee Chair. He did mention his gratitude as being allowed to serve the Area fellowship. Brian E is acting as Sub-committee Vice-Chair and will be presenting to this body monthly verbal/written reports for Outreach. He stated his desire to rededicate himself to service.

Emphasis on importance in the “Group Report Forms” and how it is the way in which Groups communicate their concerns with Area.

NAYC (Narcotics Anonymous Youth Committee) was represented and has established a liaison.

Hospitals & Institutions

65 commitments

11 missed

4 cancelled

947 seen

Hotline

We have 4 open shifts at the moment. We’ve decided to change the week in which we’re meeting as a Sub-committee to the 2nd Friday of the month. That will be held at 8:15 PM at 17200 SE Stark immediately following “One Promise, Many Gifts”. The

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exception will be May, due to the Convention, PCRCNAXIII, which will be starting that night. We will be meeting the third Friday in May.

We still have a continual need for 12 Step volunteers, which is one year clean and a willingness to be of service to the still suffering addict. Those that are b-lingual are always encouraged to join.

In service and gratitude, JB

Public Information

Public Information sub-committee meeting 4-27-06

Present: Wayne C. (acting Chair), JB, Rusty C., Scott C., Ben H., Loryn R., Drew M., Gretchen H., Robb W., Vicky D., Denise G., Steve S.

Notes taken by JB, as interim Secretary

Unfinished business:

Scott- Nominations for open positions; Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary. Jim B. is doing the mailings; 120 sent out quarterly to schools, judicial, and non-addict professionals. We had, as a Sub-committee, two (2) major presentations last year.

Robb- Area minutes not posted as yet for March

Wayne- PI guidelines/bylaws need to be posted onto the Area web-site

Vicky- Are we going to submit a non-profit application for the Saturday Market? General agreement reached. Are we, as a Sub-committee, going to support and/or participate in the Rose City Metro? It was pointed out that PI representatives from each of the three Areas, GWVA, TVA and Portland, had been at the last Metro meeting. The next Rose City Metro meeting will be held the second Tuesday at 7:15 PM at 16th and Division
JB- a Portland Area motion was sent back to the Groups, in which the question of whether or not The Groups were going to “support” the Rose City Metro is addressed.

New business:

Wayne- We, as a Sub-committee, needs to have a Chair and a Secretary.

Robb- Web-host will touch base with the Sub-committee Chairs to ensure that current guidelines/bylaws are posted onto web-site.

Wayne-brought up the possibility of meeting at the same time and location as the H&I Sub-committee in order to foster greater communication between the committees.

Robb- When we met at 16th & SE Division noise was a factor.

Vicky- Those that wanted to attend both meeting could not.

Rusty-PCRCNAXIII has asked this body if we are going to have a PI booth at the upcoming convention.

Scott- Will organize shifts to man the booth

Drew- NAYC (Narcotics Anonymous Youth committee) is here to assist this body with its work and Loryn is here to act as a representative. We have PASC ad-hoc Committee

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status and are planning to seek standing Sub-committee status in the near future. We, as a Committee meet the 1st Monday at 6th & Burnside at 5:30 PM

JB- Two new meetings not in the schedule or posted on the web-site 1) Freedom in the Flats which meets at 67th and SE Foster from 7-8 PM Monday-Friday 2) For those about to Rock-meets on Fridays at 28th & Sandy at a recovery club.

Scott-We need to be accountable and pay rent here. How about paying \$10/month retroactive to the first of the year? General agreement

Wayne-I'll be here next month to Chair

JB-I'll be here next month to take minutes

Meeting closed

PCRCNAXIII

\$2,132.00

138 pre-registrations

Next meetings@HCC8 4/29, 5/7 at 12:30

Volunteer check-in at Convention in Ballroom G 5/10 @ 6 PM

5/12 @ 2 PM

Event is May 12, 13 and 14, 2006

Registration-on-site @ 3 PM

Talent show is Fri night

RCM REPORT: Mike K.

No report submitted

Alt. RCM REPORT: Unfilled

New GSR Recognition

14 attendees during new GSR orientation:

Lynda A.-What's Really Going On

Drew M.-NAYC

Denise H.

Lori K.

Jane M.-Serenity Sisters

Joe A.-Freedom In The Flats

David S.-Rise and Shine

Dave M.-Spirit Within

Travis B.-Learning To Live

Count of Voting GSR'S

19 present.

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Unfinished Business

Motion #94 –Submitted by “Late Night Recovery” and Seconded by “Fire Side Men’s Step Study Group”

Motion: Starting in April, Area Service meet at URS club at a cost of \$150 per month for next 12 months--* amended by” Late Night Recovery“ and seconded by “ Back to Basics” to be “...6 months”

Purpose of motion: To know where we meet--save money

Motion Passes: 21 for, 0 against, 2 abstentions

PASC will thereby meet at 17200 SE Stark thru the Sept. PASC

Motion # 6 –Submitted by Ron C. and seconded by “What it is”

Motion: That the PASC support the Metro Service Committee.--* amended by “ New Journey” and seconded by “Late Night Recovery” to change “support” to “ participate (in)”.

Purpose of Motion: To work in cooperation with a Metro Area and share services with the other Areas at Metro.

Motion passes by general consent w/ 2 abstentions

Motion # 13: -- {BY-LAWS CHANGE} Submitted by “Learning to Live” and seconded by “What it is”

Motion: To delete the words “...this has met a minimum of four times and...” from Section Nine: Financial Responsibilities: which now reads “ That the PASC shall provide any new requesting Group, which has met a minimum of four times, and provides a request form, one start kit of books and materials, not to exceed \$20.”

Purpose of Motion: Carry the message, you(A Group) should not have to qualify to start a meeting or be a member—3rd Tradition

Motion passes: 16 For, 2 Against, 3 abstentions

Steve S. was elected by majority PASC Alt. RCM

New Business

Motion # 15 –Submitted by JB and seconded by “Multi-culture”

Motion: To provide \$420 seed money; for an Area sponsored fund raiser for Public Information –Coffee cups for \$\$

Purpose of Motion: To raise funds for the Public Information Sub-committee

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Open Forum:

John N.-“Keeping It Real”; offering amends to this body for Group violating the 6th and 7th Traditions of NA.

Mike M.- “Fireside Men’s Step-study Group” holding its annual retreat the weekend following the Convention at Camp Angelos.

Paul J.-The Area is changing, congratulations.

Drew M.- NAYC is an Ad-hoc Committee of this Area and is youth orientated but not exclusive.

Wally N.-desire to apologize for confusion given during Metro Ad-hoc report.

Laura- “Multi-culture” is going to need space to meet during the noon hour; 7 days a week, within the next 2 weeks, due to remodeling of their current location.

Victoria C.-Beverley Beach tee-shirts are available for \$10 each.

Wayne C.- Area’s web-site will be up-to-date within the next 2 weeks.

Meeting Closed