

Granite State Area Service Meeting (Hybrid)

01/08/2023

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-Open Meeting:

Meeting called to order at 9:34 am by Jay B. .
Reading of the 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts.

Reading/Discussion of the 1st concept:
Discussion:

-Voting Quorum: 23

-Roll Call: Danielle A

 2023 Granite State ASC Attendance

-New Members/Meetings/Changes:

5th Tradition is now 7pm - 8:15pm
Women's Literature name change to Women Getting Lit

-Last Month's Minutes Approval:

Motion to approve - Jared
Seconded - Sunny

-Reports:

★ **Chair:** Isa

Thank you Jay (RCM) for agreeing to lead the GSA meeting this month while I am out of town. We still have the Vice Chair position open; if anyone is interested, please feel free to reach out to me.

★ **Vice Chair:** Open

★ **Treasurer:** Joe G.

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★ **Secretary:** Danielle A

ALL Sub-Committee Chairs, Executive Team Members and GSR's must submit an electronic report via the Google Form that is emailed to you monthly even if you give a verbal report. If you do not submit an electronic report, it will not be included in the minutes.

★ **Literature:** Eric G.:

No report submitted

★ **Activities:** Jennifer T.

NYE was a success. I want to thank everyone who helped and those who brought food for the potluck!!! There were 75 addicts present for the meeting. The committee sold redbull and monsters and there was a total amount of 653.00 at the end of the event from that and donations. I made a deposit for that amnt with the debit card. 60\$ was taken out today for decorations and sternos Dan purchased for 55\$ and the 5\$ change was put back into the account. Activities made 144.03 after expenses. The receipts have been given to the area treasure. Everything was returned to storage. 2x 35 packs of water, napkins, plates and silverware should be good for the next event. I have given the folder and cashbox to the next chair and a new vice chair was voted in. There is a 110 cup coffee urn that returned to storage that was not working and it was written on the box it is broken. That is my final report. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

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★ **H&I:** Mike I

H&I met on January 1 st at 10:30 am. I was out of town so our vice chair, Hank D, chaired the meeting while I attended via Zoom. We had an attendance of 26 with 17 voting members. Our only open position is literature coordinator but it's continuing to be filled by the old lit coordinator until someone fills in. For the most part, everything is running smoothly. We're still trying to get service members approved to carry an NA presentation into the numerous jails and prisons we recently started going back into. If anyone is interested in carrying a message or speaking in a jail or prison then please don't hesitate to reach out to me. We had another member go into a treatment facility, and she was asked by the employees that she would not be allowed to have a meeting unless she filled out paperwork. After looking at the paperwork she sent to me, it looked like paperwork that would be filled out in order to bill insurance companies after giving a patient treatment. Almost as if the facility wanted to use our H&I presentation as a group or

form of treatment that they could bill insurance companies with. Lots of questions concerning the patient's behavior and interactions. We told the facility, moving forward we can't fill out paperwork concerning the patients or residents because we aren't professionals and they would need to have an employee sit in and they can fill out that paperwork.

Our next subcommittee meeting will be on February 5 th at 10:30 am

★ **Campout:** Jenny H.

The Campout Committee met Thursday 12/15; 7 addicts were in attendance. We have a current balance of \$8,398, and open positions of Food Coordinator-(3 year clean time requirement), Coffee Coordinator-(1 year), Activities Coordinator-(1 year), and we are always looking for member support- there is no clean time requirement to get involved. We could definitely use more support.

We chose artwork for the merchandise this month, with one artist's work chosen for the banner and another artist's for the shirts and other merchandise. Both artists will receive registration packages for the campout. We also finished editing the guidelines with the changes from last month's motions and submitted them to Area. The only other item on the timeline for December was to list the campout in NA Way magazine, but when I looked into it, the magazine is not currently being published.

Third Thurs. of the month at 7pm on Zoom
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★ **Convention:** Kat B

We met on Dec. 20th at 6pm. We have \$16,693.00 in the bank. We have 70 Early Bird Registrations. Most years are only 15. We made our room quote and sold out the Silver Fox lodge, we are now filling Black Bear lodge. This new info is on the website but asking if you could announce this change in your meetings. We have picked colors for merchandise, cost affording, there will be three colors. I wanted to ask any subcommittees if they would like to do a workshop, to showcase their service? Let me know.

Upcoming Fundraiser:

Lovers Lane date: Feb, 11 8pm - 1pm cost \$20 for adults \$15 for kids
Next meeting: Jan. 17th 6pm on Zoom

★ **Public Information:** Marla H

Dear Trusted Servants of the Granite State Area:

PI Met on virtually on December 11th, 2022 at 11:30am, following the Area meeting. Five were in attendance. Discussed was the issue of links not working on the website. This was a result of security issues causing problems with updates. Tools from the Host were conflicting with our software and links had to be adjusted. All should be fine at this point. Brian and Mike are continuing to work on updating the site with our new software. Brian is submitting his expenses for this today. Also, Mike and Brian (the website gurus) are looking to change the site's subscription service to increase capacity from 10g to 40g in order to be able to store more on the website. This will come at a cost of \$12.95 a month, which was already added to our budget last June. Jake has meeting lists available at the Area Service Meeting today for groups and H&I. Please take what you need.

Meeting updates!

Dis Again-Friday nights in Dover has been added to the website.

New meeting announcements that came in via email:

- New meeting in Franklin "Franklin Freedom Group of NA" at the UU , 206 Central Street will be starting on January 23. We are waiting on a bit more info on this group.
- New Meeting in Portsmouth on Monday mornings at 7am, with a JFT format, has been added to the website.

Also via e-mail a parent reaching out looking for info on young persons meetings, and an out-of-area flyer for a virtual speaker jam event. Because this event did not have a contact number or helpline number on it, it was not posted on our website.

Phoneline: Our nighttime responder received one call, and addict looking for meetings in the Manchester and Nashua areas, and our daytime responder received a couple of calls from struggling addicts and one seeking a meeting list to be mailed to them. Our daytime responder reports that it is difficult to reach people when returning calls, so he tries a couple of times and leaves messages.

Dave B. is currently reaching out to country departments of correction to see if providing virtual literature to prisoners is a viable option.

We have no community events coming up at this time.

In December, we voted in new trusted servants; Lee for Secretary, Marla for phone line coordinator and we are nominating Brian S. for PI chair at the ASC. Per usual, we can always use trusted servants at the phone line and website levels. The Vice Chair position is also open.

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★ **RCM: Jay B:**

We have not met since the last RSC in November. The next RSC will meet in Dover at SOS recovery community center on January 14 from 12-3.

Our area is also hosting a CAR workshop on January 15 in Manchester from 1-4 at the Hope For New Hampshire recovery. There will be free food and conference agenda reports for sale at this event.

This is my last RCM report as the acting RCM. I have learned a lot serving in this capacity for the area, and I appreciate the opportunity so so. I look forward to serving the area in other capacities. Thank you all for allowing me to be of service.

● **BOD: Danielle F**

Next Meeting April 5th @6pm Hope Center

★ **Ad Hoc Committee for Campout Number 2: Nick M.**

Group met and discussed registration prices and merch prices. it was agreed to raise the prices slightly, exact pricing to be determined. PO box has been set up for paper registrations as well as art work submissions. We are looking for artwork submissions, due feb 27. merchandise was discussed, obtaining bids from several vendors as well as lead times. also talked about the possibility of having additional items (bags, hats, etc) activity chair sent an activity report/budget proposal that will be reviewed with the committee next meeting.

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● **Group Reports:**

- **Clean to Grow** - 33 year Anniversary in Rochester 02/11/2023 5pm to 6pm (2 speakers) the regular meeting from 6pm - 7:15pm.
- **Learning to live group** - had some lively dialogue on December 28th 2022 regarding whether or not to remain a hybrid meeting. It worked out well for us when we were three or four in person in April 2022 when we first returned to being an in person meeting. At that time we had close to even amounts of in person and hybrid people. It helped to round out our meeting. Now that attendance has grown - we are the only NA meeting in Concord New Hampshire - we find that more new people are starting to attend but they rarely come back. At tonight's business meeting someone who has less than 90 days clean shared that having people on the screen who are not showing their faces really weirded him out at his first meeting. We have taken his input and decided that we want to make our meeting as newcomer friendly as possible and that removing the zoom aspect is a good choice. We did also talk about the possibility of using zoom occasionally when a home group member is celebrating or with inclement weather as an option but we have decided that we will no longer have a zoom link posted on the GSANA website as of Feb 2023 when our current zoom subscription expires. The Thursday January 26th meeting will be our last hybrid meeting and we will announce it for the next 4 weeks. We discussed on the random weeks that we do have a zoom link active that we might want to add something to our format so that new people know it's not a regular thing and also asking those attending remotely to not turn off their camera. It was a tough decision to make because we have greatly appreciated the attendance of a wider variety of people. We talked about the things that we have done well in using zoom, having those who are remote introduce themselves when we go around the room at the beginning of the meeting and also circling up at the end of the meeting around the laptop so that those who are remote feel more a part of the final close of the meeting. Also the good microphone we have so that remote people can actually hear the meeting well has been noted. We talked about how fully remote meetings have people participating in service whereas our group has not had remote folks do readings or key tags in quite some time. We also discussed how there are remote meetings available elsewhere and our primary purpose is to carry the message to the newcomer. It has taken a while for this meeting to gain traction post-being online only during the pandemic despite having been well supported in decades past. We have a couple homegroup members that have hung in there keeping the meeting going in the last few years and am thrilled we have some newcomers coming back each week and a couple oldtimers coming regularly. Attendance is about 8-15 on average.
- **5th Tradition** - We decided as a group to change our meeting time from 7:30-8:45pm to 7-8:15pm. Our meeting format has changed as well, it's no longer "chairperson choice" it is strictly a speaker meeting, two speakers per meeting. We will revisit this decision next month. We have had many issues with recovery houses being unbelievably disrespectful to the meeting and the meeting place. The week of 12/28/22 someone had smoked weed in the bathroom. People vape and have side conversations constantly as well. We are in need of support from people with more than a year clean to help out the home group members. Any advice would be greatly appreciated.
- **Weekend Wind Down** - Attendance continues to grow, the message is being carried per feedback from members and visitors. Our lockbox was broken into and our 7th tradition money was stolen. We were planning on paying rent and purchasing literature with it
- **Regardless of Age** - Meeting attendance is overwhelming space is becoming an issue with the facility we are collecting good money giving a positive Clear and concise and a message and donating to area we have many celebrations at this group also
- **Serenity At Lunch** - Zoom id 846 5070 6048 passcode 067366
- **One Promise** - Group holding together with few core people.
- **Gift of Today** - Group Anniversary, Tuesday February 28, 6 PM food, 7 pm, regular meeting 21 Front St Exeter NH
- **Clean To Grow** - Roughly 27 addicts in attendance per week, we changed our format from green and gold to steps out of introductory guide to allow for more time sharing. We have an addict named Mike celebrating 4 years on the 28th. Clean to grow is celebrating 33 years of continuous service. On the 11th of feb starting at 5pm-6 Pizza and soda with 2 speakers then at 6 we'll have our normal meeting. Please put this on our website Chris. R

- The Bridge - Meeting attendance remains small but consistent, the group has been invited back to Monadnock Community Hospital for In-Person meetings and is in the process of discussing when to resume face to face meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/79747968587?pwd=bDcyc3dBeUFtOUJlZCtWVHpSWWd3QT09>
Sundays at 5:45pm
- **Why We Stay** - The group is doing well and enjoying an average of mid 20's attendance since we posted the group on VirtualNA.org. a couple months ago. We are also grateful to be getting more newcomers. One night this month we did have some bombers, but the group members all participated in security, and they were quickly and efficiently removed and the meeting went well. Group has been able to donate to Area consistently and there is a great atmosphere of recovery. Please join us! 823 1357 3996 PW 2021 wait room
- **On Center** - Our NA message is being carried. We are averaging 10 to 15 addicts in attendance. We have a home group member (Chris) who is new to the area celebrating 1 year clean on January 28.

Open Positions:

- **Area Vice Chair** - Open ; Jay B volunteered voted in unanimously
- **Area Treasurer** - Open
- **BOD Voting Member** - Open
- **RCM** - Jay B nominated Hank voted in unanimously
- **PI Chair** - Brian S nominated by PI voted in unanimously
- **Activities** - Nick M nominated by Activities voted in unanimously

-Old Business:

Zoom Account - Danielle A will reach out to get pricing

Danielle F donated a laptop Brent will take it home to reconfigure it

-New Business:

Motion to change the time of ASC tabled to next month

- Change from a 9:30am start to afternoon start
 - Allow for attendees of camp-outs and conventions to still attend area
 - Allow for more venue options if we outgrow Jeffrey's shop
- Literature Committee to be consulted

Survey will be sent to all GSRs to get a "temperature" of the service body

-Open Forum:

Discussion regarding paying rent for use of this facility (88 Priscilla Lane) which is a business owned by one of our members. Members voiced their concerns regarding operating within our traditions. The member who owns the space was adamant that he did not want rent for the use of his shop and it was his donation to Narcotics Anonymous.

-Group announcements:

- Clean to grow is celebrating 33 years of continuous service. On the 11th of feb starting at 5pm-6 Pizza and soda with 2 speakers then at 6 we'll have our normal meeting
- On Center Group wanted the Literature Motion for the \$100 a month increase to go back to groups because of the dollar amount. Joe explained that the money is available and through the Concepts the ASC has the ability to make the decision that it does not have to go back to Groups.

Motion to Close:
Meeting Adjourned