

SPANA Southern Piedmont Area of Narcotics Anonymous

1380 Old Cedar Falls Rd. Asheboro NC

June 13, 2021

Opened with the Serenity Prayer

12 Traditions read by Brian J.

12 Concepts read by Doug H.

Roll Call: SPANA OFFICERS:

Chairperson	John K.	Present
Vice Chairperson	OPEN	
Secretary	Wendy R.	Present
Secretary Alt.	OPEN	
Treasurer	Eric M.	Present
Alt. Treasurer	OPEN	
RCM	Rod H.	ABSENT
RCM Alt.	OPEN	
PR Chair	OPEN	
PR Alt.	OPEN	
H&I Chair	Melissa G.	Present
H&I Alt.	OPEN	
Policy Chair	Jimmy B.	Present
Policy Alt.	OPEN	
Events Chair	Geraldine C.	Present
Events Alt.	OPEN	

ROLL CALL HOMEGROUPS:

Burning Desire	Melissa G.	No one present for report
Courage to Change	Jerry L.	Present
Just for Today	Brian J.	Present
Keep It Simple	Geraldine C.	Present
Links to Freedom	Rod H.	Absent
Stay in Position	Eric M.	Present

HOMEGROUP REPORTS:

- Read and Accepted by vote. Brian J. made a motion to accept, Wendy R. seconded.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

- AREA CHAIR No Report Given
- AREA VICE CHAIR No Report Given
- RCM No Report Given
- PR Read and Accepted by vote
- H&I Read and Accepted by vote
- POLICY Read and Accepted by vote
- EVENTS Read and Accepted by vote
- TREASURER Read and Accepted by vote

OLD BUSINESS:

- The following applications were read, voted on and passed for Area service positions:
 - Nate R. for Alt Secretary
- Melissa G. asked the GSRs to go back to the their homegroups and ask for a Basic Text(s) donation so that H&I will have some to place in facilities as they are opening back up.
 - Rod H. shared they Links to Freedom has 5-6l Basic Texts and he will bring before the homegroup and if approved will get them to Melissa G.
- Brian J. asked for a follow up on Keaton's Place. Wendy R. shared that they are open to having pamphlets and she will talk to them about H&I and PR doing a presentation.
- Brian J. requested a copy of Local and Area policies for Just for Today, Jimmy B. will get them for him
- The next Area meeting will be Sunday, June 13, Sub-committees at 11am, Area at noon.
- Melissa G. made a motion to close, Michelle G. seconded.
- Meeting closed with serenity prayer

Old Business from the Sharing Session:

- **Burning Desire** – No changes, would love meeting attendance support. Area donation \$80.00
- **Just for Today** – All is well, could use more meeting attendance support. Area donation \$100.00.
 - Debbie P. will be celebrating 26 years, Tuesday, May 25, 6pm, speaker meeting
 - Eldon P. celebrates 3 years on Tuesday, June 1, 6pm, regular meeting
 - Tyrone E. asked if we need to adjust the date of the June Area meeting since it is Father's Day. He made a motion to move the meeting to Sunday, June 13, Eric seconded; passed with a vote.
 - Tyrone E. proposed that homegroups circle back up when closing their meetings now. GSR's to take this suggestion back to the homegroups; but each can do what they feel is safe and right for them.
- **Keep it Simple** – All is well, meeting 6 days a week from 10am-11am; could still use meeting attendance support. Area donation \$0
 - Speaker Jam May 29 at the Blue Building, 10am-5pm, free food and accepting donations.
 - Regional Representatives attending the Speaker Jam on May 29, at the Blue Building to conduct training for H&I, PR, and Policy.
 - Geraldine C. will be celebrating 14 years on Friday, June 4, 10am, James Michael speaking

SHARING SESSION:

- **Burning Desire** – No changes, would love meeting attendance support. Area donation \$40.00
- **Courage to Change** – Meeting on a hybrid platform and trying to stay afloat. Area donation \$50
 - Susan B. will be celebrating 33 years, July 30th, more to be revealed
 - Beginning July 4 they will resume two in person meetings each week. **Sundays** at 10am and **Fridays** at 6pm, 230 East Kivett St, Asheboro, NC.
 - Wednesday and Saturday meetings will remain on the Zoom platform.
- **Just for Today** – All is well, could use more meeting attendance support. Area donation \$0
 - Annie M. will be celebrating 2 years, June 24th, more to be revealed
- **Keep it Simple** – All is well, meeting 6 days a week from 10am-11am; could still use meeting attendance support. Area donation \$20.
 - Speaker Jam, May 29th at the Blue Building, was a good event, but speakers were not able to attend.
- **Links to Freedom** –No report

- **Stay in Position** – All is well. Area donation \$150.00
 - Steve E. celebrating 4 years, June 26, 6:30pm, Travis B. speaking
 - Will P. celebrating 1 year, July 5, 6:30pm, Brooke C. speaking
 - Wendy R. celebrating 18 months, July 18, 6:30pm, regular meeting with topic
 - Michelle G. celebrating 1 year, July 30, 6:30pm, Justin S. speaking

- Tyrone asked about the donations to the Region and what exactly is the Region doing for the local Areas now.
 - Also, where is the money going if the Region is not meeting.
 - Per the Chairperson, the donations are either utilized by Region or forwarded on to the World. So, our Area donations can either go to Region or straight to the World.
 - Regional Meetings will resume with the COVID restrictions lifted now in NC.
- Eric M. shared that after July, he will be stepping down from his position, due to upcoming surgery
- Van R. inquired about requirements of clean time qualification to serve in an Area position. The Guide to Local Service was discussed and how to obtain one, if the home group does not have one.
 - Eric M. shared that all home groups should have the Local Guide to Services
 - Jimmy B. shared that he has a Local Guide to Services that he will lend to any member for a period of 2 weeks
- Doug H. asked about training and how we are going to accomplish that.
 - Wendy R. asked if a dedicated day to training could be set up, without combining it with a social event. Have local and Regional reps present to facilitate the training for each position that serves Area
 - The May 29th Training day was discussed:
 - Melissa G. was able to orient and train approximately 12 members for H&I
 - Jimmy B. was able to orient and train approximately 12 members for Policy
 - Rod H. reported during the May meeting that Region had not met, so the request to have Regional Reps to doing training was not able to be shared.
 - All of those in new service positions for Area had been told to come so they could receive training for their positions and then they would be able to train others in local homegroups when the opportunity arose.
 - There was additional discussion about training and the need to set up a time for the new members in service positions. More to be determined.
- Jimmy B. discussed service work and that we have lost focus of our primary purpose, that the message can be effectively shared and carried to the still sick and suffering addict.
 - That our leaders are trusted servants and NA is not governed.
 - We as Area, have an obligation to the home groups; when we don't fulfill them, we hurt the home group and the newcomer.
 - Jimmy B. gave each home group a copy of the Area Policy and Procedures
 - Jimmy B. also provided each home group with a copy of Roberts Rules of Order as a reference and training tool for holding and conducting meetings.
 - There was discussion that for this to be effective, those serving in the home group would need to read and put into practice, if they choose to.
- Jerry R. offered Mentor services to the next Area Chairperson
 - He also discussed that maybe it is time to ask the home groups what they want from Area. Area serves the home groups and that home groups have continued to meet through the past year and are still meeting is a miracle.
- Geraldine C. shared that there will be a meeting for those interested in the Fashion Show on Sunday, June 27 at 5:30pm. Charge for the show will be \$5.00 per person, and more details to follow.

- John K., current Area Chairperson, shared that he is stepping down today; this will be his last official meeting as Presiding Chair
 - John K. will be available to help transition when the next Chairperson is voted in and assumes their position
 - John K. offered to help mentor and train members serving in current positions
 - John K. asked that members reach out to him if needed
 - John K. will continue to serve as website coordinator
- Paulie G. Thanked everyone who kept us together, kept the meetings open and served during this past year. He thanked the Trusted Servants for their time and commitment.
 - Paulie G. shared that Recovery Society of Randolph will be having a cookout at Lake Lucas, 4th of July for recovery members.
- Wendy R. shared that she is stepping down after today as the Area Secretary; and will continue to serve her home group on a local level.
 - Wendy R. also gave an update on Keaton's place, they are not ready for a visit or presentation at this time; but did welcome having pamphlets.
 - Wendy R. shared that Keaton's Place is hosting a Women's Recovery group on Wednesday nights, 5:30-7pm, 120 Worth Street, Asheboro, NC. The meeting is sponsored by Recovery Society of Randolph and for more information on the meeting, call 336-629-7744.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Michelle G. asked for a list of open positions, Wendy R. read through all open positions:
 - Chairperson
 - Vice Chairperson
 - Secretary
 - Alt Secretary
 - Treasurer (after July)
 - Alt Treasurer
 - RCM Alt
 - PR Chair
 - PR Alt
 - H&I Alt
 - Policy Alt
 - Events Alt
- Melissa G. was scheduled to step down in July as H&I Chair, she is willing to continue to serve.
 - Melissa G. received a vote of confidence to keep her position as the Area H&I Chair for the next year, beginning in July 2021.
- The following applications were read, voted on and passed for Area service positions:
 - Michelle G. for Alt H&I
 - Application will be submitted to home groups for vote and voted on by Area during the July 18th meeting
- Brian J. discussed lunch options for next month and a total of \$72.29 is what he has; the group asked him to surprise them
- The next Area meeting will be Sunday, July 18, Sub-committees at 11am, Area at noon.
- Brian J. made a motion to close, Jimmy B. seconded.
- Meeting closed with the serenity prayer

Respectfully Submitted in Service,
Wendy R.