



North East Freedom ASC Meeting Minutes
from September 24, 2014

Home Group / GSR Attendance:

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| X 5-to-1 Group | X High on Life | X Power of Women |
| X Alive It's Saturday Night
At All Cost | X Hope Without Dope | Recovering Men |
| X AWANA | X Hugs Not Drugs | X Recovery First |
| X Break the Cycle | X Hump Day | X Saturday Morning Hope |
| Canton Noon | I.O.U. NA | X Serenity At Six |
| Circle of Hope | Joy of Recovery | X Serenity |
| X Come Get Some | X Just a Desire | Stairway to Recovery |
| Firm Foundation | X Just Do It | X Step Into the Light |
| For What It's Worth | Just For Saturday | X Steps to Freedom |
| X Freedom From the Edge | X Just For Sunday | X Stronger Ties |
| X Freedom Group | X Keep Coming Back | Suffer No More |
| X FTW | X Live and Let Live | X Surrender to Survive |
| German Hill Group | X Live the Literature | X Therapeutic Value |
| X Grow Up or Die | Merritt Point (Friday) | There Is a Need |
| X Hamilton Noon | X Message is Hope | X Through Death to Life |
| Hampden Day Group | Miracles in Motion | X Thurs Nite at the Gardens |
| Hampden Group | Noon in Canton | X T.R.U.S.T Group |
| Healing Women | X North Point | X Will to Survive |
| | One Promise | X Who's in Charge? |
| | X Parkville Group | X You Get What You Need |

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM, 12 Concepts read by Becca

GROUP INFORMATION AND BUSINESS:

Step into the Light will celebrated its 22nd Anniversary 10/12 Pot Luck

Change of Order

Voting on Motions from August

Motion 2

PASSED

Motion: That no NEFA Chair can serve more than 2 consecutive terms

Submitted By: Hugs not Drugs

2nd by: Freedom Group

Intent: to continue to allow change and growth

*Friendly Amendment to read Executive Body

No Pros No Cons

For: 20 Against: 1 Abstain: 9

Motion 3

RULED OUT OF ORDER

Motion: To revisit the policy that was created by the first Ad Hoc Committee for future theft of funds

Submitted By: Hugs not Drugs

2nd by: IOUNA

Intent: To put a policy in place for future theft of funds

For: Against: Abstain:

Motion 4

PASSED

Motion: Executive Body, Chair & Vice Chair of subcommittees and any other members holding area monies must sign accountability statement

Submitted By: Thursday Night at the Gardens

2nd by: Hump Day

Intent: To be held accountable.

Discussion

Question- Is intent to adopt regions accountability statement?

Answer- Yes

Steve (from Region) stated it has to be notarized. Area Secretary is a Notary.

Question- what does "could" prosecute mean?

Answer-prosecution would be up to the GSR's

*Friendly Amendment to change "could" prosecute to "will" prosecute and will be added to area policy

For: 34 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Redress of Motion from July

REDCINDED BECAUSE ORIGINAL MOTION DIDN'T PASS TO DISBAND WITH A SIMPLE MAJORITY VOTE

Motion: To disband Ad-Hoc Committee for Misappropriation of Funds.

Created by: You Get What You Need

2nd by: Serenity

Intent: To move forward in love & forgiveness

Original Vote

For Against Abstain
14 14 2 Tied to Chair – passed motion

Reasoning for redress

Concern being that the tie breaking vote went to the Former Area Chair. The Original motions creating the ad hoc committee were merged (attached to this report) one of those motions states "Area Chair may participate (in Ad Hoc Committee) but will not hold a vote in the process of decision making of the Ad-hoc committee. Several members felt that tie breaking vote should have gone to former Vice chair.

After a lengthy discussion the motion to redress was rescinded by the maker of the redress based on information provided by the RD who was in attendance and brought to light that the original vote 14/14/2 meant that we did not have simple majority for the motion to pass so the motion failed and the Ad Hoc Committee is still in existence and has not disbanded.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Phone Line (Chair – Tracy O.: 443-603-6329)

Report distributed? Yes No

Meets @ 6:30 PM on 3rd Thurs of month @ Dundalk Church of Brethren, 2660 Yorkway Dundalk, MD 21222

See Report.

Last meeting was held on 9/18/14. Next meeting will be 9/18. Need Support.

After October Monthly Subcommittee meeting will be switching to phone conference.

Special Events (Chair – Michael U.: 410-299-9585)

Report distributed? Yes No

Meets @ 6:30 PM on 2nd Weds of month @ Recovery for Life Club, 3717 E Baltimore St. 21224

See Report.

Upcoming Events

October- Halloween Dance

November- Encouraging everyone to attend convention

December-Spiritual Breakfast Tentative Date 12/6

January- New Years Eve Dance

February- Coordinating with Area Convention for Kickoff Event

*Regional Representative informed area that the Bay Area hosts the Regional Thanksgiving Dinner

11/23 at the Glen Burnie Elks Lodge. He encouraged people to bring a dish and let them know what you are bringing.

Public Relations (Chair – Elizabeth C.: 443-509-8600)

Report distributed? Yes No

Meets @ 5:45 PM on the 1st Wed of month @ 6714 Youngstown Dundalk

See Report.

Literature has been placed in schools (Dundalk Patapsco & Sparrows Point). Looking into racks instead of handing literature to a guidance counselor.

*informed that DJS Racks on Eastern Avenue have other peoples information in our racks.

Policy (Chair - Thomas: 443-869-0371)

Report distributed? Yes No

Meets @ 6:00 PM on the 4th Wed of month before area service

Nothing to Report

Question- Where are archives, copies of old policy, anything passed down, why don't we have old stuff?

Answer- Everything current chair has is posted on website

*Helene stated she has policy back to 2004

*Mike stated when he took over he took everything that Bob had and that the current policy is the policy that was voted on 6 years ago.

Policy Chair stepped down

H & I (Chair - Floodsy: 410-446-0557)

Report distributed? Yes No

Meets @ 7 PM on the 1st Wed of the month @ Jerusalem Church, Belair Rd & Moravia Rd

See Report.

4 additional meetings @ BCDC (Womens)

Desperate Need of people to be cleared to go into jails.

Question- What happens to the forms that people turn over to be cleared since they contain personal information?

Answer- Hannah shreds them and is the only person in possession of them other than the employees at the jail who receive them via fax.

Website (Chair - Leland M.: 443-797-3195)

Report distributed? Yes No

See report. From January 9, 2009 through July 24, 2014 there have been 247,204 total visits to the site. Area Deposit and Balance Received via email from Deb and posted (For August)

Treasurer (Chair - Debbie)

Report distributed? Yes No

NEFA Convention (Chair - Mike: 443-996-4960)

Report distributed? Yes No

All convention committees meet @ 7 PM on the 3rd Wednesday of the month @ FTW Woodward Avenue Church

See Report

Report from last month is posted on website!

Deposit made with Hotel.

Convention Awareness Kick Off Event will be held 2/7/15

Literature (Chair - Erin B.: 443-762-3870)

Report distributed? Yes No

Meets @ 6 PM on 4th Wed of the month @ Faith Comm. Church, Harford Rd & Gibbons Ave (before ASC)

See Report.

Literature Sold in August 1509.50

Literature Ordered in September 1453.94

Current Literature on Hand \$6605.66

RCM (Chair – Helene & Becky)

Report distributed? Yes No

See Report .

Free State Region Convention (Barkley T. 443-677-4085)

Report distributed? Yes No

LAST MONTH'S MINUTES: NOT APPROVED AS WE RAN OUT OF TIME

OLD BUSINESS:

Ran out of time

NEW BUSINESS / MOTIONS

5 motions presented but we ran out of time to pass out, read or vote on any of them.