

Lake Norman Area of NA
Hospitals & Institutions and Public Relations Subcommittees

MINUTES – June 22, 2008

Call meeting to order at approximately 4:00 pm.

Opened with Serenity Prayer (Kyle), 12 Traditions (Sean) and 12 Concepts (Aaron)

Attendance:

PR Chairperson – Rick C.
PR Vice-Chairperson – vacant
H&I Chairperson – Kyle L.
H&I Vice-Chairperson – Cameron V.
Secretary – Karen H.
Web Development – Jamie F., Aaron M.
Additional members – Sean, John L.

Reviewed and Approved minutes from May meeting

Officer Reports:

PR Chairperson – No report

H&I Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson – Attendance at H&I meeting has been down. There has been an issue regarding a volunteer doing “religious recovery” sitting on the H&I panel. Reminder that a Narcotics Anonymous H&I meeting must focus on recovery through NA. A report is needed from the Panel Leader – Kyle has created a form for this purpose. Concern regarding the 5th Street Shelter limiting the number of people allowed to attend the H&I meeting – ask staff to please not limit attendance; may express a concern if they feel there are too many people, but cannot dictate a limit.

Secretary – see report submitted to Carolina Region PR Subcommittee, and from June 14 Regional Service Day meeting. Karen H. has been elected as Regional PR Vice-Chairperson.

Web Development – Jamie reported that all links on the Lake Norman Area website have been corrected. He also reported information received during the Regional Webteam meeting on June 14. Jamie is working to set up e-mail accounts for Area Service Committee officers through our website, so they can be maintained in one place rather than in many different lists. This will also prevent ASC officers from having to show their personal e-mail addresses, and will help with confidentiality and anonymity. A “catch-all” e-mail address can also be created: web@lnana.org Jamie also reported that the old phonenumber has now been cut off, and the last payment made to BellSouth.

Nominations: Kyle H. has been nominated with the Area as Outreach Chairperson.

The Outreach Subcommittee selected, within the Subcommittee, the following positions:

- Outreach Vice-Chair: **Cameron V.**
- H&I Coordinator – none
- PR Coordinator – none
- Recording Secretary – **Karen H.**
- Webteam Coordinator – **Jamie F.**
- Alternate Webteam Coord. – **Aaron M.**
- Any additional officers: H&I Panel Coordinator, PR Presentation Coordinator, etc. as the Subcommittee sees fit – **None were selected at this time**

Old Business:

- Motion was submitted at Area Service Committee meeting, June 15, written by Karen H. (see attached), to form the Outreach Subcommittee in LNANA. Intent: to carry out combined H&I and PI services in the Area. Motion to include proposed structure: one Chairperson, with Coordinators for H&I and PI functions. Motion was seconded by Sal. Going back to homegroups for vote.

- Possibility of activating the "helpline" function of our phonenumber. Must recruit support, to have a group of experienced members ready and willing to answer messages. Guidelines? Refer to *Public Relations Handbook*... **No further discussion at this time.**
- Guidelines for new combined committees – suggestion to review from KIS Area... **No further discussion at this time.**
- Other Old Business – none

Sharing Session: questions, concerns, ideas –

- Jamie brought up idea from the Regional PR Subcommittee meeting: having a list of 12th Step volunteers, members willing to contact addicts wanting to find recovery. Perhaps to provide to professionals? Discussion followed regarding need for experience and training of volunteers.
- Concern: Many members are willing to serve, but either **will not** or **cannot** attend committee meetings. Another suggestion was brought from the Regional PR meeting: subcommittee members go to each homegroup to provide information and orientation in H&I and PR service.

New Business:

- Representatives from Statesville (Lisa and Tina) attended ASC – had information about possible new facilities for H&I efforts:
 - o Appropriate Placement Program (APO) affiliated with Iredell County Jail system
 - o Crisis Recovery Center
 Reps left meeting before giving contact information – anyone?
Contact Leigh B. – Karen H. has information.
- New meeting in Statesville, "No More Excuses," Gary V. is contact. Need to register with World Service Office as a homegroup. When meeting regularly, can be included on meeting schedule, next printing due in September, and on website sooner.
- Other New Business – none

Next Outreach Subcommittee meeting: Sunday, July 27, 4:00 p.m. at Meadowlake

Next Area Service Committee meeting: Sunday, July 20, 4:00 pm at Meadowlake

Next Regional PR Committee meeting date – Saturday, September 13, 10:30am in Fort Mill, SC

Next Regional Service Committee meeting date: Saturday, July 12, 2008 in Florence, SC

Closed meeting with Serenity Prayer at 5:45pm.

Submitted in loving service,

Karen H.

Secretary, LNANA Outreach Subcommittee