

Rappahannock ASC Minutes for
8 April 2018



Welcome new and returning ASC members!

16 homegroups are members of the Rappahannock Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous.

There are **39 meetings** in the Rappahannock Area every week!

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I. Serenity Prayer
II. Readings

- a. Service Prayer (Read by Robb B.)
- b. Purpose of Area Service (Read by Ron M.)
- c. 12 Concepts of NA Service (Read by Victoria H.)
- d. 12 Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous (Read by Karen R.)
- e. Decorum Statement (Read by Mike S.)

III. RANA Trusted Servants & Subcommittee Chairs Roll Call

Legend: P = Present A = Absent O = Open Position * = Arrived Late

POSTION	NAME	F	M	A	Report	Comment
Chair	John L.	A	A	*	Written	-
Vice Chair	Victoria H.	P	P	P	Written	-
Secretary I	Robb B.	-	P	P	Written	-
Secretary II	OPEN	-	-	-	-	-
Treasurer I	Richard M.	P	P	P	Written	-
Treasurer II	Derek V.	A	P	P	-	-
RCM I	OPEN	-	-	-	Written	Richard M. Pro Tem
RCM II	Bill	-	P	P	-	-
VRCC Dir.	Antoinette	-	-	P	Written	-
Activities	Ron M.	A	P	P	Written	-
H&I	Michelle G.	P	P	P	Written	-
PR	Art M.	P	P	P	-	-
Literature	Erin B.	P	P	P	-	-
Outreach	OPEN	-	-	-	-	-
RACC	Mark T.	A	P	P	Written	-

VII. Secretary I Report and Q&A – Robb B.

Good Afternoon RANA ASC,

I hope everyone received the minutes in their email this past month, and found them to be satisfactory. I have hard copies with me if anyone is interested. I do not have much new to report on this month. I am still wondering about obtaining a key to the area post office box as outlined in my duties (item “K” of Article 5 Section 3 of bylaws). I also need to obtain a password for the dropbox on the website for ASC members.

Please do not hesitate to call on me with any questions or comments.

Yours in service,
Robb

VIII. Secretary II Report and Q&A – OPEN POSITION
IX. Chairperson Report and Q&A – John L.

Good afternoon RANA ASC

First, let me apologize for my continued absence from Area. This is three months in a row that I have been unable to serve. Due to the nature of my work, I have to request the first Sunday of each month off a full calendar year in advance. So, when the decision was made to switch ASC to the second Sunday in both February and April, my absence during those months was simply unavoidable. March, however, was a planned absence with Victoria filling in for me.

The first quarter of 2018 has been a good one. We are still working on finalizing the bank account change over. All authorized signees are in place and all that's left to do is order checks for the new account and then transfer the funds from the Carter account to BB&T. We will be discussing this today.

It's unfortunate that the Convention Subcommittee wasn't able to get access to their funds this past month to pay the deposit on the venue. With that said, these potential issues were forecast and brought up for discussion on the area floor months ago. The Executive body strongly encouraged the Ad-Hoc Convention Committee to show up for the By-Law review meetings last September, as well as the Budget meetings held last October. They declined to participate, instead electing to readdress the issues once they were voted in as a standing Subcommittee of RANA. Once that happened, it was up to them to address the by-law issues at Area before they went straight into planning the next convention. The cart was placed before the horse and doing so resulted in complications. Needless to say, I'm sure that all of these issues will be addressed here today.

I'd like to take some time to address the facts of our funds distribution policy. We are a policy driven organization and all subcommittees of RANA, including the

Executive Body, are bound to operate within, and uphold, the policies of the Rappahannock Area by-laws. Currently, our policy states that all subcommittees must request funds at Area the month before they plan to use them. In addition, they must return receipts for any purchases, and return any raised or unused funds in the form of a money order to the following Area Service Committee meeting. Failure to adhere to this policy would constitute misappropriation of area funds and could lead to removal of a trusted servant from their service position via a simple majority vote on the area floor.

These policies were put in place by our predecessors for transparency and accountability reasons and they have served the area and its subcommittees perfectly well for years. While our literature strongly cautions us about changing policy for the sake of convenience, with the new Convention Subcommittee, there may be a need to amend the by-laws or add an addendum through a motion. It's going to be up to the subcommittee to demonstrate a genuine need to operate with financial autonomy. It's going to be up to the home groups to decide if the benefits outweigh the risks and ensure transparency and accountability measures stay in place. I trust this will be an interesting discussion today.

Lastly, it has been brought to my attention that the Fredericksburg Drug Court program had recently been looking for some sort of affiliation with RANA, or perhaps its individual members. While I don't have all the details, this certainly merits discussion. Let's make sure that everyone here today is able to explain to other members the importance of our traditions, how they protect us, and why they are non-negotiable.

X. Vice Chairperson Report and Q&A – Victoria H.

Dear RANA,

Thank you for your patience with me as I learn the nuances of filling in as chair person. Over the past 2 months, I was able to attend subcommittee meetings for H&I, Activities, and PR. My work schedule does not allow me to make the Tuesday meetings of the RACC. However, I recognize the importance of supporting our newest subcommittee as they jump into planning our next area convention, so I am working with my boss to hopefully attend their subcommittee meeting in May.

H&I is doing well. They are keeping their commitments in RRJ, Sunshine Lady House, and Boxwood.

Activities is also doing well. They are gearing up for an exciting spring event, and in the spirit of unity, they have reached out to the home groups to welcome participation at that event.

PR met in February but did not hold their regularly scheduled meeting in March. This was not announced, and we had a member show up hoping to participate in

the subcommittee meeting and seek guidance from the PR chair, only to find no one from the subcommittee present. It is my sincere hope that issues like this are prevented in the future through more effective communication.

Thank you for allowing me to serve,
Victoria.

XI. Treasurer I Report and Q&A – Richard M.

Last month we brought in \$557.45, which includes \$180.45 worth of literature orders, \$257.00 from group donations and \$120.00 from Antoinette B leaving her current through march with a remain balance of \$1583.37. Checks written include ck#1128 for \$100.00 to Ron M for the Saint Patty's day activity, also a direct payment for meeting lists totaling 130.82, \$29.97 for the quarterly website fee. So with a beginning balance of \$4584.63 as of last month's area, we should have a starting balance today of \$4881.29, which is over double our prudent reserve.

I will be writing a motion for the GSRs to give myself permission to use area funds to order checks and deposit slips for the BB&T account, estimated check and deposit book amount is around \$175.00. At this point we do not have checks for the BB&T account so closing the Carter account didn't seem to make sense, also an audit of the books was done for the 4th quarter of last year which will hopefully give myself and Derek our treasurer 2 the ability to get an accurate account of how much money we really have in the Carter account so we can make a smooth transition to the BB&T account.

In closing I would like to urge the GSRs to not just sign off on motions because I or anyone else on the executive body may suggest it, please think these things through. I say this because as an area we have decided to take over the BB&T account with no questions as to how this affects the area, simply because it was suggested, I take partial blame for this due to my inexperienced and short sightedness and not knowing what questions to ask. As I have said before the GSRs make the decisions as to the direction this area goes, so if you as a GSR don't understand something or have something to say please do so. This is really just a pre cursor to the changes to come especially when we talk about the convention committee and how money is dealt with, there is going to be a great deal of discussion as to bylaws and changes to them. As an executive body we are still very in experienced in many ways and I know I personally need all of the GSRs help to not only keep me accountable, but also for the perspective of what our areas homegroups want to do.

In loving service,
Richard M

XII. Treasurer II Report and Q&A – Derek V.
No Report, No Discussion

XIII. RCM I Report and Q&A – Richard M. Pro Tem

Good Afternoon ASC

The GSR assembly is April 21st in Chester VA. All homegroup votes put in either via snail mail or electronically needs to be done by the 14th of April, if u have any questions as to how to do this please either get with me or read any of the past 2 months RCM reports, also you can find the information on our regional website car-na.org. I will be requesting \$30 from area for fuel to and from the GSR assembly and RSC, given our chairperson is not present we will need the GSRs permission for me to sign my own check. I would also like to thank all of the GSRs that attended the area CAR workshop that was held the Tuesday after last month's area, actually the only person that was present other than me was our RCM2, as a trusted servant I am here to serve when asked. It can be frustrating when I am asked to serve by those I'm accountable to and none of the people who asked for help even show up for what they asked for.

Thank you for letting me serve,
Richard M.

XIV. RCM II Report and Q&A – Bill
No Report, No Discussion

XV. VRCC Director Report and Q&A – Antoinette B. "Old School"

The Virginia Regional Corporation (VRCC) which serves the recovery addicts of the Central Atlantic Region of Narcotics Anonymous met March 18th, 2018. There are 16 areas in this Region. The meeting was held at the University of Virginia Hospital in Charlottesville, Virginia. However, I could not be recognized as the RANA VRCC representative because I did not meet the requirements at that time. At our May 20th, 2018 meeting it will have the March 3rd, 2018 minutes stating that I have been duly elected in our Area and I will at that time be welcomed and recognized as the RANA VRCC representative by the VRCC Board of Directors.

XVI. Subcommittee Reports and Q&A

A. Activities – Ron M.

Hello Everyone,

Let's first talk about Game Day. It was held March 17th; attendance fluctuated throughout the day, approximately 20 people. Our budget was \$100.00. Rent was 15.99, pizza was \$35.62, and we collected a 7th Tradition of \$7.00. Today we

are returning receipts and \$56.00 to the Area.

Next is our Spring Picnic. Our subcommittee will be meeting each Monday evening until the picnic at 5:30 at the Dumpster location. We need support! Today I am asking area for \$300.00 for the budget of this event; for food, drink, and additional supplies. The announcement for GSR's:

RANA SPRING PICNIC "SPRING INTO ACTION"
Saturday, May 19 1:00-6:00 PM
Kenmore Park
\$5.00 All You Can Eat
Kickball and Games

Thank You For Letting Me Serve,
Ron M.

B. Hospitals & Institutions – Michelle G.

Hello,

Thank you to the Area for supporting our subcommittee, we had all our commitments kept in March. There have been a few things brought to my attention, which I will discuss at today's subcommittee meeting- 1. Making sure whoever a panel leader takes in knows the do's and don'ts of H & I 2. We are screening people who we ask to go into facilities: making sure they have a sponsor, working steps, and are capable of sharing their ESH in an H & I format (as this is not a regular NA meeting). 3. That the panel leaders are effectively communicating who they are taking into a facility before they take anyone in. Not everyone is ready to go into a facility to share with H&I, and that is okay, NA has other service positions that are available. Please be mindful that this is not a "dump" and "run" type meeting, most people we bring meetings into, have never been exposed to NA before. We are here to offer the message of HOPE that NO addict need ever die from the disease of addiction!

I attended the regional subcommittee meeting last month, via zoom conference. We discussed in brief some of the requirements for inmate step- writing, and will plan to reach out to Colleen and Noreen to get more information on this. We have had a few people express interest in helping write letters to inmates. The next H& I regional meeting is in May in Winchester, VA. We would like to thank Tuesday night meeting for donating their credit for basic texts for facilities.

In Loving Service- Michelle G.

C. Literature – Erin B.

No Report, No Discussion

D. Outreach – OPEN POSITION

E. Public Relations – Art M.

No Report Submitted – Visited meetings this month, and all meetings on the meeting list seem to be doing well. The Final Surrender meeting of Bowling Green is to be removed from our roster and is being replaced with a new meeting, which he was able to attend. The name of the new meeting is “More Will Be Revealed” and meets Wednesdays and Saturdays at noon on Courthouse Lane. The format on Wednesday is a step study, and the Saturday meeting is a Q&A meeting.

F. RACC Convention Committee – Mark T.

Good afternoon,

The RACC met on March 14th at Wegman's.

Here are the open positions: Secretary I and II; Treasurer II; Convention Information; Merchandise Chair.

I had a meeting with Bonnie Martin; General Manager of The Hospitality House on March 28th. We both signed and ratified the contract for RACNA II. I wrote a personal check for the \$500 deposit and will submit a copy of the receipt along with the contract today.

Our standing meeting schedule is the 2nd Tuesday of the month and will be held this Tuesday, April 10th 6:30pm at Wegmans.

In conclusion, I am happy to announce our first fundraiser; a spiritual breakfast held yesterday was a success. I will defer to our Programming Chair for the details in his report.

I.L.S. --- Mark T.

a. RACC PROGRAMMING CHAIR REPORT

Dear ASC,

Yesterday's Spiritual breakfast, held at St. George's Episcopal Church from 9-12 was a very successful fundraiser for our next convention, which will be held at the Fredericksburg Hospitality House on May 3-5th 2019.

The programming subcommittee raised \$195 in pre-spiritual breakfast tickets. This addict in recovery, brought \$112.52 worth of food from Walmart; \$8.42 of other items from Dollar General, for a total of \$121.04, which left the committee with \$73.96 at the start of the convention. The spiritual breakfast raised \$201.06 (-\$73.96=127.70).

Breakdown: 6 people paid on-site \$10 for a total of \$60 and 3 RACNA 1 left over t-shirts were sold for \$30; \$25 dollars was collected in our 7th traditions basket and we collected \$12.70 in donations. Kemper B., the convention committee treasurer, has been given the monies. (Please see attached receipts).

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On-site, as well, was our Registration chair Derek V. and he collected 6 pre-registrations in the amount of \$60; therefore, our running total is 261.06.

Our next event planned is on June 30, 2018 at the United Methodist Church from 11-5. At this event will be pre-registration, a sign-up sheet for those interested in created a drawing for our theme “Our Spiritual Conditions”, fried fish, three cheese mac-n-cheese homemade, collard greens, and drinks. This addict is in contact with Bill from Colonial Beach to possibly have a fundraiser there; this addict will be attending RVANA area in May to propose doing a fundraiser in that area as well to promote unity.

For those interested in being a part of creating new fundraising ideas, this subcommittee, meets the last Tuesday of every month at Wegman’s upstairs at 6:30pm. If you want to sign up to be speaker or recommend someone to speak at either a speaker jam or our convention, please contact Billy M and/or Art M.

I would like to think Kemper B., Richard M., and Shawn J. for their help in the kitchen. I would also like to think John T., Dawn B., and Julie C. for manning the tables. For all who participated in setting up and breaking down we thank you.

ILS,
 Rudy C. (Programming Chair)

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XVII. Group Service Representative (GSR) Reports

Home Group	GSR/ALT/REP	Meeting Day & Time	Homegroup Members	Avg. Weekly Attendance / Newcomers	Group Donation to Area	Literature Order
Welcome Home	Karen R.	Sun. 7:30 – 8:45 PM	8	50 / 25	-	\$34.10
Richard M. celebrates 3 years on 8 April.						
Who Wants To Live	Absent	Mon. – Fri. 12 – 1:15 PM	-	-	\$80.00	\$31.80
In need of homegroup members and a GSR!						
In It To Win It	Jay H.	Mon. 7:00 – 8:30 PM	8	30 / 4-5	-	\$30.75
Casey L. celebrates 6 years on 30 April.						
Hope Fiends	Absent	Tue. 7:00 – 8:00 PM	-	-	-	-
Standing By Recovery	Absent	Tue. 7:30 – 8:30 PM	-	-	-	-
Clean Works	Gabe T.	Wed. 7:00 – 8:15 PM	10	35 / 5	-	\$19.80
Doing well!						
Start Living Group	Cat E.	Thu. 7:00 – 8:30 PM	8	6-10/ 2-3	-	-
Freedom from Bondage / SNL	Kevin S (Ab.) Blake B. (REP)	Thu. 9–10 PM Sat.10:00PM-?	6	9 / 2	-	\$6.25
Kevin (Sandals) will celebrate 3 years 28 April.						
Welcome to the NAborhood	Teresa R. (Ab.) Michelle C.(REP)	Thu. 7:00 – 8:30 PM	8	20 / 1	-	\$35.00
Back to Basics	GSR Absent Rudy C. (REP)	Fri. 7:00 – 8:30 PM	6	35 / 5	-	\$9.00
Dawn B. and Kemper B. will celebrate 9 years on 13 April.						
Primary Purpose	Mike S (GSR)	Sat. & Sun. 12– 1:30 PM	10	15 / 7	\$20	\$41
In need of support!						
Experience, Strength, & Hope	John T.	Sat. 7:00 – 8:15 PM	5	20 / 5	\$25	\$42
Jenn R. celebrates 10 years 28 April.						
Final Surrender	Absent	M,W,F,Sat. 7:00 –8:00 PM	-	-	-	-
Colonial Beach Survivors	Absent	Fri. 7:00 – 8:00 PM	-	-	-	-
New Beginnings of Colonial Beach	Absent	Tue. 6:00 – 7:00 PM	-	-	-	-
Alive & Free	Absent	Wed. 8:00 PM & Fri.7:00 PM	-	-	-	-

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XVIII. Second Quorum

HOME GROUP NAME	P/A	NAME	POSTION
1. Welcome Home	P	Karen R.	GSR
2. Who Wants to Live	A		
3. In It to Win It	P	Jay H.	GSR
4. Hope Fiends	A		
5. Standing By Recovery	A		
6. Clean Works	P	Gabe T.	GSR
7. Start Living Group	P	Cat E.	REP
8. Freedom from Bondage/SNL	P	Blake B.	REP
9. Welcome to the NAborhood	P	Dawn L.	REP
10. Back to Basic	P	Rudy C.	REP
11. Primary Purpose	P	Mike S.	GSR
12. Experience, Strength & Hope	P	John T.	GSR
13. Final Surrender	A		
14. Colonial Beach Survivors	A		
15. New Beginnings of Colonial Beach	A		
16. Alive & Free	A		

2st QUORUM CALL -Must 8 per Bylaws	
Group Represented	9
Procedural Votes	9

XIX. Old Business

(No Motions from March)

XX. Open Sharing

- **ASC Bank Account Change** – The RACC account at BB&T has had names switched over to reflect our transition to this bank. We did not move funds from Carter Bank yet, however. The reasoning behind this is because there are no checks currently tied to the BB&T bank account and would prevent the ASC from being able to write checks for this month's obligations and requests. As stated in the Treasurer's report, the cost of obtaining checks and a deposit book will total around \$175, well above the \$40 maximum for "Unbudgeted Expenses" as outlined in the bylaws (Item B, Article 10, Section 5 – Funds Distribution). This was not a foreseen expense because the last check purchase the area made was many years ago. As such, a motion will be put out to allow for this one time expenditure. It was also discussed that in the future, we may increase the Treasurer's budget to accommodate for the purchase of such items.
- **Hospitals and Institutions** – Michelle G., H&I Chairperson, made a request that homegroups please briefly explain what the H&I subcommittee stands for (Hospitals and Institutions) and the duties it performs when doing announcements in meetings. Many newcomers or other less-than-informed members may not be familiar with its roles and responsibilities, and this can at least give them an idea. This triggered a few ideas such as updating website information, as well as possibly holding an area-wide learning day for all subcommittees to provide information on their respective roles in our local fellowship.
- **Q4 Audit** – Victoria H., Vice Chairperson, reported that the audit of Q4's finances had been completed. All records, checks, and transactions matched and were accounted for. This brings us up to date on audits.
- **Drug Court** – There has been much discussion in our area lately about the interaction we have with Drug Court participants in regards to meeting sheet signing, sponsorship, and the disclosure of personal information to drug court staff. Recently, the Drug Court staff has had concern about the validity of meeting sheets being signed and the obtaining of sponsors by their participants, and asked that NA members disclose personal contact information to the Drug Court staff so that they may verify progress in recovery in order to phase up or graduate from the program. We are reminded that this directly conflicts with our non-negotiable traditions regarding outside issues, outside entities, and anonymity. It was suggested that this may be an opportunity for the PR subcommittee to put together a presentation to further educate the Drug Court program on our Fellowship while continuing to maintain a positive relationship with them as we stand firm in our position on the Traditions.

- **Activities** – Ron M., Activities Chairperson, discussed briefly to the homegroup GSR's the desire of the subcommittee to get them involved in the upcoming Spring Picnic. They would donate a side dish or beverages and could set up a table to represent their homegroup at the event. He also stressed the importance of getting the area excited for events.
- **Convention Committee** – Rudy C., RACC Programming Chairperson, handed out an excerpt from TACNA Convention Committee Policies and Procedures as a preface to the motions that he would be putting on the floor during new business and to be included in the minutes:

(From Section 7.0 "Area Conventions" of TACNA Convention Committee Policies and Procedures)

A Convention Committee should be a subcommittee of the hosting or sponsoring ASC. This places the convention within the N.A. service structure via the Ninth Tradition by making a committee directly responsible to those it serves. This point needs special emphasis. The Convention Committee is totally responsible to the hosting service committee and exists only because that service committee formed it. Any convention not reporting to a branch of the N.A. service structure is not responsible to the fellowship and hence is not an N.A. convention. Convention Committee guidelines should be the first order of business and should be reviewed and approved by the host ASC. The Convention Committee should be allowed sufficient leeway to perform its responsibilities and should not bog down the host service committee with routine business matters that can be handled within the Convention Committee. Also, the Convention Committee Chairperson should give a report of the committee's activities at each of the Area Service Meetings. This keeps the ASC in touch with how things are going and enables them to provide support and guidance when needed. As with any subcommittee of Area, the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the ASC should also keep in close contact with the Convention Committee and its officers. Conventions, as in any service sponsored by NA service boards or committees should conform to NA principles and focus on our primary purpose of carrying the message. The potential for financial and legal complications are always present when hosting a convention. If problems occur, they are the responsibility of the Host service Committee. TASCNA should be prepared to closely evaluate all legal and financial commitments before entering into them. When these problems occur, they substantially impair the ability of the local membership to provide NA services. Financial benefit may be gained from holding a convention but should not be the major purpose. This tends to divert us from our primary purpose and a large amount of funds can disrupt a service structure as much as a total lack of funds. The TACNA Convention will comply with the TASCNA quarterly requirements (Audit). 8 There are different types of conventions. Some area and regions are stable enough to have the available trusted servants hold an annual convention without affecting other NA services, but this is currently an exception rather than a rule. Conventions are truly spectacular events, but we must adequately weigh the impact such as immense undertaking has on the local NA community before deciding to forge ahead.

Full Document:
http://www.tidewaterareana.org/uploads/3/4/5/4/34542121/tacna_policies_and_procedures.pdf

XXI. Elections for Open Positions

XXII. New Business

Motion #4/8-4: \$300 to Activities for Spring Picnic for food, drink, supplies.
Intent: Provide fun, fellowship in a recovery atmosphere.
Maker: Ron M. **2nd By:** Jay H.
VOTE: **Motion:** **BUDGETED**

Motion #4/8-5: \$30 for fuel to and from the GSR Assemble and RSC.
Intent: To carry the message.
Maker: Richard M. **2nd By:** Rudy C.
VOTE: **Motion:** **BUDGETED**

Motion #4/8-6: Allow Richard M to be a signee for check to himself for previously passed motion #4/8-5.
Intent: Procedural
Maker: **2nd By:**
VOTE: *Abst- 4, For-5, Against-0* **Motion:** **PASSED**

Motion #4/8-7: Order checks and deposit books for BB&T account up to \$175
Intent: We don't have any.
Maker: Richard M. **2nd By:** Rudy C.
VOTE: **Motion:** **BACK TO HOMEGROUPS**

Motion #4/8-8: Refund the \$500 RACNA II deposit money to Mark T.
Intent: Self-supporting
Maker: Mark T. **2nd By:** Rudy C.
VOTE: **Motion:** **BUDGETED**

Motion #4/8-9: To add an addendum to RANA Bylaws stating: "to allow the RACC to operate and function out of their bylaws"
Intent: To not bog down the ASC with convention business
Maker: Rudy C. **2nd By:** Mike S.
VOTE: **Motion:** **BACK TO HOMEGROUPS**

Motion #4/8-10: To add to Article 6: "To allow the Convention Committee to operate with leeway to perform its responsibilities and not bog down the ASC with routine business which can be handled within the Convention Committee."
Intent: By adhering to the service structure via our Ninth Tradition by making a committee responsible to those they serve.
Maker: Rudy C. **2nd By:** Blake B.
VOTE: **Motion:** **BACK TO HOMEGROUPS**

Motion #4/8-11: Article 10, Section 5, Item A – To add: “#7. The RACC to open a separate account.”

Intent: So the Convention Committee can flow in the duties and responsibilities it is supposed to perform.

Maker: Rudy C.

2nd By: Gabe T.

VOTE:

Motion: **BACK TO HOMEGROUPS**

Motion #4/8-12: To make the Outreach Subcommittee “project-driven” and dissolve it as a standing committee.

Intent: To provide outreach services on a volunteer basis as needed when we need to check on or help struggling meetings. This can be ascribed by other subcommittee chairs or members or any ad-hoc group that the chair designates as the need arises. A line item for gas, reimbursement can be left on the policy.

Maker: Etta F.

2nd By: John T.

VOTE:

Motion: **BACK TO HOMEGROUPS**

Motion #4/8-13: Extend Area.

Intent: Finish business.

Maker: Richard M.

2nd By: Jay H.

VOTE: *Abst- 0, For-7, Against-1* **Motion:** **PASSED**

XXIII. Review of Group Status and Business

The following groups have missed at least 3 consecutive ASC's:

- Who Wants To Live
- New Beginnings of Colonial Beach

It was also discussed that the new meeting being held in Bowling Green (More Will Be Revealed) will be visited this month. The Final Surrender Group will be removed from the ASC attendance roster. It has already been removed from the RANA Meeting List.

XXIV. Adjournment and Serenity Prayer

Submitted to RANA ASC for approval: 4/14/2018 by Secretary I Robb B.