

**Rappahannock ASC Minutes for
6 May 2018**



Welcome new and returning ASC members!

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

There are **22 meetings** in the Rappahannock Area every week!

Website:
www.rappahannockareaofna.com
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**I. Serenity Prayer
II. Readings**

- a. Service Prayer (Read by Robb B.)
- b. Purpose of Area Service (Read by Bill)
- c. 12 Concepts of NA Service (Read by Corey C.)
- d. 12 Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous (Read by Joe)
- e. Decorum Statement (Read by Ron M.)

III. RANA Trusted Servants & Subcommittee Chairs Roll Call

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

POSTION	NAME	M	A	M	Report	Comment
Chair	John L.	A	*	P	Not Due	-
Vice Chair	Victoria H.	P	P	A	-	-
Secretary I	Robb B.	P	P	P	Written	Submitted
Secretary II	<i>OPEN</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Treasurer I	Richard M.	P	P	P	Written	Submitted
Treasurer II	Derek V.	P	P	A	-	-
RCM I	<i>OPEN</i>	-	-	-	Written	Richard M. <i>Pro Tem</i>
RCM II	Bill	P	P	P	-	-
VRCC Dir.	Antoinette	-	P	*	-	-
Activities	Ron M.	P	P	P	Written	Submitted
H&I	Michelle G.	P	P	A	Written	Submitted
PR	Art M.	P	P	A	-	-
Literature	Erin B.	P	P	P	-	-
Outreach	<i>OPEN</i>	-	-	-	-	-
RACC	Mark T.	P	P	*	Written	Submitted

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IV. Group Roll Call

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GROUP NAME	M	A	M	NAME	POSTION
Primary Purpose	A	P	A	Mike S.	GSR
Welcome Home	P	P	*	Ian L.	ALT
Who Wants to Live	A	A	P	Amanda M.	REP
In It To Win It	P	P	P	Jay H.	GSR
Standing by Recovery	*	A	A		
New Beginnings of Colonial Beach	A	A	A		
Clean Works	P	*	P	Gabe T.	GSR
Start Living	*	P	A	Cat E.	GSR
Welcome to the NAborhood	P	P	P	Corey C.	GSR
Freedom from Bondage/SNL	P	P	P	Joe S.	REP
Colonial Beach Survivors Group	P	A	A		
Back to Basics	P	P	P	Rudy C.	REP
Experienc, Strength, & Hope	P	P	P	John T.	GSR
Alive & Free	*	A	*	Charlie B.	GSR

V. Adoption and Approval of Agenda

Motion #5/6-02: To adopt May's Agenda as proposed.

Maker: Corey C. 2nd By: Gabe T.

VOTE: Abst. – 0, For – 7, Against – 0 **Motion:** **PASSED**

VI. Approval of Minutes

Motion #5/6-03: To approve April's minutes.

Maker: Gabe T. 2nd By: Rudy C.

VOTE: Abst. – 0, For – 7, Against – 0 **Motion:** **PASSED**

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 hope everyone finds the “area-level announcements” that I have started to include in my emails and in print satisfactory. I thought it would be a good way to streamline things and to keep everyone informed with the same information of what’s happening in the area and area subcommittee information. Considering this, I ask the homegroups to please be thorough in your monthly reports and let us know of any information you would like the area to know about such as celebrations or support needs. I have brought with me copies of the event flyers from the website for homegroups I have not visited and given copies to, or for groups that need more copies. I will be including in my report a receipt for copy paper totaling \$12.57 to come out of my budget.

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



**Topic of P.O. Box key moved to Open Discussion*

VIII. Secretary II Report and Q&A – OPEN POSITION

IX. Chairperson Report and Q&A – John L.

Next Report is due July 2018.

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

ABSENT, No Report Submitted.

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

Good Afternoon ASC

April ASC we brought in \$420.70 which included \$239.70 from literature orders, \$56.00 from Activities from saint patty's day, \$125.00 from group donations. Checks written include #1129 for \$300.00 to Ron for the spring into action picnic. Ck#1130 for \$30.00 to myself for fuel reimbursement to and from Region and Ck #1131 to Mark T for \$500.00 which will be debited from the RACC budget if and or when the RACC opens their own bank account. Antoinette B has not made a payment since Marchs ASC, I have personally sent a message to Antoinette as a reminder and I'm looking forward to receiving a payment soon. This leaves us at \$4471.99 at the beginning of today, once we finally move monies to where it should be our balance will be \$4971.99 which will include the reimbursement from the RACC budget.

At this point I know we have in our bi-laws as to when we are supposed to donate to Region, but given the fact we are substantially over prudent reserve I would strongly suggest we donate at least \$1000 to region. I will go into more of the reasoning behind this in my RCM report.

In loving service

Richard M

XII. Treasurer II Report and Q&A – Derek V.

ABSENT, No Report Submitted.

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

Good Afternoon ASC

April was the GSR assembly which included the CAR and CAT voting, The RD team was going to the WSC (world service conference) the following Friday which was April 27th. We should have results from the WSC next region. Also we had the RSC on Sunday April 22nd directly following the GSR assembly. During region we spoke a great deal about the accommodations which we will just say we're not making regional service seem attractive and were almost dangerous to anyone recovering addict. During discussion of the hotel two main reasons came up for the dismal situation, 1 was confusion on our old Regional treasurers part in mixing up the hotel with one further down the road, and 2 was the lack of donations. Just like the RANA area (which is us if anyone was confused) we work

on a budget based on the donations from our home-groups, our region bases the budget on the donations from other areas.

Also Regional H&I is continuing to work toward the Inmate Step Writing program, if you are interested please see me after

In Loving Service
Richard M

**Topic of Regional Donation moved to Open Discussion*

XIV. RCM II Report and Q&A – Bill

No Report Submitted, No Discussion.

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

TARDY, No Report Submitted, No Discussion.

XVI. Subcommittee Reports and Q&A

A. Activities – Ron M.

Hello Everyone,

Not much to report. Subcommittee getting excited about upcoming picnic, please keep making announcements. We also need committee members (no clean time requirements).

We’ve also been talking about trying to put together a “learning day” in the month of September.

Thank you for letting me serve,

Ron M.

B. Hospitals & Institutions – Michelle G.

ABSENT, Report Submitted:

ASC:

Hello ASC, H&I has been running smoothly, we had a few new people at last month’s subcommittee meeting. We are currently going into RRJ twice a month, Sunshine House four times a month, and Boxwood five times a month. We have a few Boxwood commitments that need to be filled in the coming months, so if you are interested or know someone who would be willing to take a once a month commitment, please let someone in the subcommittee know. I want to thank everyone who supports, and is serving with H&I, we have had a great year so far. We will discuss at this month’s meeting the importance of the do’s and don’ts,

dress code in facilities (with the warmer weather approaching), and the importance of the panel leader to keep track of time shared at the meetings, and leading the meeting to keep atmosphere of recovery.

In Loving Service,

Michelle G.

C. Literature – Erin B.

No Report Submitted.

**Topic of NAWS payment methods moved to Open Discussion*

D. Outreach – OPEN POSITION

E. Public Relations – Art M.

ABSENT, No Report Submitted.

**Topic of Reports/Accountability moved to Open Discussion*

F. RACC Convention Committee – Mark T.

Good afternoon,

The RACC met on April 10th at Wegman's. There were six people in attendance. We created a policy subcommittee and subsequently elected a chairperson. The qualifications and duties were discussed and will be added to our bylaws after review and voting.

Here are the open positions: Secretary I and II, Treasurer II, Merchandise Chair.

The Spiritual Breakfast fundraiser was a success.

We collected \$201.06 in ticket sales and the 7th Tradition.

We also sold 8 preregistrations for \$80.

These funds, minus expenses, are the only operating capital currently available to the RACC.

We have scheduled some upcoming events and I will defer to our Programming Chair for the details in his report.

Our standing meeting schedule is the 2nd Tuesday of the month and will be held this Tuesday, May 8th 6:30pm at Wegmans.

I am grateful for all the support and the Convention Committee's tireless efforts in these great endeavors.

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

a. RACC PROGRAMMING CHAIR REPORT

No Report Submitted, No Discussion.

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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	Ian L. (ALT)	Sun. 7:30 – 8:45 PM	8	35 / 3	\$30.00	-
Who Wants To Live	Amanda M. (REP)	Mon. – Fri. 12 – 1:15 PM	7	75 / 12	\$124.41	-
Attendance is strong!						
In It To Win It	Jay H.	Mon. 7:00 – 8:30 PM	8	20-25 / 3-4	-	-
Standing By Recovery	ABSENT	Tue. 7:30 – 8:30 PM	-	-	-	-
Clean Works	Gabe T.	Wed. 7:00 – 8:15 PM	13	40 / 4	\$50.00	\$84.64
Deidra F. celebrates 22 years on June 6! Group is doing well...donating \$30 to Activities for Spring Picnic.						
Start Living Group	ABSENT	Thu. 7:00 – 8:30 PM	-	-	-	-
Freedom from Bondage / SNL	Joe S. (REP)	Thu. 9–10 PM Sat.10:00PM-?	Several?	-	-	-
Needs Support!						
Welcome to the NAborhood	Corey C.	Thu. 7:00 – 8:30 PM	7	15 / 2	-	-
Michelle C. celebrates 1 year on June 21! All is well.						
Back to Basics	Rudy C. (REP)	Fri. 7:00 – 8:30 PM	10	30 / 10	0	\$125.50
Antoinette B. “New School” celebrates 14 years on May 11! Julie C. celebrates 10 years on July 13!						
Primary Purpose	ABSENT	Sat. & Sun. 12– 1:30 PM	-	-	-	-
Experience, Strength, & Hope	John T.	Sat. 7:00 – 8:15 PM	5	15 / 6	\$25.00	\$99.90
Colonial Beach Survivors	ABSENT	Fri. 7:00 – 8:00 PM	-	-	-	-
New Beginnings of Colonial Beach	ABSENT	Tue. 6:00 – 7:00 PM	-	-	-	-
Alive & Free	Charlie B.	Wed. 8:00 PM & Fri.7:00 PM	10	15-20 / 1	\$100.00	\$84.00

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XVIII. Second Quorum

HOME GROUP NAME	P/A	NAME	POSTION
1. Welcome Home	P	Ian L.	ALT
2. Who Wants to Live	P	Amanda M.	REP
3. In It to Win It	P	Jay H.	GSR
5. Standing By Recovery	A	-	-
6. Clean Works	P	Gabe T.	GSR
7. Start Living Group	A	-	-
8. Freedom from Bondage/SNL	P	Joe S.	REP
9. Welcome to the NAborhood	P	Corey C.	GSR
10. Back to Basic	P	Rudy C.	REP
11. Primary Purpose	A	-	-
12. Experience, Strength & Hope	P	John T.	GSR
13. Colonial Beach Survivors	A	-	-
14. New Beginnings of Colonial Beach	A	-	-
15. Alive & Free	A	-	-

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

XIX. Old Business – Motions From April

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: Abst. – 3, For – 5, Against – 0 **Motion:** **PASSED**

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: Abst. – 3, For – 4, Against – 1 **Motion:** **PASSED**

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: Abst. – 3, For – 4, Against – 1 **Motion:** **PASSED**

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: Abst. – 3, For – 4, Against – 1 **Motion:** **PASSED**

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: Abst. – 4, For – 5, Against – 0 **Motion:** **PASSED**

XX. Open Sharing

P.O. Box for Secretary I – Since this is an item outlined in the duties of the secretary, the key will be made, but a vote will need to be taken because funds will need to be spent to create said key.

Bid for AVCNA – One of the things in our mailbox this month was an announcement that the VRCC is accepting bids to host the AVCNA. Currently, no bid is in place. Bids need to be in place by July 2018. This will be for the 2020 convention. This is not a pressing issue, just an item for discussion for homegroups to have.

Regional Donation – In his monthly RCM report, Richard suggested providing a large one-time donation to the region, inspired by the less than desirable conditions of the recent RSC and GSR Assembly. This donation is highly feasible, considering our current financial standing is well above prudent reserve; so much so that we are currently able to cover the remaining operating expenses for the year as is. The donation would supplement the already budgeted \$500 regional donation that RANA makes every year in the month of August. Richard suggested the amount of \$1000. Donating this amount still leaves us considerable over prudent reserve.

PR Reports/Accountability – A brief discussion was held on the topic of the PR's lack of turning in reports every month, despite the requirement for him to do so. While it's understood that currently the PR and Outreach duties are falling on one man, the requirements of the position are more than holding a subcommittee meeting, and require a report of the monthly duties performed. It was emphasized that this is a particularly important time for PR and Narcotics Anonymous, given the current social climate. While the PR chair has given oral reports, it was noted that the secretary will need to receive a written one from now on for it to be recorded in the minutes.

Literature Ordering/Payment Methods – Erin B., Literature Chair, brought it to attention that the World Services website has stopped taking credit card payments for large orders while the site is being revamped, which has been for quite some time apparently. They are currently accepting PayPal payments, which the area currently does not have. A motion will need to be made allowing an account to be made so that Literature can continue to function. This account will be tied to the area bank account. Current signees of the account will have access to the PayPal account, and will record and report transactions similar to how they did with Literature in the past.

XXI. Elections for Open Positions

XXII. New Business

Motion #5/6-4: Reimburse \$12.57 for paper.

Intent: Self-supporting/Budget

Maker: Robb B.

2nd By: Corey C.

VOTE:

Motion: **BUDGETED**

Motion #5/6-5: (Motion 5/6-5 was redacted and ruled OUT OF ORDER)

Intent:

Maker:

2nd By:

VOTE:

Motion: **OUT OF ORDER**

Motion #5/6-6: That a post office key be purchased in order for the secretary can perform their duties up to \$20.00.

Intent: To perform duties

Maker: Joe S.

2nd By: Ian L.

VOTE: Abst. – 0, For – 8, Against – 0 **Motion:** **PASSED**

Motion #5/6-7: That the area donate \$1,000 to the RSC.

Intent: Carry The Message.

Maker: Joe S.

2nd By: Ian L.

VOTE: Abst. – 4, For – 5, Against – 0 **Motion:** **BACK TO HOMEGROUPS**

Motion #5/6-8: Extend Area.

Intent: To finish.

Maker: Richard M.

2nd By: Ian L.

VOTE: Abst. – 0, For – 6, Against – 2 **Motion:** **PASSED**

Motion #5/6-9: Area make a PayPal account.

Intent: To allow Literature to function.

Maker: Gabe T.

2nd By: Jay H.

VOTE: Abst. – 0, For – 8, Against – 0 **Motion:** **PASSED**

Motion #5/6-10: \$20.00 to Antoinette B.

Intent: To cover cost for duties of VRCC to attend VRCC meeting and represent RANA in all business meetings.

Maker: Gabe T.

2nd By: Rudy C.

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

XXIII. Review of Group Status and Business

The following groups have missed at least 2 consecutive ASC's:

- Standing By Recovery
- New Beginnings of Colonial Beach
- Colonial Beach Survivors Group

XXIV. Adjournment and Serenity Prayer

Submitted to RANA ASC for approval: 9 May 2018 by Secretary I Robb B.

