

STATEN ISLAND AREA SERVICE MEETING

April 12, 2022

*6:59 PM: Opened with a moment of silence, The Serenity Prayer, Service Prayer, Purpose of Area Service, 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts.

*7:07 PM: Read March 2022 minutes.

No corrections. Step Up to the Deck motioned to accept the minutes, Time to Live & Give seconded. Accepted.

*7:19 PM: Roll call for steering/sub-committee attendance taken.

*7:19 PM: First roll call for group service representative's taken, 11 GSR's present.

*7:24 PM: Recognition of new GSR's/groups:

Journey Through the Steps (New Group)

Journey Through the Steps -Janice (GSR)

Together on Sunday-Johnny Sanitation (GSR)

*7:38 PM: 2nd roll call for group service representative's taken, 11 GSR's present.

Steering/Sub-committee Attendance:

Chairperson: Absent

Vice Chair: Late

Secretary: Julia

Treasurer: Dana

Regional Committee Member (RCM): Ray

Policy Chair: Thomas

Public Relations (PR) Chair: Walter

Technology Chair: Jayne

Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) Chair: Lou

Events & Activities (E&A) Chair: Danielle

Homebound Chair: Vacant

Literature Management: Vacant

Speaker Exchange: Absent

*7:26 PM: Sub-committee Reports

Reports Received (attached):

- Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) report given (attachment 1)
No questions. Technology Chair made a motion to accept, Step Up to the Deck seconded. Accepted.
- Treasurer Report given (attachment 2)
No questions. Technology Chair made a motion to accept, Step Up to Learn seconded. Accepted.
- Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report given (attachment 3)
Q: Technology Chair asked if they are still meeting remotely and if he wants the open regional positions & the new motion to change the terminology of clean time "requirements" to "suggestions" to go back to groups.
A: RCM replied yes.
Step Up to the Deck made a motion to accept, Time to Live & Give seconded. Accepted.
- Technology Report given (attachment 4)
No questions. The Real Deal made a motion to accept, Clean Machine seconded. Accepted.



- Literature Management Report given (attachment 5)
No questions. Step Up to the Deck made a motion to accept, The Real Deal seconded. Accepted.
- Policy Report given (attachment 6)
Q: Step Up to the Deck asked for [clarification on what “acclamation”](#) means, and what “abstain” means.
A: Policy Chair said he would look into it.
A: PR Chair said something like this would have to be brought to steering.
Step Up to Learn made a motion to accept, Time to Live & Give seconded. Accepted.

Reports Not Received:

- Events & Activities (E&A) Report given
A: The Technology Chair wanted it noted that they did have a subcommittee meeting with a full committee in attendance & elected multiple positions. Everyone’s pretty new to NA so she’s asking the groups to send support to the E&A committee.
Step Up to the Deck made a motion to accept, Clean Machine seconded. Accepted.
- Public Relations (PR) Report not given...no report
- Speaker Exchange Report not given...no report

***7:54 PM: Old Business:**

None

***7:54PM: New Business, Nominations/Elections, Open Forum:**

Secretary reiterated to the sub-committee members to please email her their reports (as attached documents) to include in the minutes & thanked everyone that sent them last month.

Technology Chair nominated Don Tattoo for RCM. He accepted. Time to Live & Give seconded.

Don presented his qualifications: 33 years clean, working knowledge of the steps and traditions, served at Group/Area/Regional levels, a willingness to serve, has an NA sponsor and a home group.

Q: The Technology Chair asked the RCM if he’s willing to assist Don if he steps up into the position.

A: RCM replied yes.

No-one running against him and the position has been open. Time to Live & Give made a motion to acclaim Don as the RCM. However, due to the ambiguity of the practical application of the term “acclamation”, Get Real on the Avenue opposed the motion to acclaim and this will go back to the groups to get voted on at Area next month.

- Clean Machine made a motion “To increase the Staten Island Area donation to the NY region from \$100 to \$200”.
Intent—To support to NY Region.
Policy Affected—We made policy from 10% to \$100. We want to change it to \$200.
Financial Impact—SIANA is doing well, Region needs support.
Q: Technology Chair asked the RCM what the average Area donations are to Region.
A: RCM replied it’s all different numbers. Some do lump some one-time donations as they can afford it. Some do regular monthly donations.



Q: Time to Live & Give asked if this is intended to be monthly? She also mentioned that it's not in the current policy to give a \$100 donation, it still says 10% of the profit after operating expenses on a monthly basis.

A: The PR Chair said this came up at Steering but we didn't know if the policy reflected the \$100 change that was discussed a very long time ago, and that the Chairperson would look into it further. So maybe we should table this until we get confirmation from Jimmy or the Policy person.

A: The Vice Chair said he remembers when they changed it from 10% to \$100.

A: The Secretary mentioned that it doesn't reflect that in the current policy.

A: Time to Live & Give said that we can just ask the Policy Chair what the current policy says right now.

A: The Policy Chair confirmed that the current policy said did say 10% after all operating expenses on a monthly basis.

Time to Live & Give made a motion to amend: " To change the Staten Island monthly donation to the NY Region from 10% to \$200".

Clean Machine accepts the motion to amend.

Cons: None.

Motion will go back to the groups.

- Clean Machine made a motion "To make a 1 time donation to Region for \$1000".

Intent—To support the NY Region.

Policy Affected—There is no policy for this.

Financial Impact—SIANA is doing well, Region needs support.

Cons: None.

Motion will go back to the groups.

Q: Time to Live & Give asked if you're a Sub-committee Chair can you leave after you give your report?

A: PR Chair said he doesn't think you're supposed to.

A: Vice-Chair said they probably shouldn't leave.

Q: The Technology Chair told Get Real on the Avenue that the 2018 Richmond Avenue location for Immanuel Lutheran Church almost looks like a junkyard on Google Maps. The 2024 Richmond Avenue is the only link that redirects to the church. Since the church uses both addresses, can we use the one that's on the list (2024).

A: Get Real on the Avenue said he doesn't see a problem with that. He was just worried about if there's ever an insurance claim and we have the wrong address down (the 2024 is the rectory, the 2018 is the church the meeting is held inside), that we won't be covered. But he will go back to his contact at the church to discuss further and make any updates to the list next month.

*8:10 PM: The Policy Chair motioned to close, Step Up to the Deck seconded. The PR Chair closed the meeting with a moment of silence and The Serenity Prayer.



GROUP NAME	GSR NAME (1st role call)	GSR NAME (2nd role call)
Alive @ 6 in St George	Absent	Absent
Back to Basics	Absent	Absent
By the Book	Absent	Absent
Carrying the Message	Absent	Absent
Clean Machine	Debbie	-----
Clean on the Bay	Absent	Absent
Clean Times	Mike	-----
Crystal Clean on Victory	Absent	Absent
Easy as 1, 2, 3	Kat	-----
Eltingville at 8	Temporarily Closed	Temporarily Closed
Freedom on Friday	Temporarily Closed	Temporarily Closed
Get Real on the Avenue	Joey Baba	-----
Journey Through the Steps	Janice	-----
Listen to Learn	Temporarily Closed	Temporarily Closed
Men Working it Out	Absent	Absent
Not Just for Women Only	Absent	Absent
Principles on Sunday	Temporarily Closed	Temporarily Closed
Port of Recovery	Temporarily Closed	Temporarily Closed
Recovery by the Water	Absent	Absent
Recovery on the Island	Absent	Absent
Recovery on the Boulevard	Absent	Absent
Recovery Room	Temporarily Closed	Temporarily Closed
Sanity on Sunday	Temporarily Closed	Temporarily Closed
Saturday Morning Wakeup	Vinny	-----
Saturday Surrender	Absent	Absent
Spiritual Kindergarten	Absent	Absent
Steps to Freedom	Absent	Absent
Step Up to Learn	Henry	-----



GROUP NAME	GSR NAME (1st role call)	GSR NAME (2nd role call)
Step Up to the Deck	George P	-----
Sunday at 2:30	Temporarily Closed	Temporarily Closed
The Journey	Temporarily Closed	Temporarily Closed
The Message is Hope	Absent	Absent
The Real Deal	Pat	-----
Time to Live and Give	Ellen	-----
Together on Sunday	John Sanitation	-----
Who, What, Why	Temporarily Closed	Temporarily Closed
Y We Recover	Absent	Absent



April 2022 Announcements

- *-Spiritual Kindergarten will remain open for the next month. TRUSTED SERVANTS ARE NEEDED—ALL COMMITMENTS ARE OPEN. If there are no commitments taken by the end of the month the meeting is in jeopardy of closing, and a vote to do so will commence at May's business meeting.
- *-Step Up to the Deck needs support and has the Secretary position vacant.
- *-Time to Live & Give needs trusted servants and has a new format.
- *-The Real Deal needs trusted servants.
- *-Vacant Area positions that need to be filled: Treasurer, PR Chair, RCM, Literature Management, Homebound Chair.
- *-Spread the word WE NEED GSR'S TO ATTEND AREA!
- *-Policy meetings will be held every 4th Monday at 7:30pm, E&A meetings every 3rd Thursday at 7pm, Technology meetings every 4th Tuesday at 7pm, ALL using the Area Zoom ID (873 9476 7292). All are welcome...come get involved!
- *-Merchandise is for sale! Contact Jimmy Tugboat for more details: 347.996.2441

Anniversaries:

- *-April 16, 2022
Ann 17 years, Lincoln 16 years @ Carrying the Message
- *-April 18, 2022
Don 4 years @ Clean Machine
- *-April 23, 2022
Chris Caddy 26 years @ Saturday Surrender
- *-April 30, 2022
Laura 1 year @ Back to Basics
- *-May 14, 2022
Ellen 8 years, Sal 12 years @ Back to Basics
- *-May 31, 2022
Danielle S 6 years @ Clean Times
- *-May 31, 2022
Mike S 14 years @ Get Real on the Avenue
- *-June 26, 2022
Johnny Sanitation 18 years, Jeff 26 years @ Together on Sunday.

For more anniversaries keep coming!



H&I vice chair is now open all commitments are in person atc is only allowing 2 people as of now till further notice h&I will supply updated meeting list and literature

Treasurer Report April 12, 2022

1. Bank Balance as of 4/12/22: \$ \$11,702.86

Checks written to:

2. \$100 to GNYRSC- donation
3. \$139 to American Self Storage
4. \$29.98 to Jessie Zoom
5. \$130.00 Area Rent (March and April)
6. \$78.39- Literature Management- Printing at Staples

Prudent Reserve (will be getting revised) \$5,350.

Operating Expenses: \$4,971.69 (*This is the balance after you deduct money set aside for prudent reserve, E&A, all checks written out that have yet to clear and includes incoming monies not yet reflected in bank balance*).

We now have a Venmo account, and you may now send contributions via Venmo SI Area NA @NAtreasurer. Please also use the Venmo account to pay for literature purchases.

Donations

- Clean Machine: \$100
- Easy as 1,2,3: \$34 & \$21 (2 months)
- Steps to Freedom: \$79
- Message is Hope: \$57
- Carrying the Message: \$20
- Recovery by the Water: \$38
- Step Up to The Deck: \$46.25
- Back to Basics: \$150
- Clean Times: \$25

Total: \$570.25

Literature Orders

- Get Real on the Avenue: \$67.25
- Easy as 1,2,3: \$31
- Clean Machine: \$25 & \$20
- Step up to the deck: \$44.75
- Message is Hope: \$12
- Recovery by the Water: \$62.85
- Saturday Surrender: \$163
- Crystal Clean on Victory: \$75.10
- Clean Times: \$25

Total: \$ 525.95

Total for donations and literature for March: \$1,096.20

Please e-mail me at SIANAtreasurer1953@gmail.com with any questions.

In loving service,

Dana S.

RCM REPORT TO AREA APRIL 12, 2022

REGIONAL ELECTIONS: Susanna: Assistant Treasure voted in as assistant treasurer

VACANT POSITIONS AT REGION:

POLICY CHAIR, ASSISTANT SECRETARY, H&I CHAIR, HELPLINE VICE CHAIR.

RSO REPORT: We have revised a new office schedule. The office will now be open Monday through Saturday and will be closed on Sundays. The new schedule will allow for more flexible times to accommodate members wishing to purchase literature and other items. The new schedule will be posted on our website (www.newyorkna.org). Schedule attached.

UPCOMING REGIONAL EVENTS:

Revising the IP #21 The loner staying clean in isolation to get involved go to www.na.org/survey it will help with suggestions for changes in the IP

Electronic version of Just for Today has been published. You can find it on www.na.org/elit. All other books are available this way

REGIONAL CONCERNS: Insurance, groups in our region have been questioning why virtual groups need to pay insurance. It was explained by the RSO that the regional insurance policy is by a geographical area and not by individual in person groups. Since it is the area that pays the insurance premium to region if groups in the area do not donate it actually increases the cost for all meetings.

Why should we care about insurance?

Most facilities today have insurance policies that do not extend coverage to organizations to whom they rent their facilities. Often, this is a requirement from their own insurance policies. As a result, facilities can refuse to rent or lend their available spaces, unless given specific, verifiable assurance of insurance coverage. This coverage would apply to any accidents, injuries, or damage that may occur while their facility is in use by another organization (like an NA Group or Event/Activity).

What kind of insurance assurance / policy is required? These types of policies are called "General Liability Insurance".

What is General Liability Insurance? A standard insurance policy issued to business organizations to protect them against liability claims for bodily injury (BI) and property damage (PD) arising out of premises, operations, products, and completed operations; and advertising and personal injury (PI) liability

How do Groups obtain this coverage?

Because it is very expensive to obtain this coverage on a per-Group basis, the Greater New York Region maintains this insurance policy, through its Regional Service Office, providing this coverage to all the meetings listed as GNYR meetings.

Who pays for the insurance?

Each Area identifying itself as a member of the Greater New York Region pays a monthly amount that is part of the total premium, and is based on the number of meetings that identify themselves as members of that Area. At the July Regional session, the RCMs are

Grab Bags

Who doesn't love a surprise? We have grab bags of merchandise from previous World Conventions and other events for sale at www.na.org/webstore. These make great auction and raffle items for events. They cost \$25 for one (Item #1001) and \$50 for three (Item #1001B), and each bag has at least \$50 of merchandise—shirts, hats, pins.... Some items are new; some are vintage.

You can find them listed in the Exciting Deals section of the Catalog drop-down menu in our webstore.

New Instagram Account for Events: To celebrate reaching more than 10,000 followers on [@narcoticsanonymous](https://www.instagram.com/narcoticsanonymous), we started a new Instagram account [@naglobalevents](https://www.instagram.com/naglobalevents) dedicated exclusively to area, regional, zonal, and world events. Send flyers to naglobalevents@na.org and we will post them on Insta and our webpage www.na.org/events.

We can feature event flyers as main posts on [@naglobalevents](https://www.instagram.com/naglobalevents), not just as stories and highlights, as we did on [@narcoticsanonymous](https://www.instagram.com/narcoticsanonymous). For now, we will post events on both accounts, but when [@naglobalevents](https://www.instagram.com/naglobalevents) has more followers, we plan to just use that account for event listings. Having an account dedicated to events will free up the stories and highlights on [@narcoticsanonymous](https://www.instagram.com/narcoticsanonymous) for clickable items such as new inventory items, new material on the virtual meetings page, audio Basic Texts, and so on. At more than 10,000 followers, we can now include live links on stories and highlights.

Follow our main account [@narcoticsanonymous](https://www.instagram.com/narcoticsanonymous) for news and announcements from World Services and [@naglobalevents](https://www.instagram.com/naglobalevents) for flyers from around the world.

New Sponsorship Medallions: We have a new sponsorship medallion available at www.na.org/webstore. Search for item #9603 or for "Sponsorship Medallion." This full-color medallion with the Group Logo fits easily inside a card envelope, and is a simple way to say thank you.

TREASURERS REPORT:

HELPLINE REPORT:

HELPLINE HAS REQUESTED THAT THEIR WEBSITE BE ADDED TO OUR MINUTES. THE WEBSITE IS helpline@newyorkna.org. THEY NEED TO BE NOTIFIED WHEN NEW MEETINGS BEGIN OR MEETINGS CLOSE SO THE BMLT CAN BE UPDATED. THEY RECEIVE CALLS FROM AROUND THE WORLD FROM MEMBERS VISITING NEW YORK AND WANT TO PROVIDE UPDATED MEETING LISTS AND FORMAT CODES.

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requested by the Region to ask their Areas to ensure that their Area's section of the online Regional meeting list is up to date so that the Region has an accurate count of the number of meetings per Area. The sum total is then given to the Insurance Agent who calculates the total yearly premium based on the number of meetings. That information is then given to the Treasurer of the Regional Service Office, who calculates each Area's portion based on the number of meetings in their Area and divides it into 10 (ten) monthly payments. The Areas must begin paying in October (our policy runs yearly from October to October).

Why do Groups need to obtain an Insurance Certificate?

Your meeting may be covered by the GNYR's Insurance Policy but the facility in which your group meets may require proof of this before they allow you to use or continue using their facility.

REGIONAL CONCERNS

At the Region we have also had difficulty filling some positions. On several occasions we had candidates who were well qualified but did not meet the clean time requirements. To circumvent this we made appointments or took a vote to elect the nominee anyway. A better way moving forward might be to change the wording in the policy guidelines from a specific cleantime to a suggested cleantime. The nomination could then go to the areas and the decision to elect or not, could be made based on the overall suitability of the candidate. As it stands the nomination process stalls at the regional level if the required cleantime is not met.

MOTIONS: Motion was made to change clean time requirements for Regional positions to suggested clean time requirements.

Intent: To be able to fill regional level positions more easily.

REGIONAL MEETING: May 14, 2022

REGIONAL DELEGATE REPORT: Attached

NAWS:

The first week in June every year is PR week. This year's dates are 5–11 June 2022. We encourage every service body to commit to at least one PR-related activity this week. PR Week is a great time to raise awareness about PR service within NA and to increase our visibility and strengthen our relationships with the public. You can find more information about PR week including ideas for activities here: www.na.org/pract and flyers here: www.na.org/events, and more information about PR week is here: www.na.org/pr_act.

Let us know what you have planned: pr@na.org

Office Hours

April 2022 RSO Store and Local Pickup Hours

"C" indicates closed

Please call (212-929-7117) before visiting

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3 C	4 8-12	5 5-7	6 C	7 9-1 4-7	8 9-12	9 12-2
10 C	11 8-12	12 5-7:30	13 9-12	14 4-7	15 9-12	16 9-12
17 C	18 8-12	19 5-7	20 9-12	21 9-1 4-7	22 9-12	23 12-2
24 C	25 8-12	26 5-7:30	27 9-12	28 4-7	29 9-12	30 9-12

Technology Report 4/13

The technology committee meets the 4th Tuesday of the month 7:00PM Zoom ID 873 9476 7292.

We will continue editing the tri fold printable list. The list will be updated and added to the website the day after the Area service meeting. It will be dated to assist groups with having the most updated meeting info.

We ask that all changes please be sent to SIANAwebsite@gmail.com ASAP

Please include DAY OF THE WEEK , TIME , MEETING NAME , LOCATION, FORMAT and any other information your group would like us to add.

You can also message us directly from the website. Please update your meetings with NA.org as well.

We ask that you have patience with the printable meeting list updates. We will try to accommodate the best we can.

That being said; Our website has a meeting tab located at the top of the page. The drop down menu includes up to the minute updates.

And also ties in to our Staten Island Tabbed search through the GNYRNA. These lists can be updated within minutes of notification. We urge you to check the website www.NA-SI.org if you question any info on the printable meeting list.

If your group needs a flyer please let us know. We can create almost anything.

If you have experience with the virtual platform, websites, technology, adobe, and would like to be of service, please come to our sub-committee meeting. If you do not have experience and would like to learn PLEASE COME TO THE MEETING!

VIRTUAL LIAISON POSITION - Duties: to serve as a liaison between virtual and in person service meetings. The position is to set up the in-person side of area service and steering; This may also include any events that are hybrid. Suggested 6 months clean time - an understanding of virtual /hybrid platforms.

Our website is always changing. Keep checking back.

In loving service
Jayne Technology Chair



**SINA AREA LITERATURE REPORT
MARCH 2022**

MONEY PAID FOR:
PRINTING MEETING LISTS
TOTAL: \$78.00

ALL GROUPS – PLEASE NOTE:

GROUPS CAN GET THEIR LITERATURE ORDERS BY:

- 1) MAKING ARRANGEMENTS TO MEET ME AT A MEETING
- 2) PICKING IT UP AT MY HOME
- 3) COMING TO AREA SERVICE MEETING *****IF YOU ARE PICKING IT UP AT AREA SERVICE, PLEASE SUBMIT ORDER **BEFORE AREA SERVICE MEETING** BY CONTACTING ME WITH THE LITERATURE ORDER; I WILL FILL IT AND BRING IT TO AREA SERVICE*****

*****PLEASE NOTE: THE REASON WE HAVE TO FILL THE ORDER BEFORE AREA SERVICE IS DUE TO NOT HAVING STORAGE AT THE FACILITY. THE ONLY WAY TO PICK UP AN ORDER AT AREA IS TO CONTACT ME IN ADVANCE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING*****

ALL GSR'S PLEASE CHECK YOUR MEETINGS ON THE MEETING LIST AND UPDATE ACCORDINGLY TO KEEP OUR MEETING INFORMATION CURRENT ON THE WEBSITE AS WELL AS MEETING LIST.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

WALTER
917-447-0912

POLICY REPORT:

THE Policy Committee will meet on Monday, March 25, 2022. Anyone is invited to attend. Please see the flyer on the website with information on how to log in to the meeting. We will be utilizing the Zoom platform, ID number 3741210186 PW 00000. Our agenda remains the same, we will continue to review the policy to determine the need for any updates, organizing the policy so that it will be “user friendly.” Once completed will we report to area. In loving service.

Thomas