

## AREA SERVICE MINUTES

ATTENDEES: Thomas – Area Chair, Jimmy – Vice Chair, Jessica – H&I Chair, Jesse – Technology Chair, Dana- Area Treasurer, Walter – PR Chair, Tim R – Convention Chair, Desiree – Area Secretary

Meeting opened @ 7pm with **Serenity Prayer**

14 GSRS Present

July's Minutes Accepted/Passed

Reports Given By:       **H&I Chair** – attached  
                                  **Convention Chair** – attached  
                                  **PR Chair** – attached  
                                  **Technology Chair** – attached  
                                  **Area Treasurer** – attached

14 GSRs Present

**Area Vice Chair** urged GSRs to submit information about their meeting space so that SIAS website can be updated.

### Questions/Discussion

**RECOVERY ROOM** – Raised a question to Technology Chair, How should I report the meeting status? It will open eventually but is closed until further notice?

**Technology Chair** – We can update as status changes. Need meetings to update me when status changes so that I may update website.

**Area Chair** – Communication is key to keep information flowing.

**Leonna** – Would like to know how to open a virtual meeting? Julia ans. A lot of info on NA.org

**Area Chair** – Updated body that meeting place that Area currently uses is closing and we must find another available space that can house Area and the Steering committee. Any suggestions or ideas are welcome. In the meantime, we will continue to meet virtually. This will affect the Sunday and Wednesday night meetings.

**PR Chair** – We have three (3) lockers in the current meeting space, when do we have to move them? **Area Chair** – we will get more information shortly and will let you know.

**CARRYING THE MESSAGE** – Where will the lockers go? **Area Chair** – Storage Unit.

**CLEAN TIMES** – No longer a Hybrid meeting. We meet on Tuesdays @ 8pm with 40 people in attendance

**Convention Chair** asked **REAL DEAL GSR**, Did you speak to anyone in charge of your meeting space? There are concerns that because of the activities this particular meeting space is involved in i.e. Food pantry, Clothing drives etc... and the fact that three (3) members of NA who made this meeting died, maybe the trusted servants want to know what precautions they are putting in place to protect people who use this space from the virus. **REAL DEAL GSR** stated, we will contact Joe to get information.

### **Area Nominations**

**Area Chair** – Nominations to be voted on tonight are: Area Chair, Area Vice Chair, H&I Chair, Speaker Exchange, Homebound Chair and Policy Chair.

Thomas was nominated for Area Chair (currently serving in this position) he accepted the nomination and gave his qualifications (attached).

Jimmy was nominated for Area Vice Chair (currently serving in this position) he accepted the nomination and gave his qualifications (attached).

Jessica was nominated for H&I Chair (currently serving in this position) she accepted the nomination and gave her qualifications (attached).

Jesse B was nominated for Homebound Chair. He accepted the nomination and gave his qualifications (attached)

Ellen was nominated for Policy Chair. Declined the nomination. No one else was nominated.

**PR Chair** – We need to get our donation button setup so that we can follow the tradition of donating to Area, Area to Region and Region to the World.

**Area Chair** – Will work with Technology Chair to get button setup.

### **Further Discussion**

**Denis** - Is there something that says you can't turn on the camera because it's a Hybrid meeting? **PR Chair** ans. No the meeting can not record but the camera can be turned on.

**Area Vice Chair** urged the body to please reach out to people and get information to us so we can reach out to meetings that are not showing up to Area. Maybe meetings have no trusted servants and we may be able to help. He further stated, I applaud the efforts of SIASC.

**Julia** – What is the maximum capacity? Was told we have to follow the law and not the facility. **Area Chair** – 15 to 20 people can occupy large space. **Area Vice Chair** – Per law 33% of capacity but we must also follow what facility is saying as well. Most meetings are following procedures. **Area Chair** – it's one of the reason why we ask new meetings to get in touch with PR so they can open safely. We must respect the facility and CDC guidelines.

**RECOVERY ROOM** – Has anyone had issues with over capacity? And as things get a bit more lacks, who would be the person to enforce these restrictions? **Area Vice Chair**- I try to stay in touch with trusted servants of various meetings to gauge this issue so far no problems have been reported. The trusted servants of each group would have to enforce these rules.

**PR Chair** – We go with what State/facilities say. Meetings should have this plan in place before restarting. As far as capacity it's 33% but most facilities are saying they want half the capacity.

**Area Chair** – Groups are going to have to set up policy for handling over capacity. We encourage PR to spread the word.

**Area Vice Chair** – Staten Island Area website has this information available it has been there for months.

Meeting closed @ 8:35pm

### UPCOMING ANNIVERSARIES

10/23	Mike T	1Yr	STEPS TO FREEDOM
11/27	Richie The Plumber	3YRs	STEPS TO FREEDOM
11/27	PAUL S	3Yrs	