

STATEN ISLAND AREA SERVICE MEETING

September 13, 2022

*7:00 PM: Opened with a moment of silence, Serenity Prayer, Service Prayer, Purpose of Area Service, 12 Traditions & 12 Concepts.

*7:07 PM: Read August 2022 minutes.

Correction: Vice-Chair said the text he sent to Chairperson about rescinding his acceptance of the nomination was supposed to be announced at August steering, not this month's Area meeting.

Correction: PR Chair asked if there was an answer to the Secretary's question about if we can mobile deposit money orders.

Chairperson knows the bank will physically take money orders. We don't accept checks.

Question still not answered.

Correction: PR Chair said we don't use the \$2000 E&A revolving fund towards our annual free event. As per policy, 50% of the profit made from each event thrown is set aside to fund the picnic.

Time to Live & Give said the \$2000 is "seed money" that they can use towards any event, but they have to give us a budget. 50% of the events profit goes towards the set-aside that we use towards the free picnic. If that set-aside money isn't enough for what they need for the picnic, E&A has to make a motion to ask the remaining money they need.

Step Up to the Deck motioned to accept, Time to Live & Give seconded. Accepted.

*7:28 PM: Roll call for steering/sub-committee attendance taken.

Steering		Sub-committee	
Chairperson	Jimmy	Public Relations (PR) Chair	Lequida
Vice Chair	Absent	Technology Chair	Jayne
Secretary	Julia	Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) Chair	Louie
Treasurer	Vacant	Literature Chair	Walter
Assistant Treasurer	Vacant	Events & Activities (E&A) Chair	Danielle
Regional Committee Member (RCM)	Don Tattoo	Homebound Chair	Vacant
Assistant RCM	Vacant	Speaker Exchange Chair	Vacant
Policy Chair	Thomas		

*7:29 PM: 1st roll call for group service representative's taken, 15 GSR's present.

*7:33 PM: Recognition of new GSR's/groups

- New GSR: GSR for We, Not I
- New Group: We, Not I

*7:39 PM: **Sub-committee Reports**

- Events & Activities (E&A) (on mtg but not able to talk), Report given by Technology Chair (*attachment 1*)
- Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) given (*attachment 2*)



Discussion:

-Not Just for Women Only asked how many commitments are open.

-H&I replied 3 commitments.

-PR Chair asked how many commitments are there in total.

-H&I Chair replied 5.

Time to Live & Give motioned to accept, Carrying the Message seconded. Accepted.

● Literature Report given (*attachment 3*)

-Step Up to the Deck said we can also give Walter a money order to forward to the Treasurer.

Step Up to the Deck motioned to accept, Carrying the Message seconded. Accepted.

● Policy Report given (*attachment 4*)

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

● Public Relations (PR) Report given (*attachment 5*)

No questions. Clean Machine motioned to accept, Carrying the Message seconded. Accepted.

● Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report given (*attachment 6*)

No questions. Step Up to the Deck motioned to accept, Together on Sunday seconded. Accepted.

● Technology Report given (*attachment 7*)

No questions. Back to Basics motioned to accept, Clean on Catherine seconded. Accepted.

● Treasurer (vacant), Report given by Chairperson (*attachment 8*)

Discussion:

-PR Chair asked who is creating the Treasurer's report.

-Chairperson replied Dana is still on the account and creating the Treasurer's report until there is a new Treasurer.

-PR Chair asked how many people do we need right now to move money.

-Chairperson said Troy, Thomas & Dana are the current account holders. When there is a new Treasurer we have to change the names on the bank account and Venmo. Due to the way Venmo works, only one person can be associated with the account by their phone number...we haven't found a way to add more than one person on the electronic accounts.

-The Technology Chair said with our bank account we can withdraw money with two signatures. But with virtual the money is transferred, and the account is under one phone number. When it comes to anything virtual (Venmo, Zelle, Cash App, etc.), the account is associated with one phone number. You cannot use a Google number or any virtual phone number.

-Shanda said no one person should be responsible for the Area's funds.

-The Technology Chair said using an EIN# should take care of all of these issues, as we are a business, not a non-profit.

-Time to Live & Give said in the policy it says that checks written out require 2 signatures and were completed ONLY at Area by the close of business. She suggested that outgoing expenses such as paying bills/sending checks should be done traditionally with the 2 signature bank account, but incoming money from donations, literature etc. could still be taken via Venmo.

● Hybrid Ad-Hoc Report given (*attachment 9*)

Discussion:



-Step Up to the Deck asked if there is a projected start date for “hybrid” (meaning both sides can see each other).

-Ad-hoc Chair replied she can bring her own personal equipment to Area next month as a trial. She would like the Area to purchase this equipment at some point for the Virtual Liaison to use going forward. The ad-hoc committee determined this was feasible and she would like the Technology subcommittee to take over.

-Chairperson says we’re going to stay hybrid 6 months so we can figure this out.
Back to Basics motioned to accept, Together on Sunday seconded. Accepted.

*9:00 PM: 2nd roll call for group service representative’s taken, 16 GSR’s present.

*9:00 PM: **Old Business:** (Average of last 3 month’s GSR’s is 15. Quorum is 10)

- Motion One (no vote, as the ad-hoc committee that was appointed in August is figuring out logistics)

Motion Maker: Back to Basics

Motion: Staten Island Area Steering and Area service meetings be held hybrid (in person and virtually) for as long as the Staten Island Area have groups meeting virtually.

Intent: In accordance with concepts each member should be allowed to fully participate in the decision making process.

By having the service meetings hybrid all members would have that access.

Concepts Referenced:

7. All members of a service body bear substantial responsibility for that body’s decisions and should be allowed to fully participate in its decision-making processes.

8. Our service structure depends on the integrity and effectiveness of our communications.

Financial Impact: \$15.00/month, which the Area has paid the last 2 years.

Policy Affected: We have no policy on the issue-We have no policy on Area service or Steering meeting hybrid. This would become policy and would need 2/3 votes to pass.

Clean Times said the ad-hoc committee answered his question.

The ad-hoc committee has provided answers on this motion. It will be voted on next month.

- Motion Two

Motion Maker: Steps to Freedom

Motion: Put into policy that all Area level commitments, including sub-committees must attend Steering and Area in person.

Amended Motion: Put into policy that all Steering Committee members must attend Steering in person, and all sub-committee Chairs/Steering committee members must attend Area service in person.

Intent: To bring unity to the Area. We believe that business can be conducted much more effectively if all committees attend and meet in person. We would like to see Area and Steering eventually meeting in person, doing away with the hybrid format.

Tradition #1 Our common welfare should come 1st; personal recovery depends on NA unity.

Policy affected: None- no policy currently in place. This would be new policy.

Financial impact: None, as there is one Zoom account for the Area being used by meetings and sub-committees.

-Motion maker isn’t in attendance...motion dies due to lack of support.



***9:05 PM: Nominations/Elections:** (Average of last 3 month's GSR's is 15. Quorum is 8)

- Technology Chair nominated Shanda for Vice-Chair. She respectfully declined.
- George P was nominated in August for Homebound Chair. No other nominations. No questions.

VOTE: Yay: 11, Nay: 0, Abstain: 1

Congratulations George! 🥳🥳🥳

- Pinky was nominated in August for Speaker Exchange. No other nominations. No questions.

VOTE: Yay: 11, Nay: 0, Abstain: 1

Congratulations Pinky! 🥳🥳🥳

- The current Vice-Chair was nominated in July for a second term. No questions, as the current Vice-Chair wasn't in attendance. His nomination is now off the table.
- Pat was nominated for Treasurer in July. No other nominations. No questions.

VOTE: Yay: 11, Nay: 0, Abstain: 0

Congratulations Pat! 🥳🥳🥳

***9:20 PM: New Business:**

- Chairperson created an ad-hoc committee to work on the policy and appointed Ellen as the Chair to work on this with Thomas. She accepted.
- GSR Learning Day (free food, educating GSR's on their responsibilities & what they're allowed to do). E&A will organize.
- GSR Workshop (informal discussion 1/2 hr or 1 hr prior each Area meeting about service). Secretary will put in minutes.

***9:30 PM: Announcements/Anniversaries/Open Floor Sharing:**

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.

***9:31 PM:** Literature Chair motioned to close, Shanda seconded. Clean on Catherine closed the meeting with a moment of silence and The Serenity Prayer.

	GROUP NAME	TYPE	GSR NAME (1st role call)	GSR NAME (2nd role call)
1	Alive @ 6 in St George	<i>Virtual</i>	Jose	Jose
2	Back to Basics	<i>Virtual</i>	Laura	Laura
3	By the Book	<i>In-person</i>	Jessica	Jessica
4	Carrying the Message	<i>In-person</i>	Lincoln	Absent
5	Clean Machine	<i>In-person</i>	Debbie	Debbie
6	Clean on Catherine	<i>In-person</i>	Absent	Victor
7	Clean Times	<i>In-person</i>	Lester	Lester



	GROUP NAME	TYPE	GSR NAME (1st role call)	GSR NAME (2nd role call)
8	Crystal Clean on Victory	<i>In-person</i>	Absent	Absent
9	Easy as 1, 2, 3	<i>In-person</i>	Kat	Kat
10	Get Real on the Avenue	<i>In-person</i>	Absent	Absent
11	Journey Through the Steps	<i>Virtual</i>	Absent	Absent
12	Manic Mondays	<i>In-person</i>	Absent	Absent
13	Men Working it Out	<i>Virtual</i>	Absent	Denis
14	Not Just for Women Only	<i>Virtual</i>	Ron D	Ron D
15	Recovery on the Island	<i>Virtual</i>	Absent	Absent
16	Saturday Morning Wakeup	<i>In-person</i>	Absent	Absent
17	Saturday Surrender	<i>In-person</i>	Cody	Cody
18	Spiritual Kindergarten	<i>In-person</i>	Absent	Absent
19	Steps to Freedom	<i>In-person</i>	Absent	Absent
20	Step Up to Learn	<i>In-person</i>	Absent	Absent
21	Step Up to the Deck	<i>In-person</i>	George P	George P
22	The Message is Hope	<i>In-person</i>	Absent	Absent
23	The Real Deal	<i>Virtual</i>	Pat	Pat
24	Time to Live and Give	<i>Virtual</i>	Ellen	Ellen
25	Together on Sunday	<i>In-person</i>	Johnny Sanitation	Johnny Sanitation
26	We, Not I	<i>Virtual</i>	Andrew	Andrew
27	Y We Recover	<i>In-person</i>	Frankie	Frankie



September 2022 Announcements

- *-NEW MTG, "We, Not I", meets Wednesdays at 7pm. Zoom ID: 890 7481 3290. PW: 00000
- *-Clean Machine has all positions open.
- *-Step Up To The Deck needs a GSR.
- *-The Message is Hope needs a GSR.
- *-Manic Mondays needs a GSR.
- *-Area positions open for nominations: Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, RCM, Assistant RCM, Secretary, Policy Chair, E&A, PR Chair, H&I Chair, Literature Chair & Technology Chair.
- *-Spread the word WE NEED GSR'S TO ATTEND AREA!
- *-PR meetings will be held every 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm, 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 [Zoom ID: 374 121 0186](#), PW: [00000](#). All are welcome...come get involved!
- *-H&I/PR Learning Day Tuesday, September 20th, 7pm, 2329 Victory Blvd (All Saints Church)
- *-The RCM will be at Area 1/2 hr early (6:30pm) if anyone has any questions about the motions from region or anything pertaining to the GSR & Alt-GSR positions. All are welcome of course!

Anniversaries:

- *-September 17, 2022
Michelle 24 years @ Carrying the Message
- *-September 17, 2022
Jayne 32 years @ Back to Basics
- *-September 17, 2022
Anthony Furniture 20 years @ By the Book
- *-September 28, 2022
Frankie Four 1st Miracle year @ Y We Recover
- *-September 17, 2022
Michelle 24 years @ Carrying the Message
- *-October 2, 2022
Frankie Fence 15 years, Justin 3 years @ Together on Sunday
- *-October 15, 2022
Diane M 26 years, Sameerah 33 years @ Carrying the Message
- *-October 18, 2022
Norman 40 years @ Clean Times
- *-October 29, 2022
James DNA 14 years @ Saturday Surrender
- *-November 15, 2022
Lester 2 years @ Clean Times
- *-November 26, 2022
Lenora R 31 years, Derek R 19 years @ Carrying the Message
- *-November 27, 2022
Rob R 1st miracle year, Paul S 5 years @ Together on Sunday
- *-December 17, 2022
Sunshine 3 years @ Carrying the Message

For more anniversaries keep coming!



E and A September Report

9/19

Everything for the picnic is moving along smoothly.

Food is being purchased to be prepared

We have donations & volunteers and any one willing to donate anything else or their time will be gratefully accepted

We're getting snacks for H&I PI learning to be delivered

We're talking about a SSR

~~Planning~~ Traditions work shop
We are ready to start planning the Gratitude dance next sub committee meeting.

in loving service
Danielle

Hospitals & Institutions Report (September 2022)

Vice chair is no longer vacant.

learning day is Sept 20 all commitments are going in h&I needs support

Literature (September 2022)

\$65.95 for Literature. Get in touch with me if you need literature. And try to have someone have Venmo in your group

Walter

POLICY REPORT:

THE Policy Committee meets virtually on the Zoom platform the fourth Monday of the month, Zoom ID number 374 1210186 PW 00000. Anyone can attend and participate in helping to shape the policy of our Area. Our agenda continues to be the same, we are fixing the typographical errors that are in the current policy, organize the Policy to be an easier read so information can be found to answer questions regarding policy. The Policy Chair now was an area email address you can find It on the website. The area Chair has appointed the start of a Policy Ad-hoc committee. Ellen will be the chair. The focus of the Ad-hoc committee is to develop new policy to present to the body regarding virtual meetings and other immediate issues for conducting area business. Contact Ellen or myself if you to participate in the re-shaping of our Policy.

**In Loving Service
Thomas**



Staten Island Area Narcotics Anonymous



**THE 1ST WEDNESDAY OF
EACH MONTH @ 7:00PM
ZOOM ID 374 121 0186
PW 00000**

PR CHAIR : LEQUIDA

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Public Relations Committee Report Staten Island Area Narcotics Anonymous

September 7th 2022

Meeting opened at 7pm unfortunately no one in attendance.

1. Brief discussion about Social Media and how it can benefit/assist with carrying the message (a more detailed discussion to be scheduled for a later date)
2. SI PR subcommittee monthly meeting scheduled for the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7pm next meeting October 5th all are welcome
3. Walter will represent PR at the upcoming SI H&I / PR learning day
4. PR flier attached for distribution to the fellowship
5. Attended regional PR meeting 9/8/22 at 7:30pm only SIPR chair and Brooklyn chair joined
 - a) Introductions occurred
 - b) The Greater New York Regional PR commitment is up in December 2022 all nominations must be submitted for consideration by November 2022. If there is an interested party from SIASC we can give the nomination to our RCM. Note: Greater New York meeting meets every other month virtually
 - c) Service Resume to be submitted on form

In Loving service

Lequida L.

RCM Report 9/13/2022

I attended the regional meeting on Saturday the 10th.

I have attached any information for groups as far as voting is concerned. There are some nominations for Regional positions which have been seconded and now come to the groups to vote upon. The qualifications for each nominee will be attached to the report. Next month I will be taking the groups conscience for voting.

Below are some upcoming events in and around our area with printable flyers.

UPCOMING EVENTS (see flyers below for more details!):

- [Unity Picnic](#) (Staten Island Area) September 18th, 2022 (10 am - 6 pm)
- [H&I + PR Learning Day](#) (Staten Island Area) September 20th, 2022 (7 pm)
- [Open Arms Convention](#) (October 7 - 9th, 2022)
- [H&I Learning Day](#) (Brooklyn Area) November 5th, 2022 (12 - 2 pm)
- [Multi Regional Learning Event](#) (December 16 - 18th, 2022) in South Portland, ME

Here are the nominations for all positions at region

September Resumes (click to download document)

[GNYRSC Chair - Brad T.](#)
[GNYRSC Vice Chair - Kat D.](#)
[GNYRSC Secretary - Chanterelle R.](#)
[GNYRSC Treasurer - Ed W.](#)
[GNYRSC Policy Chair - Shane D.](#)
[GNYRSC PR Chair - Wilvena](#)
[GNYRSC Helpline Chair - Maureen O.](#)
[GNYRSC Webservant - Arya B.](#)
[GNYRSC RD - Tom L.](#)
[GNYRSC RDA - Maurice S.](#)
[GNYRSO BOD - Alphonso T.](#)
[GNYRSO BOD - Rob A.](#)
[GNYRSO BOD - Lea H.](#)

Here are the 3 motions to be voted upon by the groups for the November regional service meeting.

[GNYRSC Term Length Proposal Motion](#)

The first 2 motions concern the Regional delegates term of service. Because of the pandemic the world service conference has changed their schedule which no longer coincides with the 2 year commitment

[GNYRSC Term Waiver Motion](#)

This motion addresses the rotation of service for the help line chair. Maureen has completed her 2 years of service but has the willingness to continue and no one has been nominated for the position. It is a one-time motion.

FYI::

The 2023 NY convention may be in jeopardy. The committee is having a hard time getting a commitment from the hotel. The convention committee will continue to update.

From the treasurer... A reminder that there will be a price increase coming in January so if any areas need literature please order before the new year to get the old price.

[GNYRSO Literature Price Increases](#)

If anyone is interested in getting the Spiritual Principle a day book (SPAD) passage each day in your email just go to NA.org/subscribe and you will receive it each morning. The actual book should be available by the end of the year.

One last thing which is insurance for the area.
This year our area played 769.00

2023 as of right now our insurance will be 671.00. The treasurer stated the payments are due in November but needed a final meeting count before then.

I will be working with the E and A chair and other committee chairs to discuss a Unity through Service workshop. The idea being to promote unity in our area and help all of our members get a better understanding of what GSRs, subcommittees, and area service members do.

If there are any questions about the motions or anything else that is happening in the region you can call me. Don 848-210-7232.

In loving service,
Don

Technology Report September 13, 2022

The technology committee meets the 4th Tuesday of the month 7:00PM virtually

We have updated our website to include a page for flyers and events. We will include flyers from other areas as well. We ask that you message us if your meeting is updated or if it needs change.

Due to human error or out date URLs our website may have typos or “dead” links. If you encounter an error on a meeting list or the site please let us know and we will correct it ASAP.

We are currently looking at ways to improve the quality of our meeting lists and website. We are trying to create a website that requires little/some technology experience. This way any addict who is willing to serve on the committee can be trained.

We are looking into ways to streamline the editing of our meeting list. We want the ability for group editing. By having more people with access, we secure the process is never halted.

If you have experience with the virtual platform, websites, technology, adobe, digital arts 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!

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.

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.

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Technology Committee

Treasurer Report September 9, 2022

Bank Balance as of 9/9/22 is \$10,903.28

Checks wrote to:

1. \$200 to GNYRSC- donation
2. \$148 to American Self Storage
3. \$65 Area Rent (September)
4. \$65.97- Walter
5. \$15.35 to Jayne new Zoom (Venmo)
6. \$2,000 to Ellen E&A picnic (Venmo)

Prudent Reserve still set at \$5,350.

Operating Expenses: \$ 3898.29

(This is the balance after you deduct prudent reserve, E&A set aside for free picnic, all checks written out that have yet to clear and pending donations and literature purchase for current month).

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. **Going forward in order to buy literature, you must 1st Venmo the area and then send your order, along with a screenshot of Venmo payment to Literature Mgmt. This new protocol must be followed.**

GROUP NAME	DONATION	LITERATURE
Alive at 6 in St. George	\$	\$
Back to Basics	\$40	\$
By the Book	\$	\$
Clean on Catherine	\$8	\$29.58 & \$12
Clean Machine	\$92	\$
Clean Times	\$102	\$18
Crystal Clean on Victory	\$	\$
Easy as 1,2,3	\$	\$
Get Real on the Avenue	\$	\$
Message is Hope	\$	\$71.50
Merchandise	\$	\$
Misc. 7 th Tradition (group unknown)	\$	\$
Recovery by the Water	\$	\$
Recovery on the Island	\$	\$
Saturday Surrender	\$	\$
Steps to Freedom	\$94.85	\$30.15
Step up to the Deck	\$	\$177 & \$4.75
Step up to Learn	\$27	\$15.50
Together on Sunday	\$	\$
Y We Recover	\$112	\$
Personal Donation (No group name)	\$5	
TOTAL	\$480.85	\$358.48

Total for donations and literature for September: \$839.33

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

Dana S.

The ADHOC committee for the SIASC Hybrid

The Committee had 7 attendees

We met on 3 occasions 8/23 8/30 9/6 all meetings were posted in the area events calendar.

Our objective : How to go about creating a hybrid platform to serve the area service committee.

We began our process asking a few questions

Who attends area? How do they attend? Is there a need for hybrid?

The group used August data to conclude the need for desire for a hybrid service meeting.

Please see chart.

The data shows that many GSRs and Sub Chairs attend area virtually.

When surveyed many members said they cannot show up in person or that it was very convenient to attend virtually.

ADHOC found that there is need for a hybrid service meeting.

We found Hybrid can bring unity. It will allow many more addicts the opportunity to serve.

We believe this is the responsibility of the technology committee.

The Tech committee shall elect a virtual liaison to set up hybrid meetings.

The tech committee shall use their revolving fund to purchase needed equipment.

To begin we will need:

1 24 inch screen

1 speaker

1 mic

As we work out the kinks we will fine tune the process and purchase additional equipment.

We as an area should consider having our own Wi-Fi hot spot or at least reimburse for one.

This committee agreed their work is concluded.

In loving service

