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**Portland Area Service Committee  
Meeting of Narcotics Anonymous  
17200 SE Stark Street  
Portland, OR  
February 28, 2009**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. The meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer for those who cared to join in.

The Twelve Traditions were read by David G.

The Twelve Concepts were read by Zak.

The 12th Concept was read by several willing volunteers as they read a paragraph and passed it on.

The Dedication to Service was read by Vicki B.

The Decorum Statement was read by Wayne C.

**Roll Call of Officers**

13 were present

**Roll Call of Groups**

41 answered roll call

**Quorum**

Quorum is established at 18.

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**New GSR/Alt. GSR and new group recognition**

Billi B. / Harold St. Blues

Steven I. / What's Really Going On

Kelly A. / Higher Empowered

Elaine H. / Rise and Shine

Kara L. / What It Is

Sherman D. / Men of Spiritual Walkers

Patrick M. / Heart & Soul

Josie E. / New Journey

Robin H. / The Nooner

Christine G. / Step On It

Marlin / Victory

Chris K. / Learning to Live

Samantha / Free To Be Me

Tammy H. / Back to Basics

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## **Announcements**

**Victoria C.** - The Hole in the Wall group of NA at Oregon State Penitentiary can use some support. If you have two years clean, six years since your last conviction and are willing to travel to Salem in a group, please contact Harrison D. or Victoria C., they will need your date of birth and FULL name (middle too!).

Harrison D. contact info: email: harrisondanley@yahoo.com.

Victoria C. contact info: email: [who.knows.do.you.man@gmail.com](mailto:who.knows.do.you.man@gmail.com).

**Shelley H.** – New Meeting, Free To Be Me.

Where: My Father's House Family Shelter, 5003 West Powell, Gresham 97030. Enter door on very north end of building 175<sup>th</sup> and Powell.

When: Wed Night: 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm

Solution based topic meeting

Bus route #9

Contact Sare R. or Shelley H.

Kid friendly meeting but no childcare at this time.

**Jim B.** – Pacific Cascade Region of NA, Regional H & I, PI Learning Day, Saturday, April 18, 2009 at the Zion Lutheran Church, corner of 4<sup>th</sup> and Oakdale Medford, Oregon. The schedule is as follows: 8am-10am PR Handbook, 10am-10:30 Break, 10:30-12:00pm PR/PI "What's the difference?", 12-1:30pm Lunch, 1:30pm-2:30pm H & I, 2:30pm-3:00pm Break, 3:00pm-4:00pm Websites and Sponsorship Behind The Walls, 4pm-4:30pm Break, 4:30pm-5:30pm Phone line and H & I Mock Presentation. Speaker Meeting on NA local history, main speaker on NAWS. The Regional Service Committee Meeting will be held the next day, Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at Jackson County Parole and Probation Office, 1101 West Main Street, Medford, Oregon. Sub-committee meetings at 8am, Business Meeting at 10am. For more information call SOANA Phone line.

**Nanette P.** – We are selling raffle tickets for the Fort Stevens Campout, we will be raffling off a campsite, and the raffle tickets are \$2 each. This campout is the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in July. The Adhoc committee meeting is the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm, at 8441 SE Bush.

There is a Taco Feed Fundraiser, Speaker Meeting, and Dance afterwards on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. Starts at 6pm and ends at 11pm. 5811 SE 92<sup>nd</sup> (Lents Masonic Temple) Dinner \$5, Dance \$5, both for \$8, Children under 10 are free. Please contact Nanette P. at or Eric P. for more information.

## **Secretary's Report – Linda R.**

Secretary Report  
February 28, 2009

I'll be passing the contact list around today, please remember it is your responsibility to make sure I have your correct information so you receive the minutes. There are a couple of groups that I don't have any contact information for and those are highlighted in yellow. There is one amendment to last month's minutes. Motion #15-08 that was ruled out of order by the Chair was omitted from the minutes.

Motion to waive the reading of the minutes made by Recovery In The House, and Seconded by Freedom In The Flats.

Motion to accept the minutes as amended made by Time for a Change and Seconded by Thursday Night Podium Meeting.

## **Treasurer's Reports – Maggi G.**

Please see (2) attachments.

## **Open Forum**

### **Topics included:**

Security for Literature

1. Locks or latches
2. Motion detectors/cameras
3. Used/Refurb
4. Renter's Insurance shared with URS Club.
5. Don't keep money on site
6. Move to secure location

Portland Area's participation in the Rose City Metro.

1. Participation
2. Goal? Hotline?
3. Subcommittees and ASC
4. Coordinate Schedules
5. Send Rep from PASC to Rose City Metro Meeting.
6. Determine current functionality
7. Read Guide to Local Service. Re: Metros.

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## **Chair Report- Wayne C.**

Hello All,

We have a lot to do today and will probably not through the entire agenda today. We are going to do nominations, and questioning of the candidates today.

The BOD met earlier this month to discuss the Area Inventory and formulated solutions to implement the issues brought up. Some of these ideas have already been put into practice. Michael M will pass out a handout with this information, along with a report if there is time.

Today we will start the new Open Forum format which is an example of one of the changes that we are going to implement. **We will also be holding a workshop to finish up this process at the Area Meeting next month in March.**

There will be a regularly scheduled BOD meeting next Month before the ASC.

In Service,

Wayne C.  
PASC Chair

## **Vice Chair Report – Travis B.**

Nothing to report.

## **Nominations for PASC Service Positions:**

### **Archivist:**

**Carol Graven**

**Nominated by Hole in the Wall, Seconded by Time For A Change.**

## **SERVICE RESUME**

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Name: Carol Graven Date: 3/5/09

Home Group: Minute by Minute

Clean Date: 7/13/03

Service Position Sought: Archivist

1.) Please list all NA Service Positions you've held that you consider relevant to the position to which you are nominated: GSR, Panel Chair H & I (Hooper Detox)

Current AREA Archivist

2.) What personal resources do you believe you can bring to this position: Desire, ability to perform with accuracy and conscience. Home computer. Own a car and ability to attend AREA consistently.

3.) Please Check appropriate box if you have -

Yes No

X \_\_\_ N.A. Sponsor

X \_\_\_ N.A. Home Group

X \_\_\_ Attend weekly N.A. Meetings

X \_\_\_ Working knowledge of the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions of N.A.

X \_\_\_ Working knowledge of the 12 Concepts of N.A. Service

X \_\_\_ Working knowledge of the N.A. Guide to Local Service

X \_\_\_ Working knowledge of the PASC Bylaws

X \_\_\_ Accounting & computer skills

4.) What life experiences (i.e., school, work, volunteer, etc.) have you had that you believe will help you serve in the position to which you are nominated?

Working and accurate knowledge of MS Word, MS Excel, Bookkeeping skills.

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Have taken accurate minutes for Alumni and submitted in timely manner.

5. Please include any other information you consider relevant.

I have strong personal and work ethics and believe in NA and AREA and what we represent and how we represent it. I am able to work with and separately in all areas relevant to this position. I believe and want to be a strong part of the common good.

**Treasurer:**

**Maggi G.**

**Nominated by Tuesday Night Freedom Fighters, Seconded by SE Serenity.**

**SERVICE RESUME**

Name: Maggi G.

Date: \_\_2/28/2009

Home Group: Minute By Minute

Clean Date: 7/19/1990

Service Position Sought: PASC Treasurer

1.) Please list all NA Service Positions you've held that you consider relevant to the position to which you are nominated. PASC Treasurer, Portland H & I Subcommittee Compliance Coordinator, Portland Activities Subcommittee Treasurer.

2.) What personal resources do you believe you can bring to this position: Dependable, adaptable, calm, resourceful, honest, responsible, and attention to detail.

3.) Please Check appropriate box if you have -  
Yes No

- X  N.A. Sponsor
- X  N.A. Home Group
- X  Attend weekly N.A. Meetings
- X  Working knowledge of the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions of N.A.
- X  Working knowledge of the 12 Concepts of N.A. Service
- X  Working knowledge of the N.A. Guide to Local Service
- X  Working knowledge of the PASC Bylaws
- X  Accounting & computer skills

4.) What life experiences (i.e., school, work, volunteer, etc.) have you had that you believe will help you serve in the position to which you are nominated?

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I work in an accounting function for a locally based multi-state retailer and I've been doing this position for one term.

5.) Please include any other information you consider relevant.

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## **Secretary:**

**Ana Hilde**

**Nominated by Rise and Shine, Seconded by Tuesday Night Freedom Fighters.**

### **SERVICE RESUME**

Name: Ana Hilde

Date: 2/28/2009

Home Group: Minute By Minute

Clean Date: 3/21/2007

Service Position Sought: PASC Secretary

1.) Please list all NA Service Positions you've held that you consider relevant to the position to which you are nominated. PASC Archivist 07-08, Secretary Minute By Minute 08, GSR Minute By Minute 2007, 2003-2004, Canaco Food Coordinator Summer 2003.

2.) What personal resources do you believe you can bring to this position:  
Laptop computer, excellent computer and internet skills, attention to detail, responsible.

3.) Please Check appropriate box if you have -  
Yes No

- X  N.A. Sponsor
- X  N.A. Home Group
- X  Attend weekly N.A. Meetings
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- X  Accounting & computer skills

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4.) What life experiences (i.e., school, work, volunteer, etc.) have you had that you believe will help you serve in the position to which you are nominated?  
I have had a variety of experiences that make me more than qualified to fulfill these duties.

5.) Please include any other information you consider relevant.

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### **Alternate RCM:**

**Steve R.**

**Nominated by Time For A Change, Seconded by SE Serenity.**

### **SERVICE RESUME**

Name Steve Ramberg

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Group: Heart & Soul

Clean Date: 1.2.05 Date 3.11.09

Service Position Sought: Portland Area RCM or Alternate

1.) Please list all NA Service Positions you've held that you consider relevant to the position to which you are nominated: Portland Area Activities RCM 2005-2009, GSR 2006 and 2008 / Alt. GSR in 2007 for my home group, Coordinator of many activities such as Beverly Beach, Tube float, Snow tubing, Paintball campout, Multnomah falls hike.

2.) What personal resources do you believe you can bring to this position: Honesty, open-mindedness, willingness. Responsible, reliable. Accountability and integrity. I also have a large support group that travels to and participates at the PCRSC which saves money on travel and lodging.

3.) Please Check appropriate box if you have -

Yes No

N.A. Sponsor

N.A. Home Group

Attend weekly N.A. Meetings

Working knowledge of the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions of N.A.

Working knowledge of the 12 Concepts of N.A. Service

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- Working knowledge of the PASC Bylaws  
 Accounting & computer skills

4.) What life experiences (i.e., school, work, volunteer, etc.) have you had that you believe will help you serve in the position to which you are nominated?

In my job as an electrician I travel to different job sites and have learned to adapt to whatever working environment I encounter, which is similar to traveling to the PCRSC. It also relates to the position of RCM in that I gather information from blueprints or from the foreman then take it and inform the crew or apply it to the site, or I take info. from the crew/site and relay it to the foreman.

5.) Please include any other information you consider relevant.

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I'm here to serve.

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**Vickie B.**

**Nominated by Thursday Night Podium Meeting, Seconded by One Promise Many Gifts.**

## Service Resume

Name: Vicki B.

Date: 03-09-09

Home Group: Towanda

Clean Date: 11-7-99

Service position sought: Alt. RCM

Service positions held: Group Secretary, Group Treasurer, Group GSR, H&I member, H&I Treasurer, H&I Panel Chair, H&I membership coordinator, Hotline, Secretary-Fort Stevens ad-hoc.

The personal resources I believe I can bring to this position: I am committed to recovery and the spiritual principle of service.

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I have:

NA sponsor

NA home group

Regular NA meeting attendance

Working knowledge of the 12 steps and 12 traditions of NA

Working knowledge of the 12 concepts of service

Working knowledge of the NA guide to local service

Working knowledge of the PASC Bylaws

Computer skills

Life experiences that I believe will help me to serve in the position to which I was nominated: My recovery and the 12 steps have allowed me to grow and learn from all of my experiences and I'm certain that will continue to be my story!

School: I have a bachelor's degree in English and Writing.

To be honest, I "threw my hat in the ring" because I simply wanted an opportunity to stand up in front of the PASC members and answer their questions so that they could better get to know me. I look forward to continuing in my capacity as a GSR and will continue to be of service in that position.

**John H.**

**Nominated by Harold Street Blues, Seconded by Freedom in the Flats.**

**RCM:**

**Michael McD.**

**Nominated by Learning to Live, Seconded by Minute by Minute.**

**Michael McDermott Service Resume**

**Today's Date:** 2/28/2009

**General Service Interest**

**PASC Regional Committee Member**

**Contact Information**

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Name: Michael McDermott Clean Date: August 17, 1975

Email Address: [mtmcd@comcast.net](mailto:mtmcd@comcast.net)

Your Area: Portland Area

**Relevant Education, Occupation, and Life Experiences** - Please provide information regarding any relevant educational background, occupational skills, or life experiences.

**Education:** College; Hotel and Restaurant Management, Psychology, Criminal Justice

**Occupation:** Sales/Management/CEO

**Life Experience:** 23 years in Hotel and Restaurant Management and then 19 years as owner, shareholder, and director of three corporations.

### **Service History**

#### **World Service**

Total Years Served 18 years

#### **Experience at that level:**

Ad Hoc/Focus/Group/Workgroup: Several workgroups pre 1998: It Works Steps Ad hoc, World Service Inventory Ad Hoc Chairperson. Post 98 Program work group for 6 world conventions. Most recently member of the Basic Text Project

NAWS Development Travel: Europe, South America, Middle East, Japan, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Scandinavia

NAWS Public Relations: Numerous meetings with government officials in different countries

Pre-1998 WSC Committees or Boards: WSC Vice Chair, WSC Chair, WSC Literature committee member, World Board of Trustees Member

Regional Delegate/ Alternate Delegate: Northern California RSR-A RSR 2 years each

World Board 1998 to 2002 First WB Chair 2 years, Chairperson Fellowship Relations Committee 2 years

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## **Zonal Service**

Total Years Served 4

### **Experience at that level:**

Besides serving in the Western State Zonal forum at its conception, I have attended and participated in several Zonal Forums in the US as well as the Asia Pacific Zonal Forum, the Latin America Zonal Forum and The European Delegates Meeting several times at each

Fellowship Development

Other Zonal Service

Zonal Forum Admin

## **Convention / Corporation /Service Office**

Total Years Served 6

### **Experience at that level:**

Board of Directors (BOD): WSC Liaison to World Service Office BOD 4 years, World service Board of Trustees Liaison to the WSO BOD 1 year, World Convention Committee 6 years

Committee Member

Volunteer: Volunteer at 14 world Conventions, Merchandise, Registration, and Program

### **Area/Regional Service:**

Total Years Served 32

### **Experience at that level: Most currently I have been the PASC Regional Committee Member for the past 10 months**

I have been involved in most areas of Area and Regional Service including the following;

ASC/RSC Admin

Events/Activities

Fellowship Development

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Group Service Representative  
Hospitals & Institutions  
Literature  
Phone/Helpline  
Public Information  
Public Relations  
Policy  
Regional Committee Member  
Regional Delegate

**Steve R.**

**Nominated by Hole In The Wall, Seconded by Tuesday Night Freedom Fighters.**

**Please see Service Resume above under Alternate RCM.**

**Vice Chair:**

**Mike R.**

**Nominated by Harold Street Blues, Seconded by Tuesday Night Freedom Fighters.**

## SERVICE RESUME

Name: Mike R.

Date: 2/28/2009

Clean Date: November 28, 1998

Service Position Sought: Vice Chair PASC

1.) Please list all NA Service Positions you've held that you consider relevant to the position to which you are nominated

Current Vice Chair PCR, Chair Lane County, Vice Chair Lane County, Program Chair Rainbow Convention SF, Activities Chair Rainbow Convention SF, Various Committee positions in Activities, PI, Literature, etc in SF and Santa Cruz.

2.) What personal resources do you believe you can bring to this position:

Leadership, Patience, Tolerance, Drive.

3.) Please Check appropriate box if you have -

Yes No

X \_\_\_ N.A. Sponsor

X \_\_\_ N.A. Home Group

X \_\_\_ Attend weekly N.A. Meetings

X \_\_\_ Working knowledge of the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions of N.A.

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- X  Working knowledge of the PASC Bylaws
- X  Accounting & computer skills

4.) What life experiences (i.e., school, work, volunteer, etc.) have you had that you believe will help you serve in the position to which you are nominated?  
I am a software architect, in my position I help people understand what it is they are trying to envision, and detail that out into a plan for building computer systems and software. I am able to talk at a level that communicates directly in a manner that is easy to understand and give clear directions both verbally and in writing to software developers and system integrators. I communicate to the business so that they can clearly understand their requirements and the cost and time that those requirements translate into software systems. I design multimillion dollars computer software systems that save the company I work for and our customers millions of dollars each day. I am an innovator, inventor and realist. With the ability to look past the surface and see the cause and effect of interactions.

5.) Please include any other information you consider relevant. I have a working knowledge of the 12 steps, traditions, and concepts. I am familiar with the Guide to Local Service and Roberts Rules of Order.

**Ron C.**

**Nominated by Freedom in the Flats, Seconded by One Promise Many Gifts.**

**Chair:**

**Travis B.**

**Nominated by Hole In The Wall, Seconded by Time For A Change.**

### Service Resume

Name: Travis B.

Date: 02-28-09

Home Group: Learning to live

Clean Date: 03-25-05

Service position sought: ASC Chair

Service positions held: Group Secretary, Group GSR, H&I member, Current ASC Vice Chair.

The personal resources I believe I can bring to this position: Honesty, open-mindedness, willingness, and the ability to follow direction.

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I have:

NA sponsor

NA home group

Regular NA meeting attendance

Working knowledge of the 12 steps and 12 traditions of NA

Working knowledge of the 12 concepts of service

Working knowledge of the NA guide to local service

Working knowledge of the PASC Bylaws

Computer skills

Life experiences that I believe will help me to serve in the position to which I was nominated: Work; I am able to follow a course of action that is decided upon even if I am not in agreement.

School; I am willing to continue to learn and grow.

Volunteer; I am able to be of service to others without the expectation or motivation of personal reward.

I have been attending the PASC meetings regularly for over three years and I believe I have an understanding of where we as an area have come from, where we are, and where we can go. I am excited about the possibilities we have for growth and change. I also believe that as individuals we can change the perception of the ASC meetings by creating an atmosphere of recovery and respect.

**Troy J.**

**Nominated by SE Serenity, Seconded by The Nooners.**

## **SERVICE RESUME**

Name: Troy Jones

Date: 2/28/2009

Home Group: Back to Basics

Clean Date: 11/27/1994

Service Position Sought: PASC Chair

1.) Please list all NA Service Positions you've held that you consider relevant to the position to which you are nominated. Activities Chair, Outreach Chair, Alternate RCM.

2.) What personal resources do you believe you can bring to this position:  
Willingness to learn, open to change.

3.) Please Check appropriate box if you have -  
Yes No

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- X \_\_\_ Working knowledge of the 12 Concepts of N.A. Service
- X \_\_\_ Working knowledge of the N.A. Guide to Local Service
- X \_\_\_ Working knowledge of the PASC Bylaws
- X \_\_\_ Accounting & computer skills

4.) What life experiences (i.e., school, work, volunteer, etc.) have you had that you believe will help you serve in the position to which you are nominated?  
I have learned how to keep my opinion to myself when I am Chair.

5.) Please include any other information you consider relevant.  
I am willing to learn and take constructive criticism. I would love to continue to serve this Area at any level. I have been of service for about 12 ½ years in various positions.

## **Subcommittees and Regional Issues**

### **Activities – Gene L.**

Activities Nominations:

Chair:	Gene L
Vice Chair:	Nanette P
Secretary:	Angelique S
Treasurer:	Bea N
RCM:	John T

Elections will be held next month.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance after set aside money: \$1,221.26

Past Events:

Snow Tubing: Event was very successful with about 40-50 people in attendance, we had lots of fun and are looking forward to next year!

End of the Year Dance: Split is approximately \$280.00, our treasurer has been ill and we will have the check at PASC next month with accurate total of event

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#### Current Events:

Bowling: Held 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month at Pro 300 located at 29<sup>th</sup> & Powell. April will be the last month of Bowling

There are several Event Committee's and Ad-hoc Meetings that could use your support!

Beverly Beach Campout: 1<sup>st</sup> Sat of the Month @ Holgate Library starting at 4pm

Fort Stevens Campout: Sat before PAAS meets at 82<sup>nd</sup> & Bush, contact Nanette  
for more information

Unity in the Streets: Coordinators needed at 3134 SE 134<sup>th</sup> St. off of Powell every  
second Wednesday of the month

Subcommittee Workshop Day Ad-hoc: TBA

#### Upcoming Events:

Fort Stevens Campout Taco Feed Fundraiser will be held on Sat. April 25<sup>th</sup> at 5811 SE  
92<sup>nd</sup>. Dinner \$4, Dance \$4 or both for \$7. Please contact Nanette P for more  
information. The speakers will be Lori G and Mike N

Your Trusted Servant....Gene L

#### **Literature – Carolyn G-E.**

Water Damaged items total \$233.05. URS Club will reimburse us for our loss.

#### **Outreach – Troy J.**

No report submitted.

#### **Hospitals & Institutions – Lawrence J., Chair**

##### **H & I Chair Report 2/28/2009**

# of commitments: 59

Missed: 0

Cancelled: 2

Total addicts seen: **1021!**

H & I was contacted by Autumn Ray from Multnomah Juvenile detention facility. She would like us to serve on e of their units.

- 1.) Coed – Boys & Girls panel.
- 2.) Minimum 2 years clean.
- 3.) Submit application for clearance and reference.
- 4.) Orientation evening.
- 5.) Tuesday nights.

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John H. was nominated and elected panel chair to oversee the clearance process and coordinate sign-ups when a sufficient pool is gathered from our members.

Nominations of officers were made: Lawrence J. – Chair  
Denise D. – Vice Chair  
Erin P. – Secretary  
Terri C. – Literature coordinator

Voting of the officers will take place next month.

In Service,

Lawrence Johnson  
H&I Chair

### **Hotline – David G., Vice Chair**

Hotline met on February 22nd and eleven members were present. We also had two new members join our sub-committee. As the newly elected chair at the Hotline sub-committee level I felt the need to get started on the right foot with this sub-committee in a positive way. There is a lot that I need to learn about the workings of the sub-committee and look forward to the challenges ahead of me. In recovery I have learned to ask for help. The first order of business was that I appointed Vera K. to fulfill a much needed orientation/training packet to train our volunteers. We are asking for support from the area and at the sub-committee level in this process and encourage input. Vera K. can be reached by email at [lulubutt@comcast.net](mailto:lulubutt@comcast.net). We also had a discussion about moving Hotline to another location and the discussion led to the committee was not interested at this time. The group conscience was that we are buying pizza in lieu of rent. We also discussed the removal of a member who no longer met the clean time requirements. The group conscience was that the member needed to be removed from the shift until the member met the minimum clean time requirements. There was a motion made and seconded to change the clean time requirements from 90 day to 6 months there was much discussion on this matter and I decided to table the matter. I am excited and hopeful and confident about the up-coming year and serving our area as the Hotline sub-committee chair. We have no open shifts.

In loving service  
David G.

## **Public Relations – Steve G.**

Portland Area Public Relations Report  
2/28/2009

We need help to find a replacement for the PR Chairperson ASAP. The Vice Chair has stepped down and I have resigned. However, I will be able to attend the next PR meeting, but after that the Vice Chair from PASC will be notified to manage the business meeting in until someone is willing to fulfill the role of PR Chair. We had a small turn out last month and I think we need to do better job at making the PR business meeting. We rely heavily on the ROTS (reach out & touch someone) coordinator to remind us and she forgot to get the word out this month.

The website is being kept up to date and has a new feature called the Interactive Calendar. Please check it out and feel free to add new events as they occur. Visit [www.portlandna.com](http://www.portlandna.com). Andrea C. has been working on a schedule to coordinate upcoming PR events for the NA Booth and Presentations. There was some recent information about the Metro Subcommittee. They now have guidelines in place for a Hotline and they are working to implement a toll free 800 phone number in the near future. More will be revealed as it becomes available.

We have a new member who is willing to become the Presentation Coordinator. His name is Ron Rasberry and will be working with Scott C. to learn this position. We are also working on providing a workshop for training of PR members for NA Booth Events and Presentations and Hotline workers. The date has not been set, just in the planning stages.

There has been discussion of our growing schedule and how to fit more meetings on to the current 8-1/2 x 14 sheet of paper. Several ideas are emerging, but for now it will remain the same.

The newcomer workshop is developing and a proposal for the meeting has been submitted to the Clackamas Service Center. Jim B. will be heading this up as this important element is added to our list of available services to the public.

Our expenses for this month were \$24.99 and we have a balance of \$100.01.

Our next meeting will be on Sunday March 22nd, at 5:00 p.m., located at Round Table Pizza on the corner of Foster Rd. & Holgate Blvd. (6250 SE Foster Rd).  
Thanks for letting me be of service,

Steve G  
PR Chairperson

## **Regional Committee Member – Michael McD.**

RCM Report to the PASC

February 28, 2009

Greetings to you all,

My report is short and will not be given verbally this month. I attended an executive BOD meeting on the 25th; more will be reported about that meeting.

I would like to thank you all for approving the By-law revisions. I think you will find them a bit more user friendly.

A motion to approve the regional budget is on the table for this month, if you have any questions please feel free to ask me.

It is my intention to accept a nomination for a second term as your regional Committee Member and I have included copies of my service resume in my handouts for today. I am committed to working to see our inventory completed and plans made to implement the solutions we have all proposed. I hope to be able to assist the new Administrative Committee learn and perform the jobs and to continue to provide experience and educated representation for Portland at the Regional Service Committee.

It is a privilege to serve you,

Michael McD

## **Inventory Report 2-28-2009 – Michael McD.**

The Executive committee met on Wednesday to review the progress on the inventory project in attendance were; Wayne C, Travis B, Maggi G, Linda R, and Michael McD. After some general discussion we focused on each area of the consolidated responses.

### **Area Service Committee Meetings;**

We believe that A through D are something that we all; GSR,s, Executive Board, ASC Officers, and Sub Committee Chairs must create in ourselves and then bring that behavior to the ASC each time we meet. The Executive committee intends to write a statement to be included in the GSR Orientation and also read at each ASC meeting.

We plan on having this statement ready for next month's meeting.

Regarding E; we will create suggested ground rules for the ASC and put them on each table in a menu type holder so they are not lost in the shuffle of papers we all seem to have on our tables.

Regarding F; we feel that each of the Sub Committees needs attention, some more than others. The executive committee will be reviewing each Sub Committee for

processes and procedures including guideline, orientation guidelines, and ease of access for those who wish to do service. We intend to audit each committee to see if they are fulfilling their purpose and if there are areas that need attention.

Regarding G; while each of us as individual participants has a responsibility in helping the body utilize its time more efficiently, it is ultimately the Chairperson's responsibility to keep the meeting on track and to facilitate the meeting in an effective manner that will assure that time is managed as efficiently as possible. Again, this is a cooperative effort of all attendees as well as leadership.

### **GSR Orientation;**

We discussed the issue of GSR orientation at length. This area was one of great concern to the participants of the Inventory workshops and highly prioritized. We were quite surprised that there was no written orientation plan or material available from Outreach and that it has been a rather informal process depending entirely on the person giving the orientation to be able to explain and teach the new GSR's without any written material or printed format. We believe this is not acceptable and recommend that the responsibility for GSR orientation be assigned to the Administrative committee possibly with the creation of a new position for this task. We also recommend that a new collection of training and NA approved service information be given to each GSR who goes through orientation. At the moment we plan on including relevant sections of the GTLS, the Twelve Concepts, an abbreviated Roberts Rules of Order motion sheet, the most current by-laws, and a contact list of GSR's and all ASC officers. Training and mentoring new GSR's is extremely important to ensure the continuing smooth operation of the ASC meeting. Better educated GSR's can only help us all in carrying out our service efforts.

We discussed the current Buddy system and agreed that the way we do it now is very ineffective. We propose that as buddies are assigned the new GSR and the Buddy sit together so that the new GSR will be able to take advantage of the experience of the Buddy. This will immediately allow information and questions to be addressed in the meeting instead of maybe on the phone after the ASC meeting.

### **Improve Participation;**

The first solution (3) under this heading really is addressed under ASC Meeting above. We plan on presenting a plan at next month's ASC meeting to have at least 4 Workshop ASC's a year. At these Workshop ASC's we would not do business or have verbal reports instead we would do a typical opening and then go into a workshop format to work on topics or issues that affect our ASC. We think that there is a real opportunity to provide information and education for all of the participants of the ASC. We cannot stress enough the need for the ASC to have participants who are educated and excited about service in Narcotics Anonymous We hope this will help create an atmosphere of Recovery, Safety, and Fun in our ASC meetings.

### **Improve Communication;**

We probably all can agree that the minute's situation has vastly improved since the inventory process began. As long as we have an efficient secretary this will not be an issue. It does however beg us to look at who we elect and if they have the skills as well

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as the willingness to do the job. This is important for all positions; electing the most qualified person should always be our goal.

We agree that some type of announcement could be created and emailed to the GSR's to be read at the Home Group meetings. If the ASC agrees we could begin work on this rapidly.

We are not too sure about the Text and Email Tree but will certainly look at ways to effectively do that. We would appreciate input from you regarding this and all the other plans we have suggested.

## **Unfinished Business**

*(The PASC requests groups to discuss the following motions (in red) and be ready to vote on these matters at next month's PASC.)*

### **Motion #43-08, Submitted By Outreach Subcommittee Seconded By Freedom Fighters**

**Motion:** To ratify the Outreach Subcommittee By-laws.

**Intent of Motion:** To be in accordance with the PASC By-laws.

Vote: 18 In Favor            0 Against            5 Abstentions

**Motion Passed.**

Motion to close made and seconded at 5:00pm.