



*New England Region of Narcotics
Anonymous
Regional Service Committee Minutes
August 10th, 2024*

The next Regional Weekend will be held
October 12th & 13th at 280 Broadway Lynn MA
Subcommittees Oct 12th 11am - 3 PM
Full RSC Oct 13th 11am - 5PM

**** Reminder Reports should be submitted by October 12 @ 6PM****

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Attendance

<i>Elected Trusted Servants</i>	
Chair	Present
Vice Chair	Present
Secretary	Present
Assistant Secretary	Present
Treasurer	Present
Assistant Treasurer	
Finance	
BOD	Present
Regional Delegate	Present
Alternate Delegate	Present
Convention	Present
H&I	Present
PR	Present
Policy	Present
Website	Vacant
Fellowship Development	Present
Insurance	Vacant

<i>Areas</i>	
Boston	
Cape Cod	Present
Central Mass	Present
Greater Providence	Present
Martha's Vineyard	Present
Metro West	Present
North East Mass	
South East Mass	Present
South Shore	Present
Western Mass	Present

Area Reports

- [Boston-](#)
- [Cape Cod-](#)
- [Central Mass-](#)

GREETINGS! Regionites,

CMANA RCM report for August NERNA Meeting

CMANA meeting of July and August opened up with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer then a collective reading of the 12 traditions and 12 concepts and a vision of NA service. The CMANA meeting is always held on the first Monday of the month commencing . In July there were 17 GSR in attendance and all sub-committee chairs, 30 attendees altogether. In August there were 14 GSR's in attendance and a full body present, altogether 27 attendees. The first Monday of the Month will remain the same day for CMANA to meet. The maker of the motion to change the date has not pursued the change of time and day.

.New GSR were trained briefly and sat next to an experienced service member and all GSR were asked to please bring back announcements and motions and open positions back to groups. Our Only Open positions are as follows assistant Secretary and alternate RCM. All other positions have been filled. It is also encouraged to GSR's that any of their home group members can attend area service meeting and can participate in the different subcommittees. All GSR are also encouraged to give full address of homegroup also phone number and email contact to webchair@centralmass.org Again, the Web chair will provide a full written walk-through on how to work at the Zoom meetings and how to hold a meeting themselves and how to navigate the website.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Do not miss the" Labor Day Cook out" at Greenhill Park in Worcester from 12-5pm, September 2nd.

"Spur of the Moment Campout" September 6-8.

All other announcements please see CMANA website.

In need of Addict support the NOT ALONE meeting at 4:30 in Leominster, Mass. 105 Carter St. MRC building.

Our Area is still very interested in IDT workshops and agreement will be reached next month as to which exact topics are needed for the area groups and also what exact time will the workshops be held and when and where. The Area is looking forward to the IDT workshops. They mentioned topics like Predatory behavior workshops and the difference between disruptive behaviors and felt as if this continues to take place in the area. I

visited several different groups in CMA and all are in agreement of the IDT workshops to better their home groups. Members often asked, what does BOD and IDT mean?. I did give them a page of abbreviations that i got at the past NESSNA conference, that helped.

"Where does your money GO" D'lorna was kind enough to explain it to the members of CMANA in a simple yet efficient manner. Many GSRs said afterwords that they had no idea that the Area moneys that were given to region would do so much to help keep the 5th tradition alive, pay for travel for delegates to attend conferences and learning workshops and would come back and deliver new ideas and new ways to help the fellowship that has save their lives. CMANA continues to struggle financially and is looking for ways to keep better track of their spending and requesting financial reports from all sub-committees and events and Adhoc chairs. We plan to donate for the following region meeting. The financial break down from region was put in the minutes and they could also see from that the importance of their donations.

The Area Adhoc Inventory Committe is well at work and have commenced many ways to improve the inventory for the better good of the Area.

The 500 dollars have been set aside for the NESSNA Philadelphia for 2 delegates of the CMANA to attend.

A full-Service body, " flyer hanging day" from PR will be held in the fall and service slam and Dance....More will be revealed in Central Mass. PR and H and I subcommittees are doing very well and filling all their commitments. Also, an Outreach committee is in the making to serve the Area.

The CMA body was content that i voted Yes for the NERNA convention to continue to take place. The situation was briefly explained to them and again they are glad it was a YES. We are looking forward to the upcoming convention.

In Loving Service,

Teri T (RCM)

- **Greater Providence-**

.Greater Providence RCM Report for NERNA August 11, 2024
Spending Plan

Greater Providence Area voted on the Regional spending plan and did NOT approve unanimously.

- Main issue was sending so many people to WSLD 4 as opposed to 2 in the past. We also think it would better serve the fellowship if other members participated in trips i.e. PR chair, H&I chair etc.
- We don't see any benefit that the group level is receiving. Activities: 5 cent beach party

– bring redeemable can and Prom are planned. More information will be on the GPANA Activities Facebook page.

\$14,000 was turned over to Area from the convention committee last month. Funds are being held temporarily to take care of the area needs however the area voted unanimously to send \$2000 to region until this is accomplished.

Greater Providence Area Service meeting going forward will be every 3rd Sunday of the month as opposed to the 4th. Also Area is moving next month to 225 Main St. in Pawtucket. The Area's opinion of NESSNA is very positive and we believe the greatest thing it accomplishes is to light a service fire for many members. I will be sending our Area's survey results to Fellowship Development. ILS,

- [Martha's Vineyard-](#)

- [Metro West-](#)

MWASC has met twice since our last RSC with 11 of 20 gsr's present at both meetings.

H&I - creating a flyer to share with groups letting members know how to get involved and facilities how to request our services.

PR - freshly restarted! Reviewing the past to plan the future - flyer hanging day forthcoming!

Discussion about the need to have ASC body approve flyers prior to production and distribution.

Additional discussion about ways we can strengthen the ASC, one suggestion was that we review pertinent portions of GLSNA together.

\$832.68 contribution to NERSC.

Cash, checks, Cash app and venmo are available for group contributions to area.

RCM - reported on emergency corporation meeting.

It was proposed that perhaps we no longer need a NERC in light of all the Area conventions these days and the fact that our Regional convention doesn't feel any different from those.

New biz:

Can we set a hard time for ASC meetings?

Consensus for 90 minute cap AND on election month that we focus solely on elections.

Can we review GLSNA together each ASC instead of GP? Yes - we'll start with an overview and hard copies will be procured.

We meet again on the first Tuesday of September at 7pm both virtually and in person at 350 Washington St, Brookline MA 7-830pm.

Thank you for allowing us to be of service,
Jaime V & Christopher R

- [North East Mass-](#)
- [South East Mass-](#)

Good afternoon NERNA,

SEMA has met two times since our last RSC. We are happy to report we are standing steady at around 50% GSR attendance for four months in a row. Our current open positions are Alt RCM, Alt Treasurer, a finance committee member, and Activities. Our previous RCM Laura G has been elected as our Vice chair and I myself have been elected as the RCM. I would like to take this moment to thank Laura G for her mentorship and I look forward to continuing to serve.

In June two members gave their presentation on their takeaways from attending NESSNA II. They brought back a lot of great information. The members reported they found it useful and said NESSNA was a worthwhile event. We discussed making sure we as an area give better guidance about which workshops we would like to have attended moving forward. Furthermore, we spoke about the potential of having more than two members attend in the future.

In finance we have an ending balance of -\$1036.67. Some adjustments were made to the way the ending balance will be reflected moving forward to help with accuracy of money decisions made. Also, We are continuing to receive subcommittee budgets so we can better reflect the set asides for our subcommittees.

In July our PR team held a flyer hanging day in Fall River to hang flyers in three different languages, Portuguese, Spanish and English, in hopes of spreading information about Narcotics Anonymous to many different cultures throughout the city.

Our H&I team has changed its policy for new Panel Leaders to include attending an H&I commitment with another panel leader in their chosen facility before they hold their own.

Lastly in August Our fellowship services team will be hosting a presentation on the IDT: Reimagining and revitalizing service committees. We are looking forward to having discussion on this topic and sending our feedback to world.

ILS,

Coralee D.

Question asked about if the Ending balance was correct as a negative amount.

- Yes this is correct. We have changed the way this balance in calculated to include written checks and expected regular costs as to ensure a more accurate balance moving forward.

- [South Shore-](#)

Hello Everyone,

- The South Shore Area met on 07/07 and 08/04 since last region's meeting
- There were 12 out of 34 meetings represented each month (July and August)
- H&I had 11 people in person with 2 on zoom this month
- H&I has 13 open commitments currently and we filled 3 more this month
- A new facility in Wareham is supposed to open up and will possibly be interested in H&I commitments
- We will be putting on an H&I learning day @ our 39th Anniversary
- See attached flyer for the "Chili & Chowdah Cook Off Service Slam" being hosted by the SSANA Acitivities Committee. Prizes to go to the best chilli or chowder along with cornhole and other games @ 639 High St in Hanson September 15th from 12-5pm. There will be presentations on H&I, Public Relations, Literature, Outreach, Activities and GSR
- South Shore's 40th Anniversary Convention Committee has the Dino Day fundraiser on August 17th @ 175 School St in Taunton MA. It will have speakers from around the country with decades clean along with speaker tapes, NA vendors, a BBQ and bouncy house for the kids (flyer on nerma.org events)

- The Area Location Ad-hoc has been disbanded as it was unsuccessful on securing a new location for the ASC due to issues for storage at facilities. Area will continue to be held @ 639 High St in Hanson MA
- We sent out area surveys for the groups to voice their opinion on how to increase participation at the Area level. 14 surveys have been collected and the deadline for all surveys are September, we will then discuss based on the surveys on what we can do to increase attendance and participation at area.
- The possibility for ASC becoming hybrid was shortly discussed once again but has no consensus as of now
- There was a FD presentation done at the next area meeting to introduce FD rather than Outreach and see how we can benefit from introducing FD. The feedback was very positive and we are creating a FD committee, policy has started creating a policy and duties for the chairperson and position. More information will be brought back next Regional meeting
- Total Contribution from Area to Region this month is roughly \$92.00 by check (forgot actual amount)

New Positions elected and open positions;

- Secretary - open
- Alt RCM - open
- PR Chairperson - open
- Outreach Chairperson - open

Thank you,
Tony F South Shore Area RCM

- [Western Mass-](#)

Hello New England Region from Western Mass Area, July we had 18 GSRS who attended (however half of them left while we met so we could not finish to business as some things had a long discussion on). We had 20 GSRS in August and we were able to conduct business. We nominated a new treasurer who has been the assistance treasurer, two members on the board and a new policy chair. The nominations were brought back to groups. All positions were elected in during our August area service committee meeting. We have alternate RCM , literature, activities , and secretary as open positions. During August service committee meeting the RCM took notes since the assistant secretary could not attend and the alternate chair had chaired the meeting since the chair could not attend. The WMASS convention and BOD have worked out all things needed for each and the positions within the BOD and the convention along with the bank account. We will have more information on the details for our next area's convention. I mentioned about the urgent Regional BOD meeting and I received

a few questions that I was asked to bring up . One was why did the committee not see the hotel issues in October before it got to where it stands now? The second question was to ask why it could not wait till areas met before the deciding vote. I explained it was due to an time frame which was before areas met. I also referred the area to see where to get the break down what is going on with the regional convention/ BOD. In August most all GSRS stayed so we were able to conduct business. I am proud to say we have been in solution with the challenges we have had been facing with several issues and by working together they are all coming together. The BOD met after the area service committee and elected in people in positions within the BOD that needed to be filled and took care of all what is needed in a short time so that the convention and BOD do what it needs to. The bank account will be all set up this week. It shows with perseverance and communication to come together in a solution we can get what we need done as well as build unity amongst one another. During August's service committee meeting we had two new GSRS who were welcomed in a guided as we mentor and do a GSR orientation. Our sub committee meetings are still holding strong for it's primary purpose even at times we have a lower attendance. We had another successful poster drive for example with less amount of participants but we just got about 150 or so posters out in the Franklin County area with a new participant who joined us.

ILS, Cathie L. , RCM , any questions you can reach me by my email at llewelyn.cathie@yahoo.com or 413 362 0844.

Subcommittee Reports

- Chair-

No Report.

-Member raised concerns about the chair not having a report. The Chair acknowledged the concern and agrees to ensure there is a report moving forward.

- Vice Chair-

Vice-Chair Report August 2024

Greetings RSC. Since our last meeting in June, I have been working on the following efforts:

This month I assisted Brenda, the BOD President with communicating an emergency corporation meeting on July 23 rd . Since there were not enough RCMs in attendance to achieve a quorum, I then worked with Brenda on communicating with all RCMs via email and obtaining group conscience digitally. I also attended the regional policy meeting yesterday and look forward to continuing to serve on that subcommittee.

Last meeting we discussed the potential for the executive body to conduct a more in-depth agenda and format review with the body at the start of the meeting. We will start today with an agenda review and any other high-level matters. The thoughts I have initially are:

To review agenda items

To review scheduled time of the close of meeting, and to ask those who need to leave early to let me know.

To review where we are at with the fiscal year and the conference cycle, and what that means regarding business that will be conducted today.

To give a high-level overview of CBDM procedure (to be standardized)

I welcome feedback on how we can make this portion of the meeting more useful, especially to newer members of the body. I envision in the future a brief standardized format to be read to the body (with specifics inserted) that can evolve as needed.

Discussion was had about intro into Regional

- Review agenda
- Review times
- Review of where we are at in our conference cycle
- CBDM standardized explanation

- Make it informal Ask if there are any new RCMs ask experienced member to help them

- Secretary-

Good afternoon NERNA,

We have continued to send out reports the night before region and I can say that this month was less successful than the last region. One could assume it was due to there not being any outreach on my part to areas to submit them as we discussed at the last RSC. I am happy to continue this process as the body would like. However, sending out reports takes time to put together the document and adjusting the report after the set 6pm deadline is not ideal and prolongs the process, as every time I went to send out the reports I received another and continued to after I sent it out which was after 7PM. Moving forward I am hoping the body would set a hard stop at 6pm and be okay with me sending it as is at that time.

Furthermore, I am hoping today we can have a discussion about the formatting of reports. When reports are received in several different formats such as PDF, Word doc, emailed message etc, it can be timely for me to have to reformat the majority of the reports. I am hoping we can set a standard for written reports of google doc with the standard google doc font and size to help streamline the process.

ILS,
Coralee D

- Discussion had about formatting reports as to streamline the process for the secretary when transferring the reports into the minutes document.
 - It was decided that moving forward all reports should be typed and sent in an email not an attachment and any flyers or itemized list such as treasurers documents can be attached to the email.

Treasurer-

August 2024

Committee met on 8/10 with 2 members in attendance: Treasurer and one finance committee member. The assistant treasurer position is open as well as finance chair. These are important positions for the region and it is important a candidate would have the appropriate time to train with another member.

Starting balance for the day is \$3,573.88. Final balance for the day is \$1,827.61 (operating balance minus money motions not covered by set asides) set asides were

funded as if spending plans were approved for planning purposes. Leaving a **\$1,777.61** contribution to NAWs and a \$50 operating balance to start next month (not including prudent reserve/set asides).

Area Contributions Received:

Area	Contribution	Notes
SEMA	1,123.92	Online transfer
Metro West	832.68	Check via mail
Providence	2,000.00	Check
South Shore	1,069.35	Check
South Shore	93.12	Check via mail
Western Mass	730.22	Check via mail
NEMA Convention	500	Deposit

There was a \$50 contribution received by deposit into the bank account on 7/29, waiting for someone confirm receipt to know who it is from.

Current Money Motions

1. RD NEZF - \$695 travel and accommodation
2. AD NEZF - \$695 travel and accommodation
3. NEZF contribution - \$400
4. PR - \$1,000 for NEARCP registration
5. Treasury- \$1,746.27 move to prudent reserve buffer for convention

Other Treasury and Finance items

1. We filed the taxes for FY 2023
2. We set the new prudent reserve in accordance with the finance policy, the new prudent reserve is \$4,425
3. Finally the finance committee discussed the financial uncertainty of the upcoming convention. Although current projections show the convention turning a modest profit the committee is suggesting setting aside funds at the regional level incase of any shortfalls due to the increased contract pricing. There is already a prudent reserve buffer from a projected shortfall in FY 23, my suggestion is to repurpose that set aside for the convention and add \$1,746.27 for a total set aside of \$5,000.

ILS,
Marissa, Regional Treasurer

[Please See Addendum A For Balance Sheets and Deposit Details](#)

- [BOD-](#)

NERCC BOD Report
August 10, 2024

The BOD has met 4 times since the June RSC on June 17, July 1, and July 16 with a meeting of the full Corporation on July 23, 2024.

It was determined that the bid process/hotel selection did not follow procedural requirements laid out in our policy/guidelines. Upon review of the signed contract in June, it was determined the contract was not fiscally viable. This was primarily due to a non-negotiable meeting space cost of \$28,750. Members of the NERCC met in person with the Sturbridge Host Hotel, requesting the hotel provide certain concessions to allow us to proceed with plans for the event. Despite our over 17-year history with the Sturbridge Host Hotel, they are under new management and rejected all our attempts to re-negotiate a contract we are able to fulfill. The hotel did provide an offer that we can cancel the contract, but that requires forfeiting our \$5000 deposit which was paid earlier this year. If we did not accept this offer, the cancellation policy in the contract 6 months prior to the event will be subject to a penalty of approximately \$10,000. Review of the NERC XX budget and income generated at previous NERC conventions initially suggested we would owe between \$11,000 and \$35,000 at the end of the convention. We would have been unable to return the \$14,000 seed money allocated for convention and corporation.

As most of you know, an interim Corporation meeting was held to discuss the signed contract with the Sturbridge Host Hotel. The initial reason for the meeting was due fiscal concerns with the hotel contract for NERC XX and a need to respond in a timely manner to the hotel's offer to terminate the contract.

After the meeting notice was sent out, the Board was contacted by the hotel stating they had had an emergency meeting about our event. If we were to provide more than 356 rooms nights the meeting space cost would be reduced to \$15000. The adjusted projections were provided at the emergency meeting. In addition, the Convention Committee did an excellent job at reviewing their budget and removed some projected expenses. At the meeting, it was pointed out the registration income calculations I presented were low since they did not reflect the registration cost of \$35 set for general registration. The projected income was recalculated, which showed an improved chance of showing a profit at the end of the event.

Since quorum was not reached at the meeting and some RCMs wanted to present the information to their areas, a decision was made to obtain a roll call email vote with a response date of Monday, July 29, 2024, with one of the following options:

1. Move forward with NERC XX as planned for March 2025 at the Sturbridge Host Hotel.
2. Cancel the convention and forfeit the \$5000 deposit.
3. Abstain from vote.

With 3 board members and 6 areas in favor of moving forward, we will be going forward with the NERC XX as planned in March 2025 at the Sturbridge Host Hotel. The vote was 9-4 with one board member not voting. Thank you to all who attended the Corporation meeting and participated in the voting/input process.

Filings with the Secretary of State have been updated. Login information for QuickBooks, MassTaxConnect, and TechSoup has been transferred to the BOD president in consultation with the former treasurer, Susan B.

Tax returns for FY 2022-2023 and 2023 and 2024 have not been submitted. To our knowledge there is an outstanding amount owed to the accountant for the FY 2022-2023 taxes. We will be paying her now that the new bank account has been opened with TD bank. I sent an email to the accountant requesting an update on our tax filings and any amounts due to her. FY 2023-2024 QuickBooks information has not been updated through the close of the fiscal year due to the Citizens account being closed prior to April 30, 2024. Board member, Teresa D. has requested hard copies of the outstanding bank statements. We are reviewing the payment app we will be using i.e., Square vs. Clover vs. other.

We will need proof of insurance for the convention.

Open positions: Clerk, Treasurer, and 3 Board of Directors.

Account Balance:

NERC: \$6021.03 and \$380 undeposited

NERCC: \$4000.00

Reimbursement will be provided for a QuickBooks course of \$329 as well as to our accountant (amount TBD).

Our next meeting will be August 11, 2024.

...and...exhale...

Brenda V.

NERCC BOD President

- [Regional Delegate-](#)

Regional Delegate Report August 11th , 2024

Northeast Zonal Forum (NEZF) Update

The NEZF, which is comprised of 13 regions, meets quarterly- April and October are in person/hybrid and January and July are virtual only. Initially it was a discussion only body but it has evolved into a service body that has committees, workgroups and engages in strategic planning to better coordinate our service efforts. There is much more information about the zone at nezf.org

Our July meeting was held virtually on Sunday the 28th at 3:00 where we welcomed our newest region, Central Atlantic! They had previously been a member of the Autonomy Zone which has disbanded.

All subcommittee reports had been sent out in advance and they will be attached to this report, just hitting on some of the highlights here. **Fellowship Development** is continuing its outreach to member regions as was prioritized at the last planning

session.... The goal is to get more regional involvement at the zone. Service requests are continuing to be filled. **Public Relations** summarized their involvement at NESSNA II and the booth at the Mid Atlantic States Correctional Association (MASCA). A detailed summary of the work being done by the workgroups H&I task team was also reported. **NESSNA III** (Northeastern States Service Symposium of Narcotics Anonymous) has signed a contract with a hotel in the Greater Philadelphia Region for the event to be held during the NEZF meeting on April 25-27, 2025 **Guidelines** is continuing its work updating the document with approved changes from the April meeting including a stand alone form related to the new Region/Board/Zone (RBZ) recommendation process. **IT Services** (Information Technology) The calendar has been updated on nezf.org and the NESSNA website host has been moved to the nezf host. The Slack channel for steering is now an “open” one for all to participate. **Hosting** the delegate from New Jersey reported that the final payment was made to the hotel and we are all set for our October meeting! **Treasurer** reported a closing balance of \$1,646.71 and gave his home address for contributions to be mailed to the zone. It was also reported that a preliminary budget has been submitted.

The meeting then was handed over to the folks who will be facilitating our planning session in October. The process was explained, and they requested that the local areas answer these two questions: What kind of things are you doing well? Do you have any service needs? A link to the questions will be attached.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf--euo0Qnmzo70hLpl1Bm2Yo2MbjgZA767ScYjGVYkKr7dw/viewform>

The following proposal was then presented by the public relations subcommittee;

- Proposal:
 - From NEZF PUBLIC RELATIONS (PR):
 - To create an NEZF PR Revolving Fund (amount to be determined) to purchase registration to professional conferences in various genres such as Healthcare, Law Enforcement, Education, and Judicial. It would also allow for purchases of Helpline cards, postage, and support attendance at workshops and events within the Northeast Zone. Public Relations Events Booth and Table Sitting presentations require supplies such as table covers, trifold boards, banners, pop-up stands, informational handouts, and NA branded merchandise handouts such as pens and bracelets.
 - Intent: To enable access to funds between zonal meetings to effectively and timely respond to requests for PR services and participation and make PR services readily available

There was much confusion as a “spending plan” had already been submitted to the finance committee for consideration so this was tabled for further review and discussion with finance and will perhaps be resubmitted in October.

A brief discussion was held about how we could handle our business more

professionally because of some upset at our April session. Our next meeting will be hybrid with the in-person location at the Doubletree Hotel in Cherry Hill, NJ October 25-27.

With gratitude,

Jim D- RD

[Please see addendum B for NEZF Report](#)

- **[Alternate Delegate-](#)**

New England Region

Alternate Delegate Report

WCNA News

The World Convention (WCNA) is coming soon! Although pre-registration ended July 31 - registration is still open! With that said, I felt it important to share this. As of 8/6 Pre registrations are around 14.5K yet many more hotel rooms have been booked. Please remember, we are purchasing and renting a lot of materials so getting the most accurate registration numbers is important. If we do not have accurate info. we will wind up wasting our resources. We are still looking for volunteers to serve at the convention, if you are interested in volunteering and serving at the Convention, please fill out the form at volunteer.na.org - you must be registered in order to volunteer. Also, photos for videos for display at the convention are being collected on the NEW convention page wcna.na.org. There is a new page and web address so everything is in one place and it will ease the traffic.



NAWS Updates

We did not get a full financial update due to being so busy with the convention planning, but one was promised for our next call in September. The annual report is posted at na.org/ar. This covers the period between 7/1/22 - 6/30/23. This is the best resource to see a yearly breakdown of income/expenses. Fun fact - In this period \$738,826.00 in free and subsidized literature was given out. This is a 35% increase from prior year. Still recovering from Covid but all-in-all very impressed with this accomplishment!

August 3 Webinar - 'Helping Addicts Find Us - This is an open webinar aimed towards area and regional members who are involved in websites flyers etc. More info can be found at na.org/nawsevents. We encourage all website chairs to attend.



The Future of the World Service Conference (WSC) workgroup continues to meet regularly to come up with options to make the WSC function as effectively as possible. These conversations shaped two recommendations put forth by the World Board (WB)

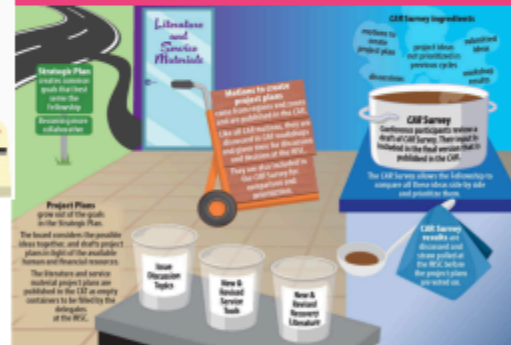
1. Participants (Regions, Zones and WB) use a new survey process to submit literature ideas for WSC 2026. Instead of motions for literature project plans, they would like to try this for 2026 and see how it goes. The conference can make a decision after 2026 trial.

The hope is to streamline the process, and have one mechanism to gather input from the Fellowship.

Helpful links!

- NEW convention link - wcna.na.org
- Volunteer @WCNA - volunteer.na.org
- Full future of the WSC reports and more info on WSC - na.org/conference

Future of the WSC



The second recommendation from the World Board is in response to a concern of the way we spend our time at the WSC. As a result, the Board recommends...

2. If a motion has an 80% consensus at the initial straw poll, . We will ask to accept that as a final decision.

Historically, all of the motions that have been made in previous sessions, discussion between the initial straw poll and the final vote have not changed any results. The purpose of this recommendation is to enhance the efficiency and productivity of the time spent in discussion at the WSC.

Thank you! ILS - D'Lanor (AD@nera.org)

- [Convention-](#)

New England Regional Convention Committee 08/10/24 NERC Chair: Teresa D (781) 526-4006

The New England Regional Convention Committee met Saturday August 10, 2024 There were 11 people in attendance.

7 out of the 13 positions are filled.

Vice Chair: Kevin R

Treasurer: Open

Assist. Treasurer: Open

Secretary: Denise H

Asst. Secretary: Open

Arts & Graphic Arianna

CI: Open

F&E: Open

H&H: Peggy M

Merchandising: Open

Programming: Gary N

Registration Delia M

Treasurer report

5,961.03 working balance and new comer donations/ 60.00 is

newcomer donations/ 6021.03 is working balance

Bank account was opened at TD Bank.

New flier was made for registration and hotel information with a new registration fee of \$35 until March 7, 2025.

We had no open forum business

No Old Business

No New Business

Next Meeting is September 10, 2024 @ 6pm via zoom

ILS Teresa D Convention Chair

- [H&I-](#)

Good afternoon,

Writing Steps For Recovery continues to meet monthly along with members of the H&I subcommittee in order to better support the WSR Chair in getting the program going. SO far, we have begun compiling a list of people that have expressed interest in either being

a sponsor or assisting in building a WSR subcommittee or both. The WSR Chair attended a WSR subcommittee meeting in a region in Connecticut and learned a lot about the process. The Connecticut region WSR is revamping their WSR policy and has offered to send it to our WSR Chair to help support her in getting a subcommittee going. The next WSR meeting will be 09/16/2024 at 6:30pm via zoom. The log in will be 6416609189 PW 0000.

The WSR Chair has set up a separate email for people interested in WSR and that has been updated on the WSR flyer. I have included the flyer with my report.

The secretary is going to be developing an updated contact list of all people that want the subcommittee minutes and other emails and will keep it current. I had one going for a while but got away from it a while ago for some reason. Now that we have a secretary, he will keep it updated going forward.

The SEMA Southeastern Mass Area H&I (Hospitals and Institutions) subcommittee is having an H&I learning day on 09/28/2024 from 1pm-5pm at 1507 Pleasant St in Fall River. I have included the flyer with my report.

The Central Mass Area H&I subcommittee is holding an H&I learning day at the Spur-Of-The-Moment Campout located at Camp Marshall 92 McCormick Rd. Spencer, Ma 01562 on 09/07/2024 from 12:30pm-2pm complete with an ice cream bar and multiple speakers.

Thank you for allowing me to Serve,

Chelsee B NERNA H&I Chair

- [PR/Phoneline-](#)

NERNA PR Subcommittee Report Aug 10, 2024

The Committee met on 8/10 w 10 attendees on zoom. The following Areas had representation:

CMA, MWA, SEMA, SSA, WMA. Verbal report were given. Written reports are below:

CMA: Central MA has been busy with schools and gathering information and creating an excel sheet with all of the schools in the CMA area. It contains all of the address, phone numbers, and emails of school nurses or guidance counselors associated with the schools

in order for PR to contact them via email hopefully in the fall. An email was drafted and approved last year to be sent to all the schools in the area, and is simply asking if the schools would be interested in a presentation at their school. With this in mind the subcommittee dialed back due to lack of support at the time in August and decided to reach out to Region and see if a Presentation Learning Day would be more proficient with our time. CMA Chair reached out to Training Chair at Region and there will be more to be revealed on that in the coming weeks. Another effort to attract more support to the subcommittee is to meet biweekly instead of monthly so that members do not have

to commit to a singular day once a month and hopefully attract more members this way. A member from CMA also suggested drafting a letter to sober living residentials to ask extensions for residents to stay and get involved in service. CMA PR hopes to be of service in these ways to its area. The next two meetings for CMA PR are 8/28 and 9/11 both at 6:30pm on zoom located on the centralmassna.org events calendar tab.

ILS, Riss

MWA: Metro West PR started meeting again in July with 2-3 members average attendance

- started reviewing the Google Drive contents; discussed our past PR experience (consisting of flyer hanging, cold call letter writing, powerpoint presentations, booths, etc.); Ideas and hopes for future activities.
- We set action items consisting of drumming up more interest and enthusiasm for our next subcommittee meeting by making announcements and appealing to addicts 1:1 so we can increase attendance for next time
- Our goal is to organize and announce a Flyer Hanging Day event following our next monthly meeting in September. We meet on the first Tuesday of every month at 6pm at 350 Washington St in Brookline
- ILS, Rylan V. Metro West PR Chair 857-939-3896

SSA: David D gave a report as outgoing SSA PR Chair. The only active project is the Literature racks that have been placed and are currently all maintained at 34 total. Upcoming commitment at Canton Health Fair in October. Also, PR service presentation to the Area at the upcoming Chili-Chowder Activity on Sunday 9/15 Noon-5 pm in Hanson, MA.

WMA: Western Mass PR has met twice since last Regional meeting. We had 7 members in July and 6 in August. All our positions are full.

- 13 lit. racks that are being maintained by 8 members. Website is current and up to date.
- Our PSA is playing on 2 local radio stations.
- We had our Poster Drive in July. We had 8 addicts present and hung 156 posters in Greenfield, Northampton, Amherst, Hadley and other small towns in the area.. Our next Poster Drive will be on Oct 19th in Palmer.
- 3 table events: On August 6th we did 2 National Nights Out. One in Palmer and one in Belchertown. We did another on Aug 7th in Chicopee; 7 more table events scheduled in August and September.

We are reaching out to Springfield College about doing a presentation in the Fall semester.

We meet on the second Thursday of each month at 5:45pm in Chicopee.

ILS - Pete C. PR Chair

PR Topic Presentation: Today - "Personal Anonymity and Social Media" 15 minute Slideshow presented by Lauren. Lots of interest and useful info for all of us. We will come up with one for next Meeting. Open to ideas..

Elections: Vice Chair Lauren R; Secretary Marissa R

Social Media Coordinator Report and discussion took place. Verbal report was given. The committee expressed its appreciation to our Coordinator Pete as he has been proactive in his monitoring and postings, and open and flexible to ideas and suggestions. See new business Helpline: See separate Report sent to Regional Secretary. Cathie L Helpline Coordinator.

Upcoming commitments:

- Cape Cod Area 8/14: Jacquelin G asked to us assist CCA in learning more about PR and

how to re-start their committee. We are attending to this

- 9/5-9/7 Cape Cod Symposium on Addictive Disorders (CCSAD). We have at least 7 qualified volunteers to help with coverage at our booth

- November 20-22 Northeast Association of Recovery Court Professionals (NEARCP). Danvers, MA. We have submitted a proposal for the \$1000 exhibitor fee. (In plan)

Lit / Material Coordinator: Committee has everything it needs for its services. Projector and laptop are with James B in Brighton. A lot of this is available for Areas to use if needed. All stored in Roxbury. ILS, David D

Old Business: PR magnets designed by Billy have been received and will be distributed at the next NERNA PR meeting in NEMA.

- Parolee Program for NA meetings as presented at NESSNA: We have an invitation for a few PR members to attend as "Listening Only" attendees at the Southern CA virtual Parolee meeting being held on 8/13 th at 1-2:15 pm EST. This is a good opportunity for us to learn more how it works.

- Send 2 PR members to WSLD 10/18-10/20

WSLD: As expressed last Region, PR committee would like to send 2 members to this event. Marissa and Rylan have volunteered. We hope that the Region will be able to accommodate this request. Proposal submitted

New Business / Announcements:

\$1000 proposal submitted for NERCP conference in November (on plan)

Proposal to send (2) PR members to WSLD in October \$2553

NERNA Facebook Page: Event files / docs not of good quality when viewed on page will not be posted. AND daily JFT posting will be discontinued.

NERNA Facebook page: Committee had previously restricted postings to events in NE Region and some specific Zonal. We feel this is proper since it is a NE Regional page. Opening it to wider postings would dilute our local focus, and cause some visitors to be overwhelmed.

NERNA Facebook Page: There are no 'members'. Anyone can visit it or comment in the postings

Helpline 11pm-7am shift: Currently we operate 7a-11p. The committee has decided filling nights is worthwhile and important. Therefore to search for 1 or 2 qualified individuals able to cover.

In Grateful Service,
David D, PR Chair
617-481-6737

Phoneline

Martha's Vineyard - Bill H., back up Amanda - No calls

Nantucket - Beth - no phone calls

Cape Cod - Harold - two phone calls - looking for meetings

GPANA - Stephanie C.- June 8th- addict called looking for a meeting in Pawtucket or Providence and did not have access to the internet. Steph gave them the meeting in the bucket in Pawtucket at 7:30 information. June 8th addict called visiting from Arkansas looking for a meeting in the Warwick area. Steph gave him a few meetings in Warwick this weekend and he had to access GPANA website. June 13 addict called from Butler looking for inpatient treatment, Steph told him that we do not have inpatient treatment but she explained our program and he was interested so Steph gave him the website and meeting information. June 17 addict called looking for a meeting. Steph missed the call and Steph called back 15 minutes later and he already found the website and a meeting to go to. June 17 addict called looking for transportation to a meeting while he is visiting in town. Steph told him that we do not provide that service but Steph gave him information on a meeting that is for tomorrow night closest to him so he could meet people and hopefully set himself up for the week. June 27 a woman called from the hospital looking for a case manager in Providence. Steph called the number back to let her know she had the wrong phone line however it was a hospital line and she did not leave instructions how to reach her. July 13 missed call on the phone line without a message, Steph called back and the woman said they found the meeting they were looking for. July 23 addict called new to the area just confirming the link for tonight's zoom meeting and it was accurate. July 29th addict called looking for meetings in Warwick area. Steph gave them the GPANA website information. July 29th addict called to tell his experience on his first N.A. meeting back. August 2nd addict called looking for a meeting in Blackstone, Steph gave her the GPANA website and the information for the Monday night meeting in Blackstone. August 9th addict called looking for a ride to a meeting and information on Narcotics Anonymous. Steph gave him the website and a link for zoom meetings as well as some basic information. ILS, Steph C.

South Shore - Mark K., back up David D. Mark K. - Received a call on July 4th at 6 p.m. from an elderly woman who stated, "I think I may have a problem with drugs and just need to speak with somebody". Mark spoke with her for several minutes, and then she asked for permission to forward her number to a member who could call her back. Mark located a willing South Shore member who reached out to her. David D. 1 missed call, 1 80 year old who wants to be off sleeping pills, 1 homeless addict who needs a hard copy of a meeting list. David mailed a meeting list to their PO Box.

Boston - Mary C. Mikey C. is the back up - 3 phone calls

NEMA - Lauren - Mikey C. is the back up - 7/16/24- "nurturing families of recovering addicts" asking if we could spread word that they are a new program in Salem, MA (

explained that we cannot and briefly why). 7/17/24 looking for noontime near Lowell/Tewksbury , there are none so directed them to the virtual meetings and meetings in the area at night. 7/20/24 out of town looking for a meeting near Saugus , sent to Lynn meeting 8/9/24 missed the call during the day

Metrowest - Cathie L./ Farah G - I myself received a call twice for testing from David D. and one call from an addict looking for a meeting in Dracut as he does not have access with transportation on his own without getting a ride. I explained how to navigate meetings in that area and possibly if they wanted zoom meetings, access the bus line and getting to a meeting and reaching out to meet people and get set up with rides as well. The caller was mandated for "classes " to get his kid back , so explained that they are meetings and briefly explain what we are about . The caller was happy to get the information and the website as well as suggestions how to get to the meetings . Farah is new and has not received any calls yet .

WMASS - Cailey , Pete C, Stacy F. - Cailey, Pete and Stacy did not get any calls .

CMANA - Anthony - Krist - Meredith - 5 phone calls Krist received - Anthony is new and Meredith did not get any

SEMA - Ruthanne and one pending to be trained for the phone line which will be taken care of this week - June 24 - got a call from a guy needing a meeting list as he works at soup kitchen in Taunton so she told him she will reach out to P R to get one there in that location. July 22 received a call looking for a meeting in Taunton and Ruthanne gave him the information .

ILS, Cathie L.

- **Policy-**

Good afternoon, Region!

Policy met on 8/10 with four in attendance. The approved proposals from the last RSC were added into policy.

We worked on Article VI, Section 4 with a proposal on language based on previous changes approved at the RSC. We would like some feedback on changing general language to replace the word "ad hoc."

We will also be creating a section to define terms and acronyms. Our next priority will be Article X, Section 3, defining what will replace "voting procedures." Are there any other priorities that people think we should tackle first?

An off-cycle meeting will be held in September, date and time will be posted in Slack, as well as our regularly scheduled meeting on subcommittee Saturday (10/2). Participation is encouraged.

- Conversation had about Finance policy seeming stale and it hasn't been updated since 2022, question of if it is possible that updates are missing
 - They will look at the minutes and see if anything is found.

In loving Service, Justin M

- Website- Vacant

- Fellowship Development-

FD Report – 6-10-24

Fellowship Development has met one time since our last RSC on Saturday August 10th from 12:30 to 2 PM. We had 10 addicts in attendance. We began business with introductions and one area rep was present (Martha's Vineyard).

We then moved on to reports. I reported that in July, I attended the South Shore Area meeting with Jaime V. and presented on FD. I thanked the committee for covering me while attended my niece's wedding.

Our NEZF FD liaison reported:

I attended the last two Zonal FD meetings via Zoom.

Designated trusted servants from the NEZF FD Subcommittee continue to reach out to member Regions, letting them know we're here to support and asking what we can do for them. Service requests are being met as they arise. And there has been some discussion about a budget to help meet these when travel/lodging may be necessary.

I will continue to attend the regularly scheduled meetings as the NERFD Liaison.

Is there anything we, as either a Region or as NERFD would like me to bring to NEZF FD? Questions, concerns, service requests, et al? OPEN FORUM

We paused to gawk at D'lanor's new tiger kitty.

Project Updates (various):

Environmental Scan: What are the results? What is the status of this project. LAST CHANCE:

- What is the total number of meetings per area: _____
How many virtual/hybrid meetings _____ and in person _____
- How many groups are sending GSRs to the ASC,
- How many OPEN area trusted servant positions,22
- What are the top 2-3 issues of concern at the ASC, how can we help with those issues?)

Are we anticipating any more responses from member Areas?

Plan is to bring this up at **Open Forum at the NERSC meeting soliciting RCMs then.**

NESSSNA Funding: Should we have a mechanism- like for virtual attendance - or split costs with interested areas – Status, Ideas.

There was \$4,000 set aside for NESSSNA III funding in the proposed spending plans.

There was a lack of consensus on what would be funded (registration, travel, etc...).

\$2,000 for registrations

Price forecasting for transportation including bus and train would cover the other \$2,000.

There was at least one group that expressed that they would prefer money spent to send other members from the Region to attend NESSSNA over sending members to things like MARLCNA, WSLD.

Decision is to make a recommendation of Opt-In to member Areas, as some Areas have already created set asides to send members.

Discussion about more representation was included, this would enable 4 members (2 funded by their Area and 2 members funded by Region).

Is there a way to raise funds for NESSSNA attendance? Yes, but nothing planned at this point in time.

A member brought up NESSSNA being an opportunity for less participatory members to learn and engage.

WSLD Funding: Are we sending FD to WSLD? As of this meeting, the only 2 members attending the Delegate team, though there are likely at least 2 other members self funding.

At this point in time we are not requesting funding if members are willing to self fund.

A recommendation will be that the set aside be taken up by PR and/or H&I if they would like to attend, if that is not taken up then that rolling over to NESSSNA funding.

RCM Training / Regional Orientation:

- “1. We were thinking of updating the old RCM training modules and materials to better reflect our current practices. Once completed, we will have individual members of the FD committee available upon request for lunch time orientation. At this time, we can go over the materials and offer one-on-one support.
- 2. We would like to introduce the idea of spending the first 15 minutes of the RSC reviewing general practices, RCM and Subcommittee chairs roles and responsibilities, and basic CBDM guidelines. We think this may help in offering a little guidance to our newer members and a refresher for our experienced ones.
- 3. Lastly, we wanted your thoughts on holding an in person regional orientation in October when we meet in person in NEMA. We would do this on subcommittee Saturday”
- Will colloquy with the NERSC Chair to include this before the regularly scheduled NERSC meeting.

Ad Hoc – For Central Mass Area Inventory –

Coralee D. presented the inventory form, results are due by the October ASC meeting with next steps in a strategic planning process to follow.

Scheduling Strategic Planning for NERSC – Bill / Jaime:

will be discussed at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Nothing has been planned or prepared at this point in time. There is a lack of clarity as to what the NERSC is asking for. Asking for input prior to the scheduled planning session is the best way to move forward. **Whether that be by survey or done at the RSC meeting. A date will be set at the RSC tomorrow. OPEN FORUM**

Election for Vice Chair: Noel D. elected unanimously. Congratulations!
NESSNA Liaison: Jim D. and elected unanimously. Congratulations!

Open Discussion / Area & Addict Concerns:

Question regarding whether or not the NEZF FD outreach member will be attending our NERSC meeting. It was confirmed that a representative will be attending. Dennis Mc.

Discussion was held about the role of the FD Chair/Committee.

As historically it has been the “graveyard for delegates.” Could the FD Chair be closer to an AD 2 or someone interested in the Delegate role?

The role of NERNA FD has changed, during conference years they act as help to the Delegate team. It has become sort of a clearing house for things. Identifying what we want to do and who would then be best suited to serve in the administrative roles of the subcommittee. Does Delegate experience lend itself to the FD Chairperson role? There have been Chairpeople who have been Delegates and those who have not and both have served well.

Meeting closed at 1:57pm with a moment of silence and the third step prayer

[RCM Cheat Sheet](#)

Thanks everyone for coming!

Next Meeting: 12:30pm October 12th 280 Broadway Lynn MA

In loving service,
James P., FD Facilitator
jgpbos@me.com
617-314-4048

Area Concerns/Open Forum

Area concerns-

Open Forum-

- FD is looking for questions from their preciously sent our environmental scan
- FD believes PR and H&I would benefit from going to WSLD
- WSLD why is it different from other events we have been too?
 - Better range of people more notoriety
 - We practice things we have learned there at our body now
 - ITs not just about what we can take from it but also what can we give to it
- Status of our Strategic planning session?
 - What does it look like
 - How can we better carry the message?
 - Sit down as a body and decide what we want to do with what we have come up with
 - If we got responses to the scan we would be in a better place to hold a strategic planning session; we need to scan result to be able to analyze them as a body
 - We need FD to send out a new scan and just start fresh.
- Secretary is asking to set a hard stop time for reports to be sent in by. It is recommended it be 6PM Subcommittee Saturday Night: Body agrees.
 - There were some ideas put out to help with the minutes process as a whole:
 - Possible sign up or subscription capabilities on the website
 - Earlier start time for subcommittees so there is more time to get the reports done and sent in
 - Members voiced concerns with this idea due to some peoples lengths of travel on in person months
 - Make it to subcommittees update their own reports online
- Western mass naked if anyone could help set up a calendar on the WMANA website.
 - They will reach out to Patrick
- Events being scheduled on the same dates and times, please check the regional calendar and add your own events to it.
 - One member suggested it is not that they don't know, it is that they don't care.
 - As RCMs please talk to your areas about this
- Treasurer brought up changing money motions to earlier in the meeting
 - Money motions could be done during subcommittees
 - A member raised caution that this would put the motions in the order of reports and not the order in which they were received potentially causing issues.
 - They could be done after subcommittee reports

Old Business-

- A member raised a concern about areas not discussing the spending plans with the areas as this was the workflow they asked for and now they are being disregarded
 - One area disapproved
 - Plans approved

New Business-

- Elections-
Insurance - Jonathan S Elected
Finance - Remains Open
Website - Remains Open

Addendums

- Addendum A - Balance Sheets and Deposit Details

**New England Regional Service Committee of NA
Balance Sheet Detail
As of August 12, 2024**

ASSETS	Date	Transacti on Type	Num	Name	Memo/De scription	Split	Debit	Credit	Amount	Balance
Checking at Citizens Bank - No										
		Beginning Balance								6,677.59
	08/10/2024	Deposit			-Split-		285.87		285.87	6,963.46
	08/10/2024	Deposit		South Shore Area	Group & Area Contributions		93.12		93.12	7,056.58
	08/10/2024	Deposit		Westem MA	Group & Area Contributions		730.22		730.22	7,786.80
	08/10/2024	Deposit		MetroWest	Group & Area Contributions		832.68		832.68	8,619.48
	08/11/2024	Expense	1545	Michael Rylan	PR Expenses			2,213.00	-2,213.00	6,406.48
	08/11/2024	Expense	1546	NAWS	Customary Expenses:NAWS Contribution			1,777.61	-1,777.61	4,628.87
	08/11/2024	Expense	1542	NEARCP	PR Expenses			1,000.00	-1,000.00	3,628.87
	08/11/2024	Expense	1540	James D	RD / AD Expenses			695.00	-695.00	2,933.87
	08/11/2024	Expense	1543	NEZF	RD / AD Expenses			400.00	-400.00	2,533.87
	08/11/2024	Expense	1544	Marissa R	PR Expenses			340.00	-340.00	2,193.87
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No:NESSNA SA		1,000.00	-1,000.00		1,193.87
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No:Prudent Reserve Buffer		1,746.27	-1,746.27		-52.40
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No:Insurance Reserve		796.00	-796.00		-1,348.40
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No:Insurance SA		400.00	-400.00		-1,748.40
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No:Website SA			50.00	-50.00	-1,798.40
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No:RD / AD SA		990.00	-990.00		-808.40
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No:FD SA		1,553.00	-1,553.00		744.80
	08/12/2024	Expense	1541	D'Lanor H	RD / AD Expenses			695.00	-695.00	49.80
Total for Checking at Citizens Bank - No FD SA									- \$ 6,627.99	
		Beginning Balance								1,800.00
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No		1,553.00	-1,553.00		247.00
Total for FD SA									- \$ 1,553.00	
Insurance SA		Beginning Balance								1,504.61
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No		400.00	-400.00		1,904.61
Total for Insurance SA NESSNA SA									\$ 400.00	
		Beginning Balance								795.00
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No		1,000.00	-1,000.00		1,795.00
Total for NESSNA SA PR SA									\$ 1,000.00	
		Beginning Balance								210.84
Total for PR SA Prudent Reserve										
		Beginning Balance								3,629.40
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No		796.00	-796.00		4,425.40
Total for Prudent Reserve Prudent Reserve Buffer									\$ 796.00	
		Beginning Balance								3,253.73
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No		1,746.27	-1,746.27		5,000.00
Total for Prudent Reserve Buffer RD / AD SA									\$ 1,746.27	
		Beginning Balance								1,527.98
	08/12/2024	Transfer			Checking at Citizens Bank - No		990.00	-990.00		837.98
Total for RD / AD SA Travel SA									- \$ 990.00	

	Beginning Balance					500.00	
Total for Travel SA							
Website SA	Beginning Balance					586.98	
	08/12/2024	Transfer		Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne	50.00	50.00	636.98
Total for Website SA						\$ 90.00	
Total for Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne with sub-accounts						\$ 5,178.72	
TOTAL ASSETS						\$ 5,178.72	\$ 15,607.41
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY						\$ 5,178.72	\$ 15,607.41
Equity						\$ 22,843.21	\$ 22,843.21
Retained Earnings						\$ 6,935.00	\$ 6,935.00
Net Income						\$ 15,607.41	\$ 15,607.41
Total Equity						\$ 15,607.41	\$ 15,607.41
Total Liabilities and Equity						\$ 15,607.41	\$ 15,607.41

Monday, Aug 12, 2024 10:14:49 AM GMT-7 - Accrual Basis

New England Regional Service Committee of NA

Deposit Detail August 1-12, 2024

TRANSACTION ID	DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	CUSTOMER FULL NAME	VENDOR	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	CLEARED	AMOUNT	ACCOUNT
									Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
513									
513	08/10/2024	Deposit					Uncleared	\$285.87	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
513	08/10/2024	Deposit			JFT	JFT NA Group		\$19.11	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
513	08/10/2024	Deposit			JFT	JFT NA Group		\$16.17	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
513	08/10/2024	Deposit			Anonymous	Anonymous		\$40.67	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
513	08/10/2024	Deposit			Breakfast Club	The Breakfast Club		\$28.91	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
513	08/10/2024	Deposit			Anonymous	Anonymous		\$40.67	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
513	08/10/2024	Deposit		Text Message		The Text Message		\$19.11	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
513	08/10/2024	Deposit		Mission in the Village		Mission in the Village		\$28.91	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
513	08/10/2024	Deposit			Breakfast Club	The Breakfast Club		\$12.25	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
513	08/10/2024	Deposit			End of the Line	End of the Line		\$38.42	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
513	08/10/2024	Deposit			JFT	JFT		\$41.65	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
Total for 513								\$571.74	
514									
514	08/10/2024	Deposit			Western MA		Uncleared	\$730.22	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
514	08/10/2024	Deposit			Western MA	Western Mass Contribution		\$730.22	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
Total for 514								\$1,460.44	
515									
515	08/10/2024	Deposit			South Shore Area		Uncleared	\$93.12	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
515	08/10/2024	Deposit			South Shore Area	South Shore Area		\$93.12	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
Total for 515								\$186.24	
516									
516	08/10/2024	Deposit		MetroWest			Uncleared	\$832.68	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
516	08/10/2024	Deposit		MetroWest		Metro West Area		\$832.68	Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
Total for 516								\$1,665.36	
								\$3,883.78	Total for Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne
								\$3,883.78	

New England Regional Service Committee of NA

Balance Sheet

As of August 12, 2024

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne	49.60
BOD - SA	0.00
Convention SA	0.00
FD SA	247.00
Insurance SA	1,904.61
NESSNA SA	1,795.00
PR SA	210.84
Prudent Reserve	4,425.40
Prudent Reserve Buffer	5,000.00
RD / AD SA	837.98
Travel SA	500.00
Website SA	636.98
Total Checking at Citizens Bank - Ne	15,607.41
Total Bank Accounts	\$15,607.41
Total Current Assets	\$15,607.41
TOTAL ASSETS	\$15,607.41
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Total Liabilities	
Equity	
Unrestricted Net Assets	22,543.21
Net Income	-6,935.80
Total Equity	\$15,607.41
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$15,607.41

[Addendum B - NEZF Report](#)

NEZF – JULY 2024 – COMMITTEE / Trusted Servant REPORTS

NJRSC-RD Hosting Report to NEZF

Hello everyone

I have delivered a check for \$500.00 to Kristina Tamm our contact at the Doubletree Hotel in Cherry Hill N.J. This is the final payment until the weekend of October 25-27, 2024 when we have the in-person NEZF. Everything is on track.

In Loving Service,

Lou E.- NJRSC RD



Fellowship Development Report

Name/Position: Sarah L/ FD Chairperson; Troy B/FD Vice Chair

Date: July 28, 2024

The subcommittee continues to work on delegated tasks and service requests that have been submitted. We are always exploring ideas for continuous improvement in what we do. Our teams are active and delivering on assignments. Below are the highlights from the last quarter. Our thanks to all those on the subcommittee and other interested members.

Service Requests in progress/recently completed:

- Mid-Atlantic – surveys and resources
- ABCD – website assistance
- Kings Bay – Tech
- Connecticut – surveys and resources

Tasks/project updates:

Continuing to work on the Outreach Project from the Strategic Planning session in October 2022

- We have different members of the FD Task Team who are communicating with the various regions within the Zone. There is a member of Fellowship Development who has been assigned to each RD/AD Teams from each region to follow up on the information that was reviewed in October 2023, and to have a conversation! Looking forward to connecting with all of you!
- To request support from NEZF FD – please submit a service request:
 - o [NEZF Service Request – North East Zonal Forum of Narcotics Anonymous](#)
 - o [Service Volunteers – North East Zonal Forum of Narcotics Anonymous \(nezf.org\)](#)
- Fellowship Development – meets every third Wednesday at 8 pm.

July 28, 2024 NESSNA Report to the NEZF

Greetings NEZF and welcome to our new members!! We have secured a hotel for NESSNA III to be held in the Greater Philadelphia Region on April 25-27, 2025. The event will be at the Sheraton Great Valley Hotel in Frazier, PA. The location is approximately the same distance as the last NESSNA was from the nearest airport. The room rate is \$139/night. The workgroup will be meeting next Sunday at 0900 after which the website will be updated with all the pertinent info regarding registration cost (yet to be determined), reserving a hotel room, merchandise etc.

A survey has been developed and sent out to the fellowship in our zone and beyond seeking input on which topics folks would like to see at NESSNA III, so far, the response has been terrific!

We are off and running, looking forward to an amazing event in less than nine months!!!

A tremendous "Thank You" to the NEZF steering committee for coming together during an emergency meeting and giving us the leeway to move the event to the first weekend in May, although we ultimately didn't need to do that, it was a comfort to have that option.

With gratitude,

Jim D- NESSNA

[NEZF Guidelines Workgroup Report -July 2024](#)

The guidelines workgroup met three times since the last NEZF meeting. There were still a couple of things on our agenda from before the April meeting and there were some items that surfaced at the April NEZF meeting. Our worklist consists of the following:

- Definition/purpose of our addendum/addenda
- Submitting a proposal
- Difference between subcommittees, workgroups, and task teams
- Distribution of reports
- Collection of hosting best practices for an addendum
- Financial ad hoc workgroup recommendations

In addition to that we needed to work on updating the Guidelines document to reflect what was approved in April. This also included creating the web form for the RBZ Service Resumé and that's still in progress. With regards to the "paper" RBZ Service Resumé... this form needs to be distributed as a standalone protected Word document to allow the fields to be filled in electronically. So, the full Guidelines document includes the content of the RBZ service resumé, but it's not really intended to be filled out, or even printed, from the Guidelines document. This is a work in progress as we try to get better at utilizing forms that can be filled out electronically.

At our May meeting it was brought up that we need to develop a statement of decorum for the NEZF meetings. It was pointed out that we have a ground rules document that we used to read before every business session. That document was sent to the chair and vice-chair so it can be re-integrated into the NEZF meetings.

As for other items that we feel warrant an update to the Guidelines document we will be submitting formal proposals before the September steering committee meeting. Those items currently include:

- The subcommittee/workgroups/task team issue. We've added some language to our working draft that clarifies that subcommittees may create internal task teams as necessary and that task teams report to, and through, the subcommittee they are within.
- No edit needed but we clarified that anyone could submit a proposal to the NEZF. There's nothing in our guidelines restricting proposal submissions to representatives from the member regions.
- There was some conversation about what our definition and purpose is for the addenda, but nothing was formalized yet. This came up during the April NEZF with regards to the Addendum for NEZF Minutes and whether it's direction for the secretary or just best practices. More to be discussed on this issue.
- In our discussion of distribution of the reports, we looked at the frequency of emails that get sent out, how many emails we get, who is responsible for sending them out, etc. Again, we looked at current guidelines which state that all written communication, except for meeting minutes, come from the chair. So, we moved on and started drafting a timeline specifically related to distribution of reports, etc. via email. During the conversations we started thinking that maybe a complete NEZF timeline might be a good idea... something that includes the strategic planning, elections, RBZ recommendations, communications, etc.
Our current draft for the reporting/communication timeline is as follows:
 - o Agenda + Reminder of Reports - gets emailed out 2 Sundays before NEZF meeting.
 - o All Reports (regional and subcommittees), any proposals, and a reminder of where to find all the documents on the website - get emailed out the Sunday before the NEZF meeting.
 - o Summary of decisions - gets emailed out 2 weeks after the NEZF meeting.
 - o Full Minutes - get emailed out (no later than) 6 weeks after the NEZF meeting.
- Re: hosting best practices... we have a sample RFP that was used but we haven't really started pulling things out of that into a more simple "best practices" document. Although it's an excellent start.
- We did not discuss the Financial Ad Hoc recommendations at all yet.

That's where things are. While we have three more scheduled meetings before the October in-person NEZF we will do our best to have anything we'll be submitting for approval done by the end of our September meeting so it can be sent to the Steering Committee in the end of September.

Next scheduled meetings: August 1, September 5, October 3 (?).

Meeting info at <https://nezf.org/nezf-calendar/>

In Service, Adam H.

[NEZF IT Services Report](#)

2024-07

TL;DR (key points)

- NESSNA's website : Successfully moved to NEZF host**
- Social Media Presence : Does the NEZF want an official discussion group on Facebook?**
- Website Documents : Work on reorganizing the documents on the website beginning soon**
- Slack Steering Channel : Opened up to all members**
 - Send us news and updates! Would like NEZF committees and member**

regions to email exciting news and updates to tech@nezf.org so we can post them on the website

□ **Website resources : Website has a lot of available services, forms, resources**

Main report

- Website

- o Updated calendar and flyers as needed
- o Moved NESSNA's website from their host on Digital Ocean to NEZF's host on A2.
- o Reminders :
 - The website has the following :
 - Online Proposal Form
 - Online Regional Report Form
 - Videos published by the Video Tools Workgroup
 - Service Volunteer Form and Service Request Form
 - Service Calendar with all of our workgroups, committees, zoom ID's, and a link to our slack workspace
 - NEZF Exit Poll where anyone can provide feedback on any NEZF workshops, presentations, etc.

- Social Media

- o Discovered that the former “Eastern New York Experience Strength and Hope” Facebook group had been renamed to “Northeast Zonal Forum Experience Strength and Hope” Facebook group.
 - Discussed this in steering – the admin for the Facebook group opted to change the name so that it wouldn't be misconstrued as an official NEZF group.
 - Also found another old “NEZF Participants” Facebook group that has not been active in years. ▪ This lead to the question : Does the NEZF body wish to have an official NEZF Facebook group for discussion, flyers, etc?
 - We have a Public Relations group and H&I group already. PR has gotten some use, while H&I has not – although it may start seeing some activity now.

- Process

- o Building out our regular checklist of tasks for maintaining NEZF's IT services
- o Building out a process document so that those that follow will have a solid understanding of our current IT services as well as the necessary passwords.
- o Starting to look at what the in-person needs will consistently be for the NEZF meetings and what the requirements/expectations are and will be building that documentation out.

- Slack

- o Originally, the Steering Committee was a closed meeting – but then the body voted to open that to all. The Slack workspace for steering was not opened though. This was an oversight that was recently corrected. All members can now join the Steering Committee slack channel, same as any other committee channel.

Thank you for allowing us to serve,
Dennis M – NEZF IT Services Chair

Northeast Zonal Forum Public Relations Report

July 28, 2024 Richie S. - NEZF Public Relations Chair

Email: Mr.recoveree@netzero.com and PR@nezf.org

Dear NEZF Trusted Servants, RD's and NA Members:

THE PUBLIC RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE meets the third Tuesday of the month at 9 PM. Zoom ID 831 7026 1043, password NEZF.

ALL area and regional PR chairs and committee members are always welcome as well as any NA member!

News: The Vice Chair position is open.

NEZF PR created a newsletter. It is posted on the NEZF website.

EVENTS RECAP:

• **PROFESSIONALS DAY PANEL at NESSNA**

Our NEZF PR committee did a **Professionals Day Panel and Discussion** on Friday April 26 in collaboration with the 2nd **Northeastern States Service Symposium of NA**. (NESSNA) in Peabody, Mass. The format centered around an informational presentation comprised of a panel of professionals who spoke about their organizations' relationship with Narcotics Anonymous. Marissa served as Chair of the Professional Presentation Committee. The presentation was well attended by both NA members and professionals from healthcare and law enforcement. The presentation was done in collaboration with the New England Region Public Relations committee, reminding us that the NEZF is a vital and accessible resource for the regions we serve and represent.

May 9th: **Dr. Marc Galanter** is a Professor of Psychiatry at **New York University School of Medicine** and Founding **Director of the Division of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse**. He was a panelist at the NESSNA/NEZF PR Professionals Day in April. After writing a medical journal article about the **NA 24/7 meeting**, he requested an **NA PR presentation** to his **Addiction Fellows**. Addiction Fellows work in a team-based model with social workers and peer navigators to provide addiction treatment for patients with substance use disorders. **NEZF PR member Wilvena G** did a virtual PR presentation to **New York University Addiction Fellows**.

On Saturday June 1st, **NE Zonal Forum PR** members made a presentation to the Southern California Region PR Committee for PR Week. The NEZF team consisted of Richie S – NEZF PR Chair, Wilvena G. – NEZF Chair, and Brother James – Greater Philadelphia Region PR Chair. We presented part of our newest ongoing project: **FAQ's for Members Considering PR Service**. We created a Power Point and covered the first 10 questions and suggested answers. It was recorded and transcribed.

On June 2 – 4, **NEZF PR** manned a PR Booth for two days at the **Middle Atlantic States Correctional Association** (MASCA) annual conference in Hershey, Pennsylvania. The NEZF PR team consisted of Mickey R – NJ PI, Wilvena G. – NYS PR, David J. – Greater Philadelphia PR, Billy J. – New Jersey PI and Douglas – Connecticut PR. MASCA members include professionals in the related fields of probation, parole, juvenile justice, and corrections at the state, county, and federal levels.

• **Quick Overview** NEZF PR had a large booth. We met our goal to have one

representative each from New York, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and New Jersey as they are the 4 largest states in the Zonal Forum. We got the email list for everyone who attended the event (name, title, etc.) of 256 people, had a virtual exhibit booth set up as well (registered under NAPR NEZF) ; One benefit of this was there were a lot of videos in the virtual booth that were downloadable, project promoted was sponsorship behind the walls. PR was able to give out helpline cards and got to do a lot of networking . The project went well, and Mickey R will add more details in a report to the NEZF body as the NEZF funded this project.

At our July PR committee meeting we discussed what projects various areas and regional PR/PI committees were able to get accomplished during NAWS PR WEEK. There were so many good ideas and success stories, we started compiling a list for future PR projects for the areas and regions in the NEZF as well as by the NEZF PR committee.

I attended the quarterly **NAWS PR Webinar** on July 18th. There were approximately 50 participants including 3 members of the NEZF PR committee. The topics were:

- PR Week Activities: How did PR Week help you in your community?
- Experiences with PR Activities and State agencies. Any successes?
- Open Forum

FYI: There will be 6 Public Relations Forums at WCNA 38: 2 on Thursday, 2 on Friday, and 2 on Saturday.. NEZF PR PROJECT AND BASIC SERVICES FUNDING

We continue to discuss ways to raise funds for the PR committee. We have looked at merchandise sales such as Tee shirts in the way that the UK H&I Steering did financing with seed money given for T-shirt fundraising.

The NEZF PR committee has written a funding proposal to be presented at the July 28, 2024 NEZF meeting. The proposal discusses ongoing funding of the NEZF PR Committee to enable access to funds between zonal meetings to effectively and timely respond to requests for PR services and participation and make PR services readily available to those we serve.

NEZF PR has reached out to PR Chairs internationally with a proposal that all the international PR Chairs/committees meet virtually in the near future. NEZF PR would host the meeting.

NEZF PR has created an IP tentatively named **FAQ FOR MEMBERS CONSIDERING PR SERVICE**. It consists of 20 frequently asked questions about doing PR/PI service. It is split into 10 newcomer questions and 10 members with experience questions with answers to the questions. We expect it to become a very helpful Informational Pamphlet for those doing PR service and for those considering it. We did our first public (NA) Power Point presentation on the first 10 questions at a webinar hosted by the Southern California Region Public Relations Committee. It was well received, and we are continuing to work on refining this project.

Lastly, on the back burner, we still are looking for ideas to include in an IP for professionals about stigmatized language in the professional community.

NEZF PR H&I Task Team Report submitted as a separate document.

The NEZF H&I Workgroup meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month on Zoom. The login is 827 6617 5444 and the password is NEZF. We met on July 9th and had members from 3 regions present.

- Many areas/regions had been having trouble attracting members. This has been a consistent problem since COVID, yet several committees are starting to see more new members than they have in the last few years.

The **Handbook Update Committee** meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month using the same login. We have been averaging 10-14 members. All are welcome! We have met 0 times and made great progress bringing the handbook up to date. We have made several changes, bringing some of the language up to date. We have completed a section on Virtual H&I Presentations, and updated the service levels to include the zones. Our work can be viewed using the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1OXBvf7RlfM4O3WnKsQhaOaIUvEYWKGiD>

- It is the workgroup's intention to print and distribute this handbook once we are done updating it.

Working the Steps Without the Literature

The task team discussed doing another webinar with experienced members who were around before It Works: How and Why and the Step Working Guides were written. If this webinar happens, these members will discuss what step work was like before there was comprehensive literature like we have now.

ILS, Tom C.

NEZF PR - H&I Task Team
Meeting Minutes – Date: 6/11/24
Meeting Held Via Zoom

Regional Reports – Member giving report in bold

- ABCD – **No representative present.** – No regular regional H&I committee.
- Connecticut – **No representative present.**
- Eastern NY - **No representative present.** No regular regional H&I committee. - Greater NY –
 - o **Fern – Nassau County**
 - Approximately 1 ½ years ago, Nassau County voted to stop using Zoom for all presentations except New Hope transitional house.
 - Meeting every Tuesday to review H&I Policy and new orientation format.
 - o **Hank – Bronx Secretary**
 - Met 5/26/24 – 15 members present.
 - 23 commitments, 9 filled (1 on Zoom).

- H&I/PR liaison recently attended presentations with PR at 2 facilities who want H&I to come in; will meet with 1 more facility soon.
- H&I Chair and Vice-Chair attended Staten Island Learning Day
 - Bronx Learning Day will be held on 6/22
 - **George – Brooklyn**
 - Recently filled 2 commitments, leaving 5 unfilled and 22 filled.
 - No new members: New member orientation requires 6 mos. Clean, 6 observations, and attend 1 Learning Day
 - Will be holding hybrid Learning Day on 9/7 from 12-2
- Greater Philadelphia – **No representative present.**
- Maine –
 - **Jarrold – Maine Area Chair**
 - 3 filled commitments (1 is on Zoom), 3 unfilled commitments.
 - 1 County jail in person, state prison on Zoom
 - Area H&I meets 2nd Monday of the month at 8 PM on Zoom.
 - Distance to facilities is a barrier to attracting new members.
- Mid-Atlantic – **No representative present.**
- New England –
 - **Mikey Short – NE Mass**
 - NE Mass just elected new officers.
 - Will be holding Learning Day on 9/28 from 1:00-5:00
 - Writing Steps for Recovery committee active, Maryanne Chair.
 - County jail requires 8 hour class for volunteers. Barrier to getting volunteers cleared.
- New Jersey – **No representative present.**
- Northern New England – **No representative present.**
- Northern NY – **No representative present.**
- Western NY –
 - **Tom C. – Buffalo Chair**
 - Buffalo met 6/9 – 33 current members, 2 new members
 - New members require 4-5 observations, agree to read Handbook.
 - Buffalo doing 16 presentations in 14 facilities.
 - 4 unfilled commitments

Old Business – None

New Business –

- Will need to start pricing printing for Revised Handbook.
- History of H&I Handbook webinar went well with 67 people.
- Discussed doing another webinar with members who were around before It Works: How and Why and The Step Working Guides were published. These members will share what step work was like without this literature.

NEZF PR - H&I Task Team

Meeting Minutes – Date: 5/14/24

Meeting Held Via Zoom

Regional Reports – Member giving report in bold

- ABCD – **No representative present.** – No regular regional H&I committee.
 - Connecticut – **No representative present.**
 - Eastern NY - **No representative present.** No regular regional H&I committee.
 - Greater NY –
 - o **Roy W. (GNY H&I Chair)**
 - Learning Days will be held soon
 - Staten Island – 6/1 from 2PM-6PM
 - Bronx – 6/22 from 12PM-4PM
 - Last regional H&I meeting – 4 areas and mobile unit in attendance
 - o Mobile unit has one more volunteer and is going into Rikers every other week.
 - o Mobile unit can bring in speakers up to 5 times without going through the clearance process.
 - o **Roy W. (Heart of LI Vice-Chair)**
 - Currently doing 5 meetings
 - 3 in 28 day programs
 - 1 at the VA
 - 1 at Brunswick Psychiatric Hospital
 - o Generally get 5 to 15 residents
 - o Meetings held at 6:30 PM – difficult time due to traffic
 - o 3 panel members alternate – 1 female
 - o Have been some no shows from panel members lately
 - o **Hank (Bx. Secretary)**
 - Meet the last Sunday of the month at 3 PM on Zoom.
 - 10 commitments filled, 17 not filled.
 - Joint presentations with PR at 2 facilities, rehabs which have units that can go out and units that can't. They want H&I presentations as well as regular meetings.
 - o **George (Brooklyn)**
 - Chair (Richie T.) went to regional H&I mtg.
 - Mobile unit is still looking for panel leaders and speakers.
 - Peter (Chair) and Frank (SI Island Chair) are going into Rikers.
 - 3 new members were trained.
 - Training consists of:
 - o 6 observations
 - o 1 mock presentation
 - o 1 Learning Day
 - 4 filled commitments, 6 open commitments
 - PI recently had meeting with Brooklyn House of Detention – No clearance necessary for members to go in.
 - GNY Regional open positions – Vice Chair and Secretary
- Greater Philadelphia – **No representative present.**
- Maine – **No representative present.**
- Mid-Atlantic – **No representative present.**
- New England –
 - o **Chelsee – NERNA Chair**
 - 15 years experience at area level, new to regional H&I service

- Current positions filled: Vice Chair, WSR Chair, DOC Coordinator
- Met 4/13/24
- 11 areas in region; 7 area chairs showed at last meeting.
- WSR chair getting word out to areas that they need sponsors
- Greater Providence having a Learning Day
- Will soon do a presentation to federal prison officials
- In several correctional facilities
 - 3 State prisons in Central Mass
 - 1 in providence
 - Bridgewater state prison
 - Dartmouth House of Corrections
- New Jersey – **No representative present.**
- Northern New England – **No representative present.**
- Northern NY – **No representative present.**
- Western NY –
 - o **Tom C. – Buffalo Chair**
 - WNY has new regional chair – Have not made contact yet.
 - Buffalo doing 16 presentations in 14 facilities.
 - 4 unfilled commitments
 - o **Tony M. – Niagara Falls Chair**
 - Currently doing 3 presentations
 - 1 in woman’s facility
 - 2 in men’s facilities
- Now allowed back in Niagara County Jail – need panel members and speakers
- Learning Day coming up soon

Old Business – None

New Business – None

July 28, 2024 Vice Chair Report to the NEZF

Greetings NEZF and welcome to our new members!!

Since our April meeting, I have attended the Steering Committee meetings (scheduled and adhoc), NESSNA work group meetings , Finance Committee Meetings, and the most recent CP webinar.

I have assisted the Treasurer in the formulation of the Budget.

I have assisted the NESSNA III chair with various treasury/hotel payment items. I have prepared the budget for NESSNA III.

In loving service,

James P.

Vice Chair

NEZF Chair Report July 28, 2024

Welcome to the Northeast Zonal Forum to any new Delegates , AD's and Interested Members welcome! And a Special Welcome to our newest Region Central Atlantic!

Pursuant to the decision of the Autonomy Zone to disband, presentations by four members of the NEZF Steering Committee were made to the following Regions: Chesapeake Potomac C&P June 8th, Central Atlantic June 15th, and FreeState Region July 13th. The virtual presentation included a brief PowerPoint that highlighted the NEZF functions, services and upcoming events.

US Collaboration of Zones Meeting Sunday, July 14th all 7 US Zones were in attendance. *Communications Task Team* (Dawn P. Lead) reported the created a log that details the communication stats/emails from Jan. to June from the US Zones website. Report attached. *IT Task Team Report* (Sherry V. Lead) Ongoing projects include videos, BMLT, Slack channel additions and PR email creation. Report attached. IT Task Team meets the third Sunday of the month at 9PM Meeting ID 875 4928 0937, pw. 1953. *National Presence Workgroup* (Jessie N. Lead) A list of 101 national organizations that interact with addicts was compiled and 21 agencies were prioritized into criminal justice, mental health, addiction categories. Plans for outreach will be determined at subsequent meetings. (Report attached)

US zones link us-zones-action-plan@googlegroups.com

Upcoming Zonal & Service Events

A link to the YouTube streaming of the opening EDM meeting July 10th was posted in NEZF General Slack channel.

Saturday, July 27th SEZF conducts their hybrid strategic planning and business sessions 9am-5:30pm <https://us02web.zoom/j/83494956063>

Tuesday, October 1st Canadian Forum meets, CANA Convention Friday, October 4th, Edmonton, Alberta Canada, Four Points Sheraton

Western Service Learning Days, Tucson, Arizona October 18th-20th

Four Point Sheraton In loving service, Wilvena G., Chair

Proposals



New England Regional Services Committee PROPOSAL FORM

Date:

Proposal Maker: 2nd:

For Money Proposals Only Total:

Check Payable To:

Mailing Address:

Proposal:

To fund the attendance of (2) PR members to the WSLD in Tucson in October. Estimate:
Flights (2) RT's: \$1400
Hotel: \$483
Per Diem \$600 (8x75)
Regs fees (2): \$70
This money will come from the Fellowship Development set aside per consensus.

Intent:

Does Proposal Impact Policy?

Results of 1st Straw Poll

In Favor: Opposed: Abstain:

Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)

In Favor: Opposed: Abstain:

% of Consensus:

Tabled: Sent to Committee:

Notes:



New England Regional Services Committee
PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 08/11/24

Proposal Maker: Regional Delegate (RD) 2nd: Alternate Delegate (AD)

For Money Proposals Only Total: \$695.00

Check Payable To:

Mailing Address:

Proposal:

To Fund the Regional Delegate to the NEZF in the amount of \$695.00
Breakdown as follows
Hotel - \$320
Per Diem - \$225
Travel/Mileage - \$150

Intent:

To provide the necessary resources to fulfill the responsibility assigned to the trusted servant.

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll
In Favor: Opposed: Abstain:
Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)
In Favor: 10 Opposed: 0 Abstain:
% of Consensus: 100

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

Passed



New England Regional Services Committee
PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 08/11/24

Proposal Maker: Alternate Delegate (AD) 2nd: Regional Delegate (RD)

For Money Proposals Only Total: \$695.00

Check Payable To:

Mailing Address:

Proposal:

To Fund the Alternate Delegate to the NEZF in the amount of \$695.00
Breakdown as follows
Hotel - \$320
Per Diem - \$225
Travel/Mileage - \$150

Intent:

To provide the necessary resources to fulfill the responsibility assigned to the trusted servant.

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll
In Favor: 10 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0
Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)
In Favor: 10 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0
% of Consensus: 100

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

Passed



New England Regional Services Committee
PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 08/11/24

Proposal Maker: Regional Delegate (RD) 2nd: Alternate Delegate (AD)

For Money Proposals Only Total: \$400

Check Payable To: NEZF

Mailing Address: 1 Ginley Rd
Walpole Ma 02081

Proposal:

To contribute \$400 to the NEZF to help fund the unfunded trusted servants. \$200 was included in spending plan, Additional \$200 to be taken out of working balance.

Intent:

Show support to the NEZF trusted servants

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll
In Favor: 10 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0
Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)
In Favor: 10 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0
% of Consensus: 100

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

Passed



New England Regional Services Committee
PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 08/11/24

Proposal Maker: PR Committee 2nd:

For Money Proposals Only Total: \$1000

Check Payable To: NEARCP

Mailing Address: Mail to: AdCare Educational Institute
255 Park Ave
Worcester, MA 01609
Attn: Jennifer Fahey

Proposal:

Registration Fee for a booth at the New England Association of Recovery Court Professional Conference, Danvers 11/20 - 11/21

Intent:

To have Narcotics Anonymous' official presence at this annual conference in order to increase awareness and maintain NA's relationships with related organizations including the Drug Court Professionals throughout New England

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll
In Favor: 10 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0
Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)
In Favor: 10 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0
% of Consensus: 100

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

Passed



New England Regional Services Committee
PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 08/10/24

Proposal Maker: Treasury/ Finance 2nd:

For Money Proposals Only Total: 0

Check Payable To:

Mailing Address:

Proposal:

To convert the old prudent reserve set aside to a prudent reserve for convention shortfall and add \$1,746.27 to the reserve.

Intent:

To be financially prudent given the current convention contract and recent financial convention budgets that the convention may have financial difficulties if projected attendance is not reached.

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll

In Favor: 10 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)

In Favor: 10 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

% of Consensus: 100

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:



New England Regional Services Committee
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Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)
In Favor: 10 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0
% of Consensus: 100

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

Passed



New England Regional Services Committee
PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 08/11/24

Proposal Maker: SEMA 2nd:

For Money Proposals Only Total: 0

Check Payable To:

Mailing Address:

Proposal:

WHAT:
Create a set-aside fund and replenish annually for the purpose of funding Travel. This fund would be used to send members to learning events such as, but not limited to, Western Service Learning Days (WSLD), Florida Service Symposium (FSS), NorthEastern States Service Symposium (NESSNA)

HOW:

Intent:

To streamline the decision-making on travel, by focusing on the region's needs rather than leaving it to subcommittees to decide where to go, who should go, and how many members should attend.

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll

In Favor: Opposed: Abstain:

Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)

In Favor: Opposed: Abstain:

% of Consensus:

Tabled: Yes Sent to Committee:

Notes:

Will be discussed in October, Bring Pros and cons and let the finance committee see what that looks like!

Flyers



SSANA Activities Presents

CHILI & CHOWDAH COOK-OFF SERVICE SLAM

Prizes for homegroup with the best chili or chouda!

**Cornhole
and other games!**

Presentations about...

**H&I
Public Relations.
Literature
Outreach
Activites, and
GSR.**

**639 High St. Hanson,
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**Sunday
September 15th, 2024**

12pm-5pm

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**SOUTHEASTERN
MASS AREA OF
NA PRESENTS**

**HOSPITALS &
INSTITUTIONS
LEARNING DAY**



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER
28TH, 1-5PM
1507 PLEASANT ST, FALL
RIVER, MA**

**PLEASE COME JOIN
THE H & I
SUBCOMMITTEE TO
LEARN MORE
ABOUT US! WE WILL
HAVE SPEAKERS
& FOOD WILL BE
PROVIDED!**



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NEW ENGLAND REGION H&I WSR

Writing Steps for Recovery

Behind the Walls



**Writers are needed to guide incarcerated addicts in writing
the 12 Steps of Narcotics Anonymous**

Qualifications:

2 Years Clean Time

Recovery Based in NA

Completed 4th & 5th Steps

Regularly Attend NA Meetings

Experience in NA Sponsorship

Knowledge of the 12 Steps & 12 Traditions

Willingness to attend WSR Orientation

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