

The Regional Service Committee will meet at
Church Of The Atonement 36 Court Street Westfield, Ma 01085, Sunday August
11, 2013

Announcements

South Shore Area

H+I Learning Day

September 21 11am – 2pm

27 Maple Ave. Holbrook, MA

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Remaining Open Positions after elections:

Finance Chair, Activities, Policy, Phonenumber,

Next Regional Meeting:

Next New England Regional Service Committee Weekend will be on
Saturday October 12, 2013 12PM for Subcommittees and Sunday October 13, 2013 11AM
for the Regional Service Committee Meeting @ 1277 Main Street, Coventry, RI

Subcommittees:

RSC:

Patrick opened the meeting with a moment of silence and a collaborative reading of the
12 traditions and 12 concepts of NA.

Minutes from June were accepted.

13 areas were present: Boston, Cape Cod, Central Mass, Free Spirit, Greater Providence,
Martha's Vineyard, Metro West, Nantucket, NEMA, Pioneer Valley, SEMA, South
Shore and Western Mass.

SUBCOMITTEE REPORTS

Chair: Hi Family,

I would like to thank the Pioneer Valley Area for graciously hosting us. I facilitated the
Policy/Activities subcommittees yesterday in the absence of chairpersons. We discussed
area flyer requirements, who gets which policies and when, and the use of the local the
local resource section on the NAWS website. Some area policy subcommittee people
were concerned about having to re-write entire policies that have disappeared or were

outdated. We suggested the local resource section for this purpose. We also discussed activities at an area and regional level and whether there was a need for an activities committee at the regional level.

Vice Chair:

Secretary:

Opening Balance and Treasurer's Report:

Treasurers Report

Date	8/11/2013	
Beginning Balance	-3	
Income	6213.46	
Expenses	2835.08	(Includes RD and Insurance set asides)
NAWS Donation	3375.38	
Ending Balance	0	

Set Asides

Prudent Reserve	3561
RD/RDA	975.92
Insurance	966
Unfunded Travel	500

Note: New Prudent Reserve is 2561. 1500 Web set aside currently resides in Prudent reserve for safekeeping. Additionally a \$500 check was written out of the prudent reserve to open the new checking account. Once the new account is established the remainder will be transferred.

Negative beginning balance is due to discrepancy found in bank statements.

Accountant had a family emergency and relocated to Texas. They recommended another firm and forwarded our files to them. We received a letter from said firm who agreed to service our account at the same rate. As the fiscal year just ended and the clock is ticking it seemed prudent to accept the offer at least for this year. However the finance committee will discuss looking for a more local firm for next year. We've gathered the necessary information and books, sent a letter of introduction and began the process for filing this years annual taxes and form PC.

We received two letters from the attorney generals office with problems with 2011 and 2012 annual tax filings. The necessary information has been gathered and sent to the AG's office. (Blank page on PC Form, missing

Federal filings, and a missing check.)

Convention Committee: NERC XVI COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

August 10, 2013

The NERC XVI Convention Committee met on August 10, 2013 in Westfield. MA. We opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the reading of the 12 Twelve Traditions, 12 Concepts and the August 10th reading from Just For Today.

There were six members present.

The Chair went over the voting procedure again and encouraged everyone to turn in a report each meeting whether they have anything to report or not. She expressed how important it is to have a report in the minutes for each meeting for our archives and the members who come after us.

We have the flyers to pass out requesting members of the fellowship to submit a theme and/or logo for our upcoming convention. Our Vice Chair Caroline will be attending the RSC on Sunday in my place to give a report and pass out the flyers.

Dan C. was nominated secretary and was unanimously elected.

The following positions are still open:

Treasurer

Assistant Treasurer

Assistant Secretary

Arts & Graphics Chair

Fundraising & Entertainment Chair

Merchandising Chair

Registration Chair

The Convention Committee respectfully requests that you announce these available positions at meetings you attend.

In loving service,

Linda G.
Chair, NERC XVI

Fellowship Development: First off, I would like to apologize for absence today. Secondly, I would like to thank Bill for reading this report. The Fellowship Development committee is doing great!! We met on sub committee Saturday with 7 members in attendance. We are currently working on “The Hole in the Donut” project. Last region, we extended the invitation to areas to join us in this project. Two areas, SEMA & SSA, have provided feedback as to where there may be a need for NA meeting in areas where there are currently no meetings be held. We will reach out to both areas in the upcoming months to identify their needs and go from there. I am asking RCMs again to bring this question back to their respective areas. Is there a town or city in your area that has no NA meetings? If you have already, we thank you and look forward to working with you. Seeing as Bill is doing a fine job reading this, I will keep it short and sweet. There is a lot of great things going on in Fellowship Development. Stay tuned....

ILS,

Joe V.

H&I:

Literature: Good afternoon Regional delegates. Here it is the literature report. We didn't get a chance to meet up last region, as I was on vacation. There continues to be online and offline conversations in reference to the Traditions book project. The main idea I wish to convey is that this is a very active project in other regions of the country. I'm sure there are individuals within the New England Region, who are interested in giving input, or have done so on their own via internet, or other sources. As the literature chair I will continue to show up and be available for workshops or any questions regarding this project. Untll we have a physical document, with which we can proof read and give input on at our Regional meetings, and more importantly within our groups, I feel like we're stuck waiting. I'm involved with various web site conversation groups regarding this project, but they are still taking input on this project. I look forward to the next regional meeting sincerely yours , Kevin F. H

Insurance:

Policy:

Phone Line:

Beginning Balance	\$ 2,435.35
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Assets-Payments Received From Areas			
Area Payment	Date	Check	Amount

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Cape Cod	5/8/2013	1717	\$ 34.08
Nantucket	5/31/2013	1026	\$12.91
Cape Cod	6/12/2013	1723	\$41.65
South Shore	6/2/2013	3795	\$50.00
Pioneer Valley	6/10/2013	1377	\$2.39
Pioneer Valley	6/10/2013	1379	\$1.79
Northeast Mass	6/30/2013	1577	\$75.55
Greater Providence	6/23/2013	2407	\$41.13
Boston	6/23/2013	1610	\$52.89
Deposit Total	7/8/2013		\$312.39

Area Payment	Date	Check #	Amount
South Shore	7/7/2013	3802	\$81.87
South Shore	7/7/2013	3803	\$121.32
Southeast Mass	7/21/2013	1498	\$83.59
Nantucket	7/26/2013	1030	\$13.76
Northeast Mass	7/28/2013	1581	\$89.37
Metro West	7/9/2013	5002	\$46.15
Boston	7/28/2013	1621	\$129.89
Western Mass	6/7/2013	1241	\$119.95
Martha's Vineyard	6/10/2013	1382	\$18.53
South Shore	8/5/2013	3810	\$115.55
Deposit Total			\$819.98
Total Deposits			\$1,132.37
Sub-Total			\$3,567.72
Minus Total Expenses			\$(951.72)
TOTAL			\$2,616.00

Expenses			
Paid To	Date	Check #	Amount
NERSC-50 RMDs	6/8/2013	2185	\$5.00
Diamond Voice	7/1/2013	2186	\$224.66
Fair Point	7/7/2013	2187	\$16.84
Century Link	7/7/2013	2188	\$60.19
Verizon	7/7/2013	2189	\$163.24
Dianne M 40 Stamps	7/7/2013	2190	\$18.40
July 2013 Bill to Areas			\$488.33

Paid To	Date	Check	Amount
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Soverign Bank Service	6/6/2013	SVC	\$15.00
Diamond Voice	7/30/2013	2191	\$204.36
Fair Point	8/8/2013	2192	\$8.44
Century Link	8/8/2013	2193	\$53.65
Verizon	8/8/2013	2194	\$163.54
Dianne M 40 Stamps	8/8/2013	2195	\$18.40
August 2013 Bill to Areas			\$463.39
Total Expenses			\$951.72

Public Information:

Website:

RD/RDA: New England Regional Delegate's Report – August 2013 – Jaime V.

Greetings all. First and foremost, happy diamond anniversary Narcotics Anonymous! If you didn't already know it, we turned 60 years old this past month and will be celebrating that fact with multiple upcoming events, the most prominent of which would be WCNA down in Philly in just a couple of weeks – get excited!

Things are gearing up as we move closer to our World Service Conference and there is much to cover, so I will attempt to keep things brief but don't count on it. (insert smile here)

Locally...while the official the Service System "core group field testing" timeframe has elapsed, we are continuing to field test various aspects throughout the fellowship. If you are trying any aspect of the proposals such as GSFs, CBDM, etc. please share your experience with us at servicesystem@na.org. The more help we can have translating the ideas in the proposals to actual practice on a local level, the easier it will be for us to frame a transition plan to present at WSC 2014. I know of at least one of our Areas, which has provided valuable data toward this effort.

We have by now discussed the idea of having a set rotation for our Regional Meeting, moving through our member Areas and providing relevant workshops to the local NA communities, and we hope to discuss that idea further today. A proposal to that end has been submitted in collaboration with our Fellowship Development Committee.

Noel and I both attended an online webinar with NAWS and a number of other RD teams this past July 13th. While not a ton of new information was providing, it was an interesting experience and all in all, should be considered a successful endeavor. This was done as an experiment, in which we were trying out a new means of communicating directly with the Office, our World Board and each other. All told, in attendance were 17 of our 18 Board Members, both Anthony & Jane from the WSO and approximately 82 Delegates & Alternates at the height of it. Delegates were able to submit questions in written form, and then listen as Board Members addressed those inquiries. In this way, it was very similar to a NAWS Town Hall style meeting. Additionally, we were brought through a brief powerpoint presentation which provided some basic updates. Again, not

much of this was new information to us, but that may be simply because we are quite good at keeping our fingers on the pulse as it is and, again, this was done as an experiment, to see if it is something we want to do more of in the future.

Participation in these online webinars has increased, and is not limited to Regional Delegates and the like. We would like to encourage more area and regional chairpersons to participate. The areas of service we would like to bring together are conventions, H&I, and PR. If you would like to join us and discuss issues and solutions with others who are serving in these areas, please send your name, email address, trusted servant position, and region and/or area to events@na.org for conventions; HandI@na.org for H&I servants; and PR@na.org for PR/PI trusted servants.

Zonally...the summer session of our North East Zonal Forum met just outside of Pittsburgh, PA in June. We provided some workshops in another "Zone Wide" fashion, and discussed a number of items of concern. Noel will be providing a more thorough report on that weekend, so I will leave off with mentioning that we had elections, and our own Bill H will be serving another year for us as Chairperson, alongside some other guy you might know as his new Vice Chair.

Beyond...

Traditions Book Project: We have been receiving input from those who have held fellowship workshops using the session profile that can be found at www.na.org/traditions. The ideas and materials you have been sending will help make this book a valuable resource for the fellowship. We are in the process of finalizing ideas for the discussion board. Please continue to submit input through the project webpage at www.na.org/traditions.

World Service Conference: We are discussing alternate delegate attendance at WSC. We have not made any recommendations. We want to encourage you to read the report on page 5 of this NAWS News and to forward your thoughts to us at worldboard@na.org.

Books: Living Clean: The Journey Continues, our new Fellowship-approved book is available in hard and soft cover. Both are selling for \$8.75. The limited numbered commemorative edition is still available and priced at \$30. The commemorative edition of Just for Today is also still available at \$30.

We have electronic versions of the Basic Text, Sponsorship, and It Works: How and Why available. These are available on Amazon and the iTunes store with links on our website.

Service Tools: we continue to draft new tools to help local NA members and communities with a variety of service delivery efforts, including a number of items related to the service system proposal, but certainly not limited to that effort. In addition to documents such as GSU & LSU agendas, guides & templates, we now have available a number of "Basics" booklets including ones for CBDM, Planning, H&I, PR and Translations. If you haven't yet had a look at these, I highly recommend them, particularly if you just heard your area of interest mentioned. They can all be found on NA.org.

Literature: An Introduction To NA Meetings has been reworked from a Board Approved Service Pamphlet and should be available for Fellowship Approval as an Informational Pamphlet very soon.

Moving on...Noel & I will be submitting motions this weekend for attendance at

MRLE in December, and imperative event whereupon we will workshop the CAR with NAWS, just a short ride away in Maine, and to purchase copies of the CAR for our member Areas. The latter is not a part of our proposed budget for this cycle, and I am unsure if it has been in the past, although I do know that this body has always done this for the RCMs. Should it be something we include in future cycles?

For now, I think that is all.

NAmaste, and thank you all for allowing me to serve. Jaime V. RD

Addendum:

As Ad Hoc Chair to investigate the feasibility of implementing a set rotation of the RSC meeting throughout our member Areas, I have collaborated with our Fellowship Development committee and propose the following idea, as previously discussed:

Ad Hoc Proposal: To adopt the Area Rotation plan described in presentation created by the Fellowship Development Committee and Regional Delegate Team.

Intent: To have a scheduled plan in which each member Area hosts the RSC Meeting in turn, with no one Area doing more than their fair share and no RCMs needing to travel more or less than others. Also to enable a planning cycle for our all of us (Areas, Area Subcommittees, Regional Subcommittees, etc) to be better able to have and host events, communicate and provide relevant workshops.

Moving forward...

Greetings to the NERSC. The RD – Jaime and I attended the New England Zonal Forum June 28 – June 30th and my report will focus on that meeting.

NEZF – June 2013

13 Member Regions: ABCD, Buckeye, Connecticut, Eastern NY, Greater NY, Mid-Atlantic, New England, New Jersey, Northern New England, Northern New Jersey, Northern NY, Tri-State, Western NY

Friday 6/28/2013

Jaime and I rode to Moon Township, PA with Bill H. and Andrew L. Unfortunately we were a bit later arriving than we had anticipated. We were able to participate in the last portion of the introductory session Friday night.

Saturday 6/30/2013

10 Regions were present - Buckeye, Eastern NY and Greater NY were absent.

- Regional reports were read and submitted (started)
- (Does our insurance cover planned sports events such as basketball tournaments?)

Zone Wide Workshop I: Group Conscience

We had both large and small group discussion and addressed the following questions:

- What level of involvement does your home group want on area or regional (or world) matters.
- What specific kinds of area or regional (or world) decisions do you think your home group should consider.
- What kinds of decisions do you think your home group should delegate?
- How can groups hold service bodies accountable for decisions the groups weren't directly involved in making?
- How can service bodies exercise the authority delegated to them by the groups and remain "directly responsible to those they serve?"

There was a 15 minute NA history presentation by Richie S. the NEZF vice-chair.

Zone Wide Workshop II: Traditions workbook

Jaime V. and Andrew L. (the current and previous NERDs) facilitated.

- Small group discussion was the sharing of a personal learning experience which related to the principles of our Twelve Traditions.
- The large group discussion addressed the question: "How can a piece of literature help to recreate the learning experiences we have with the Traditions? What should a Traditions book look or not look like?"
- Information can be found at www.na.org/traditions and input can be emailed to www.worldboard@na.org

Reconvened for Open Forum

- Regional reports were read and submitted (finished)
- (What is the purpose of the NEZF? Have the needs changed and if so, how?)
- (Is the NEZF justifiable based on what we take back to our member regions?)

- We discussed the Buckeye Region and have removed them from our roles. There has been a lack of communication and they are welcome to return if this action proves to be in error.

Sunday 6/30/13

We opened with a moment of silence and asked for acceptance of the January 2013 minutes. The Mission and Vision statements were read along with the Vision for NA Service (approximately one hour into business – an oversight).

Old Business

- Decision as to where to make the change to the agenda to allow for prioritizing issues for developing goals and projects – motion was submitted by Mid-Atlantic Region in January. Straw poll was taken to include it on Friday night or Sunday with strong support for Sunday. To increase the time available for business on Sunday, it was suggested that many of the “housekeeping” issues that can be moved to Friday night be moved in the agenda.
- Suggestion was made to modify open forum as it appears to have become repetitive. Perhaps it could become topic driven with a queue? Issue of facilitation? There was a fair amount of further discussion as to how this might work. This was originally discussed as part of the preceding motion until the Mid-Atlantic RDA pointed out that these are two separate issues. There was discussion as to how we prioritize Regional issues and ensure that we leave adequate time for feedback. During the Friday night discussion any Regional issues that are raised should be included in the agenda for the weekend (Adam – CT). Conscience seems to be that no person can determine how to prioritize Regional concerns as they are all priority.
- New Jersey proposal to form standing zonal sub-committees was voted on and failed 3-5-2.
- Proposal to ask for spiritual and financial support to have an East Coast service symposium. There appears to be support for the idea – spiritually. Because there was some confusion as to what was asked and several questions as to the financial impact, the proposal was sent back to Regions for more discussion and an Ad-hoc was created to bring more information (including CT and MA). Point was made by NJ RD as to bringing in expertise which we lack in planning events of this nature.

Web Servant report was read and hard copies were available.

Zone Wide Workshop report was given by Ritchie – Vice Chair.

- There was no cost. Projector and post-it pads were donated with the cost of the copies being built into the hotel agreement.

New Business

- Proposal made by NE and seconded by NJ to offer a ZWW at every summer session and to offer delegate training workshops at every winter session. Friendly amendment modified language to read “and to offer trusted servant training workshops”.
- There was a question as to the appropriateness of our vice chair remaining in his position due to rumors of a matter that occurred in his Region. It was determined that the matter did not require further zonal investigation.

Tri-State gave the hosting Region report. Total cost was \$336.00 (kudos to the RD for an amazing job done with no prior experience.

Western NY is next to host the NEZF in Buffalo on January 24-26, 2014. This will be a conference agenda cycle (likely in Russell’s Italian Garden).

Elections for Chair, Vice Chair and Web Servant

- Chair: **Bill H.** – (current chair); unanimous
- Vice Chair: Ritchie S. (current vice chair) and **Jaime V.**
- Secretary **Dennis M.** is in the first year of the two year position
- Web Servant: **Adam H.** (current web servant)

Topic for next Zone

- Should it be the CAR? We tend to go to MRLE & MARLCNA already.
- We should not rely upon what may or may not be done by another body. This is also a time for us to invite World to come to answer direct questions and address concerns.
- Topic will be the CAR with World Board participation being requested.

Vice Chair’s report on the unfunded trusted servants. \$ (Sorry, I missed this bit of information).

As my receipts total \$833.55, I have submitted a check for \$226.46 to the treasurer to be returned to the RD/RDA set-aside. Our original request was for \$1060.00.

ILS,

Noel D.

RMD:

	INVENTORY	
Beginning Inventory	400	
Plus April 2012 Printing	8,000	
Total available for sales	8,400	Assets
		\$
Sold to areas, groups & individuals	5,250	525.00
		\$
Sold to Regional Committees	0	-
		\$
Sold to outside vendors	500	50.00
		\$
Total Sales this period	5,750	575.00
Remaining Inventory	2,650	
		\$
Plus sales tax collected		26.62
		\$
Plus Shipping & Handling		33.63
		\$
Assets Total (Deposit)		635.25
		\$
Seed Money for Printing		-
		\$
Total Assets		635.25
		Expenses
		\$
Printing 8000 RMDs (December)		680.00
		\$
Sales Tax Collected		26.62
		\$
Postage		20.70
Supplies		\$ -
		\$
Less Total Expenses		(727.32)
		\$
Net Profit or (Loss) this Period		(92.07)

2650 RMDs remain from the July printing and are available today. **Tax Free today only!!!!**

To make updates, remove a meeting or add a meeting to the directory: Go to the website (NERNA.org) and register.

Check all meeting info on the website by clicking on the meeting day, then make your changes.

Changes should appear within a few days and will appear in the next printing of the RMD.

I am submitting a Customary Reimbursement form for \$ 20.70 for postage.

The committee has no recommendations for chairperson. I am willing to continue on as interim chair until

someone steps forward.

We sell meeting directories in quantities of 50; check table below for quantities costs.								
RMD's	COST	TAX	TOTAL		RMD's	COST	TAX	TOTAL
50	\$5.00	\$0.32	\$5.32		550	\$55.00	\$3.44	\$58.44
100	\$10.00	\$0.63	\$10.63		600	\$60.00	\$3.75	\$63.75
150	\$15.00	\$0.94	\$15.94		650	\$65.00	\$4.07	\$69.07
200	\$20.00	\$1.25	\$21.25		700	\$70.00	\$4.38	\$74.38
250	\$25.00	\$1.57	\$26.57		750	\$75.00	\$4.69	\$79.69
300	\$30.00	\$1.88	\$31.88		800	\$80.00	\$5.00	\$85.00
350	\$35.00	\$2.19	\$37.19		850	\$85.00	\$5.32	\$90.32
400	\$40.00	\$2.50	\$42.50		900	\$90.00	\$5.63	\$95.63
450	\$45.00	\$2.82	\$47.82		950	\$95.00	\$5.94	\$100.94
500	\$50.00	\$3.13	\$53.13		1000	\$100.00	\$6.25	\$106.25

Committee Members

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Outside sales to professionals

Dianne M

1-866-624-3578 (Literature menu)

Finance:

BOD/Convention Corporation:

Elections were held:

Body elected Rocco A for Treasurer and Present Committee member

Body elected Bob for At Large Committee Member

BREAK FOR LUNCH

AREA REPORTS:

Boston:

Cape Cod:

Central Mass: Hi all, thanks to Western Mass for hosting. CMA met twice since last region. We are at prudent reserve currently. We are in support of hosting region every other year. No feedback on the travel policy. Other than that, things are going well.

Free Spirit:

Greater Providence:

Martha's Vineyard:

Metro West:

Nantucket: Greetings from Nantucket,

Our area has met twice since the last regional meeting with all G.S.R's in attendance. We are currently running at prudent reserve. Meeting attendance seems to be down a little lately but we are still open seven days a week. Our PR committee held a flyer hanging day last Sunday. We had seven members show up to help carry the message. We have a donation of \$200.00 today.

I.L.S. Bernie P. R.C.M Nantucket area

NEMA:

Pioneer Valley: Pioneer Valley Area Report 08/11/2013

The Pioneer Valley Area would like to welcome the New England Region to this part of the state. Thank you to all those that supported the Speaker Jam last night we had a fantastic show of support. A special thanks to Jaime and Andrew for the very informative IDT workshop.

The Pioneer Valley Area Service Committee met last on July 8th with 9 of 11 groups represented. We are currently operating at or above prudent reserve. A handful of positions are still open after elections. Our next meeting is scheduled for August 12th 2013 at the Palmer Historical Cultural Center 2072 Main Street Three Rivers, Ma. @7pm

In Service

Rob L

SEMA: We have met twice since the last region. SEMA ASC is currently alternating a LSU format with the GSU format designed to address group and subcommittee returns. We had an average of 23 groups that attend area. We are not We are currently operating above prudent reserve. We made a 500 dollar donation. Our Outreach committee is currently holding a monthly conference call and are asking groups in need of help to call in and they have started having newcomer orientation at local facilities where we currently have HNI commitments to better inform newcomers of what NA is and is not and has gotten positive feedback on these orientations from the addicts there as well as the facilities themselves. SEMACNA IV that took place June 14th, 15th and 16th was a huge success and we thank you all for your loving support. Our liason that attended the USSC committee in May plans on workshopping the event in October and I will continue to communicate with this body as more information on these workshops are being revealed. We are in support of the bi-annual area. We had one question on the Travel Policy; why is the reimbursement 10 cents over the Federal Business Mileage rate? Donut Hole information was submitted from the Outreach committee to the Fellowship Development Chair. We also have some questions we would like to ask in open discussion about how this body spends NA money and services that are provided. Activities Chair is open.

ILS,

Jay P.

South Shore: SSA RCM report

We'd like to thank the Pioneer Valley Area for hosting. SSA has met twice since the last RSC, we last met 8/4 @27 maple avenue in Holbrook MA. All positions are currently filled and we are operating at prudent reserve with regional contributions for the last two months. We continue to experience a low number of group representation with only 12 groups out a listed 45 being represented

The groups in attendance did express support for a set schedule for the RSC with each area hosting once bi-annually. Also the sentiment of support for a Northeast Service type symposium was positive but the resources and practicality of such an event would have to be presented throughout the planning process. As these costs and issues come into play the sentiment of support would be subject to re-evaluation.

After reviewing the travel policy I received feedback from various members. The main feedback points were to include taxi, shuttles and car rentals along with tolls, ferries etc. Also that a motion should be included, even if it is considered a customary expense. I've composed a list of all feedback and will email it to all concerned committees.

Our area will be holding an H&I learning day Sat. Sep. 21, the time and location is available via the regional announcements and the event is listed on the regional website. Also we will be putting in a bid to host the RSC in December. A flyer will be made available as soon as the space is confirmed. Our next ASC will be Sunday September 8 in Holbrook MA.

ILS SSA RCM/Alt, RCM

Western MA:

AREA CONCERNS/ OPEN FORUM:

Area Concerns: SEMA – Asked could the region pay the phone bill and insurance bill instead of the areas. (i.e. we would just make donations)

Carrie – It happens that way anyways. Area Donations pay for them.

Chris – If areas don't know where the \$ is going, they might not be a financial responsibility.

Ben SSA – Do we need to have a place that is handicap accessible? (Regional Weekend)
Suggested to try and find one and if not perhaps put on flier that if you need assistance please call this addict.

Ben SSA – Had the RD come to SSA to do a GSU mock format, do we need to reimburse this person?

Answer – Unless the region is asked ahead of time, they really can't be held responsible.

Open Forum:

Chris – Lack of support with the phonline committee.

Questions were asked – Do we really need a phonline committee when Areas aren't being called?

RD – NAWs is talking about no longer funding the RDs and no longer having the RDAs participation and attendance there. A lot of good conversation was had and the world conference in general.

Conclusion – This is very important to have both delegates be able to attend and have their voices heard. Also the funding of the RD, very vital especially to regions that are struggling financially.

Jaime V (Ad-Hoc Locator) – (I forwarded Jaime's email, please refer to this)

Travel Reimbursement policy motion proposal thing was forwarded back to the finance committee.

Quorum: **Voting Members:** 12 **Simple Majority:** 7 **2/3:** 8

OLD BUSINESS:

MOTION SENT BACK TO AREAS Please bring this back and vote/talk about this.

This is a proposal. Presented by Regional Location Ad-Hoc and the Fellowship Development Committee.

Motion/Proposal : To adopt the Area rotation plan described in the presentation created by the Fellowship Development Committee & Regional Delegate Team.

Intent : To have a scheduled rotation plan in which each member Area hosts the RSC meeting in turn (once every other year) with no one Area doing more than their fair share & that no RCMs need travel more or less than others. This also will enable a planning cycle (synced with our conference cycle) for all of our Areas, Area subcommittees, regional subcommittees, etc. to be better able to have & host events, communicate and provide relevant workshops.

NEW BUSINESS:

Money Motions

MM # 1 Made by Public Relations Subcommittee

Motion: To purchase 100 RMDs for the Cape Cod Symposium. For the amount of \$100.00.

Intent – To further our primary purpose

Motion Passes 12-0-0

Make Check Payable to: New England Region

MM # 2 Made by PO Box Manager

Motion: To reimburse the PO Box Manager for travel expenses incurred while picking up the regional mail for the June and August RSC. In the amount of \$29.76

Intent – Practice the 7th Tradition

Motion Passes 12-0-0

Make Check Payable to: Andrew L

MM # 3 Made by RD/RDA (Not from Set Aside)

Motion: To set aside \$200.00 from the general treasury to purchase copies of the CAR – when they become available.

Intent – To provide RCMs and Administrative number to have access to conference material.

Motion Passes 12-0-0

Non Money Motions

NM# 1 Submitted by: Dan H. CMA RCM Seconded by Andrienne A. CMA ALT. RCM

Motion: To suspend regional contributions to NAWS, until we receive a detailed financial statement.

Intent: To hold NAWS accountable.

Failed 1-0-11

NM# 2 Submitted by: Rocco A.

Motion : To forward mail to a physical address from the PO BOX and forward mail close the box (Note : This is how the motion was written)

Intent : Save funds

Referred to Policy

Elections

Asst. Treasurer : Tom K Nominated and Elected

H&I : Bob S Nominated and Elected

Insurance : Bob Nominated and Elected

Website : Andrew L Nominated and Elected

NAWS donation of \$696.22