

The RSC met at Anna Cole Community Center
(formerly known as Bromley/Heath's Bromley Hall)
10 Lamartine Street Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Announcements

Next Region

Saturday SubCommittee Meeting will be at 12:00PM at Church Of The Atonement 36 Court Street Westfield, Ma 01085 There was also a Sunday Regional Service Committee will meet at Church Of The Atonement 36 Court Street Westfield, Ma 01085

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 April were accepted.

8 areas were present: Boston, Central Mass, Free Spirit, Greater Providence, MetroWest ,NEMA, SEMA, South Shore

SUBCOMITTEE REPORTS

Chair:

Vice Chair:

Secretary:

Opening Balance and Treasurer's Report:

Citizens Statement Balance \$7,881.33
> Santander Statement Balance \$4,963.78 (transferred to Citizens 6-16-14 and account closed)
> Outstanding Credits \$2,361.18 (Citizens)
> Outstanding Debits \$7,496.88 (Citizens)
> Working Balance \$7,709.41
> RD/RDA Set Aside \$3,481.31
> Insurance Set Aside \$604.00
> Unfunded Travel Set Aside \$500.00
> Hold Back in General for Storage \$85.00
> Prudent Reserve (new) \$2,732.00
> Naws Donation \$307.10
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> Closing balance..... \$85 is in general account to be used for acquisition of new storage facility.
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Convention Committee: Hello to all at region, I will not be able to attend the Sunday meeting, however here is the report on yesterday's convention committee meeting. Our meeting began with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity prayer. We went through our usual agenda of reports. Our open positions of arts and graphics and fundraising and entertainment were both filled. Our new arts and graphics chair is Deb L. and our new fundraising and entertainment chair is Moke A. As for convention progress, a pre registration flyer and a speaker submission flyer will both

be created and printed by the fundraiser happening June 28th. The fundraiser is in good shape with ticket sales, etc. Hotels and hospitality has begun finalizing banquet details. We are in need of a new chairperson and treasurer. The committee discussed and voted to recommend David A. for chairperson, and the B.O.D. will be making the recommendation for the treasurer. In loving service, Caroline C (vice chair)

Fellowship Development:

H&I:

Literature:

Insurance:

Policy: Policy Chair Report June 2014

Good Morning,

NERSC Policy Committee last met on Saturday June 14, 2014. The South Shore was the only area chair in attendance. They are currently working on updating their area's policy and had questions on how abstentions are dealt with. The former Policy Chair and current Vice Chair Dave P. went over roles and responsibilities of Policy Chair for the RSC. I want to thank the committee in advance for their patience as I get acclimated to my new role and for the opportunity to serve.

ILS,

Jay P.

Phone Line:

Public Relations:

Website: **JUNE 2014 NERSC WEBSITE REPORT,**

Hello NERSC members,

We met yesterday with 5 addicts in attendance.

We discussed our roles and responsibilities in length.

Moving forward we will meet in person once a year (June) and online every Saturday region at noon.

We are resubmitting our motions to pay Saintly Solutions for services rendered and to approve the contract for services in the future.

Please see last months minutes.

We are currently working with 5 regular members and several others who help out with the committee.

2 "Admin" persons

Several "Mini admins"

Several "Moderators"

Anyone can create an account and become a "Mini moderator"

You can submit changes to meetings for approval.

Budget

\$150/year (see below)

\$400/year Routine maintenance

Motion to contract has been submitted

No updates have happened since April due to our invoices not being paid.

No updates will be made until a contract has been approved

******Please note that we are working on learning how to do updates ourselves and whether or not that is a good idea to attempt.**

\$550.00

Hosting Fees - \$100/year for one site and \$50/year for the development site. For a total cost of \$150/year. Please note this is an increase in hosting fees as we haven't been charging NERNA for the additional site. Please also note the amount of \$50 is also a discount from the normal rate of \$70.

Domain Fees - These are paid up until 2016/2017

I (Saintly Solutions) cannot project the state of things 5 years out with respect to Drupal. I do hope that the upgrade process will be easier, but who knows maybe a new technology will come out in this time frame that will make things easier for us.

We re-added the Motion and Contract here for RCM's to read for August region

Motion: To contract Saintly Solutions for maintenance & Support of nerna.org

Intent: To support website sub-committee in maintaining & updating nerna.org To provide technical support where needed.

Description: See Proposal attached

Saintly Solutions Support & Maintenance Contract

Date: 1/27/2014

Between us Saintly Solutions,
and New England Region of Narcotics Anonymous

Summary:

We will always do our best to fulfill your needs and meet your goals, but sometimes it is best to have a few simple things written down so that we both know what is what, who should do what and what happens if stuff goes wrong. In this contract you won't find complicated legal terms or large passages of unreadable text. We have no desire to trick you into signing something that you might later regret. We do want what's best for the safety of both parties, now and in the future.

In short

You (New England Region of Narcotics Anonymous) are hiring us (Saintly Solutions, Aaron J. St. Pierre) located at 8 Walter Terrace #2, Somerville MA, 02145 to support and maintain the NERNA website not to exceed the total price of \$400.00 yearly. Of course it's a little more complicated, but we'll get to that.

What do both parties agree to do?

As our customer, you have the power and ability to enter into this contract on behalf of your company or organization. You agree to provide us with everything that we need to complete the project including text, images and other information as and when we need it, and in the format that we ask for. You agree to review our work, provide feedback and signoff approval in a timely manner too. Deadlines work two ways and you will also be bound by any dates that we set together. You also agree to stick to the payment schedule set out at the end of this contract.

We have the experience and ability to perform the services you need from us and we will carry them out in a professional and timely manner. Along the way we will endeavor to meet all

the deadlines set but we can't be responsible for a missed launch date or a deadline if you have been late in supplying materials or have not approved or signed off our work ontime at any stage. On top of this we will also maintain the confidentiality of any information that you give us.

Saintly Solutions Support & Maintenance Contract

Design

We will create designs for the lookandfeel, layout and functionality of your web site. This contract includes one main design plus the opportunity for you to make up to two rounds of revisions. If you're not happy with the designs at this stage, you will pay us in full for all of the work that we have produced until that point and you may either cancel this contract or continue to commission us to make further design revisions at the daily rate set out in our original estimate.

XHTML/CSS layout templates

If the project includes XHTML or HTML markup and CSS templates, we will develop these using valid XHTML 1.0 Strict markup and CSS2.1 + 3 for styling. We will test all our markup and CSS in current versions of all major browsers including those made by Apple, Microsoft, Mozilla and Opera. We will also test to ensure that pages will display visually in a 'similar', albeit not necessarily an identical way, in Microsoft Internet Explorer 6 for Windows as this browser is now past it's sellby date.

We will not test these templates in old or abandoned browsers, for example Microsoft Internet Explorer 5 or 5.5 for Windows or Mac, previous versions of Apple's Safari, Mozilla Firefox or Opera unless otherwise specified. If you need to show the same or similar visual design to visitors using these older browsers, we will charge you at the daily rate set out in our original estimate for any necessary additional code and its testing.

Text content

We may have written a bestseller but we're not responsible for writing or inputting any text copy unless we specified it in the original estimate. We'll be happy to help though, and in

addition to the estimate we will charge you at \$50.00 (USD) per hour for copy writing or content input.

Photographs

You will supply us photographs either in digital or printed format. If you choose to buy stock photographs we can suggest vendors of stock photography. Any time we spend searching

for appropriate photographs will be charged at \$50.00 (USD) per hour.

Saintly Solutions

Support & Maintenance Contract

Changes and revisions

We know from plenty of experience that fixed price contracts are rarely beneficial to you,

as they often limit you to your first idea about how something should look, or how it might work.

We don't want to limit either your options or your opportunities to change your mind.

The estimate/quotation prices at the beginning of this document are based on the number of hours that we estimate we'll need to accomplish everything that you have told us you

want to achieve. If you do want to change your mind, add extra pages or templates or even add

new functionality, that won't be a problem. You will be charged the hourly rate set out in the

estimate we gave you. Along the way we might ask you to put requests in writing so we can keep

track of changes.

Technical support

We will provide up to eight hours of technical support for the NERNA website. For example drupal and associated module upgrades. Basically anything to keep the site functioning

and healthy. This does not include website design changes and or content updates.

As agreed Saintly Solutions will collect half of the total hours up front and then bill NERNA

at a rate of \$50/hour on a monthly basis until we have reached the cap of 8 hours per calendar

year.

Legal stuff

We can't guarantee that the functions contained in any web page templates or in a completed web site will always be errorfree

and so we can't be liable to you or any third party for

damages, including lost profits, lost savings or other incidental, consequential or special

damages arising out of the operation of or inability to operate this web site and any other web

pages, even if you have advised us of the possibilities of such damages.

If any provision of this agreement shall be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from this agreement and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions.
Phew.

Saintly Solutions Support & Maintenance Contract

Copyrights

You guarantee to us that any elements of text, graphics, photos, designs, trademarks, or other artwork that you provide us for inclusion in the web site are either owned by you, or that you have permission to use them.

When we receive your final payment, copyright is automatically assigned as follows: You own the graphics and other visual elements that we create for you for this project.

We will give you a copy of all files and you should store them really safely as we are not required

to keep them or provide any native source files that we used in making them.

You also own text content, photographs and other data you provided, unless someone

else owns them. We own the XHTML markup, CSS and other code and we license it to you for

use on only this project.

We love to show off our work and share what we have learned with other people, so we

also reserve the right to display and link to your completed project as part of our portfolio and to

write about the project on web sites, in magazine articles and in books about web design.

Payments

We are sure you understand how important it is as a small business that you pay the invoices that we send you promptly. As we're also sure you'll want to stay friends, you agree to

stick tight to the following payment schedule.

1. Initial payment of \$200 covering the first 4 hours.
2. Billed at \$50/hr on a monthly basis up to 8 calendar hours per year.

Late payments will incur a compoundable 5% late payment fee.

Saintly Solutions Support & Maintenance Contract

But where is all the horrible small print?

Just like a parking ticket, you cannot transfer this contract to anyone else without our permission. This contract stays in place and need not be renewed. If for some reason one part

of this contract becomes invalid or unenforceable, the remaining parts of it remain in place.

Although the language is simple, the intentions are serious and this contract is a legal

document under exclusive jurisdiction of Massachusetts courts.

The dotted line

Signed by Aaron J. St. Pierre on behalf of Saintly Solutions Date

Signed by NAME of behalf of New England Region of Narcotics Anonymous Date

New Features

- Installed

password policy manger

backup & migrate module

- search

created search by area - Areas can print their meeting info directly onto a list

created search by zip

- user accounts

-Area Pages

-Google maps

-Mobile friendly

-Meeting and Event Map

We are going to work on e-mail account issues-

Transfer between members when position is turning over

Keep track of inactive accounts so we can retrieve and answer e-mails when necessary and in a timely fashion

Elections-

We have no recommendation at this time.

We are working on improving our guidelines and updating the website accordingly

We will continue to meet online between meeting to sort through our duties and responsibilities for single point of accountability.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your web chair over the last year. It has been rewarding as NA service usually is. I had hoped to learn more about the inner working of the website and how to run the "backend" but time did not allow as we were in the middle of the upgrades.

I was told this when asked about training-

"There is no reason to be trained on something that will be obsolete in January."

I still have a lot to learn due to the focus being on the upgrades and new features. It has been a pleasure as always serving the NERSC. I've been in talks with other members about what service position to take on next as we like to practice "Rotation of Service" as outlined in the "12 Concepts" More will be revealed.

I will pass around a trusted servant update form. Please fill out your info as newly elected trusted servants and I will update your info with NAWS.

Even though I will no longer be chair I will still maintain my duties as the Regions web contact to NA World Services.

Thank you.

OPEN POSITIONS-

Each Area is welcome to have a representative become their Area's webpage contact.

The committee is always open to support from interested members willing to learn.

We currently have about 6 members active in maintaining the website.

Area contacts could easily update their meeting / trusted servant info on NERNA and NAWS websites.

You would also become a member to received e-mails from the website google group.

Analytics for the site

Past year top 10 by state

<http://screencast.com/t/clC5Tchzs68w>

Past year to 10 by area in Mass

<http://screencast.com/t/4fdYrhN0Q>

There's a ton more info on google analytics and the new site has just been updated so it'll keep logging hits...

Site Live 1/12/14

Our guidelines

RWSC Guidelines

Guidelines for Online WEB Page

Maintained by the New England Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Website Subcommittee.

Revision 8, January 26, 2014

These guidelines have been adopted by the NERSC upon recommendation of the Website Subcommittee as a statement of purpose and principle for the regional website.

Purpose: Our purpose in putting information on the Internet is to make information about Narcotics Anonymous in the New England Region of NA available to the general public including addicts, those interested in recovery and professionals.

The New England Region of NA currently comprises Massachusetts and Rhode Island. At one time it included five of the six New England states and even parts of Canada. Due to the growth of NA, the original New England Region has subdivided several times but, for historical reasons, the original name of our region has remained unchanged.

The website is the immediate responsibility of the Subcommittee, which is accountable to the New England Regional Service Committee. The guiding principles are our Twelve Traditions, acknowledgment of the primary purpose of NA groups, these guidelines, and guidelines from the World Service Office about online information. Actual work on the web pages is carried out by this Subcommittee. At least one member of the committee should have sufficient technical knowledge to service and maintain the Website so that the information available therein is accurate and so that the website remains functioning efficiently, useful to the RSC and in keeping with the principles of anonymity and attraction rather than promotion.

In the case there is no sufficient technical knowledge available we may employ a special worker with the approval of the RSC. Every effort will be made by the current RWSC to complete any task before a special worker is contracted. The chair or a member delegated will work closely with the special worker to maintain these guidelines and ensure they are followed.

We recognize that online information is not necessarily accessible to everyone. Therefore we will attempt to make online information useful for the broadest possible audience by doing the following:

1. Print the URL address of our WEB Page on our meeting lists;
2. Endeavor to make the website online content accessible to all browser software by avoiding technology that is not widely available.
3. In such cases where graphics are used, the same information needs to be reproduced in a text format, in an endeavor to be accessible to all browsers and their versions.
4. In the construction of the web pages, the alternative text field should always contain a description of the content, making all the information of each web page accessible to people with disability technology.
5. As the content of the web pages is intended to be accessible to a wide range of browser software, there should be no reference to software companies or their technology.
6. The website will accept no advertising.
7. All United States and international copyright laws or other intellectual

property laws will be complied with. We may, in accordance with current NAWS suggested online guidelines, use the words Narcotics Anonymous, the stylized initials NA, appearing alone, within a single or double circle, or as part of any other graphic; and the circle-diamond symbol, which are registered trademarks of Narcotics Anonymous World Services, Inc. (Refer to F.I.P.T. document #1 for more information.)

The website may contain the phone numbers of help-lines, hotlines, and NA service offices, and email addresses belonging to the New England Region of NA, and any other links to area or regional websites of Narcotics Anonymous. Any non-NA links approved specifically by the RWSC after consideration of the 6th Tradition may be listed with appropriate language indicating non-affiliation. The Website Subcommittee will establish a journal, of emails & passwords. This will be the private property of the Regional Service Committee and will be kept in a secure location for use only by the RWSC Chair.

Contents: The web page will contain at least the following:

1. Meeting schedules for NA groups belonging to the New England Region;
2. An HTTP link to the World Service Office of Narcotics Anonymous, <http://www.na.org/>.
3. An E-mail link for sending messages to the Region
4. These guidelines;
5. Graphics at the discretion of the Website Subcommittee.
6. Help-line phone numbers within the New England Region.
8. A mechanism for online requests to change, add or delete meetings.
9. Directions and location of next Regional Service Committee meeting.
10. Links to member Areas of New England Region if they request it.
11. Information concerning New England Regional Convention.

Material submitted for the website, other than meeting list information, must be reviewed by the Website Chair to ensure that it meets these guidelines before posting. Corrections of typographical errors will be made, but any other reworking will necessitate return to the originator.

It will be the responsibility of any subcommittees with mailboxes to check and respond to any legitimate email and to store such email for a reasonable period of time. All email that is directed to the info box shall be reviewed and forwarded to the appropriate subcommittee(s) mailbox by the Website Subcommittee at least weekly.

It will be the responsibility of the chairperson to ensure that all incoming subcommittee chairpersons & executive committee members are given login info & are made aware of the responsibility to maintain each email box. It will also be the responsibility of the chairperson to ensure the checking of all email boxes which may include answering such emails accordingly where subcommittee chairperson and/or executive committee members are absent. It will be the chairperson's responsibility to carry out all duties as sited in our NERSC Policy ARTICLE XI Duties of Officers Section 1 Chairperson.

It will be the responsibility of the chairperson to perform and/or delegate to subcommittee members the following duties:

- 1) Meeting List:
 - a) Moderating revisions (Adding new, editing existing, deleting where applicable)
 - b) Verifying information before publishing revisions.

2) Events:

a) Moderating revisions (Adding new, editing existing, deleting where applicable)

b) Verifying information before publishing revisions.

3) User Accounts:

a) Verifying information of new user accounts.

b) Approving/adding new users. Deleting inactive accounts.

c) Assigning and maintaining moderator privileges.

You may contact the Website Subcommittee at:

info@newenglandna.org - General Contact

nenaweb@newenglandna.org - Website Chair

Here is some of what I understand this committee is responsible for the following:

-Update and maintain the www.nerna.org website.

-Update and maintain the **NAWS** website with regional/area meeting and trusted servant information.

-Provide area support by holding a sub-committee meeting on Saturday of regional weekend.

-Use info@newenglandna.org to correspond with anyone involved with the committee, inquiries etc. -----Monitor the e-mail accounts to assure timely responses to inquiries.

-Keep in close contact with our service provider "Saintly Solutions"

support@saintlyolutions.com

- Use the google group to keep in contact with other website committee members

-Export a CSV file and send to webupdates@na.org bi monthly to sync with

-RMD (<http://www.nerna.org/sites/default/files/NERNA-MeetingList.pdf>)

Web Contact for NAWS Process

We have a process in place that allows for an area or regional trusted servant to register with us and update the NAWS database. This new web contact would have access to see all information for their area or region. The meeting information could be updated by using an import process or by email, while the trusted servant information could be updated directly in the database. To begin the process of becoming a NAWS web contact please contact Web Updates (webupdates@na.org) with your contact information. To see the recent updates we have made to the database please click [here](#).

This includes all Areas served by the NERSC meeting information and trusted servant info when there is a vacant web servant position at the Area level.

RCM's – Please use this link to print the Trusted Servant Update form and return to us for updates.

http://www.na.org/admin/include/spaw2/uploads/pdf/grpform/ASC-Reg_Form2010.pdf

Use this link to contact NAWS directly with updates.

<http://www.na.org/?ID=area-reg-form>

Thank you,

Simple Group Updates/Deletions:

For single group updates and you are a trusted servant of that group please email (groupupdates@na.org) our Fellowship Services team directly with this updated information. Please make sure that you include the meeting name, time, day or days that it meets, meeting location information with facility name, and the area or region that the group belongs too.

Please keep in mind that when changing group information you MUST change it on two separate websites. www.nerna.org is the second website.

<http://nerna.org/user/register>

Other useful links:

January Na Way Magazine has been issued.

http://na.org/admin/include/spaw2/uploads/pdf/naway/en/2013Jan_naw_en.pdf

Naws News: <http://www.na.org/?ID=reports-nawsnews-nawsmain>

What's new? <http://www.na.org/?ID=whatsnew>

WCNA 35 - <http://www.na.org/?ID=wcna-index>

You can subscribe to various NA mailings and announcements at –

<http://www.jftna.org/jft-subscription.htm>

Reaching out - <http://na.org/?ID=reaching-out-index>

NA WAY - <http://www.na.org/?ID=subscribe>

Chapter 10 from the PR Handbook is devoted to Internet Technologies

http://www.na.org/admin/include/spaw2/uploads/pdf/PR/Public_Relations_Handbook.pdf

Also on our website under Locally Developed Resources - there are other service bodies' guidelines for websites.

http://www.na.org/?ID=local_resource_area

Other service body websites are also a valuable resource. It gives you ideas of what other service bodies are doing with their websites. Also it might give some ideas of what you like and don't particularly like.

Please use this website to find other websites.

<http://www.na.org/?ID=phonenumber>

Zonal Website – www.nezf.org

World Service Conference

<http://www.na.org/?ID=conference-index>

ILS,
Andrew L.
NERSWC Chair

RD/RDA:

RMD:

	INVENTORY					
Beginning Inventory	3,000					
Plus May2014 Printing	8,000					
Total available for sales	11,000		Assets			
Sold to areas, groups & individuals	2,650		\$ 265.00			
Sold to Regional Committees	0		\$ 0.00			
Sold to outside vendors	500		\$ 50.00			
Total Sales this period	3,150		\$ 315.00			
Remaining Inventory	7,850					
Plus sales tax collected			\$ 15.98			
Plus Shipping & Handling			\$ 33.00			
Assets Total (Deposit)			\$ 363.98			
Seed Money for Printing			\$ 680.00			
Total Assets			\$1,043.98			

	Expenses				
Printing 8000 RMDs (December)	\$ 680.00				
Sales Tax	\$ 15.98				
Postage	\$ 32.50				
Supplies	\$ 0.00				
Less Total Expenses	\$ 728.48	(\$728.48)			
Net Profit or (Loss) this Period		(\$364.50)			

3000 RMDs remain from the May 2014 printing and are available today.

The next printing will be ordered before the August Regional Service Meeting. We are submitting a request for \$ 680.

We are submitting a customary reimbursement form for postage of \$ 32.50.

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.



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
<u>Committee Members</u>								
<u>Meeting Update Coordinator</u>				Website Chair		info@nerna.org		
<u>Printing Coordinator</u>				David L		617-484-8198 (dalgraphics@rcn.net)		
<u>Sales Representative/Treasurer</u>				Christopher M		617-620-2887 (leadhead84@aol.com)		
<u>Outside Sales Representative to Professionals</u>				Dianne M		1-866-624-3578 (Literature menu)		

Finance:

BOD/Convention Corporation:

New England Convention Corporation
 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
 Report of the President
 6/15/14

Greetings NERSC, Thank you Boston Area for hosting.

The New England Regional Convention Corporation Board of Directors met yesterday 6/14/14 in Boston at 116 Roxbury St. After A Call to Order, MOS; Serenity Prayer; Attendance was: Deb L. Steve C., Jim D., Damon W. and MaryAnn G. Resignations were received from Nick G., and Linda G.

There is now one at-large, and two experienced/current convention member BOD positions vacant. This also means that you are notified that the Clerk position is now vacant and will be elected at next regional meeting. At the last regional meeting you were notified that the Treasurer position was vacant and that election will happen today. The BOD has recommended MaryAnn G. for the treasurer's position.

I would like to ask for a full corporation meeting to fill the open BOD positions and elect a Treasurer. In August we will need to elect a new Clerk.

We developed a plan for moving the convention materials from the previous storage location in Somerville to a new location to be secured by Andrew L. There will be a motion made for this by Boston RCM. Thank you in advance Andrew L. for your willingness.

After the treasurer position is filled I will be filing the Annual Report, initiate the turnover of signers on the account and contact the CPA to begin the annual audit. We unanimously decided that if the Secretary of the Commonwealth's office requires a second name for Clerk - Steve C. will be listed as Clerk until August's Election. Also Mary Anne G. has expressed willingness to be listed as the contact address for the corporation.

Lastly Jim D. made a request that at the next BOD meeting : a procedure will be added to the internal guidelines detailing the contract approval process as well as how the final document is arrived and signed so that it is more of a face to face process – and that all electronic correspondence is circulated will all. There was no opposition to this motion and will be discussed at the next BOD meeting

In Loving Service,
James P., President

New England Regional Convention, Inc.
352 East 8th Street #1; Boston, MA 02127
617-269-1241 jgpbos@me.com

BREAK FOR LUNCH

AREA REPORTS:

Boston:

Cape Cod:

Central Mass:

Free Spirit: Free Spirit Area Report

The area has only met once since the last region. We would normally be meeting this weekend, but it was postponed due to father's day.

There were 9 GSR's in attendance.

The combined h&I committees from free spirit and greater providence seem to be making progress in the way they do business. They report 4 open panel leader positions, which is down from the 9 there were when this transition started.

We have 4 open positions at the area level also. P.I., outreach, literature, and alternate rcm.

We will be holding elections for all positions when we meet on June 29th.

Our 14th annual golf tournament will be held July 19th in Uxbridge mass. We have 64 players and almost one half are from the mass area's in the region. Thank you for your support.

We are making a donation of 267.91

Greater Providence:

Martha's Vineyard:

Metro West:

Nantucket:

NEMA:

Pioneer Valley: Greetings!

Everything is going well in PVANA. We have just elected a new Board with many new faces, all major positions are filled and most secondary are as well. We even have a new ASO. We are operating slightly above Prudent Reserve.

We look forward to hosting NERNA's next meetings Saturday Aug. 9 & 10. We promise not to serve Pizza.

Yours in Loving Service,

Ada C.

SEMA: Good Morning,

The SEMA ASC has met twice since the last RSC. We have had an average of 22 groups in attendance. Our ASC meeting in April followed our GSU format.

Along with area concerns, members of the USSC came up from the New York to do a presentation of what the USSC is and what it is designed to do. It was very informative and I do have some information on the USSC if anyone is interested. The members who presented this information were also open to doing more presentations if there was interest. Our May meeting followed our LSU format. Our Outreach committee is continuing its work on their Newcomer Orientation, working on making it more interactive with the addicts in these facilities. HNI has revised policy and made some changes to how we co-ordinate our panels. I have had some difficulties acquiring insurance binders and our area has some concerns over this process. I have also heard some concern about how the last regional minutes posted on the website was from last October . We are currently operating above prudent reserve and have two open positions. Those positions are Literature Committee Chair and Alternate RCM. Our Area Anniversary is Saturday June 21st at Shelter 2 in Colt State Park in Bristol, RI. Our Conventions FnE committee is also having a Summer Jam speaker jam and dance on July 19, 2014 4pm-11pm at 1458 county street in Somerset MA.

ILS,
Jay P.

South Shore:

Western MA:

AREA CONCERNS/ OPEN FORUM:

Area Concerns:

Open Forum: Website – There was issues brought up surrounding new charges for the website. Were they brought up two years ago or not?

BOD – Clerk position open

There was an issue brought up with the BOD president and negligence towards the contract process

Boston H&I is struggling

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion: To contract Sainly Solutions for maintenance & Support of nerna.org

Intent: To support website sub-committee in maintaining & updating nerna.org To provide technical support where needed.

Result – Motion was Tabled – RCMs please discuss this with your Areas. We will vote in august

****For those of you following along, I made the mistake of listing both of these motions last month as passed, they weren't and these ones are correct.****

Money Motion # 1 Submitted by Website

Motion – To make check payable in the amount of \$200 to Sanity Solutions for services preformed for maintaining website

Intent – 7th tradition / Pay invoices

Motion passes – In favor – unanimous

Make Check Payable – Sanity Solutions

NEW BUSINESS:

Elections

Nominated and Elected – Chairperson – Dave P

Nominated and Elected – Vice Chairperson – Joe V

Nominated and Elected – Secretary – Rachel M

Assistant Secretary remains open

Nominated and Elected – Treasurer – James P

Nominated and Elected – Assistant Treasurer – Tom K

Finance Chairperson And Activities Remain open

Nominated and Elected – Convention Chairperson – Dave A

Nominated and Elected – Fellowship Development – Jaime V

Nominated and Elected – H&I Chairperson – Bob S

Nominated and Elected – Insurance Chairperson – Bob L

Nominated and Elected – Literature Chairperson – Kevin H

Nominated and Elected – Policy Chairperson – Jay P

Nominated and Elected – PR/Phoneline – Gary B

Nominated and Elected – Regional Delegate – Noel D

Nominated and Elected – Regional Delegate Assistant – John N

Nominated and Elected – Website Chairperson – Carrie B

Nominated and Elected – Finance Committee Member At Large – Dan H

Money Motions

Money Motion # 1 Presented by RD/RDA

Motion – Make checks payable for \$860.44 to fund the RD/RDA team and incoming RDA to the June 2014 Zonal Forum

Hotel - \$286.97 (\$119.00 x 2 + \$46.99 tax and fees)

Per Diem - \$400 (50 x 8)

Mileage - \$223.47

Intent – To allow the RD/RDA and the incoming RDA to fulfil the duties of their positions.

Motion passes – In favor – unanimous

Make Check Payable – Noel Dennis, John Norton and Samuel Valle

NAWS donation of \$ 307.10

