

# NYCASC November Meeting Summary

## Open Services Positions

### Area positions:

1. **Treasurer:** nomination for Susana received (current Treasurer)
  2. **Assistant Treasurer:** light booking skills strongly desired (currently vacant)
  3. **Public Information:** current chair resigned, position now open
  4. **RCM:** position recently vacant
  5. **Area Insurance Liaison:** newly created position to assist with insurance policy & potential claims
  6. **Events & Activities Chair:** coordinate area-level Birthday Bash & Holiday Marathons
- Danielle re-elected as our Alternate RCM!
  - Greater NY Region also has many open position up for election! (see below)
  - Greater NY Impossible Dream Convention needs your help! Please join a sub-committee

## Thanksgiving Marathon [contact Lynne at [lynne@littlegreenviper.com](mailto:lynne@littlegreenviper.com)]

- In need of help on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
- **Thanksgiving Marathons help keep addicts alive! Please volunteer a hand.**

## Conference Agenda Report (CAR)

- Every 2-years, CAR occurs at a World-level. Each group has an **important voice** in effecting change
- Area wants to understand how each group votes on CAR to help improve the process for all
- **How much does your group know about CAR? What resources do you use? (workshops, online, etc)**
- **How does your group vote on CAR? Do you vote during your business meeting?**

## Great NY Region Presentation

- Larry (Chairperson) and Paul (Treasurer) of the Greater NY region gave a presentation. Goals are to build trust & increase transparency. Treasurer committed to sharing financials (see attached financial report)
- Area-level updates & communication can go through our Alternate RCM (Danielle) or directly to Larry ([RSCChair@NewYorkNA.org](mailto:RSCChair@NewYorkNA.org)) & Paul ([Treasurer@NewYorkNA.org](mailto:Treasurer@NewYorkNA.org))

## Group Updates

- Cover to Cover has **MOVED!** (Monday at 7 p.m.) Now at 224 Waverly Pl
- The Solution Group has **MOVED!** (Thursdays at 7 p.m.) Now at RSO 154 Christopher St.
- Our Whole Lives Ahead of Us is **MOVING!** (Wednesday nights 7:30 p.m.)  
Starting in December, will move to 232 W 11th St.
- Finally Found a Home meets **EARLIER!** Changed meeting time to 8:00 p.m.
- Meat & Potatoes has **CLOSED!** (Saturdays). Unfortunately, this meeting has closed. It's been great!

## October Meeting Details

- Next NYCASC General Assembly Meeting will be held November 19, 2017 at 2:00 PM
- **Steering Committee:** Chairperson/Vice Chair/Treasurer/Secretary, all Subcommittee Chairs, and Ad Hoc Committee Chairs, nominees and interested parties are asked to meet for Steering Committee at 12:30pm

# NYCASC November Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2017

## Meeting Opening

### Location

NYCASC Area meeting was held at: Greater New York Regional Service Office  
154 Christopher Street, Suite 1A (basement)

### Readings

- Frank opened meeting at 2:11pm with the NA service prayer read in unison.
- The 12 Traditions were read by Nam
- The 12 Concepts were read by Nathalie
- NYCASC Purpose was read Roland

### Roll Call & Quorum

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Also Representing</u>
1. Roland	Administrative	Chair	
2. Frank	Administrative	Vice Chair	
3. Susana	Administrative	Treasurer	
4. Danielle	Administrative	Alternate RCM	
5. Nathalie	Administrative	Secretary	(Cover to Cover)
6. Anthony	Subcommittee	H&I	
7. Jim	Subcommittee	Helpline	(Freedom Group)
8. Christine	Subcommittee	Literature Distribution	
9. Elizabeth	Subcommittee	Meeting List Coordinator	(Women on the Journey)
10. Zeus	Subcommittee	Website Content Coordinator	
11. Doyle	Subcommittee	Website Technical Coordinator	(Breaking the Chains)
12. Amanda	GSR	9AM Wake-up	
13. Nam	GSR	ABCs to Recovery	
14. Stella	GSR	Angels with Dirty Faces	
15. Jon	GSR	Bleecker Street	
16. Miguel	GSR	GLAD in Recovery	
17. Cory	GSR	Greenpoint Serenity	
18. Stephen	GSR	It's About Change	
19. Luz	GSR	Just For Today	
20. Denise	GSR	Living Free	
21. Niki	GSR	NA Unity Group	
22. Angel C	GSR	Recovery in the 80s	
23. Kenny C	GSR	Recovery in the Lower	
24. Arnaldo	GSR	Recuperacion For Today	
25. Taylor	GSR	Second Lives	
26. Ronald	GSR	Serenity on Sunday	
27. Pete	GSR	Solid Foundation	
28. Edwin	GSR	Steps to Life	
29. Marissa	GSR	Valley of the Dolls	

### Quorum

- 18 Voting Participants, of which 10 must be GSR
- Taken and satisfied

### Corrections to October's Minutes

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- None

## Administrative Reports

### Chairperson Report

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Report given by Roland W.

#### Greater NY Region Update

- Attendees
  - Larry - Chairperson [[RSCChair@NewYorkNA.org](mailto:RSCChair@NewYorkNA.org)]
  - Paul - Treasurer [[treasurer@newyorkNA.org](mailto:treasurer@newyorkNA.org)]
- Chairperson Report
  - Goals: introduce themselves and ask how GNY can be of service to the NYC ASC, to rebuild trust between Area and Region and reiterate that Region is in service of Area
  - GNY has restructured their bi-monthly meetings to be more concise and effective
  - Up for re-election
- Treasurer Report
  - Suffolk County contributed 65% of donations but comprised 1/3 of meetings, but they left GNY Region
  - Needed to build trust & transparency on financials, therefore delivered full reports
  - "Wave App" for insurance payments & invoicing for transparency & efficiency
  - Yearly budget per subcommittee for better financial planning and ensure donation to World
  - Up for re-election
- Question & Answer
  - Literature Debt: is GNY in debt again over literature and why? RSO asked for a \$50,000 loan in literature with a monthly repayment plan.
  - Ethnic Diversity: There are diverse backgrounds of skills & talents, with many open positions.
  - Relationship between RSC & RSO: RSO board was restructured for better leadership and turnover. It provides literature and services in support of the RSC. RSC run the regional meeting and confirm business decisions.
  - Open Board Meetings: RSC meetings are open for anyone to attend.

#### NAWS Literature Prices Increase

- Previously 7% increase on literature prices is down to 5% increase due to generous donations (excludes Basic Text)
- [www.NA.org/NAWSNews](http://www.NA.org/NAWSNews) is a free periodic publication for updates on updates & events

#### Holiday Marathon

- In need of a U-HAUL driver to pick-up supplied from storage unit on Wednesday 11/29
- In need of volunteers to help transport supplies between storage closet to event space on Thanksgiving
- In need of a volunteer to pick-up cooked turkey on Thursday 11/30 (if we cannot use U-HAUL)
  - Kenny C., Anthony, and Arnaldo volunteered to help

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- Cardinal Spellman only charged \$250 for space rental of all 3 marathons - want to donate an additional amount to the Catholic Charity as gesture of appreciation

### PI Racks

- Wilvena has not provided location of prior racks yet, which are property of NA
- **Anyone who sees Wilvena, please ask her to let us know where they are**

## Vice-Chair Report

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None from Frank P.

### PI Open Positions

- With newly vacant PI subcommittee chair, Frank will step up but does not have prior PI experience. Frank will lead meetings but suggests someone with prior experience to participate.
- Unclear who was on the subcommittee before Wilvena dissolved the group

## RCM & Alternate RCM Report

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Report given by Danielle R

### General updates

- Regional Delegate Alternate stepped down - elevated another position who is up for formal election soon
- RSO office volunteer time counts as time for service time

### Convention Committee

- Early registration is open
- The convention is in 2-years but planning needs to begin now
- **In need of support -- ideally 2 volunteers needed from each area per committee:**
  - Fundraising
  - Convention Committee
  - Merchandizing
  - PR Planning

### Region has many open positions

- Terms are ending in December and nominations/elections are happening soon. Resumes are available for candidates that are up for election
- Positions with no nominations:
  - Vice-Chair
  - Policy Chair
  - Secretary
  - RDA
  - Helpline
  - E&A Chair
  - Meeting List
  - PI
  - Web Service

### Board: Treasurer & Literature Sales

- Balance is between \$7-8K

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- New regional sales policy
- New sales policy at the RSO - must pay upon order submission
- 2 new board members are up for election

### FPIT, Florida and NAWS

- Anyone can request a financial report by world, which is a old policy whereby it is very costly
- Want to update policy whereby more requirements are needed to request a policy, not because of a lack of transparency but because steps to produce that report is very costly. Goal is to have a larger, more substantiated request before kicking off

### Conference Agenda Report

- Regions are part of a Zone -- there are impacts on representation to WSC because some regions are not reserved seats
- There are tradeoffs between representation and too much attendance to allow for effective business meetings
- **How does each group handle their CAR voting?**
  - **Group conscience given to GSR?**
  - **Is this done at the business meeting with trusted servants?**
  - **It's important for groups to be involved in the CAR because these are decisions that impact our region and groups**
- Area prints 15-18 copies to groups & interested groups takes back to business meetings, also available by download. Workshops are available for GSRs

### Secretary's Report

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Report given by Nathalie T.

- Nothing to report

### Treasurer's Report

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Report given by Susana H.

#### Storage Unit

- The monthly rent has increased to \$126
- There is a late charge erroneously charged that Susana

#### NYCASC Balances

- Starting balance: \$1,317.66
- Monthly Expenses: \$1,141.50
- Working balance: \$176.16

#### E&A

- E&A Starting Reserve: \$2,548.73
- E&A Working Balance \$2,103.73
  - Can make a donation to Catholic Charities from this fund
- Thanksgiving Marathon Prices:
  - Additional 3 turkeys & prep prices
  - Service fees

### Total collected

- Group donations + Meeting Lists: \$2,114.50
- Meeting lists only: \$52.50
- Literature sales: TBD

## Group Reports

### 9AM Wake-up (Amanda)

- Mondays through Friday at 9:00 a.m. @ 41 East 11th St.
- \$25 donation
- 43-year Group Anniversary on December 8th

### ABCs to Recovery (Nam)

- Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. @ 206 E 11th St.
- Nothing to report

### Angels with Dirty Faces (Stella B.)

- Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. @ 165 W 86th St.
- \$10 donation
- Working on Holiday Marathons - please come to Stella if interested in volunteering

### Bleecker Street (Jon Y.)

- Tuesdays at 8:00 p.m. @ 113 Baxter St.
- Policy review was October
- Upcoming business meeting for service position
- \$100 donation

### Breaking the Chains (Doyle R.)

- Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. @ 130 E 25th St
- \$32 donated

### Cover to Cover (Nathalie T.)

- Mondays at 7:00 p.m. @ 25 Carmine St
- Meeting was moved to 224 Waverly Pl.
- Group is building up their prudent reserve due to an increase in rent at the new space, no donations in the near-term

### Freedom Group (Jim B.)

- Fridays at 7:00 p.m. @ 630 E 6th St
- \$22 donation
- Closed Friday after Thanksgiving
- Midtown Matinee

### GLAD in Recovery (Miguel)

- Mondays at 7:00 p.m. @ 109 Remsen Street
- \$20 donation
- In need of support in trusted service

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- Closed on Christmas & New Year's Day

### Greenpoint Serenity (Cory S.)

- Sundays at 6:30 p.m. @ 155 Milton St, Brooklyn, NY
- Nothing to report
- \$60 donation

### It's About Change (Stephen M.)

- Fridays at 6:30 p.m. @ 50 E 7th St
- Meeting is looking for new space by February 2018
- \$160 donation

### Just For Today (Luz)

- Sundays at 4:30 p.m. @ 743 E. 9th St.
- \$8 donation

### Living Free (Denise)

- Monday to Fridays at 1:00 p.m. @ 334 E 14th St.
- \$180 donation
- Closed Thursday & Friday for Thanksgiving
- Closed Monday for Christmas
- Closed New Year's Day

### Meat & Potatoes

- Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. @ 50 E. 7th St.
- Meeting is closed now
- \$160 donation

### NA Unity Group (Niki)

- Meets Sun at 6:00 p.m. @ 206 E 4th St
- Mailing in donation

### Recovery in the 80s (Angel C.)

- Mondays at 8:00 p.m. @ 213 W 82nd St
- \$200 donation

### Recovery in the Lower (Kenny C.)

- Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. @ 630 E 6th St.
- \$157 donation
- Closed on Thanksgiving

### Recuperación for Today (Arnaldo A.)

- Fridays at 6:45 p.m. @ 206 E 11th St.
- Open position for secretary
- \$166 donation

### Recurring Themes (Kenny S)

- Tuesdays & Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. @ 10 Nathan Perlman Pl.
- \$50 donated

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- Closed on Thanksgiving

### Second Lives (Taylor F.)

- Thursdays at 7:15 p.m. @ 283 W Broadway
- Having issues with our space (plumbing) and temporarily moved to RSO and therefore did not have a business meeting

### Serenity on Sunday (Ron S.)

- Meets Sunday at 2:15 p.m. @ 208 W 13th St
- \$157 donation

### Solid Foundation (Pete L.)

- Sundays at 7:15 @ 135 E 25th St.
- Elections are being held at the end of the month

### Steps to Life

- Mondays at 6:00 p.m. @ 743 E. 9th St.
- \$50 donation

### Women on the Journey (Elizabeth)

- Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. @ 206 E 4th St
- \$198 donation
- In need of trusted servants

### Valley of the Dolls (Marissa M.)

- Mondays at 7:00 p.m. @ 204 E 4th St
- Womens meeting - in desperate need of support, especially for all service commitments
- Closed on December 25
- Closed on January 1

### Village Spiritual Workshop (Alex Z.)

- Mondays at 6:300 p.m. @ 50 E 7th St
- Rent has gone up recently and will go up again in Feb 2018. Will need to possibly move spaces

## Standing Subcommittee Reports

### Literature Distribution

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#### Report given by Christine B.

- Please fill out all sections & totals to streamline order submission
- Sold at Area (October meeting)
  - Sales: \$241.36
  - Profit: \$30.28
- Bought from Region (November meeting)
  - Total: \$194.80

### H&I

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#### Report given by Orlando (H&I Co-Chair)



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- Regular meetings are held first Saturdays at 1:00 p.m. @ 154 Christopher St.
- \$250 on literature
- November did not establish quorum, therefore no business decisions were made

### Helpline

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Report given by Jim B.

- Regular meetings are held the first Mondays at 7:00 p.m. @ GoToMeeting function
  - Call help 212-929-6262 to get information on how to access the GTM
- **Weekend support needed**
- Elections are held next month

### PI

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Report given by Wilvena

- Resignation letter delivered (attached)
- Addresses and contact information needed for any locations with NA racks

### Meeting List Coordinator Report

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Elizabeth B. absent

- Meeting moving? Email Elizabeth @ [meetinglist@nycna.org](mailto:meetinglist@nycna.org) to update, even ahead of time
- New lists were printed in October
- Meetings that changed:
  - Cover to Cover - has already moved to 224 Waverly Pl.
  - Solutions Group - has moved to the RSO
  - Finally Found a Home - changed meeting time to 8:00 p.m.
  - Our Whole Lives Ahead of Us - meeting will be moving in December 232 W. 11th St

### Website Content Coordinator

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Report given by Zeus W.

- Email [zeusstyle8@gmail.com](mailto:zeusstyle8@gmail.com) with any announcements or events that you want published on the website
- Send Thanksgiving closures

### Website Technical Coordinator

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Report given by Doyle R.

- Promote group histories on the website - valuable content that help carry the message
- Each group should have a written policy with their group history - no current policies, but could be a good repository for group history

### Sharing Session

#### Freedom Group

- Really needs support to keep the meeting open - reach out to Jim

### Holiday Marathons

- Very low support from Area & Groups
- There is a motion to pull Holiday Marathons away from Area due to low support
- Host Committee:
  - They are responsible for speaker, set-up, and clean-up of the marathons
  - Area would be responsible for transportation of supplies & food, meeting space
- Volunteers:
  - Anthony can drive on Thursday 11:00 a.m.
  - Arnaldo is back-up driver
  - Kenny can help with supply movement at storage

### Meeting Creation & Closing

- There are an abundance of meetings and should be planned
- Some meeting close and other meetings gain support

### Meetings Spaces

- Services offered by Region to maintain anonymity for those who are looking to coordinate with spaces
- Email sent to Catholic parishes for interest in hosting NA meeting groups

## Old Business

None

## New Business

### Alternate RCM Election

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1. Motion to Acclimation - passed
2. Danielle elected in!

## Meeting Close

Motion to close: 4:30PM

Closed with Serenity Prayer