

**GOLDEN TRIANGLE AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE OF NARCOTICS
ANONYMOUS MEETING MINUTES
August 12, 2017**

Minutes prepared by Eric W- Secretary from notes provided by Kathy T (RCM)

Chairperson Jay M. conducted the meeting
Meeting started at 10:05 AM
Service Prayer read by Roger F.
12 Concepts read by Jenn G.

17 GSR's were present.
Quorum was achieved.

Review of the Minutes from last month

Chairperson asked if there were any questions or comments on last month's minutes.

Q&A: none

Motion to accept the July minutes by Roger F and seconded by Shawn J.

Vote taken 13/0/4 Motion Carried.

Notes: Please provide email addresses and/or verify accuracy

GSR REPORTS

Group Name	GSR	Attendance	Report
Awakening	Marty L	Present	Y
Changing Lanes		Absent	N
Clean Awakenings	Brad K	Present	Y
Clean Freaks	Dean H.	Present	Y
Clean Times	Kristena H	Present	Y
Freedom	Larry M	Present	Y
Friendship	Jay M.	Present	Y
Hope	Rick L.	Present	Y
Inside Recovery	Dan D.	Present	Y
Just For Today		Absent	N
Keep It Simple	Danny C.	Present	Y
Living Clean	Greg B.	Present	Y
Lust For Life	Bryan C.	Present	Y
Miracle in the Morning		Absent	N
More Will Be Revealed	Rob L	Present	Y
Phoenix	Deanna S.	Present	Y
Saturday Night Live	Martine P.H.	Present	Y
Step Into Recovery	Jenn G	Present	Y
Stepping Stones	Rodger F	Present	Y
Together We Can	Shawn J	Present	Y
Welcome Home	Corey B.	Present	Y

No Questions for GSRs

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sub-committee	Chair	Attendance	Report
Activities	Jason D (alt.chair)	Present	Y
Email: activities@gtascna.org			
Literature	Dan D	Present	Y (verbal)
Email: literature@gtascna.org			
Newsletter	Vacant	Vacant	Y (Jay M. verbal)
Email: nun@gtascna.org			
PR	Bryan C.	Present	Y (verbal)
Email: hi@gtascna.org			

Notes:

Activities - alt. Treasurer and Chairperson remains open. The BBQ was very well attended and received. Net cost was about \$125
 Literature - \$451.80

Sub-Committee Questions and Answers

No Subcommittee reports made it to the Secretary elect Eric W, Newsletter was a brief Verbal by Jay M. the GTASC Chair. So no Subcommittee reports attached to August 2017 minutes.

Motion to accept the Area Sub-Committee Reports made by Marty L. and seconded by Rick L.
Vote taken 17/0/0 Motion Carried.

G.T.A.S.C. SERVICE OFFICER REPORTS

Position	Name	Attendance	Report
Chair	Jay M.	Present	N
Email: chairperson@gtascna.org			
Alt Chair	Derek A	Absent	Y (Read by Jay M.)
Email: altchair@gtascna.org			
Treasurer	Allan M.	Absent	Y (no financials)
Email: treasurer@gtascna.org			
Alt Treasurer	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant
Email: treasurer@gtascna.org			
Secretary	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant
Email: secretary@gtascna.org			
Alt Secretary	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant
Email: secretary@gtascna.org			
RCM	Kathy T	Present	Y
Email: rcm@gtascna.org			
Alt RCM	Jenn G	Present	N
Email: rcm@gtascna.org			
ASCR	Danny C	Present	Y
Email: ascr@gtascna.org			

Notes:

Service Officer Reports Questions and Answers:

A question was asked if the Treasurer submitted financial report of expenses income ect. Article 9.5 a) was read. Then a question was raised if we could accept the Treasurer's Report without the financials.

Motion to accept G.T.A.S.C. Service Officers Reports, excluding the Treasurer's report. made by Mark S. and seconded by Shawn J.

Vote Taken 16/0/1. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned for break at 10:45 am.

Meeting reconvened at 11:00am by Jay M

Moment of Silence

Service Prayer

~~??-voting members were present.~~

Quorum achieved.

- **Contribution cheques to be collected by Chair**

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Archive Ad-Hoc – Marc S will handle the shredding at no cost to GTASC. Also requested an extension until Oct to suggest Archive Policy.

ELECTIONS:

Alt. Treasurer Position is vacant (1 year clean time required)

THIS NEEDS IMMEDIATE ACTION: GSR'S PLEASE LET YOUR GROUP KNOW. THIS POSITION IS OPEN.

Secretary Position (2 years clean time required)

Eric W. self-nominated, seconded by Danny C. Service record was shared. Jay M. conducts interview questions and answered by Eric W. **Elected**

Alt. Secretary Position is vacant (1 year clean time required)

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Activities Chair (2 year clean time required)

Jason D (Activities alt.Chair) Nominated by Shawn J, seconded by Paulo A. Service record was shared. Jay M. conducts interview questions and answered by Jason D. **Elected**

Newsletter Chair (1 year clean time required)

Morgan R. nominated by Brad K, seconded by Shawn J. Service record was shared. Jay M. conducts interview questions and answered by Morgan R. **Elected**

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Greg B questions if we want to revive the Campout? In a smaller form? Greg has been informally asking people about their interest and is finding that there is interest among people polled. Greg is willing to Chair an Ad-hoc to investigate the possibility of a Campout for 2018. Motion made by Kathy T. to create an Ad-hoc committee with Greg B as the Chair, seconded by Shawn J.
Vote taken 17/0/1 Motion Carried.
- 2) Rick L. noted that the GTASC Minutes after April 2017 were NOT posted. Jay M said he would work with Derek A. and Eric W (new Secretary) to get them posted.

Meeting closed – 11:50

Closed with a Moment of Silence, followed by the Third Step Prayer.

Next meeting September 9th, 2017 (2nd Saturday), at 10:00am

GTASCNA Service Committee Meeting Dates 2017

October 14, 2017 (2nd Saturday),

November 11, 2017 (2nd Saturday),

December 09, 2017 (2nd Saturday).

Meetings to be held 10:00 Am @ Allan Reuter Centre, 507 King Street East, Cambridge, ON.

Admin meeting held at 9:30 Am @ Allan Reuter Centre, 507 King Street East, Cambridge, ON.

August 12, 2017

Chair Report

GTASCNA

I had the opportunity in the past couple of weeks to sit with a few trusted members and review how Area is doing.

To start with the fear factor associated with coming to area because it's a "shit show" has diminished.

We continue to efficiently conduct our business in 2 hours or less and I believe that members are being heard and acknowledged. Albeit sometimes later than expected, business is dealt with effectively.

We do have a nagging problem that needs to be addressed by our membership and that is the lack of support for some of the admin positions, specifically Secretary and Alternate Treasurer as well as Alternate Secretary. I commend our Alternate Chair for stepping up to the plate and fulfilling his duties for without his service the last couple of months we would not have minutes or reports from the subcommittees at this table who do not have active members or chairs.

I realize that spending 3 hours one Saturday per month is not glamorous but it is fulfilling to be a part of this level of service especially when it runs smoothly and service is an integral part of this organization. Without we would not enjoy meetings (nearly 67,000 weekly meetings worldwide), conventions (Regional, Country and World), learning days (local), literature (53 published languages) or support (contributions) for addicts in our community and around the world.

I would like to encourage all members at this table to share your experiences at this table with other members and sponsees and encourage them to at least consider coming to Area in 2017 to see what it is all about and hopefully step up to do some service at this level. For too long the "shit show" label has tarnished our Area table and it won't diminish unless we speak out as a whole.

Once again these positions have been open for many months:

Secretary	2 years clean time requirement
Alternate Treasurer	1 year clean time requirement
Alternate Secretary	1 year clean time requirement

Note that according to the P&G's Article 8.0, section 8.4

If a nominee does not meet the clean time requirements, they will require 75% of the vote.

ILS

Jay M

Hello NA family,

I'm unable to attend this month's GTASCNA Area meeting as I am on vacation with my family.

Since the last Area meeting I have completed the duties of my position as per the Area Ps & Gs.

- The minutes were sent to all GSRs, exec & subcommittees on July 29th. If you did not receive them please ensure you let the table know & provide your email address as part of your report. Two notes on the minutes:
 - *The attendance sheet showed the Alternate RCM as absent although I thought she was at the meeting. It's important that if you are at the meeting, even if you come in late, that you make sure to sign the attendance sheet as it's the permanent record of the meeting & will be the only source of information reflected in the minutes.*
 - Several elected officers continue to not provide a written record of their reports to this Area. It's important for the continuation of services & transparency to our member community that reports be provided in writing to the Secretary. The preferred approach is that these reports be emailed to secretary@gtascna.org, but in the absence of that a written report should be provided at the Area table. This is a requirement per the Ps & Gs of all elected positions including service offices & sub-committees.
- I attended the meetings of the Newsletter & Activities sub-committees in the absence of elected chairs for these committees. I remain hopeful that members of this Area with the required clean time will step up to take on these important positions so that we can continue to provide these services to the NA community in our Area.
- For the newsletter the outgoing chair & one other NA member attended the meeting. We reviewed the requirements to publish the newsletter & the member seemed interested in taking on the position. Until this happens there will be no further meetings of this sub-committee & the NUN will not be published.
- For Activities there were 4 NA members plus myself in attendance. The committee seems well organized & runs effectively in a cooperative manner. I was excited to hear of their plans for additional activities in our Area in the coming months. This committee will continue meeting at it's regularly scheduled time & location as the committee continues to function well & do valuable work. I am hopeful that one of the current committee members will step up for the Chairperson role - creating open positions for other members of the NA community while providing the excellent support for unity & fun they always have in our Area.

As always if members of the NA community want services then the best way to guarantee these services is to actively participate in the providing of those services. I remain hopeful that members of this Area will step up & fill the many open positions at the Area table.

In loving service,
Derek A

August 12, 2017 RCM Report to GTASCNA

As reported last month I was unable to attend the roaming regional meeting in North Bay last month, so Marc S. attended in my stead. This report is based on the notes he took at the meeting. I have been unable to access the minutes since the password for the login has changed and I have not received the new password. I am trying to access, but having difficulty even sending emails to the region. I believe that this may have to do with the website changes noted below, but I will look into it and have it rectified with a more complete report to area next month. I regret that this has affected the blog and report that usually is available for the newsletter.

- The Region is Financially sound, donating \$10,000 to next levels of service
- The report from the treasurer and recommendation is that we need to incorporate, Quebec region and Toronto AA are incorporated and pay HST (Cost of incorporation is \$2,000-\$5,000)
- CANA meeting and convention
 - See report
- Website being revamped, no interruption to ours.
 - Suggest that we move to the more user friendly Wordpress template
- ORCNA XXX made \$20,000
- ORCNA XXXI costs may still go up. XXX saved a lot on meeting room costs
- New literature
 - Regional literature now has Treasurer's workbook, 7th tradition box, 2 white booklets, 18 information pamphlets and 5 service pamphlets
 - Twelve Tradition bookmarks (12): each tradition debossed on one side of the bookmark
- ORCNA XXXII by Limestone and Niagara
- Motion to move forward with incorporation
 - How it's going to look has still to be determined
- 2 day regional meeting in January to include CAR
- Can now be elected or be nominated to a regional position in absence if you must travel more than 300 km one way
- H&I still open, new alt chair elected
- AD became RD- Michelle H.
- New AD left elected Marc S.
- All elections take affect after the meeting
- AD and RD elections changed to April on odd years

- Should region strike an Adhoc committee to look into making Literature be a paid position (80 hours a month)
- Area conscience required on changes to P&P

Again, I apologize for the sketchiness of this report written without having attended the meeting and without access to the minutes. I will have a more complete report next month.

YILS

Kathy T.

GTA ASCR REPORT

Aug 12 2017

Good morning, hope all is well. I was able to contact the CI Committee via email about the ORCNA XXXI GOTO meeting info. CI has replied and provided an invitation to the GOTO meetings which the next one is today from 10am – 12pm. Unfortunately not able to view due to being here at Area. Although I will be attending the next meeting on Sept 16 2017 at Blue Mountain.

YILS

Danny C

ASCR

Current Positions

Chairperson: Open

Alt-Chair: Jason D

Treasurer: Henry C

Alt-Treasurer: Open

Secretary: Alison L

Alt-Secretary: Jess W

Event Follow-up

Cambridge BBQ was well attended, and well received.

Budget vs Actuals has been attached to this report.

\$225 deposited into Area account

Net cost \$123.62

Next Event

The committee has decided that the next event will be a dance/karaoke night for Halloween

Currently exploring venue options for Friday October 27th, or Saturday October 28th

Firm details will be prepared for, and brought to, the September area meeting.

Proposed Budget for Unity Day BBQ

Date of event: Saturday July 13

Projected Costs

ITEM	COST	Actuals
Propane	\$25.00	\$37.00
Pop/water	\$20.00	\$130.00
Ice	\$20.00	Food
Condiments cheese	\$15.00	Food
Hot dogs	\$30.00	Food
Hamburgers	\$50.00	Food
Buns	\$35.00	Food
Rental fee	\$53.62	\$53.62
CORN	\$20.00	Food
Prizes & Games	\$40.00	\$40.00
Vegetarian HD&B	\$20.00	Food
Butter	\$10.00	Food
Potato Salad	\$10.00	Food
Gas		\$20.00
Area Donations	348.62	Total Actual (minus Area Cont.)
		Total
		\$280.62
		\$68.00

Members Donations	\$157.00
Total Deposited Area remaining + Member Donation	\$225.00