

APRIL 14th, 2019

REPORT TO THE YAVAPAI AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE (YASC) FROM
THE ARIZONA REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE (ARSC) MEETING
HELD

3/17/2019

Regional Committee Member (RCM) I: Trent C.

Regional Committee Member (RCM) II: DJ J.

DJ and I attended the ARSC Assembly and Meeting at St Luke's Hospital in Phoenix. We sat in on the Regional Public Relations (PR) sub-committee meeting prior to the regional assembly and meeting. DJ sat in on some of the Regional H & I sub-committee meeting.

Vicc Chair Report (Greg W.) The WSLD had leftover merchandise to donate to the Areas to do with as they please. This bag of clothing was turned into the Area chair to address the distribution. It may be time for a non-fiscal guidelines review. We will address this need at the next Regional Assembly in May. We will hear nominations for the open positions for ARCNA XXXIV: ARCNA Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Alternate Treasurer. Statements of Willingness to be presented at this meeting. These elections will be held at the ARSC meeting in May. Statements of Willingness for ARSC elections are due at the time of nominations in May. The elections for these positions will be held at the ARSC meeting in July. There is also two Regional Board member positions to be filled, one at the Regional Assembly April 27th and one with the Regional elections in July. A record of BOD terms and term limits is requested per an earlier request of the board and an agreement we would receive this in January of 2019. I see this table is included (see attached document) in the minutes for the ARSC meeting in March.

RD Report (Moe M.) Moe attended the Zonal Forum January in San Diego. 13 seated Regions were in attendance. Topics of information/discussion were focused on training technology and guideline development/preparation. Our World Board representative, Mary Ellen, presented on the issue discussion topics of our Daily Spiritual Principles Project and the draft approval for this project. The approval draft is available for review at NA.org. The Mental Health/Mentally Ill IP is in the 90 day review process. Other projects that are in the input and review process are: The Future of the WSC, Training Tools, Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust (FIPT) Operational Tools. These can also be reviewed at NA.org.

Final planning and budgeting for the GSR Regional Assembly in Show Low was presented. Workshop topics at this event, April 27th, will be Public Relations information, and three workshops on Making Service Attractive, GSR Orientation and The Dos and Don'ts of Addressing Disruptive Behavior.

An election for a Regional Board Member position will also be held at the assembly. We are in need of a member to step up for the RD Alternate position.

Public Relations (Chair Steve S.) We discussed PR week scheduled for June 2nd – 8th, 2019. The theme for this week agreed upon at the World Service Conference (WSC) is “We All Are PR”. There is going to be a Dance/PR Assembly in Phoenix on June 8th to close out the week. More information and flyers will be generated for the event by the next Regional PR meeting in March. Regional PR plans to host a table and do a presentation at the Arizona Problem Solving Courts Conference held annually at the Prescott Resort. The conference is April 17th – 19th 2019. Any members who would like to join the volunteers at the table and gain some knowledge about doing PR work are welcome to ask Steve about the best times to be at the table. Since the ARSC meeting, Steve S. has informed me that he can only cover Tuesday evening and Friday at this event. I, Trent C., have agreed to cover the information table as best I can for Wednesday and Thursday of this event. I am the contact person for volunteering/observing for those days. Nancy G. from the West Valley is doing some coordination with Region to host a Trusted Servants Learning Day in their Area. She has developed a boilerplate letter for PR to reach out to agencies in the community who might be interested in knowing more about NA. She is willing to share this with other areas.

Web servant is needed to rebuild the ARSC website. Please contact Steve to assist in this project. Other positions to be filled are Vice-chair, Helpline Coordinator, and Fellowship Development.

A PR booth has been set up at a number of events in the Phoenix and Tucson areas. Focus on outreach to specific populations (i.e.; Native American, LGBTQ and Spanish speaking...) is done at these events. There is now enough equipment and material for two booths. If an Area, Group or other PR trained combination of members wants to host an information table or present at an event or agency, this material is available through the Regional PR Sub-committee.

Hospitals and Institutions (Chair Jerry S. Verbal Report given by Ryan M.) H and I is still looking for more members to be of service with Behind the Walls (BtW) as sponsors for incarcerated members. We could use a coordinator for sponsors in our area. The Vice-Chair of H & I, Ryan M., submitted and read a statement of willingness for the position of H & I Chair the following year. BtW has 16 inmates working on their first assignment. 3 inmates are working on their third assignment. 4 new inmates signed up to complete their first assignment last month. A set of literature is provided to an inmate when they complete their third assignment and share this information with their BtW sponsor. Requested \$55.00 for postage to communicate with inmates. \$53.76 requested for printing flyers related to BtW. Total requested from Region this day is \$108.76.

Always looking for more volunteers for the BtW project.

West Valley has 115 meetings every two months and is currently hosting H & I meetings in 10 facilities.

East Valley has 16 meetings per week and is currently hosting H & I meetings in 12 facilities.

Tucson is developing their own BtW Sub-committee with Regional H & I support.

Tucson RCM and H & I not in attendance at this ARSC meeting.

ARIZONA REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE (ARSC) MEETING (Chair Jody P. Vice-Chair Greg W.) The Policy making committee for the Board of Directors (BOD) was moved from the board to the ARSC. The BOD liaison reported that the issue of ARSC receiving information on all BOD decisions has been resolved. Per a document provided to the board by Quarles & Brady LLP law firm has confirmed that there is no information that the board is required to keep separate from the ARSC. There was a concern in the past year about some board activity be held back from ARSC to avoid “piercing the corporate veil”. Quarles and Brady submitted a report to the board that confirmed that the BOD as a group established by region for maintaining 501(C) 3 non-profit status is not obligated to withhold any information about their activities from the region. We have copies of these reports by Quarles & Brady LLP if anyone would like to review them. This issue has caused some conflict between region and the board in the last year. Hopefully, with this recent report and subsequent changes to the relationship, the conflict is being resolved. There is a decision to be made whether the BOD members are designated as member or non-member status of the ARSC. It is evident from suggestions in the report from Quarles & Brady that non-member status would be preferred for our legal needs as a 501(C) 3 non-profit fellowship.

Bi-Laws Workgroup Report (Sherwood T., Dan B., Jeff K., Charlotte C. and John M.) The updates and information provided by Quarrels and Brady LLP satisfies our concern with compliance to our 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts. We recommend a handbook be developed to provide new board members with the information to educate them about their role on the board. The next step of this work group is to perform a final review of the governing document used by the Board of Directors of the Arizona Region.

Workgroup for Rotating ARCNA Convention (Jay B. and Greg W.) Per the guidelines of the ARSC related to ARCNA, the convention has been designed to rotate areas. The issues being investigated by the workgroup are: # of Paid Registrations, # of Newcomer Packages, # of Rooms/Nights booked per Registrant, # of Banquets sold and the # of Saturday Nights Attendees at ARCNA (estimated). The workgroup is looking at options for locations outside the Phoenix area, with considerations of cost, venue and fellowship development. **Not in attendance at this ARSC meeting.** The information above is carried over from the previous report in January.

Festival of Recovery (Bid by the Navapache Area based in Show Low) The Navapache Area put in a bid for the Festival of Recovery a second year in a row. No other area has put in a bid. \$2,000 in seed money was approved for the Navapache Area to begin planning for this event to be held July 4th – 7th 2019. They have secured the larger Show Low Lake Campground for this event. They are conducting a theme and logo contest for the event. 18 logo/theme choices were submitted to be voted upon at the next planning committee meeting. They would like to receive any raffle/auction donations as a source of fund raising at the event. For more information contact Rick B. 928.245.3393 or Penny B. 928.368.7286.

ARCNA (Chair Tony P.) All ARCNA committees are adequately staffed and all plans for the convention are going well. A more succinct report on ARCNA will be available Feb. 10th after the next committee meeting. You can access this by sending an e-mail to arcna_vicechair@arizona-na.org. You can register on-line at www.arcna.arizona-na.org. Statements of Willingness were heard for ARCNA Chair (Laura B.) and Treasurer (Jason V.)

positions. These will be voted on in May. These are available for review by any members who are interested in doing so.

Literature Review (Julz H.) Unable to attend this day but sent a report to update the region. Spiritual Principle a Day project: Taking input on these words Balance, Compassion, Creativity, Goodwill, Grace, Harmony, Humility, Imperfection, Intimacy, Maturity, Resilience, and Vulnerability through the end of March. Mental Health/ Mental Illness IP project approval draft is up for review at NA.org.

Idea Request Forms (IDRs) \$300 requested by the PR sub-committee to have T-shirts made for PR week in early June

Four IDRs from the previous meeting were approved. 1) Strike and remove irrelevant reference from RD duties, 2) Provide sponsors for 1 year for incarcerated members (not feasible) 3) Ask RCMs ...???? 4) To move the Policy Making committee from the duties of the BOD and return this duty to the ARSC.

Regional Budget It was decided that with the exception of the recently submitted RD budget, all annual budgets for the region and its sub-committees would remain the same for 2019 as they were in 2018. This includes the \$1,000 we pay annually for the board to retain legal representation on our behalf. At the suggestion of the regional treasurer and our current budget being slightly below the norm, no budget increases recommended at this time.

Our regional budget is currently at \$17,911.65

I appreciate the opportunity to be of service!

Yours in Loving Service to NA,

Trent C., RCM I

DJ J. RCM II