

Amended Minutes GMANA September 2016

Nominations for Elections

Area Chair- Erika S.

9 years' clean time. Has a sponsor. Working the steps, attends meetings regularly. Willing to serve the position of ASC chair.

Vice Chair-Open

Treasurer- Brittany L.

2 years' Clean time. Has a sponsor, works the steps, attends meetings regularly. Currently serves as ASC vice treasurer. As per treasury guidelines, 2 year termed position rolls into treasury position.

Secretary- Paul V.

States he is willing to serve another term if he can do the secretary position as he wishes. Discussion was had recommending a list of what that looks like and what to expect from this service position, and how it relates to the requirements as suggested by the ASC guidelines.

Literature- Bill T

30 years clean. Has a sponsor, working the steps, attends meetings regularly. Wants to enhance his knowledge of service and literature is a position he has never held.

Public Relations- Will S

13 years of clean time. Has held the position in the past until his term was up and was nominated to re-run. Has a sponsor, attends the meetings regularly and is excited to be back in PR.

Hospitals & Institutions- Brittany L

2 years' clean time. Has a sponsor, works the steps, attends meetings regularly. Has been a panel member/leader and currently holds a commitment Friday night Phoenix house

Policy- Jacklyn M.

6 years' clean time. Has a sponsor, works the steps, attends meetings regularly. Has a working knowledge of policy and in the middle of combining sub-committee guidelines and ASC guidelines for complete clarification.

RCM- Open

RCM Alt- Pierre (2nd year term, rolling position is filled)

Has a sponsor, working steps, attending meetings regularly. Attends regional meetings and is being mentored at the meeting at this time.

Campout- Mary B

7 years' clean time. Has a sponsor, works the steps. Attends meetings regularly. Has served at the area level of area chair and ready to serve for the upcoming year.

There was a discussion held by ASC about Mary B taking the campout chair position. The concern was that she was observed to have had a difficult time in the area chair position. An additional concern was stated that the campout is our only main event that generates money for our area and that if positions for campout aren't filled that the lack of support falls on campout chair. Mary stated she still has the willingness to step up to chair. The conversation was asked to be tabled until elections when GSR's had a chance to discuss candidacy further.

Unfinished Business

PR Motions on the table for voting, sent back to groups as GSR's failed to receive August minutes and did not vote.

A discussion was had at this time to remind/suggest to GSR's to take notes so they can bring the message from area back to their groups. An addict recommended a qualifying worksheet to be filled out by the addict stepping up. The addict was instructed that this has not been policy, but to submit a motion if a change is warranted.

New Business

No new motions at this time.

(PR motions (2) back to groups for voting this month) This is a correction from the September minutes.

Cares/Concerns

Erika nominated herself for area chair. This will be her only service position at the ASC level. She states that she has the willingness to continue to mentor the current vice treasurer for treasury; The current vice-treasurer is committed to a two-year vice treasury position per treasury guidelines. **-Care**

ASC treasurer raised a concern that the current treasury guidelines do not match the ASC treasury guidelines with respect to clean time requirements for the ASC treasurer. Currently, the treasury guidelines state that the treasurer is suggested to have 3 years' clean time and the ASC guidelines state that the suggested clean time requirement of 2 years. It was requested that this be updated by policy. Policy agreed to make the change. **-Concern**

Brittany was nominated H&I chair and currently holds a vice treasurer position for area. There was a concern that H&I chair position holds a budget and that the vice treasurer position has access to the money for ASC. ASC officers and GSR's had a clarifying discussion that ASC policy requires granted access to ASC TD Banknorth account and assured the concerned addict that ASC finances are secured. Policy officer reinforced that per policy guidelines, there is no

current restriction surrounding this combination of multiple officer service commitment. This is a correction from the September minutes. **-Concern**

There was a discussion surrounding GMANA being a rural area, unusual to other urban areas that have more qualified trusted servants. For these reasons, historically ASC has not restricted multiple service positions and left it up to the group conscious. Also, historically, addicts have held multiple service positions without complication. An addict recommended interventions such as encouraging local group members to get involved and/or submitting a motion to change policy to resolve the concern raised.

There was a concern stated about policy not being updated accordingly. The policy chair spoke to the concern and expressed that she is working hard as this is a big project and it is going to take some time. Please continue to mention all concerns that need immediate resolving and she will work through them in the order that they are brought to attention. **-Concern**

The latest GMANA guidelines version is from May of 2016, not February of 2007. This is a correction from the September Minutes.

The campout committee does not meet on 10/30. Campout meetings will resume after the 1st of the year, 2017. This is a correction from the September Minutes.