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Time & Location of Meeting: 10:00 AM; Zoom Date: April 27, 2025

We held our initial meeting last Sunday on Zoom at 10 AM EDT. It was attended by 6 addicts. We discussed our current status, namely:

- We are registered with the State of Vermont as Green Mountain Area of Narcotics Anonymous, Inc., a nonprofit corporation.
- As such we are required to have a Board of Directors (or Trustees) with at least 3 directors (or trustees).
- Our initial biennial report listing 3 “Unknown directors” has been accepted by the Business Services Division of the Secretary of State’s office and we are in good standing.
- Our next biennial report will be due in early 2027.

We had a lively discussion covering a wide range of topics and decided that we were in dire need of professional advice to proceed. We decided upon the following:

- I was “voluntold” to chair the subcommittee and I accepted.
- I was asked to look for an attorney with experience working with nonprofits. I contacted John A. Facey III through the Vermont Bar Association. We had a pleasant initial conversation. He has experience serving on many nonprofit boards and will charge us \$200/hour, reduced from his normal rate of \$350/hr.
- Bruce B. agreed to contact the ABCD Region to ask if they have a Board of Directors and to ask if their liability insurance policy would cover our board of directors when it is in place.
- We will meet again on Zoom on June 1st at 10 AM to compile a list of questions for attorney Facey.





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- I will schedule a Zoom meeting with attorney Facey of one hour's duration in early June to go over our questions. Attorney Facey thought that would be sufficient time.
- It is our hope as a subcommittee that having our initial questions answered, we could then write Articles of Agreement and Bylaws, based on samples we have from other Narcotics Anonymous areas, and have attorney Facey review them to ensure all our bases are covered before filing with the State.

In loving service,

John B., Ad Hoc BOD Subcommittee Chair

