

# Ohio Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Regional Service Committee Quarterly Meeting

April 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, 2005

## **ATTENTION RCM's – The following information goes back to your areas & groups:**

- ⌘ The July 2005 RSC will be hosted by SASCNA and held on July 9<sup>th</sup> (Sat.) & 10<sup>th</sup> (Sun.) at the Urban Light Ministries, 424 South Fountain Avenue, Springfield, OH 45506, toll free phone # 877-ULM-1700. For more information, contact: Nate M. (SASCNA RCM) @ 937-322-5311 or 937-206-0302 or Janine M. (SASCNA RCM-Alternate) @ 937-322-5311 or 937-408-8532. The business meetings will start at 10:00am both days and recovery meetings will start at 9:00am both days.

The following motions are going back to the Areas from the April RSC meeting:

Motion 2005:14      Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: Al S. – H&I Coordinator

Seconded By: Willie S. – NWOASCNA RCM

Motion: To make H&I a standing subcommittee of the Ohio Region.

Intent: In an effort to change Regional structure, we deleted subcommittee from our Region and depended on the HRP to fill the void left. Areas haven't figured out how to use this service. The H&I Coordinator position was established only to facilitate our state institutional efforts. Through discussions with individuals from several Areas, we have found the needs of our NA H&I community are many. Having a centralized Regional subcommittee to unify and help in Area H&I efforts seems most appropriate. So if a Regional H&I subcommittee works (as it has before), we would highly advise that attendance at Regional H&I subcommittee meetings be part of the position requirements for Area H&I Chairs.

Pro: See intent.

More Regional/Area support.

Con: Wasn't working before – we are regressing back to what we changed.  
Expense.

Back to Areas

Motion 2005:16      Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: Mark R. – Policy Coordinator

Seconded By: John A. – MOASCNA RCM

Motion: To add to ORSCNA Policy Section 4.6.5 to read as follows:

“4.6.5 (E) Significant changes to the content or functionality of the NA Ohio website require RSC approval.”

Intent: To define explicitly that the only changes that can be made to the website without RSC approval are ones that aren't major changes.

Pro: Prevent unforeseen consequences.

Could make site user-unfriendly.

Con: “Major changes” not defined – how implemented?  
Ties Webmaster's hands.

Back to Areas

**Motion 2005:23      Date: 04-10-05**

**Maker of Motion: John W. – KORASCNA RCM**

**Seconded By: Terri B. – MVASCNA RCM**

**Motion:** That non-NA-sanctioned music on web page be removed from the web page. While it may be a wonderful song and be loved by many, that love may not be universal. It may also be violation of NA traditions.

**Intent:** To make our website more acceptable to more addicts and to be more in line with NA traditions.

**Pro:** Get fellowship input and approval.

**Con:** Unnecessary changes.

**Back to Areas**

**Motion 2005:27      Date: 04-10-05**

**Maker of Motion: Ozzie O. – ORSCNA 12-Step Spiritual Retreat Chair**

**Seconded By: Susie L-A. – Phoneline Coordinator**

**Motion:** For the Ohio Regional Committee to purchase 2 billboard posters from Barnes Outdoor Advertising for random postings in their 14-county area. The cost is \$70.00 per poster.

**Intent:** To test these signs for possible multiple purchase and feasibility to contract other outdoor billboard companies to post these signs in other Areas in Ohio.

**Pro:** Help carry the message.

**Con:** Limited.

**Back to Areas**

<p>Note: A handout with 3 examples of signs for consideration was given to RCM's still present at the meeting. A copy of the examples and Ozzie's report regarding the billboards is included at the end of the mailed meeting minutes.</p>
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**Motion 2005:28      Date: 04-10-05**

**Maker of Motion: Steve H. – ORSCNA Vice-Chair**

**Seconded By: Dale W. – COASCNA RCM**

**Motion:** To submit the following motion to be part of the Conference Agenda Report:

**Clarity Statement**

The Twelve Steps of Narcotics Anonymous, as adapted from A.A., are the basis of our recovery program. We have only broadened their perspective. We follow the same path with a single exception; our identification as addicts is all-inclusive with respect to any mood-changing, mind-altering substance. Alcoholism is too limited a term for us; our problem is not a specific substance, it is a disease called addition. We believe that as a fellowship, we have been guided by a Greater Consciousness, and are grateful for the direction that has enabled us to build upon a proven program of recovery.

At NA meetings we introduce ourselves as addicts. When our members identify themselves as "addicts and alcoholics" or talk about living "clean and sober," the clarity of the NA message is blurred. To speak in this manner suggests there are two diseases, that somehow one drug is separate from the rest, requiring special recognition. Our identification as Addicts is all-inclusive, allowing us to concentrate on our similarities not our differences.

**Intent:** To obtain fellowship approval for a reading that is currently read at many groups and recovery meetings throughout the NA community and helps clarify our identity as addicts.

**Maker:** Ohio Region

**Financial Impact:** The direct financial impact will most likely be increased revenue through NA literature sales. However, raising funds is not the true intent of this motion

**Intent:** To obtain fellowship approval for reading that is currently read at many groups and recovery meetings.

**Pro:** Help clarify our identity as addicts.

**Con:** We believe a similar motion previously failed under CAR vote.  
Offend the newcomer.

**Back to Areas**

⌘ Results of Motion 2005:13 that was voted on at the April RSC meeting:

Motion 2005:13      Date: 1-9-05

Maker of Motion: John A. – MOASCNA RCM

Seconded By: Dave L. – RD-Alternate

Motion: That open mid-term positions may be filled at the Regional meeting. The elected person shall serve in that position until the next regularly scheduled election. A two-thirds majority of RCM's shall be required to fill a mid-term vacant position. This motion modifies Section 3.8 of policy.

Intent: To allow the Region to fill vacant position in a timely manner and therefore function more efficiently.

Pro: To fill vacant position in a timely manner and immediate fulfillment of responsibilities.

Con: Takes vote away from group and individual

Vote at April RSC: 10-0-1

Motion carried

⌘ Elections for all open positions will be voted on at the July 2005 RSC. For any nominations presented at the July RSC, the nominee must be present or send a letter stating their qualifications and willingness. RCM's are asked to announce this in your Areas. The following nominations were submitted at the April 2005 RSC:

Chair:	Steve H. (Dayton) – Previously served as Vice-Chair
Vice-Chair:	No nomination
Regional Delegate:	N/A – Michael K. will serve one more year
Regional Delegate Alternate:	N/A – David L. will serve two more years
Treasurer:	Terri B. (Troy) – Previously served as Vice-Treasurer and MVASCNA RCM
Vice-Treasurer:	No nomination
Secretary:	Carolyn A. (Dayton) – Previously served as Secretary
Vice-Secretary:	Brent R. (Crooksville) – Elected Vice-Secretary in April 2005 and serves as MEASCNA RCM Alternate
Webmaster:	John L. (Columbus) – Previously served as Webmaster
HRP 1:	No nomination – not sure if Phil T. will run for another term
HRP 2:	No nomination
H&I Coordinator:	Al S. (Middletown) – Previously served as H&I Coordinator
Shared Services:	Ken R. (Swanton) – Toledo Area (BLASCNA) Clean Date: 5/9/02 Has served in several Area and Group positions and is currently GSR for his home group. He has served as Regional Vice-Chair, Chair, and Shared Services (1988-1990)
Phoneline Coordinator:	Sandy K. (Hamilton) – Previously served as Treasurer and has served as HAMASCNA RCM
Policy Coordinator:	Mark R. (Columbus) – Previously served as Policy Coordinator
OCNA Board of Directors:	No nomination for the one-year open position
12-Step Spiritual Retreat:	N/A – Elected Ozzie O. in January 2005
Convention:	N/A – Elected John A. in April 2005

⌘ Results of Elections for the open positions that were voted on at the April 2005 RSC:

HRP 2:	No nominations. Take back to Areas
Vice-Secretary:	Brent R. from MEASCNA was elected
OCNA XXIV Chairperson:	John A. from MOASCNA was elected

⌘ **Results of Elections for OCNA Board of Directors that were voted on at the April RSC:**

**OCNA BOD (3-year term): Jim L. from COASCNA was elected**

**OCNA BOD (2-year term): Robert F. from HAMASCNA was elected**

Note: ORSCNA still needs to fill a 1-year position for the OCNA Board of Directors. RCM's are asked to take this back to their Areas.

⌘ **Information and Reminders**

- **RCMs:** Please remember to bring updated Lines of Communication information for your area's trusted servant positions and give it to the Secretary. This information gets distributed in the minutes and helps improve our communication process.  
**RCM's:** Reminder of the new address for ORSCNA (Donations can now be mailed to this address).  
**Ohio Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous (ORSCNA)**  
**P.O. Box 546**  
**Columbus, OH 43216**
- **RCMs:** Please stress the use of the Regional Service Pool Resumé form in your Areas.
- **RCMs:** Remind your Activities Chairs to make sure all Area activities are registered with the ORSCNA Vice-Chair or Webmaster. Activities not registered with the Region **will not** be covered by the ORSCNA insurance policy.
- **Phoneline #: 1-800-587-4232**

# April 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes

## Attendance

<b>NAME</b>	<b>SERVICE POSITION</b>
Steve H.	ORSCNA Vice Chairperson
Sandy K.	ORSCNA Treasurer
Cheryl R.	HAMASCNA RCM
Carolyn A.	ORSCNA Secretary
Jim L.	OCNA BOD (to be voted on today)
Sandy F.	Concerned Member
Ozzie O.	2005 12 Step Retreat Chair
Janine M.	SASCNA RCM-Alt
Brent R.	MEASCNA RCM-Alt
Charles B.	MEASCNA RCM
Mark W.	DASCNA RCM
Cecil H.	DASCNA RCM-Alt
John L.	ORSCNA WebMaster (late)
Bill M.	MOASCNA RCM-Alt
John A.	MOASCNA RCM/Shared Services
Susie L-A.	Phoneline Coordinator
Mark R.	ORSCNA Policy Coordinator
Al S.	ORSCNA H&I Coordinator
Greg C.	Concerned Member
Willie L.	BLASCNA RCM
Terri B.	MVASCNA RCM & ORSCNA Vice-Treasurer
Dave L.	ORSCNA RD-Alt
John W.	KORASCNA RCM-Alt
Dale W.	COASCNA RCM
Larry S.	Concerned Member
Willie S.	NWOASCNA RCM
Susie S.	IWANA RCM

The April meeting was held at the Holiday Inn Express in Troy, OH. The meeting was opened at 10:05am with the Serenity Prayer led by Steve H., Regional Vice-Chair.

Readings were as follows:

- 12 Traditions: Ozzie O.
- 12 Concepts: Bill M.
- Service Prayer: Read by everyone
- Just For Today: Susie L-A.

Roll Call:

<b>Administrative Committee</b>		<b>Subcommittee Chairs</b>		<b>RCM's (or RCM-Alt's)</b>	
Chair:	Absent	Webmaster:	Late	BLASCNA:	Present
Vice-Chair:	Present	12-Step Retreat:	Present	COASCNA:	Present
RD:	Absent	HRP 1:	Absent	DASCNA:	Present
RDA:	Present	HRP 2:	Vacant	GCASCNA:	Absent
Treasurer:	Present	Phoneline		HAMASCNA:	Present
Vice-Treasurer:	Present	Coordinator:	Present	MEASCNA:	Present
Secretary:	Present	Shared Services:	Present	MOASCNA:	Present
Vice-Secretary:	Vacant	Convention:	Vacant	MVASCNA:	Present
		H & I Coordinator:	Late	NWOASCNA:	Present
		Policy Coordinator:	Present	SASCNA:	Late
				KORASCNA:	Late
				IWANA:	Present

## Administrative Committee Reports

### Chairperson

Robert F., Chairperson – Absent/No report

### Vice-Chairperson

Hi family,

It is good to join you all again for a weekend of service and fellowship. Our prayers go out to Robert F. who will not be with us this weekend for medical reasons. We wish Robert a speedy recovery and hope to see him soon at a meeting. I hope I have not overloaded our agenda and we will be able to address the items listed in a timely manner. Some of the items listed can probably be tabled for later discussion.

I would like to thank the Miami Valley Area (MVASCNA) for their accommodations and hospitality for the weekend. I pray that we are all strengthened in our recovery.

In loving service – just for today,

Steve H., Vice-Chairperson

### Regional Delegate

Michael K., Regional Delegate – Absent/No report

### Regional Delegate-Alternate

Hello ORSCNA family!

Due to my lack of advance planning and last-minute, unforeseen circumstances, I was unable to attend the most recent meeting of the Midwest Zonal Forum that was held last weekend (Sat., April 3<sup>rd</sup>) in Minneapolis, MN. The hosting Minnesota Region also conducted a Diversity Workshop that I've been told was very well done.

On the subject of self-support, the MZF Treasurer has provided the following information on expenses:

1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2003	\$ 338.45
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter, 2003	\$ 334.85, plus \$ 1,000.00 donation to NAWS
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter, 2003	\$ 295.43, plus \$ 2,135.80 donation to NAWS
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter, 2003	\$ 81.65
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2004	\$ 170.85
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter, 2004	no expense since meeting was held at WSC
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter, 2004	\$ 316.77, plus \$ 1,406.04 donation to NAWS
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter, 2004	\$ 158.43, plus \$ 19.88 donation to NAWS

Based on this information, the average quarterly expense for MZF meetings is app. \$ 240.00, of which \$50 - \$75 is paid for rental of the meeting space. The balance is the reimbursement of accommodations for non-funded trusted servants (i.e., Co-Facilitators, Secretary, etc.).

I could still use help with work to develop a list of professional conferences throughout the Midwest for PI presentations or other participation by the MZF and/or NAWS. If you are aware of any such professional service events, please inform me.

The next MZF meeting is to be held in New Castle, IN on Sat., August 6<sup>th</sup>, in conjunction with Public Information Learning Workshops throughout that weekend. They hope to have service professionals in attendance on Fri. August 5<sup>th</sup>.

After that, it's our Region's turn to host the MZF in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2005. Since the Conference Agenda Report (CAR) is on schedule to be made available on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, the MZF has asked that we make plans for a meeting in December. This would allow RD's/RDA's an opportunity to share comments, questions & concerns; take information back to their Regions; and be more prepared for the MZF/CAR Workshop in Michigan which is planned for February 4, 2006.

Other upcoming service calendar events/deadlines include:

April 15-17, 2005	Worldwide Workshop in Burbank, CA
May 27-29, 2005	Worldwide Workshop in Nashville, TN
May thru July, 2005	Review period for Section 1 of the PR Handbook
August 1, 2005	Deadline for submission of Regional motions for the CAR
"	Deadline for self-nominations for WB, HRP, Co-Facilitator
September 1-4, 2005	WCNA-31 in Honolulu, HI (Woo-Hoo!!)
Sept. thru Nov., 2005	Review period for Section 2 of the PR Handbook
October 31, 2005	Deadline for Zonal, Regional & Board nominations
November 23, 2005	Conference Agenda Report becomes available
January 23, 2006	Conference Approval Track becomes available
April 23-29, 2006	World Service Conference in Woodland Hills, CA

Thanks again to my higher power and Narcotics Anonymous for another day clean, and for allowing me the opportunity to serve our Ohio Region.

In loving service,

David L., Regional Delegate Alternate

### Treasurer

Sandy K., ORSCNA Treasurer – No written report

NOTE: The Treasurer's report was not emailed to the Secretary and is not in the typed minutes. The report and the April meeting's worksheet/checklist are included at the end of the mailed minutes.
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### Secretary

Carolyn A., Secretary – No written report. Turned in receipts totaling \$94.68 and requested same for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter budget.

## Regional Committee Member Reports

### BLASCNA

Hi family,

I bring greetings from BLASCNA. I have little to report other than things are going well with the help and guidance of a higher power. I do have updated lines of communications and fliers for our upcoming events that can be found on the ORSCNA Web Page. Once again, I would like to thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Your humble servant,

Willie L., BLASCNA RCM

### COASCNA

Hi family,

The Central Ohio Area is growing. We are spreading out to all parts of our area. Our H&I committee is serving several state correctional facilities, detox-treatment and youth programs. Our PI committee is focusing on the NA image in our area and doing workshops on leadership/infrastructure and image. We are also planning a poster drive in June. Our Outreach committee is reaching out to struggling meetings. We have had a couple of meetings in our area where no trusted servants have showed up causing the meeting to not be held or clients running a meeting in a treatment facility. We've formed an ad hoc committee to assist our Outreach committee to help with these meetings. Our OCNA fundraiser is a skating event that is being held tonight April 9<sup>th</sup>. We held our 2<sup>nd</sup> service learning day workshop on NA infrastructure and leadership. Our next workshop will be in June. We have a donation of \$365.72.

In loving service,

Dale W., COASCNA RCM

### DASCNA

Hi family,

I'm Mark W. and I'm an addict. I'm the RCM for the Dayton Area and grateful to be of service to the Ohio Regional Service Committee. I would also like to introduce my new alternate, Cecil H. The Dayton Area is doing really great with fundraiser and speaker jams. The fundraiser we had to help OCNA went real good and I have a check for \$300.00 from the Activities Committee. I also have a check from the Dayton Area for \$100.00. The Dayton Area sends their love. I thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Mark W., DASCNA RCM

### GCASCNA

Tim M., GCASCNA RCM – Absent/No report

## HAMASCNA

Dear ORSCNA family,

I regret that Curtis will not be with us this weekend. I have a report to read to you from him . . . .

**NOTE: See Curtis' report in the mailed minutes.**

All is well in the HAMASCNA Area. I have brought fliers for two Serenity in the Woods fundraisers that are coming up. We invite all to attend. They are: Spring Fling on May 14<sup>th</sup> and Fun in the Sun, Dance in the Dark Old Timers reunion on July 23<sup>rd</sup> both being held at the Civitan Center in Fairfield. I do not have fliers for Serenity in the Woods jus yet, but I do have the date. It will be August 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> at Houston Woods State Part.

I do not have any Regional nomination forms from our Area. Right now service involvement in our Area is a little slim, but we are trying to improve it.

In loving service,

Cheryl R., HAMASCNA RCM

## MEASCNA

Hi family,

I'm Charlie an addict. MEASCNA is alive and well. We now have the other filing cabinet for the Region's archives in our area office. If anyone has anything that needs filed into the archives, please get up with Brent or me after the meeting.

We had our St. Patty's Day Dance, our OCNA fundraiser, which was poorly attended by addicts and there was no OCNA representation at all. We have a letter of concern to the OCNA Committee.

Our area is down to its prudent reserve so we have no donation to the Region at this time.

In loving service,

Charlie B., MEASCNA RCM

## MOASCNA

Greetings family,

Things are going well in Mo-Land. The Psychedelics 60's function was a success again. Thanks to all who traveled to help this happen.

We have a new meeting in Mansfield on Monday @ 7:00p.m. It has a unique format in that after opening the meeting, it splits into a men's meeting and women's meeting then rejoins to close.

Meeting attendance continues to grow. We are still holding H&I meetings @ RICC & MANCI. We will be having a 12 Step Retreat at RICCI in June. We are requesting help from the H&I Coordinator and possibly HRP with this event.

In loving service,

John A., MOASCNA RCM

### MVASCNA

Hi family,

I'm an addict named Terri RCM for MVASCNA. Our area is having a Service Learning Day today. I have with me our donations and I also have our areas conscience on the motions.

We are hosting a dance tonight and I will get some fliers and directions to the function.

In loving service,

Terri B., MVASCNA RCM

### NWOASCNA

Hello family,

NWOASCNA is going well. At this time there is little to report.

There is a change in our meeting list; the Friday night Die Hards Work Steps is closed. It is listed on our meeting schedule at this time; it will be removed at the next printing.

Due to me being unable to be at the last Regional, we will be making two donations - One is for \$229.41 and the other is for \$309.22.

Look for fliers on our upcoming events. Also our web sight is up and running so check us out at NWOASC.ORG (I think that is the right address?) I know you can get with the Webmaster at that address so good viewing.

We have a new RCM-Alt. - his name is Mike O.

Willie J, S., NWOASCNA RCM

### SASCNA

Janine M., SASCNA RCM-Alternate – No report

### KORASCNA

KORASCNA is continuing to grow. We now have 17 meetings in our area and we are active in H&I activities. Our annual Spring Fling is being planned for the end of May. We are donating \$200.00 to Region. It's never without interest.

John W., KORASCNA RCM

## IWANA

Greetings Ohio Region,

IWANA is still surviving and I am proud to say that the steps, traditions, concepts along with some spiritual principles have shown in some matters addressed at the Area table. We are blessed with addicts who have passion for Narcotics anonymous, some are just sicker than others (myself included). Considering IWANA is a fairly new area, it is using the gifts of the program to work through principles before personalities. IWANA has now started building a literature inventory. We have an H&I Chair who is working hard, and we just hosted a Service Learning Day to help addicts understand the meaning of service and what each commitment entails. Due to the fact that our part of Ohio was hit with a real freaky snowstorm on the same day, the function wasn't what we had hoped for; but it was what it was supposed to be. We would like to thank Kirby M., Ron S., and everyone who helped or participated. Enclosed are the results of the motions and nominees taken back to groups and a copy of the updated lines of communications.

In loving service,

Susie S., IWANA RCM

Motion 2005: 13: Abstain  
Nominations: Brent R.: passed  
Jim L.: passed  
Robert F.: passed

## **Ad-hoc Committee Reports**

### Convention

Dear family,

The Me, Wanna, Mo Convention is progressing nicely and we have all our positions filled but one. We have all our dates reserved with the Holiday Inn and Renaissance Theater. We have begun our negotiations with both facilities. We have established contact with the current Convention and are working as closely as possible with them.

Much work has already been done and is in progress to make this the best OCNA ever.

In loving service,

John A., OCNA XXIV Convention Chair

### WebMaster

John L., Webmaster – No written report

## 12-Step Spiritual Retreat

Hello Family,

Addict named Ozzie, good to be at another RSC meeting. Time flies. First of all we are pleased to announce that Phil T. has accepted the Position of Vice Chair for this year's Retreat and I am sure he will step up next year to be another great 12 Step Spiritual Retreat Chairperson.

I'm pleased to report that the Ohio Regional 12 Step Spiritual Retreat Committee had its first meeting at the M.O.A.S.C.N.A. Psychedelic 60's Dance and a lot was accomplished. We have okayed this year's flier and registration form that will be available to all areas here and also will be emailed to anyone who requests it and hopefully forwarded to all those people that have access to the internet.

We also decided to continue the T-Shirt Design Contest for a free weekend package at the 12 Step Retreat. Last year we received many designs and look forward to many more this year.

We also decided on keeping the price the same as last year. The pre-registration savings helped get more pre-registrants last year and hope that it continues for this year. We have a tentative schedule of 12 Step Retreat Committee meetings in hopes that we can support other area functions and get our work done also. We have a great committee and are well represented from several areas in the Ohio region.

Thad has also agreed to continue the tradition of cooking two huge hogs for Saturday night's main course meal!

We also still have sweatshirts from last year's retreat for sale at \$20.00 each. I will attach committee contact information and a meeting schedule to be added to the minutes.

Thank you for allowing me to serve this great Ohio Region of Narcotics Anonymous as your 12 Step Spiritual Retreat Chair.

In loving service,

Ozzie O., 12 Step Spiritual Retreat Chair for 2005

### **18<sup>th</sup> Annual Ohio Regional 12 Step Spiritual Retreat Lines of Communication**

Chairperson	Ozzie O., 139 ½ North Sixth Street, Zanesville, Ohio 43701 E-Mail... <a href="mailto:spirit_eagle_43701@sbcglobal.net">spirit_eagle_43701@sbcglobal.net</a> Phone, Home 740-452-8273 Cell 740-704-7665
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### Shared Services

John A., Shared Services Representative - No written report

### Human Resource Panel

Phil T., HRP 1 – Absent/No report

### Phoneline Coordinator

Hello Regional family,

I have been keeping regular contact with our answering service (Town Hall II in Kent, OH) even though I haven't been seen 'coordinating' at the last two RSC meetings. This is the first NA position I've held in my years of recovery where I didn't submit required reports. I'm hoping it won't be a pattern!

On a business note: I'm enclosing a copy of our updated contact with Town Hall. The staff is great to talk with. They care about helping people!

We get a lot of calls about meeting information and we average 170 calls every month. Staff calls me if someone finds a meeting closed. A lot of people call our 800 JUS42DA wanting to start a new meeting. I have Town Hall refer them to their ASC or call them back.

Since this is close to the end of my term, there are a couple important areas I want to touch on. First, the Treasurer's address needs to be given to Town Hall. Our monthly charge is \$170.00 (\$150.00 flat rate and \$20.00 postage, paper and copies). Second and most important, keep ongoing contact with our answering service to prevent history from repeating itself. In early 90's, ORSCNA shared phone services with Buckeye and we had a member who regularly contacted the phone service and oversaw our financial responsibility. That person moved, quit the contacts, and shared finances dwindled. Discussions went on for months on end of what to do with Phoneline - no point of accountability existed. We had a great relationship with the Hamilton Answering Service for ten years until we lost the point of accountability in the 90's or so. Let's Keep What Works!

Grateful to serve,

Susie A., Phoneline Coordinator

**NOTE: See copies of the Town Hall II reports in the mailed minutes.**

## Policy Coordinator

Mark R., ORSCNA Policy Coordinator – No written report. He passed out updated pages to be incorporated into the last copy of the Policy.

## H & I Coordinator

Al S., H&I Coordinator – No written report

## Old Business

### 1. Motion 2005:13 – To Fill Positions with 2/3 Majority Vote

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Intent: To allow the Region to fill vacant position in a timely manner and therefore function more efficiently.

Pro: To fill vacant position in a timely manner and immediate fulfillment of responsibilities.

Con: Takes vote away from group and individual

Vote at April RSC: 10-0-1

Motion carried

### 2. Elections

Position	Nominee(s)	Vote
HRP2	No nominations	Take back to Areas
Vice-Secretary	Brent R. from MEASCNA	Elected
OCNA XXIV Convention Chair	John A. from MOASCNA	Elected
OCNA Board of Directors	3-year term – Jim L. from COASCNA	Elected
OCNA Board of Directors	2-year term – Robert F. from HAMASCNA	Elected
OCNA Board of Directors	1-year term – No nominations	Take back to Areas

### 3. Public Information Display Booth

Cheryl R., HAMASCNA RCM, returned the PI display booth and tapes to the Region. Charlie B. and Brent R. will take these items to Phil T, HRP1, to put with the archives.

### 4. Security of ORSCNA Archives – See Motion 2005:25

There was some discussion regarding security of the MEASCNA Area Office and the ORSCNA archives. (See Motion 2005:25 that was tabled to the July 2005 RSC.) Charlie B. reported that after a break-in at the office, all the keys were returned except for one. The ORSCNA HRP1, Phil T., does not have a key to the office, but 2 MEASCNA Area Officers have keys. ORSCNA sent word via Charlie and Brent to see if Phil can work out getting access to the archives.

5. Update of Both OCNA & ORSCNA Incorporation w/Ohio – See Motion 2005:26

Al S. reported that everything he sent was returned because there was no physical address for OCNA and ORSCNA. The P.O. Box address cannot be used on incorporation documents. Several possible addresses were suggested. Since the time requirement has elapsed, there is no incorporation in place. Per John A., OCNA cannot wait until the July RSC to be incorporated again. Per Mark R., the Articles of Incorporation need to be updated by next quarter. (See Motion 2005:26 that gives an ad hoc committee the task of getting ORSCNA and OCNA incorporated.) Also, this committee will be responsible for changing Attorney Barry Wright to Al S. as the statutory agent for OCNA.

Discussed adding the requirement/responsible person to the ORSCNA Policy and OCNA Bylaws to ensure that this does not happen again. It is the responsibility of the ORSCNA Chairperson to make sure that ORSCNA trusted servants are changed each year after the July elections, but there is no requirement/responsible person to renew the incorporation when required. See page 14 of policy under Section 7 for the RSC Chairperson Requirements and Responsibilities.

- The Chairperson shall be responsible for updating the information on the ORSCNA Incorporation documents with the State of Ohio. This shall be done each July.

6. Status of Regional Mail Pickup

Mark R. stated his willingness to continue picking up the ORSCNA mail at the P.O. Box. Sandy F. also stated her willingness to be backup. There are 2 keys to the P.O. Box so he will give one to Sandy. Mark is also checking the COASCNA Area Office for ORSCNA mail and sending "change of address" notification cards.

7. Change of Banking Account Password – See Motion 2005:19

Mark R. reported that he changed the password to the online banking account. The bank account password needs to be changed after the audit is done and should be part of the audit policy. (See Motion 2005:19 that adds this to the audit policy.)

8. Duplicate Bank Statements to Vice-Chair – See Motion 2003:11

This motion was passed at the July 2003 RSC; however, per Sandy K., this still has not been set up with the bank. Since the ORSCNA Vice-Chair and Treasurer will change in July 2005, this can be set up next quarter.

<b>Motion 2003:11</b> <b>Date: 4-13-2003</b>
<b>Maker of Motion:</b> RD Alt. – Michael K.
<b>Seconded by:</b> COASCNA RCM – Jim L.
<b>Motion:</b> To have a duplicate ORSCNA checking account statements mailed from the bank to the Vice-Chair.
<b>Intent:</b> To provide a system of checks and balances per Concept 5.

9. NA Billboard Posters – See Motions 2005:04 and 2005:27

As directed by Motion 2005:04, Ozzie reported on the cost of the billboard posters and submitted 3 poster designs for the RCM's to take back to their Areas to choose one of them. See Ozzie's report and poster designs in the mailed meeting minutes. Motion 2005:27 requesting purchase of 2 billboard posters went back to the Areas and will be voted on at the July 2005 RSC.

Motion 2005:04	Date: 01-09-05
Maker of Motion: Ozzie O. – 12 Step Retreat Chair	
Seconded By: David L. – ORSCNA RD-Alternate	
Motion: For the Ohio Region to look into the purchase of Narcotics Anonymous billboard posters for free application in 14 counties. The areas that would be covered are Athens, Nelsonville, Logan, Lancaster, Newark, Mt. Vernon, Zanesville, Cambridge, Caldwell, Dover, New Philadelphia, Carrolton, Sugar Creek, Coshochon, and New Lexington.	
Intent: To inform the public that we are out here with the Ohio 800 helpline and Ohio Website public information.	
Vote: 9-0-0	
Motion carried	

10. Purchase of Filing Cabinets for Archives – See Motion 2004:25

The file cabinet has been delivered. John A. will turn in a receipt for reimbursement. The motion had already been passed for a maximum cost of \$30.00.

11. Hotel Reservations at Regional Meetings

Reminded everyone again of ORSCNA policy 4.1.8 regarding Friday night room reservations for ORSCNA trusted servants at Regional meetings. The policy states that these persons must contact the RSC Chairperson. If the room is shared by an ORSCNA Trusted Servant and an RCM, the Region will pay for half of the room.

12. NA Member Repayment Status

Repayment has fallen behind and the member has not contacted the ORSCNA Treasurer regarding her intentions. This is the first time that she is out of compliance, but contact needs to be made. Willie L. said that he would ask her to contact this body. John A. asked if Mark R. would be willing to represent the Region in this matter. Dale W. will also try to contact her and ask her to call Sandy K. to discuss the issue. RCM's said in October that they want ORSCNA to handle this matter and not to bring it back to the Areas for discussion.

Meeting adjourned with the Serenity Prayer.

# April 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes

## Attendance

<b>NAME</b>	<b>SERVICE POSITION</b>
Steve H.	ORSCNA Vice-Chair
Sandy K.	ORSCNA Treasurer
Cheryl R.	HAMASCNA RCM
Carolyn A.	ORSCNA Secretary
Mark W.	DASCNA RCM
John A.	MOASCNA RCM & OCNA XXIV Chair
Bill M.	MOASCNA RCM-Alt
Terri B.	ORSCNA Vice-Treasurer & MVASCNA RCM
Susie S.	IWANA RCM
Brent R.	MEASCNA RCM-Alt and Vice-Secretary
Charles B.	MEASCNA RCM
Dale W.	COASCNA RCM
Willie S.	NWOASCNA RCM
Willie L.	BLASCNA RCM
Al S.	H&I Coordinator
David L.	ORSCNA RD-Alt

The meeting was opened at 10:02am with the Serenity Prayer led by Steve H., Regional Vice-Chair.

Readings were as follows:

- 12 Traditions: Bill M.
- 12 Concepts: John A.
- Service Prayer: Read by everyone
- Just For Today: David L.

Roll Call:

<b>Administrative Committee</b>		<b>Subcommittee Chairs</b>		<b>RCM's (or RCM-Alt's)</b>	
Chair:	Absent	Webmaster:	Absent	BLASCNA:	Present
Vice-Chair:	Present	12-Step Retreat:	Absent	COASCNA:	Present
RD:	Absent	HRP 1:	Absent	DASCNA:	Present
RDA:	Present	HRP 2:	Vacant	GCASCNA:	Absent
Treasurer:	Present	Phoneline		HAMASCNA:	Present
Vice-Treasurer:	Present	Coordinator:	Present	MEASCNA:	Present
Secretary:	Present	Shared Services:	Present	MOASCNA:	Present
Vice-Secretary:	Present	Convention:	Present	MVASCNA:	Present
		H & I Coordinator:	Present	NWOASCNA:	Present
		Policy Coordinator:	Absent	SASCNA:	Absent
				KORASCNA:	Absent
				IWANA:	Present

## **Reports from Deliberations**

### **Regional Delegate-Alternate – Notes from RCM Meeting on 01-08-05**

**Attendance:** RD Alternate David L.  
BLASCNA RCM Willie W.  
COASCNA RCM Dale W.  
DASCNA RCM Mark W.  
DASCNA RCM Alt. Cecil H.  
HAMASCNA RCM Cheryl R.  
IWANA RCM Susie S.  
KORA RCM Alt. John W.  
MEASCNA RCM Charles B.  
MEASCNA RCM Alt. Brent R.  
MOASCNA RCM John A.  
MOASCNA RCM Alt. Bill M.  
MVASCNA RCM Terri B.  
NWOASCNA RCM Willie S.  
SASCNA RCM Janine M.  
Other Concerned Members: Carolyn A., John L., Susie L.A., Mark R., Larry S.

#### **WEBMASTER REPORT**

John L. (Webmaster) reported that the website's "Guest Book" feature has been dismantled and removed from the site due to abuse by visitors posting information & links to a wide variety of unrelated topics, including (but not limited to) internet pornography sites; and he stated that the "Meeting Schedule" database has several updates that still need to be incorporated. Due to the volume of work involved and to ensure future continuity of the site, John suggested that an Assistant Webmaster would be a good idea; and he indicated that he knew a couple people that would be well qualified. He also reported that "hits" to the website tend to peak towards the end of each week which would suggest that visitors are checking the "Activities" section, looking for something to do.

#### **MEETINGS IN NEED OF SUPPORT**

Dale L. (COASCNA RCM) reported that an NA meeting in a treatment facility in the Central Ohio Area is not getting the regular "outside" support from NA members that it once had. When nobody from the "outside" is in attendance, the meeting is being conducted by clients of the facility. Others related similar experiences in their Areas and shared on the importance of H&I and/or Outreach Subcommittees to offer support and guidance in such situations. We need to communicate openly with treatment facilities and other similar institutions in order to develop a meeting schedule that is workable for both the facility, as well as available "outside" NA members who are volunteering their services.

#### **OCNA FUND-RAISER**

Charlie B. (MEASCNA RCM) read a letter drafted by the Mid-East Ohio ASC regarding a recent OCNA Fund-Raiser that was held by their Area and the fact that nobody was present to represent the OCNA Subcommittee. In the discussion that arose afterwards, it sounded as though there was a breakdown in communications between MEASCNA & OCNA, and that it may not have been made clear that the Area wanted (or was expecting) OCNA representation at the event. It seemed to be the consensus of those present at this RCM meeting that the ASC should reconsider sending the letter to OCNA, or address the issue through Shared Services.

## **NAWS ANNUAL REPORT**

Dave L. (RD Alternate) commented briefly on the recent NAWS Annual Report and encouraged members to review the report, which includes a brief summary on the 2004 World Service Conference, a wealth of information on fellowship development & services and literature production & distribution, as well as financial reports.

### **“FUND FLOW”**

John A. (MOASCNA RCM) raised the issue of the “Fund Flow” and the possible misuse of NA financial resources by NAWS and the World Board. He suggested that we may want to consider other possible alternative uses of surplus funds (such as donating literature to prisons or new NA communities around the world) when we are performing the final evaluation of our financial position each quarter, instead of making an additional donation to NAWS.

In loving service,

David L., ORSCNA Regional Delegate Alternate

### Phoneline Coordinator – Day 2

Hello family,

Meeting with the Webmaster, John L., yesterday was very helpful. I’m requesting updated meeting schedules from all RCM’s. This will help provide updated area meeting listings for our answering service. Please mail them, call me with changed info, or Fax them to: 419-342-5855.

Thanks for your trust in serving,

Susie A., Phoneline Coordinator

## **New Business**

### 1. Nominations for July 2005 Elections

Elections for all open positions will be voted on at the July 2005 RSC. For any nominations presented at the July RSC, the nominee must be present or send a letter stating their qualifications and willingness. RCM’s are asked to announce this in your Areas. The following nominations were submitted at the April 2005 RSC:

Chair:	Steve H. (Dayton) – Previously served as Vice-Chair
Vice-Chair:	No nomination
Regional Delegate:	N/A – Michael K. will serve one more year
Regional Delegate Alternate:	N/A – David L. will serve two more years
Treasurer:	Terri B. (Troy) – Previously served as Vice-Treasurer and MVASCNA RCM
Vice-Treasurer:	No nomination
Secretary:	Carolyn A. (Dayton) – Previously served as Secretary
Vice-Secretary:	Brent R. (Crooksville) – Elected Vice-Secretary in April 2005 and serves as MEASCNA RCM Alternate
Webmaster:	John L. (Columbus) – Previously served as Webmaster
HRP 1:	No nomination – not sure if Phil T. will run for another term
HRP 2:	No nomination
H&I Coordinator:	Al S. (Middletown) – Previously served as H&I Coordinator

Shared Services: Ken R. (Swanton) – Toledo Area (BLASCNA)  
 Clean Date: 5/9/02  
 Has served in several Area and Group positions and is currently GSR for his home group. He has served as Regional Vice-Chair, Chair, and Shared Services (1988-1990)

Phoneline Coordinator: Sandy K. (Hamilton) – Previously served as Treasurer and has served as HAMASCNA RCM

Policy Coordinator: Mark R. (Columbus) – Previously served as Policy Coordinator

OCNA Board of Directors: No nomination for the one-year open position

12-Step Spiritual Retreat: N/A – Elected Ozzie O. in January 2005

Convention: N/A – Elected John A. in April 2005

## 2. New Motions

Motion 2005:14      Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: Al S. – H&I Coordinator

Seconded By: Willie S. – NWOASCNA RCM

Motion: To make H&I a standing subcommittee of the Ohio Region.

Intent: In an effort to change Regional structure, we deleted subcommittee from our Region and depended on the HRP to fill the void left. Areas haven't figured out how to use this service. The H&I Coordinator position was established only to facilitate our state institutional efforts. Through discussions with individuals from several Areas, we have found the needs of our NA H&I community are many. Having a centralized Regional subcommittee to unify and help in Area H&I efforts seems most appropriate. So if a Regional H&I subcommittee works (as it has before), we would highly advise that attendance at Regional H&I subcommittee meetings be part of the position requirements for Area H&I Chairs.

Pro: See intent.

More Regional/Area support.

Con: Wasn't working before – we are regressing back to what we changed.  
 Expense.

Back to Areas

Motion 2005:15      Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: John A. – OCNA XXIV Chair

Seconded By: David L. – RD-Alternate

Motion: That the Ohio Region loan the OCNA XXIV committee \$1,050.00. To be repaid from money received from OCNA XXIII.

Intent: To provide necessary funds so that the OCNA XXIV committee may begin its work.

Vote: 9-0-0

Motion carried

Motion 2005:16     Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: Mark R. – Policy Coordinator

Seconded By: John A. – MOASCNA RCM

Motion: To add to ORSCNA Policy Section 4.6.5 to read as follows:

“4.6.5 (E) Significant changes to the content or functionality of the NA Ohio website require RSC approval.”

Intent: To define explicitly that the only changes that can be made to the website without RSC approval are ones that aren't major changes.

Pro: Prevent unforeseen consequences.

Could make site user-unfriendly.

Con: “Major changes” not defined – how implemented?

Ties Webmaster's hands.

Back to Areas

Motion 2005:17     Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: Mark R. – Policy Coordinator

Seconded By: Al S. – H&I Coordinator

Motion: 1. To change ORSCNA Policy Section 3.7.2 to replace “two absences” with “one absence”.

2. To change ORSCNA Policy Section 3.7.2.1 to replace “one of the eight defined Service Events” with “one of the four Regional Service Committee meetings.”

Intent: To clarify attendance policy since we no longer count each day as a different service meeting and since we no longer have the P&A Subcommittee meeting.

Motion tabled to July RSC

(This is External policy, but it is a very minor change)

Motion 2005:18     Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: Mark R. – Policy Coordinator

Seconded By: John A. – OCNA XXIV Chair

Motion: To reword ORSCNA Policy Section 2.3 to read as follows:

“2.3 (E) All motions that go back to the areas need to include intent and a pro and a con for the minutes.”

Intent: To follow the original wording of the motion that added this item. This is the current practice that we have been using for several years.

Vote: 9-0-0

Motion carried

(This is External policy, but it is a very minor change)

Motion 2005:19     Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: Mark R. – Policy Coordinator

Seconded By: Willie S. – NWOASCNA RCM

Motion: To add the following sentence to ORSCNA Policy Section 27, Auditing/Counter-Balance, paragraph 3.) . . . “After the audit is complete, the new/incoming Treasurer shall change the online account password and give the new password to the appropriate trusted servants.”

Intent: To make sure the online bank account access is changed as trusted servants change over time.

Vote: 9-0-0

Motion carried

Motion 2005:20     Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: David L. – RD-Alternate  
Seconded By: Willie S. – NWOASCNA RCM  
Motion: To donate \$30.00 to the Midwest Zonal Forum for the second quarter of 2005.  
Intent: 7<sup>th</sup> tradition – To be fully self-supporting.  
Vote: 6-1-2  
Motion carried

Motion 2005:21     Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: David L. – RD-Alternate  
Seconded By: Dale W. – COASCNA RCM  
Motion: To proceed with planning to host the fourth quarterly meeting of the Midwest Zonal Forum on, or around, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2005. Most likely to be held in the Dayton, Springfield, or Miami Valley areas in relatively close proximity to Dayton International Airport.  
Intent: To fulfill our service commitment.  
Vote: 8-1-0  
Motion carried

Motion 2005:22     Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: David L. – RD-Alternate  
Seconded By: John A. – MOASCNA RCM  
Motion: To create the position of Vice-Webmaster or Assistant Webmaster as a trusted servant of the Ohio Region. The position would have a 2-year term.  
Intent: To provide support to the Webmaster in fulfilling his responsibilities; and to provide for continuity in maintenance of the Region's website.  
Note: Section 23 of ORSCNA P&A Guidelines already refers to such a position, specifying a "2-year clean time" requirement, and would only need slight modification.  
Pro: Need someone knowledgeable to take position if needed.  
Con: Overwhelm the Webmaster  
Motion tabled to the July RSC

Motion 2005:23     Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: John W. – KORASCNA RCM  
Seconded By: Terri B. – MVASCNA RCM  
Motion: That non-NA-sanctioned music on web page be removed from the web page. While it may be a wonderful song and be loved by many, that love may not be universal. It may also be violation of NA traditions.  
Intent: To make our website more acceptable to more addicts and to be more in line with NA traditions.  
Pro: Get fellowship input and approval.  
Con: Unnecessary changes.  
Back to Areas

Motion 2005:24      Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: David L. – RD-Alternate

Seconded By: Mark W. – DASCNA RCM

Motion: To request an advance of \$300.00 to cover travel and accommodations in connection with participation in the Worldwide Workshop in Nashville, TN on May 27-29, 2005.

Intent: Participate in service structure.

Vote: 6-2-1

Motion carried

Motion 2005:25      Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: Ozzie O. – 12-Step Spiritual Retreat Chair

Seconded By: Mark W. – DASCNA RCM

Motion: For the Ohio Region to investigate who has access keys to the Ohio Regional archives. Who has keys to the MEASCNA Area Office where the Ohio Regional Archives are being held. Further, to address the security issue of the Ohio Regional archives file cabinets, locks, and room security issues.

Intent: To make sure the Ohio Regional archives are not lost, stolen, or tampered with.

Pro: Make sure archives are secure.

Con: May have to move archives.

Motion tabled to July RSC

Motion 2005:26      Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: Mark R. – Policy Coordinator

Seconded By: John A. – MOASCNA RCM

Motion: To form an ad hoc committee of 4 addicts (Al S., John A., Steve H., and Willie S.) that will be given the authority and responsibility to complete the task of getting both the OCNA and the ORSCNA corporations updated with the State Auditor before the July 2005 Regional meeting. The ORSCNA Treasurer is also given the authority to disperse the funds necessary for the ad hoc committee to complete its task.

Intent: To expedite the process of getting these 2 corporations up-to-date so that both bodies are not open to the risks of not being incorporated.

Vote: 8-0-1

Motion carried

Motion 2005:27      Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: Ozzie O. – ORSCNA 12-Step Spiritual Retreat Chair

Seconded By: Susie L-A. – Phoneline Coordinator

Motion: For the Ohio Regional Committee to purchase 2 billboard posters from Barnes Outdoor Advertising for random postings in their 14-county area. The cost is \$70.00 per poster.

Intent: To test these signs for possible multiple purchase and feasibility to contract other outdoor billboard companies to post these signs in other Areas in Ohio.

Pro: Help carry the message.

Con: Limited.

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A handout with 3 examples of signs for consideration was given to RCM's still present at meeting.

Motion 2005:28     Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: Steve H. – ORSCNA Vice-Chair

Seconded By: Dale W. – COASCNA RCM

Motion: To submit the following motion to be part of the Conference Agenda Report:

### **Clarity Statement**

The Twelve Steps of Narcotics Anonymous, as adapted from A.A., are the basis of our recovery program. We have only broadened their perspective. We follow the same path with a single exception; our identification as addicts is all-inclusive with respect to any mood-changing, mind-altering substance. Alcoholism is too limited a term for us; our problem is not a specific substance, it is a disease called addiction. We believe that as a fellowship, we have been guided by a Greater Consciousness, and are grateful for the direction that has enabled us to build upon a proven program of recovery.

At NA meetings we introduce ourselves as addicts. When our members identify themselves as "addicts and alcoholics" or talk about living "clean and sober," the clarity of the NA message is blurred. To speak in this manner suggests there are two diseases, that somehow one drug is separate from the rest, requiring special recognition. Our identification as Addicts is all-inclusive, allowing us to concentrate on our similarities not our differences.

**Intent:** To obtain fellowship approval for a reading that is currently read at many groups and recovery meetings throughout the NA community and helps clarify our identity as addicts.

**Maker:** Ohio Region

**Financial Impact:** The direct financial impact will most likely be increased revenue through NA literature sales. However, raising funds is not the true intent of this motion.

Intent: To obtain fellowship approval for reading that is currently read at many groups and recovery meetings.

Pro: Help clarify our identity as addicts.

Con: We believe a similar motion previously failed under CAR vote.  
Offend the newcomer.

Back to Areas

Motion 2005:29     Date: 04-10-05

Maker of Motion: Al S. – H&I Coordinator

Seconded By: John A. – MOASCNA RCM

Motion: To request \$30.00 for rent of a meeting facility for three (3) H&I Coordinator meetings in Mansfield, OH.

Intent: To be financially responsible for meeting space.

Vote: 7-1-0

Motion carried

### 3. Other Items for Further Discussion at the July RSC

- a) Phil T., HRP1, will bring a motion to add an HRP check box on the nomination form so that this can be checked; and if checked, the Secretary would send the form to HRP in order to build the HRP Service Pool. The Areas would be asked to add this to the nomination forms as well.
- b) Terri B. asked Susie L-A. about the bill from Townhall II. The bill does not show a breakdown of costs per month. Susie said that the contract cost is \$170.00 per month, but Terri said that the last bill showed \$207.50 still owed. ORSCNA should be paying 3 months in advance but appears to still be paying for previous months. Susie said that she will contact Townhall II and tell them to send the bill to Terri's home address and request a breakdown of the monthly bills.
- c) Repayment of NA funds.

Meeting was adjourned with the Serenity Prayer.