

**Lake Norman Area of NA  
Hospitals & Institutions and Public Relations Subcommittees**

*MINUTES – May 18, 2008*

*Called meeting to order at approximately 4:20 pm.  
Opened with Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts*

**Attendance:**

PR Chairperson – Rick C.  
PR Vice-Chairperson – vacant  
H&I Chairperson – Kyle L.  
H&I Vice-Chairperson – absent  
Recording Secretary – Karen H.  
Web Development – Jamie F., Aaron M.  
Additional members – John L.

*Minutes from April meeting reviewed and approved*

**Officer Reports:**

PR Chairperson – No written report. See Poster Day update below. Gave Sal M. all old meeting schedules. Still have some from Spring, to be distributed.

H&I Chairperson – No written report – Meeting starting at Fifth Street Ministries. Gary is panel leader for first month. Need representatives from homegroups to carry information and complete H&I tasks.

**Question:** Can meeting at Fifth Street be listed on meeting schedule? **Response:** No, an H&I meeting is different from a homegroup meeting. Must use care in who goes in: orientation/experience, etc. There has also been some question as to whether the Fifth Street meeting is “actually H&I work,” since people housed there are able to attend other meetings. Idea to shift to “12<sup>th</sup> Step work,” to assist those at shelter to get to meetings. More discussion followed, including fact that shelter residents cannot always attend other meetings; need to follow through with commitment; H&I meeting may evolve into a homegroup meeting at a later date; etc. Additional discussion in Sharing Session.

Secretary – No report. Meeting schedules to be ordered for distribution at ASC meeting.

Web Development – Going slowly, waiting for feedback. Some concern about similarity to Carolina Region logo, but LNANA’s is still different. Suggestions to make subtle yet evident changes: font, color, etc. Also received input from Regional Webteam regarding using care that links go to intended places. Want to add e-mail or phone contact to web page for feedback – capability already on phonenumber, but voicemail function is currently disabled. See additional information in New Business.

**Nominations:**

**Kyle L. will be nominated by the Subcommittee as the new Outreach Chairperson. See also New Business below.**

**Old Business:**

- Report from Poster Day, May 17 – Small turnout, needed a couple more members with experience to cover more ground. Still successful – about 100+ posters were hung throughout Statesville area.
- Update on H&I meeting at Fifth Street Ministries – Started on May 13, will continue every Tuesday, 7:30pm.
- Concern about support for H&I meeting – Many names on panel list, but members have not been attending H&I meetings. Reminder to contact those already involved in H&I service first for support! There are cleantime requirements: 90 days to

observe, 6 months to serve on the panel. **Action:** To add time for Orientation to agenda of each Outreach Committee meeting.

**Sharing Session:** questions, concerns, ideas –

- Continued discussion about H&I work, and possibilities for expansion to other facilities. One member with information about a possible facility was absent. Other suggestions included to approach the Iredell County “satellite jail,” at Exit 54/I-77.
- Additional discussion about low support: Suggestion to add “Area Announcements” to website, and to be read during homegroup meetings, about service committees and service orientation, and about the H&I meeting at Fifth Street Ministries.

**New Business:**

- Motion to be submitted at Area Service Committee meeting, written by Karen H. (see attached), to form the Outreach Subcommittee in LNANA. Intent: to carry out combined H&I and PI services in the Area. Motion to include proposed structure: one Chairperson, with Coordinators for H&I and PI functions.
- Several Subcommittee members, including Kyle, Karen, Rick and John, plan to attend the Regional Service Day on June 14.
- Possibility of activating the “helpline” function of our phonenumber. Must recruit support, to have a group of experienced members ready and willing to answer messages. Research guidelines – to bring back at June Outreach meeting. Much discussion followed: helpline volunteers must have strong program; orientation required; must have consistency in responding to messages; etc.

**Next Outreach Subcommittee meeting: Sunday, June 22, 4:00 p.m. at Meadowlake**

**Next Area Service Committee meeting:** Sunday, June 8, 4:00 pm at Meadowlake

**Next Regional PR Committee meeting date** – Saturday, June 14, 10:30am in Fort Mill, SC

**Next Regional Service Committee meeting date:** Saturday, July 12, 2008 in Florence, SC

*Closed meeting with Serenity Prayer at 6:00 pm*

Submitted in loving service,

*Karen H.*

*Secretary, LNANA Outreach Subcommittee*