New England Region of Narcotics Anonymous
Regional Service Committee Minutes

August 8th-9th

The next Regional Weekend will be held

October 10th-11th

In person;

Bristol Community College (777 Elsbree St Fall River MA 02720)

Subcommittees (October 10th @ 11am)

Full RSC (October 11th 11am-5pm)

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Attendance ^

Area Reports

Elected Trusted Servants	
Chair	Present
Vice Chair	Present
Secretary	Present
Assistant Secretary	Present
Treasurer	Present
Assistant Treasurer	Present
Finance	Present
BOD	Present
Regional Delegate	Present
Alternate Delegate	Present
Convention	Present
H&I	Present
PR	Present
Policy	Present
IT Services	Vacant
Fellowship Development	Present
Insurance	Present

Areas	
Boston	Present
Cape Cod	Present
Central Mass	Present
Greater Providence	Present
Martha's Vineyard	Present
Metro West	N/A
North East Mass	Absent
South East Mass	Present
South Shore	Present
Western Mass	Absent
Nantucket	Absent

Boston-

Regional Report, August 2026

Boston Area

Boston Area is growing!! 6 New groups were welcomed to the Area. 26 Groups met this past month at Area. Growth can come with some pain and it's been a little rough over the past couple of months with some concerns around the geographic boundaries of the Boston area, whether groups within that area should be considered members, and how to move forward in

Unity. June Area was suspended due to the incredible passion between group members and

inability to conduct business. July Area was much more successful with members demonstrating relative tolerance, patience, and acceptance, although there remains some difficulty.

Many of the previously vacant service positions on the Executive Committee were filled. We are still looking for a Secretary, Assistant Secretary, PR Chair, and Activities Chair. Speaking of

Activities, one of the newly joined groups brought a proposal to the Area for the Boston area to sponsor a previously planned event in JP; While this wasn't taken on by the area it was shown significant group support, and will be jointly supported by many Boston area groups. It will be in September at

We have a new website!! It's at the top of the minutes. It's fabulous and constantly adding more features. We will resume donations to Region in the next 1-2 months after we've onboarded our new Treasurer.

We're excited for what is to come!

Area Treasury Report:

ELECTIONS

Chair

Windia

Vice Chair Wayne

Secretary Open

Assistant Secretary Open

Regional Committee Member (RCM)

Tom M.

Alternate RCM

Christopher R.

Treasurer

Anetta S.

Asst. Treasurer

Calvin

Next Area is Aug. 23 12:30pm

3368 Washington St., Jamaica Plain

Hybrid

Boston Area Announcements:

Bottom Line Step & Tradition Group of NA will be Hosting a Speaker Jam

September 12, 2026 , 12-8 pm

Shattuck Hospital (basement cafeteria)

70 Morton Street

Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

More Will soon be Revealed regarding the details of this event

In Loving Service,

Tom M.

Regional Committee Member

Boston Area

Cape Cod-

Greetings from the Cape Cod Area.

The Cape Cod Area has met once since the last RSC. In July we had 12 GSR's present.

Public Relations met in June with 5 addicts in attendance. They are currently working on forming connections with our community in order to further spread the NA message.

H&I. H&I did not meet in July due to the holiday. H&I did meet in August where elections were held for the new year of positions. Cape Cod Area of H&I is currently in need of support, as they are having trouble finding co-panel leaders to fill all of their commitments. There is also discussion of a potential ad-hoc being planned to review and adjust policy to reflect subcommittee meeting attendance issues currently going on. In September all panel and

co-panel leaders will be required to attend via Zoom or In-Person to requalify to hold their commitments.

Activities: Activities met in June with 4 addicts in attendance. They reported that the Picnic in the Park event and the Sunset Speaker event were both a success. The majority of the meeting included planning for the upcoming August 7-9th event partnered with SEMA for Roughin' It In The Sun. They will report back on this event once it concludes. As always, activities is in need of support.

Treasurer's Report: The current balance is $939.

Cape Cod Area held elections for positions in July which will be voted upon in August!!

The next Cape Cod Area meeting is Wednesday, August 12th at 7PM. This will be held at the Hyannis Transportation Center.

In Loving Service,
Kayla M.
CCANA

Central Mass-

Greetings from the Central Mass Area.

- We meet using a hybrid format on the first Monday of each month at 6:30 pm, on the second floor of the Greendale People's Church - 25 Francis St, in Worcester, MA.
- In July and June, we had an average of 18 of 39 groups in attendance.

Events:

· August 15th, the Bridging the Gap group is hosting a Cornhole tournament/speaker Jam from 12-5 at 219 Everett St, in Southbridge.

· The area is hosting a Labor Day cookout on September 7th from 11-5 at Camp Blanchard in Sutton.

Area Workshop:

Our September ASC workshop will be a follow-up session on strategic planning.

In other news:

· IT has a new website projected to go live this month.

· Policy continues to work on cleaning up and updating the area policy.

· Our Literature Distribution Committee is gradually increasing its on-hand materials and has been a valuable resource for our groups and subcommittees.

· There was discussion about creating a ser-aside to fund two members to NESSSNA IV in April of 2027.

· A convention ad hoc has recommended that we move forward with the creation of a convention subcommittee, and the motion was sent back to the groups.

In Loving Service,

Noel D.

Greater Providence -

2026.08.09 GPANA Report to NERNA

ASC Meeting

The GPANA ASC met twice since the last RSC. In June and July we continued to implement the suggestions that arose out of the revitalizing areas service workshop Fellowship Development provided in April. Our ASC seems to be running more smoothly, and we continue to make progress.

We had 16 out of 55 groups represented in July. We generally meet on the third Sunday of each month from 1:30 until 3:30 for subcommittees, and from 3:30 until 5:30 for the ASC meeting. We meet at 225 Main Street in Pawtucket, RI, and our next meeting will be August 16.

Upcoming Area Events

- 8-9-2026 1-5PM South Side Unity Picnic, Lincoln Woods State Park, 2 Manchester Print Works Rd, Lincoln, RI 02865
- 9-19-2026 Rally for Recovery, District Park, Downtown Providence
- 9-26-2026, Recovery in the Bucket 4th Anniversary!!! 6-9pm. 225 Main Street Providence RI

Treasurer's Report 2026/5/17

Opening Balance	$5906
Income	$1844

	$7780
Prudent Reserve	$1700
Set Asides	$1700
	$3400
Operating Balance	$4380
Expenses	$3230
Ending Balance	$1150

Financial Contribution to the region is $200. We are still formulating our area's budgets, and have recently come into the black. More will be revealed.

Subcommittees

Convention: Open positions – Treasurer, Alternate Treasurer, Hotels & Hospitality, Arts & Graphics. Fundraising and Entertainment are meeting next month, Programming is meeting this month. We had a discussion regarding the theme and logo. Intend to bring a flyer to the next ASC about theme and logo

PI: Coordinating with Region coverage for the Cape Cod Symposium being held August 6-9 in Providence at the Convention Center. Registration has been done for Rally for Recovery which is Sat 9/19 at District Park in downtown Providence.

H&I has 26 monthly commitments in 11 facilities. We have 1 open commitment, and 1 open facility coordinator position. All commitments were fulfilled last month. We are in the process of adding a new commitment at Butler Hospital. We are also updating our H&I policy to reflect current practices. An ad hoc has been formed for this purpose.

Motions

Motion # 2026-06-28-03 Motion sent back to groups. Policy change for literature chair position. Proposes a change in the literature sales time. Proposes changes to the group starter kit.

Motion # 2026-07-19-1 $64 money motion to purchase two literature racks for PR subcommittee. Abstain 4 Against 0 For 15 MOTION PASSES

Motion # 2026-07-19-2 Motion to donate $500 to Region. Abstain 1 Against 17 For 2 MOTION FAILS. Motion amended to donate $200 to Region. Abstain 1 Against 3 For 15. MOTION PASSES.

Elections
Alt RCM - Mike M
BOD Member John F

Open Positions:
Secretary
Alternate Secretary
Alternate Treasurer
Website
Convention Treasurer
1 BOD member

Area Concerns: There was a discussion about closing the large time gap between literature sales and the ASC. This led into a discussion about possibly having the ASC meet on a different day of the week. Some members have stated that they would like to serve, but cannot do so because Sunday is inconvenient. This led into a discussion about having the ASC go hybrid on zoom. We voted for this to happen previously, but have not been doing it in practice.

There was also discussion about maintaining subcommittee policy pages on the GPANA site.

Our next ASC meeting will be on August 16.

ILS
Gene F

Metro West-

Area is no longer active

North East Mass-

No report submitted

South East Mass-

8/8/26

SEMA RCM Report

Good afternoon Region,

Here is a brief report on behalf of SEMA.

SEMA continues to work through the transition to Consensus-Based Decision Making and recently updated our policy to reflect the new process. The Area also approved removing the $300 set-aside for an H&I learning day, as H&I would prefer to provide learning opportunities through other Area events, such as a potential Service Slam. A proposal to establish a yearly Service Slam was sent to workshop and will be brought back to the ASC. The intent is to bring subcommittees together to share presentations, generate interest in service, and increase participation.

H&I continues to have commitments in all facilities currently open to us and is working with South Coast Behavioral Health to establish additional commitments. The subcommittee is also exploring whether to fill information racks in facilities where the racks are owned by the facilities. H&I averaged 11 addicts in attendance at its meetings this reporting period.

Public Relations has been active in the community, with a flyer-hanging day in New Bedford attended by 7 members. PR will be tabling at upcoming Overdose Awareness events in New Bedford, Taunton, and Fall River later this month. Another flyer-hanging day is being planned for Fall River in October.

Fellowship Services continues reaching out to groups that have not been attending Area and has been providing assistance with business meeting facilitation, literature, and contributions to groups that are unable to attend Area.

Our Convention Committee continues to make progress toward MACNA III, including work

on securing a convention location. The committee is also encouraging participation in the upcoming Fellowship in the Field fundraiser on August 22nd at Colt State Park.

SEMA currently has 36 groups, with 16 represented at the July ASC. We continue to encourage participation and involvement throughout the Area.

In loving service,

Jimmy & Julie

RCM Team, SEMA

South Shore-

South Shore Report

Hello all,

- The South Shore ASC met on 07/05 and 08/02 since last region's meeting

- There continue to be 11 to 15 groups present at each ASC

- The Fellowship Development with the help of the alt RCM put together an environmental scan that went out to the groups and individuals to gauge what the asc can do for more participation and attendance. This survey will be open until the end of this month then reviewed to see what can be done to better serve the groups and members of the South Shore Area

- The Summer Serenity Speak Jam will be held on August 15th from 12pm-6pm at 60 Plymouth St Holbrook MA 02343 as a fundraiser for the South Shore Area Convention which is December 5th and 6th at the 1620 Hotel in Plymouth MA

- A motion/proposal was passed that allows an executive committee member / trusted servant to fulfill the duties of a vacant position when willing, due to this being passed we will be able to continue having the treasurer position's duties performed until a new member is elected to take on full position

- The RCM and Alt RCM will be doing a presentation of the results of the WSC proposals and motions in October after the Regional Assembly

- The September ASC was moved to August 30th in order to not conflict with the Regional Assembly

- Regional contribution was mailed

Motions;

- To allow another executive committee member / trusted servant to fulfill the duties of a vacant position in order to continue business in the service committee (PASSED)

New Positions elected and open positions;

Vice Chair - open

Asst Secretary – filled

Treasurer – open

Policy – open

Activities - open

Literature – open

Thank you,

Tony F; RCM

Lauren R; Alt RCM

Western Mass-

No report submitted

Subcommittee Reports

Chair-

Greetings RSC,

Excited to start my second term as the RSC Chair. As I alluded to during elections, my availability this year is uncertain as I am expecting a baby in January. This means that I most likely won't be able to participate in December and most likely February as well. However Marissa is willing to step up as vice-chair which I'm very grateful for. The next couple of months will also be a time to bring the Vice-Chair in on more facilitation of the meeting.

The other item to bring is that last month I received a 10th concept Petition for Redress or Personal Grievance that will be read during open forum and submitted for the minutes.

ILS,

Lindsay R

Vice Chair-

No report

Secretary-

Tony filling in for Lauren in her absence as my last region as the secretary. Thank you again for allowing me to serve.

Treasurer-

The finance committee met virtually on Saturday, August 8, 2025. Attending: Kevin H. – Finance Committee

Member @ Large • Marissa J. – Vice Chair • James P –Treasurer • Jay P. – Finance Chair • Christopher R. –

Interested member. We had an additional meeting with Jay, Marissa, and James this morning to complete our

numbers.

Set-asides & Prudent Reserve 8/9/26:

BOD - SA

$ -

Convention SA

$ -

FD SA

$57.00

Insurance SA

$750.00

NESSNA SA

$ -

PR SA

$1,690.77

Prudent Reserve

$3,992.74

Prudent Reserve Buffer

$1,906.65

RD / AD SA

$2,573.41

Travel SA

$500.00

Website SA

$600.00

Paypal RECEIVED FROM/PAID TO AMOUNT

1 Anonymous (M. O’S.) $48.51

2 Anonymous (D. K.) $41.65

3 Anonymous (D. E.) $37.73

4 Zoom Expense Paid -$14.44

5 Anonymous (K. N.) $28.91

6

Return of Surplus Hosting Funds (Noel

D.) $76.97

7 Anonymous (D. K.) $38.71

8 Anonymous (J. D.) $2.45

9 Anonymous (M. O'S.) $73.02

Total

$333.51

Checks/MO RECEIVED FROM

AMOUNT

1 South Shore Area $61.51

2 Design for Living Group $47.00

3 GPA $200.00

3 MV Area $600.00

Total

$908.51

Starting balance after contributions, customary expenses, set-aside transfers, and checks cut from set-

asides: $1,717.49

Only one money proposal was deducted from the General Fund $200.00

Prudent reserve is full: $3,992.74

Ending balance $ 0.00 no contribution being sent to NAWS (due to the NESSSNA setaside)

Final Set-aside for NESSSNA $3,424.14

(Transfer into NESSSNA Set Aside based in Available Funds of $1,717.49 - $200 money proposal +$1,906.65 Prudent

Reserve Buffer)

In Loving Service, James P.

NERSC Treasurer 617-314-4048 Treasurer@newenglandna.org

Finance -

Finance Committee Report

Saturday Present: James P, Christopher, Marissa, Jay P, Justin, Kevin

The finance committee met on Regional Saturday at 12pm on Zoom. There were six addicts in attendance. First, we discussed the Treasurer's responsibilities document and how it should be reviewed and updated to our current policy. We are currently working on making that a reality. Once that document is updated, we will compare that to our current policy and make sure all documents are in line. We then had a discussion on taxes. We are to file Mass tax from last year and this year federal next week on August 13th at 8pm on zoom. We will set a meeting for this year's Mass Tax at that meeting. We updated our financial calendar to include our spending plans for 2026. We also reviewed all the spending plan formats and created a draft template that I will share with you today and ask for feedback if any. After updating our finance calendar with our spending plans. Prudent reserve was set for $3992.74. This is our highest cost month of the year, assuming we received no contributions. We entered our checks and payments. Reconciliations were made through July and set aside transfers were made.

Starting Working balance $1717.49

ILS,

Jay P

BOD-

Board of Directors Report
NERC XXI

August 9, 2026

The BOD has not met since the last RSC. We have no contracts for review at this time, but I believe there will be recommendations forthcoming.

We are current with our hotel deposits at this time. The total of all required pre-convention deposits is $18,835.12. $7,500 has been paid thusfar. Our next payment of $5,000 is due December 1st.

- $2,500 paid at contract signing
- $5,000 paid June 1, 2026
- $5,000 payable December 2026
- Balance of the $8,835.12 due within 14 days of arrival date.

Teresa currently has the storage key. She will return it to me once she has retrieved the merchandise per NERSC policy.

The next BOD meeting will likely be prior to the next RSC. Date and time TBD.

I am unable to attend the RSC due to a family commitment. It is unclear if I will be able to attend the August 9th NERC XXI meeting for the same reason.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.
Brenda V.
NERCC BOD President

Regional delegate-

Regional Delegate Report August 9, 2026

The 2026-2029 conference cycle has begun! We started off with our first Conference Participants Webinar on July 25thwith summary below.

Please fill out the survey for the approval of the changes to IP #1 to make it gender neutral. http://www.na.org/surveys

Unity day will be on Saturday, September 5th with the Serenity Prayer said at 12:30 pacific time. More info at na.org.

Conference Participants Web Meeting

The first Conference Participant webinar of the conference cycle focused on orientation, planning for the upcoming cycle, and launching fellowship discussions that will shape future work leading to the 2029 World Service Conference.

World Board Chair Jack welcomed new and returning conference participants, introduced the Executive Committee, and outlined the schedule for Conference Participant webinars, the 2027 Interim World Service Conference, the 2029 World Service Conference, and upcoming World Unity Day activities.

The Executive Director provided an organizational update covering financial status, staffing, convention planning, international challenges, and efforts to expand audio versions of fellowship-approved literature.

The World Board emphasized increased opportunities for member involvement through virtual focus groups and encouraged conference participants to volunteer for projects aligned with their experience. Participants were reminded that review drafts remain the fellowship's most important opportunity to influence literature before material reaches the Conference Agenda Report.

A significant portion of the meeting introduced the review draft of **Informational Pamphlet #1 (IP #1)**. The Board explained proposed revisions, including more inclusive language, and reiterated that the fellowship review process is intended to gather input before any final decisions are made by NA groups.

The primary focus of the webinar was collaborative planning around the first Issue Discussion Topic: **Welcoming New Members**. Through breakout sessions, participants identified key challenges and opportunities rather than debating solutions. Discussion themes included:

- Building meaningful relationships beyond simply greeting newcomers.
- Improving newcomer retention and reducing the "revolving door" effect.
- Engaging newcomers through meaningful service opportunities.
- Strengthening outreach through Hospitals & Institutions and Public Relations efforts.
- Communicating NA language and identity with compassion.
- Addressing questions surrounding members receiving prescribed medications.
- Promoting healthy sponsorship and protecting vulnerable newcomers.
- Adapting to generational differences while maintaining NA principles.
- Improving public awareness and access to meetings.

The breakout discussions generated a series of guiding questions that will be used to develop fellowship workshops throughout the conference cycle.

During the closing discussion, participants requested greater transparency, earlier access to discussion materials, and expanded opportunities for regional input before significant fellowship decisions. Questions were also raised regarding the potential impact of the proposed IP #1 revisions. The World Board reaffirmed that fellowship feedback will shape future recommendations and emphasized that final approval authority rests with NA groups through the Conference Agenda Report.

The meeting concluded with action items for participants to continue reviewing the IP #1 draft, submit additional feedback, assist in developing Issue Discussion Topic workshop materials, and prepare for the next Conference Participant webinar on **September 19**.

Overall: The webinar established the direction for the new conference cycle by combining organizational updates with collaborative planning and fellowship engagement. Its central emphasis was ensuring that future work reflects broad fellowship participation while focusing on how NA can better welcome, connect with, and retain newcomers.

With gratitude,

Jim D-

Regional Delegate

Alternate Delegate-

Hello everyone.

The Northeast Zonal Forum met on Sunday, July 26th, with 15 of our 16 regions represented. We were excited to welcome the Mountaineer Region as our newest participating region.

One of the first items of business was selecting facilitators for our October Strategic Planning Session in Portland, Maine. The body approved Danny G. from Northern New Jersey and Bill H. from New England Region to facilitate the planning session.

In committee updates:

Fellowship Development continues to build momentum. The committee reminded everyone that they are available to support groups, areas, and regions with service requests and is encouraging more members to become involved. Work also continues the Service Helpline project, with the task team currently refining the call flow and determining how requests will be handled behind the scenes.

The US Collaboration Fellowship Development Task Team Liaison reported that the Rural and Marginalized Communities project has officially evolved into a broader Fellowship Development initiative. The task team is currently developing Fellowship Development guidelines, prioritizing projects such as mentorship, centralized resources, and supporting existing FD efforts. A discussion was also brought to the Zone regarding the expectations and role of the NEZF liaison moving forward. It was decided that we would mark the project plan as complete.

NESSSNA IV announced several exciting milestones. The committee has officially secured the Lux Hotel and Conference Center in Waterloo, New York for April 2027, selected the theme "Powered by Service," approved draft guidelines, and currently has over $7,500 in the bank. Programming surveys are being collected, and they continue looking to fill a couple trusted servant positions, including Merchandise, and Alternate Treasurer.

The Secretary reported that all meeting materials, contact lists, minutes, agendas, and pre-meeting packets were distributed as scheduled. The Secretary also asked the fellowship for feedback on whether

the monthly Zone events email continues to be valuable and whether it should include events outside the Zone when there are fewer Zone submissions.

The Chair reported on several administrative transitions. Following the resignation of the Vice Chair and a newly vacant Treasurer position, he has temporarily assumed Treasurer responsibilities while working with the Finance Committee to restore QuickBooks access and process outstanding reimbursements.

Lastly, during elections, I was elected to serve as the Northeast Zonal Forum Vice Chairperson. I am incredibly grateful for the confidence the Zone has placed in me and look forward to serving alongside the trusted servants of the NEZF as we move into strategic planning and continue strengthening communication and collaboration throughout the Zone.

The next NEZF meeting will be held October 23-25, 2026 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel in Portland, ME. Jim and I will be submitting a proposal today for the necessary funds.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

D'Lanor <3

Convention-

New England Regional Convention Committee 08/09/26

NERC Chair: Teresa D (781) 526-4006

The New England Regional Convention Committee met Saturday July 12 and August 9, 2026

There were 10 people in attendance.

7 out of the 13 positions are filled.

Treasurer report

NERC XXI Beginning Balance: $3,675.86

Ending Balance $6,103.16

Chair Report

Region met on 8/9 @ 11am. I gave them a preliminary report because the committee did not meet on Saturday.

I gave an update from last meeting

The Convention committee has met once since the last RSC.Since our last meeting we have had 36 early bird registrations. We have set banquet prices and options.
Steak $75.00
Chicken $55.00
Vegetarian $55.00
We are also having a welcome reception @ $20.00 a person. Assorted cheese platters will be served.
The committee agreed on not having breakfast at this convention as the cost was too high.
I gave an update on our fundraisers success and ended my report.
I also explained that we would give region 2 slots for sub committees. They were not happy about the slots and wanted to know where in the policy that the region only gets 2 slots. I gave misinformation at the meeting that caused a large dispute. Brenda and I spoke with Lindsay and she addressed the body.
I reviewed the policy and it states that subcommittees need to give advance notice that they would like a slot on Saturday. Lindsay the Regional Chair told the committees to discuss with their committees and they are to give notice in October.

Arts and Graphics: Position not filled

Convention Information: Meg B- No report

Fundraising and Entertainment: Position not filled. Fundraiser results- $1700 in additional registrations, $900 income from fundraiser tickets

Hotels and Hospitality: Gary N
• Group must submit final menu selections no later than 21 days prior to the arrival date
• Hotel Food & Beverage Policy – Unless otherwise agreed by the parties in advance and in writing, all food & beverage served on premises of hotel must be supplied & prepared by hotel
• December 1st our next Deposit due date of $5000.00

Merchandise: Mike V- Not able to attend. No report

Programming: Ana R
Hello,
Programming met 8/3/2026. Subcommittee schedule is on track. We discussed and

entered the meeting topics and times on the attached grid. There “maybe” a couple of topics and meeting time changes at our next meeting Aug 17, but for the most part the spreadsheet is completed. RD & AD can use the ballroom during a set of time as there is no meeting happening there.

Registration: Peggy M
We have 69 early bird registrations.

Elections for open positions

Vice Chair:	Open
Treasurer:	Craig R
Assist. Treasurer:	Open
Secretary:	Kaitlin B
Asst. Secretary:	Open
Arts & Graphic	Open
CI:	Meg
F&E:	Open
H&H:	Gary N
Merchandising:	Mike V
Programming:	Ana R
Registration	Peggy M

Open Forum

7/12 nothing in Open Forum
8/9 Open Forum: Start time 6:20
Gary N- Are we still meeting in Needham next month? Teresa spoke with Brenda and she is not free on Saturdays and Sunday would work best. She offered to give a key but Teresa doesn’t feel comfortable going into her place of business without her there. Teresa also has her work space in Lynn that is available. There is also a regional assembly happening September 13 th . Ana is hoping we can come together and meet in the middle. She will offer her house up in Foxboro. Brenda- she works 12 hours and

won’t be able to physically be there. Talked about changing it to Sunday but that won’t work for many and the regional assembly is happening. We will meet at Brenda’s work Saturday
Meg B- Is there a flyer being produced, not an early bird registration. That will be

created.
Gene F is attending the meeting because there was a concerning incident that happened today at Region. It came up that there will only 2 slots for H&I, PR. NERC is being given $18,000 in basket money so why can't they accommodate us. NERC is a subcommittee of Region. Ana R- we are in process of doing our program. Ana reached out to D'Lanor, about having some time and what time would work. Teresa- this was already addressed at Region and with Lindsey. Once the subcommittees come back in October to let them know what they need.
D'lanor- What is the plan? RD/AD is getting a slot around 12:30 for 75 minutes, during Men and Women's wrap around 2-3:15. What happens if everyone comes back and wants space? Teresa D- we will deal with it when they come back in OCT. Ana R- We are still working through the program and we have until October. Subcommittees are PR, Delegates, FD, H&I, IT.
Gene- When being told it's not October yet- NERC is asking for 7 th tradition so Region should get the time set aside regardless. We are not understanding the urgency when the convention isn't until March, but we will have the space if all subcommittees request it.
Everyone is on the same page.
Craig R- Is not clear on where this last payment is coming from. Brenda- This is also the line of credit. The money being paid is for meeting space as well as F&B. Kaitlin- what is the line of credit? This is from the contract with the hotel. That way we don't have to pay everything before the convention, it can be paid that weekend. There will need to be a BOD meeting to discuss further.
Teresa- Fundraising. We can do a fundraiser in October since it's closer to the next payment date. Last fundraiser was in SSA, this time maybe NEMA. Idea from Teresa and Brenda to do a Bingo night, D'lanor- what would the prize be? It should be NA prizes. D'lanor has stuff from WSC. Ask other members to contribute old convention merch.
We will form an Adhoc to discuss. What about October 24 th ? There is nothing on NERNA for events. Teresa will reach out to the space we had region at, 280 Broadway in Lynn. We wouldn't have use of kitchen but we could do without it. Michelle C is to

donate stuff for prizes. We will meet on Zoom Tuesday August 18th at 7 pm. Meg has the bingo cage and balls.

No Old Business
No New Business

Next Meeting is September 12, 2026 @ 10am 20 Chestnut St. Suite 5 Needham, MA

ILS Teresa D Convention Chair

H&I-

NERSC H&I Subcommittee Report
August 15, 2026
The NERSC Hospitals & Institutions Subcommittee met on August 15, with 9 addicts in attendance. Represented areas included CC, CMANA, GPA, NEMA, SEMA, SS, WM
All reports received
The DOC Coordinator was absent.
There are 252 active commitments in our region
All regional emails received responses.
We welcomed new Chairs! Steevie R.NEMA, CC Kayla M. Patte L. Sponsorship Behind the Walls Chair
Committee Discussion
• Are Learning Days effective? Most Members attending are currently active in H&I. SEMA has changed are policy from a required LD, to participation in other area events like Service Slam
• SEMA and CC discussed sharing commitments at Goswald Detox.
• How can we attract new members to join area subcommittee? WM is trying to individually invite members to serve in a position matching their strengths
It was a productive sharing of ESH in H&I.
New Business
Patte L. volunteered, and was elected the Sponsorship Behind the Walls Chair!!
In grateful and loving service,
Patti M.

Policy-

Policy Report August 2026

Policy has met twice since the last region.
The policy on the website was brought up to date with new motions
A motion is being submitted this month to address organization of the existing policy and removing conflicts in the policy
A review of voting processes in the policy was made. There are 4 references to voting in the current policy NOT contained in the decision making process section.

1. 2/3 majority on money motions that bring us below prudent reserve. Since this clearly refers to motions we recommend updating the language to reflect proposals and consensus.
2. Nomination and Elections does not set any threshold for a typical election. Process wherein there are more than 2 nominees and nobody receives more than 50% of the vote then a runoff between the 2 top vote getters is the stated process.
3. Removal from office is currently set at 2/3 majority vote
4. The NERSC meeting ends at 5pm unless extended by a majority

For the remaining 3 items we would ask for the bodies feedback. Leave as is, reword to match consensus language? Policy will bring forward a detailed motion after receiving direction.

It is worth noting that in the local service tools on NA.org CBDM Basics states the following….

"Each community is free to determine when a CBDM process will be most effective for them. Elections are one type of decision where it is common to simply seek a majority or a two-thirds vote rather than utilize a consensus-based decision making process."

Our next meeting will be Saturday September 12th at 11am on zoom

Carrie

PR -

PR met 8/8/2026 at 11am on Zoom
6 addicts in attendance
5 areas represented and their reports are available on request.
Topic discussion: Eric S. from the old Metro West Area spoke about wanting to get involved with the Boston Area PR Committee. He discussed how they are struggling and might be interested in helping them out.
Committee reports also in minutes.
Cape Cod Symposium in Providence this weekend. Every day was covered

Phoneline report below:

Hello this is my first report for our Phone line as Chairperson, would like to thank David D for his patience with me in learning BMLT and YAP systems.
There were no unusual events to report from our Volunteers.
I trained and added a new volunteer for Central Mass Area.
Here is the breakdown of Calls received and Calls missed by AREA:
Boston. 13 received 6 missed
Cape Cod 0 received
Central Mass 6 received 3 missed (2 missed were test calls made be me)

Greater Providence. 9 received 2 missed
Martha's Vineyard. 1 received. 0 missed
Metro West. 3 received. 3 missed. (I will test the line)
Nantucket 0
Northeast MA 3 received. 0 missed
SEMA. 0 received
South Shore. 11 received. 5 missed
Wester MA 1 received. 0 missed
Total 47 received 19 missed

Thanks for the opportunity to serve
Bob Rego

Open positions:
Chair: Open, Pete C.nominated and voted in

V. Chair: Open
Training: Open
Literature: Open

2 money proposals submitted. $1500 for the Recovery Court event in November and $41.36 for travel expenses for David D. to CCS on Aug. 6th.

ILS
Pete C.
Public Relations Chair

IT Services -

IT Services Committee Report
August 8, 2026

The IT Services Committee met on August 8 from 11:00 AM–12:30 PM.

The committee continues to support Areas and Regional subcommittees with websites, meeting lists, forms, and other technology needs. Work is underway on a Certificate of Insurance form, recurring IT payment options, video needs, and the Google Workspace/domain transition.

The Boston Area shared recent improvements to bostonareana.org, including a new GSR page and other updates intended to increase engagement and support Area services.
We discussed providing appropriate website and meeting-list credentials to members who are willing to serve. The committee encourages participation while keeping RCMs informed and documenting access for transparency. We will also schedule an off-cycle training on updating meeting lists, creating forms, and managing website access.

The committee reviewed the concept for a new Regional website/platform that could eventually provide Areas with shared website tools, forms, reporting capabilities, and other resources while potentially reducing costs. Carrie will continue developing a beta version for committee review, tentatively between October and December. If the committee supports moving forward, it may then be presented to the Areas.

We are submitting a proposal for reimbursement for our twilio expenses and we will be holding an off cycle meeting that will be announced via slack

In Loving service
The IT team

Fellowship Development-

New England Regional Fellowship Development

August 9th, 2026

Online Zoom Meeting ID: 916 0314 0581 Password: NA1953

Opening
Meeting began at 12:37PM, and opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Introductions/Attendance: 10 addicts in attendance.

2 Areas represented - GPA, MVA

Reports:

Chair report (Vacant):

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Vice-Chair report (Jonathan S.):

- Met briefly with the Secretary to prepare for this meeting.
- Planning to work with the Secretary in updating our contact list as well.
- Requesting all current email addresses from trusted servants and interested members of NERSC FD.
- Attended NEZF FD meeting. Voiced concerns about the scheduled turnover of the Chair and Vice-Chair.

Peace and Blessings,

jonathan

Secretary's report (Jimmy M):

- Met with the Vice-Chair to prepare for this meeting.

Project Updates (various):

1. Update on NERSC strategic planning session: Addendum A. presented by D'Lanor.
2. NESSSNA IV set aside: see proposal 1.
3. Forms for Service Volunteers and post workshop feedback will be created.
4. A database of service volunteers will be created and maintained.
5. Draft a hosting schedule for 2027-2029: Jim D. will create a draft and put in slack.
6. Guidelines/Policy review update.: tabled.

***RD or FD service requests*:**

- D'Lanor (update): connection issues, but looking forward to formal mentorship. Availability has been tricky but will be found.
- GPA January 16th 45 minute presentation/workshop on revitalizing home groups.

- Volunteers: Bill H. and D'Lanor H.
- This will be worked on with the requester.

Open Discussion / Area & Addict Concerns:

- Ad-hoc that came out of the FD presentation in GPA is looking like it is becoming an FD subcommittee.

Proposals:

1. $6,300 to provide each member Area $630 for 2 members to attend NESSSNA IV. as well as the 2 CAR contest winners.
    a. $40 per registration, $150 per night shared hotel, $200 gas, $50 tolls. Total $630
    b. If additional funds are needed, i.e. per diem. That can be provided by the Area.

2. Carrie B. and Jonathan S. will attend MZSSNA on behalf of FD.
    a. Designated workshops to attend will be decided in October.

New Projects:

1. How can we support the Delegate Team in the Beyond the Report event in September?
    - Bring a dish.
    - On site volunteer support (coordination of small group discussion, note taking)
    - Will this include participation in the planning process of the next WSC? Yes, an environmental scan is part of this event.

2. Attendance as a representative at Service Symposia.

Spending Plan: Proposed Spending Plan

Elections:

Vice-Chair: Jimmy M. nominated, qualified, and elected

Secretary: vacant

Useful stuff:
RCM Cheat Sheet

Current Policy

Meeting closed at 2:30 pm with a moment of silence and the Third Step Prayer

Thanks everyone for coming!
Next Meeting: Online Zoom Meeting ID: 916 0314 0581 Password: NA1953

ILS,

Jonathan S.

Addendum A

New England Region of Narcotics Anonymous

Project Plans
2026 – 2028

PROJECT PLAN 1
Area Connection & Understanding of Region

A workgroup will be formed by the region and led by an appointed or elected member. Additional members will join the workgroup to assist in carrying out its purpose.

***Issue**

Member Areas and members do not always understand the role of Region, what help Region can provide, or feel connected to Regional service.

***Goal**

Member Areas have stronger, ongoing relationships with Region, and members understand what Region does, what it does not do, and how Region can help.

***Purpose**

To build a stronger relationship between Region and its member areas so that the areas feel supported by and more a part of the Region. We will identify the needs of the member areas by listening. We will work towards helping our members gain a better understanding of how and where to receive services.

***Approaches (suggested)**

- Approach Areas with a posture of listening.
- Assigned members attend Area service meetings regularly.
- Direct outreach to Areas and RCMs.
- Create simple educational tools about Region.
- Use simplified language.
- Create new ways to share Regional information.
- Help RCMs understand their role and connect their Areas with Region by doing such things as host regular trainings/workshops/orientations.
- Foster greater Regional unity by creating opportunities for service education and collaboration.
- Recognize that one size does not fit all and be open to different approaches.
- Look for ways Region can provide something useful to individual members as well as service bodies.

***The Metrics**

- Every member Area has had consistent two-way contact with Region.
- Region has a simple, usable explanation of what it is, what it is not, what it does, what it does not do, and how Areas can use its services.
- There is an ongoing way for Areas to tell Region what help they need.
- RCMs have a clear orientation/support path.
- Simple educational tools about Region will be available.
- There is a workable ongoing method for maintaining Area–Region relationships after the project ends.
- Feedback from Areas shows that understanding and connection have improved from where they started.

*** Timeline**

October 2026 – Project Initiated

- Workgroup Facilitator elected/assigned.
- First meeting scheduled
- Workgroup will begin forming.

December 2026 – Details Established

- Budget presented to the RSC.
- Members assigned to Member Areas and outreach begins.

April 2027 – Listening & Assessment

- Area visits and outreach are underway.
- Needs are being identified and findings are being gathered.

October 2027 – Progress Review

- Progress evaluated and improvements identified.
- Educational tools and RCM support resources drafted.

April 2028 – Implementation

- Educational tools and RCM orientation resources implemented.

- Ongoing Area–Region communication process established.

October 2028 – Project Completed

- Final report presented.
- Project outcomes evaluated and ongoing processes established.

Financial Impact

- To be determined by the Workgroup

PROJECT PLAN 2.
Making Regional Service More Effective & Welcoming

A workgroup will be formed by the Region and led by an appointed or elected member. Additional members will join the workgroup to assist in carrying out its purpose.

***Issue**

Some Regional processes and practices make service harder to understand, participate in, and carry out effectively.

***Goal**

Regional service is clear, welcoming, solution-focused, and effective in helping members participate and carry out the work of Region.

***Purpose**

We will review how the Region conducts its business and identify changes that make Regional service easier to understand, more welcoming to participate in, and more effective in carrying out the conscience of the Region.

***Approaches (suggested)**

- Review the current decision-making process.
- Review policies that no longer fit the reality of Regional service.
- Evaluate how Regional meetings use member's time.
- Create opportunities for Area concerns to be effectively addressed.
- Clarify expectations for Regional trusted servants.
- Use clear and simple language.

- Develop and implement clear methods for communicating and following up.
- Welcome and support newer members participating in Regional service.
- Develop mentorship within Regional service.
- Encourage solution-focused discussion.
- Identify ways to make Regional service more attractive and accessible.

***The Metrics**

- Existing meeting and decision-making practices have been reviewed.
- Specific improvements have been implemented and evaluated.
- Trusted servant expectations are clear.
- Outdated or unnecessarily restrictive policies have been identified and recommendations brought to the RSC.
- Members identify clearer opportunities to participate in Regional service.
- Members identify communication and follow-through have improved.

***Timeline**

October 2026 – Project Initiated

- Workgroup Facilitator elected/assigned.
- First meeting scheduled
- Workgroup will begin forming.

December 2026 – Budget Established

- Budget presented to the RSC.
- Current practices, policies, and member feedback are being collected.

April 2027 – Assessment & Review

- Current practices, policies, and member feedback are being reviewed.
- Opportunities for improvement are being identified.

October 2027 – Progress Review

- Progress evaluated and improvements identified.
- Proposed changes and recommendations presented to RSC.

April 2028 – Implementation

- Approved improvements and resources implemented for a 6 month trial
- Communication, orientation, and mentorship efforts expanded.

October 2028 – Project Completed

- Final report presented.
- Project outcomes evaluated and ongoing processes established.

*** Financial Impact**

To be determined by the Workgroup.

PROJECT PLAN 3.

Connecting Regional Resources to Area & Member Needs

A workgroup will be formed by the Region and led by an appointed or elected member. Additional members will join the workgroup to assist in carrying out its purpose.

***Issue**

Region does not always have a clear, current understanding of Area and member needs and preferences when deciding where to use its resources and attention.

***Goal**

Region regularly understands the member needs and preferences of its member Areas and uses its resources in ways that respond to those needs and support our primary purpose.

***Purpose**

We will establish a simple and ongoing way for Region to understand the needs and preferences of its member Areas and members. We will use that information to guide Regional priorities and determine how its time, service efforts, and financial resources can best support the Areas and our primary purpose.

***Approaches (suggested)**

- Identify Area's needs and preferences.
- Give RCMs a simple way to communicate those needs to Region.
- Inventory existing Regional and resources (time, service efforts, and human)
- Inform members of available Regional resources and how to access them.
- Create a clear way for identified Area needs to influence Regional priorities.

- Identify needs before determining what services or resources are required.
- Look at how Regional money is invested.
- Consider Regional investment on travel within the Region vs outside the Region.
- Consider ways Region can invest in newer and more diverse members.
- Identify ways Areas can contribute to Regional service that work for them.

***The Metrics**

- Region has an inventory of what services/resources it already has.
- Region has a simple, ongoing way to receive information about Area and member needs.
- There is a clear way for those needs to inform Regional planning.
- Financial decisions and service priorities can be connected back to identified needs.
- The process has been used through at least one planning and budget cycle and adjusted based on experience.
- Region has an ongoing method for continuing this process after the project ends.

***Timeline**

October 2026 – Project Initiated

- Workgroup Facilitator elected/assigned.
- First meeting scheduled.
- Workgroup will begin forming.

December 2026 – Budget Established

- Budget presented to the RSC.
- Inventory of existing Regional services and resources begins.

April 2027 – Assessment & Review

- Area and member needs and preferences are being identified
- Regional service and financial resources are being reviewed.

October 2027 – Progress Review

- Progress evaluated and gaps between identified needs and Regional resources are identified.
- Recommendations for Regional priorities and resource use presented to the RSC.

April 2028 – Implementation

- Approved recommendations are implemented through a six-month trial.
- The process for connecting identified needs to service and financial decisions is tested and adjusted.

October 2028 – Project Completed

- Final report presented.
- Project outcomes evaluated and ongoing processes established.

***Financial Impact**

To be determined by the Workgroup.

Addendum B

Draft: NERNA Fellowship Development

Virtual Service Symposium Representative

Responsibilities

Representatives selected to attend a service symposium on behalf of the New England Region Fellowship Development (NERNA FD) Committee serve as **stewards of information**, gathering knowledge and resources that can be shared throughout the New England Region.

Responsibilities

1. Attend and Participate

- Attend all symposium sessions and workshops whenever possible.
- Arrive on time and remain actively engaged throughout each presentation.
- Participate respectfully in discussions, breakout sessions, and question-and-answer opportunities.

Insurance-

There were 4 requests for COIs (Certificates of Insurance) placed between the last NERSC meeting and today, 08/09/2026. Two were for meetings, one event, and one was not needed after the COI was sent due to an issue with the location. All requests were responded to and sent promptly. The insurance policy was reinstated eU’ective 05/26/2026 with no lapse in coverage. The policy is paid in full until renewal on 04/14/2027.

Best Regards,

Matthew P.

Insurance@newenglandna.org

Old business

No old business

New Business

See Proposals

SEMA to be hosting in October

Area concerns

None

Open forum

- See Project Plans in Fellowship Development report for more details to bring back to areas to inform them of the purpose of these projects

- Funding amount to hosting area for 1 day instead of 2 will be kept at $600 until an idea or ball park of estimated amount to be understood.

- Policy and spending plan template feedback came back as positive and passed with consensus

- Consensus understanding is as ⅔ is strong support while 80% is consensus

- $1900 buffer/set aside was put back into general funds

- Subcommittees to submit request for slot at Convention (more to be discussed at convention meeting and brought back again for clarification)

- Conversation brought up for 10th Concept grievance that was brought up by a member. The conversation was productive and settled. I have attached a screenshot of said grievance that was submitted;

Petition for Redress of a Personal Grievance (Concept Ten)

I respectfully submit this petition under Concept Ten regarding a communication I received immediately following the regional vote on 06/14/2026 concerning funding travel to a World Service Learning Days event.

At the time of the vote, I was serving as the Regional Committee Member (RCM) for the former MetroWest Area. I currently serve as the Alternate Regional Committee Member (Alt RCM) for the Boston Area.

During the vote, MetroWest Area and two other member areas voted against the motion to fund travel. I participated in the discussion and voted according to the conscience of the area I represented. That evening after the vote concluded, I received a text message from another trusted servant that included a screenshot of an airline reservation to that event and the statement:

"I just booked my own flight. Fuck all yall."

I have attached a screenshot of the communication as part of this petition. The sender's identity has been obscured to protect their anonymity and privacy.

Because the message was sent immediately following the vote and referenced the travel decision, I experienced it as a response to the outcome of the group conscience.

Concept Ten exists to ensure that trusted servants may participate in service without fear of reprisal. While disagreement is an essential and healthy part of our decision-making process, communications that appear directed at trusted servants who voted against a motion may discourage members from expressing minority viewpoints or voting the conscience of the groups and areas they represent.

I respectfully ask the Regional Service Committee to consider whether this communication is consistent with the spirit and intent of Concept Ten and whether any discussion or guidance regarding respectful communication among trusted servants would benefit the region.

In Service,

Christopher R.

Elections

Assistant Secretary - Noel D
Assistant Treasurer - Justin M
H&I Chairperson - Patti M elected
Fellowship Development - Jonathan S
IT - open

Addendums

Proposals

New England Regional Services Committee

PROPOSAL FORM

Date:

Proposal Maker: Policy 2nd: N/A

For Money Proposals Only Total: 0

Check Payable To: N/A

Mailing Address:

Proposal:

To revise current policy for organizational purposes only. No substantive changes. Retitle articles and sections, move like items with like items, remove duplicates of which there are 3. Quorum, mileage reimbursement, and spending plans (budgets). This includes the addition of 2 tables for easier reading. They are 1) positions, clean time and term length and 2) Travel policy which puts both the unfunded travel to NERSC and Travel to fulfill duties of the NERSC into a table.

SEE ATTACHED WHICH DETAILS THE CHANGES

Intent:

To improve the readability of the current policy document

Does Proposal Impact Policy? Yes

Results of 1st Straw Poll

In Favor: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)

In Favor: 7 Opposed: 7 Abstain:

% of Consensus:

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

Proposal passes

New England Regional Services Committee

PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 8.10.28

Proposal Maker: MVA 2nd:

For Money Proposals Only Total: 0

Check Payable To:

Mailing Address:

Proposal:

That the sum of all proposals involving the general fund are totaled and presented to the RCM's prior to voting.

Intent:

To allow consideration of the impact on available finances and weighting of voting priorities

Does Proposal Impact Policy? Yes

Results of 1st Straw Poll

In Favor: Opposed: Abstain:

Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)

In Favor: Opposed: Abstain:

% of Consensus:

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

New England Regional Services Committee
PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 08-09-26

Proposal Maker: Alternate Delegate 2nd: Regional Delegate

For Money Proposals Only Total: $660.21

Check Payable To:

Mailing Address:

Proposal:

For $660.21 to attend the NEZF in Portland, ME
(Alternate Delegate attendance)

$346.63 - Hotel

$225 - Per Diem

$77.29 - Mileage

Intent:

To give the necessary resources to the trusted servant in order to fulfill the responsibilities we have assigned them.

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll
In Favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)
In Favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

% of Consensus:

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

1 Present not voting, proposal passes

New England Regional Services Committee

PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 08-09-26

Proposal Maker: Alternate Delegate 2nd: Regional Delegate

For Money Proposals Only Total: $200

Check Payable To:

Mailing Address:

Proposal:

For $200 to donate to the facility for the "Beyond the Report" Event on Sept 13th
Not out of set aside, from general balance

Intent:

To be fully self supporting declining outside contributions

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll

In Favor: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)

In Favor: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

% of Consensus:

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

Proposal passes

New England Regional Services Committee

PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 08-09-26

Proposal Maker: Regional Delegate 2nd: Alternate Delegate

For Money Proposals Only Total: $660.21

Check Payable To:

Mailing Address:

Proposal:

For $660.21 to attend the NEZF in Portland, ME
(Regional Delegate attendance)

$346.63 - Hotel

$225 - Per Diem

$77.28 - Mileage

Intent:

To give the necessary resources to the trusted servant in order to fulfill the responsibilities we have assigned them.

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll

In Favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)

In Favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

% of Consensus:

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

1 Present not voting, proposal passes

New England Regional Services Committee

PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 08/08/26

Proposal Maker: PR Committee 2nd:

For Money Proposals Only Total: $1500

Check Payable To: NEARCP

Mailing Address: Mail to: Adept Educational Institute, Inc.
255 Park Ave - Suite 600,
Worcester, MA 01609
Attn: Jennifer Fahey

Proposal:

Registration Fee for a booth at the New England Association of Drug Court Professional Conference, Danvers 11/18 & 11/19

This is from our set aside

Intent:

To have Narcotics Anonymous' official presence at this annual conference in order to increase awareness and maintain NA's relationships with related organizations including the Drug Court Professionals throughout New England

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll

In Favor: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)

In Favor: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

% of Consensus:

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

Proposal passes

New England Regional Services Committee
PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 8/9/2026

Proposal Maker: PR 2nd:

For Money Proposals Only Total: $41.36

Check Payable To: David D

Mailing Address:

Proposal:

Travel expense - Cape Cod Symposium PR event 8/6/26
Round trip Providence and parking (101 miles +$17.12)

This is from a set aside

Intent:

PR Expense reimbursement

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll
In Favor: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)
In Favor: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

% of Consensus:

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

Proposal passes

New England Regional Services Committee

PROPOSAL FORM

Date: August 9th, 2026

Proposal Maker: Fellowship Development 2nd:

For Money Proposals Only Total: 6,300

Check Payable To:

Mailing Address:

Proposal:

To create a set aside in order to provide each member Area $630 for 2 members to attend NESSSNA IV. Along with the 2 CAR contest winners.

Would provide 2 people per each area (9 areas) with 2 CAR contest winners

$40 per registration, $150 per night shared hotel, $200 gas, $50 tolls. Total $6300
Cost is to be adjusted once fully determined

Intent:

For 2 members from each Area to be able to attend NESSSNA IV. To be able to put our resources back into our member Areas and to aid in their service delivery efforts.

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll

In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)

In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

% of Consensus:

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

Proposal passes, 2 present not voting. To bring back specific costs to the areas

New England Regional Services Committee

PROPOSAL FORM

Date: Aug 8 2027

Proposal Maker: IT Services 2nd:

For Money Proposals Only Total: $511.25

Check Payable To: Patrick J, Bill H

Mailing Address: Will be provided to treasurer

Proposal:

Reimburse Patrick J $364.58 for Twilio (Phone services) from March 2025 to Feb 2026 and Bill H. $146.67 for the same service from March 2026 to June (and a little August) of 2026

Intent:

To be financially responsible

Does Proposal Impact Policy? No

Results of 1st Straw Poll

In Favor: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

Final Result: (80% Threshold to adopt)

In Favor: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain:

% of Consensus:

Tabled: No Sent to Committee:

Notes:

Proposal passes

Event Flyers

See Attached

Safety and Belonging: Gender-Neutral Language

We as a Fellowship want to ensure that all addicts feel welcome in the rooms of Narcotics Anonymous, and gender-neutral language smooths the path for identification in ways that most members may not even notice.

In 2023, the World Service Conference passed a regional motion to create a project plan exploring gender neutral and inclusive language in NA literature, and approved an Information Discussion Topic "Gender-neutral and inclusive language in NA literature."

At the 2026 WSC, the "Safety and Belonging/Gender-Neutral Language" project was approved along with a decision to revise IP #1, *Who, What, How, and Why* as a starting place so the Fellowship can see a concrete example of what gender-neutral language could look like. The focus this cycle is only on the words used to describe members and potential members (not words that describe God or the words of our Steps and Traditions).

And just like that…the proposed revisions to IP #1 are ready for you to review! *click here to see the draft*

The four suggested revisions are shown in the table below in bold.

Who is an addict?	"an addict is a man or a woman"	"an addict is a **person**"
What is the Narcotics Anonymous program?	"fellowship or society of men and women"	"fellowship or society of **people**"
What…	"regardless of age, race, sexual identity, creed, religion, or lack of religion"	"regardless of age, race, **gender**, sexual identity, creed, religion, or lack of religion"
Why are we here?	"ahead of our families, our wives, husbands and our children."	"ahead of our families and **loved ones**."

The draft and input form posted for review at na.org/genderproject until the end of October 2026.

Fellowship input provided by the will help determine next steps. The World Board will keep everyone informed.

Stay informed: **Attend an open web meeting about the project. 26 September, at 11:00 am PDT. The Zoom ID is 838 9514 2767 and the password is 1953.**

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