

**Regional H & I Meeting
Minutes
For
December 8, 2007**

Meeting Dates and Agenda

March 15, 2008 – H & I meets at 11am (3rd weekend)

June 14, 2008 – H & I meets at 9am

September 13, 2008 – H & I meets at 11am

December 13, 2008 – H & I meets at 9am

The Meeting opened with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Read the 12 Traditions

Basic Purpose & Function of Regional H & I Committee

Roll Call:

Chair – Cecil - present

Vice Chair – Butch E. - absent

Secretary – Sherry - present

Area H & I Roll Call:

Central Savannah River Area - present

Chattahoochee Flint River Area - present

Coastal Area - present

Extreme Northern Area – present

East End Area - absent

Marietta Area - present

Midtown Area - present

North Atlanta Area – present

North East Georgia Area – present (RCM)

Piedmont Area - present

Savannah Low Country Area - present

South Atlanta Area - present

South Georgia Area – present

West End Area – absent

Upcoming Events:

*** H & I Workshop at GRCNA – February 23, 2008 – Augusta, Georgia**

REPORTS

Admin Reports:

Secretary: Read last meetings minutes – passed

Chair: Did not receive written report

Vice Chair: absent

DOC Report: (Department of Corrections) This section will now be utilized to advise of progress made concerning DOC opportunities – (RSAT is an outside program)

ADHOC Report – clarification from last minutes: Butch E. and Sherry H. are co-chairs and Chris is DOC Liaison. *Adhoc will try to get together at GRCNA – lunch meeting on Saturday. Anyone is welcome to attend.*

Secretary notes: Chair & vice chair attended Augusta workshop for SLC. Chair unable to attend NE Ga. Area workshop due to conflict in schedule. Savannah Low Country Area would like to submit a bid to host the next Regional Learning Day. All bids have to be approved on H & I Region floor. Chair requested from RSC to have correct H & I meeting times listed in the RSC minutes. Reported on Budget expenditures: minimal amount over due Topic approved was not provided on expense reimbursement form.

Area Reports:

Central Savannah River Area: Report by Harvey – 14 meetings per month. We have a meeting with the Augusta Transition Center on 12/10/07. Can't seem to get a full understanding about RSAT badges. The H & I Learning day went well and the CSRA would like to thank the RSC H & I Chair and Vice Chair for attending.

Chattahoochee Flint River Area: Report by David M. –. No new meetings, still going to LaGrange Transition Center & Columbus Transition Center. (Starting in January) We are moving our meeting at Columbus Transition Center from Wednesday to Thursday. (This will allow us to set up our Basic Text study to meet every Wednesday). 6:30 – 7:30pm. We had some meetings where no residents showed up. We sat down with the new administration at the facility & reintroduced ourselves. They re-committed to sending us guys to carry a message to. Since then, we have been having good attendance. We changed the time to 6:30 – 7:30pm to help them. We have two former residents of LaGrange Transition Center who want to come in as panel members. It is a slow process getting them approved. David M. RCM

Coastal Area: Report by Marvin R. - 13 meetings per month. The sub-committee is waiting to hear from two different groups regarding contact person at the jails in Jessup & Statesboro. Federal prison in Jessup has still denied the sample format letter. Continued support & we want to thank region for being available to us. We also enjoyed the Learning Day region had in September. Drug Court will be arriving in Waycross serving their counties.

Extreme Northern Area: Report by Chris S. – 20-22 meetings per month. Current projects: Hays State prison. What can RSC do better to serve you? Keep up the good work. Other important info: Elections in January, possible meeting at Waycross State Prison.

East End Area – absent.

Marietta Area – Report by Claire K – Has 12 meetings. Current projects: H & I Learning Day on January 26, 2008 1:30pm at East Cobb United Methodist Church – along with PR, WSR and Activities. Problems / situations: Marietta RYDC is still not meeting, can't get in contact with the head person. Other info-Trying to get all meetings to order own literature and bring Area cost to 0

Midtown Area – Report by Jesse J. – Election of officers: Barbara K. as Alternate Secretary and Herbert G. as Co-Chair. Current project: bid to host Regional H & I Learning Day. Gateway will restart sometime in the next week. Need to get more members to participate with the sub-committee. What can RSC do to better serve you? Let Midtown host the H & I Learning Day for the Region. Other info: Metro Women’s Prison has new warden.

North Atlanta Area – Report by Allie S.- Election of officers: Allie S as chairperson (welcome Allie!) New meeting / presentation: Forsyth County Jail – date to be announced. Current projects: Trying to get H & I back up and running – talking with Dekalb County Jail and attending orientation on Saturday, December 15th at 10am. Problems or situations: Several meetings are struggling;; Night Light and Women do recover. What can RSC H & I do better to serve you? Give me all the advice you can!

North East Georgia Area – Report by Gunn M. (RCM) – 20 meetings per month serving 4 facilities. Election of officers is pending. New presentation: Gainesville Diversion Center presentation was given in November. First meeting projected for late January, pending back ground checks. Problems / situations: The member that was about to be elected to H & I Chair relapsed. We have a new nomination going back to groups. We should know January 12 if they are elected. What can RSC H & I do better to serve you: Set up another RSAT. Other info: Mike W. attended RSAT here and was not notified.

Piedmont Area – Report by James B. – Meetings / Presentations: Transition Center – not us, but them. Current projects: Learning Day down time – 10 + people showed up. No problems. What can RSC H & I do better to serve you: Continued Support.

Savannah Low Country Area – Report by Charles L. – Election of officers: Secretary is Cheryl A. We have five meetings that will get new presentations. Current projects: We have a PR and H & I Learning Day planned for January 12, 2008. Problems / situations: working with new members on H & I, do’s & don’t as well as their sponsor. Buford, SC will join our Region next month. We need help with our Learning day on January 12, 2008. Other important info: We can’t go without helping the new PR Chair get some information so we can familiarize professional & other organizations.

South Atlanta Area – Report by Karen R.– Has 18 meetings per month.. New Chair: Tom H. will take over in February 2008. Henry County Jail today at 4pm for men & women in different pods. Please add Henry County Jail to H & I meeting sheet. Problems: We are still having trouble getting 2 females to pass background checks –they are only getting 2 meetings per month. Other info: PR in our Area is suggesting that we combine H & I and PR. PR Chair is getting more information from other Areas that have their subcommittees combined.

South Georgia Area – Has 8 meetings per month. Vice Chair is Calvin C. – Elections in February. Current projects: We are in the process of getting a women panel for one facility that changed they way they do things– separated men from women. All facilities are going good. Problems: lack of willingness to serve. What can RSC H & I do better to serve you: Keep having learning days & presentations.

West End Area – absent

Old Business:

- Made copies of attendance list with phone #'s for Area H & I Chairs.
- **Need Area to host Regional H & I Learning Day**
- Budget is \$75.00 for the meeting space, \$50.00 for Copies of flyers, \$100.00 for refreshments & \$75.00 for Speaker hotel room. Total Regional budget: \$300.00
- **Meeting space for Regional H & I** to meet will be changed to the Walnut room – upstairs. We will meet there from now on as we have outgrown our current meeting space.
- **Time** needs to be correct for when H & I meets in the RSC minutes.

New Business:

- Possibility to extend our meeting time & space usage to 3 hours – we continue to run out of time.
- All Areas interested to host Regional H & I Learning Day must submit bid on Regional H & I floor
- Area to host will be chosen on the floor
- Secretary will create bid form with required information / needs
- Secretary will email proposed form to the 2 Areas interested at this time:
- Savannah Low Country & Midtown Areas will receive form
- The form can be used prior to approval – as Areas need something to use until the form gets approved.
- Add to agenda next meeting to get form approval, changes, additions, etc...

Nominations and Elections:

None

Open Forum / Mail Distribution:

How can we get more people involved?

It is that time of year again:

GRCNA Convention – Regional H & I Workshop.

Workshop at Convention – **Saturday, February 23, 2008** – Augusta, Georgia

TIME: 3:30pm – 5:00pm

Meeting Room: Lamar / Ballroom A

Banner – Sherry H to bring

Booth for presentation – Sherry H to bring.

Video? – Cecil to check

Literature – Need someone to bring

Submitted in loving service,
Sherry H. 12/08/07

Regional H & I Meeting Agenda

1. Opening Prayer
2. Read Twelve Traditions
3. Read basic purpose and function of the RSC H&I Subcommittee
4. Area Subcommittee Roll Call

Central Savannah River Area
Chattahoochee Flint River Area
Coastal Area
Extreme Northern Area
East End Area
Marietta Area
Midtown Area
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5. Call for any new Area's that would like to be recognized
 6. Secretary Report (last meeting's minutes).
 7. Administrative committee report
 - A. Chairperson
 - B. Vice Chairperson
 8. Area H & I Subcommittee Reports
 9. Adhoc Updates
 10. Budget Expenditures – given by Chairperson
 11. Old Business
 12. New Business / Elections
 13. Review of upcoming activities
 14. Announcements / Open Forum / Mail Distribution
- Closing Prayer