

HOST COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 26, 2026

Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Elwood

Meeting opened with Serenity Prayer

Read 12 Traditions – Pat

Read 12 Concepts – Alisa

Service Prayer – John

POSITION	NAME	PHONE	8/26/2026
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AUCTION VICE CHAIR			V
CONVENTION INFORMATION CHAIR	JOHN S.	(646) 953-0901	P
CONVENTION INFORMATION VICE CHAIR			V
ENTERTAINMENT & FUNDRAISING CHAIR	JEFF D'ANGELO	(917) 364-3082	P
ENTERTAINMENT & FUNDRAISING VICE CHAIR			V
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MARATHON VICE CHAIR			V
MERCHANDISE CHAIR			V
MERCHANDISE VICE CHAIR			V
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REGISTRATION CHAIR	GEMMA SOKOLETSKY	(718) 431-4788	P
REGISTRATION VICE CHAIR			V
SERENITY KEEPER CHAIR	CHRIS CADDY	(212) 470-7414	P
SERENITY KEEPER VICE CHAIR			V

Elwood: in open forum - 3 minutes only. During reports - after a report is given, there will be a queue. 5 hands only. If only 2 hands go up, there is space for 3 more. If you hear your question being answered, please remove yourself from the queue.

Debbie AB President: CSI would not give a contract for June and wanted us to move to July. At this point we aren't pointing fingers - it is what it is. We don't want to move to July. Per by-laws it should be in June. We reached out to Wagner College, they checked all the boxes, they are available and can accommodate us - besides the main meeting. We can, however, use the gymnasium for this. They are checking with athletics to confirm. We will make this work. In 2024 we went through something similar where we lost the college - that college was sold. We had to scour and find another location but we did it. Rosemary AB Vice President is in direct contact with Wagner and is confident it will work. She is still scouting other possibilities but it will likely not be necessary. Keep going - do the exciting work as if there is no disruption.

QUORUM: Quorum is set to equal one more than half of the previous meeting attendance not to be less than six (6) voting members

(Each subcommittee = 1 vote, each admin = 1 vote, chair is tie breaker)

Last month 13... $\frac{1}{2} = 7 + 1 = 8$

Quorum is met.

The following position is still open

- Merchandise Chair

OPEN FORUM

- Mark - we created ECCNA.org email addresses. Some of you have logged in, some have not. Use these for anonymity reasons and also for collaboration purposes. It's free and it's a good tool to use.
- Mark - Also you can use Google Meet. You can use this instead of zoom. Reach out to webservant@eccna.org if you need any questions answered. Also reach out if you need a new link to activate your ECCNA e-mail account.
- Lincoln - flyers. Elwood - Bring that up with your report.

Reports & Questions

1. Chair – Mentioned the move to Wagner.
2. Vice Chair – no report.
3. Treasurer – given & attached
4. Site Liaison – I went to the college and there is nothing to report. People didn't give us any help, we're moving on to another college.
5. Prison Liaison – given & attached

Walter: Is this a subcommittee chair that needs to be voted in or was Frank appointed by the Chair? Appointed.

How do we know where we need to send the literature? Depends on how much money we make

So the convention is still working on another position? They are doing a policy

6. Subcommittee Reports

- a. Arts & Graphics – given & attached
- b. Auction – given & attached
- c. Convention Information – no written report at this time. Putting together hotels, bus routes, restaurants. Considering we are moving I will start over. I need a secretary.
- d. Entertainment & Fundraising – Adam will be helping us out. Kings Bay, Jersey (Gary Fish and Tracy) will be helping us out. Looking into halloween. Working on a boat ride for the night before the convention. 7-9:30. In touch with a company for about \$20 a head plus food. Want to secure a date, they need the name of the company or individual to be invoiced and then we will need a deposit.
Elwood: Is there a deadline for the security deposit? They need it to secure the date. Elwood - I'll feel more comfortable if we secure the date at the college.
Debbie (AB) - this needs to come to the next board meeting with all available information.
- e. Hospitality – given & attached
Elwood - as we get closer to the convention we will have a better idea of how many people we need to provide for.
- f. Marathon – I don't know what I have to do or what I'm doing. Looking for a vice chair. No report. I need help. Will get in touch with last year's marathon chair.
Lincoln: Will it be all night or partial? All night until 7 or 8 am.
John S: around the clock? No, midnight to 6am
- g. Merchandise (open)
- h. Programming – We had our first meeting this month. 5 people on committee. The secretary is open as of right now, have someone in mind she will let me know. We want each speaker to be NA members, NA language, 12 steps & 12 traditions. 2 topics at each workshop possibly. Next month we will each bring 10 topics so we can begin figuring out the workshop topics. It's a work in progress.
Jayne: I know you questioned flyers, we have a flyer on the website looking for people to send in speaker tapes. Can we put your name on the flyer? Yes.
Report attached
- i. Registration – 2 people on committee. Will e-mail you the report. Been in touch with Sherry. I need the people who already registered. (Janina will provide).
- j. Serenity Keepers – Since we might be moving... I only have 10 serenity keepers. I will get 10 more, I hope that's enough. Serenity keepers want to know if they need to pay for their own shirts. They don't. We wanted blue shirts, but that was shot down by Elwood. Gunna have to work in shifts so they can make meetings. Need golf carts for handicaps. Commitment is not an easy one. I got a lot ahead of me, but we have time. Should I meet with Arts & Graphics? I don't have a vice chair.
Janina - Would it help you to be in touch with last year's serenity keepers chair?
Yes that would be great

Elwood - you should form a committee and meet regularly so you can discuss these things. Chris: I never worked on a convention before.

Walter: will the serenity keeper shirt design be picked tonight? No, they need a committee to figure it out and bring it back to the body.

NEW BUSINESS

- VOTE ON THEME (ARTS & GRAPHICS)

The only concern I have is that some of these themes have 5 or 6 words and that's a lot of verbiage to go on the merchandise. Debbie (AB) it doesn't matter.

- AN N.A. STATE OF MIND (2)

- CARRY THE MESSAGE PASS THE TORCH (6)

- EASY DOES IT ON THE EAST COAST (3)

- JUST FOR TODAY THE N.A. WAY (2)

- DISCUSS GOOGLE WORKSPACE - We encourage every chair and vice chair to activate their workspace e-mail.

Mark - once you get into the account, you can forward the emails to your personal account so you won't miss anything. You also won't be at risk of spam. You can use docs, sheets, meet, drive, etc. 609 - 682 - 4300. I am here to help anyone who needs it. Jayne - if anyone wants to sit here after the meeting is over I can show you how to use the drive and show you how to join a google meet. We use it with arts and graphics. I'm willing to help.

- Mark: I sent Gemma and Diane invitations to the Square account to accept payment.

Closing Serenity Prayer (8:01pm)

TREASURER REPORT

ECCNA Treasurer Report Aug 2026

ck #	August-2026	BALANCE	\$9,261.27
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INCOME	Date	Amount
Starting Balance	Aug 01	\$9,864.77
Tshirt Sales @ ECCNA 29	Aug 26	\$510.00
Sub Total		\$10,374.77

ck #	Expense	Date	Amount Paid
	Wells Fargo Checks	Aug 18	\$66.50
101	ECCNA T-Shirts	Aug 25	\$972.00
102	ECCNA Rent Space	Aug 26	\$75.00
Sub Total			\$1,113.50
BALANCE			\$9,261.27

1LS Diane M.

ARTS & GRAPHICS REPORT

OUR SUBCOMMITTEE MET ON AUGUST 18, 2026.

WE DISCUSSED THE THEME FOR THE CONVENTION, PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR BANNERS, STEP AND REPEAT BACKDROP, BADGES, AND TASKS TO BE COMPLETED.

JAYNE C WAS NOMINATED AS OUR VICE CHAIR. JAYNE EXPLAINED OUR DROP BOX ON GOOGLE, WHERE ALL OUR ARTWORK CAN BE STORED AND DISPLAYED ON-SCREEN FOR VIRTUAL MEETINGS.

COMMITTEE VOTED ON FOUR DIFFERENT THEMES TO BE PRESENTED TO HOST COMMITTEE FOR SELECTION AT THE NEXT MEETING.

WE ARE GETTING PRICES FOR TWO 5'X8 ' OR 4'X6' BANNERS, AND ONE 8'X10' STEP AND REPEAT BANNER. WE WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST THE INVENTORY OF SIGNS TO ASSESS WHAT IS ALREADY AVAILABLE AND WHAT WE NEED TO ADD, IF NEEDED. THAT WOULD ALSO AID IN OUR BUDGET ESTIMATE.

TASKS TO BE COMPLETED:

THEME – 1ST, BUDGET, LOGO, PRE-CONVENTION T SHIRTS

OUR MEETINGS WILL BE ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, VIRTUALLY, 7PM

ZOOM ID 871 6030 3584 PW 090560

ALL ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO GET INVOLVED!

I CAN BE REACHED AT 347-605-2224

IN LOVING SERVICE,

DEBBIE R

THEMES FOR HOST COMMITTEE TO VOTE ON:

AN N.A. STATE OF MIND

CARRY THE MESSAGE PASS THE TORCH

EASY DOES IT ON THE EAST COAST

JUST FOR TODAY THE N.A. WAY

LITERATURE / CORRECTIONAL LIAISON REPORT

Literature Distribution / Correctional Liaison Report 8/26/2026

New Developments

On 8/14/2026 Director of Correctional Library Services (Karrie Williamson) asking to let her know exactly what literature we would like to place into facility libraries so she could assist us Further.

Called Noel from ECCNA Advisory Board, she is policy chair. Any NAWS approved literature can go in, not just basic texts and pamphlets. Once we decide the actual needs of these different facilities we will move forward.

From: AB Policy on ECCNA.org

LITERATURE DISTRIBUTION After allocating a minimum of 1 case of Basic Texts to each of the non-hosting Regions, the Host Committee will decide how to use the remaining funds. The funds must be used to purchase current NA approved literature for distribution to correctional facilities within the host region(s) including but not limited to:

- State and federal prisons
- County and municipal jails, detention centers, and lock-ups
- Juvenile detention and youth correctional facilities
- Court-ordered or state-sponsored residential treatment programs, including those operated by or contracted through a state Department of Corrections
- Work-release centers and re-entry facilities under correctional supervision

We have a new member who joined this committee as the lead secretary, Jacqueline M. She is a huge asset to this convention. She has the time and expertise and a willingness to serve. We are grateful to have her aboard!

We are currently discussing a night we can meet that works for us, possibly Mondays.

Moving forward by next month:

1. We will contact Karrie from Library Services informing her of our NAWS approved literature.
2. We are reaching out to 2 NA members who have experience simulcasting meetings into correctional facilities who NYS DOC staff have worked with in the past. The directors I have been in touch with gave me their names, and they look forward to working with us as well.

In Loving Service,
Frank R

HOSPITALITY REPORT

I HAVE TALKED TO PAST CHAIR
OF HOSPITALITY. RECEIVED MUCH
INFORMATION. WE HAVE 6 MEMBERS
ON COMMITTEE - WE WILL BE MEETING
MONTHLY ON ZOOM. DAY TO BE
DETERMINED. I HAVE A PROJECTED
BUDGET OF \$1,500.00 - WE WILL
BE SERVING ASST FRUITS, CHIPS,
WATER AND COFFEE. LOOKING TO
SERVE BAGELS IN MORNING ALONG
WITH VARIOUS OTHER FOOD ITEMS.
IE. PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY
WHICH WAS POPULAR AT PAST CONVENTION
LOOKING FORWARD TO A WONDERFUL
HOSPITALITY ROOM. MOVING FORWARD
WE ARE LOOKING TO PROVIDE
ADDITIONAL FOOD AS AVAILABLE
ATTACHED IS A PROJECTED BUDGET

IN Loving Service
JEFF. R

PROJECTED COST AS OF 8/26/26

COFFEE	\$160.00
POWDERED CREAMER	\$21.00
SUGAR	\$11.00
SWEET N LOW	\$5.00
CUPS	\$100.00
WATER (BOTTLED)	\$100.00
BAGELS	\$90.00
BUTTER, CREAMY CHEESE	\$45.00
FRUIT (ASST)	\$70.00
SNACKS (CHIPS)	\$120.00
TEA BAGS	\$10.00
COFFEE POTS	\$150.00
TEASER	\$40.00
PLATES, KNIVES, FORKS, NAPKINS	\$50.00
PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY, BREAD	\$60.00
CANNOIS	?

PROGRAMMING REPORT

Programming Committee Report

The committee had our first meeting and we had a good attendance.

Assist chair Tony K

Secretary Vacant

The committee discussed coming up with 10 different topics that we could use for our ECCNA 30 Convention.

We as a committee will ensure that all speakers can carry a clear narcotics anonymous message.

We will ensure that all speakers will have 12 steps and 12 traditions and can share on NA Literature.

The committee discussed having two topics all meetings.

In Loving Service

Lincoln M.

AUCTION REPORT

HELLO I LIKE TO REPORT THAT I HAVE ASKED PEOPLE TO FILL THE VICE CHAIR AND SECRETARY POSITIONS.. I AM WAITING TILL NEXT MONTH TO HAVE THEM JOIN US AT MEETING.. I AM IN TOUCH WITH LOTS OF PEOPLE OLD TIMERS AND OUT OF AREA PEOPLE WITH WHAT U AM DOING AND HOW THIS IS ALL GOING TO WORK.. I HAVE A LIST OF NAMES I WILL BE REACHING OUT TO IN UP COMING MONTHS BUT I FEEL LIKE IT'S WAY TO EARLY TO DO SO.. WHEN I GET COMMITTEE TOGETHER WE WILL HAVE A TIME FOR ZOOM PLATFORM TO FOLLOW.. AS OF NOW I AM WORKING ON THINGS AND THANJS FOR LETTING ME SERVE..MY DEEPEST APOLOGIES THAT I WILL NOT BE ATTENDING TONIGHT MEETING DO TO SOMETHING VERY PRESSING..GOD BLESS