



**Open:** 9:16AM with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer and the reading of the 12 Concepts by Dave A.

**Roll Call:** Jessica C., Jennifer C., Keith B., Ernie S., Jim M., Greg P., Candain M., Amber S., Taylor M., Jacqueline A.-B., Sjon C., Newt L., Daniel Mc., Dave A., Kurt B., Mark M., Sharon F.

**Guests:** None

**Birthdays;** Jim M.: 5 years, Newt L.: 26 years, Jacqueline A.-B.: 20 + years. Congratulations All!

**Approval of Last Month's Minutes:** Motion to approve last month's minutes by Mark M. seconded by Ernie S.

**Opening Reading:** Read by Jennifer C.

### ***Honest Prayer***

*“Although honesty is difficult to practice, it is most rewarding”*

*How difficult we find it to be honest! Many of us come to NA so confused about what really happened in our lives that it sometimes takes months and years to sort it all out. The truth of our history is not always as we have told it. How can we begin to be more truthful?*

*Many of us find it the easiest to be honest in prayer. With our fellow addicts, we sometimes find that we have a hard time telling the whole truth. We feel certain that we won't be accepted if we let others know us as we really are. It's hard to live up to the “terminally hip and fatally cool” image so many of us portrayed! In prayer, we find an acceptance from our Higher Power that allows us to open our hearts with honesty.*

*As we practice this honesty with the God of our understanding, we often find that it has a ripple effect in our communications with others. We get in the habit of being honest. We begin to practice honesty when we share at meetings and work with others. In return, we find our lives enriched by deepening friendships. We even find that we can be more honest with ourselves, the most important person to be truthful with!*

*Honesty is a quality that is developed through practice. It isn't always easy to be totally truthful, but when we begin with our Higher Power, we find it easier to extend our honesty to others.*

*Just for Today: I will be honest with God, myself and others*

### **Group Reports:**

**4<sup>th</sup> Street Recovery:** Not in attendance

**Addicts Helping Addicts:** Sharon F.; GSR, Jennifer C.; GSRA. Attendance small but steady.

**Addicts Seeking Sanity:** Amber S. GSR, Danny G. GSRA. All is well, Jackson Lake campout next weekend. Wednesday meeting needs opener. Question: How was group inventory? We just had a person come in and show us how to do inventory. Now we can do inventory. Question: Who was the inventory training person? His name is Bob, (some members volunteered to share his number). Donation: \$100.

## Group Reports: (cont'd)

**Back to Basics:** GSR: Larry R. Dave A. reporting. Meeting is happening, going well. Question: where do you meet? 709 Wagner.

**Buena Voluntad:** Not in attendance.

**Clean Serene Freaks:** Taylor M.: GSR, (In need of a GSRA). Poker run event planning is going good, T-shirts are in. Need a Friday Chair, and need some support for that meeting. Voted on getting a bank account.

**Dead Without It:** Thelma J.; GSR. Jessica reporting. Good attendance. BBQ at the end of August. Flyer to follow.

**Drug Busters:** Mark M.: GSR. Attendance is good, but times must be hard, 7<sup>th</sup> is down. We pay \$50 a month in rent, and that is a hard nut to crack.. Why doesn't Area have a 7<sup>th</sup>?

**Esperanza de a Vida "Hope for Life":** Francisco R.; GSR, Abel C.; GSRA. Abel reporting: Not in attendance

**Free at Last:** Not in attendance.

**Freedom Springs:** Jennifer C.: GSR. All is well.

**Hugs Not Drugs:** Newt L. GSR. We are still struggling – attendance is down. 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition is suffering. Struggling to pay rent. We were only able to pay half of our rent last month. The place we rent from will let us slide a bit. Speaker is Mike P. from "Ain't Dead Yet" on June 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Just For Today:** Greg P.: GSR Randy L. GSRA. Attendance is good. Summer kick off picnic on June 18<sup>th</sup> at Farr Park. Donation: \$50.

**NA Nooners:** Candain M.: GSR. We will be closed July 4<sup>th</sup>. On June 1, 2011, we have been open for 4 years. Purchased \$10.00 worth of white key tags, 1 "It Works, How and Why", and 2 Basic Texts. No daycare, just allow children under 2 to attend the meeting with the member. Donation: \$100.

**New Horizons:** Not in attendance.

**Primary Purpose:** Deb. B.: GSR. Saturday meeting needs support. Last Saturday there was only one newcomer present. Donation: \$30 Area, \$30 World.

**Steps and Traditions Roulette:** Jacqueline A.-B.: GSR. Attendance is good. Need more home group members. We're working out of "It Works, How and Why". Donation: \$37.19.

**When At The End Of The Road:** Daniel: GSR, Angie: GSRA. Attendance is good, a lot of return newcomers, 7<sup>th</sup> is down. Our picnic BBQ was a great success, thanks to everyone who supported this event. Will be looking for a new GSR as of July 2011.

**XX Genes:** Jessica C.: GSR. Meeting is growing, No donation this month, but were able to buy a Basic Text for the group.

**If your meeting report is not on here, make sure a written, preferably typed so I can read it, copy is turned in to Area Secretary! Thanks**

## Officer Reports

**Vice Chair:** Bobby W. Not present.

**Secretary:** Sharon F. Spoke to Becky Stewart at the City of Loveland. All of the dates for this meeting, (first Sunday of each month, August thru December), are available except for October. Asked if we could revive the motion tabled at the last Area meeting for changing the October Area meeting to the second Sunday in October.

**Treasurer:** Trino F. Returned all related information to Chair.

**RMC 1/RCM 2:** Jim M. and Keith B. RCM Team. Jim reporting:

### **Regional Campout:**

Idea was brought up whether we would like to do a regional campout. Each area has been asked to their respective areas, and have GSRs go back to home groups to see if there would be interest in a Colorado Regional Campout. This would not happen until summer of 2012. Since we do not have an Area meeting in July, and the next regional meeting is in July, please send Jim M. a simple email at [Gymjoey@gmail.com](mailto:Gymjoey@gmail.com). on what your home group thoughts are on a Regional Campout, so we can report back to the region.

### **Public Relations Learning Days:**

Each area (RCM?) has been asked to go back to their respective areas and have GSRs go back to their home groups to see if there would be interest in the Regional PR hosting some type of learning days event. This event can take place before the Regional Assembly on Saturday, Sept. 17, 2011, or the possibility of being tied to another event. If your group has any ideas or thoughts on this, please email those to Jim M.

### **United States Fellowship:**

There has been a lot of emails and conversation on the U.S. Fellowship. The Colorado Region has not opinion on this issue.

### **Regional Assembly:**

Next Regional Assembly will be held in Colorado Springs on September 18<sup>th</sup> 2011. We will present more information as it comes.

### **Regional Public Information:**

The Regional PI will meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month at the Public Library in Castle Rock, CO.

### **Hospitals and Institutions:**

H and I is looking for a vice chair of the regional sub-committee. Contact Dawn H. for more information.

### **WSLD: (Western Service Learning Days):**

WSLD is still in need of a vice chair and treasurer. This committee meets directly following the Regional Service Committee in Denver. If interested, contact Mac for more information at: 720 328-1119.

### **Budget Ad-hoc Committee:**

The budget ad-hoc committee will be meeting on June 12 at 9:00am. In a "Go to Meeting" (via computer) If you are interested in being a part of this committee in looking at how region deals with funds, contact Shawn H.

### **NAWS:**

Living clean book project can be purchased for \$8.50 at the NAWS website or can be downloaded in pdf format. The draft will be up for final approval at the next year's conference.

### **World Donation:**

The closing budget had an excess of \$183 and some change. Therefore we sent a donation of \$183.00 to world.

### **Activities:**

June 25<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Luau: 11am to 7pm: Cherry Creek State Park: 4201 S. Parker Rd., Aurora, CO. \$9.00 per car for park entrance and \$3.00 per person for event. Flyer at:

<http://www.nacolorado.org/denver/events/3rd%20annual%20luau%20fler.pdf>.

July 8 – 10: Ain't Dead Yet campout in Leadville, \$15.00. Registrations can be found on Colorado website.

July 8 – 10 Clean and Serene Campvention: Dillon Reservoir. No fees, just bring your own food and water and sleeping arrangements.

July 23<sup>rd</sup>: B.F.E. hosting a picnic in Yuma, CO.

Were we supposed to have a world representative here? Not sure what happened with that.

## Officer Reports (cont'd)

**Activities Subcommittee:** Scott N. Not present. Candain reporting. Should we look for another Activities Chair? Yes.

**CRCNA Liaison:** Karen C. I have not received any funds for transportation. We met Saturday. CRCNA fundraiser at Lakeside Amusement Park on Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. \$12.00 per ticket at the door. No money exchanged, bring tickets to home group. Sorry for the short notice. Speaker meeting and food. Bring a side dish. Gates open at 4:00. Speaker at 8:00. There is a lot of interest in the Barn Dance. We need to come up with dates so that they can start planning,. Next meeting is at the campout. Question: NA meeting at Lakeside. What about anonymity? Will be in a pavilion. What part of the \$12.00 goes to the fundraiser? 2.00 from each ticket. Will it be posted on the website? Yes, on the CRCNA website.

**Hospitals and Institutions:** Sjon C. We met May 28<sup>th</sup>. Need a vice chair position filled. Please bring back to groups. Candain voted in as chair for Work Release. TRT is going good. Detox is going good now. LCDC Women is going really well. ICCS is going good, people are showing up outside meetings. Next sub-committee meeting: June 25<sup>t</sup> at 11:00am.

**Literature Sub-Committee:** Mike M.

May Sales	\$ 470.45
New Lit Purchased	\$ 530.18
Current Inventory Value	\$ 2186.27
Current Bank Balance	\$ 12.80

As reported in the recent issue of The NA Way Magazine, literature prices will see a 5% increase on all items except for the Basic text. This change in World service prices will take effect on July 1<sup>st</sup> 2011.1 plan to have revised order forms with new prices in August. New prices will be in effect for this area starting at September ASC meeting. The next Literature Subcommittee meeting will be today at 3:15 PM at 3800 W 20<sup>th</sup> st. in Greeley.

**Public Information Subcommittee:** Ernie S.

The PI subcommittee met on Saturday, May 28, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in Greeley.

Discussion about our presence at the 9 News Health Fair in Evans in the Month of April. Positive point is that we had a presence there. Negative point was that there was not much traffic at our booth. However this being the first year for the fair at this facility there were a lot of bugs to work out by the facility.

Web site has been updated. There is a new feature for a link to a clean time calculator. This link can be found on the front page of Off the Wall's web page. It gives clean time amount and shows the key tags earned for the specific amount of clean time. This link is connected to the North Shore area in Louisiana, so a huge thanks to our brothers and sisters in that Area.

If your home group is having an activity, speaker meeting or special event please send a copy of the flyer via email to the web master at [otwnaweb@gmail.com](mailto:otwnaweb@gmail.com) so that these events can be posted on the web site.

Phone line is still looking for recovering addicts who are members of NA and have at least 1 year clean time to help carry the phone and help the addict who calls in for help. If interested contact Ernie S, Karl W, or Victor R for more information.

## Officer Reports (cont'd)

**PI (cont'd):** There is also a phone line volunteer signup sheet going to each home group for addicts to sign up on. There is still a need for people to volunteer in Loveland and Ft. Collins. ^

The PI subcommittee has voted on placing their energy for the summer months on the small towns located in the two counties who hold fairs in their towns. For example, Eaton holds Eaton Days every year. Many of the towns hold fall festivals or other types of celebrations in their towns throughout the summer months. If you are aware of any of these activities please get the information to Ernie S or Karl W so the subcommittee can do the necessary foot work involved. It would be helpful if you knew the town, dates and a contact person. We'd love to set up a booth and have a presence at as many of these as possible.

If you have other ideas for where PI can have a presence please feel free to contact us with the idea, contact information and what would be needed, booth, presentation, etc..

At the Regional PI level it was decided that NA would have a booth at the Colorado State Fair in August. This is a huge undertaking and will take a lot of service work on behalf of addicts throughout the state. NA had to agree to have their booth manned for 12 hours a day from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. for 11 days. The State Fair will run from Aug. 26- Sept 5, 2011. We will have more information for the training and what is involved as we receive it from the Regional PI committee.

For the month of June the only expense the PI Subcommittee will have is \$15.00 for meeting schedules.

**Questions:** How is your attendance for the PI sub-committee meeting. 3 to 5 people. Where is the State Fair? Pueblo.

**Merchandise Subcommittee:** Stephanni C. Resigning. Kurt B. read a letter from Stephanni:

“Hello Area,

I haven't seen many of you in quite some time now. I hope everyone is enjoying the beginning of summer with all the nice weather we have been having. I am writing this letter as my formal resignation as the Merchandise Chair. After careful consideration, I have decided that I can no longer hold the position. I just cannot put in the time that is needed to fulfill this commitment. This is not fair to the Area and the Addicts that we serve. Not having enough time is a good thing. I never did anything with my life before recovery. Now, my life is so full, I barely have the time to take a minute out for myself.

This is not an easy decision to make. I absolutely love doing Area service.

Thank you all for giving me the opportunities that you have, for I am truly grateful. I will see you all at a meeting or an event in the near future.

Godspeed,  
Stephanni”

**Chair:** Kurt B.

*We do this! I do nothing but keep this meeting focused towards our primary purpose. In the past year or so, this area has gone thru controversy and/or chaos. It became something we had to deal with. We did it in a manner that reflects that we were doing the right thing for the right reasons. Even when this group lost our way, we found a way back to our main reason for gathering once a month. We made sense of our journey along this road that moves us forward (never straight). I want to thank the members of this committee for allowing me to be a part of this daily miracle. I can't We can.*

"You mean that our primary purpose is to carry the message? I thought we were here to stay clean. I thought that our primary purpose was to recover from drug addiction. "For the individual, this is certainly true; our members are here to find freedom from addiction and a new way of life. However, groups aren 't addicted and don't recover. All our groups can do is plant the seed for recovery and bring addicts together so that the magic of empathy, honesty, caring, sharing and service can do their work. The purpose of this tradition is to ensure that this atmosphere of recovery is maintained. This can only be achieved by keeping our groups recovery-oriented. The fact that we, each and every group, focus on carrying the message provides consistency; addicts can count on us. Unity of action and purpose makes possible what seemed impossible for us - recovery. " *Basic Text Trad 5 pg. 64*

## Officer Reports (cont'd)

**ASC Chair:** Barn dance should be on Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>. Trying to contact the owner, (Barn owner is not a member of NA). Event is on the CRCNA website as a proposed event. CRCNA pays the tab, need input from the groups. Was stated that we appreciate all that you do, Kurt. Thanks for what you do.

**Again, please have a written, preferably typed so I can read it, copy of all committee, subcommittee, and Adhoc committee meeting minutes given to Secretary. Thanks**

## Unfinished Business

Recommendations for more secure and efficient money management All items below passed during the May ASC and will be entered into our OTW guidelines as an addendum ARTICLE VII: HANDLING AREA FUNDS d. Budget Process. F. through J.

- f. Operate all OTW Area business from one bank account, and any debit card(s) attached to the account be held by the Area Treasurer.
- g. Use checks or debt card for all transactions
- h. Require timely deposits of all funds within 24 hours.
- i. Establish standing operating budgets (S.O.B's) for all sub committees. Each sub-committee would be required to maintain its own account ledger of expenditures and include an accurate financial reconciliation to the ASC each month.
- j. Better planning. No last minute events and no fliers printed until an event is actually on the calendar. All events must be presented 60 days in advance of event to ASC.

Ad-hoc recommendations will be entered into the area guidelines

Comments and questions; These are guidelines, but if there is an emergency, we can vote on something if it needs to be changed. Training may be needed for ledger entries. Questions: Will the new treasurer take care of the ledgers? Each sub-committee will have its own ledger. Was stated that in our literature list, there is a ledger. No, we will buy ledgers instead of using those. Secretary is responsible for buying ledgers? Yes. How will we make the transition from multiple bank accounts to one bank account? We will need to have a treasurer voted in. Should guidelines brought into the guidelines of the sub-committees? When we make changes to guidelines for the area, shouldn't we change it for the sub-committees at the same time? Some of the guidelines don't apply. Secretary should add it to the guidelines. Ad-hoc committee might be good to review guidelines, written motion.

## New Business Elections for Open Office

**Literature Chair:** Mike M. was nominated by Dave A. Seconded. Unanimous.  
Mike M. is our new Literature Chair.

**ASC Treasurer:** Deb B. nominates Keith B. Seconded. How will you do both positions? He will step down from the RCM2 position. Do we need another RCM2 since it is a 2 year commitment. A person can do both chairs at once. It is important to decide this, even though we do have a backup position on RCM. Does this person have the time? No, only time for one position. Position should be a passion for the person.  
Qualify: Home opener for the Saturday meeting in Greeley. Been involved in NA, been a treasurer for his own business, does not necessarily have the passion for the RCM job. Qualifications read by chair. 3 years continuous clean time, bookkeeping knowledge. Question: have you been involved with area service for a year? No, 7 months.

## **Elections for Open Office (cont'd)**

### **ASC Treasurer: (cont'd)**

Although we can hold more than one position, we don't want to overload a person, and we like to have the positions open, so that we can rotate.

Vote: 15 For, 3 Abstentions. Keith is our new ASC Treasurer.

**ASC Vice Chair:** Dave A. nominates Mark M. Mark accepts. Qualifies: 19 years clean time, got involved in area service for 6 years, 2 years literature chair, had experience with financial issues. Considered treasurer, but would like to be involved in subcommittee activities, and to how better to carry the message. Questions and comments: Are you willing to fill Kurt's position when the time comes? Part of this position, is to be on the bank account,. Do you have a job to qualify for this position? Yes. Do you have time to go to the sub-committee meetings, as we are in a busy time, will you have time? I will not go to every subcommittee meeting, but will like to be involved. Are you working the traditions? No, but I am familiar with the traditions. Do you have an NA sponsor? Do you work the NA program? Yes, I have cut back on other fellowships. Could you learn and grow with this position? I see myself as a foil to the other argumentative types. How will you handle conflict and disagreements? I would like to go from the viewpoint of talking to resolve conflicts. I also believe that Roberts rules of order are important, but group conscience is also.

Vote: 4 for, 9 opposed, 6 abstentions. Seat is still open.

**ASC Chair:** Dave A. nominates Kurt B., seconded by Mark. Requirements read. Kurt qualified. 22 years clean., works NA program, Steps and traditions. Has held many NA service positions. I do this because it is part of my recovery, I am committed to service in NA.

Vote: 19 For. (Unanimous). Kurt continues as our ASC Chair.

## **Open Area Opportunities for Service:**

**RCM position  
ASC Vice Chair  
Activites Chair**

### **Written Motions**

Motion tabled in the May meeting is revived to change the October ASC meeting to the second Sunday in October, October 9th. Questions and comments: Could we keep it the same date? People are used to the same date.

Vote: 19 For. (Unanimous). Motion passes.

Motion: To form an Ad-hoc committee to oversee the adding of guidelines. Questions and comments: Are we going through the whole guidelines, or just the changes. Yes, the whole thing. Fine tune and add.

Vote: 9 For, 8 Against. Motion fails.

Motion: WCNA / Unity day event on Sept 4th, 2011 ASC would provide money for burgers, brats, etc. Labor Day Weekend? Yes. Everyone gets to listen to the speaker at World on Sunday morning. BBQ is done for the after noon. Downside is that it is on Sunday, and that since we don't have a July ASC, it may be harder to get information out.

Amendment: Move meeting out to next meeting date. No. ASC at Dave's house. Does it say whether we allow how much for food? \$200. It is a positive experience. My only issue, that it needs to be an area event, and that it needs to have a flyer.

Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> 10:30am to 1:30pm.

Vote: 17 For, 2 Abstentions. Motion passes.

## Written Motions (cont'd)

Motion: Let the CRCNA Chair organize the Barn dance event. August 27<sup>th</sup> date is proposed. Questions and comments: Are you willing to organize? Yes. What is expected, CRCNA did minor stuff, sanitation, clean-up, etc., pre and post production. How many people do the cleanup? 10 to 20. He doesn't charge for the use of the barn if we clean up beforehand.

Vote: 19 For. (Unanimous). Motion passes.

## Open Discussion

Daniel Mc. read a letter to sent to World, and copied to the Off the Wall Area:

Grievance: Denied service. Concept 10 read.

Dear OFTW:

Recently I was denied service by the PI subcommittee. From Charlie A. sent a letter to World.

From time to time, I hold the Phone line phone, and recently I was asked to relinquish the Phone. My sponsor is a member of AA, and this is the reason cited for the phone getting relinquished.

Comments: Our literature states that we are to carry the NA message, so how does someone carry the NA message appropriately if they have a sponsor outside of NA? Stated that we can bring the NA message even while holding memberships in other fellowships. We need to know where the lines are drawn as far as cross fellowships. The only thing to drawn on is the tradition that is stating that the only requirement is to stop using. The message for NA is clear, and needs to be conveyed as such and very clear. It is possible to bring the NA message when having other beliefs, and/or other healing programs. PI meeting can field these questions at the next PI meeting, 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month. Service commitments have requirements. Can I vote on your sub-committee meeting, and change guidelines, when majority rules. As members, we have the desire to stop using. We choose membership, we are stating that we are powerless over addiction. Traditions don't protect us against anything, we need to choose to follow those traditions, to be protected. Important to understand what you are choosing.

ASC Chair: We will see what World says.

**No disbursements today, since Vice Chair is not here, and he has the checkbook.**

## Upcoming Events

What: Addicts Seeking Sanity Group – 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Jackson Lake Unity Weekend (Flyer)

When: June 10<sup>th</sup> – 12, 2011 6:30pm

Where Jackson Lake State Park, 26363 County Road 3, Orchard, CO 80649

**Next ASC Meeting:  
August 7, 2011 9:00am  
The Pulliam Building  
545 N. Cleveland Ave.  
Loveland, CO**

**Your Secretary thanks you for your patience!**