

## OTWASC MINUTES December 3rd, 2017

**Open: 9:03**

**New GSRs:** Jimmy, Just for today.

**Visitors:**

**Birthdays:** Shawn 11/12/07, Karen C., 19 years yesterday,

**Approval of Last Month's Minutes:** voted on and approved

### Group Reports

**Addicts book club: Karen C. reporting** meetings are going great, just finished 3rd step out of basic text, will now pay 15 rent, asking smokers to go to library park across the street out of respect to the church. \$5 donation

**Addicts Seeking Sanity:** Val reporting. Meetings going well, well attended, Friday Dec 8<sup>th</sup> ice skating event, \$7. books and lit purchase \$51.20, donation \$165

**Dead Without It:** Richard reporting. Attendance around 20 people, just picked up new homegroup member, ordering lit, use our 7<sup>th</sup> trad to keep afloat, talking about a shindig in the spring, going to start having speakers again starting Jan 26<sup>th</sup>, Paul B. No concerns, donating \$10. Still searching for new location

**Drugbusters:** Mark M reporting. Football season is over, we will remain at our current location once we learn church's plans for next year. New homegroup member and new GSRA. \$40 lit, \$10 donation. Low attendance due to unstable meeting place. Only way we could inform people about football parking issues was through blast and a sign on the door. Often people didn't know where we were meeting. We are talking about solutions.

**Free at last:** O'Riley reporting. Friday night meeting at Harmony is no longer meeting, take off schedule. It is under surveillance by counselors that work there. There is no longer an NA member setting up and chairing that meeting. It's no longer an NA meeting. O'Riley proposed that this become an H&I meeting.

**Freed from Insanity:** Scott GSR reporting. Meetings are upstairs and downstairs depending on another group meeting there. Lit \$25.25 no donation.

**Fun Addicts:** Jeff reporting. Welcoming Darla as treasurer, attendance going well about 40 people on Sundays, potluck on Dec 10<sup>th</sup> with speakers celebrating 40 years of NA in Fort Collins. New clean time requirements for service. Donation \$141.45

**Just for Today:** Shawn reporting. Attendance is good, book study meeting attendance has picked up a lot, going out of living clean book, \$117 area donation, will be stepping down as GSR in the spirit of rotation. Just had a speaker this week, if anyone wants to be a speaker for January, let me know. February is filled. Speaker meeting on the last Friday of each month, which has changed from the first Friday according to our group conscience, and birthdays will be on first Friday now.

**LIVE:** Dez reporting as proxy because GSRA quit. Group doing well, attendance growing, donation \$20, open GSRA position. Some controversy about cell phone use by chair during meetings.

**Miracle on Oak Street:** Karen C. reporting. Meetings are awesome, averaging 30-40 people, increasing our rent, buying lit, no concerns, no donation.

**New Horizons:** O'Riley reporting. Thursday night at 7 doing fine, same 2-3 members show up. No donation or lit order.

**No Matter what:** Tanner reporting. My last month at ASC, thanks for letting me serve. Jacq is going to take over, she's our current GSRA so she'll give our group report today. Jacq B. reporting. Attendance strong, good turnout for our speaker meeting, will be meeting Dec 25<sup>th</sup>, will be a speaker meeting, Alyssa from Casper will be speaking., Lit order \$9.60, donation \$16.31.

**Primary Purpose:** Shawn reporting. Group going fine, investigating a meeting location for Monday nights, haven't had any serious discussion or votes about Primary Purpose taking that night, maybe both groups come together. Donation \$24

**Recovery SWAG'D Out:** Stacia reporting. Attendance growing. Birthday last Tuesday of month, lots of newcomers and people from treatment centers. \$34 lit, \$20 donation

**Responsible for Our Recovery:** O'Riley reporting. Tuesday night step study has now moved to Elm street location at the clubhouse, not meeting at Harmony. The Tuesday night meeting is not on the website. Dave A.: there was no information as to where it was meeting, that's what isn't on the website. O'Riley: we simply moved. We need a group conscience meeting, requirements for trusted servants, need to get more accountable for this with formal trusted servant positions. Will have a GC on this Thursday, if you attend that would be appreciated. It's the same three people every time. Probably going to merge with New Horizons. Trino: Do you want to now put it on our meeting list? O'Riley: Please add it to the list, just change the locations. We want to simplify so it's one group meeting multiple days.

**Steps and Traditions Roulette:** John reporting. Meeting going well since slight change in format, we have more balls! Meeting is doing well, attendance is up. \$14 area donation, no lit, no concerns.

**Solution Group:** Trino reporting. All is well, Dinosaur Days coming soon, would like to see a GSR training at our next event or sometime soon. \$81 area donation.

**Truth through Proof:** not in attendance.

**When At The End Of The Road:** Patrick reporting. Thanksgiving noon potluck was a great success. We will be volunteering our time for church holiday events. Childcare during meetings still in the works. Donation \$100, lit order \$223.30

**Windsor Lighthouse:** Alyssa reporting. Going great, averaging 12 people every week, would like to change our meeting from 6pm to 6:15, please update. Last area we received the wrong lit package, but I have someone else's here. Please get with me during break. No donation, \$24 lit.

**Meeting(s) of the month:** New Horizons and Drugbusters. Please announce at your meetings.

### **Officer Reports**

**Chair:** Dave A. reporting. Hello everyone. I have copies of guidelines, acronyms and GSR orientation stuff up here, hope you find it helpful. Please read through guidelines wo help us serve groups. Please sign up for blast on our website. Just go to OTWNA.org, there's a button that you can push to get added

to the blast. It helps us inform groups of what's going on as best we can. Also on the site are emails for the officers and subcommittee chairs. I suggest we circulate the CAR this January before the WC meets in March. CAT – conference agenda track, has budgets and gives good report on how World money is spent. There are 25 regional motions on the CAR. The ASC coffee pot has disappeared. Anyone know where it is? No? No big deal. We can use the coffee urns here we just have to bring our own coffee. We have a couple holidays this month, so please announce on blast if any of your meetings on a holiday are not going to be held.

**Vice Chair:** absent

**Secretary:** Nothing to report at this time.

**Treasurer:** Ray reporting. Closing balance \$2518.51, current balance \$3104.22 including prudent reserve of \$600.

**RMC 1:** Amy reporting for Daniel, saying he's still interested in running for RCM1, but if someone wants to step up he wouldn't mind. We will be working with the RDA to do CAR and CAT stuff. That's it.

**RCM 2:** Amy reporting. See paper copy of report.

**Hospitals and Institutions:** Kurt reporting. Had our meeting last week, had 12 in attendance, great meeting. Did our overlap with PI meeting to build continuity. Discussed 2018 budget. Had an incident at TRT which resulted in the expulsion of one panel member that wasn't clean when they arrived. Hats off to Janine and others in attendance, they handled it very, very well. Still welcome in the facility, and the facility was happy we dealt with it in the way we did. Vice chair resigned, new vice chair has been our VC in the past. Subcommittee welcomes new ideas, I suggest we have written reports for all the facilities, I think it will help with transitional continuity and helps me in accountability to ASC. Need report from LCCC women's, but everyone else gave me a report. There's a report form on the website. I tried to get the agenda out ahead of time so we have suggestions on our agenda to be discussed. Our time is limited, so we'd like to try to get people to send it to us and get it into new business. Regional updates: Regional PR meeting on HI with regional folks, if anyone wants those minutes, they can be lengthy. Talking about using Zoom platform as part of our budget. If we can use modern tech to communicate it works well, especially for Estes meetings so they don't have to drive down and can attend remotely. Next regional meeting Dec 10, planning on having our next meeting for subcommittee on Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Requesting \$155 budget, \$150 for lit and \$5 for rent. We have a lot of lit requests, and we need to hear about it in written reports as to what facilities have and need it helps us plan for our expenses so ASC isn't surprised by our requests for disbursements. Ray: Region is looking at a multiple meeting Zoom contract. Is this your total budget request going forward? Kurt: Had to increase due to one facility asking for more books.

**Public Information Subcommittee:** Zach reporting. Good subcommittee meeting. Shane R. elected as vice chair. Jenny C as Secretary. Steve D. is our phone line coordinator, all that information has been updated on the web. Mark M. is our schedule and lit coordinator. Good meeting, glad people stepped up to get message out. Beginning a push to get posters out to appropriate places. On Dec 1 we gave out a bunch of posters and info. We've started to track that stuff on a spreadsheet, if you want to see it let me know. We will do so in other cities in the area. Let me know of any areas in FC and Loveland, and we'll get it there. We are working on a 2018 PI budget, will get it to you when we can. Talked about reaching out to Harmony in Estes to see if we can build a stronger relationship with them. Had 16 calls, 4

volunteers answering. Have good website stats, 1700 visitors last month, more available in my report. Webservant position is open since I'm PI chair I need to let someone step up. Paid \$5 rent.

**Merchandise Sub-Committee: Carrie reporting** Sales went well on CRCNA, \$392.80. Large request for Jimmy K hoodies to come back. At subcommittee meeting we decided to do Jimmy K hoodies and long sleeve shirts. Asking for my budget of \$200 to get this done. Maybe we should do an area contest for new art for merchandise. We're going to do a flyer on blast, all designs submitted by February 1<sup>st</sup> so we can have a new logo for Spring. We're tabling "miracle is real" and bringing back Jimmy K.

**Activities Subcommittee:** Sarah reporting. We have the Majestic locked down for New Years. Will be two speakers there, \$10 suggested donation. I have received suggestions for events. Will be looking into that. Our attendance today was lower than it has been. Requesting disbursement of \$250. Trino(to all): if you suggest an activity, please have the willingness to contribute your time to putting it on. Zach: Last time the activities survey it was reported that there were inappropriate responses and jokes. Is that a problem? Sarah: We haven't had any such problems.

**Literature:** Patty reporting. \$847.35 sold today, \$125 for HI, currently out of workbooks, a few things backordered, but I'll get them. Within a week.

### **15 minute break**

#### **Elections:**

RCM1 – Stacia nominated and seconded. Stacia accepted. Stacia qualified herself. Stacia changed her mind and said she'd like to think about it. Election tabled until January.

CRCNA Liaison – Sjohn nominated and seconded, he declined. Richard nominated and seconded, he declined. Specifically, he said, "Helllll no." Election tabled until January.

#### **Old Business-**

Committee researching other locations for ASC. Trino – this is my final report. Unfortunately we found out the places we were looking at would be much more expensive. Majestic is very affordable at \$50/month. Ad hoc committee dissolved.

Annual budget. Ray: We are spending just about \$11,500 annually. For us to try and build that kind of money will take quite a bit of time. YTD expenses are \$13,082. I recommend we think carefully before we donate. We might want to increase our prudent reserve, since we got close to serious financial issues this Summer. Dave A. The bulk of that is literature purchases. Ray: Lit sales are 50% of our income, and for the most part lit is flush. The rest is HI and PI lit. A donation of more than \$500 might hurt us. We can look at having the region host our website, as other CO ASCs do. We'd still be able to manage our website, they would just host it. Zach – we have a tremendous amount of archival stuff that would be problematic to move. I could chat with region. Next payment for website is June 2019. Zach will see if we can pare costs down.

#### **New Business-**

CAR report discussion. Report is \$7.50 on WS website. Can get these into the hands of GSRs. It's 86 pages. Do we want to spend \$7.50 per group to get these in their hands, or spend less, \$5, to have these printed and brought to ASC next month? Kim – what about electronic copies? Dave: there are other options. What would the area like to do to review this before March? We need to get this info out so the groups know how they want to vote on these regional motions. (Some discussion on whether the

electronic copy or paying for paper copies is preferable.) Amy will make 10 copies of the CAR to distribute to groups that want them. Dave A has also sent out a link to the CAR on blast, webmaster will create a link on our website to the CAR. Groups can pay for hard copies as they will at \$5 apiece, plus whatever for the folder. We will have a CAR meeting in March to discuss what the groups decided.

A sheet was passed around for groups to make note of what lit they have on back order, so Patty has their contact information for when it comes in next week.

Questions raised about backordered literature. Workbooks and some white keytags are backordered, some IPs at home. Patty will reach out to groups that have backordered lit when the order comes in next week. Some discussion about how literature inventory is managed. Questions answered. **(Secretary's after-the-fact note: Many group representatives left during the break. Hope they read this section of the minutes so they know they can contact Patty about backordered literature.)**

**Written Motions:**

Carrie A. moved, Sarah A seconded. Disbursement for additional \$100 for Merchandise to increase stock of Jimmy K merchandise. We have to pay an extra fee to have a silkscreen built at a cheaper vendor that's local and may be more reliable. Motion passed.

Amy K. moved, Dave A. seconded. To give Windsor Lighthouse group replacement lit or reimbursement of \$33 to replace misplaced literature from last month. Alyssa GSR said she appreciated the gesture, but would rather see people here attending the meeting instead. Motion withdrawn.

Trino moved we have GSR training at St. Patrick's Day event on March 17<sup>th</sup>. Motion tabled.

**Disbursements:**

See motions.

**Take back to groups:** RCM 1 open for election (2 year commitment), CRCNA liaison open for election, webservant, is open, please register your groups with the website,

**Next ASC Meeting:  
1/7/18 @ 9:00am  
*The Majestic Gathering Place*  
315 East 4th Street  
Loveland, CO. 80538**

**Closed**