

## OTWASC MINUTES January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**Open:** 9:01

**Approval of Last Month's Minutes:** Approved

**Guests/ New GSRs:** Ryan GSRA Fun Addicts, Adnan visitor, Tommy visitor, John visitor, Eric GSR Live Group

**Birthdays:** Michael R 3 years Dec 15, Shawn 22 years Dec 15, Kim W 3 years Dec 4, Carrie 2 years Jan 3

### Group Reports

**Addicts Book Club:** Karen Reporting, Going great, no concerns, no donation

**Addicts Seeking Sanity:** Val reporting, concern about group sitting on money, no donation, buying lit, skate party went well, asked to host presentation, will ask region to donate \$50 to church, discussion about Spring Fling, tabled, members asked to donate coffee cups to cut costs, New GSRA Jen C, all meeting openers open for January.

**Dead Without It:** Richard reporting, attendance 25-30, no concerns, donating \$5 to area and ordering lit, still no news about finding a new church

**Drugbusters:** Mark reporting, doing better now, some new people, lit \$18.90, donation \$25

**Free at last:** Not in attendance

**Freed from insanity:** Scott reporting, donation \$28.50, lit \$122.50, able to pay our rent four months in advance, that's serving as our prudent reserve, attendance seems to be growing, 8-10 plus each week, glad to be here.

**Fun Addicts:** Ryan P. reporting, group attendance is good, averaging 35 people, Mugs not drugs is 10-15 people. Potluck on 10<sup>th</sup> was a success, next potluck on March 11, donation \$10, lit \$113

**Just for today:** Jimmy reporting, Attendance good appreciate support, have \$42.50 lit, \$106 donation

**Live:** Eric GSR, changes in at end of January, Tuesday night meeting closing in February, Thursday closing in February, Sunday night meeting changed to Step-writing, changing time to 7pm, looking for people with time for morning meetings. Lit \$86.65, donation \$26.25. Group liaison position is open (talks with Unity), note taker position open.

**Miracle on Oak Street:** Karen reporting, attendance 30-40 addicts, no concerns

**New Horizons:** not in attendance

**No Matter What:** not in attendance

**Primary Purpose:** Shawn reporting. Won't be expanding to Monday nights, discussed budget stuff about sitting on money, area donation \$20

**Recovery SWAG'D Out:** Stacia reporting. Everything's going well, no concerns at this time, \$27 lit order, no donation

**Responsible for Recovery:** not present

**Steps and traditions Roulette:** John reporting, maxed out on Thursday for attendance, att up in general, will make a donation after I total it up

**Solution Group:** Trino reporting, no Sunday meeting, as of Feb 28<sup>th</sup> we will need to find a new place to meet. Church has asked us to leave as their youth group is expanding. We're working on it.

**Truth through Proof:** not present

**When At The End Of The Road:** Voted to start back up on group inventory every other month, Next meeting Feb 10, asked James R. to help us with it, may start daycare, don't have a date, looking at February, looking for people with 6 months clean to volunteer, everyone will be considered, but vetted. Fliers available, get back to me or Patrick \$243.38 donation, thanks for all who came to Xmas and New Year, lit \$174.05

**Windsor Lighthouse:** John reporting, ordering lit, no donation, attendance has been steady, averaging 10 people, at least six people who live in Windsor, time change has helped the chairs make it on time

Discussion about improving attendance at meeting of the month, Kim suggested we send it out on blast a couple times a month as a reminder. Live group mornings nominated. Those meetings are well attended be people in treatment and correctional facilities.

**Meeting(s) of the month:** Live group morning meetings

### **Officer Reports**

**Chair:** Hello everyone happy new year. We have GSR orientation and guideline packets available. Please read through guidelines to better serve the groups. If you are new and would like to be added to blast, sign up on the OTWNA.org website. Please send out blasts to keep area informed about changes to meetings. There is also contact information for each of the ASC and subcommittee chairs, which are up with aliases. I have been asked to make sure that those voting are GSRs or GSRA's as per our guidelines. If neither is in attendance, other homegroup members can report to ASC but not vote.

**Vice Chair:** Nothing to report

**Secretary:** Nothing to report.

**Treasurer:** Asked about financials for 2017. Our income for year including lit, merch, and activities has been 16646.58, not including January's lit order which I did not receive. Expenses 13294.17. Carry over balance of 3352.41, there was a discrepancy somewhere, I'm guessing literature. We need to average \$1200 per month to meet our expenses. Open 2018 with start balance of 3516.75, including prudent reserve. With donations from groups and activities, our current income is 1496.95, giving current balance of 5013.70. We discussed meeting our encumbered expenses before we donate. Region is already good for the year on their encumbered expenses. OTW hasn't met encumbered yet. We're about 45% of the way there. Putting to body question of whether we wait until we have enough to meet our expenses for the year before we donate. Discussion about a guideline change to increase our prudent reserve. Last year we

donated a lot to Region before we realized we had some upcoming expenses. Some concern voiced about keeping the flow of funds going to Region and thus on up to World. Our encumbered amount is a minimum of \$1200 per month.

**RMC 1:** electing one today

**RCM 2:** Amy reporting. No Regional meeting, but I do have the Conference Agenda Report (CAR), CAR meeting on March 11 12:30-3:30, 3800 west 20<sup>th</sup> street Greeley, I don't have fliers yet. Printed CARs are available, it's up on the area website on GSR checklist page, and also on NAWs website.

**Hospitals and Institutions:** Kurt reporting. Had about 10 in attendance at our last subcommittee meeting. Lot of discussion on our budget, also about using a virtual meeting space so we can encourage people to attend if they have travel/timing issues. Bandwidth issues. Budget for 2018, submitted to Treasurer. We do have a line item for copies of \$20 a month, but copies kill us. Please use electronic means of communication. Discussion about volunteer orientation for all members going into facilities, want to make sure we're on the same page about how to conduct ourselves appropriately. Quantified lit process, asking to send co-chair ahead of time to make sure we have the appropriate literature and amount, and order times throughout. We welcome new ideas, ask that all panel members get written reports, and please submit questions and concerns to H&I. Continue to need volunteers. Need rotation of service. Next regional Zoom meeting next Monday. Asking for reimbursement of \$58.95 for handbooks. Jan 27<sup>th</sup> next subcommittee meeting, more information on website. Monthly budget request is \$185 monthly, \$2220 per year. PI budget request is on same sheet. It's on our agenda to take meetings up to Harmony in Estes. Not purchasing literature this month.

**Public Information Subcommittee:** Vice chair Shane reporting. Happy New Year, looking forward to working with PI subcommittee. Looking forward to exploring new avenues of community outreach. Working on informing law enforcement officers about us and where we meet. Have discussed business card format to pass out our phone number and website. Jan 27<sup>th</sup> next subcommittee meeting. In Dec we went out in Greeley and Loveland to put posters up in 16 locations. Will be going up to Fort Collins in January. Contacting law enforcement to see if we can give them a presentation and hand out business cards. Proposed PI budget is up on the website. Web-servant report OTWNA website 1712 visitors, Since January 2017, 16322 visits to the website. Difficulty hearing oral report, will add written later. Proposed budget for 2018, \$200 monthly. It was suggested to put the PI report on blast.

**Merchandise Sub-Committee:** Carrie reporting. New hoodies will be here this week. Contest for new shirt logo ends on Feb 1<sup>st</sup>. We'll be voting on new design at subcommittee this month.

**Activities Subcommittee:** Sarah reporting. New Year's Eve bash was a hit, miscommunication about who was unlocking door, but had 150 people showed, \$117 raffle, \$1070 in donations, 997.83 total turned in to area from event. Have a few events coming up. Painting with a twist, "The New Day" with coffee, will have fliers soon, Sat Feb 17<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:30, painting is on website, instructor will be there, will blast it out. RSVP, can have up to 44 people, need to have a \$50 deposit, minimum of 10 people, check the website. March 17<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's day potluck, will have fliers by next area. 12pm to 4pm. Looking into doing an escape room at the end of March, bonfire in May.

**CRCNA Liaison:** position open. Daniel reporting for the time being. Location of meetings is 809 South Washington Street in Denver at 9am on first Saturday of the month. Chair: Patrick from Denver, VC is open, Vice treasurer is open, Aaron from Pike's peak. Daniel is the treasurer. Tink is the Secretary. Open

positions on subcommittees: Hotels is open, Rolando W: programs chair. Godfrey for print and display. F&E Dusty F. Melissa is merch chair from Mile High. Registration chair is open. Web chair is Mike D. from Mile High, H&I chair is open. Will be walking through concepts as we go. We have strong personalities, but it is going to be very fun. This year we're looking at potential guideline changes with duties. The big three fundraising events we're looking for a way to formalize them. Making sure we have receipts and teaching of the next person to take service positions. Negotiating with hotel about location of everything and fixing issues with last convention. Will be at same hotel for next two years.

**Literature:** Patty reporting. Started with \$3553, sold 550 in cash, 192 in check, 13.40 for pi, but no HI order this month. Backorders in and distributed.

**Elections:**

RCMI: Guidelines read. No nominees submitted. Tabled until next ASC meeting.

CRCNA Liaison: Richard nominated, accepted, and qualified himself. Questions asked and answered regarding Richard's qualifications. Richard Elected.

**Old Business-**

Annual budget: Treasurer report will go out with minutes.

**New Business-**

CAR discussion covered last time. 25 motions in CAR to vote on.

**Written Motions:**

Donate \$350 to Region: Made by Karen C, second Kim W. Amendment submitted to donate \$500 instead. Karen suggests \$350 is appropriate. Amendment withdrawn. Motion passes.

Increase prudent reserve from \$600 to \$1000: made by Kim W, second Jeff R. Discussion over the particulars. Suggestion to make our prudent reserve the \$1200 encumbered/month. Suggestion to create an ad hoc committee to come up with a proposal. Suggested to table this and take it back to groups, as it requires a guideline change. ASC chair will appoint an ad hoc committee chair. Withdrawn pending ad hoc committee findings.

To have subcommittee reports include their monthly ledger as stated in the ASC guidelines Article 7 in the area minutes: made by Val K, Second Trino F. Monthly ledger includes itemized expenses. Article 7 section D Subsection I (the relevant portion of guidelines) doesn't include H&I and PI. Suggested to change the motion to change the guidelines to include all subcommittees. Not intent of motion. The motion was intended to increase transparency on a monthly basis with subcommittee expenses. Motion passed.

To give \$35 to Addicts Seeking Sanity to rent the space for the CAR meeting in March: Made by Amy K, second Sarah C. Motion passed.

**Disbursements:**

**Final Treasurer report:** Monthly expenses 511.95, add \$1500 for .literature, closing balance without literature \$4824.55

**Take back to groups:**

**Meeting of the Month:** see above

Upcoming activities in Activities Chair report above.

**Next ASC Meeting:**  
**2/4/18 @ 9:00am**  
*The Majestic Gathering Place*  
**315 East 4th Street**  
**Loveland, CO. 80538**

**Closed**