



Open: 9:15 with a Moment of silence, the Serenity Prayer, and reading of the 12 concepts.

Roll Call: Stephanni C., Karen C., Jennifer C., Lacey., Kurt B., Francisco R., Josie S., Jonathan L., Levi B., Stacy A., Sjon C., Bill C., Bailey H., Tiffany R., Jim M., Shell H., Shawn H., Dawn H., Desiree V., Cathy S., Ernie S., Goldberry M., Joe W., Mike L., Adam C., Lindsey F., Corey M., Rebecca K., Chris B., Corrie M.

Guests:

Approval of Last Month's Minutes: Motion to approve last month's minutes. Minutes approved.

Group Reports:

4th Street Recovery: Levi B. GSR, Bob S. GSRA, Group is doing well, with an average of 25-30 Addicts in attendance. The group voted no on special awards.

Addicts Helping Addicts: Rebecca K. GSR, Shealee S. GSRA, Group is small, with an average of 4-6 Addicts attending. New comers are cycling through the meeting and going onto larger meetings in the Area. Support would be appreciated. Area donation of \$6.00

Addicts Seeking Sanity: Cathy S. GSR, Meetings and 7th are good. Group will be having a dance March 13th. Open service positions are Saturday Night Opener and GSRA. Area donation of \$100

Addicts United: Not in attendance

Clean Serene Freaks: Mike L. GSR, Adam C. GSRA, Rotated chairs at CSF. Kelli W. Tues., Rochelle C. Sun., Bill A. new Wed., Stephanni C. new Fri. Adam C. is the new GSR. 385 Addicts attended in December, and the 7th tradition was low due to Christmas. Please support our new chairs!

Drug Busters: Not in attendance

Esperanza de a Vida "Hope for Life": Josie S. GSR, There are 7 Addicts attending.

Free at Last: Not in attendance

Freedom Springs: Dawn H. GSR, The group has been going through some changes. Dawn H. is taking Joe K.'s position as GSR. Joe has been the GSR the past couple of years and is ready to step down. We thank him profusely for fulfilling his commitment and then some. After paying rent and literature, we have an Area donation of \$10.

Friday Night Dead Without It: Not in attendance

Hugs Not Drugs: Stacey A. GSR, Attendance averages around 20 Addicts. 7th is keeping up with literature and rent. The group voted no on special awards.

Hope Dealers: Helena GSR, Jennifer C. GSRA reporting, Attendance and 7th are good.

Just For Today: Bill C. GSR, Greg P. GSRA, Bill is the new GSR and Greg is the new GSRA. Group voted no on special awards. Area donation of \$35.

Mass Addicts: Not in attendance

New Horizons: Not in attendance

NA Nooner: Bailey H. GSR, 25 Addicts average attendance with a low 7th Tradition. Bingo on December 19th. Went well with a group member winning \$100. Group will be closed January 19th and meeting at a coffee shop for coffee and fellowship. Group will be having a bowling night at Classic Lanes in Greeley at 7:30. Group is in need of a GSRA. Area donation of \$100.

On Higher Ground: Kurt B., Restructuring right now. Group has no GSR or GSRA. Need help outside the Fellowship and new meeting place to change venue. Purchased a new coffee maker. Needs support. May have a donation, but waiting for lit. Area donation of \$12.71

Primary Purpose: Shell H. GSR, Great meeting with a strong message. 7th Tradition and attendance is a little low. Group is in need of home group members and GSRA. Group voted against special awards. Area donation of \$16. WSO donation of \$16.

Uncut: Lacey GSR, Attendance is averaging 5-10 Addicts with a majority of them residents of the center. 7th is slim, rarely receiving donations. The Clean-time requirement for service positions has been waved due to little support. Group NEEDS SUPPORT! Area donation of \$16.

When At The End Of The Road: Corrie M. GSR, Attendance and 7th Tradition are doing well. Amy J. has stepped down as GSR and Corrie is the new GSR. Amy apologizes for not attending the ASC, as she has an excruciating head ache. Area donation of \$50.

XX Genes: Karen C., vote no on special recognition. Meeting going strong.

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

Chair: Chris B., This is Chris's report, verbatim: "Dear ASC, I'd like to thank this body for the opportunity to serve Narcotics Anonymous. I love NA and I love Off the Wall Area. Unfortunately, with the spring semester coming up and the need to focus on my own recovery first, I must resign my position early. It would be a disservice to this body not to delegate this service to an Addict that has more time and devotion to fill the spot. The Area Chair person is a great service opportunity and has been a great building block for me in my application of the traditions, concepts of service, and the Robert's rules of order. This position of service like any other in NA is humbling and does not make anyone else or myself any sort of special Addict doing a special service. It is, as in any venue of service, a stepping stone in the path of recovery. I highly encourage any Addict who is ready to humbly come and serve Narcotics Anonymous on an Area level, to do so. I have seen this Area go through some serious changes over the last year and a half, and am grateful to have been a small part in those changes. I am forever grateful and clean today. In loving Service, Chris B."

Vice Chair: Corey M., See literature report...

RMC 1/RCM 2: Talked to RD to come and give presentation on CAR. Hopefully to happen immediately following the next ASC. Hopefully between 12:30 and 1. Call Kathy to extend our time next ASC to 4PM.

Secretary: Stephanni C., Guidelines are printed, however, my printer is still printing more copies and has been since last night. Disbursement for 30.98 for paper and ink. I would like to thank Dave L. for fixing the ASC computer. Now that the computer is fixed, as I own my own laptop. If there is another service position that needs the ASC laptop, please see me after the meeting today.

Treasurer: Jim M., reporting. Has end of the year budget report to hand out to everyone. \$311.00 in group donations. A copy of the report will be sent to the ASC and GSR's with the minutes from January.

Activities Subcommittee: John S. Quick report. Karen asked how much money was raised for our Area, and if it was split between all three Areas. The total for the whole event was not specified.

Literature Sub-Committee: Corey M. reporting. The subcommittee met on December 18th. At that time we counted the inventory as well as the Literature funds. For the record, I am stating that the funds collected did not match the receipts written. The deposit was \$650, bringing the balance to \$700. We ordered \$640 worth of lit on the 19th, and still have not received the order. So please order the minimum your group needs. If necessary, and you don't have what you need, I can make arrangements to bring literature to your group, as I expect to receive the order in the next couple of days. It was shipped on the 19th, and I believe that it was delayed due to the holidays. Thanks for letting me serve, Corey M.

Shawn asked what the discrepancy was, dollar amount was 62 less than the receipts showed, and Cory does not know why

Hospitals and Institutions: Sjon C., I am very happy to be serving as the H&I Chair. I have printed a new flyer, and was super happy to make it perfect and the way I wanted it to come out, and found a mistake after printing. The address on the flyer is wrong, and here is the corrected address:

Merchandise Subcommittee: Desiree V., We sold merchandise at the New Year's Dance totaling \$34. This leaves \$453.00 in the bank. Next subcommittee meeting will be January 16th, at 3rd and Railroad in Loveland at 3 PM. Happy to serve, Desiree V.

Public Information Subcommittee: Ernie S., Subcommittee met on Dec. 19th, with 5 Addicts in attendance. The subcommittee looked into an unlimited texting package for our hotline to alleviate problems with high bills in the future. The subcommittee voted to add texting to the plan at \$15 a month.

Weld County Resource Fair was discussed. We will be participating in the Fair on March 4th, 2010 at the Island Grove Exhibition Hall in Greeley. The event will take place from 1-4 PM. Karl W. along with another Addict will be manning the OTW NA booth offering PI folders to those who visit the booth.

We will be mailing information to places that deal with Addicts letting them know our presence in Weld and Larimer Counties. Ernie will get the mailing list and we will go from there. We would like to do electronic mail as well. ILS, Ernie S.

Phone line Chair, Goldberry Md., I got all the supplies and made 3 more notebooks, after editing and revising some things in the last one. WE now have a notebook to go along with each phone, and one that stats with the phone line chair. There were 2 trainings this month: One in FC by Kurt, and one Greeley by Goldberry, who is now trained. We have a total of 17 people in FC, Loveland, and Greeley on the phone line. So far each person is doing one week at a time, and a pretty large pool of volunteers that will make a nice rotation. I plan to have another training in another couple of months to try and get more people from Loveland involved. I currently only have one person. So far everything has gone pretty smoothly. This month, a volunteer had an emergency, so we just made sure that another volunteer handled the phone. Since BFE does not have their phone set up and running yet, we put their meetings on our lists in our notebook for referral. I have made a calendar and called people one month in advance, so I already have January covered. ILS, Goldberry.

Stephanni asked if anyone knew if we have been reimbursed for the ridiculous texting bill. Ernie said we received only \$25, and we have no way of figuring it out, and this is why texting has been put onto the phone plan. Jim asked about the BFE Area and our phone line, stating that Region was producing funds. Nothing has been arranged yet.

CRCNA Liaison: Open for election

Newsletter Chair: Jonathan, The newsletter has started strong in 2010. I feel it will be a valuable resource for us here in the OTW Area. I have downsized the newsletter from 10 pages to 4. I wanted to get a lot of the “canned” information out of there, and get input from the Area. I have formed a subcommittee. We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at Dazzbog Coffee in downtown Loveland.

I have found a way, with the Area’s help, to make the newsletter more appealing. I can print the newsletter myself from my printer, double sided, in full color, for about the same as the budget before. I spent \$54.41. The reason it was so high this month, is that I purchased a stapler that came with 1250 staples. One ream of paper for \$4.49 covering 2 months of printing at 125 copies per month. And Ink totaling \$39.00

I have a way that would lower the cost for a 3 month period at a time. After the first ream of paper is used, Sam’s has a box of 10 reams for \$26.99. This would be enough paper to cover 20 months of printing the newsletter at 125 copies per month. For the ink, I would like to get a disbursement of \$95.92. This would cover the cost of printing for 3 months. It would break down to a monthly cost of \$31.97 by purchasing ink in extra large cartridge size.

I have already spoken to Jeff S., and he has all the subcommittee info and a PDF copy of the newsletter to go up on the web, if not already done.

I have a lot of ideas for the year(s) to come about doing this newsletter. I have never been so excited to do service work in my life. I have a lot of support from my home group, and members of other home groups.

I would just like to bring to the table the idea of ink and paper because it will save us money and keep us around the same budget, but having done in full color.

Thank You, Jonathan L.

Kurt B. reiterated that we need to be real careful and follow the traditions when writing the news letter. Sjon stated that we need to be careful of using personal printer and computers.

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

Old Business

CAR Presentation was brought up to Shawn. The RD didn’t confirm if we could have the discussion after the next ASC, and Stephanni needs to confirm that we can keep the Pulliam Building after the ASC...

Dawn stated that she had the receipts from last PI presentation for \$35.00

Elections for Open Office

Jim stated the 4th Concept in how we do elections, and that we need to nominate the person best fit for the position, and not to just throw out names. Karen stated that we are going to be following the new guidelines criteria before we hold the elections. Shawn read from the service manual, page 6.

Chris read from the Guidelines Procedure and General Qualifications.

Subcommittee requirements were read.

Literature Chair: Qualifications were read. Trino F. was nominated. With a second. Trino declined. Dave L. was nominated with a second, and asked to qualify himself. Karen asked if he had transportation and his own bank account and an income. He stated that he was going to school, and does not have a bank account. Shawn stated that we need to have something in place in case Dave’s credit does not allow him to be a signer. Shawn stated that he would not like to have someone that could not have their own point of accountability. Was stated that his roommate is the ASC Vice Chair, and that Karen stated that she was able to take this on when she was in early recovery and given a chance. Just wants to make sure that as he is leaving with large amounts of money, and that he is held accountable. Was stated that

he is not an account signer, but in possession of a debit card, and only responsible for making deposits. Was stated that Red won't check to see if he can be a signer until someone is elected.

Treasurer: Karen was nominated with a second, but declined. Levi was nominated, but declined. Trino was nominated but declined. Position will be held open for election at the next ASC.

CRCNA Liaison: Jim M. clarified a little more, being the past Liaison. Kurt B. was nominated, but declined. Jennifer was nominated with a second. Jennifer qualified herself. Levi asked if she had transportation to get herself. She did. Was asked her clean time, stated that she had 100 days, but has been at ASC level in the past. Francisco was nominated, but declined. Mike L. was nominated and qualified himself. Shell asked what he did with personal recovery, as it's "Recovery based service, not service based recovery. A vote was taken. Mike is the clear majority, and is the new CRCNA Liaison. Mike asked if there was a budget for this, and it was stated that yes, and needs to bring a proposal for a budget at the next ASC.

New Business

Raising budget for newsletter from \$35 to \$50. Entailed buying in bulk and printer ink. Shell stated that putting in color is not as important as donating to other aspects of the Area. Karen stated that using personal computer and compared it to the diversion of money, property and prestige. Levi stated that we need to have GC conscience on if we do color on it. And that it's still a work in progress to see where the best deal on paper and ink. Adam stated that we are doing a step and tradition every month, so this will be a monthly publication. Levi stated that he was for the newsletter budget. Color is appealing, and that there will be a history of NA, and personal stories. Shawn was against, stating that we are losing more pages per month and less copies per month, but we want to make the newsletter a higher budget? Motion dies, without a clear majority. The budget will remain at \$35.

RCM budget was discussed. Shawn asked for an annual budget of \$400, stating that the assembly in Steamboat will cost to stay, as well as needed gas money. Karen stated that the RCM's are there to represent OTW Area, and should support them. Motion passes.

Karen wanted to know when the new phone line training is going to be. Goldberry was waiting for... Karen asked if we had any Spanish speaking Addicts to answer the phone. The answer was yes, one.

Shawn asked if there was a guide to local service provided by the Secretary. Shawn stated that we need to have people that get railroaded into GSR's, and kinda have a blank stare, and not interacting with the discussions. Jim stated that what does this come out of, Secretary budget, Literature, or administrative. Karen stated that we need to not to have these to force people into doing this, and that we have the tool but will it be used. Shawn agreed with Karen, but the Area should still provide these tools. Karen stated that she was for this. Levi stated that he was against this. Stephanni stated that she was against it, due to the fact. That it should be up to each individual group. A vote was taken, and the Secretary is in charge of ordering the service books from Literature, and having them available to each new member that wants a book.

Dawn asked that since Chris has resigned, that who does it? Was stated that he will be doing as much as he can, but will fall onto Cory to Chair next month until a new Chair is elected.

Upcoming Events

Bowling in Greeley. See web for more information.

Open Area Opportunities for Service:

Treasurer, Secretary, Area Chair

Open Discussion

Stacy said that people are railroaded into positions, and some are interested are not being given the chance to be nominated and serve.

Stephanni stated that the Secretary Position is open next month, and is still interested in the position for another term.

Disbursements

Karen stated that we need to make sure that we are not spending what we are not sure of what we have..

All disbursements were approved, however the exact amounts were not turned into the Secretary.

Motion to close at 11:25

**Next ASC Meeting :
February 7th, 9:00 AM
The Pulliam Building
545 N. Cleveland Ave.
Loveland, CO**

Your Secretary thanks you for your patience!