



**Open:** 9:04 AM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer and the reading of the 12 Concepts

**Roll Call:** Stephanni C., Mike M., Jessica C., Jennifer C., Sjon C., Pat H., Dave A., Ernie S., Jim M., Candain M., Sharon F., Amber S., Deb B., Keith B., Daniel M., Amy K., Karen C., Daniel F., Taylor M., Chris K., Bobby W., Kurt B., Trino F., Bill C., Mark M., (Newt L., Jacqueline A-B).

**Guests:** Scott N. – Visiting / Vice Chair for N. Oxford

**Approval of Last Month's Minutes:** Motion to approve last month's minutes with a second. Minutes Approved.

**Opening Reading:** Read was an excerpt from *It works*, Tradition 1, page 125

### Group Reports:

Read was an excerpt from *It works*, Tradition 4, page 154

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

**Addicts Helping Addicts:** Sharon F. GSR, Jennifer C., GSRA. Attendance small but steady. Could use support. Area Donation: \$ 5.00 to area.

**Addicts Seeking Sanity:** Mike M., GSR, Amber S. GSRA. Meetings going well. Planning dance for April 9<sup>th</sup> and Jackson Lake in June. Subcommittee meeting on Sunday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> after the A.S.S. meeting. \$200 donation to area.

**Addicts United:** Beth A. GSR. Location is changing to: 3761 So. Mason, starting on Friday, 2/25/11. The meeting is closed for the next two weeks. Still need home group members.

**Back to Basics:** Dave. A representing. We formed on 01/12/11 and have had 4 meetings varying from 12 – 21 in attendance. We meet on Wednesday nights in Ft. Collins at 7:30 p.m. at 709 Wagner St. Our format is that of an open NA meeting. We are not wheelchair accessible, the room being downstairs. We held a group conscience and chose the name Back to Basics. We decided to pay the facility rent by giving them one Basic Text each month, plus a can of coffee. We registered ourselves with the WSC. The world used to send out packets of lit to new groups, not sure if they still do that. We are purchasing 2 Basic Texts for January and February rent along with some white booklets. We have not elected any trusted servants yet, but hope to do that on the last Wednesday of February. We are excited about the new meeting, and want to thank the phone line chair for getting us listed on the web and meeting schedules.

**Buena Voluntad:** Not in attendance

**Clean Serene Freaks:** Taylor M.: GSR Chris K.: GSRA New GSR is Taylor M., new GSRA is Chris K. New secretary is Dave L.

**Drug Busters:** Mark M.: GSR We just paid rent, needed 2 Basic Texts and 9 year, 10 year medallions. Ned celebrates 27 years next month. Donation: \$10 to area.

## Group Reports: (cont'd)

**Esperanza de a Vida “Hope for Life”:** Not in attendance

**Free at Last:** Not in attendance

**Freedom Springs:** Jennifer C.: GSR All is well, attendance is good.

**Friday Night Dead Without It:** Not in attendance

**Hugs Not Drugs:** Newt L. GSR. Group needs a lot of support. Group was just able to make rent. We have a speaker meeting every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month, (Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> this month).

**Humbling Asking:** Not in attendance

**Just For Today:** Greg P.: GSR Randy L.: GSRA Meeting attendance is good, all is well. Donation: \$100 to area.

**NA Nooners:** Candain M.: GSR. (Still in need of a GSRA). Paid rent: \$50. Meeting going good. Closed on Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>. \$10.00 for key tags. Working on a skating activity for March. Donation: \$100.00 to area.

**New Horizons:** Not in attendance

**Primary Purpose:** Deb. B.: GSR Thursday meeting is doing well and strong. Saturday meeting attendance is down – could use support. Rent paid for 2 months. Donation: \$50.00 to area, \$50.00 to world.

**Steps and Traditions Roulette:** Jacqueline A.-B.: GSR Doing well. Donation: \$25.62 to area.

**When At The End Of The Road:** Daniel GSRA. New GSR to be voted in.

**XX Genes:** Jessica C.: GSR. Great meeting – attendance is consistent.

**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:** Kurt B. I want to thank the volunteers for stepping up and taking charge of the recent chaos that we endured in the past month. I had a few addicts that took the lead in continuing and activity event for February and had another addict contact me on updating our website. This is important for the communication of our fellowship. I have head of addicts leaving our fellowship and talking *smack* about how things are running. I want to remind all about our 12<sup>th</sup> tradition; principles before personalities. This is how we will continue to “Do the next right thing”, (although I hate this saying); It used to be work the steps or die ... In any case, as long as we uphold the traditions of NA we can't go wrong. The addicts that came before us experienced the same issues, yet, we are still here. PLEASE send the message back to your home groups that our area is business as usual.

*“What a change from the way that we used to be! We know that the N.A. Program works. The program convinced us that we needed to change ourselves, instead of trying to change to people and situations around us. We discovered new opportunities. We found a new sense of self-worth. We learned self-respect. This is a program for learning. By working the steps, we come to accept a Higher Power's will. Acceptance leads to recovery. We lose our fear of the unknown. We are set free.” (Basic Text: Why are we here, pg. 16)*

**Vice Chair:** Bobby W.

Unfinished Business -

At the last ASC meeting, I was tasked by the Area Chair to inquire into the status of the Merchandise Sub-committee and to forward a check in the amount of \$480.00 to Brittany L. to cover our missing funds for the New Year's Eve Bash. After riding around in my wallet for 2 weeks, I finally remembered to send the check to Brittany, so that assignment is complete.

As for the Merchandise Sub-committee: I reached Bailey H. by phone and she explained to me that she is, in fact, dealing with a painful medical issue and is unable to complete her term as Merchandise Sub-committee Chair. She has since turned in all items and inventory pertaining to that position and the position is now open. Kurt, Stephanni, and I sat down with bank personnel to review all transactions on the Merchandise account for the past 6 months and while some dubious practices were discovered (such as large cash withdrawals), there was no concrete evidence of any personal wrong-doing. This assignment is also complete.

### Vice-Chair's Report

At each ASC meeting, I address the issue of good stewardship of our members' contributions to our 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition. This one will be no exception.

Our recent financial incidents have prompted me to look into the "nuts and bolts" of how we handle our money and it seems to me that we need to take some steps toward helping our trusted servants in the management of our members' funds. We owe this to the members who faithfully drop their dollars into the baskets at our meetings. It is my hope that we can all see that any steps taken are intended to help ease future problems and are in no way an indictment of any individual, past or present.

One area that we need to look at is over-sight. I have some possible solution to offer in this regard and will be bringing them up in "New Business".

On a personal note, I wish to thank the many of you who have offered me your support after the incidents that occurred at last month's meeting. Many of you have felt the need to provide me with "Frank Reports" regarding his whereabouts and status. I assure you that none of this is necessary. As far as I'm concerned, there is no issue between me and Frank. I would welcome the opportunity to sit down with him and sanely talk about whatever is on his mind. My part in this is that this is a non-issue.

### Possible Financial Solutions

Designate electronic "Over-sight" status to the Area Vice-Chair regarding all sub-committee accounts.

- To help provide accountability to the members in our area.
- To assist Sub-Committee Chairs in money management.
- To help provide information to the Vice-Chair so that they can adequately fulfill their duty as liaison.

Use checks and/or debit card(s) to conduct all business.

- To help provide accountability to the members in our area.
- To leave a trail of records that can be more readily followed in the case of discrepancies.

Eliminate all unnecessary functions of business. Example – All debit cards be held by the Treasurer and the sub-committee chairs only be given the numbers from those cards.

- To prevent any one of us from walking around with "live" plastic in our pockets.
- Look into the possible closure of the Merchandise account.

Personal Note: The reason I feel that the Vice-Chair should be the designated the “over-sight” person is that this is in keeping with the job-description as specified in our guidelines. I was not elected to have this responsibility and would be willing to resign and be considered for reelection if this committee makes any clarification as to the duties of the Vice-Chair.

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

Region met on January 16, 2011 in Denver at 10:00am. Both of the OTW RCM’s were in attendance.

### **RD/RDA**

The Service System Project deadline was December 31, 2010: this doesn’t mean the work group does not want to have your comments, because they do! The newest power points and information are still located at [www.na.org/servicesystem](http://www.na.org/servicesystem). Updates will be posted to his website as the work group moves through the responses and so far, they are pleased with receiving responses, whether negative or positive.

Living Clean Project: The approval draft will be ready in April 2011.

Literature Survey: Respond to: [WWW.na.org/litsurvey](http://WWW.na.org/litsurvey). Need to complete survey by April 1, 2011.

WCNA 34: Pre-registration started January 3, 2011. Please pre-register to assure your spot at the convention. Currently, the fixed number of registrations is 16,000 and WCNA will increase the numbers as registration increases. You can register online at: [www.na.org/wcna34](http://www.na.org/wcna34). Hotels in close proximity to the convention center are filling up quickly.

**RMC 1/RCM 2:** Jim M. and Keith B. RCM Team reporting (cont’d)

New literature available is the Spanish Sixth Edition Basic Text. Two new styles of commemorative tri-plate medallions are the pink/pearl and black/silver. Available also is the gift edition and special numbered commemorative edition of *It Works: How and Why*.

### **World Service Learning Days (WSLD)**

The Colorado Region will be hosting this event in 2012. The planning is already underway for this event. Mac M was elected as the chair for this event. They are still in need of a vice chair, secretary, and treasurer to round out the executive board. This committee has been meeting directly after Regional meeting at 1212 Mariposa in Denver. There will be plenty of need for service work. Contact Mac at: (720) 328-1119 or [hgmcaveniiaiii@aol.com](mailto:hgmcaveniiaiii@aol.com) for more information.

### **Public Relations (PR)**

Plans are in the works for several road trips, including one to Lamar. (Yes, it seems that there is a weekly NA meeting in Lamar and it has been there since July – Yeah!!). Once we confirm this meeting, and have obtained the info, Mike will get the up-date for inclusion on the Regional meeting list.

Our monthly meeting schedule for 2011 is done (odd months online and even months at the library in Castle Rock) with the exception of what we’re going to do for our meeting in May. Please note PR and every one of the subcommittees is liking for addicts to join them in completing their projects ..... Any addict may join regardless of clean time, previous service. Become a member of one of these subcommittees today! Contact Linda L. for Pr, Tawni C. for PI, Dawn H. for H&I, or Steven and Beth for FedDev/OR.

### **CRCNA Incorporation Board:**

Tiffany S. chair of CRCNA XXIV, Grand Junction was elected as the final member at large position. The board is seeking the help of a lawyer to help them with the non-profit status petition.

### **CRCNA XXV:**

Tiffany S. has been asked to cast the play for this year's CRCNA. They are looking for members w have 25 years plus of clean time who would like to share a piece of their experience. The member with 25 years will them be asked who they would like to play a younger version of themselves in the play. Names of members with 25+ and actors will be sent to Tiffany S.

**RMC 1/RCM 2:** Jim M. and Keith B. RCM Team reporting (cont'd)

In order to receiver meeting rooms for free from the hotel, it is very important that we meet our room requirements. Hopefully you will be planning on staying at the hotel this year.

### **CRCNA XXIV:**

The books have been closed, and a donation from the profits was given to the Colorado Region. CRCNA XXIV wrote a check to the Colorado Region for \$9656.29. This was after they left the \$5,000.00 seed money in the account for CRNCA XXV.

### **AD-HOC Budgetary Review Subcommittee:**

Shawn H. was voted to head up this subcommittee. This committee is charged with reviewing guidelines, procedures and process of the budget.

### **Activities:**

If your home group or our Area is planning an event, it would be very helpful to refer to the region calendar before planning, so that your event or activity is not in conflict with other events taking place. When our events are finalized, we are asked to post them on the region calendar with is located at NAColorado.org.

### **GSR Training**

There will be training for all new GSRs at 9:30 am on April 16<sup>th</sup> at the Regional Assembly in Greeley.

### **Colorado Region 2011 Budget**

The budget requests for 2011 were voted on. The following budgets are as follows:

Administration: \$453.00

RD/RDA: \$3550.00 Tier 3

Public Relations: \$5310.00 Tier 2

Total Budget of: \$13,390.00

**Secretary:** Stephanni C. If you are a new GSR and want a copy of Guide to local service or Area guidelines, please see me before you leave today. I did get the laptop back from Dave L. On Tuesday, God-willing, I will be three years clean. As you may know, this is the end of my term as ASC Secretary. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve this body for the last 2 years. I am struggling to keep up with the minutes, but I love to do it. It is hard for me to let go of this position. Regardless, I will never be able to give back enough, for what NA has given me. Godspeed

**Treasurer:** Trino F. Treasury Report for January 9, 2011: Beginning balance: \$1,780.54

Disbursements:

\$3.00 to ASC Chair

\$5.00 to PI

\$1.20 to Activities

\$12.90 to Literature

\$12.22 to Secretary

\$150.00 to Daniel F.  
\$480.00 to Mile High Area  
\$94.22 to T-Mobile  
\$30.00 fee for a canceled check

**Treasurer:** Trino F. Treasury Report for January 9, 2011: (cont'd)

Total disbursements that day were: \$788.54  
We had a deposit of \$335.00 and a canceled check \$150.00  
This brings our balance to \$1,477.00 minus our prudent reserve of \$600.00 for a general fund of \$877.00.

**Activities Subcommittee:** Open seat. Daniel reporting. Stated that there are fliers for the Valentines dance available. Stated that he will run the activities until June, should no one be elected. (Thank you Daniel)!

**Literature Sub-Committee:** Open seat. Mike M. filling in. (Thank you Mike)!

Last month's sales: \$515.90  
Ordered from WSO: \$524.56  
Bank balance: \$60.78  
Total inventory before today's sales: \$1908.01

**Hospitals and Institutions:** Sjon C. reporting

Met on 1/21/2011 – 8 addicts were in attendance. Rent due for this month.

**TRT** – Going good. Need new panel leader.

**LCDC** – Women's going good – 5 women signed up to go in. Men's going good.

**ICCS** – Going well, Sam speaking 1/21/11.

**Old Business** – Open Positions - Vice Chair position and TRT Panel leader. Karl voted in for new TRT panel leader.

**New Business** – Steve B. voted in for Work Release panel leader. We went in on Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>. Jail and Detox on back burner for now. H&I Regional will be 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in March in Longmont at 11:00am. I received a call from Chris from Buena Voluntad wanting two members to find out about Spanish speaking meetings in LCDC.

Next H&I Meeting: February 26, 2011 @ 11:00am.

**Merchandise Subcommittee:** Open seat

**Public Information Subcommittee:** Ernie S.

Met on 1/15/2011. There were 3 addicts in attendance.

The high school information packet was finalized and will be sent to 26 high schools the first week of February. Pat H. was voted in as the new web servant. We'd like to thank Jeff S. for all of his service to OTW and as web servant over the last 2 years.

Phone Line: There is still a need for recovering addicts to be of service and carry the phone in Loveland and Ft. Collins. There is a one year clean time requirement and being an active member working an NA program.

The committee is in the process of having a table banner made that will be used on the front of tables when the PR committee sets up a booth at the fairs we attend. The banner will be a royal blue, with the same design that is on the cover of the Basic Text.

Was asked if the budget was ready. Was stated that the position is open for election next month, so the subcommittee will wait to decide what the new budget will be.

Pat H., asked for groups and ASC to make sure that if there are any changes to the website to contact him. Was stated that there is a question about putting phone numbers on the web. Was stated that it is up to the individual ASC Chair or Subcommittee Chair whether or not they want their number on the web.

**CRCNA Liaison:** Karen C.

We meet this Saturday, Feb. 12 @ 10:30 in Denver. The CRCNA theme logo contest ends of Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>. I am submitting a budget of \$110 for the year: \$10 a meeting for gas for 9 months, and in October, there will be 2 extra meetings.

**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**

Was stated that with all the inventory and money are hard to account for. Was stated that we have an obligation to stay accountable for the money that comes in from our meetings. People struggle to just put into the basket, so we should be honoring that with good money management. Was asked for clarification about the debit cards. Was stated that some of our subcommittee chairs have debit cards with their actual name on them.

Was stated that we may need an Adhoc committee to help revise the guidelines to help with this. Was stated that every person at this Area be able to have input on this subject. Was stated that the Vice Chair was supposed to be on all accounts. Vice Chair stated that only the Treasurer has the ability to look at all accounts. Treasurer stated that just recently, that he has now made it possible to look at the accounts online. Was stated that if an Adhoc only has a few members discussing the changes, that is more in the interest of the entire Area to have input, rather than an Adhoc. Was asked how long these debit accounts have been active. Was stated about 7 years. Was asked if this is a new problem, or has it always been this way. Was stated that the Merchandise debit card is now inactive. Was stated that at this point, we are not being charged for signature cards at this point, but we will be. Was stated that it would more easy to have only the Treasurer, Chair, and Vice Chair be on the account.

Missing Activities money. Was stated that every attempt has been made to contact the previous Activities Chair with no avail. Was stated that we are being reimbursed for profit from the Tri-Area event a percentage based on ticket sales in each of the three Areas.

### **Elections for Open Office**

**Activities Subcommittee:** Open seat. No volunteers or nominations.

**Literature Chair:** Mike M. was nominated and accepted. Mike qualified himself. Was asked if he held any other Group positions. Stated that he is resigning as GSR of his home group. Vote was taken. Unanimously, Mike is the new Literature Chair. Mike did state that he will be unable to attend the May ASC, so someone will have to do this for him.

**Merchandise Chair:** Stephanni volunteered herself and qualified herself. Was asked if I would be ok with being taken off the account. Was asked what if the Secretary position doesn't get filled, would she be able

**Secretary:** Sharon F was nominated. Scott was nominated. Sharon Qualified herself. Was asked if she was able to work well with the computer. Stated she can. Was asked if she has an NA sponsor and works an NA program. Stated yes. Was asked if being a GSR for her homegroup would conflict with this position. Stated that the group is very small, and will have to be discussed with the group. Was asked if she had an internet connection. Was asked if she could get the minutes done in a timely matter. Was asked if she could deal with all of the stress that comes with this position. Was asked if the need arises that She need to voice her opinion, could she do that. Stated yes. Scott qualified himself. Was asked if he had an NA sponsor and works an NA program. Was asked if he had a homegroup. Stated is still finding one, but working with a lot of groups right now. Was asked that since he doesn't have the 6 month Area service, why does he want this position. Stated that he just wants to get involved with Area service.

Vote was taken Sharon 18, Scott 4 Sharon is the new ASC Secretary.

### **New Business**

Jim M. Was asked to add to the agenda that if there are any clean-time birthdays, that they be recognized. All agreed that this would be a good idea.

### **New Business (cont'd)**

Motion 1: Adhoc Was asked how often would this committee meet until the decision could be made. Was stated that the Adhoc doesn't make a decision, but brings their findings to the ASC. Was asked how often and where the Adhoc would meet. Was stated that it will taken as long as it takes, when or where is up to the Adhoc. Was asked if there were people in the room that are willing to volunteer for the Adhoc. Was asked that is the Vice Chair really willing to step down to do this Adhoc. Was clarified that he was not elected with the proposed changes, and would do that and asked to be re-elected. Was asked that more than 5 people be in this Adhoc. Amendment was denied. Was stated that the guidelines do need to be revised anyway, so they should be really looked at with more deeply, because the guidelines are not be followed as much as they should be. Was stated that this Adhoc is not about an entire guidelines revision. Was stated that the motion was made to help be more accountable for our funds. Vote was taken. For 21 Unanimous.

Motion 2: \$300 for the Valentine's Day dance. If the rental could be a lower cost, can we disburse less. Was asked if contact was made for the facility. Stated yes. Was stated that since the call has already been made, why would that amount change. Motion passed with: 15 [Yes], 1 [No], and 2 [Abstentions].

### **Upcoming Events**

Valentine's Day Dance on February 12<sup>th</sup>. See flyer for more information.

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

Activities Chair, PI Chair

### **Open Discussion**

Was asked if we do have all of the shirts that were supposedly purchased. Was stated that the new Merchandise chair take inventory to see what the value of our Merchandise is. Was stated that we just hand the money in the account and merchandise on hand to Stephanni

Was asked who is going to have the access to the online account. Was stated that since it is already in the Vice Chair's position, then he just should be on it. There is no motion needed for this!

Was stated that all chairs that require a budget see Trino before they leave.

### **Disbursements**

All disbursements were approved.

**Next ASC Meeting :**  
**March 6, 2011 9:00am**  
**The Pulliam Building**  
**545 N. Cleveland Ave.**  
**Loveland, CO**

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