**Open**: 9:00 with a moment of silence, prayer, and the reading of the 12 Concepts of NA.

Roll Call: Stephanni C., Shawn H., Jim M., Ernie S., Bailey H., Trino F., Cathy S., Dawn H., Desiree V., Kurt B., John S., Charlie, Levi B., Amy J., Dave C., Dale L., Michael B., Sjon C., Joe K., Mike L., Adam C., Chris G., Red B., Stacy A., Chris B., Luke H., Karen C.

#### **Guests:**

**Approval of Last Month's Minutes:** Minutes approved by motion and 2<sup>nd</sup>.

# **Group Reports:**

**4<sup>th</sup> Street Recovery:** Levi B. GSR, Attendance is good with an average of 30 Addicts. Group is in need of women with Clean Time to sponsor. Area donation of \$15.

**Addicts Helping Addicts:** Chris G. GSR, Asking PI to do presentations. Meetings are doing well, and the group will be celebrating one year. Yay! Area donation of \$1.81.

**Addicts Seeking Sanity:** Cathy S. GSR, Meetings, attendance, and 7<sup>th</sup> are good. Group is in need of a GSRA and a Sunday Opener. Area donation of \$100.

**Addicts United:** Dale L. GSR, Attendance is strong. 7<sup>th</sup> tradition is barely covering rent. Dale is now GSR, Treasurer, and next month may also be Secretary. Needs help in filling these chairs. Could use some more support from Ft. Collins, and asks that the meeting be announced at other meetings in Ft. Collins. Area donation of \$20.

**Clean Serene Freaks:** Mike L. GSR, Adam C. GSRA, All is good with CSF. Poker Run was a success with big attendance and 14 registered riders. Thanks to all who attended. Group is in need of a Tuesday and Saturday chair. Area donation of \$150.

**Drug Busters:** No report turned in.

Esperanza de a Vida "Hope for Life": Not in attendance

**Freedom Springs:** Joe K. GSR, Desiree V. GSRA, Meetings are going well. Tom, a fellow Addict and member of Narcotics Anonymous killed himself, being a huge loss. Joe reminded us as to why we gather, stating that "This disease kills", and we need to be there for the Addict who still suffers. Joe asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Tom, and the still suffering Addict.

**Friday Night Dead Without It:** Kurtis R. GSR, Group is doing well, however with a small group of home group members. 15-45 Addicts are in attendance, varying each meeting, with a lot of new comer's. Birthdays are celebrated at every meeting, so please come and celebrate you clean times with us.

**Hugs Not Drugs:** Stacy A. GSR, Attendance is good. 7<sup>th</sup> is taking care of rent and literature.

**Hope Dealers:** Ellen K. GSR, Luke H. representing, Meeting is going well. Announced the group is having a water balloon fight and BBQ August 29<sup>th</sup>. See flyer.

**Just For Today:** Sjon C. GSR, Mike B. GSRA, Meetings are going well with an average of 13-15 Addicts. All group positions are currently filled. Area donation of \$40.

**Make Your Own Monday:** Dave "Coolerman" C. GSR, Meeting has an average attendance of 9 Addicts. Announced that the group's last meeting will be August 24<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-8 PM. Will be having a Male Your Own Meeting Finale and BBQ, followed be y regular meeting at 7 PM. Area donation of \$23.78.

Mass Addicts: John S. GSR, Attendance is good, and needs are being met with 7<sup>th</sup> tradition. Area donation of \$9.

**NA Nooner:** Bailey H. GSR, Attendance is good with an average of 19 Addicts. Open group positions are GSRA. Alissa W. is the Tuesday opener and Secretary, and Ernie S. is the Wednesday opener. Area donation of \$20.

Never Alone Never Again: Stephanni C. GSR, Needs home group members and Trusted Servants.

New Horizons: Not in attendance

On Higher Ground: No report turned in

Primary Purpose: Ernie S. GSR, Shell H. GSRA, Attendance is good. Everything is good! Group is in need of a

Secretary and GSR. Area donation of \$90.

When At The End Of The Road: Amy J. GSR, Group is doing well. No report turned in.

**XX Genes:** Karen C. GSR, Meeting is strong with 5-20 women in attendance. Celebrating Birthdays for new clean time. Group is planning on hosting a Hospitality Room slot at CRCNA.

# If your meeting report is not on here, make sure a <u>written, preferably typed so I can read it,</u> copy is turned in to Area Secretary! Thanks Officer Reports

Chair: Chris B. No Report

Vice Chair: Position Open

RMC 1/RCM 2: Shawn H. Regional donations to WSO were \$250.

#### **General Info**

The region asked that RCM's tell Area GSR's and GSRA's show up to Regional Assemblies. There is a lot of information and workshops for GSR's. GSR's are also needed to vote on regional motions. New Regional guidelines are available on the Regional website. Spoke with Don about the Regional site and meeting list. Don last updated the site June 17<sup>th</sup>. It has probably been updated again by Area. Shawn checked and it also has links to our Area. If there are any further issues or specific meetings that are wrong, please let Shawn know.

PI chair would like all Area PI members know that there is a Regional PI meeting once a month, and listed on the Regions website. They meet to discuss and help with issues that Area's might have. Shawn has a PI report and meeting times if anyone is interested.

It was brought up that no bids have been received by Area's for CRCNA XXIV. The guidelines state that it would go to the next Area in alphabetical order, meaning it would be in Grand Junction. Grand Junction stated that they are not capable of doing it at this time. That being said, it could end up in BFE or somewhere else unknown. Bids are still allowed at the next assembly. If we want to make a bid, we can, but we will have to move fast. If not, we can just wait and see where it ends up.

RD report notices

#### RCM report continued...

# **Budget Proposals**

During the September Assembly, we will be voting on a three tier budget for the Region, and GSR's are strongly needed for this; money from CRCNA, half of last year's income, and half or more of last year's income. There will be a full budget proposal at September's Assembly. Part of the budget will be based on PR being voted in, and CRCNA becoming incorporated. Nothing is final yet. The budget will be discussed in detail and then sent back to the Area and groups for discussion. Then in November there will be a vote at Region either for or against. Part of the budget as well is dealing with funds for subcommittees and allowing those to be set aside without affecting the Region's overall budget. Currently we keep all money in one source and then anything over 5,000 is sent to the WSO. The problem is when subcommittees need funds for an activity or expense, they are given a check months in advance to hold, or hope there is money for it when it comes due. Region is trying to find a way to disburse funds without affecting the overall amount of money in the budget. And Finally, the Assembly will come into play to see if the Region wants a budget, or stick to the current system.

## **Proposals**

- 1. Disbursement to Don T. for 150.00 incurred for virtual meeting for an adhoc group. Passes
- 2. Proposed that CRSC purchase an annual subscription to an online meeting software at \$600. Payment would be made with a onetime purchase with a bank card. The site is called "gotomymeeting.com". It will allow 15 people to including the narrator. The purpose is to allow subcommittees to communicate easier with outlying Areas without them being obligated to drive across the state. It is not meant to replace face to face subcommittee meetings. It comes unlimited meetings but is capped by the number of people that can attend. It could also allow Western Areas to meet with the Region if mountain passes are closed during the winter months. It can be used with a dial-up connection if needed, and only requires speakers and a mic. A cheap headset may be purchased, which work best with some form of high-speed connection. Passes
- 3. Proposed that the CRCNA timeline be approved. Passes
- 4. Proposed that the list of RCNA workshops be approved. Passes
- 5. Proposed that the list of CRCNA marathon meeting topics be approved. Passes
- 6. Proposed to approve the CRCNA budget. This was a long and painful process. A few things had to be moved around to properly account for funds going out to cover the newcomer's free entrance. Many attending Region had a problem with Addendum D in the CRCNA guidelines. This may be up for vote at the Assembly to be removed. Passes
- 7. Proposed to change in either the CRCNA CRSC guidelines so everyone is on the same page as to whether the CRCNA Secretary needs to attend Regional meetings. Currently the CRSC says they need to, and the CRCNA says they don't. A new proposal will be made at the Assembly whether or not to change the CRSC guidelines to not require the secretary to attend.
- 8. CRCNA requested a budget to purchase a new laptop. They have a lot of software that is used and moving data year after year is becoming problematic. So they would like a CRCNA laptop to hold all software and data. They request that Region create the budget for it so they don't purchase it without an ok. \$750 made and passed.
- 9. Proposed that money budgeted money for subcommittees be shown as encumbered so that it does not show as active funds. All moneys not spent within the year will be taken back and donated to the WSO. Passes

The next CRSC Assembly is Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-4PM in Sterling at the Gary Desoto Building 1120 Pawnee Ave.

**Secretary:** Stephanni C. Just stated that with it being summer with the kiddo always around and doing summer stuff, that it has been difficult to get to the ASC minutes in a timely fashion. This should all change when the school year begins.

**Treasurer:** Red B. The beginning balance on June 7<sup>th</sup> was \$1940.22. We had the following disbursements that day of:

- \$47.95 for H&I literature
- \$27.71 for PI
- \$9.60 to Newsletter chair

• \$35.00 for newsletter printing

Total disbursements that day were \$120.26

We bought checks for the checking account in the amount of \$25.40

There was an accounting error not in our favor of \$30.48

The two phone bills for the phone line were paid in the amount of \$163.86

Donated \$20 for internet service

Clean Serene Freaks was given \$150.00 for the Poker Run.

Group donations on June  $7^{th}$  were \$346.14.

Received a return from the Activities chair in the amount of \$39.76

That leaves an account balance of \$1816.12 minus our prudent reserve of \$600.00 for a general fund balance of \$12.16.12

**Activities Subcommittee:** Kurt B. 11 Addicts were in attendance. Summer events were discussed. All events had little or no attendance. It was suggested that nay new events be cancelled due to attendance. A motion, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and discussion were had. Motion Passed

The subcommittee was involved in the Unity Days festivities in Greeley. It was suggested that the event be an Area event. Reason being, that there have been no funds for this in past years. The subcommittee discussed ideas of when and where and cost of the event. It was decided to have the event on August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:30 at Pheasant Park in Greeley. Kurt will call all subcommittees to make sure everyone is aware of the event. A flyer was voted on costing \$43.21. Tickets were purchased for \$33.61 to be sold in advance. Stickers were made and purchased to change the location of the event to Bittersweet Park for \$21.13, so as to not completely reprint all the flyers. May costs were discussed and decided that food would be paid for by the Area. It was up to all the subcommittees to sell tickets and raise funds. Mike stated that he would be in charge of purchasing food, permits, a volleyball, and tables. Activities would be in charge of grill, volleyball net, flyer, and ticket sales, DJ, \$50 for permit, speaker(male)

Nothing was prepared for a campout in August, and was decided that there was too much going on in August, so the campout would move to September.

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

- June Sales were \$703.55
- Purchased from NAWS was \$592.77
- Current inventory value is \$1545.41
- Excess was given to the general fund of \$95
- Reserve balance was \$96.99

**Hospitals and Institutions:** Dawn H. The last subcommittee met June 27<sup>th</sup>. Joe K. stepped down from Vice Chair, and Jeff S. stepped down from Secretary Chair. The subcommittee is still going into the same facilities, and has begun picking up more women to go into LCDC. Jeff P. is still going into LCDC men's facility and Larry J. will be moving soon leaving us short one man. The two meetings in Greeley are still going strong, and we have not had any interaction with any of the facilities we were looking into. IRT in Ft. Collins lost funding for the program, and we have not spoken with Samantha who was going to contact the Weld County Sherriff's department and find out more information there. There was no meeting last month, maybe because of summer or something, and no one showed up... including me (Dawn). I (Dawn) forgot all about it and ended up working all day. The next meeting will be held August 22 at 2:00 at the Unity Club in Loveland.

I (Dawn) Attended the last Regional H&I subcommittee meeting June 27th, right before attending our Area H&I subcommittee meeting. Discussed was how we go about sending in booklets put together by us containing a set of readings of various NA literature to the DOC's across the state. Also, as Regional H&I Secretary, I (Dawn) sent out a copy of each Area's guidelines to each H&I chair. All guidelines are being reviewed, and are in the process of putting together a set for the Regional H&I. C

#### H&I continued...

CRCNA will not be funding the newcomer's t-shirts or books. We are asking that if any ASC or other NA members have any old NA t-shirts you would like to donate, they will be handed to the newcomer coming in through H&I at CRCNA this year. Each Area H&I chair will be collecting any and all donated t-shirts from their Area.

I (Dawn) have also brought a couple of volunteer forms signed and ready to send in. Please help us go into the DOC's where needed. We could go to Brush (women), or Sterling (men).

#### **Merchandise Subcommittee:** Desiree V.

- \$200 worth of merchandise was sold at the Poker Run
- \$270.42 in new merchandise was purchased; some new tank tops and some new jewelry
- \$65.00 worth of merchandise was donated to the Poker Run
- Merchandise inventory is worth \$647
- \$643.25 General Reserve

The next Merchandise meeting is August 15th at 3PM at the Unity Club

**Public Information Subcommittee:** Chris R., (Charlie filling in) Talked with the Coloradoan about a PSA, as well as Transfort. Working on phone line and making a list of 12 step volunteers able to make call-backs and get new comer's and first-timers to a meeting.

**CRCNA Liaison:** Jim M. CRCNA XXIII is fast approaching. If you are not registered, you should do so as soon as possible. This can be done online or by mail-in. The cost is \$25.00 until September 21<sup>st</sup>. After September 21<sup>st</sup>, the price goes up to \$35.00. As of July 12<sup>th</sup>, over 300 Addicts were registered. Don't forget to register for the Saturday night banquet for \$30, and the Sunday morning breakfast for \$20.00.

Hotel rooms are going fast. Over half of the blocked rooms are reserved. You may reserve your room online using the CRCNA website, or call 800-981-4012. Rooms are \$95.00 per night for two beds. The hotel has asked that no more than 4 people per room. There is a quiet floor at the hotel for those that want a more relaxing experience. There are no children allowed on this floor, and no room service after 10 PM. You may request this floor at the time you make your reservation.

CRCNA XXIII will begin Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at noon. Registration, marathon meetings, workshops, and the "Unplugged Café" will begin at noon. The "Unplugged Café" is a room for addicts to showcase their talents. If you want to sing, play an instrument, dance, recite poetry, do stand-up comedy, or something else, be sure to sign up for a time slot. The café will run from noon to 4 PM on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Marathon Meetings are looking for Addicts to chair a meeting. This is a one hour commitment. If you would like to be of service at CRCNA, you may go to the Colorado Region website, and click on the CRCNA link. At the CRCNA link you will find the Marathon Meetings link with the names of each meeting. Choose a topic that you find interesting and sign up to chair it! These meetings will begin Friday at noon, and end on Sunday at 8 AM.

The Hospitality room is looking for home groups to host the room. This is a two hour commitment. Your home group will provide food and beverages at this time. You will be asked to maintain and clean this room during the two hour block. If your home group would like to host the room, sign up on the CRCNA website, and click the Hospitality room link to sign your group up. This room will run from Friday at 4 PM, to Sunday at 10 AM.

F&E is looking for items to be placed in the silent auction. If you would like to donate items, contact Dave W. at 970-988-1921.

Registration committee is looking for volunteers to help fill in for two hour intervals to help the registration table. If you are interested, email Maggie D. at maggieac91@aim.com. Put "CRCNA Registration" in the subject line.

The next CRCNA fundraiser will be August 8<sup>th</sup> in Manitou Springs. The Pike's Peak Area will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner and dance. Sinner will start at 5:30 PM followed by a speaker meeting at 7 PM, and a dance to follow. The Speaker will be Tawny C. form the Boulder Area. Cost for the dinner and dance is \$10.00. Cost for just the dance is \$4. There is a flyer at the Regional and OTW website.

Highlights of this year's convention are marathon meetings, "Unplugged Café", fellowship workshops, merchandise, speaker meetings, 24 hour meditation room, 24 hour game room, 2 dances, Saturday night comedian, and good ole recovery! DO NOT miss this opportunity to give yourself this gift. Your Spirit will thank you.

See you all in Colorado Springs October 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Where at CRCNA XXIII, "Together, We are Free!"

**Newsletter Chair:** Charlie A. Subcommittee meets the first Wednesday of the month at 3PM at Mugg's in Ft. Collins. OTW newsletter includes recovery from around the world and locally, including Loveland, Estes Park, Greeley, Berthoud, and Ft. Collins. Would like some subcommittee attendance, being as he is the only one showing up. Would like People to contact him through email. Needs a Research staff.

**Guidelines Revision Adhoc:** Was stated that the Adhoc has not been together due to a busy summer, and people being busy with their personal lives, but will have a final revision ready for approval and print at the September ASC. Was sated as to why these revisions were taking so long. Was clarified that the adhoc was not going to rush this process, and it would take some time.

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

#### **Old Business**

New meeting in Estes Park was discussed. John said that he attended and that he saw no violation of traditions, and that the message of NA is being held up, and that the patients love to see that outsiders show up. Jim M., also stated that he went up to this meeting. Dawn Clarified that sometimes people just need to fill in, and not always an NA member, but was promised by the people that started this meeting that there would always be one. Jim stated that is it Area business to monitor this group, or is it up to the group to decide. Stephanni that non NA approved literature was quoted at one of these meetings. All agreed, that this is the group's decision.

## **Elections for Open Office**

**ASC Vice Chair:** Karen was nominated and declined. Luke was nominated and declined. Trino was nominated and declined. Ernie was nominated and declined. Mike M was nominated and declined. Dave was nominated and declined. Big Dave was nominated and qualified. Karen asked if that since he has not been to Area before, that maybe he should come to a few more ASC's before taking the position. Dawn restated this. Chris asked if he was willing to study the concepts and traditions. Dave also declined. Sjon was nominated. His concern was that the vice chair filled in positions that needed help filling in until positions was filled. He asked that what if he could not commit some of these positions. He stated that he would talk to his sponsor and pray and meditate on it and report back to the next ASC

Literature Chair: Dale was asked if he had found out what had happened with his situation. Red stated that the bank would need to his situation in hand. John stated that does it need to be a certain person's name on the debit card, so that anyone that qualifies could hold the chair. Karen stated whoever does this, will be trusted with leaving with lots of money on hand until they get to the bank. The qualifications were read. Mike L. nominated Chris G. for this position. Chris accepted the nomination and qualified himself. Sjon asked if he would still be GSR for his group. Shawn asked if he was ok with financials and able to store everything. He said yes. Sjon asked if that since Chris would be busy with Lit orders, would he be able to be able to do both? That was also Chris's concern too, but said that his GSRA would be able to come in and vote for his group. Trino stated that it is difficult to be involved in the meeting. Chris

stated that he will have help from sponsees and other addicts. Vote was taken, and Chris is the new Literature Chair. Thank You Chris!

#### **New Business**

Motion to have the Area donate Basic Texts to Mountain Crest. Stated that at his meeting, has people come and visit from hospital.... Karen stated that it is a great idea and opportunity. Shawn stated that this should fall under and HI budget, or that the money come out of the facilities own pocket from the order sheet. Amy stated that facilities will not because it is a "non-theraputic" form of literature, and facilities will not pay for the books. Dawn clarified that that this might be more of a PI issue, and have them go in and do a presentation for MC. Was taken to a vote. Vote was fairly even. Opposition spoke, and that should be taken to subcommittee level. Shawn stated that it should move through the proper channels. For the motion, Chris stated that these facilities would need this literature because there are Addicts that are in need of this literature. Red stated that his first text came from MC, and was then passed on to another addict who is still in the program, and passed on yet again. Vote was taken and failed.

Motion on a PI presentation for meetings that are in the Berthoud area. Clarification was asked for. Chris stated that PI is doing a great job, yet they haven't done presentation as of yet. It would be a good way to get the message out so that people in Berthoud have a better knowledge that this meeting exists. Charlie, vice PI chair, stated that he spoke with the chair during break, and that they are going to have presentations in Larimer county to parole boards and treatment centers and have a NA presentation. Motion Passes by majority. More clarity was asked for, on how this would happen at subcommittee level, and would it just get blown off. Was asked if Chris was going to do this, Chris stated that his group is asking that PI just do this.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Please visit the Are website for fliers and details of upcoming events at www.fortnet.org/na/mtgs.htm.

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

#### Area Vice-chair

# **Open Discussion**

Karen stated that she has a problem with the Area spending money on printing costs from ASC activities, and deny books to a treatment center. Dale stated that we were just trying to go through the proper channels of ASC to donate these books. Red stated that from the Treasurer point of view, that the cost of printing was clarified and that it is within budget.

Amy stated that Turning Point has 3 NA meetings a week, and that read is the "What is NA" reading, and is then therapy and that there is no direction. Stated that she is not able to facilitate due to her background. Karen stated that we don't have say over what happens with that meeting. Dawn stated that since the kids do have the ability to get to meetings outside of the facility, that we do not have jurisdiction in this facility. Dale stated that this seems more like a PI issue, and should be on the presentation list. Levi stated that Inner Balance has asked him to come in and speak and take a meeting in. Dave stated from NAWS PR handbook, that ASC has the right to step into any facility to make sure that the NA name is not being misinterpreted by these facilities, and that if it is, that they need to change how they rep the NA name, and that if they don't, we pass it along to NAWS. Was stated back that this is a PI issue, and needs to have a presentation.

Was stated that Hope dealers discussed that there is an Area phone list made. John stated that they be directed to the Hot Line which already has a list and could be facilitate through that. Was stated that is there already an ASC phone list? And that others would be interested in having one too. Was stated that we have had one, and that for some reason there isn't one right now. Trino stated that the last time that we have a phone list in every meeting in Greeley. Was stated that people travel there just to give get a phone list. Sjon stated that each group does have this phone list, and that we could all bring all bring them in, but who would take care of this list, and revise it as needed. Charlie stated that there already is a phone list that people have volunteered for the phone line. Kathy stated that this happened last week, and Charlie called her for a 12 step call, and started the "phone tree" in that direction. Shawn stated that in his meeting, they fill out a phone list on the back of a meeting list, men's numbers for new men, and women's number's

for new women. Chris G. asked if there wasn't already an ASC phone list. Stephanni Responded that she has one, and will make copies for the ASC at the next meeting in September. It was decided that will not be an entire Area phone list because of the extreme difficulty in keeping up with it.

Kurt stated that appreciates the ASC, and that he doesn't make decisions for purchasing fliers, but that the subcommittee makes the decisions.

### **Disbursements**

Motion made to help activities for going \$147.45 over budget for Activities for unity day. Was passed

- Michael B. for activities to purchase food for Unity Day for \$200.00
  - Michael B. for activities for \$50.00
  - \$70.00 (for August and September) printing of the newsletter.
- \$97.95 for activities to print fliers, stickers, and tickets for Unity Day.

Motion to close at 11:40

Next ASC Meeting: September 6<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM The Pulliam Building in Loveland 545 N. Cleveland Ave.

Your Secretary thanks you for your patience!