



Open: 9:05 open with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer and reading of the 12 concepts.

Roll Call: Desiree V, Dawn H, Jim M, Shawn H, Shell H, Trino F, Misty S, Levi B, Bob R, Dave C, Red B, Sjon C, Erik J, Corey M, Adam C, Mike L, Joe W, Rebecca K, Kenny O, Francisco R, Karen C, Bobby W, Luke, Chris B, Ernie S, John S, Kurt B, Amy J, Mike M, Charlie A, Chris R, Dale L, Levi R, Bob R

Guests:

Approval of Last Month's Minutes: Stephanni motioned to fix the date from April to August. Motion to accept with the change, second, and pass.

Group Reports:

4th Street Recovery: Levi B. GSR, Bob R. GSRA, Bob R. is the new GSRA. Still in need of a treasurer. Group has started a new meeting on Thursdays at noon. Levi was asked by a local store that we put up an NA poster on their message board. Area donation TBD.

Addicts Helping Addicts: Chris G. GSR, Rebecca K. GSRA, Attendance is low. Monday night is in need of support. Wednesday attendance is 4-6 Addicts, and Monday Attendance is 3-4 Addicts. Group is planning on having a one year birthday celebration on October 10th. Flyers and planning will be done at the next Group Conscious.

Addicts Seeking Sanity: Cathy S. GSR, Misty GSRA, Meetings are going well, as well as the 7th. Group in need of Sunday opener. Area donation of \$100.

Addicts United: Dale L. GSR, Dale has been holding all service positions, and getting burned out. Group is in dire need of trusted servants.

Clean Serene Freaks: Mike L. GSR, Adam C. GSRA, Attendance is really good, however 7th is fairly low. 639 Addicts attended in July. Group has a new treasurer, Joe W. Area donation of \$274.30

Drug Busters: Erik J. GSR, All is well. Wants it known that there is no child care available.

Esperanza de a Vida "Hope for Life": Francisco. Has a new location, and the group is going well. Asking for help with literature.

Free at Last: Bobby W. GSR, Mike N. GSRA, Asked to be a part of the ASC. Was welcomed to the Area. Meeting is going very strong, following all NA traditions and principles. Group is a newcomer focused meeting, so there is a big demand for literature, IP's and key tags. The 7th tradition has been strong, and allowed the group to keep up on literature and rent, and is almost completely self-supporting. The meeting time has changed from 6:30-7 PM to make it easier for people to attend. Group would like more support from other Addicts that have some time in the rooms to share their ESH, as many of the newcomers are hearing the NA message for the first time. Area donation of \$88.73

Freedom Springs: Joe K. GSR, Desiree V. GSRA, Group and 7th are good. Average attendance is 8-10 Addicts. Joe W. is the new Sunday night chair. Area donation of \$25

Friday Night Dead Without It: Meeting is going well

Hugs Not Drugs: Stacy GSR, Meeting attendance has been good with 20-25 Addicts. 7th is keeping up with literature and rent.

Hope Dealers: Luke GSR, Attendance is good. Group is in need of a treasurer. Group would like volunteers to speak on speaker night. Had a water balloon fight and picnic with Addicts from a local rehab attending. Good times! Could use more help with more knowledge of steps, traditions, and clarity of purpose for institutions.

Just For Today: Sjon C. GSR, Meeting attendance is picking up for the book study meeting.

Make Your Own Monday: Dave “Coolerman” GSR, Had its final meeting on August 24th with a picnic and meeting with 30 adults and 10 kiddos in attendance. Great mix of people with old-timers, people from institutions, an Addict from across the country, and a newcomer in dire need of help. Everyone rallied to help the newcomer. It was a great way to finish the last meeting. “It’s been great. Thanks for your support...” Area donation of \$56.00

Mass Addicts: John S. GSR, Average attendance is 21 Addicts. 7th covering costs. Lots of newcomers from treatment centers getting the message carried to them. Area donation of 15 cents.

Never Alone Never Again: Stephanni C. GSR. Stated it was unfortunate to say, but this meeting will have to close. There is very little attendance and very little support. Lost one of the last standing home group members and trusted servants, and made a group decision that it was time to close the meeting. We will be going over our inventory on the last day, and deciding what to do with it all. Area donation of \$9.98

New Horizons: Not in attendance.

NA Nooner: Baily GSR, No meeting to be held on labor day, due the facility not being open. Danny G. is the new Wednesday opener. Attendance is strong and 7th is covering costs. Area donation of \$28.25

On Higher Ground: No report

Primary Purpose: Shell H. GSR, Ernie S. fulfilled his term as GSR. Attendance is good, and 7th is steady. Group is in need of a secretary and GSRA.

When At The End Of The Road: Amy J. GSR, Charlie A. GSRA, Steady attendance with 13-25 Addicts. 7th is steady. New Thursday concept of “toss the book”. Looking into a time slot for hospitality room. Group needs a secretary. Area donation of \$25

XX Genes: Karen C. GSR, Great meeting, and well attended. New opener/ chair, Sarah! Halfway house women are in attendance. Are scheduled to host the hospitality room at CRCNA on Saturday morning.

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., No report

Vice Chair: Seat is still open.

RMC 1/RCM 2: Shawn H. RCM I. Dawn stated that she attended some very good workshops and well informed. Sjon stated that he liked how well things ran by putting people into random groups with big easels to help with introductions to people throughout the Region.

Secretary : Stephanni C. Stated that the phone list that was requested is in the works, and is being passed around to check and amend, and will be available for all ASC trusted servants at the October ASC meeting, and emailed to those that are on the list. Stated that the minutes were finished before groups had their group conscience, yet they were not

posted by the web servant for almost 5 days. Was asked to send the GSR checklist to all ASC members as soon as they were done, as to avoid this problem in the future. Was made clear that this will not go out on the blast, but through her own personal email. Also stated that

Treasurer: Red B. We had a beginning balance on August 2nd of \$1816.12, with disbursements that day of:

- + \$97.95 for activity fliers, stickers, etc.
- + \$250 for Area Unity Day Event
- + \$20 to Unity Club for H&I subcommittee rent
- + \$70 for the printing of Area newsletter for August and September.

Total disbursements that day were \$437.95

Phone bill was paid for \$82.29

Donated \$10 for internet service

Group donations that day were \$479.54

We got back \$95 from literature account for being over it's reserve.

This leaves a balance of \$1860.42 minus the prudent reserve of \$600, for a general balance of \$1260.42

Activities Subcommittee: Kurt B. In attendance were 6 Addicts. Committee was involved in Unity days in August. Mike and Marcia were in charge of tables and purchasing food, as well as volleyball and other things that may come up. Mike received \$50 for a park permit and \$200 for food. Activities committee will be in charge of speaker, volleyball net, GJ, and Grill. Newt volunteered to get the propane, Levi will pick up grill from FC, and get it to the event. Bob will be the speaker. Kurt will call all subcommittee members and make sure they all attend. After all planning was done, and the event went off, 90-100 Addicts attended. 66 tickets were sold in advance by trusted servants of the ASC. Promotion and permit for the event was \$147.95. Food cost was \$282.33. Total cost was \$430.28. Area provided \$347.95. Returned to the Area was \$440, with a profit of \$95.05. Event good times cost, PRICELESS!

Old business: Wanted to put an event together for "Tour de Fat", but was on the same day as ASC meeting. Camping was brought up, and there was nothing to report.

New Business: Upcoming Harvest Festival family day, as well as a movie night area fundraiser. Would like to do something nice for Dave K, the DJ for his service at Area events.

Literature Sub-Committee: Chris G. Didn't have a written report at the time, but would email to Stephanni to put into the minutes. Red stated that he got the statements about a week before a report was needed, and would get that to Chris beforehand. Karen asked for clarity on what is happening with the balance, as to if everything transferred smoothly from old chair to new chair. Mike, previous chair, stated that all moneys were deposited, and all is well. Also stated that bank statements are not always current, and are close to the right balance, but is not always readily available and current. Current balance in the account is approximately \$37. Red clarified that the literature account does not go through the treasurer. Karen stated that she just wanted to cross T's and dot I's, to make sure that with such a large inventory and account, and that they are current and up to date.

Emailed report is as follows:

Last month was the largest order ever. This allowed for a decent averaged order.

- + August sales were \$805.24
- + Ordered from WSO \$900.17
- + Current inventory value is \$1640.34
- + Reserve balance of \$37.09

In addition, a suggested proposal for the Area guidelines for the Literature subcommittee to raise the inventory allotment from 2.5, to 3.0. Subcommittee would also like to suggest another change to lower par level of unsalable and special inventory items so that it doesn't affect the average literature amount. Our current inventory is stocked with things that are not in high demand, and holds us back from having the items that are necessary to stock at all times. This causes us to sell out of items all at once, and leaves groups short on their order of items they need.

Committee believes that this is the most effective way to assist groups to carry the message to the addict that still suffers. This proposal has been sent to the Guidelines Adhoc.

Hospitals and Institutions: Dawn H. Last H&I meeting was held on August 22nd in Greeley, during the Unity Day Celebration. This attracted a few new Addicts, and only time will tell if they will continue to support H&I.

H&I meetings are going well. LCDC men and women have continued to happen, although a panel member did step down from the men's meeting due to personal conflicts. Another member will be moving soon, also from the men's meeting, leaving us with minimum coverage. Dawn encourages all who would qualify to step up and help carry the message of recovery through Narcotics Anonymous. If there is anyone that is present that may qualify and is interested, to please see Dawn after the meeting. The tow Greeley meetings are strong with committed support. Thank you Greeley!

Elections were held for Vice Chair and Secretary, and are pleased to say that Sjon C. has been elected as the new H&I Vice Chair. The subcommittee is excited that Sjon has stepped up to the plate. Thank You Sjon! There was no one interested in being the Secretary at this time, so any that are interested to please show up to the next subcommittee meeting in Loveland on September 26th at 2:00 at the Unity Club.

Dawn will find out more at the next regional H&I meeting when the meeting happens at the Regional Assembly in September. We are looking for Addicts to go into DOC, and Dawn has applications with her if interested. "If you are lacking in Gratitude, this is one sure way to be restored."

Merchandise Subcommittee: Desiree V. We sold a total of \$118.00 of merchandise at Unity Day. People really seemed to like the new tank tops, as they are almost all sold out! Merchandise total in the bank is \$761.25. The next subcommittee meeting will be September 19th at 3PM at the unity Club.

Shawn H. asked what the general reserve was, and if the money came back into the Area. Desiree stated that she buys merchandise, and sells it, and then just keeps the cycle going. Was stated that maybe a cap might be in order so that money would be in a smaller reserve. Jim stated that if this was going to a guideline change, that it should be discussed in new business.

Public Information Subcommittee: Chris R. Subcommittee met August 30th at a coffee shop in FC. The PI presentation is set for November 14th at 1PM at the Pulliam Building in Loveland. Invitations are printed and available for the ASC to be given to any and all Weld and Larimer County officials in the social service sector including officers of the court and law enforcement, firefighters, politicians, hospital workers, therapists, business owners and management, community leaders and planners. Please take a postcard for each invitee. Use the left of the backside to write a personal note explaining that this is an informative presentation on what NA is, and how it works for the individual and the community; use the right hands side for the address and postage. We will be assembling a panel and question takers, using our Basic Text and How it works and Why to answer questions about the program and fellowship. Chris G. and others will be putting together a packet of information to attendees. Chris R. will be requesting disbursements at the October and November ASC meetings, in hopes to spread out the PI budget over three months to cover costs of packets, postage, rent for the Pulliam building, and refreshments. So far, \$40 has been spent on a book of postcard stamps for the invitations.

Karen stated that there was a data base that had all of the contacts and addresses for our Area, and that he may want to get with Tawnie on this. Chris stated that Tawnie actually contacted Chris because our data base is the most current in the region. Also stated that our posters were being placed in these locations, and are going to be invited to the presentation. Asked that if we do send out a post card, that we keep track of who we send them to.

CRCNA Liaison: Jim M. Last planning meeting was held August 8th at the Crown Plaza (CRCNA XXIII location) in Colorado Springs. If you are not registered for CRCNA yet, you will want to do so as soon as possible. Registration can still be done online or via snail mail. The cost is only \$25. The price break will only last until September 21st. After the 21st, the price will go up to \$35. Don't forget to sign up for Saturday night banquet, \$30, and Sunday morning breakfast \$20. The Sunday morning spiritual speaker will be in the room with a spectacular view of the

mountains. So be sure to plan on staying for the breakfast and enjoy the speaker while having a panoramic view of the Southern Rock Mountains and Pikes Peak.

Hotel rooms are going fast. Over half of the blocked rooms have been reserved. You may reserve online using the CRCNA website or call 800-981-4012. Rooms are \$95 per night for two beds. The Hotel is asking that only 4 adults stay in each room. There is a quiet floor for those that want a more relaxing experience, and no children will be allowed on this floor. No room service will be available past 10 PM on this floor. You must request this floor at the time you make the reservation.

At the August meeting, we did a hotel walk-through. The place is amazing! There is so much room for us to spread out in. The hospitality room is huge and overlooks an indoor swimming pool atrium, and away from meeting and hotel rooms, so not to disturb others. There is a large restaurant. There are two conversational meeting lobbies where you can sit with a cup of coffee and visit. The meeting rooms are large and comfortable. All in all, the hotel facility will meet our needs and then some.

Be sure to visit the OTW website services page link. Jeff S. has placed all the opportunities for service on our website. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Jim M at 303-522-2372. Being of service to CRCNA can only help enrich your CRCNA experience. There are still plenty of marathon meetings which need chair persons, as well as hospitality room slots. This room is where many Addicts rely on getting their nourishment for the weekend. Thank you Jeff, for putting this on the website!

If you want to capture the CRCNA XXIII experience on film, there will be a photographer set up in a room where you can go have your pictures taken. You can have a sponsor tree photo, single photo, or a group of friends. He will only be there on Friday evening for a short time, and Saturday afternoon/evening. You can get 5x7 prints for \$12 with a discount for multiple prints.

Game Room: In the game room this year, there will be a few rules that need to be followed. They will be posted on the door and the Addict hosting the room will be required to enforce the rules. There is to be NO GAMBLING in the game room. If you want to play poker, black jack, or other games, it is simply playing the game. If there is any gambling taking place, the program chair will be notified, and will put a stop to the gambling. Also, ALL CLOTHING IS TO REMAIN ON AND NO STRIP GAMES OF ANY KIND ARE TO TAKE PLACE IN THE GAME ROOM!

With your registration this year, you will be allowed into all entertainment venues. This will include the dance Friday night. There will be another dance Saturday night, as well as a comedian.

This year, H&I is holding a T-shirt drive. Because of budget constraints and a regional decision, we will not be providing H&I participants with a t-shirt, therefore we are having a t-shirt drive. If you have any old CRCNA t-shirts that are in good quality and have no use for them any longer, you may donate them to H&I subcommittee of CRCNA XXIII. Please get those shirts Jim M. 303-522-2372, no later than October ASC so Jim can take them to the October CRCNA meeting.

This is setting up to be an incredible weekend of food, fun, and fellowship, which you won't want to miss out on. Time is going fast, so get registered to assure your spot in our weekend celebration of recovery!

Stephanni asked if the workshop schedule had been finalized yet, and the answer was not yet.

Newsletter Subcommittee: Charlie A. Decided to make the publication to a quarterly publication. Also stated that the money given to this subcommittee for September will be used for October publication.

Guidelines Adhoc: Karen stated that copies were being sent around to add and fix things that need to be changed. More revisions were asked for during the last month, and Karen stated that sometimes revisions can take up to a year.

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

PI presentation to Turning point. And it sounds good, though PI has taken care of this through its presentation in November.

Elections for Open Office

ASC Vice Chair: Cory was nominated with a second. Accepted. Qualifications were read. Mike M. was nominated, second, and declined. Cory was asked to qualify. Shell was asked if he had an NA sponsor how much clean time he had. Stated that he had a year and a week. Karen clarified that the position needed to be at ASC for 6 months or more. Bobby asked why he wanted to do this position. Stated that he likes to be of service to NA as a whole, not just for personal recovery. Chris G. stated that we all go through tough times, and has been at ASC meetings in the past as GSR for a home group. Was asked to clarify, “does the vice chair need to attend all subcommittee meetings.” Was stated Vice chair fill in subcommittees as needed if the chair remains open. Shell asked if he had worked the traditions with a sponsor. Yes. Bobby asked if Cory asked if he truly understood the difference between service based recovery and recovery based service. Stated that he did, as far as doing things as hiding out in rooms. Bobby asked what the basis of his recovery and service is. Cory answered that he has been of service at group level as well as sponsoring. Dale asked if he had filled his commitment of service, and is why he wants to go to Area level. He also stated that was a commitment made, which was more of a help to one commitment, rather than an actual commitment. Karen asked if he had financial stability, as well as why he was jumping into Area service, rather than subcommittee level. Cory stated that he was to understanding that this was a learning position to learn how the ASC functioned. Chris reiterated this as a learning position. Dawn asked if Cory had a checking account or if anything was hindering him from taking this position. Shawn asked if he would come across any scheduling conflicts due to the position being “dumped on.” Cory stated that this is not an issue. Vote was taken, and there was a majority vote to have Cory as the new vice chair. Thank you Cory!

New Business

Esperanza de la Vida motioned with a second for Area help in purchasing some literature in Spanish. Chris asked if he wanted key tags in Spanish. Was asked to amend the motion to get the group key tags in Spanish.

Red made clear that those voted into a position that are check signers, that it is up to that person to get with Red and get onto the account.

Merchandise cap. Was discussed. Des stated that she would like to get with her subcommittee and figure out how much she might need, and get back to the ASC next month with the information.

Karen asked that we have more clarity on clean time requirements for each Area seat. Also stated that that there should be more organization in the elections process so that there were not people being railroaded into a position. Sjon stated that...

Eric asked if that since this body is here to serve, and there are things being lost between group reports and ASC discussions. Was stated that we don't need to be reporting Group reports and wasting time and we are ramming through other parts of Area business. Rebecca stated... Chris read what is on the group report form, and stated that the report didn't need to be read aloud, unless there are group concerns. Sjon stated that it's important to have these so that if a group is struggling or not going to be around anymore. Bobby stated that if every group would have a report available for every group, the secretary staple them, and hand them out to each group. Luke stated adopt Bobby's concept to the guidelines. Kurt stated that what John just did, was what the GSR is supposed to do. Getting the info from ASC, and getting it back to the group level. The body does talk about this, and the GSR's are not.

Luke made a motion with a second that oral group reports be eliminated and set on table for all chairs to pick up. Karen stated that she is opposed because it is one way that we have open communication with each other. It does take time, but it's part of the ASC. Stated that if GSR doesn't want to be here, it might be time to rotate. Sjon stated that he is opposed for various reasons and isn't going to go over them all. Chris G. stated that he opposed as well. Bobby stated the he only made a suggestion that worked in another area, and that this group is known for not changing

anything because that's the way it's always been. Eric stated that since each group is autonomous. Vote taken, and the motion fails... Minority opinion. Bobby apologized to an addict for making a statement to him.. Also stated that this might just be a way to shorten time at ASC to get to more important things. Rebecca suggested that there was an amendment to the motion, and it was stated that there was no ability to amend due to vote already being made.

Karen motioned that we donate \$500 to Region. Was a second. Dawn asked to clarify that she thought that we already did this automatically. Red stated that he donates when the ASC votes on the donation. Was asked if that was enough to donate Was asked to amend the motion to \$1000. Accepted. Was asked if Region needed it. Was stated that if region doesn't need it, it goes to world. Red stated that there was not a vote for donating books to our own Area, but we vote on the? Vote passes. Minority speaks. Chris stated that Majority...

Red asked if there was any follow up to the discussion of donating books to Mountain Crest. Levi said that he tried to move forward with this, and heard nothing more from it. Chris R. stated that this was the first time that he had heard of this... Donate books to MC by motion, second, and motion passes.

Upcoming Events

Open Area Opportunities for Service:

Open Discussion

Disbursements

Somehow got missed handing to secretary. Secretary will get at October ASC meeting and amend these minutes

Motion to close at 11:50

**Next ASC Meeting:
October 4th, 2009 9:00 AM
Pulliam Building
545 N. Cleveland Ave.
Loveland, CO**

Your Secretary thanks you for your patience!