

**Open**: Chris B at 9:02 with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer and the reading of the 12 Traditions

**Roll Call:** Stephanni C., Lilias R., Corrie M., Stacey A., Karen C., Melanie K., Kenny O., Alan W., Luke H., Erik J., Joe K., Chris B., Dave L., Joe W., Adam C., Mike L., Corey M., Andrea V., Jonathon L., Levi B., Bailey H., Shell H., Jim M., Desiree V., Dawn H., Cathy S., Trino F., Sjon C.,

Guests: Melanie F. Canon City Common Thread Group

**Approval of Last Month's Minutes:** Motion to approve with a 2<sup>nd</sup>. Minutes approved.

## **Group Reports:**

**4<sup>th</sup> Street Recovery:** Levi B. GSR, Bob GSRA, 7<sup>th</sup> tradition is good. Jonathan L. is the new treasurer. Average attendance of 12 Addicts at the noon meeting, and 30 at the Monday meeting. Area donation \$30

Addicts Helping Addicts: Chris G. GSR, Small Group. Doing well. Looking for a Monday Secretary.

Addicts Seeking Sanity: Cathy S. GSR, Misty S. GSRA, Meeting is doing well, and 7<sup>th</sup> is good. Looking for a new Sunday Opener. Area donation of \$50

Addicts United: Melanie K. GSR, Kenny O. GSRA, All Service positions are filled. Melanie K. GSR, Kenny O. GSRA, Alan W. Secretary, Mike H. Treasurer. Meeting has great attendance.

**Clean Serene Freaks:** Mike L. GSR, Adam C. GSRA, Attendance has its ups and downs. Gave a lot of our literature away to new comers, so that is where most of the groups money went this month. Questions to the Area to be addressed in new business. Area donation of \$44.63

Drug Busters: Eric K. GSR, All is well.

Esperanza de a Vida "Hope for Life": Is now in its new location, and things are going just fine.

Free at Last: Not in attendance

Freedom Springs: Joe K. All is more than well

Friday Night Dead Without It: No report

**Hugs Not Drugs:** Stacey A.GSR, Attendance is good with an average of 20-25 Addicts. 7<sup>th</sup> is keeping up with literature and rent.

Hope Dealers: Luke GSR, All is well. Service opening for Treasurer.

**Just For Today:** Sjon C. GSR, Meetings are going well. Group will be hosting the Hospitality Room at CRCNA on Friday night.

Mass Addicts: Cory GSR, Elected a new GSR who will attend next ASC. Meeting is going well.

**Never Alone Never Again:** Stephanni C. GSR, The group had its final meeting on September 13<sup>th</sup>. The group gave away most of its literature to people in the halfway house and newcomers. Area donation of \$6

New Horizons: Not in attendance.

**On Higher Ground:** No report

**Primary Purpose:** Shell H. GSR, Attendance is steady, however 7<sup>th</sup> is down. Group is in need of a GSRA, Secretary, and more home group members! Area donation of \$30

NA Nooner: Bailey H. GSR, Attendance is up, and 7<sup>th</sup> is good. Group is in need of a GSRA. Area donation of \$46

**When At The End Of The Road:** Amy J. GSR, Corrie M. filling in. Attendance has been great with an average of 10 or more Addicts at each meeting. "Toss the Book" meeting on Thursdays. Area donation of \$25.

XX Genes: Karen C. GSR, Group is doing well, but has low attendance.

## 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. Filling in for Red, Area Treasurer. and standing in for Chris R., PI Chair.

Vice Chair: Corey M. No report

**RMC 1/RCM 2:** Shell filling in for Shawn. Regional donation to WSO was \$2341.08

The RD Service Presentation is available at http://nacolorado.org/region/Regionalassembly041809.pdf

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

The new meeting application that the Region signed up for is now available, and for use at Area level as well. It is for business meetings only. It can be used for sub-committees and any other Area business. It is not for group level meetings, or private use. You will have to contact Don T. for a user name/password.

The next Assembly will be in April. This is when group GSR's are needed at Regional level. AT this meeting, we will be voting on the CRCNA Guidelines and the CRCNA Board now that CRCNA will be incorporated. There is no time and location yet.

There are new meetings in the Region. Yuma has a new meeting on Tuesday and Friday at 7:30, Wray on Sunday's at 8:30, and the Mountains West Area has a new Spanish speaking meeting.

It is asked that we come up with a list of priorities for the Regional budget if we care. Things like meeting place, PI, and H&I will be top priorities, but if we want our input, we have to act now. At the next Regional meeting, we will be voting on the tiers of the budget to see what will take priority of funds.

Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum CAR Workshop will be held in Wyoming on December 5<sup>th</sup>. The location is not set yet. More will be revealed as it comes in.

CRCNA XXIV will be in Grand Junction. They brought in a very well done bid. It was voted on and passed.

Take note that the money we send down the chain does get into the hands in need. NAWS donated \$675,000 to 3<sup>rd</sup> world countries that couldn't afford literature.

#### (RCM report continued)

We were the only Area with a donation to the Region. Our Area was not only complimented on how well we are doing, but also asked about how other Areas can find a way to get more funds. I (Shawn) talked about how well our activities have done and gave kudos to Kurt for his outstanding job. We also had a ton of compliments on the PI postcard, as well as the idea of hosting an event to get more info out to the public on NA. I (Shawn) handed out the postcard to multiple people and answered as many questions as possible. Great job, PI!

Proposals

Proposal #1 Passed with one stand aside The PR Adhoc Committee proposes that a PR Committee be formed in the CRSC as a sub-body

Proposal #2 Passed with a full consensus.

To change the CRCNA guideline Article 2 Section B5 to read "CRCNA Administrative Committee Officers (Vice Chair, Treasurer)"

Proposal #3 Passed with a full consensus

That the CRSC guidelines be amended to account for approved budget items. Specifically add to Article 9 Section Ba#2 CRSC approved budgetary expenses will be considered as funds encumbered and not be counted as part of the \$5000 treasury ceiling. These funds will be accounted for at each CRSC and disbursed as necessary for CRSC activities. Any excess funds at the end of the annual cycle will be forwarded to NAWS at the January RSC.

Proposal #4 Passed with 8 reservations and 2 stand asides

Use the September Assembly, where GSR's are present, as the primary budget review meeting for the new proposed annual budget. Proposed budgets will be submitted in a 3 tier priority system. This is driven by the reality that CRSC funding comes from 7<sup>th</sup> tradition donations at CRCNA. CRCNA funds have varied widely from \$10,000 to a negative fund flow.

Tier#1: Proposals will be funded if CRSC must rely on 7<sup>th</sup> tradition only for the year. Example being years that CRCNA did not make any money, we could only fund critical items.

Tier #2: Proposals will be funded only if the CRSC income is tight. Example being when CRCNA made a modest profit, the RSC has given moderate priority.

Tier #3: Proposals will be funded by CRSC in years when CRCNA is financially successful. These would be the fully funded budget for the CRSC schedule.

The Steps and Schedule for tiers

- 1. CRSC Administration and PR subcommittee (combining PI, H&I, and Outreach) will prepare the tier 1-3 proposals for the September Assembly. Anyone (ASC's and GSR's) can bring budget recommendations to this Assembly.
- 2. An agenda item for budget input and discussion will be added to the September Assembly.
- 3. After discussion, the assembly members will accept/modify the budget proposals.
- The funded tier will be determined by the income of CRCNA. This information will be made available by the November RSC. The annual budget will be finalized at the November CRSC meeting making budget available for activities beginning in January.

Elections Linda L. was voted in as new PR Chair

The next CRSCNA Meeting will be: November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009 10 AM-3PM Denver Inner City Parish Building 1212 Mariposa St. Denver, CO

Thanks for letting me Serve, Shawn H. RCM I

## (RCM continued)

Questions about the "Tiers", and wants a better definition of what this actually is because it's so vague. Was stated that it is vague right now, and up to groups to discuss and bring back to Region to help with the clarification.

**Secretary:** Stephanni C. Stated that the next version of the ASC Phone list is going around to be proofed, and sent to each person on the list so that all will have a copy. Stated to the Area to make sure that all written reports be turned into the Secretary before they leave the meeting. Also stated that it is time to sign the contract for January-June the Pulliam building. She will be getting that going in the next couple of weeks. Also stated that she needed to be reimbursed for previously paid rent of the Pulliam building. Was stated that Secretary should not be using her own funds which violates traditions and asking to go through the proper channels. Newt and Chris B also agreed, so as to not be paying this several times, and it go through the proper channels. Was also stated that this should be discussed outside of the ASC, so as not for people to feel attacked and have the finger pointed, and wasting Area time. This will go through the proper channels with the next contract.

## Treasurer: Red B., Chris B. filling in

The beginning balance on September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009 was \$1860.42. We the following disbursement that day of:

- \$20 for H&I subcommittee meeting rent
- \$88.41 to PI
- \$13.41 to the Guidelines Revision Adhoc
- \$1000 to CRSC
- \$43.60 to Esperanza de la Vida for literature
- \$47.70 to PI for literature

Total disbursements that day were \$1212.85.

Paid the cell phone bill in the amount of \$108.31

We donated \$10 for internet

We \$19.50 for facility rental for the November PI presentation to be held at the Pulliam building.

Group donations that day were \$655.61.

Activities returned to us \$440.

There was a \$10 account error in our favor.

This leaves us with a balance of \$1615.37 minus our prudent reserve of \$600 for a general fund balance of \$1015.37.

I (Red) am requesting \$14.99 for printer ink, that is within Treasurer budget.

I (Red) can be reached by cell at 970-576-1542 if there are any issues my (Red's) assistance is needed.

Activities Subcommittee: Kurt B. Minutes were sent to Secretary via email. In attendance were 40ther Addicts. Kurt discussed details for the Harvest Festival family day sometime in October. A letter was written and emailed to the Denver Mission to set up the day, but as of 10/10/09, no response.

The committee turned down the idea of having a movie night fundraiser.

John made a motion to get information for a haunted house event in October in Denver. He will find out about ticket costs and make a flyer for the event.

# Kurt brought up the idea to put two events on the same flyer once he got the information from the different events. (Activities continued)

Old Business: It was brought to the attention of the committee that the overall commitments to service and meetings, have gone down in attendance. Service has suffered from lack of involvement from certain individuals. We can still continue to plan events.

New Business: Received an email from Mile High Activities. They said they would like to plan an event between the three Front Range Area's. Boulder, Off the Wall, and Mile High. The event would be a New Years Bash. Kurt suggested a place where the 2007 CRCNA took place in Longmont. It is between all three Area's and we are familiar with the event location. Kurt also suggested that we use Dave K., as the DJ. Kurt said that our committee probably would be interested in the event, and that he would let them know the details at the next subcommittee meeting.

Still would like to do something nice for Dave K the DJ for helping with the last three Area events

## Literature Sub-Committee: Chris G.

- September sales were \$783.41
- Ordered from WSO was \$758.74
- Current inventory Value is \$1729.16
- Reserve Balance of \$69.65

The Literature subcommittee made a lot of progress this month. First, we spent about two solid days (for lack of a better word) "tweaking" the internal workings of the lit ordering and sales processing. This included adjusting the excel spreadsheets that we currently use in order that it should be real simple for the next order guy to understand. The job position itself actually consumes about 20 working hours a month, which the three hours at the ASC. We hope to have simplified the process to consume less hours.

The second thing we did, was created and submitted a proposal to the Guidelines Adhoc. These minor changes will allow for a comfortable amount of room in the ordering process and once again make this job easier. That is easier to supply the appropriate amount of literature for every group in the Area. This proposal also would allow for some special order or interest items to be stocked at the Area level. Example: we don't currently stock any Spanish lit or key tags. However, we are servicing more Spanish speaking groups.

Thirdly, we re-vamped or updated the order forms. We now have Spanish order forms and special item forms. Unfortunately, anything of this nature that is ordered and not in stock will have to be prepaid. Once we receive the shipment, we will notify you and coordinate to get the items to you ASAP. We are currently stocking the paperback sixth edition miniature Basic Texts, and the revised mini JFT. It was decided not to order the regular sized JFT would not be ordered until the revised sixth edition JFT is available.

We also hand delivered Spanish key tags to the Esperanza group as soon as they came in. We enjoyed attending their meeting and felt a Power there that words cannot describe.

If you have any questions, our subcommittee is meeting twice a month. These meetings happen upon order placement which are generally one week after ASC and upon shipment receiving two weeks later. If you would like to serve this committee, please contact me (Chris G) at 970-297-8240 or  $gdog7_5@msn.com$ 

Finally, we would encourage you to look at our table that has our guideline proposals and a few specialty items

Gratefully Serving- Chris G

**Hospitals and Institutions:** Dawn H. The committee met September 24<sup>th</sup>. We discussed the facilities that we are currently going into, and all seems to be going well. We did have an incident occur where guidelines were not

followed and we were notified by the facility regarding rules and regulations. These facilities are allowing us to carry the message of hope to the Addicts are in need, we must adhere to their guidelines if we wish to continue going in. The

#### (H&I continued)

importance of orientation and following the more experienced member is imperative to our program. I only mention this for future reference so that we are all aware.

The Regional H&I committee met briefly at the Assembly in Sterling. The main focus was H&I at CRCNA and what we could do to help. The t-shirt drive for the newcomer is doing really well and many, many shirts have been collected. It looks like we will be ready for the newcomer at CRCNA. Also, a Vice Chair was nominated, and Dawn H. from OTW was elected, so hopefully all the hard work our Chair has done in the past two years will continue.

Due to our H&I subcommittee meeting being on the same day as CRCNA, we are backing it up one week to October 31<sup>st</sup>. Also, we will be meeting in Greeley where Addicts Seeking Sanity meetings are held. The reason being, is that Greeley is the only one present at every H&I meeting, and at times, the only one present at all. When others begin to seek out H&I and there is a need, we can always go back to the Unity Club. The rent is paid through September, making the move al the easier. The church where we will be meeting is asking only for a donation, so \$5 rent allowance will not change.

On a final note, we now have a secretary, making all positions filled once again. We want to thank Trino F. for stepping up and doing service for H&I where needed. Thank you Trino!

Happy in Service- Dawn H

**Merchandise Subcommittee:** Desiree V. Paid \$30 rent for the last six months. I bought \$62.34 in new merchandise, leaving a total of \$669.91 in the bank. The next subcommittee meeting is October 17<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Railroad in Loveland.

Happy to Serve- Desiree V.

Public Information Subcommittee: Chris R. was not in attendance, and stepped down as Chair.

CRCNA Liaison: Jim M. The last CRCNA XXIII planning committee met on September 12<sup>th</sup>.

CRCNA XXIII is here! If you have not registered for the convention, you may do so for \$35, or purchase a day pass for \$20 at the convention site.

The Saturday night banquet and Sunday morning breakfast are sold out!

CRCNA will begin October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12 PM and run through Sunday October 25<sup>th</sup> at 12 PM.

There are plenty of marathon meetings that need Chairs. Please get online and sign up for an hour of service work at CRCNA. I want to thank all those from OTW Area who have signed up to chair a meeting. We are being well represented thus far.

If anyone is planning on selling alternative merchandise Sunday morning, you will need to be sponsored by a group or Area. Have a letter from the group or the Area Chair and present that to the CRCNA Merchandise Chair.

Your registration badge will get you into all the workshops, game room, meditation room, speakers, comedian, and dances.

Just a reminder, if you are bringing children, they should be monitored at all times. If your children are left unmonitored in the game room, dances, etc., They will be asked to leave and find their parents.

Please be respectful to follow all the rules in the game room and meditation room.

## (CRCNA Liaison continued)

Remember, that although we are paying for the weekend, we representing Narcotics Anonymous, and it is each Addict's responsibility to conduct themselves appropriately.

Enjoy this weekend of fun, fellowship, and spiritual growth.

Thank you for allowing me to represent OTW on the CRCNA XXIII committee. It has been a pleasure to be a liaison. Thank you for your trust and support.

ILS- Jim M.

Newsletter Chair: Not in attendance

# 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**

Was stated that there are 4 people that are on the list to be check signers, Vice-chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and Chair.

## **Elections for Open Office**

**Public Information Chair:** Please let Groups know that this position is open. Mike L. asked if we were going to follow Region and combine PI and H&I. Dawn answered that we are going to how this is going to work, and then Area's are going to discuss if it will work.

Activities Chair: Qualifications were read. Nominations were asked for. Sjon asked that we need to ask that hold off and see if Kurt is willing to step down. All agreed.

#### New Business

CSF wanted to ask Area for some clarity. Was asked if an addict can hold TWO home groups. Jim stated that they can have as many home groups as they want, but can only carry one vote. Then was asked if they don't make it to their home group, if they can vote there. Newt stated that any person can comment at ant group, but can't vote. Karen stated that if a trusted servant should not have any say at other groups. Was asked if the 12 Concepts were to be abided by at group level. Was stated yes! Dawn asked if you could hold things such as chair positions at groups other than their own. The answer was yes, but this person can only vote at one group. Chris G stated that this is stated very clear on WSO website.

Motion for a 2 hour time limit. Point against, Shell, stated that we flew through group reports, and this isn't a big time waster. Newt stated that we already extended the ASC by one hour, and that we are here until the meeting is over. It takes as long as it takes. Voice of opposed- Joe K. Stated that the point is to eliminate wasted time and rhetoric. Motion failed.

The PI meeting being scheduled was discussed. Chris G. Stated that he and Danielle, another addict were put in charge of getting this together. 25 facilities were sent invites, 3 more were added, and Amy J. contacted 20 other facilities. May facilities asked that we get an electronic invite, to send out to all of their counselors in each facility so that all would know, and all could attend. A power point presentation is made, and 8 people are going to give the presentation. Cue cards were brought up, so as there is no adlibbing. Joe K, Dave A, Chris G, Ellen, Danielle, Dawn, Kurt, Ned will be speaking. Supposed to take about an hour, as to not bore the crowd. Subcommittee will try to be meeting in a week as to discuss the meeting and it's flow. Joe asked that since we needed to fill the PI position, and that we need to make this a top priority at our next ASC. Was stated that vice chair will fill this slot until someone takes on this chair. Chris G is asking for disbursement of funds for this event. Chris stated that he spoke with the Drug

Task Force and the police that we put an ad in the newspaper. Joe stated that there already is one in the Loveland paper. Chris asked if it should contain announcement of the presentation. Joe would do that. Jim asked if it should go into all three newspaper in the Area. Was stated yes, and Chris asked if these could be taken care of other Addicts. Chris B stated that this is one of the biggest PI presentations that he had seen in a long time, and asked Newt how long it's been. Newt stated that this hasn't happened in a very long time.

Motion to make PI presentation priority. Trino stated that there has been a problem getting to PI sub meetings. He said that if we need the help, then the help will be there. Newt stated that we can't force people to do anything, and that. Karen stated that the two motions on the table contradict, one stating that ASC be limited to 2 hours, and the other stating what we are going to discuss during an ASC meeting.

Guidelines revisions were brought up. Stated that they are going around, and that now that the email and phone list are done, all will be sent out to all on the list, so that they all can be looked over, and discussed, and brought back to the next ASC.

## Upcoming Events CRCNA XXIII October 23<sup>rd</sup> – October 25<sup>th</sup>, Colorado Springs

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

Activities Chair PI Chair H&I Chair

#### **Open Discussion**

Levi stated that 4<sup>th</sup> Street Recovery needed to have their noon meeting put on Area website.

Announcement made that Chris B. be seen by all that need disbursements see him before they leave, due to the fact that Red is not available today.

Was asked that the Areas of Service available be posted to the GSR checklist, and who was responsible for doing that. Is it PI or Secretary.

#### Disbursements

There were no disbursements made at this time. They will be disbursed to all that need them when the ASC Chair talks with Red later in the week

Motion to close

Next ASC Meeting : November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 9:00 AM Pulliam Building 545 N. Cleveland Ave. Loveland, CO

Your Secretary thanks you for your patience!