



Off The Wall Area

Narcotics Anonymous



December 7th, 2014 OTW ASC MINUTES

Open: 9:05 AM with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer and the reading of the 12 Concepts

Approval of Last Month's Minutes: Approved

Guests: Josh, Live Group Welcome!!!

BIRTHDAYS: Karen C 16 yrs, Jacob R 1yr., Josh 30days Yahoo!!!

GROUP REPORTS

ADDICTS SEEKING SANITY: Helen F. reported- Meeting attendance is strong all service positions are filled, planning our Speaker Jam in Early Spring. No concerns and we voted to keep our Activities committee. \$250.00 donation

CLEAN SERENE FREAKS: Jacob R. reporting –Attendance has risen slightly due to becoming meeting of the month, we need support, people w/some clean time. No donation.

DEAD W/OUT IT: Not Present

DRUG BUSTERS: Liliias R reported- All is well, steady attendance no needs or concerns @this time. We voted to keep the Activities committee. \$1.25 donation.

FREEDOM SPRINGS: Dawn reported-No concerns, no worries. Come join us for fellowship and recovery, if you're having an anniversary, we do clean time @every meeting. We'd love to share in your gratitude. \$21.00 donation.

FREE @LAST: Dave reported-I talked to Justus yesterday, he says thanks to all that ventured up the canyon to the Friday night meeting. Support is always appreciated and most welcome, take a drive and check it out sometime.

FUN ADDICTS: Dave A reported: Meetings are 40-50 people. We are hosting Speaker/Potluck on the 21st @6:00. We share a space w/Swag'd out and use the same NA Posters/Lit/tags. This has proven to work quite well. Mutual cooperation is a wonderful thing. We voted to keep our Activities committee. \$10.00 donation.

JUST FOR TODAY: Sjohn C. reported: Things are going well. \$60.00 donation.

LIVE GROUP: John K. reported-Things are going well, good attendance and good topics. We have moved our meeting location to 245 W. 4th St Loveland, CO. Attempting to put a function together, more info from Tink. We voted to dissolve the Activities. \$100.00 donation.

Never Alone: New Group in Sterling on Saturdays @1:30. Open meeting-Literature discussion, 3rd week of the month is a speaker meeting. Attendance average is 5 addicts. Looking/needng support from Area, buying Literature \$16.25. \$5.00 donation. (12915 County Road 37, Sterling, CO)

NOONER: James reported- Need home group members, we voted to keep Activities. Hosting a Bowling/Laser tag activity. Jan 10th, see flyer. \$50.00 donation

HOPE GROUP: Jenna B. reported- No donation.

No Matter What: Not Present

PRIMARY PURPOSE: John B. reported-Added new format of listening to speaker last Thursday of the month. 7th good. We voted to keep Activities \$26.00 donation.

RECOVERY SWAG'D OUT: Karen C. reported-Attendance is great. No donation.

SERENE MACHINE: Rich reported-Meeting is held same time as Area. Low attendance, would enjoy support, is becoming part of the Live Group @ the 1st of the year. \$40.00 donation.

STAIRWAY TO RECOVERY: Pat/Newt reported-Still holding strong w/attendance, 20-25 per meeting. Have moved meeting into the main room on the 1st level. We have a \$20.00 donation.

STEPS & TRADITIONS ROULETTE: Kurt B reported-All is, Meetings are large, coffee is flowing and music cranked w/holiday cheer. Meeting will be closed on Dec 25 & Jan 1st. Need service commitments filled. \$23.71 donation.

THE UDDER GROUP: Mark M-reported- We meet at 7PM Wednesday night at 4240 E County Road 66 just north of Wellington. Meeting attendance has dropped off of late. 2 consecutive nights of no shows, close to closing the meeting. Lost the 7th tradition, unable to connect w/treasurer. Rent is paid till January, so the meeting is still there. Eat mor chicken!

WHEN AT THE END OF THE ROAD: Hauna KO Reported-Attendance is up, Strong 7th Tradition. Potluck on Christmas day. \$82.85. Donation.

XX GENES: Sharon H reported-Steady small attendance 3-7; Book study meeting. Voted against discontinue Activities.

Meeting of the Month for December is HOPE GROUP

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHAIR: Jim Reported-Verbal report and written report printed on the agenda.

VICE CHAIR: Ernie S. is moving to Denver and is resigning his position.

SECRETARY: Karen C reported-Our area is growing!!!! Our contract for our meeting place is due in December, talking about it in new business. I am requesting all Sub-committee Chairs to submit their reports to email Kcampbell911@hotmail.com. Or Campbellkaren472@gmail.com.

TREASURER: Mike M. reported-Beginning balance of \$313.00 + reserve. A large amount of pending transactions @this time, \$926.00 of unclear checks and our literature order didn't clear yet. So, we have a total of \$1453.00 of encumbered funds out at this time, making it difficult to determine our exact balance. I hope to resolve some of these difficulties very soon.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

RCM 1/RCM 2: James reported
RCM II Report

Attended the Regional Committee meeting on Nov 16th 2014

Mentioned in the Regional Delegate report is that the Traditions book Introduction and Tradition one draft are out for input and review. Due date for input is January 2015. Traditions 2-6 draft material will be from Feb- April. Traditions 7-12 draft material will be out May – August. Still seeking draft materials for review and input release will be finished on March 31st 2015

You should look at getting visas now if you are interested in going to Brazil for the World Convention next year.

CRCNA - There are bid packets available for upcoming 2016. It needs to be set up for more than 800 people. The convention this year went over on the registration budget by \$700 due to complications with the lanyards. The Boulder Area felt a little like visitors in their own back yard as few speakers or chairs were spoke or chaired the convention. This seems to not be at the fault of the CRCNA, as attempts were made, but little follow through from the Boulder Area. The bucket being passed was much discussion. This was an oversight, it is in the guidelines that we should not do this, but we did bring in \$1400. Bringing back to Areas how we feel about this. Some felt it was good to let those there for only

the day or those who wanted to contribute, but unable to register to do so. Finally received a \$2000 from Lakeside – most profitable fundraiser. Least was the Barn dance. Reduced costs but \$4,000 overall even though over budget for lanyards. Had balance of \$15,300 before seed money, making it largest income from a CRCNA. CRCNA Did not file taxes in every city only w/ Longmont at end of convention to avoid \$10 here which is not worth the cost of filing for \$50. Paid 267.17 for merchandise from CRCNA. CRCNA guidelines are still being worked on and should be available by April Assembly.

H&I at Region is looking for help to getting into institutions. Looking at going into Rifle and Four Mile. Looking at guideline revisions for DOC coordinator.

Looking at getting a line of credit for the Region, as sometimes literature is needed by H&I and cannot wait until every other month Regional meeting. Current chair has paid out of pocket sometimes. Covered Lit order for Mile Hi Area when no chair was available.

Need to take to Areas – What do Areas want to see DOC do w/ books given by Region. Looking at getting books on commissary maybe.

Jan 17th Next PR, PI and H&I meetings will be done through ANY MEETING. Big thanks to those who helped and participated in last one.

Elections

PI Chair – Patty P

Campout Chair – Mike H (dates are June 19th to 21st)

Public Information: Dave A reported: Of most concern is the checks we have out for the bench ads and buses in Greeley. Turns out that the bill that was misplaced was also the final of a one year contract. I contacted Lamar advertising last month and worked with one of their people and we finally got a new contract signed electronically on Friday. I was on vacation for a week so that slowed down the process. However, the ads stayed up the entire time so I expect to pay for the months that the contract was not active. I will not be asking for any checks today until we get it straightened out. My apologies to the treasurer as I know this has messed up the books.

I remotely attended the November regional PR mtg. I had been told that Chuck would allow us to use the CNAC tax-id number to prove we are non-profit as far as PSA's go. When I brought that up there was some discussion and he said he would send out the info. Other areas were interested as well. Having heard nothing by last Wednesday I sent a gentle reminder about our needs. When it was the webmasters turn to report I was in the midst of trying to get the picture part of the any meeting to work and was very frustrated as it was not doing what it was supposed to do. I got into a discussion with the webmaster and said I would correlate problems with the reg'l website so as to be specific. My tone was less than professional given my frustration with any meeting and the website. After the meeting I called the webmaster and apologized and then sent out a blast to the invitees expressing being wrong for not being in the solution and that I would try harder in the future. I remember something in the regional minutes about an ad hoc being set up to discuss issues with their web site but not sure if anything was done. If I am the only person in the state bringing up issues with the web site perhaps it is my problem and shortcoming not the website. More will be revealed.

When I had the phone last month we got a call about needy family members and Ray put me in touch with the Naranon people in Colorado. I called the woman in charge and got her permission to use her number for future reference. I plan to attend the Wednesday Naranon mtg in FTC over the Christmas break to make personal contacts.

I sent Pat the posters we use during poster drives. But one caveat. Just as H&I only holds a mtg if there are 2 or more members present, when we do poster drives we try to have 2 members present as well so that not just one person is the face of NA. The posters will be online; some are small to be handed out at doctor's offices or for professionals and range up to 11 by 17 for big bulletin boards. We ask members to not download them and go out hanging them up without notifying the PI subcommittee. We like to maintain a list of where they are posted so as to check whether they need reposted or have been of any use. I brought some along if anyone is interested in checking them out.

Lastly, as always, a lot of good info is passed along in our area google blast. If you want on the blast, or taken off, please write our webmaster.

Hospital/institutions: Sherri S. reported:

The subcommittee met on Nov. 22nd with 12 members present. We finished revising the H&I Guidelines. The final draft will be gone over at our next subcommittee for approval. Regional H&I has asked for our year end numbers as far as Facilities we serve, how many meetings per month, and how many service members. We now have 7 Facilities, 19 H&I meetings. And 31 Service Members!!

Coordinator Reports:

LCJ MEN: (Mark M. reported & Dave A emailed his report) Mark and I went in on the 6th and the 20th. For the 6th we had 10 guys and the meeting was lively. On the 20th we only had 3 guys with lots of honesty and some tears. We may change the mtgs from the first and 3rd Thursday to the 2nd and 4th starting in January, if LCJ continues to have concerts that conflict with our mtg. On the 20th, we went in at 6:20 to be able to get the pods that weren't at the 6:30 concert, but were going to the 8:00 event. We will co-ordinate with Lisa and do the right thing to be able to carry the message as frequently as possible. The end of Thursday night Football should increase our attendance.

LCJ WOMEN: Karen C. Absent-No report.

WCJ WOMEN: (Cathy S.) We have been taking a meeting into the facility for 2 years now. Going in twice a month on Tuesdays. Sheri S. and I attended the "Appreciation Dinner" and met the new Chaplain.

TRUE NORTH: (Karl W.) Going great-have 2 new panel members.

NRBH DETOX: (James R.) Going well-added 2 new panel members. Requesting Intro Guides and White Booklets in Spanish.

PLATTE VALLEY YOUTH: (Brandon K.) Going well-in need of panel members!

WORK RELEASE: (Sjon C.) Going well. Missed 1 meeting due to cancellation. In need of panel members!

I am requesting \$123.25 in literature and \$5 in rent.

Grateful to Serve~Sheri S.

ACTIVITIES: Position Open

MERCHANDISE: John B. reported:

Since my last report the merchandise of committee sold an additional 2 shirts 1 in the cash amount of \$15 and the other for \$14.59 we still have two shirts left. After having the last subcommittee meeting it is my recommendation and recommendation of the other members present at the committee that we utilize a merchandise position not as a subcommittee but as a person that organizes a contest that occurs annually one in which the design is submitted by the fellowship voted on by the fellowship and produced up until the crcna event. I believe that this garners the most participation from the fellowship and makes for the ability for us to recoup the funds invested. I would be willing to help set this up so that we could start the contest this coming March or April.

LITERATURE: Tink Reported:

November sales were \$475 plus the H & I order of \$82 for a total of \$558. I placed an order for \$527.

Current inventory total is approximately \$1000.

LIVE GROUPS have two literature racks for sale at a discounted price if there is anyone who needs them. The large rack, which is 25 pocket sells for \$45 and is now \$25. The small one is a 16 pocket that sells for \$26 and is now \$15.

Also, LIVE GROUPS can donate a set of STEPS AND TRADITIONS POSTERS with frames. They are a little worn, but if your group needs these, please see me after the meeting.

In Loving and Grateful Service, Tink

CRCNA Liaison: Tink Reported:

I am happy to report that our convention was a huge success and we were all blessed to have such great attendance and warm recovery.

The numbers are not final, but here are some highlights:

* The Quilt sold \$1200 in tickets and was won by Gerriane of the PPNA region for the second year in a row. Apparently, if you want the luck of the draw, have her purchase your tickets next year! Congratulations Gerriane.

* We still have not been paid for the fund raiser at Lakeside. That will be addressed by our CRCNA Chair and F&E Chair on Monday for payment.

- * We sold just over \$11,000 in Merchandise.
- * We sold just over \$15,000 in Registrations.
- * We collected just over \$1300 in 7th Tradition during the Main Speakers Events.
- * We had just over 200 H&I Registrants.

Preliminary amount of total profit is nearly \$13,000. Final numbers will be published by the Treasurer next month once all amounts are calculated.

I am so grateful to my fellow members for allowing me to serve OFF THE WALL AREA as your liaison this year and I thank you for the opportunity. IN LOVING SERVICE, TINK V.

OLD BUSINESS: Activities subcommittee to be dissolved-was taken back to the groups for a vote.

NEW BUSINESS: Jacob R is our newly elected Activities Chair (congrats!)

OPEN DISCUSSIONS: 7th tradition baskets being passed at CRCNA.

MOTION: ASC to donate \$50.00 to help Live Group cover deposit for their event @the Majestic on December 20th.

Made by: Ray L.

Intent: Unity

PASSED

MOTION: Remove the Merchandise subcommittee from the trusted servants and dissolve the Merchandise committee.

Made by: John B

Intent: We can manufacture shirts and other merchandise through either Activities or individual motions to produce.

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January ELECTIONS:

**CRCNA Liaison
ASC Treasurer**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Fun Addicts

Pot luck/Speaker Meeting

Dec 21th @6:00

220 E Oak Street Ft Collins, CO

Bring a dish to share

Holiday Potluck Fellowship

(When @the End of the Road)

Dec 25th @noon

301 E Stuart Ft Collins, CO

(Bring a dish)

Tri Area New Years Eve Event

Banquet & Speakers & Dance

December 31st @6:00/ Banquet Speakers @7:30/Dance @8:30pm

1850 Industrial Circle Longmont, CO

(Room rate @hotel \$79.00)

CRCNA XXIX (29) Elections and 1st meeting

January 10th, 2015 11:00-1:00PM

Englewood Public Library Englewood, CO.

NA NOONER

Bowling and Laser Tag

2454 8th Ave, Greeley, CO

January 10th

8:00-10:00 (be there @7:30to help us get discount)

\$13.75 shoes/ \$8:00 for \$15.00