

OTWASC MINUTES August 6th, 2017

Open: 9:02 am

Reading of the 12 Concepts

Opening reading: Guiding Principles

Guests/ New GSRs: John GSRA steps and traditions, Desmond GSR Live Group, Taylor GSRA Freed from Insanity, Trino GSR Solutions Group

Visitors: Alyssa

Birthdays: Carrie – 18 months, Lisa – 3 years, Stacia – 2 years, Patty – 18 years, Dave A – 31 years, Alex -- 6 months

Approval of Last Month's Minutes: Approved without changes

Group Reports

Addicts Seeking Sanity: Val reporting – met June 25th and July 30th. Meetings are going well, and people seem to enjoy the new writing format. New Wednesday opener is Jason B and Mike M. will continue being the Saturday opener. Elections: New GSR is Val K, new GSRA Peggy Z. New business: 1. Due to distractions from other church events conflicting with our Sunday 4pm meeting, we will be checking to see if we can move to the small room instead of the larger room. 2. ASS plans to take the first shift on Friday for the hospitality room at CRCNA. 3. On October 20, ASS will have an event at the Corn Maze. Details will be sent once all is finalized. 4. Flags – a decision was made to return all flags as we have had them for a while and no one has come to claim theirs. Treasurer's report starting balance for July was \$458.86 less literature order for \$107.65 and supplies for \$10, leaving a remaining balance of \$341.21. Motion made and passed to send \$340 to area as a donation.

Dead Without It: GSR Richard L. reporting. We meet for right now at 1208 W. Elizabeth in Fort Collins. Our last speaker, Larry from Denver, rocked it. Our next speaker is Lindsey H. We are trying to have speakers that we haven't heard from speak bi-monthly. Our church has been sold and we could move with them or look for another place. It is still up in the air. We have no other concerns. We are donating \$18 and ordering literature.

Drugbusters: Mark M reporting. Things are going well. We are still looking for a GSR and are always in need of home group members. Our meeting place has begun renting parking spots out to CSU for game days. The next game day is August 26th. We will be discussing how we want to handle this next week. \$65 donation. \$35 lit.

Fun Addicts: GSR Zach V. reporting. Meetings going well, a lot of newcomers attending. Had issues with violent and disruptive behavior and theft of food from the kitchen by a member. This member is currently incarcerated, but we will work on a spiritual and constructive solution if they return. Due to New West Fest, which happens directly outside our meeting place, there will be no meeting on Sunday, August 13th. All 7th from the Fun Addicts Sunday Park Meeting is being held for an end-of-season BBQ in October, with remainder being donated to the ASC. Fun Addicts is in favor of all three regional guideline proposals. No concerns. \$116 lit order, \$50 area donation.

LIVE: GSR Desmond B and GSRA Alex M. reporting. Meetings are going well. Attendance is growing. Our chair for Wednesdays is Alex. No needs, no wants, and no concerns at this time. We are also donating \$125 to area, lit order of \$208.90.

Primary Purpose: GSR John B reporting. Closed candlelight meeting 929 15th St 7pm. All is well. \$80 donation, \$3.60 lit order.

Recovery SWAG'D Out: GSR Stacia R. reporting. We meet at 220 East Oak Street in Fort Collins on Tuesdays at 7pm. We are averaging 30-40 people. We have a birthday meeting the last Tuesday of the month. We are doing well, no concerns. \$23 lit order, \$20 area donation.

Solution Group: GSR Trino F. reporting. 1322 31st Ave. Greeley CO Dinosaur Day Oct 14, planning on two speakers, waiting for conversation, will have flyers next month. \$66 donation. All is well. No concerns at this time.

Stairway to Recovery: GSRA Pat H. reporting. Meetings are at 614 8th Ave. In Greeley, every Monday evening at 7pm. Attendance varies from 6 to 16, but it's been a bit lower during the summer. 7th has been steady. We have a \$10 area donation. Concerns: we need home group members.

When at The End of The Road: GSR Kim W. reporting. We meet at 301 East Stuart St. in Fort Collins on Monday through Friday at noon, Saturday at 7:30pm, and Wednesday at 7am. Just a reminder, we have a speaker meeting the first Saturday of the month, second Saturday is Step of the month, third is Tradition of the month, 4th is birthday. Speakers: Sept: Zach, Oct: Kevin S., Nov: Alyssa. We will be hosting a cleanup on Spring Creek and Barbecue event. Flyers and info to come. We will be hosting a CRCNA hospitality room, so our area donations will be less generous. Concerns: Our group discussed the CRCNA event at our church meeting location and had some concerns, see New business. Area donation: \$31.21. Literature: \$149.90.

XX Genes: GSR Karen C. reporting. Meeting going well. Our step-writing has had great feedback! Steady attendance. No concerns. \$5 donation.

Steps and Traditions Roulette: GSRA John L. reporting. We're doing great. Feel free to come and check it out on Thursdays at 6:46pm. No concerns \$11.75 donation

No Matter what: GSR Tanner M. reporting. Meeting attendance has been strong. We have an area donation of \$20.53. Our meeting place is asking for donations in order to remodel the basement/kitchen area where groups meet & store supplies. We donated \$15 in addition to our rent of \$25. We elected a GSRA, Jack C. \$21.15 literature order. 301 E. Drake @ 7pm Mondays.

Freed from Insanity: Scott reporting. New GSRA, Taylor, new secretary. Solid attendance 15-20 each meeting, discussing time change for one meeting. We meet thurs, sun, mon at all saints episcopal in Loveland. Monday night meeting will move from 7pm to 6pm. Consensus that will help our attendance. \$10 donation.

Just for Today: GSR Sjon C. reporting. We meet at 1015 9th Ave. Greeley, CO Mon, Thur, Fri from Noon till 1pm, and Tuesday & Friday from 7pm to 8pm. We are going to be starting the roe(?) book meeting in the Living Clean book by September. We have a lit order of 77.20. Camp out went well. Thanks to all who came. Area donation: \$250.

Free at Last: not in attendance

Never Alone:

Just for Today: 1015 9th ave in Greeley. Tuesday book study starting in Living Clean in Sept. \$77.20 lit order. \$250 area donation

New Horizons: Michael O. reporting. Meetings going well. About four or five regulars, lots of tourists in and out, no treasurer, pass that on for rent. We have a Tuesdays 7pm at Harmony responsible for our recovery meeting. We've been meeting for two months, like to see it on our schedule.

Miracle on Oak Street: GSR Amy K. reporting. Miracle on Oak is doing well. Could use some more home group members. We have \$58.35 in lit and \$15.65 area donation.

Responsible for our Recovery:

Truth Through Proof:

ABC – Addicts book club: lit study meeting Friday nights 6 pm 220 East oak.

Meeting(s) of the month: Sjon nominates the freed from insanity meeting changing from 7pm to 6 pm. Accepted.

Officer Reports

Chair: no chair, so no report

Vice Chair: Liliias reporting. Hope you had a happy and safe 4th July, honor and blessing to serve this body. Probably a few bumps because I'm new, hope we can accomplish a great deal for today. Didn't put a break in the format.

Secretary: will include treas report, will send minutes out today, email reports to me asap

Treasurer: no official report. Current balance of \$173, James is seeing if he can access the account, somewhere around \$1520 from donations and merchandise. We do have some funds available but we are well below our prudent reserve.

RMC 1: not in attendance

RCM 2: position vacant

Hospitals and Institutions: Janine reporting. The subcommittees met on 6-24 & 7-22.

Unable to bring meetings to IRT in future, but will try to serve there if we can. Did 7/22 training for poster drive. See Kurt Z for posters. Will meet from 11-12 and separate the committee from PI. The Vice Chair or I will arrive at 10:45 to get a summary of the things we need to communicate between P.I and H&I. We combined the groups for 3 months and found that all the information could be summarized in 15 mins. There's no need to combine the subcommittees at this time. Still under PI umbrella. Kurt Z brought up some things both PR and HI did together. Managed to make it to Larimer County Jail, brought posters, had great discussion with administrators, in coordination with Weld County Jail, discussed lit and action plans that when we're not there that NA is still represented with literature and face to face contact that helps improve our relationships with institutions. We currently have 7 facilities that hold approximately

25 meetings a month with 30+ members. After this month, we can go back to the original budget of 125.00 since we will no longer serve Comm Cor. Thanks so much!

Public Information Subcommittee: Mark M reporting. Averaging 20-25 calls per month, calls down because of success of new website. Web 1014 visitors in last 30 days. 6236 visitors since Jan. 8208 new and returning visitors. He's just reading off the report, I'll get it from him.

Merchandise Sub-Committee: Turned in \$365 today. Attended lots of events, big sales.

Activities Subcommittee: Windsor lake event went well about 50 people, turned in \$31 donation from event. In process of booking October masquerade ball at the Majestic, will have tickets and flyer out in a week. Will include speaker and food, \$20 tickets. Looking for just a fellowship gathering in September. Sean brought up complaints and shutdown of Windsor lake event. Sarah replied one person tried to take the DJ role on and put an obscene song on. The police came, it's okay, just that one issue. CRCNA fundraiser issues raised, went to church and didn't consult activities chair or homegroup at location, no communication between When at the End of the Road, OTW, and CRCNA. Vice chair took over and made plans. Shane brought up that WATEOTR was not contacted, CRCNA directly contacted the church without consulting us. Our meeting place closes at 9 pm. We have some deep concerns about it, and our relationship with our meeting place is something we're concerned about it. Will discuss in New Business.

CRCNA Liaison: Met June 17th and July 8th. Merch is still online, if you have issues ordering contact John. Limited supply at convention. Merch is typically sold out on Friday. Trying to limit upfront expenses which are a large portion of our budget. Donations for silent auction now accepted. Contact Jim he'll tell you where to send it. Next fundraiser (tentatively) August 19th 301 East Stuart in FC. 96 room nights still available at hotel \$99 per night. Please sign up, it's how we get free meeting spaces. Marathon meeting sign up should be up now. We are looking to have Serenity Liaisons, similar to Hug patrol at other conventions. Assist with finding meetings and workshops, being smiling face to outreach to fellowship and represent committee. Will have a meeting to give expectations, will have special lanyard and training, not scheduled yet. Friday and Saturday morning during CRCNA, quick 15 minutes. Karen says this is nothing new, we've always had them. John reply, we didn't have official positions since CRCNA 25. Just want someone that people can look to so they can get information. Easiest way to serve at convention. The CRCNA subcommittee met on 6/17/17 and 7/8/17. ILS John B.

Literature: Sold 789. 640 cash, 129 checks.

Old Business-

Need to pay remaining \$350 rent for rest of year. Trino – we didn't hold ad hoc committee. Would this body still like me to hold ad hoc committee meeting.

Kurt Z electronic donation has been investigated. Assigned to an ad hoc committee, we can discuss this if we have a break.

Flash drive controversy. Where are you with the flash drives, or is this a dead discussion. Do we need to look into additional flash drives? Sec suggested additional flash drives with all the archives on them, one each for each member of the steering committee. Sarah is writing a motion for us to vote on. Secretary will set up a cloud account on gmail cloud for OTW Secretary for our archives.

We will meet on October 29th instead of the first Sunday in November.

Elections:

Chair: Dave A nominated, seconded, accepts nomination. Qualified himself. Questions asked and satisfied. Unanimously Elected.

RCM2: Amy nominated, seconded and accepted. Qualified herself. Unanimously elected.

New Business-

Why are we meeting on Labor Day weekend?

When at the End of the Road is pissed that the CRCNA fundraising committee acted without our input or approval to use our meeting space for a fundraiser and co-opted our meeting as part of their event. We feel this is a violation of the fourth tradition and perhaps the second tradition, in particular our autonomy wasn't respected and we have concerns with the implied endorsement of CRCNA, which isn't NA. We feel this jeopardizes our meetings space. We support and value CRCNA, but the way it has gone down our group conscience is that we don't want this fundraiser at our meeting space. Karen added they Didn't go through the homegroup or ASC activities committee. Just went completely around everyone who has a stake in this. Violated channel and protocol. Val – it's possible she didn't know proper protocol. John – in Feb, it was well documented to the F&E subcommittee that we wanted an event in the OTW area. We were upset in May that CRCNA wasn't having a fundraiser in our area. Very few people showed up to the subcommittee meetings. Subcommittee's F&E leadership hasn't been as available as I had hoped. I brought this up in committee. The chair wasn't taking the reins, the vicechair stepped in. Yes, she broke protocol, I can't speak for her, but that's what happened. The motivation wasn't to stop on the dignity of the Home Group. Liliias: Do we have a constructive solution or a formal motion on the table? If so please submit them so we can resolve this and move on. If not, we have to move on.

New meeting trying to start in Windsor. Alyssa and John talking about it. Looking to start it in the middle of September. Wanted to come to this body for support. Thinking Tuesday night at 6 or 6:30. Hopefully by next area we will have more details, but wanted to come to ASC first. Various members voiced support.

John: I suggest we start the position of comptroller separate from secretary to keep track of and make sure we pay any bills incurred by the executive body. Might help us to be more prudent in our spending. No motion, just topic for discussion.

Written Motions:

Kim W, Dave A second, To pay remaining \$350 to reserve the time and day of our usual area meeting at the Majestic for another year, from August 1, 2017 to August 1, 2018. Voted on and passed.

Sarah A, Carrie A second, To purchase 2 flash drives to which all NA info and archives will be added. Intent: Keep our archives safe. Voted on and passed. Secretary will purchase flash drives and ask to be reimbursed.

Trino E, Val K second – I would like a 15 minute break added to our agenda. Intent: To find Serenity, decrease interruptions, and increase morale. Dave A suggested we get people into the meeting on time to prevent chaos. Voted on and passes.

Carrie A, Shane R second – I make a motion in support of When at the End of the Road to work with CRCNA to move the CRCNA event to a different location. If not, better communication next year. Intent: To keep the meeting place safe for When at the End of the Road. Sean moves we amend to express our opinion of their handling of this event to CRCNA committee. Kim moves we amend to work with CRCNA find another location in our area, but we can't go to church or CRCNA and tell them what to do. John: I will convey these concerns tomorrow once Church is open to discuss separation between CRCNA and waeotr. Carrie accepts Kim's amendment. Voted on and passed.

Disbursements:

PI Chair Mark M. Requests \$240 for Lamar Advertising. Approved.
\$350 for Majestic rent.

Take back to groups:

Announcements on back of agenda. New RCM, new chair (see above for names), area for November moved to end of October. Could always use new blood in area. Detox panel lead position still open. Regional Assembly, as on agenda.

Next ASC Meeting:
9/3/17 @ 9:00am
The Majestic Gathering Place
315 East 4th Street
Loveland, CO. 80538

Closed

Michael;

Since the minutes for August have not come out yet, could you make an addition showing that I will be replacing Ray B on the checking account and Liliias will be taking over for James? We need official documentation for the bank to use for us to make changes in the signatures. They wouldn't let us do it on Saturday without the minutes.

Thanks!