



Meeting Minutes

9/4/22

Open: Off the Wall area opened at 9 AM with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer and the reading of 12 Concepts and Read Spiritual Agreement from our guidelines.

Guests/New GSRs: Lisa W. Addict seeking Sanity

Birthdays: Sarah A. 8years, Lindsey 15 years and Liz 9 months

Approval of Last Month's Minutes: Approved.

Group Reports

Addicts Seeking Sanity- Lisa Y- Donations: Region \$9.25 Area \$18.50 World \$9.25 Lit\$18. No concerns with meeting. Attendance 12-15

Secular Meeting- Meeting Closed (7/22)

Breaking the Cycle-Alayna T- Women's meeting of NA meeting at 305 w swallow rd in Fort Collins,Co. Entering through the main door now We meet on Mondays and Wed at 6-7pm and have a brunch meeting Saturday morning every second Saturday of the month at 9-11 am

Area donation:\$10

Average attendance 7, reduced drastically in the last few months

Last Group conscience took place on August 29th and takes place monthly on the last Monday of the month

Lit order - specific \$ unrecorded and will be amended email to follow. (approximately \$63 I believe) one of each book:

it works how and why

Spiritual principles a day

Just for today

Basic text

Various Keytags

Concerns: we have newcomer women who desperately need sponsors, two specifically who have been looking for quite a while now but do not want to attend coed meetings. We would love to have support and attendance from women in the area that are able to sponsor. Our home group needs support as we have a few trusted servant positions to fill - Alayna T has fulfilled her year commitment of GSR and we lack women with enough time who can be a gsra and a woman who has decided not to fill that position due to a move to a different area in the next few months. Some women have more time to fill positions and it is believed that we have had a reduced attendance due to personalities interfering with principles and as a group have decided to change up chair positions and allow the opportunity for others to chair in order to ensure traditions are followed properly within members of our home group.

Also, there have been situations we have been made aware of where a few women have been discouraging others to attend this meeting. We hope that women will allow themselves to come and experience this meeting prior to making judgements or accusations. We as a home group have the primary goal of spreading the message of recovery and hope for the still suffering addict and we believe this is not only discouraging to our home group members to hear such things but it is also affecting our attendance. Most recently, a woman with extensive amounts of clean time who stepped down from the home group has come to the meetings and specifically told a newcomer that she should not stay for our group conscience despite her expressing interest in doing so. This seems to be a very large violation of the traditions and spiritual principles that NA as a whole is supposed to be abiding by. Lastly, keep an eye out for some changes with our Second Saturday morning brunch as we have discussed the time conflicting with many members schedules and are deciding if we need to change to early evenings at 5 pm. We also have discussed changing this to a speaker meeting so women can be supporting and learning from other women and foster relationships. We have not seen much attendance from any women outside the Fort Collins area and would love to have a bigger reach of experience, strength and hope since we are pulling from only about 1/3 of the pool of NA members since this is a women's meeting only.

Drug Busters-Amy J/ Matt M.(AGSR)- We are grateful to have Patrick G. , member of the Hope Shot group , share his experience , strength and hope with us next Saturday the 3 rd at 11 am . This is an in - person and online meeting . Have a great weekend (the Almighty Machine heavily suggested I say that last line)

Earned my Seat- Meeting Closed (8/22)

Freed from Insanity-Anna B-

Fun Addicts- Todd T.

Greeley Bonfire- Not Present

Hope Shot- Patrick G-

Just for Today-Jerry D- Thursday Noon meeting in Greeley is closed. We will still be having our meetings on Tuesday evening 7 PM book study, Friday evening at 6 PM open meeting and Saturday 12 PM Noon meeting

Meeting in the park- Meeting Closed

Primary Purpose-Darren- Meetings going well. Area Donation: \$12.00 Lit Order: none

Solutions Group- Trino F.- Our meeting are doing great. We do have some changes to report. Our last Monday of the month speaker meeting will now be on the last Wednesday of the month. Our Birthday meeting will now be on Saturday. These changes will be in effect starting October.

In response to the Greeley Bonfire meeting report last month. We did discuss the issue of people being cliquish. We can't dictate to people where they should sit or who they want to talk to after the meeting. Our hope is that they keep working with their sponsors so they can learn to practice the spiritual principles in all of their affairs.

In regards to the Solutions Group telling newcomers not to go to the Greeley bonfire. We as a group haven't announced at our meeting for people not to go. When newcomers ask about The Greeley Bonfire meeting they share their experience, strength and hope. If the meetings are not starting on time or finishing on time. If people see drugs and paraphernalia at the meeting that is a turn off. If the Bonfire meeting would like to help with doing a group inventory please reach out to some of the old timers in our area for guidance.

Our ASC donation \$111.00

Stairway to Freedom- Liz P.

Swag'd Out- Sky S./Kenny (AGSR)-

Steps and Traditions Roulette- Not Present

When at the end of the Road- Micheal R. We meet at 301 East Stuart street at Trinity Lutheran Church in the Sun Room on the SW corner of the church. We meet on M-W-THU at noon, Fri at 3:30 pm and Sat at 7:30 pm. The first Saturday of the month is a speaker meeting with a potluck starting around 6:30 or 7, the October speaker is TBD. The last Saturday of the month is a birthday meeting. Our area donation is \$43, and literature order is \$26. The Women's IRT group has moved on to another group, but we still need men with time to attend on Monday as the men's IRT group still comes that day. Thanks so much!

Drop the rock- Meeting Closed (8/22)

Guest Speaker-LSU/GSU Informational presentation.. Attached Powerpoint
Angie R.Mile High former area member sharing experience on format above.

- Basically split Area into two groups: GSR & Sub Committees
- Made the switch due to issues w/ time, personalities

- This format allows informal discussion, also allowing the conversations that needed to happen before the business.
- GSF about groups. Money stays with groups
- LSU is for service subcommittees
- Need to decide when all will come together. Services, budget, etc would be discussed.
- Voting detailed rules needed
- Need strong Minutes and be able to communicate that across the area correctly
- Treasure only comes to GSF
- Lit sales online through form.
- Facilitator, Co-failitor & secretary go to both meetings.
- GSF once month LSU quarterly (Area decides meet times)
- Pro's time reduces the biggest duplication of resources, detailed discussion, and leads the groups towards import issues.
- Con's need a strong & willing Facilitator, Co-failitor & secretary to not lose communications.
- Training committee created for new addicts
- Created a New Positions Liaison (Secretary)
- Suggested Trial period.

15 Minute Break: Resume with moment of silence

Executive Committee Reports

Chair – Sarah A.

Vice Chair – Vanessa R.

Secretary – **Open**- Please send in all your reports electronically for the area meeting Sunday at 9am in Loveland. Reports that are not sent via email or by the Group Report form on the OTW website will not be added to the minutes. Groups that want to submit their report via the website go to otwna.org Double click on GSR Checklist on the dropdown menu. I will accept reports electronically until Wednesday 8/10 and will work on the official minutes next weekend after I return from a business trip.

Treasurer–Dana I.— **August Account Reconciliation**

We started the month of August with a starting balance of **\$1,892.87** in checking.

Account reconciliation reflects **\$2,057.31** in deposits (Venmo, Paypal and cash deposits directly @ Canvas) and **\$897.74** in expenses.

Canvas' actual Month End closing balance for August **was \$3,052.44.**

Bank Account Signers: I met with Canvas to remove Trino & Shane as signers on the ASC Checking account, and to get a new Debit Card printed. I will make plans to meet with Sarah & Vanessa to get them added to the account – this needs to be done in person.

Mailbox: I checked the mailbox – only bank statements & junk mail.

Reminder: Please remember for Paypal, Venmo or Cash Deposits to make reference with your group name and what the deposit is for (lit or donation), to ensure that amount is properly credited to your group. I currently have **\$310 in cash deposits** that came in during the month of August, with no group names/memos, so I'm unsure who to 'credit' the funds to in my treasurer reports. 😊

Thank you all for entrusting me to serve!

In Loving Service –

Dana I. ❤️

OTW ASC TREASURER

Assistant Treasurer – Red B (Elected 8/22)

RCM1-Lyndsay M.-

RCM2-Dave L.-

Sub-Committee Reports

Activities- Amy J. Committee met on Zoom on Wednesday August 24, 2022 with 5 members present. Moving forward with purchase of flag for the winning group (Capture the Flag) to be announced and awarded at October ASC. Solid plans in effect for Harvest Party at the Barn October 22. (Flier Attached) Please announce at meetings, bring back to groups, and spread the word. Volunteers needed to set up and clean up before and after this event.

AGAIN, volunteers needed (please) as Activities is a very small committee. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE for your support and service.

Requesting \$200 for Barn Dance stuff.

David L. is awesome and full of selfless service and will be representing OTW Activities at September ASC as the chair is out of town. Thanks Dave. 🙌

Next meeting 4th Wednesday in September on Zoom. Check out the website...

Have a great holiday weekend!

CRCNA Liaison – Colorado Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous 2022 November 11-13

CRCNA website <https://nacolorado.org/crcna/>

*** See Upcoming Events on https://www.otwna.org/upcoming_events/**

CRCNA 2022 is just 2 months away on November 11th through November 13th. It is in the Off The Wall Area at the Embassy Suites Conference Center Loveland. The hotel is out of rooms, but there are overflow hotels in the surrounding area. The CRCNA website will have links up soon for hotel overflow. They are having a basic text book drive to give away to new comers! If you or your group would like to donate a blue book, or many, please get in contact with me. I would be glad to come pick them up or send them with a GSR to the ASC. They are currently short on the amount of books they plan to give out, so they are definitely in need. They are looking for silent auction items that are NA related as well. If you're interested in getting

involved at CRCNA there are many options; a hug squad, hospitality room, and marathon meetings that you can register for on their CRCNA web site! Also the Fun and Entertainment committee is looking for volunteers to help out at the event.

Don't forget to pre register for the event and save some money. The tickets will go to full price after September 30th. You can pre order merchandise to make sure you can get what you would like. Plus, it helps the merchandise committee of CRCNA get a better judgment of how much merch they need to order. The pre orders will be closed on September 30th as well.

I encourage you to get involved because it's an amazing opportunity to be a part of something much bigger! I personally would like to visit some of the groups and share information with your group conscious. If you have any questions feel free to email me. Also, check out their website!

Hospitals & Institutions – Sarah D.-

This month's subcommittee meeting is at a the Farr library. We are meeting at 10:30 am on Saturday the 3rd of September. Feel free to join on Zoom as well.

Farr Library

1939 61st Avenue,

Greeley, CO 80634

Remote access:

Topic: OTW H&I Subcommittee

Time: September 3, 2022 @ 10:30AM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83459337366?pwd=ajRPWVMwUzhJYm5keFpXbGtuQWU1UT09>

Meeting ID: 834 5933 7366

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83459337366>

Merchandise- Chair: Patrick G. **Vice Chair:** Jeremiah J.

REPORT: The merchandise subcommittee met this month to discuss a plan for the upcoming disbursement and the next round of merch. We spoke to the CRCNA merchandise chair and confirmed that we would be able to get set up at the alternative merchandise table this year. We are submitting an invoice for this round of merchandise, which again, will be available at CRCNA first, for \$478.95. We'll have the invoice submitted to the treasurer today, and once the invoice is paid, the printer will get started and we'll be ready to go by the time CRCNA rolls around. Thanks for letting us serve.

Chair: Patrick G.

Vice Chair: Jeremiah J.

Donation: \$0

Disbursement: \$478.95

Public Information –Sohail

- No meeting this month due to activities with Overdose Awareness Day.
 - Looking for someone who would want to step into PI Literature role as PI Lit looking to step down from position.
 - As new changes to meeting lists (Few meetings have closed), will have printed lists and will send a blast email when they are ready.
- Overdose Awareness Day (Saturday, August 27th)
- Booths in both Fort Collins and Greeley
 - Success, primarily connected with professionals in field and provided information. A few individuals also were people who would benefit from NA and meeting lists were given to individuals.
 - Thank you to all that volunteered at booths. Appreciate your service.

Phoneline- Still looking for volunteers on a 12 step phone list who can assist persons on Phone Line do 12 step work to addicts (who call Phone Line) seeking a meeting, getting connected into the Fellowship.

- We don't do 12 step work alone and that is the purpose of two lists (one for Males, one for Females).

- Sign up sheet will be passed at ASC

- Any others who would like to be on this list can contact me (Sohail H.) at otwpichair@gmail.com or 703-727-0446.

Webservant: Appreciate those sending emails to otwnaweb@gmail.com to make it easier to update meeting lists.

PI Literature: I made rounds for literature and meeting list drop off on Monday August 5th. I made a stop by Detox in Greeley again to fill the rack to hold it over before H&I started up. I called Janet Chase at AIMS, a point of contact, to see about getting our literature moved somewhere else. It is located in a hallway in a room that used to be the Center for Diversity and Inclusion and is now primarily a Veterans room. Very little literature has moved in the last few years and would like to see if relocating it would help. I haven't heard back as of yet. I have requested \$23.75 in literature. I would like to give up this position as I continue to struggle with mental health, but will continue to serve until I have fulfilled my term. Thank you for allowing me to be of service. - James R

Any questions, please email otwpichair@gmail.com.

Literature – Dave A. Lit report to OTW ASC 09/04/22

First off, I would like to make amends to this body for dropping an f-bomb last month. During the discussion about the now defunct Drop the Rock meeting I used a word that has no place at a business meeting especially when children were present. I updated my tenth step and will do my best to not repeat that behavior.

August has been slow for orders. If you are ordering today please get forms ASAP if you haven't already. An order for \$842.85 was placed which included a discount of \$52.08. The back ordered 40 orange key tags arrived yesterday from NAWS. The latest order form is on the web. It needs a modification every now and then but as long as you are using one that calculates totals that is fine. Received all the lit that we were short for PI for Overdose Awareness Day and got to Sohail.

As for the SPAD. Seems like NAWS has been buried with inquiries and they need to come up for air. Sounds like it will be a month or two before it comes out. The hope is to have some at CRCNA but that is out of my hands. Estimates from each group about how many you want ordered will be very helpful. Could happen any minute. Or not. Typically, the next order is placed within a week after the ASC. Depending on timing it might be necessary to have two orders in a month. More to follow.

Elections:

ASC Secretary- Kenny H. Will speak to sponsor on Secretary position

ASC Asist. Treasurer- Red B. elected

Unfinished Business:

1. **Service Body Inventory-** Helen F.
2. **Possible changes to area based on feedback for service inventory:** All members present were asked to go back to their groups with feedback. Survey was sent out again through the OTW Email Blast
3. **Hybrid area or in Person: Decided In Person**

New Business & Written Proposals:

1. PayPal fee's: Dana will research the last 6 months to figure out an average to potentially build a budget for this and possible upcoming app fee.
2. Burner phone to link Venmo to OTW Treasures positions. \$100 a year for service. Dave A will donate the phone.
3. Proposal by H&L. Monthly budget for Literature \$45.00. **Passed**

Disbursements & Final Treasurer Report

GSR Action Items-please bring these items and discuss in your respective groups

1. Activities needs volunteers for set up & tear down @ Barn Harvest Dance
2. H&I asks GSR's to call out for service
panel members
vice chair
secretary
3. OTW area of NA needs volunteers to fill the open positions at the ASC Level:
ASC Secretary
4. **Survey** area Inventory questions-Individual member survey/group survey
5. **Meetings that need support-**Breaking the Cycle, Earned My Seat, Fun Addicts, Primary Purpose, Drop the Rock

Next ASC Meeting Date: 10/2/2022 @ 9:00am

Odd Fellows Lodge

2495 E 13th St

Loveland, CO 80537

Meeting Closed @ 11:45am