



Meeting Minutes

10/02/22

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: Paul At the End of the Road. Carrie Fun Addicts

Birthdays: None

Approval of Last Month's Minutes: Approved. Name correction Amy

Group Reports

Addicts Seeking Sanity- Lisa Y- Donations: Area: Unknown Lit\$37. We still meet once per week, on Sundays at 4:00 p.m. at 1800 21st avenue, Greeley. Enter through the doors on the east side of the building. We are still encouraging mask wearing but it is not mandatory. We generally average at least 8 people per meeting and meetings are going well. We plan to finally start serving coffee again, as we have an abundance of filters and cups that have been stored.

Breaking the Cycle-Alayna T- CLOSED Breaking the Cycle is a women's meeting meets Monday and Wednesday 6-7 pm @ 305 W. Swallow Road in Fort Collins.

Average attendance 5

No lit order no area donation

Group conscience takes place last Monday every month after the meeting.

BTC has decided to eliminate the Second Saturday Brunch due to lack of attendance. Please remove from next meeting list and from online meeting schedule. Also, there has been another change with the church and the entrance is now returning to the blue balcony. We now have signs to post for women so eliminating the entrance instructions on the meeting list is the best route in the event it changes again.

Concerns:

BTC has continued to struggle with meetings as attendance has dropped severely and consistently. We have continued to ask for area support as we do not have women with enough time to take over trusted service positions and/or be able to sponsor new women. It has been brought to our attention that there have been rumors spread about **this meeting by some who**

have not attended or attended on a very very limited basis and are placing principles over personalities. This continues to be a meeting where newcomer women are finding solace in other women and coming regularly, but it will be unlikely we will be able to continue this meeting as a whole if these things aren't addressed. Some of our women are even receiving texts from specific NA members who are telling them to jump ship on NA and start attending AA instead. When this was brought to our attention, it was highly discouraging to say the least, not only to the women who consistently attend, but seems to directly reflect issues in unity for area and NA as a whole and detracts people from the program vs attracting. Lastly, It has come to our attention that the Men's meeting on Monday nights has now opened up to all instead of just men (yet to be 100% verified, so we are waiting on that confirmation). While loving the fact that there are more meeting times available for women on Monday nights, it does seem that attendance will be even more affected due to this change if the Monday meetings in Fort Collins are not supported more. We will continue to ask for area support to keep this going and we have service positions that are available however, no one to pass the torch to.

Available positions:

- GSR (current GSR has held the role for over a year now until new GSR nominee becomes available)

- GSRA

- Secretary (we have a woman wanting to do it but needs someone to show the ropes... our current became the Treasurer and will possibly be moving which means the Treasurer will be opening up as well.)

Currently, it doesn't seem tangible to keep the meeting open without service positions filled by women who can guide these newcomers. We would like area suggestions as to what the next steps should be for this meeting as we still have those finding safety in a women's only meeting and won't attend Co-Ed as well as a Narcotics Anonymous as opposed to Alcoholics Anonymous meeting. Thank you for your support.

Drug Busters-Amy J/ Matt M.(AGSR)-

Lit order: \$23.55 Area Donation: \$0 23 in Attendance

Freed from Insanity-Anna B-

Lit order: \$132.35 Area Donation: \$0 GSRA is Open

Fun Addicts- Todd T./Carrie GSRA

Lit order: \$320 Area Donation: \$100 15 in average attendance. All schedule meetings are now open

Hope Shot- Patrick G-

Are Donation: \$66.85

Lit Order: \$272.15 (including the money for the SPAD books)

We do have some changes to report this month. As we do each winter, Hope Shot will be moving its meetings inside. Starting Monday October 17 th , Hope Shot will hold all of its meetings at 6501 Brittany Street in Fort Collins. That is on Trilby and Lemay, on the Northwest corner. In order to accommodate the new meeting space, Hope Shot will also be discontinuing its Sunday meeting, all other meetings on the schedule will remain the same. We will be announcing this at meetings going forward, and will have signs on the old meeting location indicating the change and listing the new address starting on October 17 th .

Just for Today-Jerry D- Lit Order: 161.80 Area Donation: \$0

Primary Purpose-Darren- Meetings going well. Area Donation: \$0 Lit Order: \$0

Solutions Group- Trino F.- All is well! We have an area donation of \$54.

Beginning 10/1/22 we have changed our Birthday meetings to Saturday nights at 6pm. The last Wednesday meeting of the month at 7:30 pm will be a speaker meeting.

Stairway to Freedom- Liz P.

Lit Order: \$24 Area Donation: \$100

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

Report:

We meet every Tuesday night from 7-8 pm at 2700 S. Lemay on the Northside of the building next to the Serve 6.8 and Sunday from 12-1 pm at Rolland Moore Park near the playground. We have an average of 35-40 in attendance on Tuesdays and 15-20 on Sundays.

We will be having our last park meeting and end of the Summer BBQ on Sunday October 16th with the meeting from 12-1 and the bbq after, flyers are available.

We have a literature order of \$132.20 and no area donation at this time.

Thank you for letting me serve

Steps and Traditions Roulette- Emailed Report

Our attendance has been fairly steady this month at around 5-10 a meeting, and we are continuing to try to find monthly speakers to speak on a step or tradition of their choice. We are considering beginning in January having speakers begin with step one and go through each step in order. The church we meet at has recently added an elementary school, which comes with security changes and have been working with them to adjust to it, as soon the door will no longer be accessible with a physical key and will move to a system where doors only open briefly before locking again. We are going to use a greeter to let people in as they arrive.

Concerns:

We are struggling to meet service obligations. We are once again unable to send a GSR to area and have not had a GSR or GSRA for several months.

Area Donation:\$0 Lit Order: \$0

GSR: Open Alt GSR: Open

When at the end of the Road- Paul GSRA

Area Donation:\$24.50 Lit Order: \$51

Potluck 1st Sat of every Month

Needs Support

15 Minute Break: Resume with moment of silence

Executive Committee Reports

Chair – Sarah A.

Good morning! I attended the CRCNA meeting and the Regional

Assembly in September. I will let our members who represent our area

share what happened at those meetings. It was brought to my attention this past month about a situation that is very disturbing, I will not go into detail to keep this person's anonymity. After talking with the Vice Chair and my sponsor, it is an outside issue, however, it involved members of our fellowship, safety issues, and it is a sensitive topic. We need to continue reiterating to our members, those with years of recovery and also newcomers, that women stick with women and men stick with men so that all members feel safe. It comes in conflict with our 10 th Tradition as it is an outside issue, but creates a gray area with our 11 th Tradition on the attraction of our program. Hence why I felt I needed to inform the area of the situation. I was asked to just spread the word on the continuing unspoken tradition of women with women and men with men to focus on the safety of all members to ensure a clear-cut message of Narcotics Anonymous is being shared.

Thank you for letting me serve.

Vice Chair – Vanessa R.

Secretary – Elected Kenny H.

Please send in all your reports to otwsecretary@gmail.com 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 only 7 days after Area.

Treasurer—Dana I.— Hello OTW ASC!

My most sincere apologies for the delay in getting the September treasurer report to you all!

September Account Reconciliation

- We started the month of August with a starting balance of **\$3,052.44** in checking.
- Account reconciliation reflects **\$1,310.24** in deposits (Venmo, Paypal and cash deposits directly @ Canvas) and **\$2,525.16** in expenses.
- Canvas' actual Month End closing balance for August was **\$1,837.52**, with **\$305.07** in Savings (Prudent Reserve).

Bank Account Signers: Sarah, Vanessa, Red and I will meet on Saturday, October 14th at Canvas to have account signers updated.

Mailbox: I checked the mailbox – only bank statements & junk mail as usual. Annual PO Box fee will be on the horizon in November.

Paypal Fee Analysis Study: Initial study has been performed. Of the \$3,300.00 collected with this method this year, we've only accrued \$8.25 total in fees. In my humble opinion, this is quite minimal. As we know the per transaction fee and costs will be going up in the near future, this amount could increase. I recommend we keep an eye on the fees, and if they end up being enough to warrant a budget, I'll make a proposal for an "Electronic Payment Cost of Doing Business" annual budget amount.

Treasurer Tracphone: Procured phone and card. Phone has been activated, set up and time loaded - Cost for phone/card was \$94.94. Plan should be less expensive annually than was proposed last month since we won't use many minutes. Ongoing cost closer to \$30 vs \$100/yr. The number is 970-617-6228.

Ongoing Group Donation Audit: Full Audit is being performed of Venmo, Paypal & Canvas Group Donations (as part of guidelines, this should be tracked/reported, but hasn't been). This has posed more time consuming than expected, results to come next month or two.

Reminder: As always, 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. 😊

Thank you all for entrusting me to serve!

In Loving Service –

Dana I. ❤️

OTW ASC TREASURER

Assistant Treasurer – Red B

RCM1-Lyndsay M.-

Subject: CRSCNA September 17, 2022 General Assembly Minutes

Hi Everyone, Here is a copy of the CRSCNA September 17, 2022 General Assembly Minutes. Due to unforeseen circumstances they are a couple days late, my apologies. Have a good rest of the week. Thank you for letting me serve.

RCM2-Dave L.- No Report

Sub-Committee Reports

Activities- Amy J. Activities 9/28/22

Open at 6:30 PM. 4 in attendance

Discussion of next steps to prepare for the October Harvest Party. Property owner has asked us to clean up before and after. Committee will meet at Barn on Saturday, October 15th, at 9am and we need volunteers to please come spend a little time sweeping and general clean up. Committee will assess what is needed logistically for party when we go there.

Member who previously committed to DJ and stated that he had all the lights and equipment has now informed the committee by text message that he was unable because his equipment is broken, missing, etc. Since receiving this news, the committee has been researching this all week to get

prices, bids, options, etc. We are requesting \$600 over our regular \$200 budget for a total of \$800 to cover the DJ Equipment costs and security deposit and to also compensate Dennis M who has offered to DJ the event. This will also cover remaining costs for cleaning supplies, food, and other supplies to make this event a great one. Also, the chance to win tickets, the suggested donations, and the security deposit will all be coming back to area in November.

Several other members and committees in the Colorado Region and Wyoming have inquired and are planning on coming.

CRCNA has donated two grand prizes for and 2 other great prizes for the "chance to win" and OTW Literature has also donated a great item. OTW Merch doesn't have anything to donate to the event at this time, but the chair states he will ask his committee to volunteer some time and service for the event. THANK YOU TO ALL who have responded and been supportive.

Holiday Party - confirmed (by church) December 10th at All Saints from 4-9 pm. Flier coming soon.

Boulder Area wondering if any groups are planning New Years Eve Festivities. Please let OTW Activities know asap if you are.

Closed at 7:30 PM

Requesting \$600 total plus \$200 monthly budget for a total of \$800. This needs to be locked in as soon as possible.

The committee needs help. Please sign up to help. You don't have to be on the committee to help.

CONGRATULATIONS TO STAIRWAY TO FREEDOM WHO HAS WON CAPTURE THE FLAG

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

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 at your group conscious. If you have any questions feel free to email me. Also, check out their website!

Hospitals & Institutions – Sarah D.-

Have Really good flow right now with all existing facilities. There are 2 more facilities who have reached out wanting H & I message to be carried behind the bars. Still in ned of panel members.

Area : \$0

Lit: \$ 53.25 (not including SPAD)

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

The invoice for the upcoming round of merchandise was paid, thank you treasurer, and the subcommittee is working with the vendor to get the merchandise printed and ready to go for CRCNA. We started discussing plans for the next round of merchandise in 2023, and how to prioritize working in concert with the activities committee. We have reached out to the activities chair and will work with

subcommittee in the coming months to work on a plan to have merchandise available at all OTW are events. We would ask GSR's and other members to announce at meetings that the merchandise subcommittee is looking for logo submissions for the next release. For the past couple years, we have voted on and selected a local submission, and would like to continue doing that. Anybody can send logo ideas, designs, or questions to otwmerch@gmail.com.

Public Information –Sohail

Since beginning of October was yesterday not enough time to have meeting lists at ASC, will have printed lists and will send a blast email when they are ready. Have September Meeting Lists available for groups today.

When discussing with Webservant, due to amount of traffic on website for meetings, is it even worth it to have paper meeting lists? Due to meeting lists get updated so much, groups have to recycle old ones very frequently.

Admin Cost needed. Security Certificate on Website. Expired. Previous Webservant renewed until Dec 2022 but need to renew.

Cost is \$139.98 for 2 year term. Cost on GoDaddy.

Western Service Learning Day (October 27 - 30). Service Convention that could benefit the ASC.

Convention assists Trusted Servants such as PI Chair, Webservant, HI Chair, Phonenumber. Members discussed possibility of requesting ASC to assist for Registration for Trusted Servants who would benefit the Area. (Registration: \$35/person).

Literature James R

Made literature and meeting list run early last month. Am in contact with Janet Chase from AIMS to help get literature moved to a more frequented place. We used to be in the Center for Diversity and Inclusion which became the Veterans place. We didn't really receive a great deal of traffic before, and it is even less now, judging by how many pamphlets have moved in the last few years. I am receiving a rack from Dave (our lit was in their wall racks) and will get our new place situated. Am requesting \$26 in literature. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Webservant: Jesse T

70-90 visits a day (mainly to find the meetings)

Want to thank Area and Groups for emailing all changes.

*Received information from previous webservant about Go Daddy security certificate is expiring. Zach renewed for 90 days.

Cost is \$139.98 for 2 year term. Cost on GoDaddy.

Phonenumber: Steve D.

Everything is going well.

Requesting members to be on the list. PI Chair will request one more time at ASC for members to be willing to do 12 step calls.

Literature – Dave A. Lit report to OTW ASC 10/02/22

Sept orders have been brisk due to 64 SPAD's being ordered last Monday. We are charging \$14 each at present. According to our guidelines we are supposed to charge 6% surcharge and rounded off the 78 cents to a dollar. NAWS will be raising the cost of all books by \$1 at the end of the year. When looking at the prices on NAWS we are barely charging any extra on any items. My thoughts are to change all the prices on our spread sheet to match the world and then do a 6% addition on the total. Feedback is welcome.

Swag'd out lowered their order by 5 so I had five extra SPAD's to sell. They went fast. I would like to order another 50 in October as well as replenish Basic texts, white key tags, etc, as sales picked up quite a bit. Last order for NAWS was \$1696.42 which is quite large. Not sure how many deposits were made but I have received \$600 cash which I am giving to the treasurer. I would like to make sure I have enough books of all kinds to sell at CRCNA. Of course, ASC needs come first.

A literature rack was given to PI along with their lit order. I have a few odds and ends, like pocket size texts for sale. I added special medallions to the order form and will add things if members see fit. I removed the sponsorship tokens having sold none since CRCNA last year. The ones I have should sell at CRCNA hopefully to get that \$100 back in the treasury.

Elections:

ASC Secretary- Kenny H. Elected

Unfinished Business:

1. None at this time.

New Business & Written Proposals:

1. Zach: Proposal to have Area pay the registration for P.I to attend Western Learning days.-passed
2. Amy activities extra 600 above budget for Harvest Dance- passed
3. H&I asked to increase budget- 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**

Next ASC Meeting Date: 11/6/2022 @ 9:00am

Odd Fellows Lodge

2495 E 13th St

Loveland, CO 80537

Meeting Closed @ 11:45am