

UPPER CUMBERLAND AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

Minutes From November 18, 2007 Next Meeting December 16, 2007

Meeting Opened By Dale S.
Service Prayer Coleene M.
12 Traditions Sharon P.
12 Concepts Kimberly G.

GROUP	PRESENT	ABSENT
CROSSVILLE NA	YES	
DAILY REPRIEVE		YES
FREEDOM GROUP	YES	
MIDDLE OF NOWHERE	YES	
UNITY GROUP	YES	
WHO ARE YOU	YES	
GETTING STARTED	YES	

TRUSTED SERVANTS

Chair		Vacant
Vice-Chair	Dale S.	Present
Secretary		Vacant
Secretary Vice-Chair	Frank W.	Present
Treasurer	Jerome G.	Present
Treasurer Vice-Chair		Vacant
RCM	Amanda M.	Present
RCM Vice-Chair		Vacant
Help Line Chair		Vacant
Help Line Vice-Chair	Keith H.	Present
H & I Chair		Vacant
H & I Vice-Chair	Anthony G.	Present
Literature Chair	Mark H.	Present
Literature Vice-Chair		Vacant
Newsletter Chair		Vacant
Newsletter Vice-Chair	Randy E.	Present
P & P Chair		Vacant
P & P Vice-Chair	Dale S.	Present
PI Chair		Vacant
PI Vice-Chair	Amanda M.	Present

Meeting opened 2:35 with serenity prayer.

Roll call was taken, 6 out of 7 groups present.

GSR REPORTS

CROSSVILLE NA GROUP:

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri At 6:30 P.M. Saturday At 8:00 PM
Fourth Dimension Club, 2229 West Ave. Crossville, TN.
Average Attendance 8
Current Month's Contribution To ASC: \$ 75.00 GSR: Anthony G.
Secretary: Frank W.
Treasurer: Mark H.
Literature: Frank W.
New Officers: None
Financial Obligations are Being Met.
Traditions Are Being Followed.

DAILY REPRIEVE:

Saturday @ 6:00 PM EST
620 Green St. Wartburg, Tn.
Average Attendance 4-6
Current Month's Contribution To ASC: \$ 0.00
GSR: Lester A.
Treasurer: None
Literature: None
New Officers: None
Financial Obligations are Being Met. Traditions Are Being Followed.
COMMENTS: We have a steady attendance of 4-6 and could use a little support.

FREEDOM GROUP:

Monday @ 7 PM Closed Discussion.
Presbyterian Church 1700 Pennsylvania Ave. Allardt Tn.
Corner of Rt. 296 @ Hwy 52
Average Attendance 6-10
Current Month's Contribution To ASC: \$ 82.59
GSR: Rudy R.
Treasurer: None
Literature: None
New Officers: None
Financial Obligations are Being Met.
Traditions Are Being Followed.

MIDDLE OF NOWHERE:

Tuesday @ 7:00 PM The First Christian Church 208 South Cross St. Albany, Ky
This Is A Non-Smoking - Closed Discussion Meeting
Average Attendance 10-12
Current Month's Contributions To ASC: \$ 29.00
GSR: Keith H.
Treasurer: Dale S.

Literature: Sales are good
New Officers: None
Traditions Are Being Followed
Financial Obligations Are Being Met.

UNITY GROUP:

Thursday's Tradition Study @ 7:00 PM
4th Dimension Club, 222 West Ave. Crossville, Tn
Current Month's Contribution To ASC: \$ 18.00
Average Attendance 9
GSR: Randy E.
Treasurer: None
Literature: None
New Officers: None
Traditions Are Being Followed.
Financial Obligations are Being Met

WHO ARE YOU:

Who Are You Group Meets Friday 1:30 PM @Bledsoe Co. Prison
Current Contribution To ASC: \$00.00
(Special circumstance regarding financial obligations, because members of this group are inmates)
Average Attendance 20-30
GSR: Dale S.
Literature: Charlie S.
New Officers: / Chairperson / Wayne D.
Traditions Are Being Followed.
COMMENTS: Any member wishing to support this meeting - see me to get information needed to get a State Volunteer Badge

GETTING STARTED:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday @ 8:00 AM
4th Dimension Club, 222 West Ave. Crossville, Tn
Current Month's Contribution To ASC: \$ 20.00
Average Attendance 6-8
GSR: Al P.
Treasurer: Mark H.
Literature: None
New Officers: Willis F. - Secretary
Traditions Are Being Followed.
Financial Obligations are Being Met

6 OUT 7 GROUPS REPORTING

No new groups requesting to join the area

OPEN FORUM

(In reference to the upcoming Administrative position elections) Dale S. \\\
With the minimum amount of trusted servants available, and the available trust servants with recovery and maturity but not the clean time as stated in the current Area policy was the standing policy of not waving clean time still serving the Area at this time

Amanda M. \\\

Will the UCANA be going to the Consensus Basis voting or sticking with the current Protocol of" Robert's Rules of Order"

Dale S. \\\

The status Quo of a combination of the two is working at the present time... all addict input is welcomed .

AREA TRUSTED SERVANT REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Given by Jerome G. (See enclosed report) Report accepted

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Meeting opened in the usual manner with all groups present and reporting. ENCLOSED REPORTS- Treasurer's, RCM'S, and Regional Delegate ... all other business was as usual.

Given by Frank W. Report accepted

RCM REPORT:

See Attached Report

4 Motions voted on and two nominations

Motion 1: was to change the hotel reimbursement in the VRSC Guidelines. (\$50 TO \$75)

Motion 2: was to change the mileage reimbursement in the VRSC Guidelines. (.25 TO .40)

Motion 3: was to change the VRSC Prudent reserve. (\$1500 TO \$12,000)

Motion 4: was to change the in/out of state per diem charges in the VRSC Guidelines.

(20/40 to 30/55)

ALL MOTIONS PASSED 6-0-0

Nominations:

Wanda Mc for RD Alternate... **Passed**

Peter F for VRC XXXVI Chair... **Failed**

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

HOSPITAL & INSTITUTIONS

We held the monthly meeting prior to the area meeting. There were 7 in attendance with others coming afterwards. \$8.00 was collected for Area. We followed our regular subcommittee meeting agenda. Last months minutes were read and approved. Our H&I representatives gave their respective reports from the Cumberland Co. Justice Center and Fentress Co. jail. Amanda M. for the Women's Cumberland Co. Justice center. Frank W. for the Cumberland Co. Justice center men's center. Dale S. for the Fentress Co. jail meeting. Literature is needed for the Cumberland County Justice center (IP's and books). In old business Amanda reported on the status of the books shipped to the justice center a last year - they are in circulation

in the various pods, as opposed to the library. In other old business the second meeting at the Southeast Regional Correction facility has still not gotten off the ground. There was no new business. The next subcommittee meeting will be December 16, 2007 1:30 CST.

Given by Anthony G. Report accepted

PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Public Relations subcommittee met on October 19, 2007. The main topic covered was the upcoming Learning day being held the next day. The PR Learning Day was held on October 20, 2007 with six different areas represented a huge contingent of members from the Greater Smoky Mountain Area of NA. A big thank you to Keith H, Randy E, Phil G, Steve S, William E, David, Sherree F, Jason S and everyone who helped make the learning day a big success. The topics covered were web sites, schedules, Phone-lines, introduction letters, and presentations were covered. There was also a workshop on the importance of Traditions in all PR endeavors. A lot of information was shared and a lot of enthusiasm was generated. Thank you for allowing me to serve, Amanda M

Given By Amanda M. Report Accepted

PHONE-LINE

Subcommittee did not meet this month.

Expenses:

Frontier \$ 36.44

Doctors Exchange \$ 94.00

Next meeting 7:45 pm December 14, 2007 @ Crossville NA facility

Given by Keith H. Report accepted.

LITERATURE

Sales to groups \$ 122.50

Subcommittee \$ 75.15

Order Individual \$ 27.00

Total Sales \$ 224.65

Purchases \$ 59.13

Payment on Acct. \$ 00.00

Balance + \$26.32

Given by Mark H. Report accepted

NEWSLETTER

The newsletter is going well, but as always is in need of submissions. We had expenses of \$15.30 for the

month of November.

Given by Randy E. Report accepted

POLICY & PROCEDURE

No activity at this time

[BREAK FOR 15 MINUTES]

Meeting reopened with moment of silence.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion Made:

To purchase 3 soft cover basic texts and 110 IP's at the cost of \$54.20

Intent of Motion: To carry the NA message thru literature in the H&I capacity.

Made By: Anthony G.

Seconded By: Willis F.

MOTION PASSED 7-0-0

END OF MEETING AGENDA

Seventh tradition observed.

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded

Next area meeting will be at Crossville NA facility on December 16,2007

Treasurer's report:

CHECKS

Number 1134 Date 10-29 Amount \$78.00

Number 1136 Date 10-23 Amount \$130.50

DEBITS

10-26 Electronified Check FRONTIER CITIZEN CHECKPAYMT #1135 Amount \$35.13

CREDITS Date 10-05 Description: Deposit, Amount \$441.20

DAILY BALANCES

Date 09-30 Amount \$715.86

Date 10-05 Amount \$1157.06
Date 10-23 Amount \$1026.56
Date 10-26 Amount \$991.43
Date 10-29 Amount \$913.43

Beginning balance: \$715.86

Total additions: \$441.20

Total subtractions: \$243.63

Ending balance: \$913.43

RCM Report:

Hello family,

The VRSC met on October 7, 2007. Vice Chair Report

We need nominations for Chairperson, Alternate Secretary, Alternate Treasurer and Alternate Regional Delegate, along with Subcommittee Chairpersons. Please go back to your areas and inform them that we need and want them to be a part of the solution in making our RSC the best in the World.

Treasurer's Report

The first major item on the agenda was setting a new 6 month prudent reserve for the Region, plus 3 other financial considerations. The current prudent review is \$1500 with an additional \$1500 at Treasurer's discretion and was established in April, 2004. At that time, we had NO active subcommittees and our only major expense was the phone line. Based on current budgets and Administrative expenses: cash needs for a 6 month period would be approx \$12,600 or \$2,100 monthly. A copy of the review and recommendation will be turned into the Secretary for the archives. At the beginning of the meeting, the region had over \$22,500 in the bank. It was voted to send \$10,000 to WSC.

Area Reports

Central TN Area- Subcommittees doing well. A new meeting in Fayetteville on Monday nights at 7PM. The "Thank God I'm Clean" Group in Tullahoma has ceased to exist due to lack of support.

Greater Nashville Area-A new group has joined- "Hopefiends". Both Newsletter and Outreach have new guidelines. Subcommittees going well.

Greater Smokey Mountain Area- The PI subcommittee is planning on sending a large contingent of members to PR Learning Day in Crossville. The next Area Inventory will be on November 3rd with Regional Outreach facilitating. ROR turnout was less than expected. It was discovered NA funds had been misappropriated as a result of a check being returned. An ROR adhoc subcommittee has been formed and is in the process of obtaining bank statements, deposit slips and any receipts to try and discover the exact amount. As a result of this situation new Guidelines for ROR have been adopted which include provisions for greater accountability and oversight in regards to ROR finances.

Middle TN Area-Subcommittees are strengthening. H&I starting; new jail meetings in Dickson Co. Outreach is starting a GSR Orientation prior to MTA.SC meeting. Also Outreach has scheduled an outline for attending surrounding N.A Groups on a month-to-month basis.

Midwest TN Area- 6 groups participating in the Area.

Mountain Area- Phone line and website up and running. Received 50 + calls to phone line. Continuing to pass out NA posters and literature throughout Area. H&I continuing to carry message into 7 facilities.

Southern Middle Area- Had a very old homegroup withdraw from the area.

West TN Area- Started holding GSR Orientations before Area meeting on a quarterly basis. Also had a "How to Chair a Meeting" workshop. The CBDM adhoc committee gave a presentation and the Area requested they plan an actual meeting that would show how CBDM might work on an area level.

Twin Lakes: Trying to fill several area service positions. Still contemplating billboards.

Delegate Report:

Submitted to secretary in its entirety.

H&I Report:

"I would like to thank the people that attended the H&I meeting on yesterday. This is actually an exploratory committee seeing how we can form a Regional H&I committee that would be a resource in and for the Volunteer Region. One of the questions asked was, "Do the areas want or need a regional H&I sub-committee?" and what can we do to help all the areas as described in the H&I handbook on page 59. I will be calling all the area H&I Chairpersons asking them what are their needs and how could a regional H&I committee help. I will also be inviting them to our next H&I meeting, Nov 24th in Knoxville@ 11 am. All are invited."

Old Business:

The nomination for Holly P. as Regional Treasurer passed unanimously. The motion to have Chattanooga host VRC XXVI passed 9-0-2.

Nominations:

Wanda M. for the position of RD alt.

Pete F for the position of VRC XXVI chair

Motions:

Directly related to the function of the RSC meetings. (To Read as follows) The VRSC shall reimburse the Administrative committee members as defined in Article VI. section 1, a sum of \$.40 per mile and 50% room rate per person or \$50 per person per night (whichever is less) as needed on any expenses directly related to the function of the RSC meetings. INTENT: to change current mileage to reflect the current cost of driving to the RSC meetings and functions. This has not been changed since Feb. 03.

To simplify motion 2: this raises the mileage reimbursement from \$.25 to \$.40 per mile.

3) To change Article XI: Funding, Section 6: The treasurer shall maintain a prudent reserve of \$1500. The treasurer, at his or her discretion, may keep up to \$1500 above that if he or she feels the funds may be needed (To Read as follows) The treasurer shall maintain a prudent reserve of \$ 12,000. The treasurer, at his or her discretion, may keep up to \$1500 above that if he or she feels the funds may be needed. INTENT: to meet current budgets, potential increase for travel/lodging/per diem.

To simplify motion 3: the treasurer recommends a prudent reserve of \$12,000, instead of the \$1500 it currently is.

4) To change article VI: Funding, Section 13B - If funds permit, the VRSC will pay for travel. 50% lodging, and per diem (\$20 in-state /\$40 out-of-state) to all WSC related business: CAR Workshops, WS meetings. The biennial conference and also the Southern Zonal forum (To read as follows) - If funds permit, the VRSC will pay for travel, 50% lodging, and per diem (\$35 in-state 55 out-of-state) to all WSC related business: CAR Workshops, WS meetings, The biennial conference and also the Southern Zonal forum. INTENT: to keep up with rising cost of meals. No increase has been made since Feb 03.

To simplify motion 4: regional representatives going to regional/world business events currently get \$20 in state/\$40 out of state for meals. The treasurer recommends increasing this to \$30/\$55.

NEXT VRSC MEETING:

The next VRSC Meeting will be held at the site of the VRC in Knoxville, TN on November 25th at 9:30 AM. The Subcommittees will meet November 24th at 11 :00 PM. The address is: Marriott Hotel, 500 Hill Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37915 [LS.

Regional Delegate report:

Delegate Report October 6, 2007

Greetings Family,

I have received the copies of the five new Service Pamphlets (SP's) and will be bringing them with me to the next Regional Meeting. These SP's come from the new world board process approved at WSC 2006 for creating responsive and relevant information on various topics.

Included in the first batch are the following topics:

- Group Business Meetings - Item #2202
- Group Trusted Servants: Roles and Responsibilities - Item #2203
- Disruptive and Violent Behavior- Item #2204
- NA Groups and Medication- Item #2205

"These topics all come from the previous conference cycle's Issue Discussion Topics and were listed in our project plans for this cycle. In fact, most of the content in the pamphlets is taken directly from the fellowship's discussions about these topics last conference cycle." Next the board will be developing pamphlets on the topics of Leadership, What is NAWS, and The Benefits of Service.

New Service Pamphlets (SP's) look different than regular IP's since they have been created through a different process. The price is the same as regular IP's and will be available online.

*Update: Since this report was written the board has pulled the SP titled "An Introduction to NA Meetings" until the October board meeting to allow for further discussion of an issue with that SP.

New version of the Public Relation (PR) Handbook contains almost all of the resource material and tabs. The price has increased to \$8.50 to cover the cost of the additional material. For anyone who already has a

copy, the additional material can be purchased for \$3.50.

The approval draft of the Sixth Edition Basic Text is available for review. This draft will be included as an addendum to the Conference Agenda Report (CAR) and voted on at the 2008 World Service Conference (WSC). If approved it should be published by October 2008.

For anyone that would like a copy of the approval draft you can download them for free from our FTP site (for more information, see the main page for the project: <http://www.Na.ojg/cgnference/bt>) . Or order from the online literature sales area: <http://www.na.org/Online literature>.

You can order them from world services for \$8.00 each (inventory item no. 9146):

NA World Services 1973 7 Nordhoff Place Chatsworth, CA 91311

Fax: 818-700-0700 Phone: 818-773-9999

Consensus-based decision making material is available. This is the proposed draft for the consensus-based decision making portion of the Guide to World Services. For discussion and input you can go to <http://www.na.org/wsc-forum>.

The next Southern Zonal Forum is just around the corner. It will be held in St. Peter, MO at the Holiday Inn Select, the last weekend of October. Workshops will be on consensus-based decision making, prejudice in NA, and building strong home groups. I have information on hotel, etc. if anyone needs it.

The CAR "Conference Agenda Report" is due out 21 Nov 2007. The first available workshop on the CAR is in Maine Nov 30- Dec 2. This is all the information I have at this time. Since there is only one of me and we now have ten areas, it is my suggestion that we combine some of our areas for the regional workshops.

This brings me to the next topic for discussion. We are still in need of an alternate delegate. Please take this back to your areas and home groups and see if anyone is interested.

ILS. Belinda