

CBANA
Area Service Record
 September 16, 2007

Meeting started at 2:20 p.m. We all read the serenity prayer, Wayne read the Twelve Traditions, Alan read the Twelve Concepts, and the Service Prayer was lead by David K.

SERVICE PRAYER: *God grant us the knowledge that we may work according to your divine precepts. Instill in us a sense of your purpose. Make us servants of your will and grant us a bond of selflessness; that no addict anywhere need die from the horrors of addiction.*

ROLL CALL –

Facilitator-	David K.	present	Off the Wall –	Ed	present
Co-facilitator –	Tom K.	present	Shot of Hope –	Dennis	present
Treasurer –	Lester	present	Kiss the Lie Goodbye –	Melissa	present
Recorder –	Cindy K.	present	Gem City –	Sean	present
RCM 1 –	Bea	present	Just for Today –	Thada	present
RCM 2 –	Bill	present	Get it Together –	Mario	absent
PI –	Margo K.	present	Stepping Up –	Debbie	present
H & I –	Mary C.	absent	Right Turn Only –	Tammie	present
Activities –	Mandy	present	Easy Does It –	Micky	present
Literature –	Dedee	present	Keep It Simple -	None	absent
Web servant –	Tom K.	present	Welcome Home -	Matt	present
RBS –	Robert F.	present	10th Street -	Henry	present
RBS co-chair	David	present	Mon. Nite Survivors -	Dan S.	absent
Outreach –	Dan K.	absent	Chic Chat -	Teresa	present

There is one new group that needs to be recognized. Chic Chat is a women’s meeting that meets Sundays at 5:30pm at the Anchor Club. Every third Sunday they will be taking the meeting to a recovery house. Teresa is their new GSR.

The minutes were accepted.

GROUP REPORTS:

Off the Wall - Ed is the GSR, the Alt. GSR is Lori F. Treasurer/Secretary is Mandy S. They celebrated 2 birthdays this month; Cynda had 21 years and Bill had 8 years. There will be another potluck/birthday night on Oct. 6th. They will be staying at the same location for the moment. Donation \$70.00.

Shot of Hope – Dennis is the new GSR and Marcos is the Alt. GSR. Greg read the report. They celebrated 2 birthdays: Greg had 3 years and Tia F. had 1 year. They have about 30 people who attend. No donation.

Kiss the Lie Goodbye - Melissa is the GSR. Jessa is the Alt. GSR. They celebrated 3 birthdays: Jessa had 5 years, Micah had 2 years, and Stephanie had 2 years. They need more support for the Wednesday night Book Study meeting. They will be having a potluck dinner on Oct. 29th. No donation.

Gem City – Sean is GSR, Joel is Alt. GSR. Wayne is the Secretary and Bea is the Treasurer. Their average attendance is 14. They have 4 new members. On September 30th, they will be having a BBQ starting at 6 pm, followed by a speaker meeting at 8 pm. There will be a suggested donation of \$5.00 per plate. This will be an open meeting. No birthdays, no donation.

Just For Today – Thada is GSR. Tom read the report. They have had about 7 to 9 people attend. They always need support. No birthdays. \$27.00 donation.

Get it Together – Mario V. is the GSR. Absent. No report. No Donation.

Stepping Up – Debbie is the GSR. and the Treasurer/Secretary is Travis. The potluck dinner went well. They are still looking for a new place. They cancelled the Candlelight meeting, due to lack of support. They are continuing the 48 musts of NA study. No birthdays. \$26.00 donation.

Right Turn Only – Tammie is the temporary GSR. They need support from some experienced members. No birthdays. No donation.

Easy Does It – Micky is the GSR. Alt. GSR is David T. Chip is the Treasurer and John is the Secretary. They had 2 birthdays: Jim had 21 years and John H. had 2 years. The new Saturday Night meeting is doing well. Still working on Movie Night. \$ 30.00 donation.

Keep It Simple - No one is GSR. Absent. No report. No donation.

Welcome Home – Matt L. is GSR, and Wayne is Alt. GSR. Need some support for the group. Their average attendance is 15. No birthdays. \$15.00 donation.

10th Street Newcomers – Henry is GSR. They paid rent. They want to say thank you for the key tags. No birthdays. \$70.00 donation.

Monday Night Survivors - Dan S. is GSR. Darla is Alt. GSR. Dan S. was absent, but Bill read the report. They have 25 to 30 who regularly attend. They also held their first group conscience. No donation.

Chic Chat – Teresa is the GSR. They will be meeting at the Anchor Club on Sundays at 5:30 pm. On the 3rd Sunday of the month, they will be taking the meeting to some of the recovery houses, such as Dominique's. This is a women's meeting. Margo says that the schedules should reflect the rotation of the meeting locations. Norman says that the schedule states the meeting is "Predominantly Women", and needs to be changed to "Women Only". Bea says to say it's a "Woman's Meeting". No birthdays. No donation.

Rainbow Group/Kingsville – Absent. No report. No donation.

Break called at 3:13 p.m. Break over at 3:25 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer Report – Lester was absent last month due to illness. He brought copies of July's Treasurer's report. This month, we fell below prudent (\$1278.90 is the prudent reserve, and \$1271.63 is amount of available funds.) Some of last month's activity didn't get recorded until this month. So, some of the numbers may be skewed. The phone was off for one hour, but it was resolved quickly. Tom will be paying the bill and will be getting reimbursed, until the phone bill gets worked out. Some checks to Cindy and Dedee will show up on this quarter.

RCM 1/RCM 2 Report – Bea says that there is not much to report. Area needs to keep in mind about next year's budget because of the General Assembly. Thank you to Dawn E. for all her work at World. World was awesome! Bea has some flyers for TBRCNA 8 and Frolic in the Woods. If this Area wants a Learning Day, October 6, 20, and 27 are available. Bea suggests the 27th, so we can have it in conjunction with the Halloween Dance. Need support from this Area for TCRCNA 8 and need speaker tapes by September 30th. Pre-registration for the convention will be handled by the RCMs because they are already regional trusted servants. Because we said "yes" to the 2008 convention, our Area should step up and volunteer. The convention is January 18, 19, and 20th. Pre-registration ends November 21st and the deadline for the cheaper room rates is January 2nd. They will be accepting nominations for the Regional Delegate Alternate (RDA) at the next Region. All GSR's will vote on the RDA and that will be next March or April. Dawn E. would like to be considered for the nomination. David said that the GSR's need to take it back to the groups – discuss who wants to be nominated and see if anyone else wants to be nominated. The clean time requirement is 5 years and the position is for 4 years.

Web Servant – Nothing much to report. Tom found a database application that he plans to implement on the meeting listing page. Tom will be working on updating the policy.

Public Information/Phoneline – Jeff, Brett, and Suzi have been helping with the mail outs. Red Ribbon Week starts October 23rd thru 31st. Margo needs volunteers for it. There was a small problem with the phone – it was off for an hour, but it got resolved. The next sub-committee meeting will be at the Fruit Cup Place (Leo's) on September 21st at 6:30 pm. Alan had a question about the Ark using the NA trademark. Bill said that he talked to the Ark and that they will remove it from their literature. The schedule has changed, so please throw out the old meeting schedules.

Hospitals and Institutions – Mary was absent, but Robert read the report. Mary is working on Sundays so she won't be able to attend Area. They have no literature. They are asking for \$500 to replenish their literature supply, but are amending the amount to

\$300 for fit the budget for this quarter. Margo asks if she can donate from her budget. No. Lester has questions about them being over budget – they are not. CONSENSUS – Yes to the \$300.00.

Activities – The September event is scheduled for September 23rd at the Anchor Club from 11am-5pm. There will be a BBQ, Moonwalk for the kids, music, horseshoes, and karaoke. The October event will be the annual Halloween Dance at Charlie's Place on October 27th for 9pm to midnight. The charge will be \$3.00 per person and \$5.00 per couple. There will be a DJ and a costume contest. Henry asked what help is needed. Mandy needs some volunteers for this event. Alan asked if there would be an NA meeting at this event. – No; and also asked about insurance for the event. Mandy says that the moonwalk company has insurance and the Anchor Club has insurance. Dawn asked if this is a combined AA/NA event. – No.

Literature – Dedee did not turn in the \$793 from last Area until today. She will be turning in around \$250 today, too. She is hasn't received the \$21.00 from RBS. David says that he gave it to her at last Area. They both will look for it. She still needs a \$30 check from Area for the Mon. Nite Survivors Group starter kit. There are 5 new IP's that are available. Today's special is the Sponsorship book that's regularly \$9 – today it's \$8. The 6th edition NA Basic Text (draft) is available for \$8. CAR reports will at SZF. Micky asked if she got the drawers that she asked for. Yes – she spent \$102 instead of \$85.

RBS – David found some errors on the last report. After the corrections, the total should be \$6193.02. There is a difference of \$3.70 from the report and the bank statement. There still is no response of the returned check for \$75.00. They are donating a check for \$2196.72 (from report). This may be amended later depending on the outcome of the \$4000.00 seed money that will be addressed next month. David if asking the GSRs to announce to their groups that the first RBS sub-committee meeting will be October 5th at 7pm at Off the Wall to discuss this years theme and logo.

Outreach – Absent. No report.

Recorder – finished the Archives, and has made a list of the policy changes made in 2006, but still have to go thru 2005.

Southern Zonal Forum – They had a meeting last night and discussed the shirt graphics. Norman will be the speaker. It was decided to have snacks only in the Hospitality Room. They need large coffee pots, so they won't have to purchase the coffee. OTW will ask if they can borrow their coffee pots. Please take it back to the groups that donations of old NA stuff are needed for the Casino Night winnings. Next sub-committee meeting will be October 5th at 7pm at OTW.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

-Nominations for RBS co-chair: Ed- nominates Mandy for RBS co-chair. Bea- we don't officially take nominations until November. Alan- we still have a chair & co-chair until Jan. Dawn- it is a policy change, can't do. DEAD

-What day do we want Learning Day? Debbie- suggests having it on Oct. 27th before the Halloween Dance. CONSENSUS – Yes. Tom- asks if we can have it at Charlie's with the dance. Mandy- says no. Gem City wants to host the Learning Day and find the location- will bring it back next month.

Break called at 4:40 p.m. Break over at 4:45 p.m.

-Do we want to send a starter packet to the new group in McAllen? It will cost \$32 (\$25 in key tags and \$7 for the starter kit). Norman will donate a set of readings and someone will donate a Basic Text. CONSENSUS – Yes.

-Proposal – POLICY CHANGE – Wayne wants to correct the service prayer in our Area readings to the version found in the Basic Text, page xvi. We need to add (that this may truly be your work, not ours) after “grant us a bond of selflessness”. GSRs need to take it back to their groups to be voted on at the October Area meeting.

-Proposal – POLICY CHANGE – Sean asked that when we have an amount over \$200 that is being requested, it needs to be taken back to the groups for approval. Mandy read a tradition out of *How It Works*, she found a moonwalk for \$ 85. Some members are willing to donate for that and sodas are being donated from RBS. Debbie read Tradition 9 (page 192 and 193) about communication. Alan has concerns about how much money is being spent. We as a group should be financially responsible. Bea says that the proposal is not to put anyone on the defense. Micky says that Mandy has done an excellent job, don't limit it and it's going to delay the process if it goes to the GSRs. Debbie read the 5th tradition. Dawn- we're not attacking Mandy. Over the years, sometimes there have been problems with certain activities becoming too expensive. Some members may have things to donate to help lower costs. We need to be responsible to the suffering addicts. It's not just Activities; we were just squabbling over the money for H & I. Mandy said that she brought up the Playday with NA a couple of months a head of time and that they paid for Prom outside of what Area paid for. Mandy also said that she has plenty of sub-committee meetings that no one brings their concerns to. Bill reads the minutes from last month, and the GSRs voted to give Mandy the money. Lester says that the sole purpose of this proposal is to place handcuffs on Activities. This brings back thoughts of what happened at Pool Day. He likes NA for the presence of kids (its not like that in the other fellowship). Lester is not for the proposal. Micky says that this is a new way to live, we might make money, we don't know. Wayne says that this event is already planned and is done, but that out of the norm events should be brought back to the groups. We already have one large event per year (RBS) and money is already earmarked for it. What is the problem with being prudent? He wants his money to reach outside this Area, like Region and World, too. He is grateful for Activities and what they do.

-Proposal – POLICY CHANGE – Clean time requirement for RBS co-chair

Bea says we need continuity. This position acts as the treasurer for RBS and should be a firm 3 years of clean time... the same as the ASC Treasurer. We are not pulling David out of his position.

We were wrong to vote on increasing the seed money to \$4000. It was done out of turn. We will bring it back up next month. Tom read the financial policy – it will be voted on in December.

Dedee will bring 3 Guide to Local Service books for the GSRs in October.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS:

H&I – Robert and Mary are requesting \$300 to replenish their literature supply.

Literature – Dedee needs \$32 for a new starter packet.

OPEN FORUM:

Tom and Tammie say good-bye.

David will be bringing up 3 things next month. (1) to increase the seed money for RBS to \$4000.00 (2) need to vote on a co-facilitator in September, so they can start helping for the next year sooner (3) approve the budgets in September, too.

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Rotation for Meetings –

January – Anchor Club

February – Rockport

March – Anchor Club

April – Ingleside

May – Anchor Club

June – Portland

July – Anchor Club

August – Ingleside

September – Anchor Club

October – Rockport

November – Anchor Club

December – Portland

Meeting ended at 5:50 p.m.