

Area Service Committee Meeting
January 18, 2009

Meeting began at 2: 00 PM, with the Serenity Prayer. Wayne read the purpose of the ASC. The group said the Service prayer. Jimmy read the Twelve Traditions and Paul read the twelve concepts.

Roll Call:

Facilitator – Wayne - present	Off the Wall - ? absent but report sent
Co-Facilitator – Dedee– absent (1)	Shot of Hope – absent but sent report
Treasurer – Judy - present	Gem City – Israel - present
Recorder – Debbie– Present	Just For Today – Cyndi- present
RCM 1 – Sean C. – absent	Get it Together – Paul- present
RCM 2 – Jimmy C. - present	Stepping Up – Richard W.- present
PI = Vacant	Right Turn Only – Clifford- absent
H&I – Gregg - present	Easy Does It – Jake - present
Activities – Samantha - absent	10 th Street - Henry (alt) - present
Literature – Margo- present	Survivors – Romeo- present
Web Servant – Tom – absent	Life’s Second Chance – Jim D - present
RBS – Mandy S. – present	A Conscious Contact – Julie - present
RBS Co Chair – Katrina – absent (2)	A Day at a Time – Lester - absent
Outreach – Tom K. - absent	TBRCNA 9 – Chip – absent (2)
Policy Chair – vacant	
Phone line – Romeo - present	

SERVICE PRAYER: *God grant us the knowledge that we make 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 this truly be your work, not ours: and that no addict anywhere need die from the horrors of addiction.*

RECORD REPORT:

- Plenty reports to go around
- Took time to read
- One correction – 400 missing check was actually a \$ 300

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Balance 1238.08
- Available funds 1238.08
- Storage is going to be Safeguard – which storage was paid until 1/5/10 – we will still need to get our things out of old storage.

Judy needs a copy of driver's license and social security from the following:

Facilitator – Wayne Skinner, Co-Facilitator – Melodee Whitt, Treasurer – Judy Kirkland, Secretary – Deborah Oelschlegel, and RCM1 – Sean Callahan This is the new executive board and will be able to sign checks on our bank account.

GROUP REPORTS:

Off the Wall -

- no GSR's, - alt is Benita
- do have a Saturday night meeting
- Noon meeting still going.
- Donation 70\$

Shot of Hope:

- Absent but sent report
- No problems
- Celebrated 2 birthdays Luis 1 year and Keith 2 years
- 20 donation

Gem City:

- Israel new GSR
- Wooldridge meeting needs female support
- Donation to area is 20.40, 7 to region and 7 to world

- Annual chili cook-off February 22,2009 @6:30 PM, 5.00 entrance fee 5.00 bottomless bowl

Just For Today:

- absent

Get it Together:

- 35.00 donation
- Speaker meeting second Sunday of the month February will be Brandy S.
- Need people with long term recovery coming to meetings
- Judy reiterated the need for people with recovery to attend – the client's are so hungry for recovery
- Norman suggested the GSR's take that info back to groups
- Paul also said they need people to be sponsor's

Stepping Up:

- New GSR Richard, alt is Kevin
- 155 donation
- Meetings on Mon, Tue, and Fridays
- Monday is must Monday, Tuesday – open topic, Friday – 1st Friday is birthday night,2nd Friday is step study,3rd Friday is Tradition study and 4th Friday is Concept Study
- Continue to work on group inventory

Right Turn Only:

- Absent – no report

Easy Does It:

- No problems
- Attendance good at both Tuesday and Thursday
- Celebrated 3 birthdays JJ - - 3 years, Mickey – 3 years, and Sarah – 4 years

10th Street Newcomers:

- Tuesday night meeting – 32 people
- New GSR is Joel, alt is Henry
- Would like help from area to get wall posters about a foot wide

Survivors:

- Group growing – approximately 30 - 40 in attendance
- Meetings on Friday, Saturday and Monday
- Problems in meetings with crosstalk, kids, people walking in and out during meeting
- 65.00 to TBRCNA 9 for hospitality

Life's Second Chance:

- McAllen, Texas
- Mon and Wed – 10-15 people, Friday handful about 5
- 30.00 donation

Conscious Contact:

- Absent no report

A Day at a Time:

- Absent – no report

RCM REPORTS:

- Jimmy reported no report another member asked him why and a verbal confrontation followed
- Judy did report that Kim – the Regional Treasurer resigned her post so no vote will be needed

WEBMASTER:

- Web site up to date.
- All groups have been added to the mailing list. He needs to know if we want to include non active groups. As soon as he receives the updated contact list he will set up the forwarders and send out instructions for accessing emails.

H&I:

- Sub-committee met at Anchor Club, attendance low so they are moving back to Shot of Hope location on 2nd Wednesday of the month after their meeting
- Servicing SATF, Reality Ranch, CASA, Charlie's Detox
- Marcus has received the applications for TDCJ – needs them back by 3-1-09
- Daniel, Jeff, Richard and Norman were previously certified and are trying to find out if they still are. Marcus checked and said they were not. They need to get recertified.

PI:

- Open position – no report
- Debbie and Nancy will be doing mail-outs during this time

PHONELINE:

- Romeo said that all is going well
- Debbie questioned about rotation and he said he was having trouble getting volunteers. Debbie said she has 2.5 years clean and has her own phone has asked for the phone and is being put off.
- Penny suggested putting private cell phone numbers on the phone list. Wayne said he needs to start rotating because he is robbing the next person of being able to do service.

ACTIVITIES:

- Absent – no report

LITERATURE:

- Margo – first time being chair here at area – provided phone number and address so members could get in touch with her.
- Needs reimbursement for 7.95 for calculator.
- Thanked Penny for the help today

RBS:

- T - shirts will be available at TBRCNA9 on Sunday
- New storage unit on the corner of Paul Jones and the Freeway but has been unable to get our stuff from old storage
- Will have pre-registration and registration artwork
- Next RBS subcommittee meeting on 1-24-09@7PM – will be discussing timeline and setting positions for registration, merchandise, etc
- Has not spent any money still has 4006.00 in account

OUTREACH:

- Will be going to Falfurrias on Jan. 26, 2009, and to San Diego on Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2009

POLICY:

- Open position no report

OPEN FORUM:

- Ed spoke about the schedule – a meeting called newcomers should have more support
- New Year's dance was great but a comment by the DJ upset Ed – the DJ said that's what NA gets for 150\$ - Ed talked to him that the price negotiated is not public knowledge – the DJ said he had the fucking microphone and he would say whatever he wanted – Ed suggested that the activities chair speak to the DJ
- Talked about schedules and noticed that out of 54 meetings there are only about 4 or 5 literature studies and they were mostly out of town.
- Unity talked about in Tradition One is gone and maybe we all need to come together and show a more unified. Margo said there was a book called Guide to local service that talks about starting a meeting and how to keep it going. Norman pointed out that Tradition 4 states group responsibility. Marcus talked about being accountable. Debbie said their group noticed ways they could improve by doing a group inventory. Paul said he wasn't just talking about his group. Norman pointed out that its attraction rather than promotion and it certainly wasn't attractive what happened between those two men earlier. He said we should be able to leave our differences behind when we walk in these doors. Mandy pointed out that there was a child in the room who had to witness that
- Israel brought up that that Coastal Bend Aids Foundation would like a meeting there between 8-5. She had said she had been calling NA for weeks and nobody answered.
- Romeo said he was involved in the earlier confrontation and he would like to make amends to this Area body. Margo reminded him that just saying you are sorry is not an amends –you have to work on whatever makes you act that way – which he needs to be a living amends. Romeo said it was duly noted.
- Wayne said he understood how Ed felt about the New Year's Eve comment but we only pay 150.00 and that is a good deal. He said he has dealt with that DJ for years he has always been difficult to work with. Israel said a solution to that might be him learning how to DJ and rent Joe Booty's equipment. Wayne then added maybe it would be good to have a workshop and Ed had a thorough knowledge of working the traditions.

NEW PROPOSALS: NONE

ELECTIONS:

- Still need PI and Policy chair and now we need an RCM2 also

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Wayne reminded everybody about TBRCNA. Debbie asked about area – it's the same day – moved Area to February 22, 2009 @ 2:00 PM.

RAFFLES:

- Romeo won key chain
- Ed won an NA Bag
- Penny won the service symbol

Meeting Adjourned at 4:45 PM

Next meeting is February 22, 2009 at Anchor Club.