

NxNW Area of Narcotics Anonymous Service Committee

Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2009

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Opening: At 6:30 PM ASC was called to order by the Chairperson Johan A. with the Serenity Prayer, the Service Prayer, the NxNW Area purpose, 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts of NA Service was read. Quorum called and service reports were read:

Attendance - Roll Call

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Chair	Johan A.	658-0003	Present
Vice-Chair	Doug F.	429-1998	Present
Treasurer	Claudia F.	334-2378	Present
Secretary	AJ S.	832-618-9959	Present
Literature	Heidi B.	882-9301	Present
Activities	Kelli F.	544-2486	Present
H&I/PI	Chris B.	254-8311	Present
PR	Chris B.	254-8311	Present
RCM	Joey A.	658-0003	Present
RCM	Angela P.	241-8372	Present

Group Service Representatives

PM Recovery	Lee M.	202-9027	Present
Steps To Freedom	Zach S.	250-5325	Present
Saturday Night Surrender	Gina S. E.	371-4494	Present
Only One Requirement	Terry B.	743-9145	Present
It Just Doesn't Get Any Better Than This	Debbie F.	609-6511	Present
Frontline Recovery	Kathy P.	205-3746	Present
Young & Reckless (formerly HOW)	Jason C.	234-4681	Present
Just A Meeting	Casey B.	805-331-8447	Present
Women's Meeting	Michelle J.	541-3636	Present
Progress Not Perfection	Kass P.	245-1451	Present
Addicts In Recovery (AIR)	Atom B.	480-0104	Present
FYI	Debbie M.	493-3923	Present
Experience, Strength & Hope	Joseph	928-380-9296	Present
Happy, Joyous & Free	Marci G.	338-6094	Present
Not High At Noon	Allen W.	875-2405	Present
Nooner	Charles B.	505-6504	Present
More Will Be Revealed	Blake B.	238-8875	Present
Misfits Group	Dean F.	349-2331	Absent
Awakenings Group	Kelli F.	544-2486	Present
Desert Recovery Group	Brian L.	277-2246	Present
Freedom to Recover	Marcus L.	639-6177	Present

The Secretary's Minutes were approved by the ASC.

Administrative and Subcommittee Reports

Chairperson:

Dear ASC:

It was great to see so many of you at the Regional Assembly. I apologize that I got some of you there too early and you had to wait. As those of us who attended could see, there were a lot of emotions and a lot going on. I hope you found it informative and could appreciate those trusted servants who serve selflessly and without agendas. It really does make a difference in service in NA.

I paid the insurance and we are renewed for another year. We actually got a discount and will be receiving a refund of over \$200.00 because they lowered our premium.

In terms of Area business, there is little to report. I'm grateful to continue to serve you.

Johan

Vice Chairperson:

All is good as Vice Chair. I would like to thank everyone that showed up for GSR orientation last month. If you are not attending I would implore you to show up. The information here is vital to the growth of NA through service. We go through the concepts which can heighten our awareness on issues concerning service. Please get the 12 concepts for use at your home groups and in your business meetings. Thank you for letting me serve.

Doug F.

Treasurer

Dear ASC:

Our bank balance through the end of October was \$5990.66. After issuing checks including \$1000 to activities and \$921.60 for insurance, donating \$970.80 each to World and Area our balance is \$1498.21.

Please remember to sign the front of your money orders and to put your group name on them. Also, in tallying your literature orders, please remember that there is a 6% surcharge on the literature portion only. There were numerous mistakes last month – please check the addition of your numbers before submitting your orders. There is a GSR orientation each month at 6pm, prior to ASC. We suggest all new GSR's attend this orientation.

Group donations, through October 2008 were \$17,223.98 compared to \$13,778.76 through October 2009 for a difference of \$3,445.22. Obviously, the strained economy is apparent in Narcotics Anonymous as well.

Sally has expressed her willingness to assist in the treasurer duties, possibly in preparation for Vice-Treasurer. In addition to showing up at our monthly meetings, Sally spent time with me over the weekend to learn more about the process. She has caught on quickly and I appreciate her help and willingness.

In loving service,
Claudia

Secretary

No written report

Literature

I would like to report that literature arrived in a timely fashion and order was accurate. Thank you to all GSRs who emailed orders. I will be stepping down from Literature Chair position due to a relapse on Oct 16th. I took a welcome keytag on Oct 18th and have remained clean since. I would still like to be of service by volunteering to help with Literature. Heidi is willing be of service with Literature. Thank you for allowing me to be of service, and my apologies for any letdowns.

RCM 1:

No written report

RCM 2:

Regional Report From 10/17/09 Meeting

Hello ASC,

A long day of nominations/elections was held at this meeting. The outcome is as follows:

Regional Chair: Chris B. (NXNWA)
Regional Vice Chair: Jeff H.
Regional Secretary: Michelle J. (NXNWA)
Regional Treasurer: Tommy C.

Note: We are still in need of an Assistant Vice Treasurer to train for this position. Please send this information back to your groups.

It was confirmed with all areas that the Convention Comm. Guidelines ARE approved with the housekeeping amendments brought up to be incorporated.

I'm please to announce that a slew of GSR's attended the meeting to vote in the 2010 Regional Convention Comm. Administrative body.

The outcome of Elections for 2010 Regional Convention Comm. Adm is as follows:

Regional Convention Chair:	Debbie M. (NXNWA)
Regional Convention Vice Chair:	Tony C.
Regional Convention Treasurer:	Rick W.
Regional Convention Vice Treas:	Amos M.
Regional Convention Secretary:	Tabled for Comm. Vote
Regional Conventions Facilities:	Marc S.

- No area reports or subcommittee reports were read today.

RD Shelly S.:

Reminder about the Membership Survey Online

You can find it 2 ways:

1. www.na.org / go to “What’s new”, then click on link #1 World Service Conference, then click on “Services you may want to know about”
2. <http://questionnaire.disc.na.org>

From the Services you may want to know about link you can also see information about the Living Clean Book they are working on.

I have included a copy of NAWS NEWS with this information as well.

Also included with my report is information on the next WSLD held in Fresno, CA. Oct. 23-25, 2009.

November 25th we will be able to download copies of the Conference Agenda Report. Any group unaware of what this is please let us know and we can explain this further, however, Shelly S. and Ira our RD’s will be visiting all the areas doing workshops on the CAR . March we will be voting on the CAR at the Regional Mtg. We will have more information on dates and times of these workshops as February draws closer.

Keep in mind that our RD’s are available at our request for any NA Service needs the area has.

Treas. Tom C.:

The Regional Activities Comm and the Regional Convention Comm were giving their yearly allotment of funds up front as they usually need them right away.

Other budgeted items will be distributed quarterly.

This month is donation month to World. Our donation is \$8273.48 after budgeted items.

Our quarterly donation schedule is:
October, January, April, July

Name changes will be done on bank account for newly elected positions.

- Regional Guideline concerning boundaries will be changed to encompass the CANAC Area.
- Next Regional Meeting December 5th West Flamingo Library Jewel Box Room 10:00am subcomm. 11:00am Comm. Meeting.
- First Regional Convention Comm. Meeting will be held Nov. 7th 12:00pm at the 3M Club on Vegas and Decatur. This meeting will be rotated between all areas.
- Regional New Years Eve Party planning is Nov. 8th at IHOP on Decatur 5:00pm. Please show your support and help out with this fun activity.
- Reminder: Need Regional Assistant Treasurer and need Regional Convention Comm. Secretary. If interested in Conv. Secretary position please attend the Regional Convention Comm. Meeting Nov. 7th.
- Attached to my report is a flyer from CANAC for logo and theme design contest. Deadline Nov. 15. Read flyer for detailed information.
- Attached to my report is a flyer for SFVACNA 15 (Tarzana, CA.) See flyer for detailed information.

Thank you for allowing us to be of Service,
Angela P. RCM II

Activities:

Greeting ASC:

All is going well with Unity and Activities, we met on October 30th, 2009 at 120 North Pavilion Center Drive, in Summerlin.

Well, the 8th NXNWANA Anniversary Dinner was a great success. We had a lot of food, fellowship, and fun. Attached is our report for area. I am turning in a money order tonight in the amount of \$1,092.12. We thank all who participated and made this event so much fun. Many thanks again to Anthony & Kathy P. on their great job speaking. A special thanks to Kass for all her hard work in the kitchen.

Our next activity is our Thanksgiving Event. It will be at the Summerlin Evangelical Church, 1911 Pueblo Vista Dr. We are going to have marathon meeting's starting from 7:00 am till 1:00 pm. We will be serving a Thanksgiving Brunch, we are asking if each area home group would bring an item. If you are looking for another place to go on Thanksgiving, Circle of Recovery is having meeting's starting at 10:00 am into the evening on D. Street and Madison.

On February 13th we are having a Sweetheart Salad Social. Location and time is being confirmed will bring to our next area. We have confirmed our speakers Diana & Hamilton, we are looking forward to this event.

Dopes on Slopes is March 12 – 14th, 2010 in Brianhead. If you are interested in this event you can go to the area's website and find more information and registration forms. The next Dopes on Slopes meeting is December 2, 2009 @ 6:00 pm at the VVA (Veterans) 6424 W. Cheyenne. If you have any additional questions please contact Shelley at 236-4676.

I am asking for reimbursement of \$10.00 for rent for Unity and Activities.

Our next activity meeting is November 27th, 2009 at 5pm at Desert Springs United Methodist Church, 120 North Pavilion Center Drive, Summerlin.

Thank you for allowing me to serve, I appreciate all your support and help. If you have any questions, please contact me.

In loving service,

Kelli Fike., Activities Chair

**North by Northwest 8th Anniversary Dinner.
1911 Pueblo Vista Dr.
October 24th, 2009**

Check from area \$1,000.00

EXPENSES

Food	\$ 700.00
Church	50.00
Von's	15.96
Party Land	20.25
Von's	18.13
Smart & Final	107.24
Von's	<u>15.54</u>

TOTAL \$927.12

Reimbursement to area \$1,092.12

Dopes On Slopes

Minutes of October 28, 2009

In attendance: Jamie, Adam, Shelly S., AJ S., Pam R., Kimberly, Marc S. and Michele J.

Date(s) of Event: March 12 – 14th 2010

Location: Brianhead, Utah

Discussion:

Adam completed flyer and it's up on Regional and NXNWA website. Adam to have flyer ready for print by November 4, 2009. He is also to bring logo for t-shirt and beanie to next DOS Committee meeting.

Also, Johan A. has agreed to sign the contract on behalf of NXNWA, and apply the tax exemption certificate to the hotel. The room block of 20 rooms @ \$119.00 per room (sleeps 4) is in place, and registration must be registered by December 17th to keep discount. Registration requires one (1) night room reservation to hold room until event.

Buffett: Salad, pasta buffet, bread, dessert & drinks - \$21.00 per person and one (1) hour drink service.

Based on the price of the buffet and the additional room charge on Friday, the Committee determined possible registration costs for this year's event will be \$30.00 per person with no shirt.

Merchandise will be available to participants at extra costs. Kimberly has been nominated as the Merchandise Chair for the event. She is to go and look at shirt styles and beanies before next DOS Committee meeting. February 7th will be the cut off for merchandise purchase.

Next DOS Committee Meeting: November 4, 2009 @ 6:30 p.m. committee to meet again at the VVA (Veterans) 6424 W. Cheyenne.

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Date(s) of Event: March 12 – 14th 2010

Location: Brianhead, Utah

Discussion:

Merchandise: Women V-Neck Lg. Sleeve – SNS# 58205 Granite

Men Long Sleeve SNS#04060 Ash

Draw String Fannie Pants w/pockets 100% cotton w/DOS logo (Mossly Plum)

Beanie Grey & Black 100 % acrylic knit hat with bill

1st 20 hotel rooms reserved will have of prize.

Next DOS Committee Meeting: December 2, 2009, @ 6:00 p.m. committee to meet again at the VVA (Veterans) 6424 W. Cheyenne.

H&I:

Hello, ASC:

We had good attendance and support at H&I this month: 12 members plus two visitors. All commitments are going well. We are looking to get another Solutions facility commitment. For November only, due to Thanksgiving, we will be meeting the third Thursday instead of the last: November 19th, 6:00 pm, at 111 N Torrey Pines as usual. At the November 19th meeting we will be going over the NxNW H&I Guidelines, as a formality.

In loving service,

Anthony P.

North by Northwest Area H&I Chair

Public Information/Public Relations:

North by Northwest Area Public Information – Public Relations Report
November 10, 2009

Hello ASC,

Greetings from Public Information / Public Relations. The North by Northwest website is currently up to date. The URL is: www.nxnwana.org. We are still looking for a member who has the willingness to learn how to administer our area's website. Please announce this in your meetings they can email mail me directly at Public-Information@nxnwana.org.

If you have any announcements from your group or subcommittee that you would like to be posted on our website please email them to me at Public-Information@nxnwana.org.

We are still receiving 10-15 email requests on our website a week. These requests are from visitors to local people looking for Narcotics Anonymous Meetings.

If you have any meeting list changes please give them to your RCM so they can email them to the Region 51 meeting list coordinator.

Region 51 Helpline is still looking for volunteers to cover six hour shifts. If you are interested please contact Tom L. at 702-287-2691.

In Fellowship

Chris B.

PI-PR– North by Northwest Area

Group Reports

PM Recovery

Dear ASC,

Meetings are going well with a few newcomers every week. Attendance this last month varied from 25 to 72 members in attendance.

Our check to ASC this month is for \$157. Our literature purchase is for \$9.12 leaving a donation balance to ASC of \$147.33.

In loving service....Don D.

Steps To Freedom

Dear ASC,

This month went well. We are still averaging 3-5 newcomers a week, and good attendance all around. We are buying some literature and making a donation, yet I don't have an exact total. Kristen will be celebrating 8 years clean in early December.

Thank You for letting me be of service,

Zach S.

Saturday Night Surrender

Hello, ASC:

Saturday Night Surrender continues to carry the NA message of recovery at Mountainview Hospital every Saturday night at 6:00 pm. All is going well. We have voted in another new trusted servant: Frank, as alternate secretary. This means that not only are positions filled, we have a committed alternate for every position!

This past month we averaged fewer addicts per meeting than usual: 16 addicts per week with about 1 newcomer. Relations with the facility remain peaceful and trouble-free.

We collected: 79.00

Our Literature order: 46.17

Left to donate to ASC: 32.83

We are celebrating two birthdays this Saturday, 11/14:

Terry Z. 2 years

Chuck 10 years

Thanks for allowing me to serve NA!

-- Gina S-E

Only One Requirement

Dear ASC,

The Only One Requirement Group is happy to announce our 5th Annual Yearly Reflections Meeting. December 9, 2009 at 7 pm. (Please see flyer). We will have 3 speakers sharing on the diversity and obstacles they have faced in the past year and their hope for the coming new year. Please come early and be prepared to stay later than usual. We will have food following the speaker meeting.

We are grateful to the Vietnam Veterans of America for sharing their facility with us and allowing us to meet there. Our rent is reasonable and we hope to continue to have a great working relationship with them.

The new address is 6424 West Cheyenne on the Northwest corner of Cheyenne and Torrey Pines. Attendance is about 10 – 14 weekly.

We wish all a happy Thanksgiving. Thanks for allowing us to serve.

Truly

Terry B.

OIR

Pamela T. will be celebrating 17 years November 25, 2009.

It Just Doesn't Get Any Better Than This

Dear ASC,

We average 30 addicts, 5 newcomers. We are donating \$68.60 with a literature order of \$14.39. There are no birthdays or announcements this month. All is well @ “It Just Doesn’t Get Any Better Than This”

In Loving Service,
Angela W. Alternate GSR

Frontline Recovery

Hello All,
Everything @ Frontline is going well. We have between 15 – 40 addicts attending weekly. We need no lit. and do not have a donation this month.

In Loving Service,
Kathy P.

H. O. W. Group

GSR – Jason C. “HOW” Group

Our group is doing well. We will be changing our name to “The Young and Reckless.” We are attempting to raise awareness for young people in service by having it known as a young persons meeting but still open to all attendance. We want new young members to know there will be a group where they can identify w/ those in their age group. We have a speaker the Sunday after ASC this Sunday is Meagen S.

Just A Meeting

Dear ASC,
Just a Meeting is doing fine. We are averaging 35 addicts a week with 1 to 2 newcomers. We collected \$116 this month. We have a literature order of \$75.61 and our donation to ASC is \$40.39.

Thank you for letting me serve.
Casey B.

Women’s Meeting

Dear ASC,

Sunday Morning Women’s Meeting continues to help bring the message to addicts.

Our attendance averages approximately 29 addicts and 1 newcomer.

Our relationship with the facility remains good. Because we pay \$0.00 in rent the group conscious is to donate a one (1) soft back Basic Text each month to H&I, and provide literature to any addict, upon request.

We collected \$115.35 in October with the 7th Tradition.

Our literature order this month is \$26.45. We are donating \$88.90 to ASC.

Birthdays in November: None

Grateful to Serve,
Michele J.

Progress Not Perfection

Dear ASC,

October 10, 2009

We meet every Monday @ 6PM. We average 50-60 addicts weekly. One treatment center regularly attends so we do have a lot of new comers. We give away a Basic Text weekly to the person with the least amount of clean time, and who needs one.

We have a Step Speaker meeting the first Monday of the month. The Step coincides with the month. On Nov. 11TH Kelvin will be speaking on the 11TH Step.

After paying rent and purchasing literature, we are donating \$166.02 to Area.

Lucricia W. will be celebrating 2 years on October 30TH

Thanks for allowing me to serve,
Kass P.

Addicts In Recovery "A.I.R."

- > Asc report for AIR (Addicts In Recovery) group of Narcotics
- > Anonymous - Nov.10th, 2009
- >
- > Once again I'd like to show gratitude to NA for giving me the chance
- > to give back what was freely given to me. Well our group has found a
- > new home! We're now at 3990 Schiff Dr. at the Serenity Club off of
- > Twain and Wynn. We've also expanded our home group to 6 members!
- > That's pretty much double what we had. Maybe it's God's will we
- > survive after all! Our attendance has dwindled a tiny bit but that's
- > because people are still getting used to the new place I feel. We
- > pay \$1.00 a head but are trying to talk to the landlord of the
- > building to lower it to either a flat fee of \$20 or \$.50 to \$.75
- > cents a head. At any rate, i'm most grateful we have a place to come
- > in out of the cold now! Thank you again and will write again next
- > month! In loving service, Atom B

FYI

Attendance is holding at around 20-25 addicts and 1-2 newcomers per meeting.

WE are donating \$63.00 to area and no literature is needed at this time.

WE are happy to announce that Doug F will celebrate 5 years of clean time on Saturday, December the 12th at our 7:30pm mtg.

In loving service and gratitude,

Debbie M.

FYI GSR

Experience, Strength & Hope

Dear ASC,

The experience, strength and hope group is currently seeking a new place to hold our meetings. Our last meeting will be held at our current location on Thursday November 12 at 6:30 pm. The Center for Positive Living has informed us that they will be moving and has given us one week notice to relocate. Home group members are presently inquiring about the possibility of various locations however, we have yet to find anywhere definite. We would appreciate any ideas anyone might have. My contact telephone number is below.

Our group is continuing to grow strong with an average attendance of around twenty people and two to three newcomers each week. This month we will be placing a literature order and making a donation of \$225.86 to area. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

In loving service,

Bryan B.

Happy, Joyous & Free

Dear ASC

Happy, Joyous & Free

Our home group Happy, Joyous & Free is doing great. Our attendance is around 38-45 addicts and average 1-2 newcomers a meeting.

We continue to carry the message of hope and new way of life to the addict that still suffering.

We collected 132.00 for the 7th tradition, we paid our rent, no literature order this month, and no birthdays. We are donating 41.00 to ASC.

Thank you in Loving service. Marci

Not High At Noon

Not High at Noon is doing well. We continue to serve more than 10 identifying newcomers each day and daily attendance is approximately 45- 50 individuals.

We are making a literature order of \$141.16 and a donation to ASC of \$200.00

- Nov. 12, Laura B. celebrates 1 year at Not High @ Noon
- Nov. 18, Allen W. celebrates 2 years at Not High @ Noon
- Nov. 23, Cat H. celebrates 2 years at Not High @ Noon

Grateful In Service
Allen W.

Nooner

No written report

More Will Be Revealed

Dear ASC,

All is well at More Will Be Revealed. We're averaging 40 addicts and 2 newcomers. Our total donation to ASC this month will be \$56 dollars. We have no birthdays coming up this month. We had our business meeting, and voted to push back all birthday meetings, each month, to the last Friday of the month. Other than that, our meeting will continue as usual.

In Loving Service,
Blake B. - GSR

Misfits Group

No written report

Awakenings Group

No written report

Desert Recovery Group

We are carrying the message at Painted Desert Clubhouse. We have been averaging 10 addicts with average of 1 newcomer.

Thank you
Brian L.

Freedom to Recover

No written report

Open Forum Discussion:

- Discussed Regional Service Office. How does our area feel?

- Discussed upcoming Conference Agenda Report. Do we want a CAR workshop? February ASC will be set aside for RDs to go over CAR report. Time allowed for CAR will be 2 hours.
- Discussed groups consolidating celebrations of recovery.

Old Business:

Vice Treasurer: no nominations

New Business:

Literature Chair: Heidi B. elected

Motions:

Motion Title: Buy a Conference Agenda Report (CAR) for each area GSR.

Maker: Gina S. E.

Second: Kass P.

Area Guideline Change: No

Financial Impact: \$168.00

Outcome: PASSED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Area Activities

- Thanksgiving Brunch is November 26, 1911 Pueblo Vista Dr.
- Dopes on Slopes is March 12 – 14

Meeting Announcements

- HOW group is changing its name to “The Young and Reckless” it will be known as a young persons meeting. There will be a speaker meeting the Sunday after ASC.
- Just A Meeting will be having a speaker meeting the last Friday of every month
- Only 1 Requirement’s Yearly Reflections Speaker Meeting is December 9th at 7:00 pm
- Experience, Strength & Hope last meeting at 6711 W. Alexander on 11/12/2009. Seeking new location. More will be revealed.

Birthdays

- Nov. 12, Laura B. celebrates 1 year at Not High @ Noon

- Nov. 14, Terry Z. celebrates 2 and Chuck celebrates 10 at Saturday Night Surrender
- Nov. 18, Allen W. celebrates 2 years at Not High @ Noon
- Nov. 20, Alicia celebrates 1 year at PM Recovery
- Nov. 23, Cat H. celebrates 2 years at Not High @ Noon
- Nov. 30, Lucricia W. celebrates 2 years at Progress Not Perfection
- Dec. 12, Doug F. celebrates 5 years at FYI

Other Announcements

- H & I will meet 11/19/2009, the third Thursday this month at 6:00 pm, 111 N. Torrey Pines
- Watch for CAR Report on NAWS website www.naws.org
- Our area is still looking for a vice treasurer! If you have willingness to serve, please attend ASC and express your willingness.