

Region 51 Narcotics Anonymous Meeting Minutes

July 29, 2007

Opening:

At 1:00 PM Region 51 Meeting was called to order by the Chairperson Tony C. with the Serenity Prayer.

Attendance:

Chair	Tony C.	471-7499	Present
Treasurer	Sam M.	332-8203	Absent
Secretary	Ira Z.	595-8866	Present
RD	Rick W.	505-5500	Present
RD-A	Doug H.	338-0861	Present
RCM (ELVANA)	Allen D.	568-5768	Present
RCM (SNANA)	Mike H.	837-5709	Absent
RCM (SNANA)	Kelley D.	631-2641	Absent
RCM (NXNWANA)	Chris S.	408-8961	Absent

Kelly M.	340-1967
Traci M.	641-9608
Wayne S.	438-9775
Bob B.	365-7774
Robert R.	818-0246
Clarence L.	419-9025
Tim K.	896-6049
John M.	641-9608
Shaun B.	366-2755
Greg O.	451-6733
Chris B.	254-8311
Isaac K.	477-0766

REPORTS:

Chairperson:

Glad to be here and of service. My area has elected me to another term to serve on the Region. I would like to state my willingness to be Regional Chair again. My commitment to overseeing Regional needs will be better, but I am willing to serve this body in any area of need. In loving Service, Tony C.

Dear Region 51, Rick W. And I attended the Western States Zonal Forum last week, and it was great success. I found it both informative and encouraging to see so many addicts from so many different places working together and sharing information freely for the good of Narcotics Anonymous as a whole. Also in attendance was Ron M. (World board member) and Chris (special worker from WSO). They put on a two hour presentation on implementing the PR Handbook and gave the World Board report. Rick and I will be conducting a workshop on implementing the PR handbook at our next assembly in September, so I would ask all the RCMs to encourage all GSRs and other interested members to attend. We discussed a number of topics including integration of the PR Handbook, web-based phone lines, virtual words in NA Service, term limits for RD-RDA, IDT workshop, influenza Pandemic, getting more involvement in the CAR workshop, rogue events, financial software & systems for financial accountability, attendance and rotation of service commitment in sparse areas, insurance across the border, insurance, HRP lack of responsibility and accountability, raffles/solicited of donations from outside of the fellowship, how to get old-timers back in to the meetings and service, group donations, 0 home group business meetings and how to get them going, fund flow, defining PI, H&I coordinator position, paid events and the 7th Tradition, grandiose events, sponsorship behind the walls, youth committees, incorporating languages other than English into the service structure, cultural outreach, and insurance across the border. We did not get to discuss all of these topics due to time limitations, but among the ones we did discuss the, the talk was lively and informative. On a note closer to home, I feel that I must voice my concerns as a member of this committee about the lack of performance from some of our trusted servants. I personally feel that they have not been performing their duties in an adequate fashion, and that the committee needs to discuss this. I realize that we are all volunteers here, but I also know that each of us knew the requirements of our positions and what was expected of us before we took our positions. In loving service, Doug H.

VERBAL REPORT ADDED:

R.D. Rick W. Talked about Zonal Forum and concerns about committee direction to go to Zonal Forum. Reconciled guidelines. Lots of questions, regarding receipts, etc.

Rick - New World Board approved literature strictly for use as a service resource for groups.

Hello Region, Met with H&I and they would like a copy of the new guidelines and they would like to bring forth an acclamation today. We have an open RCM position from ELVANA. Don't forget the convention from ELVANA August 10, 11, 12. Thanks for letting me serve. Allen D.

The Region 51 Activities Sub-Committee met at 11am on July 29 at Flamingo Public Library. Present were Bob B. (SNA U&A Chair), Tim K. (ELVANA Chair), Traci M. (ELVANA), Kelly (ELVANA) and Shelly & Mike O. The committee discussed Regional Guidelines and elected to suggest a change in qualifications for Regional Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs. Motion submitted. (See motion attached) Bob B. was nominated and elected as Regional Activities Chair. The Region 51 Unity Day Picnic Committee submitted changes to their budget and plans which were submitted to region. The sub-committee unanimously agreed that a 2 Hour time slot was preferred for our meetings. MOTION: That the chair, vice chair and secretary positions can be filled by any person past or present that has served as area chair or vice chair of activities committee.

Dear Region 51, The Women's Spiritual Breakfast was on May 21, 2007. We had a new facility this year as the Gold Coast raised their prices dramatically and we decided to no longer use them. We had the breakfast at the Wild Horse Golf Club and it was a beautiful event. The speakers were great, the food was good, and a fun time was had by all. We sold 140 registrations and 133 people showed up. We had plenty of newcomer tickets and no one was denied entry into the breakfast or speaker meeting. A copy of the financial ledger is included with this report. Due to an unforeseen entertainment expense we are not going to be able to make a donation this year to Region 51 as our ending balance is only \$91.58 which we need as a seed fund. We will probably be doing some kind of fund raiser this year to cover some of our initial costs this is the lowest seed fund we have ever had. The next Women's Spiritual Breakfast will be on May 18th, 2008. We hope to see you all there. In loving service, The WSB Committee

Tony C. Chairperson for today's Regional Meeting. He was affirmed Treasurer (Nominated by Rick) for the next year. Allen D. newly affirmed Chairperson. (Rick nominated Allen). Ira Z. affirmed Secretary. RD-RDA still want the RCM's to act as liaison between sub-committees and Region.

All new (incoming) sub-committee chairs and new committee officers must fill out a Financial Responsibility Statement.

Allen D. & Ira Z. Must reconcile and consolidate Region 51 Guidelines. Amend the changes that were made today.

Location needs to be found for March Regional Assembly in the NXNWANA. Looking for a facility that will allow us to serve food to possibly give us a better turn out of addicts. Must have the facility and report to Region by January, 2008.

Clean time requirements discussed to align area with region. Dropping requirement from 5 years to 3 years. This change has been made, and will be amended to Guidelines.

Newly elected Treasurer Tony C. need to get Treasurer Books from previous treasurer.

New Officers names need to be filled out at Bank of America; Region 51 Bank Account has new signers:

Allen Debora
Douglas Holman
Tony Carter

These minutes need to be certified and shown to the Bank for the signers to be added.

Sub-Committee Affirmations:

Activities Chair	Bob B. (Interim)
H&I Chair	Wayne S.
P&I Chair	Chris B.

Note: Discussion on Chair or Vice Chair with the last two years of that committee may be brought forward to chair.

Decided and that is a Guideline change.

Service reminders to ALL areas to get representatives to their Regional Sub-Committees.

PI - Meeting List did NOT go to print. The printer was not paid due to our missing Treasurer; therefore new meeting schedules are not printed.

Glenn - Secretary
Robert - Vice Chair

PI Priorities:

- 1) Meeting List
- 2) PI Presentations (The SAME no matter what area you are from)
- 3) Phone Line
 - Help Line would need to be a separate committee.
 - Info Line - PI
- 4) Web Site
 - Sub-Committee

Doug - Guidelines need addition. There is nothing in there for removal of members for cause. We decided to amend - these are the reasons for removal:

- Lack of Attendance at consecutive meetings.
- Misappropriation of funds.
- Failure to fulfill commitment for the position.
- Resignation
- Relapse

Activities Committee - Requested more funds for shirts for Unity Day Picnic. Instead of pre-sell, the activities will buy and start selling. Each area will receive shirts with a representative to sell. Activities getting a total of \$1600. As soon as the Treasurers books are returned and we can issue monies.

Take a look at Regional Activities getting their own, separate checking account.

Women's Spiritual Breakfast

DATE	CK#	TRANSACTION	PAYMENT	C	DEPOSIT	BALANCE
7/9/2006		Opening Balance-Seed Fund		R		\$ 377.92
		cat: [WSB 2007]				
11/26/2006	1075	Shelli 0 Deposit for	\$ 250.00			\$ 127.52
		Wild Horse Country Club				
		cat: Facility				
12/17/2006	1076	Xtreme Printing (tickets)	\$ 56.97			\$ 70.55
		cat: Registration				
1/19/2007	DEP	? Registration/Merchandise			\$ 90.00	\$ 160.95
		cat: Registration				

2/12/2007	DEP	? Registration/Merchandise			\$ 485.00	\$ 645.95
		cat: Registration				
3/12/2007	DEP	9 Registration			\$ 420.00	\$ 1,065.95
		3 Hoodies				
		4 Ts				
		Newcomer Donation \$15				
		cat: Registration				
4/15/2007	107 7	Christine M	\$ 241.30			\$ 824.65
		cat: Entertainment				
	DEP	36 Registration			\$ 685.00	\$ 1,509.65
		2 Hoodies				
		3 Ts				