

Hill Country Area Of Narcotics Anonymous Minutes
(2/19/2012 Kerrville, TX)

Roll Call		Absent
Chair	Danny C	
Vice-Chair	<VACANT>	
Secretary	Brandon M	
Treasurer	Jodie V	
Vice-Treasurer	<vacant>	
RCM 1	Dickie B	
RCM 2	Gary Y	X
Public Relations	Julia M	
Phone Line	Halbert G	
Activities	Dickie B	
H & I	Jake I	
Web Servant	Halbert G	
Policy Recorder	<VACANT>	
Vice-Web Servant	<VACANT>	
Literature Review	<VACANT>	
Outreach Facilitator	<VACANT>	

Roll Call	Absent
S.O.S.	
Simplicity	
DAM Recovery Group	
Freedom Group	
Agape Group	X
Phoenix	
Kerrville Group	
Last Room Group	X
Together We Can	X
Conscious Contact	
Full Circle Group	

The meeting was opened at 1:35 with a Moment of Silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer, the 12 Traditions, the 12 Concepts and the Service Prayer

Danny read the Second Concept from the 12 Concept booklet.

Roll call was taken.

Administrative Committee Reports

Recorder:

Minutes submitted via email. Review copy available. Minutes accepted.

Chair Report:

Danny reports that he has ordered three copies of the Conference Agenda Report (CAR,) for review. One went to SOS, another to Dickie, our RCM 1, and the other to Danny, and are available for review and discussion as needed.

Danny reports that, according to another fellowship meeting at the same location, Together We Can has not been meeting for some time. A representative from the church where their meetings are held was unaware that they hadn't been meeting. The contact person from Together We Can could not be reached.

Danny participated in the Regional Public Relations committee meeting via internet, and says that he was impressed by the participation from the different areas, and suggests our area get more involved in this type of communication, due to our large geographical boundaries.

Vice Chair Report:

<vacant>

Treasurer's Report:

Jodie's report states that we had a beginning balance of \$1,570.99, a total income of \$531.00, and \$707.97 in total expenses. This brings our available balance, less prudent reserve and regional set-aside, to \$554.22. Jodie also stated that she had received \$261 in returned travel funds and donations since the beginning of the ASC.

RCM 1 Report:

Dickie attended the Tejas Bluebonnet Regional Convention of NA XII (TBRCNA,) and that it seemed to be a success.

From the Regional Service Committee:

Most groups in the Areas represented seem to be doing okay.

Esperanza Area did not have an RCM in attendance.

Brazos and Cactus Areas were not represented.

There will be an 'in the park' event at Burroughs Park outside Tomball on March 17.

On March 31 Northside Area will be having a crawfish boil.

The 3rd Annual Speaker Jam in Corpus Christi will be held on May 5th. Pre-order t-shirts are available. See Dickie if interested.

The 20th Annual Fellowship by the Lake at Huntsville State Park will be held on April 13-15.

On April 15, there will be a bowling tournament and meeting at 2PM in Beaumont.

Regional is short on funds, and Hill Country Area was the only area that made a donation.

RD: Dawn was busy preparing for the CAR/CAT Workshop in Austin, and is really in favor of the e-blast of local activities and events.

RDA: Has been working on report and tally sheets for the CAR.

Policy Chair: TBRNA's Policy is currently being updated.

TBRCNA XII: Seems to have made some money, although the books haven't been finalized.

TBR's Recorder resigned. Position open.

Co-Treasurer and Co-Facilitator are also open.

Texas State Convention: After an open discussion, it was decided to take the decision on whether or not to support the TSC back to the Groups.

RCM 2 Report:

Halbert attended Region as acting RCM 2. <Recorder's note: For the sake of brevity, duplicate information will be kept to a minimum.>

New Area formed around Uvalde.

TBRNA is into prudent reserve, although this may change depending on the final report from TBRCNA XII.

TBRCNA XIII is set for Houston next year. TBRCNA XIV may be held in Corpus Christi.

CAR Tally sheets are due April 15 by snail mail to Dawn E, our Regional Delegate Alternate. Dickie and Halbert can provide Tally Sheets on request.

Dawn is scheduling a combined CAR Workshop for Hill Country, Esperanza, and Central Texas Areas.

The Regional PR video conferences will be on the last Sunday of each month at 6:00 PM at <https://join.me/> The conferences are free, although there may be an issue with site security.

Important CAR items: Service System, Living Clean literature project, Fellowship Intellectual Property Trustee motions, possibly changing World Service Conference to every three or four years. Members are encouraged to review the CAR, attend a CAR workshop, and go to a CAR input day.

TSC Discussion:

Texas State Convention is *not* part of the formal service structure, but *is* supported by most regions and many NA members.

All profits go back to the NA fellowship.

NAWS position is that this is a local issue and needs to be resolved in Texas.

It was emphasized that that the TSC promotes unity and diversity.

CTA made a proposal to rescind the motion from last RSC and resume support for the TSC.

This proposal was defeated.

Rescinding the previous proposal would require two more policy changes.

A liaison to TSC from each Texas Region has always been invited, although TBRNA has not sent one in some time.

The TSC Board offers total transparency in all of its reports and actions.

Administrative Subcommittee Reports

Public Relations:

Julia reports that the online subcommittee meeting was attended by three HCA Areas, and four individuals from outside our Area. They discussed using monthly regional PR online meetings instead of driving to Region to save money.

The monthly subcommittee meeting was held on February 6th, where individuals were assigned to put up fliers at some Kerrville hospitals and municipal buildings. Members were also assigned to gather addresses and information. Participation is growing.

At Region, there was a discussion on the importance of educating subcommittee members on proper ways to put up fliers and get information to the public. There was also a discussion of phonenumber, webservant, and PR cooperation.

The next PR subcommittee meeting will be held on March 5th at 7:30 PM at the Kerrville Group location. There will also be monthly online regional PR meetings starting March 25 at 6:00 PM.

Julia also checked on the Boerne meeting, and reports that it is no longer open.

Phone Line:

Our inbound calls were up 18 to 40, with 22 handled by volunteers. Please inform Halbert of any problems or if you would like to be added to the volunteer list.

Activities:

Dickie passed around a sheet for upcoming activities. He also had fliers for upcoming events in the Area.

There will be an Activities meeting immediately following the ASC to discuss ROAR.

Hospitals & Institutions:

The monthly subcommittee meeting was held on Feb. 6. They discussed whether there were any issues that the panel leaders were having at their facilities. One participant at a panel presentation violated a few "Do's and Don'ts" and has been addressed. They discussed forming some Guidelines for the H&I subcommittee based on our H&I handbook to cover positions such as Vice-Chair, Secretary and Literature Coordinator. They also discussed revising our Orientation Packet based on the model presented in our

H&I handbook. A review copy will be made available to the Area Body.

Web Servant:

Halbert reports that the problem with spam email was due to a member on the mailing list using our ASC contact information for personal social networking. Halbert reminds us that all of our contact information are for the sole use of NA trusted servants, and are not to be used for jokes, religious or political statements, or social networking.

The creation of a LinkedIn account created for Hill Country has been resolved. If you do not want invited from LinkedIn, you may request that your email be blocked at linkedin_support@cs.linkedin.com

To minimize spam, all email contact forms have been removed from our website, save the contact webservant option. As a backup, this will forward to our PR Chair. Our HCANA email forwarder has been changed and the old email has been deleted. Only current and a few former trusted servants are on the new forward list for area emails, and it should be used *only* for HCA-ASC business.

We are asked to please not share this new address with anyone, and to be sure not to include it in any forwards sent from personal email.

Vice Web Servant:

<vacant>

Guidelines/Policy Recorder/Literature Review:

<vacant>

Break: 2:30-2:40

Group Reports- Submitted by Phoenix, Freedom, SOS, Kerrville, Simplicity, Conscious Contact, DAM Recovery, and Full Circle.

Freedom may be having an Easter Function, and also may be adding a Sunday afternoon meeting.

Jake reports that Last Room Group is still struggling and needs a lot of support.

Bradley has stepped up to keep Together We Can's doors open on Monday evening.

Simplicity has a new location: New Braunfels Outpost, at 5175 Business 35, New Braunfels.

DAM Recovery apologized for dropping the ball on hosting last ASC, as there was a miscommunication.

Full Circle is looking forward to hosting the next ASC.

Old Business

No new nominations.

New Business

Encouraging Participation:

Julia reminded the body that Area should be attractive and appealing, and this should be kept in mind when discussing Area.

Halbert suggested having open discussion forums for the Groups at Area, and shifting the focus from administration to the Groups.

Bradley suggested subcommittees getting involved with the groups by having interested groups host workshops.

Email Forwarder: It was decided to limit the email to trusted servants and GSR/A's.

Halbert suggested a CAR input and potluck event for the Area, and anyone interested should contact Halbert. This may be held the Saturday before the next ASC, possibly in Boerne. More will be revealed.

Meeting Schedules: It was suggested changing the meeting schedules to HCA only, with phoneline and website information for Esperanza and Central Texas. This would save on time, cost, and accuracy. After a long discussion it was decided to take this proposal back to the groups, and return with the Groups' Conscience at the next ASC.

Meeting schedules will not be picked up next month to see what the groups decide.

Texas State Convention:

TSC is not accountable to NA, and has no representation in the service structure.

The EANA report against TSC has since been found to have been made against Esperanza Area's conscience. The RCM has since stepped down.

This entire discussion began when the TSC interfered with the Houston Convention.

The cost of supporting TSC may not be worth the investment.

NA World Services is *not* involved in a copyright dispute with TSC.

Groups are asked to decide whether or not to support the TSC.

The hat was passed and the ASC was closed at 3:20.

The next ASC will be held in Schertz on March 18.

Activities Subcommittee Meeting

<Recorder's note: I realize this was not a part of the ASC, but I was there and took notes, and it will be an entire month before this information is brought back to the Body.>

The Activities subcommittee discussed a date and location for Recovery on a River. The Seventh Annual, as near as anyone can tell.

It was decided that Kerrville would host again, since time is growing short and members already know the protocol.

Flier, T-shirt and coffee mug designs are needed, so any interested members with artistic talent are encouraged to get involved.

The proposed dates were set for May 19, May 26, or June 2. The earliest available date will be chosen dependant on the availability of the Louis Hays Pavillion. Julia and Marcus will be looking into putting down a deposit.

The subcommittee will meet again on March 3 after the noon meeting at Kerrville Group's location.