

Hill Country Area Of Narcotics Anonymous Minutes  
November 21, 2010  
Kerrville

<b>Roll Call</b>		<b>Absent</b>
Chair	Jodi V	X (w/notice)
Vice-Chair	<vacant>	
Secretary	Brandon M	
Treasurer	Melanie A	X(w/notice)
Vice-Treasurer	<vacant>	
RCM 1	Gary R	
RCM 2	Mary W	
Public Relations	Danny	X(Report submitted)
Phone Line	<vacant>	
Activities	<vacant>	
H & I	Scott S	
Web Servant	Bob T	X(report submitted)
Policy Recorder	Melanie A	
Vice-Web Servant	<vacant>	

<b>Roll Call</b>	<b>Absent</b>
S.O.S.	
Simplicity	
DAM Recovery Group	X
Freedom Group	X
Agape Group	
Phoenix	
Kerrville Group	
Last Room Group	X
Together We Can	
Conscious Contact	X(report submitted)
Full Circle Group	New Group

(Recorder's Note: Mary W filled in as Acting Chair, Scott S filled in as Acting Secretary in Jodie and

Melanie's absence.

The meeting was opened at 12:18 with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer, the 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts and Service Prayer.

Roll call was taken.

## Administrative Committee Reports

### **Chair Report:** (read by Mary W.)

Jodie's report began by stating that the RSC Learning Day was well attended by Hill Country Area, and that she felt she benefited from the workshop. Her report continued by suggesting we not discuss the Service System Project (SSP,) at Area as it is a controversial issue. She did suggest that we set some time aside before the end of the year to give feedback. She also stated in her report that Bob T has been working on a model specifically for rural areas.

She reminded the body that elections will be next month, and to please continue to seek out qualified and willing members to be Trusted Servants, and to avoid filling chairs with warm bodies as per the 4th Concept. Her report concluded by inviting everyone to the Kerrville Group/Agape Group Thanksgiving Dinner at F&Water in Kerrville.

### **Vice Chair Report:**

<vacant>

### **Treasurer's Report:**

(None Submitted)

### **RCM 1 Report:**

Gary's report stated that the Regional Service Committee (RSC,) began with an orientation for new Regional Committee Members (RCMs.)

- John C. is the new Regional Recorder.
- Tom K, our Regional Delegate Alternate (RDA,) was absent from the RSC.
- The minutes from Region should be available online within the next two weeks (report dated November 18th.)
- Donations to Region are down
- Dawn, our Regional Delegate (RD,) began a long discussion on the SSP. She is collecting information to send to NA World Service (NAWS,) on the 11th of December. Any NA member is welcome to email NAWS with ideas.
- Money at World is low, with layoffs beginning in January if current donations continue.
- Volunteers, speakers and workshop speakers are needed for Tejas Bluebonnet Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous (TBRCNA,) XI.
- Brazos Valley Area is in trouble and ask to be kept in everyone's prayers.
- Houston Area is stagnating.
- There will be a holiday function in Austin on December 4th.

## **RCM 2 Report:**

(Recorder's Note: I thought I had received a copy of Mary's written report, but I did not. If anyone has it, please email it to me and it will be added. The following is from my written notes.)

- Dawn, our RD, is available to the Areas for SSP workshops.
- The SSP is available as a download. Being as that it is 128 pages, members are encouraged to view it electronically.
- The Living Clean Project is moving forward, and is still open for review, suggestions and input.
- The Southern Zonal Forum (SZF,) will be in Austin January 29th-31st and will feature a Public Relations (PR,) and Hospitals and Institutions (H&I,) presentation.  
\*please verify\*
- World is low on funds, one reason for the proposed changes to the service structure.
- Member's input is needed for the NA Way magazine. Current subscriptions will be suspended at year's end. Anyone wishing to renew their subscription is encouraged to reorder online.

## Regional Policy Proposal/Change Log

(Recorder's Note: I did have a copy of this report.)

1. Policy now includes an audit for TBRCNA within 60 days of the end of the convention.
2. TBR will reimburse the hosting Area for facility rentals as well as addition rent for a two day RSC.
3. "Up to" amounts for hosting areas for RSC facilities were removed.
4. Section about the IT Facilitator from page 7 moved to page 8 under the section of Subcommittee Facilitators. Also to change the date of when the IT Facilitator is elected from odd numbered to even numbered years.
5. Prudent reserve upped to \$1,500.
6. RD and RDA are to be elected in November to a three year term, since the Regional assembly will be changing in 2013 to odd years and this would better facilitate the changes and help the RDA coming in.
7. The Line in the Financial Policy Section, Section G, page 11, which reads that the tax number for the Region can be used for travel exempting us from the hotels tax has been removed as it was illegal.

## Area Subcommittee Reports

### **Public Relations:**

Danny's report began by stating that HCANA PR was represented at Region, along with three other Areas.

- Danny states the subcommittee discussed several avenues of making information available, including stamping literature with our helpline number.
- We were given contact conversion logs to make follow up easier and lessen redundancies in PR work.

- KNBT 92.1 is still announcing our website and helpline number as a PSA.
- There will be a PI/H&I workshop at the SZF in Austin the second weekend in January \*Please Confirm\*
- Danny states that he is still working on press releases for New Braunfels, Kerrville, Guadalupe Herald and Seguin publications and apologizes for the delay.
- PR requests permission from the Body to purchase a stamp with our helpline number, as well as Basic Texts to be placed in city and high school libraries.
- Danny's report concludes by thanking Bob for keeping the meeting schedule commitment, and that he will not be continuing as HCANA's PR chair next term.

**Phone Line:**

<Vacant>

**Activities:**

<Vacant>

**H&I:**

All meeting times and locations remain the same, with Karen R as panel chair for Serenity House, Julia M as panel chair to the Adult Unit at Starlite, Kelly S as panel Chair for La Hacienda, Jake I as panel chair for the male youth at Starlite, and Satchel Steve as chair for Guadalupe County Jail.

- H&I expenditures for the month totaled \$20.
- Four Areas were represented at Region.
- Scott's report concludes by recommending Julia M as a nomination for the next HCANA H&I Chair.
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**Web Servant:**

Bob's report began by stating that he is buying a house in Houston and will be moving soon.

- Our web site is doing really well, and we are starting to get a lot of traffic.
- We have had 3,414 hits on our site, with almost 13 days left in November.
- Bob recommends Brandon M as a nomination for Web Servant.
- Bob's report concluded by listing our search engine rankings.

**Guidelines/Financial Policy Recorder:**

(No Report)

**Group Reports-** Submitted by Agape, Phoenix, Freedom, S.O.S., Kerrville Group, Simplicity, Together We Can, Conscious Contact (via email,) Dam Recovery

- Full Circle is a new group in the Hill Country Area, is located in Schertz. They meet Wednesday's at 8:30, and are on the meeting schedule. They will be distributed a starter package at the next ASC.
- SOS asks for support
- Kerrville Group and Agape Group invited everyone to their Thanksgiving function
- Together We Can asks for support
- Simplicity asks for support
- Conscious Contact states that their attendance is back up and that they are looking forward to seeing us in December and hopefully hosting in January. They also report

that they, along with 3 or 4 other small rural groups, are interested in forming one of the first Group Support Units (GSUs.)

- S.O.S. reports that they will be temporarily suspending their speaker meeting.

## **Old Business**

### Nominations-

- Julia M was nominated for HCANA H&I Chair, accepted and qualified herself.
- Carlos remains nominated for HCANA Chair
- Scott S stepped down from his nomination as RCM II pending an employment schedule, and will know more next ASC.

All members are reminded to take nominations back to the Groups.

**ALL Trusted Servant positions are up for election.**

## **New Business**

- Scott reminded the Body that every NA Member has a say in the SSP.
- Bob suggested that the Kerrville/Fredericksburg groups and the San Antonio area groups get together to discuss it.
- Scott pointed out that Bob's idea was basically the GSU idea from the SSP in action.
- Carlos encouraged all members to do their own research with an open mind and form their own opinion about the Service System Project.
- After much discussion it was decided that Dawn would be asked to give a presentation on the SSP at the next ASC in Universal City.
- The Body was reminded that Nominations need to be present at the ASC to be accepted.
- It was decided to move the next ASC back a week to December 12th to avoid conflict with the holidays.
- Paul from Phoenix Group will let everyone know details on meeting space in the coming days.
- The next ASC will contain BOTH the SSP Presentation from Region as well as Elections of Trusted Servants.
- PR Stamp: The Body was reminded that Trusted Servants are trusted to make prudent use of their allotted budget to perform their duties.

The hat was passed and the November Area Service Committee was closed at 2:23.

The next ASC will be in Universal City on December 12th. It will begin at noon, but expect it to run longer than usual.