

Hill Country Area Minutes 2/16/03

Meeting started at 2:15 PM
Moment of Silence
Opened with the serenity prayer.
Traditions Read: Cat G.
Concepts Read: Mark

Roll Call:
Chair: Present, Paul
V. Chair: Present, Katt
Treasurer: Present, Cody
Secretary: Present, Sheila
Never Alone: Present, Cat. G - GSR
Simplicity: Ray, Alt GSR
SOS: Fred, Alt GSR

Minutes from 1-26-03 read, Reported change of the 888-NA-HELPS phone number. Should be 1-888-NA-WORKS. Change noted and minutes were accepted.

Admin Reports:

Chair – No written report, verbally given. Did not attend Region, no funds. Spoke to Regional Delegate (RD) about the NAWORKS help line to add more suffixes. Lone Star Region set up for their region originally. Gave the prefixes to Lone Star Region and is working with them on adding the suffixes. They may or may not be able to add due to cost.

Attended Regional Convention. Chair of Region very open to Hill Country Area of Narcotics Anonymous , (HCANA) for bridging the gap between Austin and San Antonio.

Chair invited some other groups to join our area after they showed interest, but none were present. Chair has spoke with different members about group needs and prioritizing what area needs to do.

V. Chair – No Written Report, verbally given. Helped SOS with organizing PI Day.
H&I Application received for the Guadalupe County Jail. Women’s meetings are still not available. Will make copies and distribute.
Worked on meeting schedule, very basic information.

Treasurer – Written Report given. Gathered information on RBFCU for an account. Will have to be approved for membership and open a savings account. Would like to check into Wells Fargo and Bank One. SOS made a donation of \$50.00 for HCANA to open an account. Check still with SOS until the account is ready to be opened.

Direction given to Cody from body to acquire a DBA under “ not for profit” so an account can be opened under HCANA. Then no one person can be charged for back taxes on the organization. Will need a “NO INTEREST” account. Treasurer will take donations today in order to get DBA and open the account. Treasurer will proceed with caution in opening the account.

Discussion: We spoke about the pros and cons of getting a DBA. Region is filing back tax returns and had to obtain a DBA. It was decided it would be best to go ahead and obtain the DBA now to avoid possible problems in the future.

RCM report - Courage to Change is hosting the 2004 Regional Convention.
Northside area are taking drawing for this year’s Fellowship by the Lake T-shirts. All submissions need to be to Mary Senor by February 16th.
Northside Area is having problems with their phone line and are requesting help. Any information or suggestions would be greatly appreciated. Contact Mary Senor at 936-203-0785.

Up coming events in the Northside area:

The Woodlands Group 16th Anniversary Celebration is on February 15 @ 10am.

Better Late than Never – Mardi Gras Ball, March 7th @ 9:30 pm.

Better Late than Never – Game Night, March 15th @ 9:30 pm.

Area volleyball Tournament – March 16 @ 10 am

Area Talent Show – April 13th @ The Woodlands Group

Area 11th Annual Fellowship by the Lake – May 16 – 18 @ Wolf Creek Park

Tejas Bluebonnet Regional Service Conference - May 10, 2003 from 9am to 5pm @ the Woodland group.

CBANA – hosting the Recovery By the Sea on July 25 – 27. Fliers to come.

If you would like fliers of the events above, please see Sheila J, secretary, in order to make copies for your group.

California Steve is the contact for the Web Service. We will notify him when we are ready to go on the Website.

No copy of the Esperanza Area Report. Took Courage to Change off their meeting schedule.

Policy approved by Region along with a brief history of the Tejas Bluebonnet Region.

Region has \$3883.30 in working funds.

TBRCNA received approximately \$3000.00 from convention. Had 300+ registrants.

Region is wanting to put a policy in place for the annual convention.

HCANA was announced as a New Area. Wanted to know why we were not voting. HCANA don't have a voted RCM in place.

Regional Delegate stepped down

Regional Assembly is on April 5th up by the Brazos Valley. Location not available yet.

The Regional Assembly is where the GSR's of the Region go and elect the Regional Delegate Alt. for the Region. Even though HCANA is not seated, the GSR's can still vote on the RD.

Nominations: – Esperanza Area-California Steve (San Antonio), Tri-County Area – Evany (Houston).

Nominations will be opened on the floor as well.

Lit Review chair was asked to step down due to lack of action. New Lit Review Chair?????

All activities are listed on the Regional Website for all areas.

Break – 3:30pm

Resumed at 3:45 pm

Opened with the Serenity Prayer.

Group Reports:

Never Alone:

GSR: Cat G. Did not attend Group Conscience. Read minutes, no area business was discussed. Elections for trusted servants did not take place. Donated \$100.00 to HCANA. Holds 4 meetings per week.

SOS:

Alt GSR: Fred – Has PI needs. Made a \$50.00 donation to HCANA. Was not able to get a Friday night meeting going due to Church requirements. Ed dropped the ball for the workshop. There will be a speaker

meeting on March 8th at 10 pm on Public Information. PI was turned over to Katt – Need to get out in the community, especially Guadalupe County. Not sure what information is getting out there. Need help in getting with the community.

Simplicity: Alt GSR – Ray – Have not had a formal Group Conscience. Thanked all the groups for support at the meetings. Meeting attendance has doubled. Still looking for a different location. Have a good lead on a new location at a Methodist Church. Cannot make a donation to HCANA at this time. New trusted servants in place, GSR, Alt GSR, Sec and Treasurer.

Old Business:

Chair read the Group Responsibilities out of the Guide to Local Service.

Simplicity will meet for Group Conscience on March 12th after the regular scheduled meeting. You can contact Ray @ 830-708-0109. Simplicity asked for help and they have been receiving help from members of the area.

Financial Policy. Bob T. presented the body with a written rough draft of a financial policy. GSR's are to take it back to their groups, review it and come back with a vote at the March area meeting.

(Meeting Schedule was not discussed in Old Business, but the flier went around for corrections that were needed.)

Sharing Discussion:

Topic: PI

Possible Mail out (large) with meeting schedule, A resource in your community pamphlet.

Paul will get information from TACADA for a list of places in HCANA area that we can send information to.

Start making a list of as many different places as we can, addresses, phone #'s, contact information.

Darrel from Simplicity Group will set up and organize a PI Day before March 8th.

Chair directing GSR's to bring sharing topics to the next ASC meeting.

Chair directing GSR's to Discuss Network Speaking Meetings at their next Group Conscience.

New Business:

Secretary requests to be reimbursed for items purchased to organize Secretary items. Request was approved for reasonable items, must have a receipt.

Secretary will need to keep a separate Motion Log.

Paul will create a GSR report.

Motion #1: Made by Bob T. , SOS 2nd.

Everyone that wants ASC minutes receive a copy from Secretary.

Discussion Followed.

Motion decided to be out of order.

Paper will go around at the beginning of each meeting. Members that would like to receive the minutes can place their email address or physical address on it so they can receive a copy. Minutes are open to ANY member that would like a copy.

Motion #2: Made by SOS, Seconded by Never Alone.
Groups vote on all facilitators or Chairs for Subcommittees and not be appointed by Chair.

Discussion Followed.
Never Alone removed their 2nd.
No 2nd on motion, motion dismissed.

Motion #3: Made by SOS, no 2nd
To Reinstate the motion made by SOS at the Jan 5th ASC.
Not a clear Motion, SOS will return to Group and come back next ASC with a motion.

Cody is expressing a need for a RCM.

Announcements:

- Regional Convention is Meeting on March 22nd at 2:30 @ Carriage House in San Antonio, Room 201
Every individual present has a vote. This is for 2004 Regional Convention.
- Never Alone has a speaker meeting every 2nd Friday of the month. Last Friday of the month is Birthday Night.
- SOS has a speaker meeting every 2nd Sat of the month.
- Next HCANA meeting will be held on the 3rd Sunday, March 16th in Universal City @ 2pm. Exact location to follow.

Motion to close by Never Alone, Simplicity 2nd

Closed with the Serenity Prayer.