



## HCANA Minutes for September 17, 2023

Serving: Kyle, Johnson City, New Braunfels, San Marcos, Seguin, Universal City,  
& Lockhart

### Our participation matters

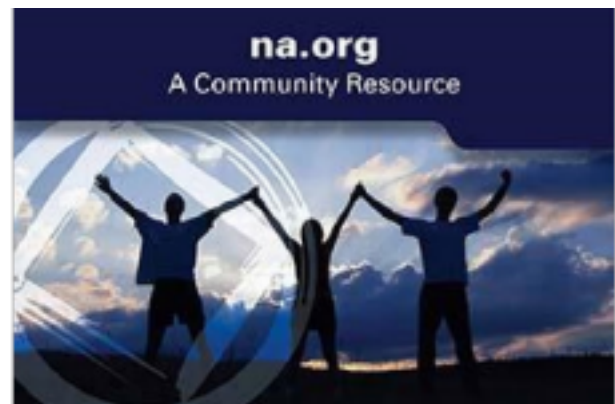
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- Hill Country Area Zoom/ In Person Meeting
- Call to Order: 2:00 P.M.
- Moment silence, Opened with the Service Prayer, 12 Concepts, 12 Traditions
- Roll call
- The June minutes reviewed and approved.

### Group Service Representatives (GSR's):

Group Name	GSR	Attendance
Clean and Serene	John	Present/ via zoom
Courage to Change	Melissa	Absent/ with notice
Freedom	Ronnie	Present
Gift of Desperation	Heather	Absent/ without notice
Just for Today	Vicky Jo	Present/ via zoom
Lockhart Book Club	Jodie	Present
Miracles Happen	No GSR	Absent without notice
NA Way	Robyn	Present
A New Way	Larry	Present
Never Alone	Keith	Present
Simplicity	Lee	Present
SOS	No GSR	Absent without notice
Surrender to Win	Susen	Present
The Desire to Stop Using	Alison	Present/ via zoom
Women Do Recover	Amanda	Absent with notice
Men at Work	Raz	Absent with notice

### Administrative Body:

Position	Name	Attendance
Chair	Darren	Absent with notice
Vice Chair	Brian T.	Present
RCM1	Shan	Present
RCM2	Brian	Absent with notice
Treasurer	Deanna	Present

Vice-Treasurer	Jodie	Absent with notice
Secretary	MaryAnne	Present

**Subcommittee:**

Position	Name	Attendance
Activities	Raz	Absent with notice
H&I	Susen	Present
Public Relations	Mike	Present
Web Servant/Phone line	Jason	Absent with notice

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**Group Reports (special needs, donations, general info, points of interest)**

Group Name	GSR	Report
Clean and Serene	John L.	Verbally given at area.
Courage to Change	Melissa	<p>I regret to say that I will not be at ASC tomorrow. We do have a group donation of \$18 this month. Our group also agrees with the PI budget increase. Our group anniversary will be held Oct 14, 2023. Flyers can be sent on request.</p> <p>Our meeting still meets Fridays at 7 with average attendance of 10-15.</p> <p>We will not be having a speaker for the month of October due to the anniversary. We will still celebrate clean time for the past month on Friday, October 13.</p> <p>Everything else is good.</p> <p>Traditions are being followed.</p>

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Freedom	Laura	<p>Greetings all from the Freedom group. We meet at 1147 S. Walnut in New Braunfels every Tuesday from 7PM to 8 PM. We try to have everything set up and ready to go by 6:30, so feel free to come early and fellowship. Our meeting uses an open format and the facility is accessible to all.</p> <p>Freedom follows the traditions. We have literature and tags available. We love visitors. Our rent of \$50 is current. We are making a donation of \$25 this month. Average attendance is 20-40.</p>
Gift of Desperation	Heather	No report

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Lockhart Book Club	Denise	<p>Lockhart Book Club  118 N Church St, Lockhart TX 78644  at the Emmanuel Episcopal Church in the Library classroom of the Parish Hall  Meets Wednesdays from 6:30pm-7:30pm  This is an open, book study meeting.  Approximately 5 home group members  Approximately 2-12 attendees weekly  Contribution to area this month - \$100  Traditions are being followed.  Obligations are being met.  Thank you for letting me be of service.</p>
Miracles Happen	No GSR	No Report

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NA Way	Robyn	<p>The NA Way group meets on Thursdays from 7 to 8 pm at 510 N Guadalupe in San Marcos Tx. We are following traditions to the best of our ability. Our rent is paid and we are in good standing with the facility. We are carrying the message that an addict, any addict, can lose the desire to use and experience recovery by sharing our experience, strength and hope at every meeting! We still only have 2 home group members but are grateful for the support being shown weekly by other area members. We are seeing one or two newcomers at most meetings. We would welcome the</p>
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		attendance of other current area members. Still struggling with literature needs. Have ordered literature with the H&I order but haven't received it yet. Any help the area could provide us with would be gratefully appreciated.
Never Alone	Keith	<p><b>Never Alone Group</b></p> <p>Time and location: Mondays and Fridays <u>at 7pm</u> in the UCM Facility, San Marcos</p> <p>Format: Meetings are open meetings. Monday - Candlelight, Friday - Literature Study</p> <p>Group Announcements:</p> <p>Average Attendance: fluctuating on ave. 5-10 people</p> <p>Practicing traditions to the best of our ability, in good standing with our facility</p> <p>Donation: no donation this month</p>
New Way-Canyon Lake	Larry	<p>A New Way is at 206 Flintstone Canyon Lake Tx 78133 at Canyon Lake United Methodist Church on Fridays at 7pm. Attendance has been anywhere between 12 to 20 people. We do not have a donation this month. On September 29th 2023 we will have a speaker Michelle M from New Braunfels Tx. We are doing great and need no support from area at this time.</p>
Simplicity	Lee	<p>Simplicity meets Mondays from 7-8:15pm @ 617 Elliot Knox Blvd New Braunfels, Tx 78130</p> <p>We are providing a place where addicts can share their recovery and a clear message is being carried.</p> <p>We are following traditions and obligations with the facility are being met. Rent is paid and we have stocked up on literature supplies. We do not have a donation for area this month. Average attendance 11 members with 2 newcomers this last month</p>
SOS	No GSR	No report.
Surrender to Win	Susen	<p>I'm sending this report per Susen's request. Surrender to Win meets every Sunday from 7:00-8:00 and are open to everyone. We average 25-30 people every week and we follow traditions. We carry a strong NA message and welcome 3-6 newcomers per month. We made a \$259.17 donation last week.</p>

The Desire to Stop Using	Alison	<p>Hi, this group meets at 5:30 -6:30 pm on Sundays in Johnson City at the First Baptist church, Ave F and Hwy 290.</p> <p>Literature study. Rent is paid and the group has donated \$155 to Area.</p> <p>Attendance is varied. Traveling homegroup member will return in October.</p>
Women Do Recover	Amanda	<p>Women Do Recover is doing fantastic. We have an average meeting attendance of 12-15 with 1 newcomer a week. We are gearing up for our anniversary celebration next month. Currently we do not have an area donation.</p> <p>In regards to the proposal regarding adding a \$200 reimbursement to PR for meeting schedules and QR codes: WDR votes yes to this proposal.</p>
Men at Work	Raz	<p>Men at Work group</p> <p>We meet every Wednesday from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at 790 Generations drive New Braunfels Texas suite 515. Our average attendance is anywhere from 22 to 25 people. We are following traditions and are in good terms with the facility. We are paying rent. We are trying to clear message of recovery. We have a \$32 donation this month. If you are looking for a meeting on Wednesday come out and show some support. Thank you for allowing me to be of service</p>

### Administrative Reports:

- **Chair**, Darren:

Hi family hope all is well, I will be gone again this Month Brian will be chairing the meeting, look forward to seeing everyone next month. Brian thanks for covering me again.

- **Vice Chair**, Brian T.:

Not a lot to report, other than I still have not been added to bank account. But hopefully with the minutes from August we can get that done.

- **Treasurer**, Deanna:

Hill Country Area Narcotics Anonymous Service Committee Meeting on 9/17/23 Treasury Report: Treasurer Deanna F. Alternate Treasurer Jodi L.

Hi HCANA Family

- Please submit any receipts for reimbursement. (text Deanna receipts, & she can get check to you). If you have any funds to give to HCANA, please do so for a receipt. (Receipts for Groups are written)
- If you have any Group Donations not already submitted, please do so ASAP please. Square is available or donate at [www.hillcountryna.org](http://www.hillcountryna.org).
- The August 31, 2023 Bank Statement has been reconciled with the checkbook registry and the Ledger. No discrepancies noted. Along with the July 2023 Treasurer's Report, attached to this report are a copy of August 31, 2023 RBFCU Bank Statement and a copy of the August 2023 Financial Ledger.

**Checking Beginning Balance August 1, 2023 - \$1,465.31**

**Income \$ 671.44 (08/31/2023)**

- RBFCU Dividend - \$0.04 on August 31, 2023
- Misc. Donations – \$0.00
- ASC 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition
- Miscellaneous Income
- Group Donations - \$671.44 net of \$686.17
  - \$28.83 (\$30 before square fees) Women Do Recover
  - \$96.80 (\$100 before square fees) The Freedom Group
  - \$10.00 Clean and Serene
  - \$60.00 Never Alone
  - \$48.25 (\$50 before square fees Just Stay New Braunfels
  - \$16.21 (\$17 net of square fees) Simplicity
  - \$251.35 (259.17 net of square fees) Surrender to Win
  - \$100 Lockhart Book Club
  - \$60 A New Way

**Expenses \$ 874.21 July 31, 2023**

- Twillio-Aug deduction posted 9/1/23 and is not August activity

**Checking Ending Balance on Aug 31, 2023 to close out month \$953.92**

**Savings Balance \$ 811.61 after a \$0.21 dividends deposit on Aug 31, 2023**

**Current Checking Acct Balance after all deposits and cleared checks = \$953.92 All checks and deposits cleared for the month of August 2023**

**Accounting Notes:**

- Check will be written to TBRNA, so far for \$67.14 thus far for Aug 31, 2023 for 10% Group Donations. Check written at the end of the month to include all group donations for the month.

• **Vice-Treasurer**, Jodi:

• **RCM 1 & 2**, Shan and Brian:

**For the report for area, all that I am aware of that is going on is:**

**Na.org/survey to vote on what they would like to see revised for H&I Basics. Anyone can do it.**

<https://mzssna.org/>

**Multi zonal forum is coming up. There is a virtual registration members can do. I believe it is \$20. Lots of workshops and whatnot.**

**I've already sent out links to the area for IT and PR subcommittees that are coming up. Only other thing is to announce if there are any people interested in learning about the RCM role for the this next year.**

**Think that's everything. I'll try to be at area virtually, but it probably won't happen. If there's anything else you can think of, feel free to add it to the report.**

### **Subcommittee Reports:**

- **Activities Chair, Raz:**

Good afternoon family hope all is well.

We will be having our volleyball game October 21st from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Landa Park in New Braunfels Texas. We will be having two speakers Amanda T. And Mike F. We will play one game have two speakers and then a second game. There is a flyer on the Hill Country Facebook page. if you are available come out and have some clean fun. We will be having a Thanksgiving dinner called our gratitude speaks on Saturday November the 18th. Where miracles happens meets at 510 North Guadalupe in San Marcos Texas from 3:00pm to 6:00pm we will have two speakers still to be determined. With a turkey dinner and all the fixings more will be revealed at a later date. And also just a reminder following the Thanksgiving dinner you can stay for the miracles happen meeting at 7:00pm

- **H& I Chair:**

Verbally given at area.

- **PR Chair:**

This has been a busy and fun month for PR. A group of us went to the Rio Grande Valley for Patsy's PR workshop and Unity Day celebration. Met a lot of addicts and participated in a poster/flyer event. We had great fun. I attended the Regional PR meeting, Zonal PR meeting and the Zonal PR workshop yesterday. I'm so grateful for the people who do these presentations for us to learn more about PR fundamentals and presentations which we learned about yesterday.

I'm becoming a PR sponge.

There is plenty of service work to go around in our PR Subcommittee so come get involved.  
1:00 pm on ASC day.



- **Policy:**

Verbally given at area

- **Web servant/Phone line:**

- 641 total clicks (-18%)
- 9.62K Impressions (-9%)
- Most searched on our site (Narcotics Anonymous prayers, NA third step prayer & NA meetings near me)
- Top pages (NA prayers, my calender & home page)
- Devices used to access our website (mobile - 517, desktop - 117, tablet - 7)
- Top countries (US, UK, India, Canada, Australia, Spain, & Netherlands)
- #2 when "Google" Narcotics Anonymous (-9)
- 1 Birthday Submissions (+1)
- 32 Phone calls (+23%)
- 1 Message all returned (+1)
- \$9.54 twilio deduction

- **Old Business:**

Victoria C would like to open a second meeting in Kyle. She has spoken to addicts in the area regarding support for a new meeting. She has contacted a facility and is waiting for response regarding space and cost. The meeting times would be 6-7pm or 6.30-7.30pm possibly M, W, F. Meeting would start in August.

Key to post office box is not working.

Laura returned PO Box key to treasurer Deanna

- **New Business:**

- Travis Baxter-Holder needs to be taken off of the bank account and vice chair, Brian Thompson needs to be add as a signer
- HCANA PROPOSAL  
9-7-23

I propose that our Service Committee Guidelines be changed in the following manner: In Section XI, H Area Budget Line 3 which currently reads: The budget will include money for meeting schedules, phone bills, website, bank and facility rental charges and a P,O, Box.

To:

Section XI, H Area Budget Line 3 The budget will include money for phone bills, website, bank, facility rental charges and a P.O. Box.

The following should be added:

Section XI, H Area Budget Line 7 The budget will include \$250 or more as needed

**QUARTERLY** for PR to purchase meeting schedules and QR business cards, Schedules to be printed in December (winter), March (spring), June (Summer), and September (fall).

- Passed by consensus

- Proposal - "We propose that we stop having a post office box. Intent, the address is no longer needed. We can save the annual fee." - will be tabled for time being. Treasure will check with the bank to see if PO Box address is needed.
- Activities committee - volley ball event, If you would like to bring some food please contact one of the committee members.

## H&I reports from each facility:

### **Driftwood, Michael:**

I went to Driftwood Recovery alone this month because of many people being out of town. We had about 15 in attendance with over half being female. I used JFT IP for a topic and had great participation with the new format we're using. I would love to have more female H&I volunteers participating at this facility if everyone can please spread the word to anyone interested. I'm really enjoying the new format we're using and I think you will too.

### **The Right Step, Raz:**

Panel members for the month of August were Cameron M., Michelle M and Raz t. Currently we are bringing the presentation every 4th Monday of the month. We had approximately 28 clients in attendance. We are carrying a clear message of recovery. Clients are excited to have an NA panel come in. If you are interested in being a part of this panel at this location get with Susan b so you can get oriented if you haven't already been. Thank you for allowing me to be of service

### **The Windmill Wellness Ranch, Brian:**

Hey family, I will not be at area this Sunday as I will be out of town. Windmill panel meets 4th Sunday from 5:45 to 6:45pm at 26229 Cranes Mill Road in Canyon Lake. We had somewhere between 20 and 30 clients in attendance and had SIX PEOPLE on the panel. It was absolutely incredible. Message is being carried and the clients have been warmly receptive to us. Thanks for allowing me to be service.

### **Hays County Jail, Michael:**

I'm going to the facility on Wednesday nights now due to changes being made within their system.

The inmate population has gone down due to staffing shortages. So therefore the attendance has fallen too. I usually meet with 1-3 men each week and the ones I see have shown great interest in NA. I will keep praying and showing up to carry the message.

Thanks for the opportunity to serve.

### **Hays County Jail, Robyn/Elizabeth:**

Elizabeth H and I, continue to attend the Hays County Jail every other Tuesday from 7-8:30 pm. We speak with 2 different pods for about 45 minutes each. Avg attendance is between 2-8. The program director has asked for more literature and that message has been carried to H&I chair. We continue to share our experience, strength and hope and carry a clear NA message. Would

love some more volunteers in hopes that we could attend every week. Thanks for your support.