THE BORDERLINE AREA

Area Service Committee Meeting-12/5/2015
Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer @ 4:00

I. Roll Call:

Addicts in the Attic	P
Anonymity in Action	A
Fifth Tradition	P
In The Solution	P
Main St. Recovery	P
New Attitudes	P
New Clarity	A
No Butts	A
No Strings	P
Rainbow Group	P
Whistle Stop	A
Chair	P
Co-chair	A
H&I	P
RCM	A
Alternate RCM	None
Secretary	P
Co-Secretary	None
Treasurer	P
Co-treasurer	None

A=Absent P=Present

II. Meeting Goal(s):

Group Hugs

Establish Voting Procedures – Quorum was met

Review Minutes from November – Approved as written

Recognize New Groups

Power to Live- Faith Community Church 701 Howie Mine Rd. Waxhaw
Saturdays 7:30 pm
In the Solution- Fellowship Hall 211 Stafford St. Extension Monroe
Saturdays 12 Noon

III. Officer Reports

Chair Report

Borderline Area NA (BANA) Chair Report
12/5/2015

Seasons Greetings! It is a great day to be alive and clean!

The Chair participated in the new Activities Ad Hoc Committee this month and attended three of the planning meetings. CJ will report on the details but we have some ideas that will be entertaining and fun while maintaining spiritual principles and unity of NA. My thanks to CJ , Roadkill and Justin for their time and interest.

The chair also participated in the Conference Agenda Report (CAR) workshop this morning that was sponsored by the Carolina Region and conducted by the Southeast Zonal Forum. The 2016 CAR is now available and FREE on line at www.na.org/conference, or a printed version is available for $15 from the World Service Office. This CAR includes a draft of the new Traditions Workbook, "Guiding Principles-The Spirit of Our Traditions." The 2016 Conference Approval Track (CAT) will be available in January.

Home Groups (HG) are the top of the NA service structure. We act as trusted servants to the guidance of the group conscious from your HG. This creates the responsibility for Home Groups to determine the strategic direction of NA and approve new service literature. The BANA Area Service Committee (ASC) Secretary and RCM will collect your Home Groups' vote on 2016 CAR Tally Sheet at the March ASC meeting. I have asked the Secretary to distribute a copy of this four page Tally Sheet in the December Minutes. They are also available on line at www.na.org/conference.

The growth within NA has created some pain in the decision making process within our fellowship. As we have learned in recovery, pain leads to an opportunity for change and there are discussions taking place around changing by formalizing a communication and support layer at the Zonal level between Region and World Services. There will be a Zonal meeting from 6-9 this evening at the Sheraton by the airport to discuss the Southeast Zone which consists of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North and South Carolina. This is an open meeting for anyone that may be interested in getting a firsthand view of the process.

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

Happy holidays,
Randy T.

Also, Activities ADHOC committee meets 10am Sundays at Coffeeshop in Waxhaw

H&I Report

There will no longer be an H&I meeting at First Step, although a homegroup could be started at the facility on Tuesday nights.

Treasurers Report

$361.03 will be donated to the Carolina region.

BANA Treasurer's Report			December 1,2015				
				Amount	Checks Cleared	Deposits	Balance
Balance forward November 2015							**$581.08**
Monies Received							
	In the Solution			$19.00			
	Main St			$10.00			
	Addicts in the Attic			$173.00			
	Fifth			$100.00			
	Whistle			$83.00			
	No Butts			$124.00			
	Anonymity			$5.00			
	Rainbow			$20.00			
	Subtotal			$534.00			
Deposit to BANA						$534.00	$534.00
Expenses							
	53 - Service Charge	11/1/2015	Draft	$3.00	$3.00		
	Rent	11/7/2015	Check 148	$25.00	$25.00		
	H&I	11/7/2015	Check 146	$119.58	$119.58		
	Randy Thierman	11/7/2015	Check 147	$106.47	$106.47		
	CRSC			$0.00	$0.00		
	Subtotal of Expenses			$254.05	$254.05		-$254.05
Bank Statement Balance - 12/1/2015							**$861.03**
Checks not cleared bank							
							$0.00
BANA Ending Balance - November 1, 2015							**$861.03**
Treasurers notes-deposits reflect Oct. and Nov. donations							

IV. Old Business

None

V. Group Concerns

In the Solution needs support on Wednesday and Saturday

Rainbow- the time and date on regional website is wrong

Whistle Stop- needs support, may close so please announce at homegroups

Homegroups are encouraged to hold events for the area at their meetings

for things like New Years, 4th of July, etc.

VI. New Business

Motion #18- Clarification of Quorum Policy- Attached

Need:
Co-Secretary
Alternate RCM
Co-Treasurer

Meeting Adjourned at 5:00PM

NEXT ASC MEETING 1/2/2015 @ 4PM
Weddington Methodist Church-Fellowship Hall
https://sites.google.com/site/borderlinearea/home
http://crna.org/

Meeting in Monroe

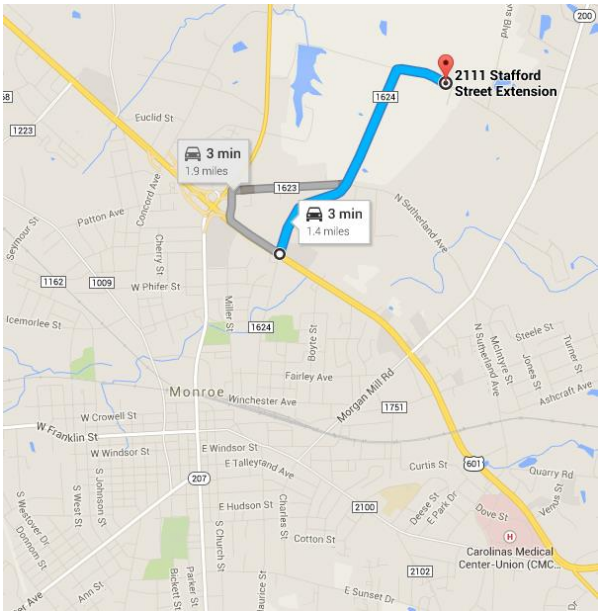
Needs <u>Your</u> Support

In the Solution

Saturday, 12 Noon

211 Stafford St. Extension

1.4 miles NE of Independence Blvd



Meeting is in Fellowship Hall

Next to Friendship Home Halfway House

Open to All

Open Discussion

2016 Conference Agenda Report Tally Sheet

We have created this tally sheet for you to collect responses on the *Conference Agenda Report* motions and survey. The *CAR* along with summary videos are available for download from the Conference web page: *www*.na.org/conference. In addition to the motions and survey, the *CAR* contains essays on the *Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust*, the future of zones and the WSC, and the service system. We encourage you to familiarize yourself with all of the content. Also, along with the *CAR*, we released a packet of material related to the role of zones and the future of the World Service Conference. That material is all available online as well at www.na.org/future.

#1	Maker: World Board To approve the book contained in Addendum A, "Guiding Principles: The Spirit of Our Traditions," as Fellowship-approved recovery literature.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**
#2	Maker: World Board To approve the following changes to the World Board External Guidelines contained in *A Guide to World Services in NA* (*GWSNA*): • To change the size of the Board from up to 18 members to up to 15 members. • To remove the obligation for staggered terms if more than eight (8) members are elected at one time. • To change the limitation from two consecutive terms to two terms in a lifetime.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**
#3	Maker: Eastern New York Region That the NA World Board develop a project plan which includes a budget and timeline to create an informational pamphlet specifically about mental illness and recovery for consideration at the 2018 World Service Conference.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**
#4	Maker: Show Me Region That all future approved World Board Minutes be posted on na.org for download.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**
#5	Maker: Show Me Region That all Financial Reporting for the World Convention of Narcotics Anonymous be provided in a detailed line item format and not in a summary as is currently available. This report will be posted on na.org and be downloadable.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**
#6	Maker: San Diego Imperial Region That all face to face World Board meetings be open to any NA member on a space available basis; unless the topic(s) being discussed are required by law to be confidential.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**
#7	Maker: San Diego Imperial Region That if there continues to be a WSC Participants Discussion Board on NA.org that it be made accessible to non WSC participants; only for viewing, not posting.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**

#8	Maker: OK Region To direct NAWS to produce a low-cost paperback English version of the Basic Text which contains only the first ten chapters called “Our Program”.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**
#9	Maker: Western Russia Region To provide no cost access to our main piece of recovery literature.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**
#10	Maker: Western Russia Region To hold every other WSC outside of the US and to begin this rotation with WSC 2020 to be held in Moscow, Russia	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**
#11	Maker: Western Russia Region To allow a delegate from any Zonal Forum who requests it to be seated at the WSC as a non-voting participant. The expense of attendance will be the responsibility of the Zonal Forum and not the WSC.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**
#12	Maker: Western Russia Region That Narcotics Anonymous World Services add the following “What is NA Service” card as part of the Group Readings offered by the World Service Office. What is NA Service? This is a very important integrant of our recovery, this is how our gratitude speaks, yet this is a way to carry the message of recovery to those addicts who still suffer. We usually begin being of service in NA making coffee/tea or cleaning our rooms after meetings. As we get some experience serving at the group level, many of us try ourselves out at a different point of service structure, for instance, - area or region. Being of service in NA is for any of us. True service can be expressed by simple words quoted from the Basic Text:《True service is "doing the right things for the right reasons"》. Being of service at a group level helps to strengthen the very foundation of our recovery because it could probably be the first time when we something for others without seeking to profit, expecting nothing in return. Serving at a group is another motive that helps us to attend meetings regularly. And our experience tells us that those who keep coming back regularly stay clean. Being of service in NA is our gratitude to the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous for a new clean life. Many of us always wanted to be "a part of something". Service in NA indeed gives us a chance to become a part of a fellowship that saves our lives and helps addicts all over the world to stay clean and follow the way of recovery.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**
#13	Makers: South Florida, Michigan, and Mid-Atlantic Regions Each World Board member votes only in Elections and may make motions in all sessions. The World Board has one collective vote (made by the Chairperson of the World Board) in new business sessions.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**
#14	Maker: Mid Atlantic Region That the World Board or members of the World Board no longer make motions or proposals for decision at the WSC. The World Board may still forward ideas or work that regional delegates may present as a motion or proposal to the WSC for a decision.	**Yes**	**No**	**Abs**

Literature Survey Results Summary

Book-length Recovery Material – Pick Two

New book about sponsorship	
New step writing guide (not to replace but as a possible companion piece to the current *Step Working Guides*)	
Daily meditation book featuring a spiritual principle a day	
Daily meditation book based on *Living Clean*	
Service and recovery	
Revise current *Step Working Guides*	
Revise current *Sponsorship* book	
Collection of stories from early members in NA communities around the world	
History of NA	
Miracles continue to happen – pictures and stories about the growth of NA around the world	
Other (please specify)	

Booklet- or Pamphlet-length Recovery Material – Pick Two

Application of the Concepts	
Service and recovery	
Indigenous people in recovery	
Older members in recovery	
Revise the current *Sponsorship* IP	
Create a new sponsorship booklet	
Women in recovery	
LGBT members in recovery	
What is Twelfth Step work? With how-to suggestions	
Quick responses to ten frequent reasons people may resist NA (focused to new or potential members)	
Our Eleventh Step in action	
Practicing these principles in all our affairs	
Carrying a clear NA message	
Mental health	
Revisions to *The Loner*	
Revise *PI and the NA Member*	
Revise *H&I and the NA Member*	
Other (please specify)	

Service Material—Pick Two

Revise *A Guide to Local Service*	
Revise *H&I Handbook*	
Sponsorship behind the walls	

Events and conventions handbook (new – there is nothing in inventory)	
Group service tools/toolbox (e.g., sample group formats, group support forum basics…)	
Local/Area service tools/toolbox (e.g., GSR orientation, planning assembly tools, trusted servant training tools, project forms…)	
Regional service tools/toolbox (eg., trusted servant training tools, regional assembly tools, project forms…)	
Role of regional delegates	
A guide for interactions with drug courts	
Information for creating legal entities and service offices and their relationships with the service body they serve	
Treasurers basics	
Facilitation basics	
CBDM basics	
Service and technology	
Revise *Planning Basics*	
FD/PR tools	
Other (please specify)	

Ideas for Upcoming Fellowship Issue Discussions—Pick Two

How to use "Guiding Principles: The Spirit of Our Traditions" with a session for each tradition and the ability to choose which to discuss	
The First Tradition and NA unity	
How can we continue to provide services to our Fellowship and at the same time decrease our reliance on funds from literature, events, and conventions?	
Fellowship development	
NA unity, the *FIPT*, and reprinting NA literature	
Service in NA	
Atmosphere of recovery in service and how we treat each other	
Retaining members	
Who is missing from inner city/urban meetings?	
Outreach/Rural recovery	
The conference cycle and staying engaged and involved	
Disruptive and Violent Behavior (putting the service pamphlet through the recovery IP process)	
Applying our principles to technology and social media	
Other (please specify)	