

Colorado Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous
Minutes Wheat Ridge, CO
March 22, 2009

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Regional Assembly on 4/18—time and location (SEE flier on website).
2. CRSC Positions open for elections at Regional Assembly: *secretary, treasurer, PI and H&I.*

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Don T will email all Area web servants about changing NAWS web links and cleaning up NA literature posted directly on Area web pages.
2. Brenda will check with NAWS to find out the Business Model they use for determining the cost of literature in all languages and regions.
3. Don T and Michael H will work on attending the PR subcommittee via the web.
4. Secretary will update and resend the April Assembly proposal documents to everyone.
5. Denise will have the CRCNA Hotel contract signed by April 27th.
6. Leslie/August will get a hotel contact list for those who are traveling to the April Assembly.
7. Brian will research a new location for the CRSC meetings.

OPEN W/ SERVICE PRAYER – about 10:05 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Chair (Denise W) - present
Vice Chair (Carlos G) - present
Treasurer (Don T) – present
Secretary (Teresa K) - present
RD (Brenda E) - present
RDA (Chuck C) – absent with notice
Webservant (Don T) - present
CRCNA Chair (Tina W.) - present
CRCNA Vice Chair - none
CRCNA Treasurer (Joyce) - present
PI (Tawni C) – present
H&I (Terry C) - present
Budget (Carlos G.) - present
Incorporation (Chuck C.) absent with notice
RCM Boulder (August) – present
Bringing Freedom East (Rich, Jared) - present
RCM Mile High (Joann, Brian) - present
RCM Mountain High (Reece) – present
RCM Mountains West
RCM Off The Wall (Newt) – present
RCM Pikes Peak (Steven) – present
RCM Serenity Unlimited (Michael) - present
RCM Southern

Approved minutes for January, 2009

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REPORTS:

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR: no report

REPORT FROM THE VICE CHAIR no report

REPORT FROM TREASURER: by Don T
CRSCNA TREASURER'S REPORT --- March 22, 2009

CRSCNA TREASURER'S REPORT
January 18, 2009 to March 21,
2009

	<u>CURRENT REPORT PERIOD</u>	<u>CURRENT YEAR TO DATE (2009)</u>
OPENING BALANCE - January 1, 2009		\$1,497.48
OPENING BALANCE - March 21 2009	\$1,497.48	

INCOME:	-	
Area Donations		
Boulder Area	\$0.00	\$0.00
Bringing Freedom East	\$5.00	\$5.00
Mile High Area	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mountain High Area	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mountains West Area	\$0.00	\$0.00
Off The Wall Area	\$500.00	\$500.00
Pikes Peak Area	\$200.00	\$200.00
Serenity Unlimited Area	\$0.00	\$0.00
Southern Area	\$0.00	\$0.00
Group Donations		
Crestone Group	\$40.00	\$40.00
Flattop Addicts Group	\$0.00	\$0.00
Golden Group	\$26.00	\$26.00
Keep It Serenely Simple Group	\$0.00	\$0.00
Northside Young in Recovery Group	\$0.00	\$0.00
True Blue Group	\$58.00	\$58.00
Together We Can	\$0.00	\$0.00
Clean And Serene	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hayden Group	\$0.00	\$0.00
Vail Valley Group	\$75.00	\$75.00
Surrender and Recovery Group	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Income		
CRCNA Donation	\$10,722.38	\$10,722.38
TOTAL INCOME	\$11,626.38	\$11,626.38

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EXPENDITURES:		<u>Check #</u>	
Prior Report Period YTD Expenditures	XXXX		\$0.00
Prepaid Visa Card	\$28.95		\$28.95
Rent Donut Hole LLC	\$50.00	328	\$50.00
H&I Budget Terry C	\$550.00	329	\$550.00
VOID	\$0.00	330	\$0.00
Tawni Corcoran Regional Professional Symposium	\$2,500.00	331	\$2,500.00
Don Tilleman	\$139.68	332	\$139.68
Psychotherapy associates	\$450.00	333	\$450.00
Tawni Corcoran PI Budget	\$800.00	334	\$800.00
NAWS	\$3,507.23	335	\$3,507.23
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$8,025.86</u>		<u>\$8,025.86</u>

(NET) ENDING BALANCE - March 22, 2009	\$5,098.00	\$5,098.00
OPENING BALANCE - March 22, 2009	\$5,098.00	\$5,098.00

BANK ACCOUNT-CHECKBOOK RECONCILIATION as of March 21, 2009

Latest Bank Statement Date - February 28, 2009

Balance Shown on Latest Bank

Statement:

Adjustments to Bank Statement -

Outstanding Deposits:	\$66.00	
Outstanding Checks & Charges:	<u>\$3,850.00</u>	
Net Adjustment:	(\$3,784.00)	

Net Adjustment:	<u>(\$3,784.00)</u>
Adjusted Bank Balance:	\$5,098.00
Checkbook Balance:	<u>\$5,098.00</u>
VARIANCE:	\$0.00

Since the close of the last CRSCNA meeting on January 18, 2008, donations have been received from two Groups (True Blue and Crestone Group) totaling \$98. All of the donations received during the current report period are listed on the previous page.

There have been no expenditures, resulting in an opening balance of: \$5098.00

The Regional checkbook and the latest US Bank statement have been reconciled with two deposits and three checks outstanding and no variance.

In Loving Service,

Don T – CRSCNA Treasurer

REPORT FROM SECRETARY no report

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REPORT FROM RD: by Brenda

**Regional Delegate Report
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Hello Regional Members,

I attended some great workshops in California the weekend of February 27th - March 1st. NAWS gave us an update on the growth in our NA fellowship. Steve R. displayed some charts showing how the growth of NA has occurred over the last 20+ years. Meetings had started in California, moving over the United States, and now into almost every country. Some great history!

The workshops I attended were Building Strong Home Groups, Communication, and Leadership I & II. More to follow in a power point presentation for the Regional Assembly.

Sunday morning had a wrap-up session where anyone could ask questions of NAWS or any topics not covered over the weekend.

One of the biggest issues facing NAWS is increasing postage for literature orders. NAWS has not raised prices for about 10 years and now they need to have these costs balanced with all literature orders. Orders over \$500.00 will still be the standard mailing costs while the smaller orders will increase. Since NAWS operates from literature sales and not 7th Tradition, the need to raise postage is inevitable.

Some discussion took place as to how we as a fellowship can help better serve NA members as a whole. Again, we discussed how the 7th Tradition is not able to sustain NAWS and the services they offer effectively as they would like. This might be a good topic of discussion for your Areas and Home Groups. How are we truly being self-supportive not only through donations, but through service?

I brought a few Service Pamphlets on *An Introduction to NA Meetings* and *Principles & Leadership in NA Service*. I also have a copy of NAWS annual report from July 2007 – June 2008.

Happenings at NAWS include:

May 15th – Travel requests need to be submitted for NAWS participation during July-September 2009.

March 1st – May 30th – Review-and-input period for *In Times of Illness* and Self Support IP.

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August 1st – Regional motion deadline for submittal to the CAR.

August 31st – Deadline for WPIF (World Pool Information Form) submission or update to be considered for WSC 2010 HRP (Human Resource Panel) nomination.

August 22 – World Unity Day

August 20-23 – WCNA 33 in Barcelona, Spain

October 31st – Deadline for region, zone, and World Board candidate submission to the HRP with the new submission form.

November 20-22 – Worldwide Workshop in Boston, Massachusetts

April 25 – May 1, 2010 – World Service Conference 2010

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Regional Assembly on April 18th in Boulder!

Willing to be of Service,

Brenda E.

Question and discussion:

- Note, there is a difference between service pamphlets and IPs. The SPs are to help groups with business meetings, not to be left on the table with IPs for newcomers.
- Clarified the difference between the World Pool and the World Board. The World Pool is a collection of interested people that NAWS can draw from for help with specific tasks. The World Board is a directing body on which individuals are seated for a specific amount of time.
- NAWS has launched the new website. All Webservants need to update their links.
- Individual websites cannot post NA literature directly. It needs to be a link to the literature on the NAWS website. It is a violation of the property trust laws. Now is a good time to clean that up since we have to change the links anyway.
- The review period for the new site is over, but if you want to make comments you can email wb@na.org or there are a number of web links to NAWS posted in NAWS News.
- Discussed the pricing of NA Literature across the board as it pertains to the 7th tradition. Specifically, is English literature still sold at a higher cost to subsidize the sale in developing areas? If so, how is it determined and how does a developing region get redefined once it becomes established?

REPORT FROM RD2: Chuck C

Attended the Worldwide Workshop in Oakland on 2/27 – 3/1. The workshop ended being split up into 3 tracks due to the large number of pre registrations. Linda L was also in attendance and was able to cover the 3rd track for us. Thanks Linda! I attended the Strategic Planning, Living Clean, Building Strong Home groups and Building Communications workshops. Overall the workshop was really good.

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A couple of projects to provide input on:

- Reviewed & Input material for the "In Times of Illness" and "Self Support" projects which can be accessed online with the user name and password of WSC 2010:
- Update on the Living Clean Project:

A couple of stats from NAWSA

- 54,000 NA meetings throughout the world
- 15,000 NA meetings in Iran (27% of the meetings in the world)
- Meetings outside the US now outnumber meeting in the US
- 13% of NWAS funds now come from donations. This is up from 9% a few years ago
- NAWSA gave away or subsidized \$627,000 worth of literature

REPORT FROM WEB SERVANT: by Don T

Web Servant Report for March RSC

Since January

- Regional Meeting list last updated: **March 13, 2009**
- I have added web content for our newest area Bring Freedom East.
- I researched and hosted a "virtual" meeting for PR Ad Hoc Committee.
- Website Stats

Month	Unique Visitors	Number of Visits
January 2008	1871	3374
February 2008	1855	3227
March 2008	2372	3983
April 2008	2142	3321
May 2008	1865	2942
June 2008	2050	3151
July 2008	2004	3519
August 2008	1882	3571
September 2008	1378	2404
October 2008	2180	3861
November 2008	2012	3462
December 2008	1994	3476
January 2009	2265	3768
February 2009	2119	3624
March 2009 (to date)	1869	2853
Daily Averages 03/2009	89.00	135.86

Submitted in Loving Service,
 Don T

Question and discussion:

- Discussion about the new NWAS website are in the RD section of the minutes.

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- Virtual Meeting is a Corporate level software that allows us to connect by email addresses across the state so that people can attend (hear and talk) a meeting held in a different location. The cost is \$30.00/month.
- We have a 30-day trial period, during which any trusted servant with a web address can contact Don T and get set up to attend a meeting.
- The April 11th PR meeting is set up for outside attendance.
- Michael from SUANA will be using it for the Assembly
- Use the software for NA only proposes is up to individual integrity, but there is a logging system if needed.

REPORT FROM CRCNA XXII CHAIR REPORT: by Tina

The CRCNA team has met twice since our last meeting here. We had 23 members in attendance for the March meeting that is a true blessing thank you for your support. Last month we have filled all subcommittee chair positions. I would like each chair to be listed:

1. Print & Display- Teresa K – Mile High
2. Convention and Web Information- Red F- Mile High
3. H&I- Valery M- Mile High (next meeting will be March 26 7pmPerkins 88th & Sheridan Westminster)
4. Merchandise Chair- Anna H Mile High April 7
5. Program Chair Jayme S Pikes Peak- April 4 ,6pm Panera Bread
6. Registration Chair- Maggie D Pikes Peak-3RD Friday of each month@228 Auburn St.#2
7. F & E Chair Dave W Off the Wall
8. Hotel & Hospitality Kevin W Pikes Peak- April 26 in Colorado Springs call for location 719-205-0368

The executive committee is:

1. Chair Tina W Pikes Peak
2. Vice Chair Open
3. Treasurer- Joyce P Pikes Peak
4. Secretary- Johann M Mile High

We have the best team possible with many creative ideas in motion. The CRCNA team is giving Tiffany S. our blessing to run as the Vice-Chair. She was nominated at the Feb.14 CRCNA meeting has been helping out to put together the first kickoff event for April.

One concern I have is not having the Dream Weaver software available for the Convention & Web Information Chair to make the web function for this year's online registration.

The contract from the hotel is available today for this body to approve so we can move forward with the planning of the convention.

The second topic we need to discuss is the cost of meals for the dinner?
Direct bill information.

Registration has set prices as:

Early bird	\$15	4/26/09- 6/25/09
Pre-convention	\$25.00	6/26/09- 9/21/09 post marked
On-site	\$35.00	

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Day passes \$20.00 (different colors for each day)

Program has many speaker jams going on around the state to get current speakers recorded to pick new voices throughout the region. The program committee has many plans in the works and this flyer is available to be of service for program.

We have also selected the theme & Logo for this year – Congratulations to Julie L from Colorado Springs winning the contest. The second design picked was submitted by Mary Lou for another pre convention items. Registration will pick one more in the near future so when we have that information available I will pass that winner on also.

Thanks to each member for submitting your art work we had 13 logos to choice from the selection process we difficult.

The first CRCNA event is the 7th Annual Sponsor/ Sponsee Pancake Breakfast flyers are available today. I challenge each person to bring the whole sponsor family you are linked to for an excellent breakfast with a panel of speakers and a photo booth for your portrait.

If anyone has any questions or concerns for the CRCNA committee we meet the 2nd Saturday of each month and encourage you to join us. We usually have coffee and munchies during the meeting.

100 S Wilcox in Castle Rock Library. 10am -2pm

Thanks for allowing me to be of service Tina 719-205-2258 tmk458@comcast.net

Question and discussion:

- The concerns about web servant software were solved by Don T.
- There was a question about how F&E meets its guideline requirement to “reduce the cost of registration.” There does not seem to be a direct connection.
- If there is not a direct connection, should the guideline be reworded? We sent a lot of money to NAWS this year.
- The cost of Early Bird registration has been reduced this year.
- The money brought in by F&E each year is very sporadic and not determined until after the price is set, so there is no practical way to create a direct connection.
- It has been discussed to start F&E in November so that by March there is a better idea of how much to charge.
- It was noted that there is not a standing committee until at least January and often the F&E subcommittee is not established until well after that.
- We seem to have a conflict in this body about how we direct CRCNA. We have guidelines telling them to make money, but also to keep cost to addicts as low as possible. Our direction to CRCNA should be clearer.

REPORT OF THE INCORPORATION AD HOC: Chuck’s report read by Tawni

Not much to report this month. Revised Bylaws are complete and sent in for legal review. I will put together a presentation for the assembly that will outline how the corporation will fit with our existing service structure. Continue speaking with other regions and world about incorporation pros, cons and best practices.

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REPORT BY CRCNA XXII TREASURER: by Joyce

Open balance		\$5000.00	
Income:			
Merchandise sales: Jim T Off The Wall	\$140.00		\$5140.00
Expenses:			
Tina W (copies, file tabs)		\$61.94	
F&E: Facility rental fee Sponsor breakfast	\$75.00		
Ending balance			\$5003.06

REPORT FROM BUDGET: no report

REPORT FROM PI:

**CRSC
PUBLIC INFORMATION
SUBCOMMITTEE
REPORT**

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It has been a very busy couple of months for the Regional PI Subcommittee. I was able to attend the area PI meetings for Off the Wall, Boulder and Mile High Areas. All have support and are doing well. Boulder PI is working on radio PSA's and flyer distribution. They are in need of a chair. However committee members are rotating so as to continue holding meetings. Off the Wall is working on a new phonenumber system so that a live addict answers the phone as well as hanging flyers. Mile High is working on television PSA's and keeping current racks for literature full as well as flyer distribution.

I attended the PR Adhoc Meeting on 2/21/09. We are very excited about the proposal to make this a standing subcommittee. This proposal will be voted on at the April Assembly. I feel as Regional PI chair that it is the best way to coordinate efforts to better carry the message to the still suffering addict which is our Primary Purpose.

I also participated in a test run Virtual Meeting for the PR Adhoc committee on 3/21/09. It took a few minutes to get everyone online but was extremely cool to be able to take care of business in this way. It may be a good way to involve the addicts who are in the far reaches of our state. We discussed how we can help to make sure that all areas and GSR's have the information that they need to vote at the assembly on the Regional PR Subcommittee proposal. Our other item was outreach.

We had our PI Subcommittee meeting on 3/14/09. Topic was of course the Symposium. After speaking with our World office we believe that the months of October/November will work best. We are calling to get current prices from Hotels for room rental. Also we are working on getting email addresses for all listings in our current database of professionals so that we can send the questionnaires and invites for the Symposium via email. Once the questionnaires are emailed as well as the date and hotel are nailed down we will work on arranging the agenda so as to maximize time from the World members that come.

We will have our next subcommittee meeting on April 11, 2009 at 1:30. It will be held at:
Neighborhood Library at Roxborough

8357 N. Rampart Range Road

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Littleton, Colorado

My contact information is: tawnicorc@gmail.com
In Loving Service,
Tawni C.

Question and discussion:

- The Colorado Springs symposium went well.
- Clarified the difference between PI and PR. PR (Public Relations) is an umbrella committee that coordinates the subcommittees tasked with getting the message out. Currently, the chairs of PI, H&I and Web all meet to facilitate communication among themselves and make sure there is no overlap of services.

REPORT FROM H&I: by Terry C

Since our last regional meeting we have ordered all the literature for the H&I books that we are going to be organizing for the prisons in remote areas. When placing the order with World, they too, thought this was a great idea. Although we don't have enough volunteers to have consistent H&I meetings, we will still have a presence at the facilities. So far the money spent from our budget was \$260.00, which I am turning a receipt in for. We still need to purchase book covers and we should have them completed by the Regional Assembly next month.

We still desperately need volunteers who can obtain DOC clearance, especially in the Pikes Peak area. We are now focusing on Canon City and with at least eight addicts, four women and four men, we can accomplish at least twice a month meetings at both facilities. I believe it will work better if we submit the applications at the same time so the 8 hour training and facility training can be done together.

I attended the last PR adhoc meeting on February 21st and it went very well. The umbrella of a Public Relations Subcommittee is such a wonderful asset to all the other regional subcommittees. To be able to work side by side as a team sure makes all the difference for us to be more effective. I know that there is a motion for us to make this official and H&I is definitely in favor of this. Together we can reach out to the still suffering addicts and give our support to those in need.

Our next Regional H&I subcommittee meeting will be held at the Castle Rock Library, 100 S. Wilcox Street on Saturday, April 11th at 2:00pm. This will be directly following the CRSCNA meeting. So please take this info back to all areas, so we can continue our effort to reach out to the prisons in remote areas.

ILS Terry

Question and discussion:

- H&I put \$5.00 of available \$25.00 on the JPAY account to answer a letter from a prisoner. It went well.

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REPORT OF THE PR AD HOC:

TO: COLORADO REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

FROM: LINDA L., CHAIR OF PR ADHOC COMMITTEE

DATE: March 21, 2009

SUBJECT: REPORT OF ACTIVITIES

This adhoc committee met on Feb 21st and again on Mar 21st. PR Adhoc members present for the Feb meeting was Brenda E. (RD), Don T. (Web), Tawni C. (PI), Chuck C. (Incorp Adhoc), Terry C. (H&I), and myself (PR). We also added Mac Mc from Mile Hi and John S. from Off The Wall as new members.

The meeting yesterday (3/21) was really exciting because it was virtual. Don was on his deck, Tawni was outside too, and I was in my office at home. Only Tawni (PI Chair) and Don T. (Web) were able to do it without hitches!!!! I had trouble with my new Mac – probably my inexperience not my machine. I was able to participate tho by using a pc to see and hear them but to speak, I had to phone in. I am excited about doing this again and see it as a way to have a PR meeting every month, not every other month....

Discussions in both meetings centered on:

~ Our proposal (**attached – pg 3.**) - The Proposal attached to these minutes needs to be taken back to your Areas/Groups and added to the agenda for the April Regional Assembly. The Adhoc has added an Additional Information Sheet (**attached – pg 4.**) to clarify this Proposal.

~ PR Questionnaire: We have shortened the questionnaire to 2 questions and are now working on enhancing its header to enable addicts to complete this form more easily. When done, we will again post the questionnaire online (an older 5 questions version still there for the moment) and include it in the PR Road Trip packets.

~ Road trips: Don went to BFE ASC – see his report.

(See CRSC PR Road Trips Contact Log – **attached – pg 5.**)

~ Budget for Adhoc: none developed, as this is an adhoc. However, I am asking for any monies needed by Don T (made out to Don T.) for his road trip.

~ And finally, the assignment given to PR (from the Jan CRSC) by the CRSC and the CRSC Chair concerning the letter from an addict in the Mile High Area to the Region discussing a conflict of interest between work and the service that addicts do was addressed. As a result, PR has developed a proposal of a statement to be added to the CRSC Guidelines (as Article 4. Section C. #9.) (**attached – pg 7.**) at the next Regional Assembly.

OTHER:

~ I attended the NAWS Worldwide Workshop in Oakland, CA at the end of Feb/beginning of Mar. Had fun – learned a lot – see interactive workshops at CRCNA XXIII.....

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~ Had been contacted by an addict in Aspen (Mountains West Area) and along with Karen C. (previous RCM from OTW) who was also contacted by the Aspen addict. We were working to assist the addicts in (especially) Aspen, Basalt, and Carbondale to re-vitalize/re-organize their Area (Mountains West). In trying to include Alan H. who has done so much work in this Area, I was informed that he is taking care of the issue of the addicts in Aspen, Basalt, and Carbondale. And, that he was putting on a workshop or holding an event to help educate these addicts plus that we (PR) weren't needed at this point. In addition, he informed me that Denise was going to speak at this event. This is the first I/we (PR) had heard of this event and the event is not on the CRSC Events calendar as of 5:30pm yesterday. So, without an organized (Mtns West) Area, I hope all is well.....

~ Don has had contact with the folks at Crestone (or at least one – via the CRSC treasury) and he is going to forward a For the Groups poster and a Group Info Sheet for them to fill out and return when he sends them their donation receipt. We (PR) also discussed asking them if it would be possible to add a contact number to the Regional meeting list in case the meeting is going to be cancelled for a night and someone travels all the way there.....

~ Was contacted by an addict in Pikes Peak Area for historical info on NA in Colorado and in the Pikes Peak Area. Responded with all info I had....

~ Had a request late yesterday afternoon from an addict in the Mile Hi Area about having a booth at a Betty Ford Workshop scheduled in Colorado Springs. Had multiple questions, which I floated past the PI Chair – we agreed – and I sent the questions onto the addict. This addict also is planning to have a service workshop at his home group in Franktown on 5/2/09 – had more questions. Again, floated past PI Chair and onto this addict. Waiting to hear more....

NEXT MEETING is SATURDAY, April 11, 2009 @ 11am @ THE Neighborhood Library at Roxborough Littleton, CO.

Thank you for letting me be of service.
Hugs,

Linda L., Chair - CRSC PR Adhoc Committee

PR PROPOSAL ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET

- ◆ Chairs of the Subcommittees (PI, H&I, Web, etc.) will be elected by the CRSC as they are now. The PR Coordinator will also be elected by the CRSC.
- ◆ There will be 4 votes at each CRSC (PI, H&I, Web, and PR) as there are now according to the CRSC Guidelines. Nothing will change from what is currently happening.
- ◆ Within the PR Committee meetings, all Subcommittees (PI, H&I, Web, etc.) will have a vote.

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- ◆ The PR Coordinator will attend a Subcommittee meeting if requested, needed or desired. Each Subcommittee is to keep records of their meetings and to submit those minutes to the PR Chair after each meeting occurs. In addition, copies of these minutes will be at the PR meetings, in the Subcommittee Chair's report to PR, and made available at each CRSC by the PR Coordinator.
- ◆ Subcommittee Chairs and the PR Coordinator will attend all PR Committee meetings and all CRSC meetings and assemblies.
- ◆ The functions of the PR Coordinator are (but not limited to) to coordinating the functions and efforts of the PR Committee, to assist/coordinate efforts of the various Subcommittees, to be the sole point of accountability to the CRSC in PR matters, and to maintain archives and data such that any CRSC member may have access to this data with Administrative Committee knowledge/approval.

CRSC PR ROAD TRIPS CONTACT LOG

GROUP NAME: Crestone Meeting - Southern Area (with Area)
MEETING ADDRESS: 67581 County Road T - Crestone, CO
CONTACT PERSON: see below
DATE OF VISIT: Nov 11, 2008
WHO VISITED: Linda L. and Jerri Ann K.
RESULTS: Meeting needs to be revisited as contact was not made on this date. However, library personnel say that meeting is viable.

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GROUP NAME: Continued Hope Group - Southern Area (with Area)
MEETING ADDRESS: 345 E. Prospect - Monte Vista, CO
CONTACT PERSON: none
DATE OF VISIT: Nov 12, 2008
WHO VISITED: Linda L. and Jerri Ann K.
RESULTS: Meeting was listed w/Naws but does not exist. Has been removed from CRSC and NAWS meeting list.

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GROUP NAME: Raton Group - Southern Area (with Area)
MEETING ADDRESS: 240 Rio Grande (ch. hall) - Raton, NM

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CONTACT PERSON: none yet

DATE OF VISIT: Dec 12 & 13, 2008

WHO VISITED: Don T. and Bob D.

RESULTS: The Tuesday and Friday meetings are gone but there is apparently a Sunday meeting from 7-8pm. Also, there maybe some noon meetings at a different location. Raton needs to be revisited for more updated info

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GROUP NAME: Trinidad Group - Southern Area (with Area)

MEETING ADDRESS: 801 San Pedro - Trinidad, NM

CONTACT PERSON: none yet

DATE OF VISIT: Dec 13, 2008

WHO VISITED: Don T. and Bob D.

RESULTS: The Saturday meeting no longer exists - Fri still exists. PR members came down for the Sat meeting. Trinidad needs to be revisited

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GROUP NAME: Bringing Freedom East Area (ASC)

MEETING ADDRESS: 340 Birch Street – Wray, CO

CONTACT PERSON: Rich R., RCM

DATE OF VISIT: March 1, 2009

WHO VISITED: Don T.

RESULTS: PR attended this new Area's ASC – distributed posters (For The Group), a Contact Info Sheet and other NA printed materials. Introducing this Area to PR and CRSC –offering whatever assistance as needed or as possible.

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Question and discussion:

- There was discussion about a misunderstanding between ad hoc members regarding the plan to move PR forward from an ad hoc to a standing committee. Points made:
 - One path was for PR to function this year without guidelines to get an idea of what needs done and how best to do it, and then to use those experiences and lessons to formalize tasks and create guidelines. This path would lead to proposed guidelines being submitted to the fellowship for approval at the April 2010 Regional Assembly.
 - The past year, beginning from the ad hoc's formation at the July 2008 Regional Assembly, was more of a research year.

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- The second path was to use the research of the past year to formalize a PR Subcommittee by approving proposal #3 (submitted at the Jan. 19, 2009 CRSC meeting) at the April Assembly.
- The Ad Hoc was formed last July and has been operating for almost a year. It is time to move forward.
- **DECISION:** To withdraw proposal #3 from consideration at the April, 2009 Regional Assembly. The ad hoc committee will decide at its next meeting how to proceed—i.e., whether to function until January, 2010 under the PR umbrella and submit the proposal for formation to the April, 2010 Regional Assembly, or whether to submit the proposal for formation at the July, 2009 Regional Assembly.

RCM BOULDER REPORT: by August

Boulder has a new RCM2, Erin T. who will be at the Assembly. All service positions are filled except PI and Phone line. BASC positions: Autumn, Chair; Derick W, Vice Chair; Tamera, Treasurer.

We have redone the Treasurer in response to past lessons. There is now a Vice Treasure, who will spend one year in Training. A spreadsheet report is now expected at all Area meetings. It is hoped that this will create a more seamless transition between servants and will make it easier to find and fix any discrepancies.

We have a regional donation of \$772.81

Two meetings have folded. Saturday's Recovery in Motion and Thursday's By Candlelight meeting will be taken off the web and meeting list.

We have been working on the Assembly. Leslie has the location covered and will have food ready.

The Area thanks the CRCNA Chair and Program Chair for coming to their meeting.

RCM REPORT BFE: by Rich and Jared

We have had 3 Area meetings since the formation of our new Area. At our last Area meeting the faithful regional servant Don T. came to see us and gave us guidance, support and showed us how the region was willing in many ways to help to continue to put us on the map. We appreciate that.

We have had contact with Linda the regional PR chair who is putting together literature and resources for us. Thank you.

We have elected a new PR chair who will oversee the various areas involved with putting the message out in our Area. We have had one request for a PI presentation but are hesitant due to the unusualness of the request. We have a goal of putting a message carrying work into the Brush Women's prison facility. Currently we have two people attending an NA meeting once a month in the Sterling prison. They have two weekly NA meetings in this facility.

The Wray group has a weekly potluck dinner before their Thursday night meeting. Potluck at 6:00, meeting at 7:30.

Northern Lights group had a ski weekend on March 15th at Loveland Ski area. There were 8 in attendance. They will have a chili dinner on March 29th at the Gary DeSoto building in Sterling from 10:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.. It is also a chili and salsa contest for best chili and best salsa if any one cares to compete. There will be prizes.

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We are having a logo contest.
Area meetings rotate around the area quarterly.

ILS, Rich and Jared.

Question and discussion:

- BFE is scheduled to host the next Assembly and they are ready, willing and able.

RCM REPORT MHA: by Brian

**RCM
REPORT
Mile High Area – March 2009**

There are currently 59 groups holding 106 meetings per week in the Mile High Area. The administrative committee and all sub-committees are continuing to review and rewrite guidelines.

All sub-committees are functional. We are continuing the transition from a voice mail phone line to a live system. On March 9th our training chairperson conducted a training session on the Twelve Concepts of NA Service. Public Information presented to a group of Denver probation officers and assistant district attorneys. PI also provided a local television network with an NA approved Public Service Announcement. The network will report monthly to let us know when it was aired. There is a new Spanish speaking meeting (Solo Por Hoy) being held Saturday nights @ 1395 S. Sheridan Blvd. unit G - 7:30 pm.

The CRCNA chairperson and program chairperson attended our last area meeting. We would like to express our gratitude for their efforts to ensure that we have a successful convention this year.

Unity Day IV will be held this Saturday, March 28th at the Temple Events Center located at 1595 Pearl Street in Denver from 1pm until Midnight. The cost is \$ 25 at the door (speakers, live music, food, and a T-shirt).

For more information you can review area minutes @ NADENVER.COM or talk with me or Joann D.

Brian S.

RCM REPORT MOUNTAIN HIGH: by Reece

Craig meeting is going well. They have almost doubled in size. They are not ready to be listed on the web site yet.

Hayden meeting is strong, but has dropped a bit in attendance.

Steamboat meetings are picking up and have a steady regular attendance.

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RCM REPORT MOUNTAIN WEST: no RCM

Report to Our Regional Service Committee

Sunday, March 22, 2009

To: The Colorado Regional Service Committee

From: Alan H. GSR, Back to Basics Group, Glenwood Springs

Greetings from the Monday Night Back to Basics Group of Glenwood Springs. All is well with both meetings in Glenwood Springs. Attendance is growing in both meetings have a solid group of regular attendees. The Youth Recovery Center continues to attend our meetings are regular basis and any issues that may have existed in the past seem to be a distant memory now.

Some of you may note that I am now representing a different group. I have fulfill my commitment with the Vail Valley Candlelight Meeting Group, and am now fulfilling my commitment to the Glenwood meeting.

Some exciting news from The Mountains West Area. After many months of interaction with groups around the state, and especially the interest from the Aspen area, we will be holding a Learning Day on April 4. The focus of the day will be to gather as many group representatives from our 13 groups, in Glenwood Springs for learning day focusing on our service structure and our First Concept. To this date the majority of our 13 groups have made plans to attend and a few others are making arrangements.

Items covered at the workshop will include things such as the First Concept, Our Symbol, the NA Service Structure, home group responsibilities, appropriate traditions, the GSR position and Area Service. Denise W. of Colorado Springs will be attending and helping facilitate the days events. I'm happy to speak, "off the cuff" regarding other details on this event, but at this time would like to request the financial support this regional body to the tune of \$100. This would be for the purchase of literature, printing needs and refreshments. The actual budget is \$150.00. The Vail Valley Candlelight Meeting generously donated \$50 to the cause. Again if you have specific questions I'm happy to answer them.

News from Breckenridge, the group has expressed interest in participating in Area Service, although they're not sure in what area. More will be revealed. I don't know if the outcome of this meeting will be the reforming of our service structure. Some involved suggest it may be a natural outcome. I personally feel is imperative that the members of the Mountains West Area have a voice in our service structure. If I am to have a personal agenda, make no mistake that is it. Nevertheless whatever the outcome, the fact that this event is happening is very exciting. The Regions Financial support would be greatly appreciated, thank you for your consideration.

Lastly, we have a new meeting Wednesday night in Leadville. A Basic Text study 8 PM supported by the Saturday night group.

In loving service,

Alan H.

GSR Back to Basics Group, Glenwood Springs

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RCM REPORT OTW: by Newt

We have seen strong growth. The meetings are well attended and 7th tradition is covering our needs. PI and H&I are growing strong and we appreciate Tawni showing up at the meeting to help out. We have a new live phone line. There are two phones that are passed around and people have been through training. It is still more informational than hot line. Merchandise and RCM1 positions are open. Red was the RCM temporarily, but has moved back to the treasurer's position. There is a flyer on the web about a campout we are having.

RCM REPORT PPASC : report by Steven

Pikes Peak Area RCM report March 22, 2009

Hi everyone, it is great to see everybody here today. The Pikes Peak area has met twice since our last regional meeting. And our donation to the region this month is \$200.00. Currently we still have a couple of area service positions to be filled, and these include the Activities Chair, Policy Chair, and a 2nd RCM positions. Unfortunately, we could not maintain a quorum at our March ASC in order to conduct business or elections, so these positions remain open for the time being. Without an activities chair, and although we have asked for willing addicts to help sponsor the traditional Cinco de Mayo dinner dance, no one as of yet has agreed to taking it on. Hopefully we will still be able to find a group or addict to help sponsor hold this event in May. I know this is usually one of the first fund raising opportunities for the convention and usually great fun, so keep your fingers crossed and I will keep you all informed of any progress on this. On a more positive note, there are a couple of new meetings in the Pikes Peak and surrounding areas, including a new meeting in Security Colorado, one in the new Saint Francis medical Center on the Powers corridor and Pueblo's new meeting that meets every night of the week. All of these new meeting have of course been updated on the regional website, Thank you Don. The Pikes Peak Area H&I subcommittee is moving along with business as usual and held an orientation this month for addicts interested in carrying the message into facilities. The H&I outreach letter-writing committee held two orientation with nine interested addicts signing up to be on the new subcommittee in February. This newer task of the H&I subcommittee allows us to more effectively correspond with inmates / addicts and to carry a clear and concise NA message into Hospitals and institutions.

Our Public Relations subcommittee, which acts in the same capacity as PI subcommittees in other areas, is doing well. Ty P. is the new PR Vice-chair, and the PR subcommittee has scheduled two new presentation orientations this month for the interested addict. Tentatively they have also planned several actual presentations throughout the area for the remainder of 2009. In addition, the Pikes Peak PR subcommittee has taken regional feedback to heart and included in the yearly budget proposal for 2009, to cover all the expenses of the annual Addiction Symposium in January themselves. It was agreed by the committee that since the symposium is held in the Pikes Peak area, the area gets most of the contacts from it, and the subcommittee is responsible for organizing our part of it that we in the Pikes Peak area should

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also be financially responsible for it. My thanks to the addicts here and from around the region for your helpful input on this, in the words of the PR Chair, PR is "Kicking Butt".

Even without quorum this last month at the ASC, we did have a chance to discuss two of the regional proposals that will be presented at the assembly in April. In regards to the formation of the Narcotics Anonymous Convention Corporation, several of us at our area meeting felt that this has been a long time coming, but would like to have more information in the form of a presentation at the Regional assembly prior to its ratification. If at all possible, and when available, we would also ask that copies of the by-laws of the corporation be made available to the fellowship at large. In regards to the proposal to the PR ad hoc committee, although less enthusiastic, there was also interest in a potential presentation prior to the Assembly as more information is always helpful in making an informed decision.

Thanks everyone. I look forward to seeing you all at the assembly next month in Boulder.

In Grateful Service

Steven R

Pikes Peak Area RCM

Question and discussion:

- They would like information about the Inc. before the Assembly. They are hoping there will be a presentation on it there. They would like to have the bylaws posted so they can look at them
- There was opposition to putting the bylaws on the web because addicts might confuse the NA information and the legal information. Also, they do not need to see the bylaws to make the decision.
- The bylaws can't be changed without going through a lawyer as they deal with legal responsibilities.
- The symposium went well, thanks for the support from CRSC.

RCM FROM SERENITY UNLIMITED: report by Michael H.

Hello from Grand Junction and the Serenity Unlimited area

The annual campout in Standing on Higher Ground will be on August 6, 7, 8 in Telluride. My report today included an attachment of the flyer for this event. Contact me with questions.

Our Area is discussing the proposals to be presented at April's Assembly. We look forward to working with the Regional PR Subcommittee to communicate with our outlying groups (Delta, Hodgkiss, Montrose, Telluride).

Michael H.

RCM1

Question and discussion:

- The V.A. in GJ has been asking Region for a meeting.
- Chaz is the new H&I Chair. They are currently covering the Delta Corrections Facility.

RCM FROM SOUTHERN:

No report – no representative present

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OLD BUSINESS

This proposal (#3 from Jan. 19, 2009 CRSC meeting) was officially withdrawn from consideration at the April assembly:

CRSC PROPOSAL FORM

PROPOSAL:

The PR Adhoc Committee proposes that a PR (Public Relations) Committee be formed in the CRSC as a sub-body.

Administration and coordination of the functions of this Committee will be through a Coordinator elected by the CRSC.

Subcommittees to PR - including but not limited to existing (Web, H&I and PI) and others as needed and/or as requested by the CRSC. These subcommittees shall continue to function with Chairs elected by the CRSC and perform according to any NAWS Handbooks/Guidelines as pertinent along with CRSC approved Guidelines.

INTENT:

The intent of the Proposal is to umbrella existing, needed and possible future subcommittees into one sub-body of the CRSC for the purposes of coordination, facilitation of budgeting, and ease of archives: reports/records/tracking activities.

WE (the PR Adhoc Committee) also believe that a PR Committee of the CRSC will create the interrelated and interconnected responses to better serve the Colorado NA Fellowship, the general public and professionals within the Colorado Region. Financial impact of this proposal would increase only by the needs of the PR Coordinator for copies, meeting space, etc. The majority of the PR budget would occur, as now, through existing or possible CRSC subcommittees included under this flexible service structure. We will be using the 3rd, flexible model explained on page 25 of the PR Handbook.

MAKER: Linda L. and the PR Adhoc Committee

ELECTIONS

CRCNA Vice Chair – Tiffany S was nominated and qualified, including 19 years clean and 10 years experience with CRCNA. The CRCNA committee sent their support for her nominations.
Elected

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CRSC positions open at the Assembly: secretary, treasurer, PI and H&I.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposal #1: Failed

The PR Adhoc Committee proposes that the following statement be added to the CRSC Guidelines as Article 4. Section C. #9.

When a candidate accepts a position at the CRSC, she/he must evaluate and assure the CRSC that within her/his personal life, there are neither conflicts of interest present nor the appearances of a conflict of interest (jobs and/or businesses versus the service work being done, for example).

INTENT: To prevent problems with addicts employed in or managing a recovery or treatment or therapeutic type facility and the type of Regional service positions they seek.

MAKER: Linda L. and the PR Ad hoc Committee

Questions and discussion:

- This is in response to the letter passed to PR at the last CRSC meeting.
- Several asked for examples to clarify the issue:
 - Having a T-shirt vendor chairing a merchandise committee.
 - Having a couple as Chair and Treasurer and giving them exclusive signing authority on the checking account.
 - Having someone who works in treatment facility that gets clients from a jail and doing H&I work at that jail while recruiting inmates to their aftercare facility.
- An individuals job is an outside issue, it should not matter.
- We have to believe in the integrity of trusted servants.
- These facilities may have their own rules governing such conflicts.
- Can we afford these absolute restrictions in Human Resources?
- There are no exact service standards on this issue.
- The 6th tradition warns about implied endorsements.
- The 12th tradition allows anonymity in our recovery.
- The effect of this proposal may not change or solve the problem. Would this be used as a basis to ask someone to step down?
- The proposals affect the guidelines for electing CRSC members and would not apply to the person addressed in the letter. It would not apply to many of these situations.
- It would help us to remember to ask the question when people are qualifying.
- The Subcommittees need to be responsible for the people who serve with them.
- Guidelines are not always the answer to a problem. Their intent is to govern behavior. We should spend more time providing service not governing behavior.
- The proposal failed, but the subcommittee has done their part in answering the letter and can consider their task complete.

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Proposal #2: Withdrawn

Motion to have Hotel Contract signed today

Intent: To move forward with Hotel planning. We need a signed contract to apply for direct billing and to move forward with menu selection

Maker: Tina W

Question and discussion:

- There was concern that those who needed to sign have not had sufficient time to review the contract.
- It has been reviewed by several people with CRCNA experience.
- Again there are questions about us not having indemnity insurance for damages, but we never have and hopefully the Inc. will change that.
- Discussed guidelines concerning whether the contract needed to be approved by the CRSC, or just the signing parties. Decided the CRSC Chair could sign after she has thoroughly reviewed it. We do not need a vote from the whole body

Proposal #3: Passed

Funds for the April Assembly: \$200.00 check for Refundable Deposit; \$150 check for rent paid for use of Parish Hall; \$265.51 for Food and Beverage for the Regional Assembly.

Intent: To provide a meeting place for the April Regional Assembly and food and beverages for the enjoyment of attendees

Maker: Leslie

Question and discussion:

- Discussed the options between sub sandwiches or chicken and decided to go with the cheaper option, chicken.

Proposal #4: passed

\$100.00 fund request for support of Learning Day in Glenwood Springs.

Intent: To pay for literature, copies, food, etc.

Maker: Alan H.

DISBURSEMENTS:

Rent	\$ 50.00
St Andrews	\$ 150.00 +\$200.00
Assembly food	\$ 275.51
MWA Learning Days	\$ 100.00
NAWS donation	\$ 100.00

CLOSING TREASURER REPORT:

Start	\$ 5098.00
in	\$ 744.40
out	\$ 775.51
total	\$ 5066.89
DONATION TO WORLD	\$ 100.00
Ending balance	\$ 4966.89

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OPEN DISCUSSION

- The question was asked about how to change a meeting from an open meeting to an H&I meeting.
 - It is best to approach the Area H&I group to find out how to proceed.
- We should take care to follow the procedures that are in place for airing grievances in regards to taking a matter through the appropriate levels of the service structure. For example, last month's letter about H&I should have gone to the Area first not straight to Region.
- Concern was expressed that the Assembly information was not out in time for groups to plan to send their GSR's.
 - It was less problematic this time because it is located where most folks do not travel, but in the future, if hotel stays are needed the groups need time to save for that.
 - The exact location this time was not known earlier because of a contract problem. The city that was hosting has been known for some time.
 - The date and city of assemblies are known at least 2 months ahead of time. It is not always possible to have the exact place that early, but it's enough information for groups to plan.
 - It was pointed out that we did not give GSRs who are traveling the same consideration and information that was distributed when the Assembly was in Grand Junction. That will be corrected and will try to do better in the future
- The current CSRC meeting room is too small. We will look around to find a space that is better suited. Things to keep in mind:
 - Located near highways for those who have to travel
 - Cost, we currently pay \$50.00

DECISIONS MADE:

- **PR ad hoc subcommittee will discuss when the informal operation under a PR umbrella commenced and when to present a proposal to the fellowship for the formal creation of the PR subcommittee.**
- **PR ad hoc has adequately addressed the member's letter concerning potential conflicts of interest NA members may have in service and with their employment, and the PR ad hoc needs do nothing further at this time.**

ATTACHMENTS

CLOSE