

**Anchorage Area Service Committee Meeting
Minutes of September 8th 2008**

Opened the meeting with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer at 6:30 p.m. by Sean C, vice chair.

READINGS

The Twelve Traditions by Ross, the Twelve Concepts by Susan, Service Prayer by Shelly, and decorum statement by Lori.

ROLL CALL

15 of 18 GSRs present.
New Groups: None
Amendments to Agenda: None

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

(Written reports are filed with original copy of minutes.)

Chair: Absent, at work, enjoyed last year of service
Vice-chair: Alls well, H&I and Entertainment are doing well
Secretary: minutes were accepted as amended.
Amendments: Entertainment Chair wanted all groups to know that the Chile Cook Off was a group function and not an Area function, so when The Morning After Group asked the Entertainment Chair to account for it, they were in error.
Treasurer: Our checking account has a current balance of \$2,549.89

GROUP REPORTS

(Written reports are filed with original copy of minutes.)

Clean & Serene: Doing fine, \$50 to Area.

Soul-2-Soul: Absent

Out and About Group: needs support in the area of group members

The Morning After: average 20—30 weekly, have nominations and a motion and are donating 59.40 to Area

Third Way: discussions about wanting area to start regular donations to world, rent is paid, and supplies are good and donating \$100 to Area. Learning Days in November will be held at our location and we will meet regardless of other scheduled events in order that we may carry the message.

Dynamite Thursday Night: attendance is good

Round About: attendance has been 30-50 people a day, supplies are good, rent is paid, have service positions available, donating \$300 to Area

One Day Today: has no nominations, has a motion and donating \$20.00 to Area.

Eagle River Group: We are averaging 6-8 addicts, rent is paid, and have \$6 donation for Area and are ready to vote

Walk Your Talk: averaging 8 per day and 40 weekly have an \$80 donation and have nominations.

The Frozen Chosen: doing well and 30-50 addicts attend regularly, 15 people attending the business meeting, and are donating \$50 to Area and \$25 to World

To The Point: have \$37.38 for Area

The Gong Show: average 17-58 people 2-3 newcomers, donating \$10 to Area.

Saturday Night Live: Averaging 15-20 members are donating \$30.00 to Area

NA at the VA: 126 addicts attend the meeting this month and donating \$20 to area

WTSODMF: The GSR was bummed that his voice and experience was not allowed to be expressed at Area during one of the Segments and has written an email to express his disappointment regarding this and that he would rather be where his Experience, Strength and Hope can be heard.

Recovery First: attendance is low, doors are open have \$23 donation for Area

Recovery Connection: Absent, no report

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

(Full written reports are on file.)

Public Information (Reported as an email attachment.)

PI Chair Report 9-8-08

Hello Family,

I am an addict whose name is Daphne.

We had a subcommittee meeting on August 10, 2008. Thank you to those who attended.

The following topics were discussed at the meeting:

Phone lines are going very well.

Thank you to Susan and Catelyn for going with me to Alaska Human Services to share your experience, strength, and hope. Any addict willing to share his or her experience, strength, and hope at Alaska Human Services, please call me at 334-6474.

A thank you was sent to the program director for the School on Addictions.

Learning Days will be held November 5, 2008, at 15th and Cordova (at 1420 Cordova) at Central Lutheran Church. More will be revealed for this upcoming event. I would like to thank the Entertainment Committee for being a part of our next Learning Days.

Money spent in September \$76.16 PI for September schedules.

Next PI subcommittee meeting will be held on Sunday, September 14th, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. at Country Kitchen, 346 E. 5th Avenue. Everyone is welcome to attend.

You can only keep what you have by giving it away.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

In loving service,

Daphne

Hospitals & Institutions Absent

Entertainment

- Thank you to all who have been supportive and made this committee feel welcome
- The Variety show is falling into place, and t shirts are here
- Thanks to everyone/groups that are donating foods to the Variety Show, it is much appreciated.
- Gratefully serving and having a blast doing it.

Literature Absent

Newsletter

- Sept/Oct newsletter out
- Several people involved in the process
- Members approaching with ideas
- Spent \$46.00 and want to expand our next order

RSC REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

Regional Committee Member (Written)

- Next meeting in Oct at the convention

Regional Committee Member Alternate Absent, no report

SHARING SESSION

No business is conducted during the sharing session; rather items of concern are raised and opened for discussion. These may later become an item of business with some action taken, therefore recorded in the minutes at that time.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Area Nominations

Morning After nominates Sean C for Chairperson; he accepted the nomination

Qualifications:

Clean date 11-19-02

Home group: Morning After

Have a sponsor and sponsor men

Service Experience:

Group level: Secretary at home group, GSR for Frozen Chosen in 2004, and GSR unreadable in 2003

Area Level: RCM 05-06, Vice Chair 07-08

Regional Level: Treasurer-current

Serve on the phone line and care the message to the Salvation Army men's treatment center for H&I

Third Way nominates Shelly W for Vice Chairperson; accepts nomination

Qualifications

Secretary at group level for 5 years

Secretary at Regional level for 1 year, term expires October

Secretary at Area for 1 year, term expires October

Secretary for the Regional Convention 2 years

Knowledge of traditions and concepts, willingness to serve

Morning After nominates Corry C for Vice Chairperson; accepts nomination

Qualifications

Clean date 11-19-02

Home group, Morning After

Have sponsor and am sponsor, working knowledge of the 12 steps and 12 traditions of NA

Group Level: coffee maker since 2002 and then moved to GSR

Area Level: Vice chair/Chair entertainment, phone line and panel leader at highland with H&I

Regional Level: convention merchandize, entertainment, theme and logo

Currently Anchorage has nominated Corry for the Regional Vice Chair position and is awaiting the regional vote

Third Way nominates Josh for Treasurer; he accepts nomination

Qualifications

Clean date 04/28/03

GSR for 3rd Way in 2007

Treasurer for 3rd Way for 3 years

Area Treasurer since 12/06

Active at my home group

Morning After nominates Kathy W for Area Secretary; she accepts nomination

Qualifications

Clean 22 years

Home group Walk your Talk and current GSR

Working knowledge of 12 steps and 12 traditions

Area Level: Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary

Regional Level: Convention Committee: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Entertainment, Merchandize, and Programming

Always held position at the group, area or regional level.

Third Way Nominates Eileen R for Assistant Treasurer; she accepts nomination

Qualifications

17 years accounting experience

Clean date is 10/08/06

Have a sponsor and sponceses
Working knowledge of the steps
Group level GSR for Roundabout, GSR for Out and About, currently, Treasurer for Area Entertainment GSR and Area Rep for the Western Slope Area in Colorado for several years, was clean from 1986-1997

Motions and Guideline Changes

Morning After makes a motion that Area establish prudent a reserve of \$1000

Intent is so that we in Area have the basic financial needs met to carry the message monthly in the event of a reduction of income or unforeseen financial shortfall

This motion was not seconded and so fails on the floor

Third Way moves, Clean and Serene Seconds, to waive the clean time requirement of the Assistant Treasurer.

Third Way moves, Dynamite seconds, that Area send \$50.00 to World Service in acknowledgment of 7th tradition

This motion is deemed a housekeeping issue and was voted on

This motion has passed and monies need to be sent to World

Frozen Chozen moves, Third Way seconds, to amend Article IX, Entertainment Subcommittee Responsibilities, Paragraph 2, to read as follows.

“Manage, maintain and account for \$750.00 seed money to roll forward monthly and anytime funds accrued exceed \$1,500; those excess funds are to be turned over to the Area Treasurer with the accountable report.”

Intent—this amendment will allow the Entertainment Sub-Committee the appropriate funding to plan, secure, & proceed with its events. The rolling is no different than the guidelines now intend but clarifies any gray area; one could interpret. The instituting of a cap on the funds that the committee has in its possession alleviates concerns about large amounts of funds in any one sub-committee’s hands. Yet it sill allows the committee to proceed with plans, deposits and expenditures on upcoming events.

One Day Today Motions and Third Way Seconds that AASC adopt the attached (Posted on Regional Website) AASC Guidelines and put them into effect in place of the existing AASC Guidelines

Purpose

1. Christine B. and Bob R. cleaned up the AASC Guidelines with an emphasis on correcting errors (spelling, grammar, punctuation, and formatting), clarifying meanings, and eliminating redundancy. Care was taken to retain the intent and meaning of the guidelines.
2. One substantive change was made in that the current guidelines contained nothing about the election of persons to the Alternate Secretary and Assistant Treasurer positions. Those positions have been included in Article VI, Section 2 along with the executive committee positions. Responsibilities for the Alternate Secretary and Assistant Treasurer positions were amended (Article VIII Section 5(1)(b)(iii) and Article VIII Section 7(1)(b)(iii)) to read: Advances to the Secretary [Treasurer] position if nominated and elected per Article VI,

3. It is understood that there may be other amendments to the guidelines submitted during this amendment period. If the motion passes, we suggest that AASC place into effect the attached (Posted on Regional Website) AASC Guidelines prior to entering any other amendments that may be voted in.

Organizational Levels Affected

Groups and AASC

Disposition

1. If the motion is recognized, the proposed AASC Guidelines will be posted on the Regional Website for groups to peruse and consider.
2. If the motion passes, the Guidelines will be made available to AASC electronically in Word Format for future amendments.

ACTION ITEMS

(Recap session of items going back to the groups for consideration.)

- Area Executive Committee nominations
- Amendments to guidelines

Motion to Adjourn

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