

AASC Minutes for March 7, 2016

OPENING OF THE MEETING: Alan M @ 630pm

READINGS:

Service Prayer-Sean C.

Decorum Statement-Nikki

Twelve Traditions- Johnny

Twelve Concepts- Wayne

APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES: Doug P asked that the minutes from February reflect that Valley GSF was present.

ROLL CALL: (½ plus one = quorum) 16 of 22

NEW GROUPS TO BE RECOGNIZED: An 8th of Hope, Valley Meeting

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA: None

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS: Reports submitted are included here.

CHAIR-Alan M.

Verbal Report. Sorry for running over meeting time last month, if you are here as a group representative please stay until the meeting is over. Recognized Doug P on clean time anniversary and thanked him for continued service.

VICE CHAIR: Doug P. Verbal Report

SECRETARY: Melissa C. Hello Family, Please continue to email your reports so that I can get the minutes out quicker. As attachments come in such as RCM report, GSF report, etc I will forward these out in emails. Also, please see attachments to this email for reports, flyer, Rob T qualifications, activities report and Learning Day information. aascnasecretary3@gmail.com

In Loving Service, Melissa C.

TREASURER: Emailed report- Secretary forwarded email to AASC distribution list.

GROUP REPORTS: Secretary received reports from the following groups, unless otherwise noted

AK Wild F.I.R.E.S.: *Not Present 3rd time not present will remove from agenda*

CLEAN & SERENE: Joe C- \$60 Donation- [Clean and Serene Monthly Report, March 7, 2016 Clean and Serene meets Sunday evenings at Holy Family Cathedral and Thursdays from 6:15 – 7:15pm at St. Anthony's church. We have great attendance and awesome recovery. We have one motion. And we have \\$60 to donate to Area.](#)

ILS Clean and Serene

EAGLE RIVER GROUP- Michelle Z- \$40 Donation-The Eagle River group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Joy Lutheran Church, located at 10111 Eagle River Rd. in Eagle River Ak. 99577.

We now meet everyday from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Our recent attendance averages 6-12 addicts. We also generally have 2 or 3 newcomers at each meeting. Every Monday is a literature study. The first Friday of the month is a speaker meeting. New this month we will be celebrating birthdays on the last Friday of the month, March 25th. The last Saturday of the month is a traditions study. Eagle River group of N/A has \$40.00 to donate to area this month.

Blessed To Serve ,

Michelle Z

FROZEN CHOZEN: Wayne- \$20 Donation- Wayne GSR for Frozen Chosen. Frozen Chosen meets Mon.-Thur. 7:30pm.-8:30pm. at the Dry Dock. We have rent paid even though our literature and coffee has been stolen. Attendance is consistent with a newcomer every night. We have \$20.00 to donate and are ready to vote on all issues. We also made a little over \$1200.00 for the prom through the auction last weekend. April 16, 2016 is the prom from 6pm.-11pm. at the Alano Club. The theme is "Zombies". Thank you for letting me be of service. Sincerely, Wayne W.

GONG SHOW: Peter- Verbal Report- \$10 Donation

HIGHER GROUND: Joe Verbal \$100 donation

CLAIM YOUR SEAT: James- Emailed Report- no donation to area but \$30 donation to Literature.

James addict. I am here representing the claim your seat meeting of narcotics anonymous. Our meeting meets every night of the week at the Alano club located at 3103 Spenard road. We meet Sunday thru Thursday from 930-1030 with game night on Thursday, and Friday and Saturday we meet from 11 pm-12am. We are paid up on rent and have literature and key tags, our meeting is growing and has been a blessing to be a part of. We have anywhere from 15-25 addicts every night seeing at least 5 newcomers and as many as 12 newcomers at all of our meetings which opens up lots of opportunity for sponsors. We are excited to see the group and fellowship continue to grow, we are ready to vote on all matters and have no money to donate to area at this time but we have 30 dollars to donate to literature. Thank you for letting me be of service. James C. And the claim your seat meeting of narcotics anonymous.

LIFESAVERS: Absent

THE MEETING ON THE CORNER: Sid- \$15 Donation- Written Report

MORNING AFTER: Mike L.- \$41 Donation Hello. Morning After Report: Attendance has picked up a little, averaging 5 to 7; but we have had a newcomer to the Group or to the Program almost weekly; thus it was decided to keep this Meeting going for at least through March and probably April. We are contributing \$41 to AREA. Thanks --Mike L, GSR

NA AT THE VA: Absent

THE NA WAY: Charlie \$50 Donation Written Report Has Nominations to present

OUR GRATITUDE SPEAKS: Keith \$78 donation verbal report

OUT AND ABOUT: Chris- no donation- Written Report

ROUNDABOUT: Ronnie- \$55 Donation- Verbal Report- has Items for sharing session as well as nominations

SISTERS IN THE SOLUTION: Nichole- \$26 Donation- written report- Changed meetings to Tuesdays at 7pm same place.

UNITY, ACCEPTANCE, ADDICTION: Rob T- \$10 donation Written report- have a motion

WALK YOUR TALK Absent

907 RECOVERY: Nikki- \$10 Donation- Written Report

BETTER LIFE GROUP: Frank- \$40 Donation- Report is attached to treasures report sent in separate email

NO MORE BENT BLINDS: Absent

VALLEY GSF: Joe- Verbal Report- no Donation

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS: All submitted reports are included.

NEWSLETTER: POSITION OPEN

PUBLIC INFORMATION: Chris M. Public Information is supposed to meet the Sunday following Area here at Peggy's at 4pm. We did not meet last month but we do have some things coming up. We have a learning days this next Saturday the 12th in the valley at 130pm at MatSu Alano. We also have a learning days on March 26th at the IBEW Hall. We would love some support. In Loving Service, Chris M.

HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS: Michael P Verbal Report

ACTIVITIES: Rob T. See please attached report.

LITERATURE: Erik M will send report when I receive it from Literature

CONVENTION COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT: (Sean C.) I just want to say that service in NA is so rewarding in staying open minded and humble. It is exercise and practive that carry's over into my affairs I (?) to any and all that have time and are touched by their higher power to be of service at that level. So the financial end result after all income and expenditures is a profit of \$4050 Seed money is left in account for next convention committee and the 4050 will be handed up to region. Thanks for the experience. In For Gratitude and service, Sean C

RCM REPORT: Arlene L -No Report. Next meeting is telephonic on March 30th @ 630pm. The number is on akna.org to listen in, We have 5 open positions. Arlene will email the positions available to secretary and secretary will forward the information.

Sharing Session

Roundabout- Ronnie asked if Fundraiser can be held for Literature. Discussion about accounting needing to be done within literature to see what is needed. Area is likely able to provide what is needed after accounting of stock on hand has been done. Suggested that fundraiser be done for area itself or PI and H&I. Each group is antonymous and able to make such decisions with a group conscience.

GSF- Please see attached

OLD BUSINESS:

- Tabled motion from 907 Recovery. Motion was not voted back onto the table.
- 2017 Convention Chair- Dave Landers voted in 10 yes, 5 abstain, 1 no

NEW BUSINESS:

- Clean and Serene brings a motion to the table about Literature and Guidelines. (please see motion attached to minutes)
Peter 2nd the motion, Back to the groups to vote.
- UAA Brings motion to remove Solstice Camp out from the Activities Guidelines as an event that they are to put on. Motion 2nd by Sid and Ronnie

Sub Committee Nominations

Activities- Round About Nominates Rob T.- Rob T accepts Please see qualifications attached.

H&I- Roundabout Nominates Michael P.- Michael P. accepts, does not need to give qualifications because he is already in the position,

PI- No nominations

Newsletter- No Nominations

Literature- Frozen Chosen nominates Erik M.- Erik accepts- does not need to give qualifications because he is already in the position.

RCM- NA Way nominates Arlene- she accepts- does not need to give qualifications because she is already in the position.

Alternate RCM- NA Way nominates Kevin H but he was not present to give qualifications, must come in April with qualifications in order to be voted in.

Invitation for Nominations

Alt Secretary- Open

Alt Treasurer- Open

Recap of Action Items

Motion from Clean and Serene

Motion From UAA

Votes for Subcommittees

Announcements

Next Area is April 4, 2016 at Peggy's at 630pm

Valley GSF

Anchorage GSF March 19th 540pm at Central Lutheran

Anchorage learning days March 26th at the IBEW hall at 32nd and Denali

Motion to close

Clean and Serene Makes a Motion:

- a. Whereas the previous practice by the literature committee has been to sell literature, turn the sale proceeds (funds) over to the Treasurer, and to order literature as required using the Anchorage Area account with NA World Services. And then to let the AASC treasurer pay the NAWs literature invoice or bill.
- b. This motion would authorize the literature committee to buy replacement literature as needed directly (from NAWs) with the proceeds (cash) of sales. The treasurer would not pay the invoice.
- c. Further this motion obligates the literature chair to provide a written monthly report of income and expenses and stock on hand. A form for this purpose has been attached. This provision is consistent with the AASC guidelines that the literature subcommittee provide a “written financial report to include all income and expenses prior to disbursement of AASC funds”.
- d. Further this motion obligates the AASC treasurer to reimburse the literature committee for H&I and PI expenditures, which would not exceed their respective budgets.

Intent of the motion is clarify how Literature does business. This method maintains literature services in the event that the AASC finances drop below the prudent reserve, so avoiding interruption in services; maintains accountability to the AASC; and continues to provide service within budget to H&I and PI subcommittees.

There should be no financial impact from this motion. Literature committee had to handle cash before and will still have to handle it.

Activities Report

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Hello ...I am an addict, ,Last month Birthday Dinner Report

Decoration Expense

Banner \$122.40 Misc. \$28.61 Total \$352.01

No Cost Events

Desert Auction \$130.00 Donated Commemorative Mugs \$92.00
Split the pot \$253.00 Newcomer Fund \$3.00 Total \$478.00

Book Auction

Cost of 6 books \$131.98 embossed books 40.00 Books cost \$179.98

2 - New Comer Books where not Gifted, auction amount per book

1) JFT \$50.00 2) JFT \$60.00 3) BscTX \$75.00 4) BscTX \$80.00

Auction Sales \$265.00 Profit of \$93.02

Beverage Service total sales \$178.00

Cost of Soda, water, Ice \$100.42

Profit \$ 77.58

Meal Service / Tickets Sold 102 Ca\$h Sales of Tickets \$2040.00

Total Cost of Meals Service \$1,156.81 With A Profit of \$883.19

Total Cost of Expenses \$1781.22

Cash on Hand from Event \$ 1289.62

Cash from Seed Money \$ 750.00

Combined Total \$ 2033.99

Learning Day deposit of \$200 out of seed money

leaving a Grand Total \$550.00

PS thanks to Any that participated, it was a pleasure to serve with you

forever grateful

IN LOVING SERVICE ROB T.

February 20, 2016
Group Support Forum Notes

Opened with the Serenity Prayer.
Read the Concepts (Rob)
Read the NA Service Vision Statement

1. See agenda, attached.
2. Reviewed the Area expenses/revenue 12-month report. Purpose was to just get a handle on reading it. (Thanks to Frank for making copies of the 2015 report.
3. Reviewed the "Essential Expenses Summary" form the Agenda. These are expenses that are not cut even when we have a freeze on expenditures because we are below prudent reserve.
 - Average group revenue was \$250 per month, and \$3000 per year in 2015.
4. Reviewed the group donations. Group donations averaged \$390 per month and \$4670 per year.

5. The revenue versus expenditure can be summarized as follows

	<u>Group Revenue</u>	<u>Essential Expenses</u>
Avg Monthly	\$390	\$250
2015 Annual	\$3000	\$4674

So it may be concluded that the groups can afford essential expenses.

6. Also touched on Activities revenue from 2015 – approximately \$800 was raised.
7. H&I and PI have budgets or stipends of \$100 each per month. H&I uses their budget each month. PI rarely uses their budget.
8. We broached the subject of literature. We briefly discussed alternative means of sales and purchase of literature.
 - a. Sell literature and turn proceeds over to the Treasurer. Order literature as required using Anchorage Area account with NAWS, then treasurer pays the bill.
 - b. Sell literature and turn proceeds over to the Treasurer. Order literature using one's own credit card, then request reimbursement from Area Treasurer.
 - c. Sell literature and buy literature with proceeds of sales. Report sales and purchase to Area.

Current literature chair has just requested to do “c”, switching from the method “a”.

9. Rob reported that Activities had significant donation from the Area Anniversary celebration to make to Area, on the order of \$1200. (recorder cannot remember precisely.)

We ran out of time at this point.

10. Next Meeting:

- a. March 19th at 5:40pm
- b. Area finances II: We will resume discussion of Area finances including:
 - What should budget be for H&I and PI?
 - Literature funds

Members of the Fellowship in attendance:

Mike L	Morning After	mjlatty@email.com	760-831-8291
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Michelle	Eagle River	m_p_zellers@hotmail.com	242-2221
Bob	Eagle River	stewr@gci.net	350-2759
Dave L	Life Savers	can_do_dave@yahoo.com	903-7343
Sid	Meeting on the Corner	sidkenai@hotmail.com	280-8787
Rob T	UAA	hulligan69@gmail.com	830-7628
Charley	the NA Way	Alaskacharley@gmail.com	258-5288
Darren C	Meeting on the Corner		744-7366
Peter P	Gong Show	peter.poage@gmail.com	231-6382
Lou Ann P	RoundAbout	lapoage@yahoo.com	903-8325
Joe L	Meeting on the Corner	pintprojoe@hotmail.com	744-4256
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Doug P	Clean and Serene	doug_poage@yahoo.com	244-6030
Susan S	NA Way		

Read: Traditions, Concepts, and Vision for NA Service

Reporting Expenses and Projecting Expenditures:

This comes out of a motion that *Our Gratitude Speaks* brought (in Oct or Nov) that they wanted a clear report of expenditures and projected expenses for the past and future 6 months. *Morning After* re-stated this desire at the Area February meeting.

Table summarizing Expenses January through October 2015.

Essential Expenses Summary

Expense Category	2015 Monthly average cost	2015 Annual cost
Phone line (ACS)	82	989.
Best Storage	92	1104
Meeting Schedules	56	674
Post Office Box	16	192
Stamps	3.33	40
Total	249/mo	2,999/yr

Note that the ACS, Best Storage and Post Office Box fees are recurring fees, which amount to \$2285 per year. The meeting schedule cost varies for some reason though we use the same printer.

Group Donation Revenue Summary

Group	avg Monthly	Annual
AK Wildfires	\$2	\$20
Clean & Serene	\$48	\$580
Eagle River	\$17	\$200
Frozen Chozen	\$14	\$173
Gong Show	\$6	\$70
Higher Ground	\$46	\$550
Late meetings	\$-	\$-
Life Savers	\$21	\$247
Meeting on the Corner	\$19	\$115
Morning After	\$71	\$854
NA at the VA	\$3	\$40
The NA Way	\$28	\$335
Our Gratitude Speaks	\$28	\$330
Out & About	\$10	\$120
Roundabout	\$27	\$325
Sisters in the Solution	\$10	\$125
UAA	\$23	\$160
Walk Your Talk	\$33	\$400
907 Recovery	\$3	\$30
No More Bent Blinds	\$-	\$-
TOTAL =	\$389	\$4674.

Note that Meeting on the corner donated an average \$20 per month but took 6 months off. Also UAA has only been open since June. See the donation pattern in the 2015 spread sheet.

Most groups did double up donations in July and September after the bi-monthly GSF trials. Area executive committee advised against another GSF-in-lieu-of Area in August because of a perceived drop in revenue. Really it was cash flow issue – not enough cash reserves- that created a problem with literature and doing business in August and September.

Literature

2015 12-month Literature expenditure	2015 Literature Sales Revenue	Net expenses over Sales Revenue	Assumed and H&I and PI Subsidy	Value of Stock increase over previous year
-\$8133	+\$7002.35	-\$1131	+\$1300	+\$170

On the face of it, expenses exceed the revenue by \$1131 per year. H&I used their monthly stipend 11 or 12 months out of 12 months – let us assume \$1200 for the year. Neither is the PI subsidy reported. PI may have used \$100 or \$200 for informational pamphlets to stock racks. For general purposes we may assume that we spent \$1300 spent on PI and HI literature.

So really that leaves \$170 in unsold literature stock.

We as an Area fellowship (or groups) do not have any way to quantify (or assess the value of) the increased stock on hand. Literature needs to provide inventory periodically.

What is the vision for literature going forward?

- How much stock should literature keep on hand?
- When should Literature inventory its stock? Annually? Monthly?
- We need to track literature sales for a while if we are going to maintain stock- how will we do this?

Literature and Accountability

The Sisters raised the question in the Area Sharing session regarding accounting for the inventory.

Activities

Note the Activities contribution in April 2015 of \$1067. This included returning seed and profit from the Anniversary in Spring 2015. From the April (or May) Activities report, the gig profit was \$800. That revenue put Area above the prudent reserve, allowing Area to do business.

There was no Activities committee until October or November 2015. Area seeded Activities with \$750 in October or November 2015, which is not reflected in the report.

Budget

So what is our budget, if we had one?

- Lets Assume that literature pays for itself. If we buy \$500 worth each time, we receive 15% off, which makes literature a wash.
- On this iteration, lets assume that activities breaks even; we will see how much activities must raise in funds as this proceeds.

Budget item:	Monthly	Annual
Essential Expenses	\$254/mo	\$3050/year
H&I	\$100/mo	\$1200/year
Public Information	\$100/mo	\$1200/year
Literature:	\$0	\$0
Activities:	\$0	\$0
Subtotal	\$454/mo	\$5450/year

Note that the group donations for 2015 were approximately \$4650. This leaves a revenue shortfall of about \$800.

Reporting Format

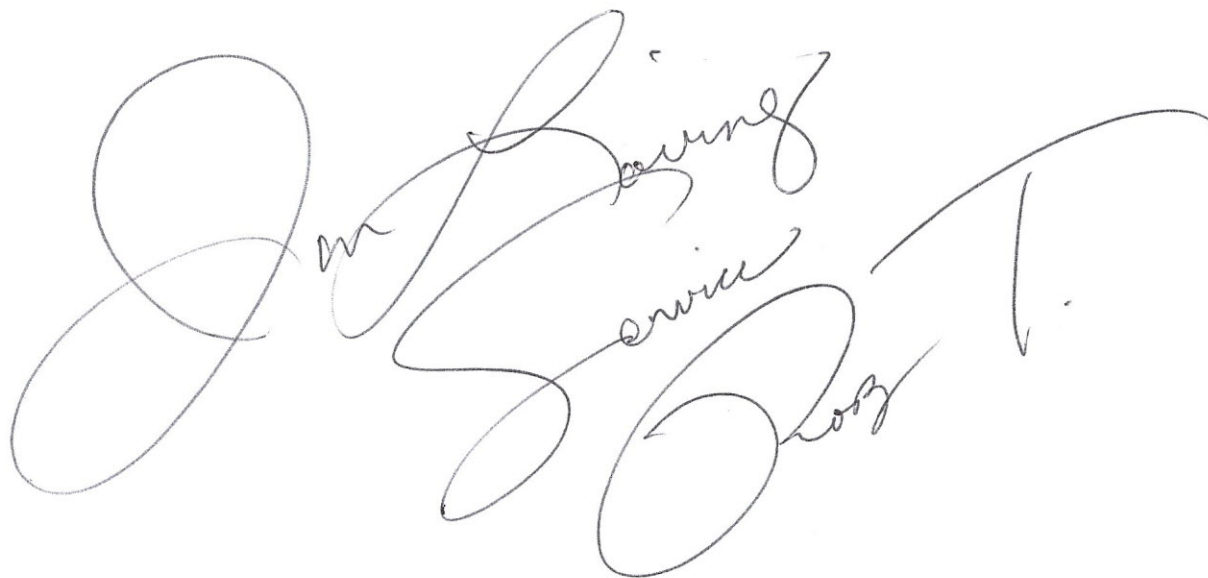
The rolling 12-month reporting format of revenue and expenditures paints a picture, except it neglects balance. Also it is not obvious about the PI and H&I budgets.

Qualifications for Rob T

3/2016

Hi Family and Members of NA,

Most of you have seen me around and know who I am, but just in case you don't . I have a been GSR a couple of times for the GONG SHOW. I have SERVED as Actives Chair In 2013 and had good results even when starting on a budget freeze. I have served on Regional Convention Committee as Arts and Graphics and Merchandise of this past year (2016) while holding a GSR position with UAA Group. And this past Year (2015 / 2016) have been able to humbly serve as Activities Vice Chair for Anchorage Local Area, I felt there was a lot of unity between individuals and groups and it was the most participation I have ever seen to carry some of these events, I feel it is time for me to step back and let someone else get the experience and friends that where made while being of service. If no other nominations are made I would serve as long as I am able or teach those that are willing.



in Service
Rob T.

Area Overview

Purpose:

- Discuss “Why do we have Area Service?”
- Introduce Standing Subcommittees Function and Purpose.
- Identify Roles and Responsibilities of the Group Service Representatives (GSR)?
- Introduce Regional, Zonal, and World NA Service to GSRs and others interested.

1. Introduce Guide to Local Services.
 - a. This is the “Area Service” Basic Text.
 - b. Concepts – adopted in 1992.
 - c. The NA Group
 - d. The Area Service Committee
 - e. The Regional Service Committee.
2. What and Why Area Service Committee.
 - a. Read Concept 1.
 - b. What does Area Service Do?
 - c. Can the groups do these themselves
3. Area Service Committee includes:
 - a. Standing Subcommittees (how long do we spend on these?)
 - b. Executive Committee
 - c. New service system terms – not so new.
4. What are the roles of the subcommittee chairs and GSRs at Area?
 - a. Concepts 3 and 4
 - b. Communication – concepts 6, 7, and 8
 - c. GSRs and the Group.
5. Conduction Business:
 - A. Roberts Rules of Order
 - B. The Motion, Second, Discussion
 - a. Housekeeping
 - b. Take the motion back to the groups.
 - C. The Motion Table
 - D. Old Business
 - E. New Business.
6. Guidelines – (Make Copies)
 - a. On the Web Page.
 - A. Qualifications of the Local Service Board
 - B. Elections -- when and how
 - C. Local Service Board position Job descriptions
 - D. Guideline changes – how