

## **AASC Minutes for August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**OPENING OF THE MEETING:** Ash @ 630

**READINGS:**

Service Prayer- Darren

Decorum Statement- Ryan

Twelve Traditions- Mikal

Twelve Concepts- Morgan

Vision for NA Service- Eric M

**APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES:** Approved

**ROLL CALL:** 11/18 groups (½ plus one = quorum)

**NEW GROUPS TO BE RECOGNIZED:** **Eighth of Hope** (Mario-GSR \$16 Donation)

**AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Reports submitted are included here.

**CHAIR-** Ash

**VICE CHAIR:** Doug P. Verbal Report

**SECRETARY:** On Honeymoon, whoop!

**TREASURER:** Please see forwarded email for spreadsheet and report

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

**ROUNABOUT:** LouAnn \$25 donation

Roundabout meets 7 days a week from 12-1 pm at the Alano Club.

We welcome all members looking for recovery and a home group. Roundabout has lots of newcomers and there is lots of opportunity to carry the message.

On September 2, we are hosting the Roundabout Turn Up, which happens to be NA World Unity Day. If Area Activities would like to coordinate with Roundabout, please reach out to our group.

The event will feature Craig L. from Philadelphia as the main speaker, DJ, food and fun. Details will be revealed as they are worked out.

We are donating \$25.

ILS,

Lou Ann

**CLEAN & SERENE:** Shannon \$150.00 Donation

We meet Sunday at 8 pm (Holy Family Cathedral) and Thursday at 6:15 pm (St. Anthony's). We have regular attendance with a mix of newcomers, oldtimers, and sometimers.

We donated \$150 for August since we missed a July donation.

ILS,

Shannon D

**Eagle River Group:** Alec \$20 Donation The Eagle River Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Joy Lutheran Church, located at 10111 Eagle River Road in Eagle River, Alaska 99577. We have been meeting every Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. recently our attendance averages 4 to 6 addicts.

**Eagle River Group** cont.: We generally have 1 or 2 newcomers at each meeting. We also have several addicts with multiple years of clean time at each meeting.

Every Monday is a literature study. We have a speaker the first Friday of the month with pizza. Our Group Conscious Meeting is the last Monday of the month following our regular meeting.

Eagle River Group of NA has \$20.00 to donate to Area.

In loving service,

Alec

**FROZEN CHOZEN: Ryan \$40 Donation**

Frozen Chosen meets Monday through Thursday evening 730-830p at the Dry dock located at 8141 Briarwood on the east side of the building downstairs. We host an open meeting, with treatment centers that attend regularly. Meeting attendance has been steady with an average of roughly 25-30 addicts. We have positions open for home group members and service positions are available where there is interest. We are donating \$40 to area this month.

In loving service, Ryan F.

**Valley Nooner: Absent**

**GONG SHOW: Absent**

**HIGHER GROUND: Wayne \$50 donation**

**CLAIM YOUR SEAT Matthew \$19 Donation**

**OUR GRATITUDE SPEAKS: Keith \$80 Donation**

Our Gratitude Speaks meets Tue and Thur mornings from 6; 30am til 7:30am and is an open, recovery based meeting. Our attendance has been up to an average of 5 people per meeting and we have 2 newcomers attending regularly.

Our GSR, Keith, attended the Golden Heart Blow Out and reports that it was a success with excellent speakers. A good time had by all.

OGS has paid Aug rent and our literature and supplies are well stocked. We have \$80 to contribute to area this month.

In loving service,

Keith

**OUT AND ABOUT: Verbal report read for Chris M., no donation**

**WALK YOUR TALK Mike M. \$50 Donation**

My name is Mike and I'm an addict. Walk your talk meets Monday through Saturday from 12-1p at the American Baptist church on 27th and Latouche. We have had steady attendance and We have a \$50.00 donation for area tonight.

ILS,

Mike

**907 RECOVERY:** Mikal \$30 Donation (handwritten report)

**Just for Tonight:** Morgan \$5 Donation (handwritten report)

**LIFESAVERS** Debbie \$50 Donation (handwritten report) **please see sharing session notes\***

**MORNING AFTER:** Absent

**SISTERS IN SOLUTION:** Sasha via phone \$10 Donation

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Sisters in solution meets every Sunday from 2pm to 3pm upstairs at Alano. All of our rent is paid, we have all literature, supplies, and 10\$ to donate to area (which will be brought to next meeting). We have anywhere from 12-24 woman who attend regularly and continue have monthly speaker meetings. We will be partnering with roundabout on a convention fundraiser at the beginning of September.

ILS Sasha

**THE NA WAY:** Absent

**New Beginnings-** Absent

**VALLEY GSF:** Absent

**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:** All submitted reports are included.

**NEWSLETTER:** Nick B. 907-202-1108 Nick B

Actively Seeking Submissions

**PUBLIC INFORMATION** Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at anchorage Lutheran church at 530pm

**HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS:** Forwarded report in email

**ACTIVITIES Meets Wednesday after area 630 Kaladis by Tidal Wave Books**

Report read by Mike M for Stacie

Activities will be meeting the Friday after area at 6 at Guido's. I realized that I had \$431.86 instead of \$346.86 on hand as I stated in last area. Please announce at meetings when activities meets we are always looking for members to be of service.

ILS Stacie

Stacie will notify us if there will be an event to celebrate Unity Day, September 2 in the Anchorage Area. **Unity Day is observed September 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 10:00o'clock Alaska time**

**LITERATURE:** Morgan written report submitted

\$502.00 sale for July

Order from NAWS for \$1030.00 + \$16 for freight

Cash on hand at end of month was \$295. Literature was dispersed to H&I, PI and Valley H&I for cost of \$250.00. Asking for \$250.00 +16.00=\$266 from Treasurer

Asking for \$340.21 for Freight, Guideline books, and housekeeping (printing order forms)

**RCM Report** Keith alternate- Please see forwarded e-mails and documents. The notes on the Effort to Approve Final Draft of Guidelines and the suggested changes (marked with **RED** number will be in separate documents.

**Convention Chair-** Absent Pre-Registration is available on line with Pay pal

**Sharing Session:** Doug P reminded everyone that **Anchorage Area Service Committee Nominations** are due in October. A Trusted Servant Nomination/Resume outline will be attached to this e-mail and was handed out to GSR's. Please remember that nominees **must** be present at the Area meeting to accept their nomination and give their qualifications. Nominees may be asked to read qualifications may be read aloud, qualification must be submitted in writing.

Doug P and Keith L noted that Regional Nominations are also due in October.

**Debbie S of LifeSavers Group announced that the group would like to visit and support other groups in need of support.** Contact Debbie S. or Lifesavers home group members with the location and time of the meeting needing support. A group from Lifesavers will show up ☺. Debbie reports that the Lifesavers Group has been doing this and have received grateful feedback. If your group wants support please contact Debbie S or any Lifesavers Home Group member with date and time your meeting wants a visit!

**Debbie S announced a call out to women of NA to attend an AA Women's Conference as part of a panel** that includes women from our sister recovery groups of AA, and AL Anon. The NA representative would sit with representative of AA and AL Anon on Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm. Please contact Susan Edge 907-841-8914 (Talkeetna)

**The Valley is looking for speakers from Anchorage** to speak the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month at the Alano Club, 901 Snohomish Rd. Please contact Chelsea (907-690-3206) to volunteer!!!!

#### **Old Business**

None

#### **New Business**

Nominations

#### **Recap of action items**

Anchorage Area Nominations

Group feedback of Guideline change recommendations.

Volunteer in Valley and or Panel discussion

Please see attached form and reports

Next area meeting is September 11th  
@630pm

**Announcements:**

Next Area is October 2<sup>nd</sup>

Motion to close

## Notes on Effort to Approve the Final Draft of the Regional Guidelines

### Background:

The Areas have been through the proposed Regional Guideline revision since they were first introduced in 2015. Anchorage and Kenai reviewed the original draft in 2016 and some proposed revisions were dropped during that review. Out of this process the October 2016 draft was formed. Also, a "poll" of the more contentious changes was submitted to Area groups. Anchorage and Kenai Areas completed the poll, while the Golden Heart committee of GH groups voted on revisions in the July 2016 draft version of the guidelines. The current August 2017 draft came out of this effort.

**This is a draft final of the Guideline revision project. Areas may vote by group or by interested fellowship. The Areas may approve all of it or part of it.**

Those changes that have had opposition are labeled "fail" on the draft. It requires unanimity to approve guideline changes.

A summary of the listed provisions is below and also in the end notes of the draft guidelines.

1. There has not been any opposition to the Vision Statement.
2. ARSC is *our* (Alaskan) regional committee, RSC is kind of generic. Other proposed changes to this section were dropped earlier.
3. See Note #iv in the end notes.
4. "The RSC may entertain a motion". No one knew what that meant. Of course the Chair is going to entertain a motion.
5. We are using email to distribute the minutes and not mailing minutes. This reflects that.
6. Proposes that Chair review the minutes before they go out. A cleaner set of minutes will presumably result.
7. This reflects duties of the chair.
8. This was moved from the ARD to the Vice Chairperson. Vice Chair is typically the parliamentarian in a committee. It has been edited for clarity. Adds responsibility to remind members of the meeting.
9. Adds duty of contacting RCMs etc before a meeting to the Vice Chair.
10. Secretary responsibilities have not been defined; this defines them. Also identifies what should go in the minutes.
11. This defines the reporting duties of treasurer.
12. Defines RD responsibilities
13. Defines reporting expectations of the RD
14. Defines reporting expectations of the ARD.
15. Defines expectations of the ARD regarding pre-conference activity.
16. Identifies that ARD is expected to attend ARSC meetings.

17. The idea of this is to keep the subcommittee chair focused on primary purpose, the subcommittee Vision as it were.
18. Part of this section is redundant and spelled out in the budget section of the guidelines, so it is being removed here.
19. Subcommittee chairs should play active role in budget for their subcommittee.
20. This is addressed in Part I of the Guidelines. It is a clean up change. It is redundant to keep it here.
21. Proposes to change PI to Public Relations or PR. It is a broader term and keeps us up with the times.
22. Suggests collaboration and communication between subcommittees.
23. The RD team is first to know about literature projects.
24. New H&I section, which had been omitted some time ago.
25. Elaborates on the purpose of the Convention.
26. After having conversation with GH about this, RCM changed his mind about the benefits of having convention same time of year. Anchorage and Kenai have approved this; this affords another vote to GH on this issue. [Having the convention in March either delays the convention 6 months or puts it on an accelerated schedule. Then the next convention is 6 months away or 18 months away.]
27. This allows the Area that elected a convention chair to remove the convention chair with 2/3 vote.
28. The Area is in a position to respond to needs and issues of the convention more quickly than Region. Region only meets quarterly and Area meets monthly. This allows the host Area to assume responsibility for the convention that they are indeed hosting.
29. Currently the convention chair is expected to make a regional report at the regional meeting. The convention is regional and it is right they should get a report on the status of the convention.
30. This sets out the expectation that somebody on the convention committee attend and report to the host area.
31. This addresses the seed money. (This is part 10 of this section...)
32. This provision identifies the expectation that Convention provide a close outreport to the Region when the convention is completed.
33. This just deletes language that is not current anymore since we are going through a host Area rotation process on conventions.
34. This adds what is expected of the RCM. RCM come from the Areas and serve the Areas. At the same time the RCM also serves the Regional fellowship. This provides some guidance on RCM role.

Anchorage Area Service Committee  
Trusted Servant Nomination / Resume

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Clean Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Years: \_\_\_\_\_ Months: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all NA service experience that you consider relevant:

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Please explain your willingness to serve and why:

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What life and/or employment experiences do you have that you believe would be useful?:

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Please check all that apply:

- NA Sponsor
- NA Home Group
- Attend NA meetings weekly
  - $\leq 1$        2-4       5-7        $\geq 7$
- Working knowledge of the 12 steps
- Working knowledge of the 12 traditions
- Working knowledge of the 12 concepts
- Knowledge of the NA Guide to Local Service

Are there any current commitments that would conflict with this one?:

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Have you ever not fulfilled any NA service commitments?:

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Have you ever misappropriated any NA funds? If yes, explain:

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When were reparations made?: \_\_\_\_\_

Any other information that you consider relevant: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please realize that this form is not intended to exclude anyone from service, but rather to use as a tool to make informed decisions in following our Fourth Concept – “The trust necessary to confidently delegate service authority is founded on the careful selection of trusted servants.”