

ARCNA July 18, 2009 Meeting

Attending: Alan M. – Chair, Lou Ann P. – Secretary, Charlotte D. – Treasurer, Christine B. – PI Chair, Robert G. – RCM Juneau and Alternate RD, Christy W. – Kenai RCM, Anne H. – Golden Heart RCM, Doug P. – Anchorage RCM.

Absent: Cory C. – Vice Chair, Tony L. – RD, Kevin H. – H&I (late arrival?)

Meeting opened with reading of 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts at 2:10 PM.

Robert G. moved to approve previous minutes – seconded by Doug P. All voted in favor of approval.

Agenda – Agenda was approved.

Chair Report – Alan M.

No written report - laptop crashed and burned.

Vice Chair Report – Cory C.

No written report

Secretary – Lou Ann P.

No written report.

Treasurer - Charlotte D.

Deposited Anchorage Area donation and have a print out from Sean. Need key for mailbox. Statement shows \$5362.91 and deposited \$745 from WSO for Yupik translation. \$5 for wire transfer? Outstanding bills paid - \$580 Nome Nugget, AT&T phone bill \$234.

Tony L. - RD – Absent at meeting. Report emailed to secretary.

Nothing to report. Set up regional meeting at convention for 6Pm on Friday for members only and open meeting 2pm to 4 pm on Saturday 10/10/09.

Thanks Tony L.

Christy W. - Kenai RCM – No area meeting in July 2009 and was unable to attend the June 2009 meeting. Kenai Area passed bylaws and Seward present at meetings. New group in Ninilchik – Middle of the Road with 2 members and flyers are being distributed to alert addicts about the new meeting. Phone line is active and PI will meet next week. Printing 500 schedules. Campvention was a great success. Middle of the Road has registered with World.

Anne H. - Golden Heart RCM

Golden Heart Report– Public Relations committee formed, combining PI & H&I subcommittees.

Treatment centers have been bringing their clients to our meetings. Typical meeting attendance ranges from 2 to 20 members.

Noon Meeting, “Out to Lunch Bunch”, has had a major lack of support. We will be contacting home group members to address the issue. If it doesn’t turn around, we need to remove it from the meeting lists and helpline list.

\$100 to Region – Motion passed, will get check to Region before the end of the weekend or will be mailed soon.

ILS, Anne H. anne@annemholte.com, 374-3991

Doug P. - Anchorage RCM –

Lori P. has been elected 2010 Regional Convention Chair. There are 3 new noon meetings in the Valley. Anchorage Area is doing great with strong meetings and lots of support to Area service.

Robert G. - Juneau Area Report, July 2009

Fridays meeting has the following changes. Name change from “Smells like Teen Spirit” to “Dopeless Hopefiends” and meeting time is now 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm Friday same location. Tuesday game is no longer happening, please remove it from the list. Juneau would like to attend the telephonic meeting on Aug 22.

Robert G. - ARD Report July 2009

The Zonal Forums are service-oriented organizational structures designed to improve communication between RSCs. They are not decision-making entities. That being said I believe the crux of our decision if we decide to join a Zonal forum is whether we Want TO help other regions, Or Want help FROM other regions Help would be defined in dollars donated, and active participation in Zonal/Regional events.

Canadian	Western States	Asia Pacific Forum
Primarily eastern Canada	Western US – WA, CA, NV, OR	HI, Aus, to India
Primarily well-established RSC’s.	Primarily well established RSC’s w/some emerging NA-groups/areas/regions	Some Well established RSC’s. Primarily new or un-established Groups/Areas
Annual mtg. \$\$ to attend	Annual mtg. \$ to attend	Annual mtg. \$\$\$\$ to attend

Kevin H. - H&I –

Rally in the Valley great success. Strong desire for recovery. Would like a motion to approve funds for Rally in the Valley 2010.

Spent \$434 on literature that has been sent to ten hospitals and institutions. Would like to request \$500 for additional literature to be sent to other institutions not covered by first distribution. The literature will not be sent to Hiland correctional or Mat-Su pretrial.

Motion: Doug P. moved to authorize \$500 for H&I as requested for DOC and other institutions. Christy W. 2nd. Motion discussed and amended by Doug P. to \$495 for literature and mailings. Christy W. 2nd. Vote – 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstention. Motion passed.

Anchorage Area RCM sent appreciation to Lori P. and Sandy P. for their hard work in organizing Rally in the Valley.

Christine B. – PI Chair called in from New Mexico for a short time.

Web site and web master doing a great job. Please send any corrections, events or other posting to PI chair or web master and we'll get them posted immediately. Use the contacts page on web site and it links to web servant.

No online Beta meeting. Arlene reported that someone in Dillingham would like to start a meeting and they might call Doug P. for information.

Outreach is working on a treatment center mail out. Have a contact in Girdwood who is willing to help with this project. Unity Day event is on the web page akna.org. Jeff B. has a list of treatment centers.

Convention Chair – Arlene L.

Convention less than 80 days away! At the July 13 meeting had all committee chairpersons give preliminary reports on what needs to be done and time line information. We are working through all issues. Meetings August 2 and September 3, plus 1 day before convention. The Sheraton Hotel is the convention headquarters and banners are ready for convention October 9 – 11, 2009. Entertainment made \$106 at the picnic fundraiser held at Jewell Lake Park. Registration forms are ready and a drawing for convention package is being held today at Blow Out for the winner.

Old Business:

Budget –

2009 budget including world donation discussed. Would like budget posted on web site (who has budget)? Christine will post on web site. Region decided to have further

budget discussion after 2009 convention. Waiting until after convention, allows us to have a better understanding of financial outlook in 2010 and beyond.

Discussion ensued about world donation and the contributions from Anchorage Area that had been earmarked for world.

Motion: Doug P. moved to donate \$200 to world. Robert G. seconded motion.
Vote - 4 yes, 0 – no, 0 – abstention. Motion passed and \$200 will be sent to NA World Services.

Zonal forum discussion centered on the 3 zonal forums Canadian, Western States and Asia Pacific. Various aspects were discussed including maturity of forums and what Alaska Region could gain from being apart of that particular forum. It was decided the Asia Pacific forum and the Alaska Region do not have enough in common to consider joining. Cost of attendance at the Asia Pacific forums meeting would be prohibitive and there membership body needs more help than it can give. Canadian forum has some commonality including indigenous population, but they are Canadian and at this time do not include any other regions from outside of Canada. Western States are mature and could possibly help us in development. Cost to attend Western States meetings would be with in Alaska Region's means.

Motion Robert G. moved that Alaska Region join Western States Regional Forum. Christy W. seconded motion. Vote – 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstention.
RCMs to take this motion back to their Area's for a vote before October 2009 Regional meeting.

New Business

2009 Unity Day discussion on what areas might need Regional support for the \$50 cost for a phone line. Anchorage, Golden Heart and Kenai are self-supporting and do not need help from Region. Juneau asked for the \$50 support.

Motion: Robert G. moved for \$50 Unity Day conference line support for Juneau Area. Christy W. 2nd. Vote – 4 yes, 0 no and 0 abstention. Motion passed. Charlotte will send \$ to Robert G.

Next meeting – October 9, 2009 or October 10, 2009. Robert G. is traveling and can only attend if it is on Friday, October 9.

Update on regional meeting per Tony L. RD – October 9, 2009, 6 pm members and October 10 2 – 4 pm open meeting.

Anne H. Motion to close. Meeting adjourned and closed in usual manner at 3:29 pm.