

**AK Regional Meeting  
October 7, 2011**

Attending: Corry C., Robert G., Lou Ann P., Bill W., Anne H., Alan, Kim G., Mandy, Tabby S., Dennis A., Doug P. Ellsworth, Carol K., Arlene, and other interested members

Absent: Tiffany H., Kathy W.

The 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts and Service Prayer read. Minutes approved from August 2011 meeting with PI change noted to Treasurer report.

Chair – Corry C.

This is my last meeting as chair. Thank you for the opportunity to serve and grow. Kathy W. will assume ARSC Chair position at the January 2012 meeting until a vote for the new chair.

Vice Chair - Kathy W. – ARSC vice Chair Report

I apologize for not attending the regional meeting. I have conflicting responsibilities on this weekend. I have spoken with the Treasurer and it is his wish to put in his resignation for his position. I asked him to reconsider but at this time he would prefer not to serve in this capacity.

I was very discouraged at our last regional meeting and how often we needed to reschedule due to lack of participation. I believe that our Areas need to know the importance of conducting business. With only 4 voting members and a 2/3 majority needed for a vote to carry it is imperative that the Areas participate, either the RCM or Alternate RCM or at the very least a proxy that can carry the Area's conscience.

I am willing to continue to serve as the Vice Chair per the guidelines. However, if the fellowship has other ideas for where I would be of better service I am willing to entertain those as well. I hope everybody is having a great time this weekend and am sad to be missing it.

ILS  
Kathy

Treasurer Bill S. – Budget and Checking Account

No report at this time, but will send. I am resigning as Treasurer thank you for giving me the chance to 'almost' serve.

ILS, Bill S.

**Anchorage – Alan M. / Carol K. Pro Temp RCM**

Alan M. has been voted Anchorage Area vice chair and Carol K. was pro temp for this meeting.

Anchorage Area is doing well. We have 23 meetings a week now with two new meetings in the last three months.

Area has come through the financial hardship and is doing well.  
Subcommittees are active and the newsletter is doing well. We are ready to vote.

ILS,  
Carol K.

**Golden Heart Area – Tabby S.**

Meetings in the area are doing well. We've been seeing a lot more activities within the area. This last year as RCM for Goldenheart has been great. There may or may not be a different RCM for Goldenheart due to our area's service terms. If not, it has been a pleasure serving.

ILS,  
Tabby S.

**Juneau Area - Tiffany H.**

We have had campouts and activities. Vote carried by Proxy Kim G.

**Kenai Area – Mandy H.**

Kenai Area is doing great. We are enjoying the convention and are thankful for all the support from everyone. We are ready to vote.

ILS,  
Mandy

**Subcommittee Reports:**

**RD – Robert G.**

I will do my best to attend telephonically, but may be on the road during the meeting. I have been monitoring our Zonal Forum, and the biggest thing coming up is the WSZF meeting in Portland January 27-29 starting at 6 pm on Friday. The main discussion should be about the upcoming Conference Agenda Report(CAR). I believe either Doug or I should attend. WSZF has moved from Google to yahoo groups as of last spring. My research to the cost to go to Portland would be \$1,085 for airfare plus the lodging for the event.

Airfare	\$ 700
Lodging	265
Meals	<u>120</u>
Subtotal	\$1,085

Ils  
Robert

**Alt RD – Doug P.**

My role is to improve communication and sense of community within outlying areas. I'm not yet hooked up with the Zonal Forum. Robert is helping me with that. We need to have a GSR Assembly for the CAR vote this year.

- When do areas want to have the assembly?
- What do the areas want? A regional assembly or area workshops?

I will work on the H&I guidelines.

The new book Living Clean is out in draft. (My home group has copies.) And, the new IP "Social Media and NA is out."

ILS,  
Doug P.

### **Convention Chair – Dennis A.**

Convention is going great! We will find have a final report before the next meeting We are sold out and have had lots of help.

ILS,

Dennis A.

### **Hospitals and Institutions – Vacant – Need nominations**

#### **Public Information – Anne H.**

*(Anne I don't have a report from you, please let me know if there is anything you would like me to add)*

I need the receipt from the School of Addictions and Susan S. will give to Charlotte D.

If any of the areas have a web servant, they can access AKNA.org and update their areas activities and meetings. Please have he/she contact me for access.

The Yupik IP #1 needs to be translated from Yupik to English by two other translators to make sure the meaning and language is correct.

I have given out two starter kits.

ILS,

Anne H.

### **Old Business:**

1. Need nomination Regional Literature – nomination brought by Anchorage – Lou Ann P.
2. Need nomination H&I subcommittee chair –
3. Need to add H&I description in the guidelines – Alan and Doug P. still working on
4. Work shop on IP#28 Self-support – Alan M. still working on
5. Vote for 2012 AK Regional Convention location – Anchorage Area will host – vote 3 for Anchorage, 1 for Fairbanks
6. Nominations for Executive Committee needed –
  - Chair

- Vice Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer

*7. Vote to send \$1500 to NAWS – passed – 4 voted yes – check this*

**New Business:**

- Chair pro temp Charlotte D. as Treasurer
- Chair pro temp Lou Ann P. as Literature chair

Discussion:

- We discussed the charge for children at the Regional Convention. Tabby noted that this was not a common practice and NAWS except for last year in San Diego does not routinely charge for children. The charge at the 2012 World Convention was because of a San Diego ordinance requiring the badge for admittance to the convention center. This needs to be brought to the attention of future convention committees and if there is a charge it might be a very nominal fee to cover the cost of the badge. There was discussion that the guidelines could be changed to reflect this topic.
- Anne H., let everyone know they could designate an Area web servant who would be able to update their respective area's activities. If you have someone who would like to fill this position, please have them contact Anne.

Action: Need nominations for the following vacancies:

- Chair
- Vice Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Literature
- H&I

**Next Regional Meeting January 10, 2012 via teleconference.**

**Remember – If you are a RCM and can't attend, please send someone as your proxy with your report and Area vote. We need to have a quorum to hold the meeting!**