

*Alaska Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous XXVIII  
Meeting Minutes  
January 29, 2012*

Opened 2:07 PM: Serenity Prayer

Reading of the Twelve Traditions: Terri B.

Reading of the Twelve Concepts: D.J.

Roll Call – Rick M

Amendments to the Agenda: Change “Public Information to Convention Information”

Amendments to the Meeting Minutes – None – Catelyn motioned to approve, Lori 2<sup>nd</sup> - approved

### **Executive Committee**

**Chair Report – Rick M.:** Hi Family My Name is Rick and I’m an addict. I have been home not feeling well most of the week and in contact with only a few of you. I am feeling better and on the road to better health. Thank you all for moving forward with your committees. I have heard some good things and I am excited that our subcommittee chairs are getting their committees moving forward. Our Vice Chair Chris M. will be in contact with all of you. Remember he is a great resource and is here to help. At our next meeting I will be presenting a mapped out calendar or time frame of dates, different events and decisions should be made to help us all work together to coordinate and plan the convention. Two very important pieces of information to fall in place is as follows:

1. Hotels present the Convention Committee with several hotel proposals along with their recommendations at our next committee meeting in March.
2. Arts and Graphics have a logo design by April’s meeting.

A lot of our other planning is contingent on our voting in March on a Hotel. I am looking forward to cooking and helping with our first fundraiser on the 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you all for your service. Lets’ have some fun.....ILS Rick M.

**Vice Chair Report – Chris M.:** I regret that I am unable to attend today’s meeting as I am traveling for business on behalf of my employer. Since last week, I have exchanged emails with the Hotel Subcommittee Chairman. I have asked to be informed of the next Hotel Subcommittee meeting date so that I may attend. The Hotel Subcommittee Chair responded that he will inform me of the subcommittee’s meeting schedule when it is developed.

As discussed in last week’s Convention Committee meeting, many group functions are depended upon clear and timely communication regarding the Convention facilities.

I will work with the Hotel Subcommittee to try to ensure that the following goals of the Convention Committee are met at next month’s meeting:

1. Three or more of the top hotel and/or convention center offers be presented to the Convention Committee, including price and brief overview of each offer's pros and cons.
2. The Hotel Subcommittee identifies which offer is recommended be accepted by the Convention Committee, and the basis for its recommendation.

In addition, I have been in communication with the Treasurer, who has provided me with reports and historical data from past conventions. I have this information available to share with all Subcommittee Chairs at their request. ILS Chris M.

**Secretary – Kathy W.:** Reminder that email will be the method of distribution of meeting minutes and agendas. Please email me written reports or hand me a written report at every meeting. Sign in sheet going around. This sign in sheet will be used to verify attendance for voting purposes.

**Treasurer – Terri B.:** I have not met with the out-going treasurer but have a meeting setup with him this week. I have am sending out a financial report for all sub-committee chairs. Please use them and let me know if you have any questions. (It is an attachment to these minutes.)

## **Sub-Committee Reports**

**Entertainment & Fundraising: Catelyn S. –** We are on schedule with everything for the February 10 event. We are asking for a budget of \$300.00 for this event. We have locked in March 10 for a Comedy show Adult Game Night and we are asking for a budget of \$300.00 for this event for a total of \$600.00 for two events. We are excited and energetic for the service opportunity. We are meeting every Sunday at 12 at 1108 East Northern Lights Blvd, Suite C. All are welcome. Flyers for the comedy show will be ready and available at the February 10 event. Thanks, ILS Us.

**Hotels and Hospitality: Tony L. -** First meeting is 2/4/2012 Saturday after “Walk Your Talk” 1:00 pm Church at 27th and LaTouche St. All welcome.

**Convention Information: Isaac H. -** Wednesdays @830 at Crosspoint church chair-Isaac co-chair- Brendan Secretary-norm. Akeela house has been notified of the fundraiser also We have a excellent contacts at Akeela & Alaskan human resources we have graduates at both institutions we will be contacting the other treatment centers this week

**Registration: Charlotte D. -** First meeting is Wednesday February 1 at 7pm at Kaladi Brother on Brayton Drive. We will be meeting first and third Wednesdays of the month. I have been speaking with previous committee members regarding budget.

**Arts & Graphics: Dave L. -** Absent - no report

**Programming: Lori H. –** What is the Roman numeral for this convention? Can we get a list of contact numbers/email for ARCNA committee members handed out? Ok, we met Saturday. Great turn out thanks to those who showed up! I think we have a great variety of members in this group to insure we get a variety of opinions and interests considered. We read the

programming info out of the guidelines and I made a list from that of what we need to do. We will meet again March 3, 2012 at 11:15 at Crosspoint Church. I want to invite anyone to come and be part of. We still need to iron out the P.O. Box info and then we can start putting the word out there that we are looking for CDs. Further in the year we will come up with a budget that will include speaker travel expenses, conference call fees for main speaker meetings patched to institutions, recording/ reproduction of speaker meetings & workshops, ect...

We also decided to reach to the fellowship as a whole via Never Alone newsletter, AKNA.org, Anchorage Area home groups and ask them for workshop topic ideas. We will also work with Fundraising and Entertainment to get a suggestion box at the ARCNA fundraising events. To ensure we are making this an event, for US by US!

I did suggest we help out other committees such as convention info while we wait to get busy. I talked with Dennis from Kenai regarding all the left over convention stuff like signage, merchandise, office supplies, cds, readings ect...He is planning to come into town mid-February some time and I will hook up with him to get that stuff off his hands. ILS Lori H.

**Merchandise: Tami M** - We will be having merchandise committee meetings the last Sunday of each month from 2-3 pm at Village Inn on Northern Lights. We look forward to working with the other subcommittees. ILS Tami M.

### **Old Business:**

1. None

### **New Business**

1. P.O. Box

### **Questions/Comments:**

1. Catelyn asked in anybody had a set of extra readings. Lori did
2. Catelyn asked the Arts & Graphics committee if they would be voting at an event. Discussion followed and the theme and logo will be voted on at the convention committee.
3. Lori questioned the Arts & Graphics committee what their plan was. Rob informed the committee that they have not had a meeting yet and did not have details. Rick requested that he step out of the room, call the chair, and ask for details.
4. Rick questioned Tony on how often they would be meeting. Tony informed the committee once they had their first meeting he would let everybody know the meeting schedule.
5. Catelyn asked when she could get her budget. Terri told her that as soon as she got the checkbook from the past treasurer she would get her the money.
6. Terri reminded everybody that the nitpicking at each other needed to stop. We were here to have fun and if we could not have fun then we should not be serving on the committee.

**Announcements:**

1. Next Meeting March 4 @ 2:00pm @ Peggy's
2. Fundraiser – February 10, 2012 Flyer is attached
3. Adult Game Night – March 10, 2012
4. Please bus your own dishes

Motion to close by Brendan at 2:37pm.