

NWA AREA OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS - AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE

May 8, 2021

** NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR ALL POSITIONS (CLEAN TIME REQUIRED) **

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| ASC Chair (2 years) | RCM (3 years) |
| ASC Vice Chair (2 years) | RCM Alt (2 years) |
| ASC Treasurer (3 years) | ASC Activities Chair (2 years) |
| ASC Treasurer-in-Training (2 years) | ASC HIPPR Chair (2 years) |
| ASC Secretary (1 year) | ASC Web Chair (2 years) |

General Business began at 1:45 PM (Therapeutic Value Women's meeting hosting)

Open with Serenity Prayer

Reading of 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts, Purpose of the ASC

<p>Trusted Servant Roll Call:</p> <p><u>Present:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vice Chair - Alicia A.• Secretary - Doralene D.• HIPPR - Jennifer G/Janis W• RCM - Chuck B <p><u>Absent:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Activities/BRU - Laurel B• 2021 Convention Host Liaison <p><u>Vacant:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chair• Treasurer• Treasurer in Training• Activities Chair• RCM Alt• Web	<p>Group Roll Call: <i>Quorum Met</i></p> <p><u>Present:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coffee Pot NA Meeting (Peaches S) *Doralene• Livin Clean (Jack H./Todd M.) Scott G.• New Beginnings/ Yardbirds (Marc S)• New Life (Jennifer G., JW)• Peaceful Dozen (Mark B)• Second Chance (Ken) <p><u>Absent:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Final Frontier (Laurel B)• Peace Out West (Chris/Bri)• Therapeutic Value (Karen S/Janet W)
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Secretary Report: Doralene read minutes and they were accepted without objection.

Treasurer's Report: Opening Balance given by Alicia. Opening balance is \$2074.08

GSR Reports: Report submitted and attached.

RCM: The RSC met in Fort Smith this past Saturday.

- We discussed the 1st 9 items for feedback from Policy and Procedures. Most of the areas did not oppose any of the suggestions. The next 8 discussion items will be sent back in the minutes to review and submit feedback (see below).

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Items #10 - #17 to discuss with groups and bring feedback to next ASC

10. Some financial inconsistencies: We currently set a budget for the year and some of those expenses are higher than \$250 yet we have a Policy that states that "all" motions dealing with amounts over \$250" will be referred to Areas "except for RD and RDA travel". Since Areas already approved the budget, should this read: "All motions dealing with amounts over \$250 that are not already approved in the Budget will be referred to Areas".
11. We agreed to move to a one-day meeting for Region but much of the wording in some sections of the guidelines still refer to a two-day meeting. Since conscience has already approved a one-day meeting, do we need motions to revise these sections of the guidelines and policies or can we just update them without requiring another conscience vote?
12. Shouldn't the per diem for RD/RDA travel be based on the Guide to World Service rather than the GSA website? It's not really an endorsement of an outside enterprise but we do have a fellowship guide for per diem in the Guide to World Service.
13. We might want to reconsider rewording a section of our Voting Procedure which states: "Once an issue has been voted on, it shall not be brought up again for vote for at least 2 consecutive RSC meetings". Maybe we should add: "unless new information has come to light that has not been heard before. The Chairperson can rule if the information warrants reopening an issue. The Chairperson's decision can be challenged by a 2/3rd majority."
14. The Policy committee is tasked with reviewing all new motions at this table. Actually, it says that we are to review motions on Saturday for Sunday meeting, which is a change that needs to be made. But our question about this motion is more about which motions should be reviewed: all motions or just those that change guidelines and policies? Or is this subcommittee tasked to review all motions to see how they might affect G&P's? Currently, from our experience, this has not been our procedure.
15. We believe that no one's name should be recorded in our G&P's. For example, our policies state that we hire a certain person to do our website and that we pay them \$15. A true policy might read: The Website chairperson may hire an outside worker to maintain the website and advise the treasurer and the RSC of the costs during our budget deliberations. Furthermore, recording of payments and who is paid should be done in the Treasurer's report. No names or business names need be recorded in the G&P. This prevents us having to change the G&P if we change outside worker(s).
16. This brings us to our next point about some of the policies. In a few places we refer to addresses and people that we send funds to for Zone and/or mailings. These shouldn't be in our policies but rather we should have a "living" document that is updated by the secretary and shared with the executive committee. This document would have logins, passwords, addresses, who we mail funds to for Zonal donations, bank information, etc. This would be a password protected document and the password could be changed when Trusted Servants rotate. This serves two purposes: one, we don't need to update the policies everytime this changes, and two, we will have easier access to all pertinent information in one document.
17. We were also wondering why there are a few things missing from our G&P. These are mostly policies/procedures, best practices if you want, for some of the tasks we are asked to complete on a semi regular basis. Here is a quick list of Appendixes that we feel should be added to our Policies:
 - a. Communication Policy

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- b. Audit Policy
- c. Archiving Policy
- d. Convention Money management policy

- Motion passed to have mail delivered to the Treasurer instead of Secretary.
- The ad hoc committee for strategic planning is setting goals based on feedback from survey. Will meet at 9AM before the Regional Meeting in August in Harrison at the A.W.O.L group. You can still fill out the survey online at <https://forms.gle/jLFJFbjUwJJeZq4L7>.
- The BMLT is live on our website and we have a new BMLT coordinator position that will maintain and update meetings in that database which will make changes available more quickly across multiple places that pull from that information.
- The Regional Convention has a fundraiser being hosted by NWAS scheduled at Peaceful Dozen on May 22nd from 12p - 5p. Please come support.
- There was a question asked by one Area regarding whether or not merchandise by NA "vendors" should be allowed to sell merchandise in their homegroup FB groups. It was agreed that NA groups who allow one vendor then open the door to others treating that group like a place to sale goods which then distracts from the primary purpose. This brought up a discussion about whether flyers for events should include vendor names if they are going to be set up at the event. There were differing opinions on whether this violated traditions or not; some felt that it was purely information and others felt it was endorsement and at most only the info that a vendor would be available should be included without a name.
- Nominations for all RSC positions except RD and RDA were opened and the following positions still need to receive nominations: **Vice Chair, Secretary, Secretary in Training, Treasurer in Training, HIPR, Literature Review, Phonenumber, and Outreach.**
- Nominations were closed on the following and need to be voted on:

Nomination for RSC Chair: Joseph

YES _____

NO _____

ABSTAIN _____

Nomination for RSC Treasurer: Alicia A.

YES _____

NO _____

ABSTAIN _____

Nomination for RSC Policy and Procedures Chair: Marc S.

YES _____

NO _____

ABSTAIN _____

Nomination for RSC BMLT Coordinator: Jacob

YES _____

NO _____

ABSTAIN _____

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SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities: Laurel (BRU) - No written report submitted. All speakers have been selected. Groups also asked to donate water/soda/desserts to BRU.

HIPPR: Jennifer/Janis - Report submitted and attached.

Web: Alicia - Changes have been to the website, several events have been added to the website. The only change is on the meeting list page. The BMLT search tool has been added. Is New Attitudes still meeting? Roger will find out and get back to Alicia.

2021 Arkansas Regional Convention Host Committee- Alicia- Our Convention Host Liaison has resigned and the committee has selected a new person, Janet W. The area is hosting a fundraiser for the convention on May 22nd at Peaceful Dozen in Rogers, AR (flyer says Springdale, please correct on your copy if shared). We are having an ice cream social "double scoop" speaker(s). Have flyer (see attached)

- **Next 2021 NA Convention Committee Meeting will be June 5th, 2021 at 10:00AM**

Zoom Meeting: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85030209259?pwd=c0Fxl0J0RkxRTHo3aFoxUUcxZmFsUT09>

Meeting ID: 850 3020 9259

Password: ARSCNA

Guidelines Committee Ad Hoc: Alicia - Has not met, will be posting meeting time on-line before the next ASC meeting in June.

Ad Hoc Redress Sub-Committee: Have not had a chance to meet since Ad Hoc formed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion #1

Policy Change: Yes

Motion Maker: Ken F.

Motion 2nd: Chuck B.

Motion: NWAASC Activities Subcommittee bank account should only have signers on the account to include:

1. Any trusted servants on the main account
2. Activities Chair

Intent: to create a guideline to outline exactly who should be responsible and accountable for NWAASC money. Currently this is not defined at all in our guidelines.

Policy Affected: Article X: Financial

****Chair, Vice-Chair, RCM, and Treasurer currently are signers on the main account. Motion would add Activities Chair for the Activities Account. **MOTION PASSED WITHOUT OPPOSITION****

OPEN SHARE DISCUSSION: Discussed creating a budget for the convention fundraiser on 5/22.

MONEY MOTIONS/ TREASURER REQUESTS:

Motion #1

Policy Change: Yes

Motion Maker: Mark

Motion 2nd: Jennifer G

Motion: To donate \$300 to Area Fundraiser for Convention

****MOTION PASSED WITHOUT OPPOSITION****

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NEW BUSINESS: NONE

NOMINATIONS/ELECTIONS: NONE - ALL nomination will be open in June

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 6/5/21: NEW LIFE is hosting their Annual Speaker Jam in Walker Park Fayetteville (pavilion/splash pad) - 11-6 Flyer Attached
- 6/25/21-6/27/21, 2021 BEAVER ROUND UP 2021 on site registration will be \$45, registration without a shirt is \$15
- 8/14/21: LIVIN' CLEAN hosting Chicken Cookoff at Hickory Creek - speakers Tommy M from KC and Jennifer L from Fort Smith - volleyball and horseshoes. 10AM-10PM
- 11/2021: 2023 Arkansas Regional Convention Bids will be accepted at the RSC meeting
- R.A.W. (Recovery at Work) group meets Wed at noon; Peer Support Center in Rogers - Same location as Therapeutic Value.
- Therapeutic Value no longer meets on Zoom
- New Beginnings/Yarbirds Thursday meeting will resume in person at Park Springs Park in Bentonville

ACCOUNT BALANCE:

Beginning Balance	\$2074.08
Expenses	- \$300.00
Donations	<u>+ \$200.00</u>
Subtotal	\$1974.08
Prudent Reserve	<u>- \$1326.91</u>
Working Balance	\$647.17
15% RSC Donation	<u>- \$97.08</u>
	\$555.09
Prudent Reserve	<u>+ \$1326.91</u>
Ending Balance	\$1877.00

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 PM and closed with the Third Step Prayer.

Next Area Business Meeting: June 12th at 1:30PM (location Coffee Pot Group of NA in Eureka Springs)

ATTACHMENTS:

GSR Reports
Activities Report
HIPPR Report
Contact List
Flyers
Guideline Addendum

**NORTHWEST ARKANSAS AREA OF N.A.
GROUP SERVICE REP. REPORT TO A.S.C.**

Date: 5/8/21
 Group Name: Coffee Pot Group of NA
 GSR Name: Peaches S.
 GSR Alt Name: Abby S.

Donation to ASC \$200⁰⁰ Check number electronic Date TBD

Meeting List

	Place	Time	Type
Sunday	N/A		
Monday	Tower Picnic Tables	5:30pm	OD
Tuesday	"	"	"
Wednesday	"	"	" spiritual
Thursday	"	"	"
Friday	Coffee Pot NA	5:30pm	Step 1,2,3
Saturday	Coffee Pot NA	4:00pm	OD
Total Meetings	67 74	Total # of people 492	Total # of new people 17

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Activities report: N/A

Changes in group trusted servants: N/A

Positive experiences your group would like to share:
 Continued growth and clear NA message

Any concerns or problems your group is experiencing?
 Lost a few slots at Clubhouse due to other group returning. Meeting outside M-Th.

Any upcoming birthdays?
 Unknown at this time

**NORTHWEST ARKANSAS AREA OF N.A.
GROUP SERVICE REP. REPORT TO A.S.C.**

Date: 5/8/21
Group Name: LEWIS CLEAN
GSR Name: JACK
GSR Alt Name: SCOTT

Donation to ASC	N/A	Check number	—	Date	—
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Meeting List			
	Place	Time	Type
Sunday	↓		
Monday			
Tuesday		8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	OPEN
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday			
Saturday		↓	
Total Meetings	EVERYDAY	Total # of people	450
		Total # of new people	20

Activities report:
CHICKEN COOKOFF 8/14 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM
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Changes in group trusted servants:
— BUSINESS CHAIR (OPEN)
Positive experiences your group would like to share:
— WE CONTINUE TO SEE SUPPORT & NEWCOMERS a. Heur dance
Any concerns or problems your group is experiencing?
NOT AVAILABLE
Any upcoming birthdays?
NOT AVAILABLE

**NORTHWEST ARKANSAS AREA OF N.A.
GROUP SERVICE REP. REPORT TO A.S.C.**

Date: 5-8-21
Group Name: New Life
GSR Name: Jennifer G
GSR Alt Name: JW

Donation to ASC	Check number	Date
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Meeting List

	Place	Time	Type
Sunday	568 W. Syracuse	1pm	0
Monday		noon	0
Tuesday		7pm	0
Wednesday		noon	0
Thursday		7pm	0
Friday		noon & 10pm	0
Saturday		10pm	0
Total Meetings		35	Total # of people 255

Activities report: Speaker Jam June 5th Walker Park 11-6
Changes in group trusted servants: None
Positive experiences your group would like to share: Growing
Any concerns or problems your group is experiencing? None @ this time
Any upcoming birthdays?

**NORTHWEST ARKANSAS AREA OF N.A.
GROUP SERVICE REP. REPORT TO A.S.C.**

Date: <u>5-8-2021</u>
Group Name: <u>Peaceful Dozen</u>
GSR Name: <u>Mark B.</u>
GSR Alt Name: <u>Vacant</u>

Donation to ASC \$ <u>50</u>	Check number <u>1476</u>	Date <u>5-8-21</u>
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Meeting List

	Place	Time	Type
Sunday	<u>St. Andrews on oak st.</u>	<u>6 p.m.</u>	<u>Open</u>
Monday	<u>in Rogers</u>	<u>6:30 p.m.</u>	<u>Book Study</u>
Tuesday			
Wednesday		<u>6:30 p.m.</u>	<u>Open</u>
Thursday			
Friday		<u>6:30 p.m.</u>	<u>Open</u>
Saturday		<u>6:30 p.m.</u>	<u>Open</u>
Total Meetings	<u>25</u>	Total # of people	<u>777</u>
		Total # of new people	<u>2</u>

Activities report: <u>None, family day in June Not sure what date for swe.</u>
Changes in group trusted servants: <u>Literature is stephanie</u>
Positive experiences your group would like to share: <u>Lot of new Faces</u>
Any concerns or problems your group is experiencing? <u>None</u>
Any upcoming birthdays? <u>Mark B. 1 yr 5-10-21</u>

**NORTHWEST ARKANSAS AREA OF N.A.
GROUP SERVICE REP. REPORT TO A.S.C.**

Date:
Group Name: RETURNING HOME - SECOND CHANCE GROUP
GSR Name: BRENDA S
GSR Alt Name: KEN F.

Donation to ASC	—	Check number	—	Date	—
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Meeting List			
	Place	Time	Type
Sunday			
Monday			
Tuesday			
Wednesday	RETURNING HOME CENTER	9:00 AM	open.
Thursday			
Friday			
Saturday			
Total Meetings	Total # of people	Total # of new people	

Activities report: —
Changes in group trusted servants: —
Positive experiences your group would like to share:
CARRYING THE MESSAGE TO GUYS IN WATFWAY HOUSE
Any concerns or problems your group is experiencing?
Any upcoming birthdays?

Hippr report to ASC

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So we had a rough start for Eagle Crest but we did it, there have been 2 H&I meetings so far, it is set on Weds from 6:30 to 7:30 we are coreently working on getting in Trusef as well

Also I attempted to a book to the jail I now know how to do this Thank you Alicia.

I recieved some IPs however I didn't get an inventory sorry, I'll get inventory before the next ASC

Thank you

Jennifer A

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NWAANA SERVICE COMMITTEE - MOTION TO ASC

DATE: 5-8-21
MAKER OF MOTION: Mark B.
MOTION 2ND: Jenifer

MOTION # _____
POLICY CHANGE: YES / NO

MOTION: To donate \$300 for the Area fundraiser

INTENT: To supply area fundraiser for Region

POLICY AFFECTED: None
FINANCIAL IMPACT: \$300.00

OUTCOME:	PASSED	FAILED	TABLED	REFERRED TO:
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SPEAKER JAM

Hosted by
Narcotics Anonymous
&
New Life Group

Raffle
Auction
50/50

Balloon Release
in memory
of those we have lost

Speakers:

Kelvin J., Joplin, MO

Bonnie S., Little Rock, AR

Steve H., Grove, OK

Dessert
Bake-Off
Contest

T-Shirts
\$20

Saturday, June 5th

11 am-6 pm

Hamburgers & Hot Dogs will be provided,

Please bring your own drinks

A side dish or dessert is requested, but not required.

\$5 donation (no addict turned away)

For questions:

Gretta S. 479-287-9153

Jennifer G. 479-790-3335



Walker Park

10 W 15th Street

Fayetteville, Arkansas