

**Big Bend Area Service Minutes
October 14, 2007**

1. Open Meeting 3:00pm

Serenity Prayer, 12 Concepts, Definition of ASC, Service Prayer

2. Roll Call:

Admin Committee:

Chair	Jim H	P
V Chair	Steve C	P
RCM I	Heath A	P
RCM II	Al H	P
Secretary	Mike P	A
Treasurer	Peter W	P

Subcommittees:

Activities	Lakey	P
Literature	Stephanie G	P
Convention	Allen B	A
PI	Rod C	P
Helpline		V
H&I	Frank R	A

Ad hoc committee

web pg devel	Rod C	P
policy update	Jim H	P
new meeting schedule	Lakey	P

Groups

GSR's

Get A Life	Necie P	P
Get Real Or Die	Tim D	P
Journey In Recovery	David D	P
Lake Ella	John P	P
Living A Miracle	Gena	P
Living With Hope	Vernon H	P
REM/MWB Revealed	Eric C	A
Southside	Leonard G	P
Square Pegs	Jeff J	P
Time To Come Clean	Loris V	P
Together We Can	Connie T	P
We Do Recover	Kevin D	P
Youth In Recovery	Dylan B	A

3. Motion to accept previous minutes

4. Reports / Admin committee

RCM I

10-10-07

Greetings Area Family,

Last month's Regional Service Conference was held in the Space Coast area. This was Al's and my first trip together and we had a blast.

Fellowship Development Sub-committee passed out a form asking about what kind of meetings, where and who. I answered the questions to the best of my ability and put Rod C as a contact for any additional questions (Remember, this was my first Regional as RCM). Fellowship Development is tinkering with the idea of a Regional FD Learning Day.

H&I

We talked about H&I stuff. I did not give out the Pen Pal names and numbers that we did at the last area. There was too much confusion on who would be getting the addresses and how they would be passed out to the inmates, more will be revealed later. It is important that I have a report to give to the H&I subcommittee, so that I don't screw up the information.

I did not attend the Helpline Subcommittee Meeting, but from Jim H report, all is well! There was also a Public relations Subcommittee, which I was unable to attend, but our PI chair sent a report.

Now, let's get down to business. The Treasury Chair reported that all money was reclaimed to its accounts.

Ad-Hoc on Proposed Service Restructure

We had 25 forms filled out and that was second only to Palm Coast, who had 50. We can do more GSRs. Please ask your home group members to fill out the form and bring during the next area. We are doing a great job and can do even more.

There was a meeting on insurance for the Florida Region of NA and Al will tell you all about that.

Heath A.
RCM

RCM II

Discussed group liability insurance

Secretary

October 14, 2007

Greetings Area

Excuse my absence as I have previous family commitments. I have asked the area administrative committee to please stand in and take minutes.

The previous months minutes are available to you as well as the literature report forms.

See you next area

Treasurer

BIG BEND AREA SERVICE TREASURER'S		REPORTS	ASC MEETING			
Oct 14th for Nov 11th 07						
Prudent Res	\$600.00		Bal Forward	Ending Bal		
			\$1,225.92	\$949.17		
Groups		Credits	Debits	Check Written	LIT Allot	
Together We Can		\$10.00				
Southside		\$16.48				
Time to Come Clean		\$52.00				
Living a Miracle		\$131.20				
Get Real or Die \$115.60		\$85.07				
Journey in Recovery		\$13.00				
Square Pegs		\$113.00				
Get a Life 18.00		\$20.00				
REM		\$209.00				
Literature		\$355.61				
Deposit					1089.48	
Task			\$25.00	ck1660		
Postmaster			\$68.00	ck1658		
Secretary Reimustment			\$24.08	ck1659		
Void			\$0.00	ck1655		
Total FRSO (Lit Order)			\$550.61	ck1662		
Embarq White Pages			\$3.56	ck1656		
Embarq Yellow Pages			\$32.25	ck1657		
Meeting sech.&policy			\$97.33	ck1661		

H&I					\$100.00	
PI					\$95.00	
	RSC DONATION		\$480.45			
	TOTAL	\$1,005.36	\$1,281.28			
	Regional reserve					
Res Funds						
	RCM	Graylink	Mtg schedules	P O Box fees	TOTAL	Res. Temp
Sept. 10th 07	\$100.00	\$22.00	\$100.00	\$30.00	\$252.00	
Oct. 14th 07	\$200.00	\$44.00	\$100.00	\$6.00	\$350.00	

Reports / Subcommittees

Public Information

Public Information Subcommittee Report
2007

October 14,

Greetings, Big Bend Area Family-

The PI subcommittee held a meeting Thursday, October 9, at the Village Inn Restaurant on Lonnbldh Rd. 4 Subcommittee members were in attendance.

In our first order of business, we agreed to hold the monthly PI meetings on the 1st Thursday of every month at 6:00PM at the same Village Inn. Jeff J. was given this information so that it may be added to the Area meeting schedule.

Our literature distribution efforts have increased and will do so even more in the next few weeks. With information that I was given at the last ASC, we located 2 literature racks that we were not servicing, at the Leon County Courthouse probation office, and at the TASC reception area. Those have been stocked with new literature, which brings us to a total of 5 in Leon County, 4 in Taylor County, and 2 new racks that we ordered last month, to be placed in the Wakulla County Courthouse and the Gadsden St. probation office. There is a possibility that our \$95.00 monthly allotment may not be enough to keep all of the locations full, but we should have more info on that by next month.

On September 18th, Ray G and I paid a visit to the Florida State University Thaggard Health Center, where we met with Amy Magnunsen, Director of Health Promotions, and Dan Moore, a substance abuse educator in the same department. Our ½ hour appointment went nearly an hour, and was very productive and educational. We shared information about Narcotics Anonymous, and what we have to offer to the FSU community, and we

also learned a lot from them about how we can get our message to their clientele. I followed up with e-mail thank you's last week, and we began steps to implement some ideas that we had generated at our meeting. Some of the ways that we were able to work together include: the posting of an NA link in the substance abuse area of the Thaggard web page; Dan has requested electronic copies of our schedules, so that he can print them and give them out as needed; we have been invited to participate with the Health Center at their table in the Wednesday student union market; and last week Amy e-mailed me with an invitation to participate in the FSU health fair on Nov. 28th, which we have accepted. We also received a number of referrals to talk with other professionals at places like the FSU counseling center and the Psychology clinic. Amy and Dan gave us permission to include them in our permanent PI contact list, and we feel that we can continue an ongoing and productive relationship with the Health Promotions Dept. at FSU.

On another front, we have been working to get our televised PSA's back on the air, and expand to other stations that we have not worked with before. David D. has been the point man on this, and we have delivered copies of the PSA's that we purchased last year to all of the local network affiliates. We don't have any being aired as of yet, but will be making some calls this week to try and set up meetings to press for some air time. David has supplied me with the contact information for the appropriate people at each of the stations, and we hope to add them to our contact list and forge a relationship with them as well.

At the request of, and in cooperation with the Journey in Recovery group, the PI subcommittee will hold an event to distribute informational flyers in Wakulla County on Saturday, November 10th, at 2:00 Pm. We will meet at the Crawfordville downtown park at that time, have a short PI training session, and spread out to deliver flyers throughout the county. We need around 8-10 people, so please come out and learn a little, have some fun and fellowship, and help spread the NA message.

One of our goals for this year is to create a permanent contact list, a database of people that we have talked to or met with, who have or may be able to help us further our goals of spreading the NA message. We want to begin to build continuing relationships with people and institutions, and maintain communication and cooperation. This contact list will become part of an ongoing effort of the PI subcommittee to dialogue and interact with the larger Big Bend community, thus enabling us to build and maintain the vital connections that will allow us to reach the addict who still suffers. As you hear about our projects in the coming months, please help us with any personal contacts or referrals that you feel may help. It is important that we begin to establish a network exclusive of our individual connections, that belongs to Big Bend NA.

In addition, we are going to be working on many other projects in the coming months, and will report on these as progress is made. If you want to help us further the message, we have a place and definitely a role for you on the PI subcommittee. Come out and join us!

In Loving Service, Rod C.

Activities

Area Service Committee- October 2007

Activities Subcommittee
ASC Report

Dear Family,

The activities subcommittee has been so busy meeting at least two times a week on both weekend days and sometimes during the weeknights that it decided not to hold the cook out for September. There has been much fellowshiping and creativity surrounding the recovery oriented play, which the activities subcommittee is hosting on November 3rd at 7:00 at 3333 West Pensacola Street. Food will be served and all money collected at the play that exceeds expenses will be donated to Area Service at the November area service meeting.

As well, since the Lake Ella group jumped ahead on hosting a costume/dance event for Halloween the activities subcommittee has decided to donate its service in support of this event for the month of October and will not be asking for its allotment for October at this time.

Thank you for all your support and please spread the message about the upcoming play on November 3rd. Your Big Bend Area NA members have put quite a bit of energy into this activity as a fun learning experience for all to enjoy – please encourage all your home group members to come find a New Way to “Play” in NA. Thanks for letting me serve in this light.

In peace, hope, and change,

Lakey

Literature

Date: October 14, 2007

Location: Dew Drop Inn, Apalachee Parkway

Time: 11:00 am

Prepared By: Stephanie G.

The B.B.A.S.C. – Literature Sub-committee met from 11:00-11:45 am

There were four addicts in attendance. We counted, stamped and added the new literature to the existing inventory.

Our total literature order for October is: \$550.61

**In Loving Service,
Stephanie G.**

Convention

No report submitted

Helpline

Vacant

Hospitals & Institutions

No report submitted

Ad Hoc: Web page development

October 14, 2007 Ad-hoc Committee for Web Page Development Report

Greetings, Big Bend Area Family-

The committee met on Sept. 23, with 7 addicts present. We evaluated and made some last changes to the Web page structure, and made plans to complete the design and present it at ASC today. However, we have not yet completed the changes, and will need one more month. Our plan is to have another committee meeting this month, approve the design, present it next area, then have a presentation meeting for all addicts of the Big Bend to come and provide their input. This was originally to be on Nov. 4, but we now have to reschedule. The finished product is going to be worth the wait.

In loving service, Rod C.

Ad Hoc: Policy Update

Ad Hoc: New Meeting Schedule

Reports / Groups

Get A Life

No report

Get Real Or Die

Meetings going well. Temporarily meeting at Temple Israel until further notice. New group member Peter W Thurs Nov 1, 8yrs.

Journey In Recovery

No report

Lake Ella

We have moved back to Lake Ella. We would like to restart a birthday meeting the last Sunday of each month starting in November. This would be a meeting allowing all members in the Big Bend Area having a birthday that month to briefly (to make time for everyone) share on their past year of recovery. October birthdays: Yolanda 7yrs; Ray 5yrs. November birthdays: Frank R 22yrs; Linda D 21yrs; Jennifer P 7yrs; Alan B 7yrs; John P 1yr. Halloween dance October 27th at Lk Ella. Sunday Oct 21st meeting will be at 10am-11:30 only because of a schedule conflict.

Living A Miracle

New Location: 603 N MLKing Ave (old TASC Bldg/corner of Georgia and N MLKing)
Please inform all necessary.

Living With Hope

Living with Hope will resume its meetings on **Fridays 6:30p-7:30p. 2700 Municipal Way** (across from the sheriff's department).

REM / MWB Revealed

No report

Southside

Attendance and participation is good. All is going well.

Square Pegs

All is well, attendance is good, group is growing. Jeff J 1yr November 12

Time To Come Clean

Meeting is wonderful. Regular attendance

Together We Can

No announcements

We Do Recover

Group is going well. Need more people to show up for literature study.

Youth In Recovery

No report

5. Open Sharing Session

Talked about behavior outside groups

6. Nominations / elections

7. Old Business

New copies policy passed out to area members

Lakey Activities: Discussion re subcommittee meetings at homes; re other activities such as canoeing, etc

Motion 2007- #26: To amend the policy that no subcommittee chair have meeting in home be taken out of area policy (refer policy pg 29-30; item #6) Tabled to groups.

Vote: (1-6-1) motion defeated

8. New Business

Dissolve policy and schedule ad hoc committees

Discussion re world survey

Vice chair now single point of accountability for Helpline

9. Final Reports

Literature: (see Literature report)

Treasurer: (see Treasury report)

No checks for group donations

Adjourn