

**Big Bend Area Service Minutes
July 13, 2008**

1. Open Meeting 3:02pm

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

2. Roll Call:

Admin Committee:

Chair	Jim H	P
V Chair	Steve C	A
Secretary	Mike P	P
Treasurer	Connie S	P
RCM I	Heath A	P
RCM II	Al H	P
Web Page	Chris H	A

Subcommittees:

Activities	Garett K	A
Convention	Allen B	A
H&I	Frank R	A
Helpline	Linda D	A
PI	vacant	
Literature	Stephanie G	P

Ad hoc committee

Policy	Heath A	P
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Groups

GSR's

Get A Life	Necie P	A
Get Real Or Die	Kevan M	P
Journey In Recovery	Robert O	P
Lake Ella	Matt B	P
Living A Miracle	Gena G	P
Living With Hope	Vernon H	P
REM/MWB Revealed	Carl N	P
Southside	Teresa C	P
Square Pegs	Jeff J	P
Time To Come Clean	Loris V	A
Together We Can	Connie T	P
We Do Recover	Kevin D	A
Youth In Recovery	Ralph H	P

3. Motion to accept previous minutes (Lk Ella; 2nd Sq Pegs)

4. Reports / Admin committee

RCM I

RCM II

Secretary

July 13, 2008

Greetings Big Bend Area

Copies of June 8 minutes as well as new literature order forms are available to all GSR's and interested parties here today. Please note the new literature order forms include price changes.

As we begin the business of NA in the Big Bend Area today, I'd like everyone to keep our priorities in mind. As we consider nominations made or consider ourselves to be nominated to the various service positions, the policy guidelines were adopted in order to get qualified individuals to fulfill our needs. The business of this area will be completed whether we can fill all of these positions or not. To simply fill a position in order to facilitate the business of this area is contrary to good practice. In fact, it may threaten the safety of those people placed in those positions. Please keep in mind our policies are in place to provide effective leadership and to conduct our business as efficiently as possible; but this should be secondary to any one addict's safety.

This area has definitely matured while I have been privileged to serve as secretary. We have new faces and new opportunities to bring the message of hope to the Big Bend Area. I am excited to see who will take over the awesome responsibility of service to this area's addicts.

In loving service,
Mike P

Treasurer

ITEM	DATE	DESCRIPTION	W/DRAWAL	DEPOSIT	BALANCE
		Statement Balance 6/11/08			\$1,749.50
		Checks Outstanding Apr-June 2008:			
CK 1706	4/13/08	Line One Comm. - Helpline - May	\$57.00		\$1,692.50
CK 1708	5/4/08	FRSO Lit. order	\$225.92		\$1,466.58
CK 1712	5/4/08	Embarq - White Pages	\$3.56		\$1,463.02
CK 1713	5/4/08	Rod - PI	\$50.00		\$1,413.02
CK 1716	5/4/08	DISC Village - BBAS Room Donation	\$25.00		\$1,388.02
CK 1715	6/8/08	DISC Village - BBAS Room Donation	\$25.00		\$1,363.02
CK 1717	6/8/08	Mike - BBAS Copying	\$31.90		\$1,331.12

CK 1718	6/8/08	Frank - Sub-Comm. Lrn. Day	\$20.00	\$1,311.12
CK 1719	6/8/08	Gray Link - pagers	\$85.80	\$1,225.32
CK 1720	6/8/08	FRSO Lit. order	\$556.73	\$668.59
		Donations:		
Donation	7/13/08	Get a Life	\$0.00	\$668.59
Donation	7/13/08	Get Real or Die	\$40.00	\$708.59
Donation	7/13/08	Journey in Recovery	\$90.00	\$798.59
Donation	7/13/08	Lake Ella	\$19.00	\$817.59
Donation	7/13/08	Living A Miracle	\$100.00	\$917.59
Donation	7/13/08	Living with Hope	\$0.00	\$917.59
Donation	7/13/08	REM / MWB Revealed	\$126.00	\$1,043.59
Donation	7/13/08	Southside	\$0.00	\$1,043.59
Donation	7/13/08	Square Pegs	\$28.00	\$1,071.59
Donation	7/13/08	Time to Come Clean	\$0.00	\$1,071.59
Donation	7/13/08	Together We Can	\$0.00	\$1,071.59
Donation	7/13/08	We Do Recover	\$0.00	\$1,071.59
Donation	7/13/08	Youth in Recovery	\$55.00	\$1,126.59
Donation	7/13/08	Activities	\$0.00	\$1,126.59
Donation	7/13/08	Literature	\$671.00	\$1,797.59
		Expenses Paid July 2008:		
CK 1722	7/14/08	Line One Comm. - Helpline - June/July	\$112.80	\$1,684.79
CK 1723	7/14/08	Connie - DEX - Yellow Pages - June	\$33.00	\$1,651.79
CK 1724	7/14/08	DEX - Yellow Pages - July	\$33.00	\$1,618.79
CK 1725	7/14/08	Mike - BBAS Copying	\$34.06	\$1,584.73
CK 1726	7/14/08	Heath - RSC Travel	\$275.00	\$1,309.73
CK 1727	7/14/08	DISC Village - BBAS Room Donation	\$25.00	\$1,284.73
CK 1728	7/14/08	FRSO Lit. Order	\$836.29	\$448.44
CK 1729	7/14/08	Stephanie - Updated stamp	\$51.58	\$396.86
		Checkbook Balance 7/14/08		\$396.86
Deposit	7/14/08	BBAS Monthly Deposit		\$1,129.00
		Prudent Reserve	\$600.00	-\$203.14
		Revenue set aside-future expenses	\$157.00	-\$360.14
		Remaining Balance		-\$360.14
CK 1728	7/14/08	Lit Order	\$671.00	
CK 1728	7/14/08	Perry	\$30.00	
CK 1728	7/14/08	Talla. PI	\$65.00	
CK 1728	7/14/08	H&I	\$40.00	
CK 1728	7/14/08	Shipping-June & July	\$30.29	
CK 1720	7/14/08	Total Lit Order	\$836.29	

Literature

Reports / Subcommittees

Public Information

Activities

Convention

ASC REPORT
Big Bend Area Convention Committee
July 12, 2008

On June 4, 2008, the Big Bend Area Convention Committee held its 11th Committee meeting. The meeting was held at 6:30 p.m. at Lake Ella (The Hootch). The convention committee meeting time and location was announced at several meeting to raise awareness, and to increase participation. There were a total of 7 people present for the meeting.

The primary focus of the meeting was to discuss required actions by committee members in support of the convention. Other topics discussed were:

Financial Status – ytd total \$4,266.91

Finalized Actions concerning Activities for both Friday and Saturday night.

Finalized Speaker Selection process/Hospitality Menu and hours of operation.

Other areas of concern discussed by the committee were:

- a. Registration;
- b. Merchandise;
- c. Entertainment for the convention;
- d. Hospitality committee.

Up coming Events:

** August 1-3, 2008 BBACNA XI “Beyond All Limits” –Tallahassee, FL 32301

How can Area support the Convention Committee? By Stressing to the Group Service Representative the primary purpose of the convention: to promote unity and to carry the message to the still suffering addict. As a committee, we encourage each group, and each individual member to be a part of the planning and coordination of all convention activities.

In Loving Service

Allen B.

Helpline

HELPLINE-SUBCOMMITTEE JULY REPORT

The sub-committee meets once a month the Wednesday before area at the Village Inn on Raymond Diel and I-10 at 8:PM

I would like to thank Matt for his volunteer work answering the helpline. He has given up his shift. Courtney has volunteered to answer the helpline for his shift. All shifts are filled.

12am-6am Lisa
6am-12pm Ray
12pm-6pm Jeff
6pm-12am Courtney

The new system continues to work very smoothly. There were over 200 calls this past month.

I would like to thank all the volunteers for their good work.

Thank you for letting me be of service,

Linda D.

Hospitals & Institutions

H & I Subcommittee Report July 13, 2008

The H & I subcommittee was held on July 5 at 10:00 a.m. at the Golden Corral. The following people have attended: Frank, Kylie, Doug, Trevor and Denise.

Detox:

Kevin is still the coordinator. Apparently, there was a meeting missed this pass month. If you are committed to chair an H & I meeting and can't make it, please try to get someone to cover for you **and** notify the coordinator in advance.

A-Life:

Jeff is still the coordinator. Courtney also attends regularly. Things seem to be going well.

NPI:

Women: Kylie continues to coordinate with Denise's help and regular attendance. There were no meetings held on the 1st and 5th Sundays this month as the women committed to chair those meetings did not honor their commitments. If you are committed to chair an H & I meeting and can't make it, please try to get someone to cover for you **and** notify the coordinator. Also, try to give the coordinator some advance notice. As we cannot take an H & I meeting in alone, we have to find two people willing and able. Otherwise, the meetings end up getting cancelled.

Men: Doug continues to coordinate. Attendance and support for the men's side continues to be poor. If you are interested or know anyone who is interested in supporting NPI, please see Doug or Frank.

Dept. of Juvenile Justice Detention:

Boys: Ralph continues to coordinate. Things are going well. So far, we are taking in a meeting twice a month.

Girls: Courtney continues to coordinate. Things are going well. So far, we are taking in a meeting twice a month.

Leon County Jail:

Men: Frank is the coordinator. Frank, Mike P., Trevor and Jeff are now all cleared to attend the jail meeting. Thus, meetings are occurring more regularly now. Trevor and Jeff will chair this week.

Women: Clara continues to go to in by herself every other week. So far, only Tara has volunteered to get cleared for the jail. Frank will follow up with Tara regarding her application. **Please, ask around and announce at meetings that we need women to go into the jail.**

I am stepping down so this will be my last month. Jeff j has the willingness.
Thx Frank R.

Web Page

Web Coordinator Report - July 2008

As the first pre-requisite I asked before volunteering to take the Web Coordinator Position was is there an Area Service Attendance Requirement and the answer I was told is no. I have not and do not plan to waver from this commitment to myself. I am happy to attend Area when I feel that the Web Coordinator is needed for example to review a new re-write of our web site etc and have attended a few area's recently. At this time I do not plan to be at Area July 2008.

As for my report, I will continue with the objectives started and let the cards fall where they may.

I have been requested to make a motion that the Web Coordinator Position make the online group BigBendNAWeb the official meeting format for the Web Coordinator Position. This is my request for this motion to be made.

I plan to continue my responsibilities in keeping our web page and "new Internet Frontiers" up and running for quite some time. Should the "changing of the guards or Area policy regarding elections request this access back I will happily return all information I have for the Web Page, etc (all this is in Area's possession already and set up so that anyone authorized can maintain it).

It is an honor to be of service and I hope that my involvement with this position continues.

With that I formally request that my name be considered for re-election to Web Coordinator Position for 2008-2009. My qualifications are on file from when I was accepted this position last time.

Web Coordinator Report:

The web page has been up and running with no problems all month. The Area Meeting Schedule and Minutes have been updated in a timely manner. I am much closer to my original commitment to build a system that will allow the Meeting

Schedules and Minutes to be updated through an automated process after which I will followup/develop a system for a development environment should we have someone(s) come forward with a re-design interest.

As I understand it the google groups are a part of the Web-Site and Web Coordinators Responsibilities and I believe they are running smooth. In my opinion there will be a growing phase over the next few years where these forums will evolve and more formal procedures for them can be decided upon.

That's all folks, email me if you have any questions or comments,

Chris H
hans@nettally.com

Reports / Groups

Get A Life

Get Real Or Die

GROD will be holding its regular Friday night meeting during BBACNA: Aug 1 8pm Immanuel Baptist Church. Millicent P 23yrs July 18th; Daniel W 1yr July 25th; Margo 2yrs Aug 22nd.

Journey In Recovery

Things are good-meetings are good. About 50 people attending.

Lake Ella

Meeting attendance growing. All is well. July 19th dance at Lake Ella @ 9:30pm till??. Linda D 19yrs date in August TBA.

Living A Miracle

Celeste 19yrs July 19th; Latasha 3yrs Aug 9th; Juana B 7yrs Aug 24th.

Living With Hope

For August Addicts needed to be speakers – 1st Friday; Addicts needed to be panel members – 2nd Friday.

REM / MWB Revealed

Attendance is good. Alonda 1yr July 14th.

Road To Recovery

Attendance ~31; newcomers ~ 5. Rent is paid through August. Elections are the 1st of the month at regular business meeting. New GSR will be Eric C starting in August; James S will be Alt GSR at that time also.

Southside

Both locations of our meeting still need support for meetings.

Square Pegs

Time To Come Clean

Together We Can

Nothing new to report. Steady attendance.

We Do Recover

Youth In Recovery

Courtney 1yr July 18th. Wesley Center has allowed us to put up a rack.

5. Open Sharing Session (4:01pm)

6. Nominations / elections

- GROD nominates: Connie S for ASC Treasurer, Not Willing
- Living With Hope nominates: Jeff J for H&I Chair, Not Willing
- Al H for ASC RCM I, **affirm for acclamation (11-0-0)**
- Together We Can nominates: Dan W for ASC PI Chair, for 1mos term ending Aug '08 **(9-1-1)**

7. Old Business

Motion 2008 #24 (Lk Ella/GROD) **Table to groups the following nomination to waive clean time requirements.** Living With Hope nominates: Daniel W for Public Information subcmte interim Chair (11mos clean; has served with PI 9mos.) **Motion fails (6-4-1); [policy motions need 2/3 majority vote.]**

Motion 2008 #27P (GROD/Get A Life) Resubmitted motion to floor and asks to table to groups.

To return the Big Bend ASC Policy Guidelines items 9 & 10, under Subcommittee Chairs: Duties and Responsibilities, to the wording prior to motion 2008 #37P, passed 1-13-08.

The wording would be changed **from**: Any informed subcommittee member can represent their subcommittee and give a report in the absence of the subcommittee chair or vice-chair. That subcommittee will then be marked present for that month.

To: 9) The vice chair of a subcommittee may automatically fill in at the ASC meeting if the chair is unable to attend.

10) The vice chair of a subcommittee may fill in at the ASC meeting for no more than two consecutive occasions. See Removal of Trusted Servants, See Policy for End of Term or Resignation of Trusted Servants. **Purpose:** To adhere to concept #5. **(M/S/C) 10-0-1 [7/13/08]**

8. New Business

Motion 2008 #28 (Literature Chair/GROD) Reimbursement to Lit Chair for new literature stamps in the amount of \$51.58. **(M/S/C) 10-0-0.**

Motion 2008 #29 (Square Pegs/Journey In Recovery) To allocate \$80.00 for Perry Yellow Pages listing, paid to Hanson Directory Services. This may be allocated in one payment for the full amount or split in half over the current and following ASC. **Motion Tabled**

Motion to extend ASC (Lk Ella/GROD)

Motion 2008 #30 (GROD/Living With Hope) To implement the area planning tool for use in the Big Bend Area Service Structure by means of an Area Planning Tool Workshop. Details of workshop to be decided if motion passes. Area Chairperson would be single point of accountability for workshop. **Motion Tabled To Groups**

9. Final Reports

Literature: (see Literature report)

Treasurer: (see Treasury report)

Adjourn (5:25pm)