

Puget Sound Area Narcotics Anonymous

ASC Minutes

March 26, 2011

- 1) Meeting called to order at 3PM, with moment of silence followed by serenity prayer (we version).
- 2) Twelve Traditions read by: Blair A.
- 3) Twelve Concepts read by: Lisa M.
- 4) Approval of minutes from meeting of February 27, 2011
- 5) Roll Call:

ASC Chair Members:

Chair	Dave S.	Present
Vice Chair	Sharon P.	Present
Secretary	John K.	Present
Treasurer	Steve P.	Present
Asst Treas.	Vacant	
RCM 1	Blair A.	Present
RCM 2	Vacant	
Activities	Gariel	Present
PR	Bob R.	Present
Literature	Aaron E.	Present
C&E	Bonner S.	Present

- 6) Introduction of new groups and new GSRs:
 - a. Lisa M. introduced as new GSR for Women Step Study

7) **Groups**

No	Group	Roll Call	Report	Roll Call, After Break
1	5 th Tradition	Y	Y	Y
2	Breath Of Life (IDK)	Y	Y	Y
3.	Brothers In Recovery	Y	N	N
4	FFDD	Y	Y	Y
5	Friday Night Fever	N	N	N
6	Hope Fiends	N	N	N

7	How It Works	Y	Y	Y
8	Just For Today	N	N	N
9	Keep It Simple.	Y	Y	Y
10	Loving Spoonful	Y	Y	Y
11	Midday NA	Y	Y	Y
12	NA For Lunch Bunch	Y	Y	Y
13	NA Insomniacs	Y	Y	Y
14	Old School Nooners	Y	Y	Y
15	NA Way	Y	Y	N
16	New Hope	Y	Y	Y
17	Pt Hadlock	Y	Y	Y
18	Rez Riders	Y	Y	Y
19	Roving Men's	N	N	N
20	Roving Women's	Y	Y	Y
21	Serenity Seekers	Y	Y	Y
22	Strength In Numbers	Y	Y	Y
23	Strong People	Y	Y	Y
24	TNT	Y	Y	Y
25	Truely Anonymous	Y	Y	Y
26	TWYI	N	N	N

7) Reports:

a. **Chair: ASC Chair Report:** No Report.

b. **Vice Chair.** Vice-Chair Report

- 1) Not a lot to report.
- 2) My goal is to attend a couple of meeting per month that I don't normally attend. I did, one of which included a Group Conscience, at which I was pleased to hear what a good job the GSR did on their report
- 3) I attended the Public Relations Committee's Orientation and Pot Luck meeting, which I am happy to say was well attended.
Yours In Service, Sharon P.

c. **Secretary.** Secretary Report:

- 1) Please to hear everyone received their minutes and other information.
- 2) The GSR information list is going around the room. Please make any needed changes.
Yours In service, John K.

d. **Treasurer.** Treasurers Report:

- 1) Things are going better all the time. I was in contact with Ian, and he helped.
- 2) Checks still a bit of a struggle, as we have not yet gotten all the new officers on the checkbook.

3) Financial Report: Expenses-----905.74 New Balance-----421.77.
Yours In Service, Steve P.

e. **Assistant Treasurer.** Vacant.

f. **RCM 1:** RCM Report to Area March 2011

I attended Clean and Free 2011, March 11, 12 & 13th. Once again it was a great experience with wonderful speakers. A big thanks to Bonner from our area for putting in his time with the Conventions and Events Subcommittee. It is in part through his hard work that we get to have these great conventions and renew our passions for this program. I once again came home with my cup running over with gratitude. It was great to see so many people from our area there.

Please continue to encourage members to go to www.na.org/servicesystem and participate in the project. This will impact all of us and our input is necessary.

A reminder that The fellowship wide literature survey is available at www.na.org/litsurvey If you did not have the opportunity to fill it out please do so and return to NAWS by April 1.

I have no housekeeping issues this month and no expenditures. If there is anything that I can do for you or your groups please let me know. I can be reached at westpuget@wnir-na.org

Yours in loving service,
Blair A.

g. **RCM 2.** Vacant, No Report:

h. **Activities.** Activities Report:

1) WPSA, 14th Annual Chili Feed:

Where: West Side Improvement Club.

When: Saturday April 9th:

- a) Chili Cook Off Contest: 5:30.
- b) Chili Pot Luck: 6:00
- c) Speaker Meeting: 7:00 to 8:00.
- d) Dance: \$5.00.

2) I am moving to Seattle, for family reason. It has been wonderful working with everyone here at West Puget Sound, I enjoyed very much and all of the friendship we have shared.

3) Louis, the current Treasurer is going to step up and be the Activities Chairperson until some takes the position permanently, Thank You, Louis.

Yours In Service, Gariel

i. **Public Relations.** Public Relations Report:

- 1) All is well with PRC this month.
- 2) Held Orientation/Pot Luck meeting Saturday the 26th. Well attended, thanks.
- 3) PRC members voted to not ask for the second \$150.00 for Jan. budget.
- 4) The H&I/PI Learning Days Ad Hoc Committee meets on the Saturday before ASC, at 3:00PM, upstairs, at St Paul's Church, 700 Callahan, Bremerton.

5) Financial Report: Expenditures----\$202.07 Balance-----\$964.48.
Yours in Service,
Bob R.

j. **Literature.** Literature Report:

- 1) Literature is going well.
- 2) I was able to purchase 10 more Step Working Guides and 2 more Just 4 Today's.
- 3) Literature sales will be from 2:00PM to 3:00PM, from 12:00 to 2:00 we are having our literature subcommittee meeting, come be a part of.
- 4) Financial Report: Expenditures-----\$1273.11 Balance-----\$15.85.
Yours in Service,
Aaron E.

k. **C&E.** March 27, 2011

- 1) Very successful Clean and Free (C&E) at Ocean Shores **two weeks ago**.
- 2) Start up meeting for C&D 2012 will be Sat. April 23, in Tacoma, let me know if anyone in your groups want to be part of and I will get information.
- 3) WNIRCNA~~XXXXVI~~ is coming May 27-30 in Vancouver, WA Go to: WNIRNA-reg.org to register online, or the to the Regions website and follow the links to the reg. page.
- 4) Although outside of my purview is the World Convention Sept. 1-4, in San Diego, CA. I am including the WCNA update sent me last week by NAWS.
***Please note registration prices go up from \$79 to \$89 Next Friday, 4-1-11 and another ten dollars in July.
- 5) I will not attend the April C&E Subcommittee meeting as I have other commitments outside the fellowship that day. I will try to find an addict who is interested in filling this position when I vacate it in January, to go in my stead.
Your In Service, Bonner S.

8) GSR Assistance Discussion:

- a. Josh M., Loving Spoonful group GSR, brought up for discussion that their group has been having trouble with the meeting place landlord, who often does not show up to open the building; and they end up having the meeting in the parking lot. Josh received a lot of ideas during the ensuing discussion, and hopefully some of them will be helpful as he takes on the difficult problem.
- b. Sean W., Port Hadlock GSR, brought up for discussion, that there have been questions asked in his group, "If use of medical pot will effect their clean date." There were a number of points of view expressed in the ensuing discussion. Including that this is something that is being looked at at the World level, as well as the fact that other medications, prescribed by a doctor do no effect your clean date.
- c. Cliff M., Brothers In Recovery, brought up that his group was struggling to keep the meeting going. After a good deal of discussion several ideas were brought forward,

such as a group inventory, advertising food, and that groups ebb and flow, and this may be an ebb period for that group.

- 9) **Concept of the Month. #3, Read by Ken M.**
- 10) **Concept Discussion: Bonner S. and Kelly S. spoke on various aspects of this Concept.**
- 11) **Grievances & Resolutions: None.**
- 12) **7th Tradition: Thanks to all who contributed.**
- 13) **Break.**
- 14) **Roll Call After Break:**
 - a. **See 7) Groups, for Status.**
- 15) **Open Discussion:**
 - a. **Public Forms Of Posting Information Cannot Have NA Identification As There Are Lose Of Anonymity Problems:**
 - 1) There was much discussion, most of it centering around Facebook, in which if you break your anonymity, you are basically breaking it for all of those who are you friends.
 - 2) The fact the NA World organization has come out strongly about Facebook is a good example of the attitude in our fellowship.
 - 3) The fact that there is a Facebook location that comes up anytime West Puget Sound NA is entered in search was brought up, along with the fact that all efforts to shut it down have failed up to this time.
 - 4) The fact that employers will more than likely go right to face book, after you finish your job interview, was brought up to emphasis how serious this is.
 - 5) One suggestion was that when we share NA information, we use something such as E-Mail, and use the BCC form, where the receiver only see his/her own name is used, when entering the addresses of those who are receiving it.
 - 6) The closest thing to a consensus that was reached was, don't use Facebook for anything that has anything to do with NA.
 - b. **Ken M., reintroduced the subject of financial reporting by subcommittees who receive funding from ASC.**
 - 1) The minutes will now include a statement of both expenditures and current balance, in the reports by the subcommittees receiving funds from ASC.
- 16) **Old Business:**
 - a. **ASC still needs an Assistant Treasurer:**
 - 1) Qualifications read.

2) To volunteer to date.

b. Status of the TWYI Group:

- 1) This group still has building problems and is searching for a place to have their meetings.
- 2) They have been removed from schedule until they get a location and become active again.

c. H&I/PI Learning Days Ad Hoc Committee:

- a. Meetings each Saturday before ASC Sunday, at 3:00PM, at St Paul's Church, 700 Callahan Drive, in Bremerton, upstairs.
- b. Will be hosted at Lincoln Ave Bible Church, 1250 Lincoln Ave, Bremerton, WA 98337
- c. Any group wanting to get involved, host a lunch, make a presentation, should get in touch with a committee member.

17) New Business:

a. Motion For Literature Funding, Taken To Groups For Their Vote In March :

- 1) Motion passed.

b. RCM-2. Steve A. Vacated Position Due To Personal Responsibilities:

- 1) When announced, three ASC members stepped forward and offered to serve.
- 2) Sean W., GSR from Port Hadlock was elected after a second vote, thanks and congratulations Sean.
- 3) Thanks to Jack H. and Cliff M., who both also stepped forward and offered to serve in this important service position.

c) Motion Was Made To Have ASC Provide Hard Copies Of Changes In The NA Service Structure That Were Presented In A PowerPoint Presentation To GSRs Last Month.

- 1) After much discussion, primarily focusing on the fact that this information was available on line and our RCM-1 will provide any copies needed, as well as the expenses that would be incurred by resulted in the motion being rejected.

18) Announcements:

19) Next Area Service Meeting: May 22, 2011, 3PM@West Side Improvement Club

20) Meeting Adjourned With Third Step Prayer.