

Nature Coast Area Service Meeting Minutes for October 14th, 2023

Started at 10:12 am

The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer

The following definitions were read by:

12 Traditions: Renee

12 Concepts: Robert N.

Definition of the ASC: Roland

ROLL CALL

Administrative Roll Call: Present unless noted Not Present (NP)

Chair: Jim

Policy Chair: **Open**

Co-Chair: **Open**

LDO Chair: Janine

Treasurer: LeeAnn

Alt LDO: **Open**

Alt. Treasure: Karen

Activities Chair: Jennifer NP

Secretary: Chelsea

H&I: **Open**

Alt. Secretary:

Webmaster: Rich

RCM I: Halie NP

Alt Webmaster - Leah

RCM II: Barbara

PR/Helpline Chair: Roland

GSR Roll Call:

*Nature Coast Unity: Robert N.

*No Matter What: Lois

*Recovery on the River: Renee

*Shot of Hope: Kim NP

*Welcome Home: Robert NP

Quorum is met.

Others Present:

Cas, Ross, Alvin

OPEN FORUM: Started at 10:20 am

OPEN FLOOR COMMENTS:

Discussion:

Barbara needed clarification about acclamations and ascensions to see when the positions change. Positions begin in January according to policy.

Chelsea addressed in open forum that she relapsed and asked the group to waive her clean time or send it back to the groups.

Jim says he is willing to go forward another year as Facilitator of Area, but he will need help with handling all the stress from the different positions that need filled in our area.

Janine - This is one of the most complicated areas I've ever served in. We don't have enough volunteers. We've had people change motions after they are signed. We need more selfless love in here instead of personal attacks. I try to promote service every time I go to a meeting and people come in here because I ask them to, and they are shocked. We need to understand why we are here, not to be a government. We need to take a look at ourselves.

No report for ad-hoc because Barbara forgot about policy.

ROTR motion to close, SOH second.

OPEN FORUM CLOSED

SECRETARY REPORT: Presented by Chelsea M.

Two issues with minutes - WH reported "second missed area", when it was his first missed area. Today is actually his second missed area.

And there were things attached in the minutes that were not included in the area (the activities report.)

Motion to accept ROTR - Second SOH

If you want your group/sub-committee information to show in the minutes, it must be written down. Otherwise you may not see everything in the minutes.

Please provide your Homegroup business meetings day and time.

Open positions are in the minutes and should be brought back to your homegroups.

Email is: nacsmsecretary22@gmail.com

RCM REPORT: Barbara - No rcm report, we have RCM this month.

Will request a check for the amount of the motel, usually \$157 and some change. Will put in for \$158 for the room and will bring back the change.

POLICY/AD-HOC

No report this month due to no policy meeting.

WEBMASTER/ I.T.: I.T. Webmaster Rich

Website is up to date thanks to Leah.

165 visits in the last week, 584 visits in the last month and 7017 visits in the last year.

\$15.99 auto pay with zoom, receipt to the treasury.

6 scans on the QR code.

If anyone has any ideas for updates, let us know.

Motion to accept ROTR - Second NMW

LDO: Verbal/Written report

LDO ALTERNATE IS STILL OPEN ONLY NEED 9 MONTHS CLEAN

Literature Order+ \$ see attached

Back Orders - \$ see attached

Group Orders - \$ see attached

Personal Orders - \$ see attached

Total Inventory = \$1948.57

11 white key tags on back order filled.

This is my last month here. Roland will bring in literature and fill the orders, and Janine will be doing the paperwork.

Literature position is physically demanding.

Lois offered to store the literature for the position since she lives close by the church that area meets.

Accepted NMW - Second ROTR

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PR/H&I: ROLAND

SEE ATTACHED

Would like to consider changing the H and I policy to state that one individual who has gone through the application process can go into the jail with half of the inmates in the meeting.

Application process takes weeks instead of months now. 1 application denied, 2 more in the process. Finding out why the application was denied.

Next month PR and H and I meeting will be on zoom - last sunday of the month at 6 pm.

Kim - What about putting a QR code on the flyer for H and I that links to the application for the jail?

Accepted NMW - Second NCUG

PUBLIC RELATIONS/HELPLINE: Roland

SEE ABOVE REPORT/ATTACHED REPORT.

ACTIVITIES: Verbal/Written report provided by: Jennifer via email

Tabled until next month due to questions about her report submitted via email.

Motion to accept SOH - ROTR second.

Break started at 11:41 am

Meeting re-started at 11:59 am

GSR REPORTS

Group name: **Shot of Hope**

GSR: Kim S.

Alt. GSR:

Duly appointed:

Donation to Area: \$30.00

Literature Order: \$34.80

of Home Group Members: 4

Average Attendance: 5-8

Newcomers: 0

Changes to Group Information: Group will not be meeting on Thursdays as of February 2024 due to lack of attendance and support.

Group Anniversaries/Announcements:

Speaker meeting is on the 1st Thursday of the month.

Group Challenges/Comments: Low attendance. Group needs support.

Shot of Hope meets Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30 PM.

Tuesday is a literature study out of the Basic Text & Thursday is IP, 1st Thursday of the month is a speaker meeting @ Cornerstone Baptist Church, 1100 Highland Blvd., Inverness.

Group Name: **Recovery on the River**

GSR: Renee

Alt. GSR: Alvin

Donation to Area: \$100.60

Literature Order: \$11.40

of Home Group Members: 20

Average Attendance: 15

Newcomers: 0

Changes to Group Information: Alvin is stepping into GSR position. Renee has been nominated for Activities Chair.

11/24/23 Alvin is celebrating 34 years. Jen C is celebrating 7 years. Dave is celebrating 1 year.

Business Meeting is Friday before the area and after the regular meeting. Monday- Living Clean; Friday- Open Discussion.

Group Anniversaries/Announcements: October 21st Edwin is celebrating 32 years. On November 24th Dave is celebrating 1 year, Jen C is celebrating 7 years, and Alvin is celebrating 34 years.

Group Challenges/Comments: N/A

Group Name: **Nature Coast Unity Group**

GSR: Robert N.

Alt. GSR:

Donation to Area: \$7.96

Literature Order: \$109.66

of Home Group Members: 10

Average Attendance: 8

Newcomers: 5

Changes to Group Information/Challenges: Closing the women's meeting. We need trusted servants. attendance is low.

Tuesday- NCG meeting 2 PM

Wednesday- Men's meeting 7-8 PM

Friday- NCG meeting 7:30- 8:30 PM

Saturday- NCG meeting 7:30- 8:30 PM

Sunday- NCG meeting 1 PM

Group Anniversaries/Announcements: dennis 35 years speak and eat

Group Name: **Welcome Home NP**

GSR: Robert S. NP

Alt. GSR:

Donation to Area:

Literature Order:

of Home Group Members:

Average Attendance:

Newcomers:

Changes to Group Information: None

Group Anniversaries/Announcements: Thursday at 1:30 pm instead of 7:30 pm.

Group Challenges/Comments: Need members to help with service.

Group Name: **No Matter What**

GSR: Lois

Alt. GSR:

Donation to Area: \$30.85

Literature Order: \$7.80

of Home Group Members: 15

Average Attendance: 6

Newcomers: 1

Changes to Group Information:

Group Anniversaries/Announcements: Cindy stepped down as GSR. No anniversaries. Our Saturday night 9 pm candlelight meeting is still going on and could use support.

Business meeting is the Sunday prior to Area.

OLD BUSINESS:

Renee - The policy that has been being revised in policy meetings is the new revised policy for Forest Area, it is not the original policy we voted in for our area in 2019. That needs to be addressed.

Barbara - It's the same policy, only it was put into word form. It has not changed. I would like to state now that all policy ad hoc questions be brought to the ad hoc policy meeting before area.

Leah - we had 3 policies to choose from and we as policy voted on the policy we are revising. If we want to change it or revise it, bring it to the policy meeting.

Regrouped.

OLD MOTION REVIEW:

ROTR has tabled their vote on the motions, they did not vote on the motions due to their issue with the policy that is being used.

-two yes' equals a pass, 1 and 1 is a no, with abstention

101423.38 not passed

101423.39 passed

101423.40 passed

101423.42 passed

101423.43 passed

101423.44 passed

Budgets -

H&I passed

LDO passed

Secretary passed

PR passed

IT passed

Acclimations - Facilitator cannot close them due to extenuating circumstances. Can close all except Secretary position and Activities chair person. Both of those have to go back to the groups to vote on.

NEW BUSINESS:

Policy motions: N/A

NEW MOTIONS:

11123.01 Motion by No Matter What - Seconded by NCU group

To allow Chelsea to continue to serve as alternate secretary; waiving her clean time as long as she continues to stay clean. Intent: To keep the position filled while still allowing someone with required clean time to run for the position. Also, to make the facilitators job easier.

If she is not passed, can she still stay on as a volunteer to take the minutes and then run the minutes by a service committee member (Jim as chair) before they are sent out?

Let the motion go out to the groups. And see how they vote.

Nominations:

ROTR nominated Renee for Activities Chair

Her qualifications are as follows: She served as activities chair 2 years ago. She's been involved in service throughout her recovery. She is stepping down as GSR for her homegroup to become Alternate GSR so that she can serve as activities chair as well.

This will be brought back to the home groups for them to vote.. There are no other nominations, chair closes nominations for this position.

Cas nominated herself for LDO chair or alternate LDO chair. Also willing to help with any position that is needed at area level.

All positions require that you go through the steps, and traditions and have a sponsor, and certain clean time.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Last Treasurer's report October - accepted.

Copy of the audit from Chris. Will be in the report. Accurately done treasury.

Accepted NMW - Second NCUG

Donation to Region: 75%

Donation to World: 25%

Motion to waive the donation this month due to lack of funds. No second.

NMW made a motion to waive world donation and donate \$100 to region. Second by ROTR.

REPORT NEEDS TO BE BROUGHT BACK TO HOMEGROUPS BY GSR'S TO BE VOTED ON PER NATURE COAST POLICY! PLEASE HAVE HOMEGROUPS VOTE TO ACCEPT OR NOT ACCEPT TREASURE REPORT EACH MONTH.

NOMINATION AND ELECTIONS:

Please announce the positions that are still open at Area and that we need support!!!

<u>Position</u>	<u>Clean Time Requirement</u>
Chair	2 years- Filled
Co-Chairperson	2 years- Open
Secretary	1 year- Open
Alt Sec	6 months- Filled

LDO	2 years- Filled
Alt LDO	9 months- Open
Policy	2 years- Filled
Treasurer	2 years- Filled
Alt Treasure	2 years- Filled
H & I	2 years- Open
Co-Chairperson	2 years- Open
Activities	2 years- Open
RCM 1	2 years- Filled
RCM 2	2 years- Filled

Common Requirements for all Area positions are as follows:

1. *Willingness to serve*
2. *Have prior service experience*
3. *Working knowledge of the 12 Steps & 12 Traditions of NA*
4. *Ability to lead, communicate and organize*
5. *Able to give time and resources*

For additional detailed requirements for each position, please review the policy on our website.

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REMINDERS!!!

- Have Literature Orders and funds ready to be turned in before the start of Area Business!
- **Things to vote on at your business meeting:**
 - 1) Vote on nominees for Positions Noted
 - 2) Vote on any Motions needing homegroup votes.
- Please do not forget to vote on the October's Treasury report.
- ALL Meetings: Hope not Dope, ROTR, No Matter What, Nature Coast Unity, Welcome Home, Shot of Hope meetings all need support!!!

REVIEW BUSINESS FOR THE DAY:

Waived by NMW, 2nd ROTR

PLANS FOR NEXT ASC MEETING: The next ASC meeting will be December 9th, 2023 at 10 AM.

POLICY AT 8:30 .

Location: Cornerstone Baptist Church in Inverness.

CLOSING: Motion to close made by NCUG; 2nd by NMW

Closed with the Serenity Prayer

Additional notes

WELCOME HOME SECOND AREA MISSED NOVEMBER 2023.