

NEXT MEETING, May 19, 2024 AT 9:30AM @ TLC

SUNSET COAST AREA OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

SATURDAY 04/14/24

TLC

2740 Bayshore Dr #16 Naples, FL 34112

Information to vote on are highlighted in Yellow

Results of past votes are highlighted in Green

OPEN positions or opening in the next month will be highlighted in Blue.

1. The meeting opened at 9:30 am with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.
2. Reading of the 12 traditions, reading of the 12 concepts, reading the concept of the month and the definition of an ASC statement.

ROLL CALL	D	J	F	M	A
ADMIN					
CHAIR	P	P	P	P	A
VICE CHAIR	P	O	P	P	O
SECRETARY	P	P	P	A	P
ALT. SECRETARY	P	P	A	P	P
TREASURER	A	P	P	P	A
ALT. TREASURER	O	O	O	O	O
RCM	O	O	O	O	O
ALT. RCM	P	P	A	P	P
SUBCOMMITTEES					
ACTIVITIES	P	P	P	P	P
H&I	P	P	P	P	P
LITERATURE	P	P	P	P	P
PUBLIC RELATIONS	O	O	P	P	P
POLICY	P	P	P	P	P
VOTING GROUPS					
BREAKFAST CLUB	P	P	P	P	P
EYE OF THE HURRICANE	P	P	P	P	P
FREEDOM in the FAIRGROUNDS		P	P	P	P
GET NAKED	P	P	P	P	P

LAST CHANCE	P	P	P	P	P
LIFE WITHOUT BARS	P	P	P	P	P
NEW FOUND FREEDOM	P	P	P	P	P
NOONERS	P	P	P	P	P
RECOVERY by the BOOK	P	P	P	P	P
SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE	P	P	P	P	P
NON-VOTING					
ALIVE AND FREE	A	A	A	A	A
HERE AND NOW	A	A	A	A	A
GET LIT	A	A	A	A	A

4. Read Open ASC Statement.
5. Established quorum for new business: 6/10. Old business: 2/3 vote 7/10. **ACTUAL: 10/10**
6. Last month's minutes were accepted.

7. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

AREA - OPEN POSITIONS: Vice Chair, Alt Secretary, Atl. Treasurer, RCM

Vice Chair - Susan C

Qualifications - I'm an addict my name is Susan. Thank you for nominating me for Vice Chair of ASC. My clean date is 3/15/15 (9 years clean) My qualifications are as follows, I have been ASC alt treasure for 1 year and treasure for 1 year. I served as policy chair for 2 terms. Literature chair for 2 terms. Treasure of my home group. Secretary of H&I for 1 year, and vice chair of H&I for 1 year. I have held positions as panel and co panel in H&I for most of my recovery. I have an NA sponsor and am an NA sponsor. I have a working knowledge of the 12,12, and 12.

Alt. Treasurer - Greg F

Qualifications - Hi my name is Greg and I'm an addict. I have been nominated for Alternate Secretary for area. My qualifications are as follows. I have over 7 years clean. I have an NA sponsor and work NA steps. I have been a home group secretary for more than a year. I have been a member of H&I for over 6 years. I own my own business. Thank you for considering me.

8. ADMIN REPORT

Banking

- Bank of America is not convenient/cooperative; Should we get a new bank?
- Katt and Jasmine to make an account with Chase, and coordinate with Jim to transition

Web Hosting

- Godaddy monthly -> needs to go in budget
- Currently it's not in anyone's budget
- Who has the password?
- Gabe to track down info about our web hosting and associated fees
- Website should be in admin's budget because we are paying for it
- Godaddy is billed to admin - do we have other resources we're paying for?

Should we get an Office 360 account?

- Learning curve?
- Should we share a gmail account? Or do it properly with a Microsoft or Google workspace?
- Voted: Gabe and Kat to set it up a shared Office 365 account together. Needs to be under \$75/year or else we have to vote at Area
- Office 365 will need a budget line and we will need a policy for how transitions happen with passwords

Storage locker

- Activities uses it regularly
- Address and other info should be documented centrally with passwords etc

9. RCM REPORT

Sunset Coast Area voted YES for all money motions. RCM will report back to SFR.

Motion 2024-02-18-06 - 10/10 YES

Motion 2024-02-18-07 - 10/10 YES

Motion 2024-02-18-08 - 10/10 YES

Motion 2024-02-18-09 - 10/10 YES

10. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

ACTIVITIES:

Activities meets alongside PR on the last Sunday of every month at 4pm at TLC. We are planning a traditions workshop to be held on May 1st which will include speakers on the 12 traditions break out groups with worksheets provided and food. Be on the lookout for the flyer which is coming soon! The subcommittee is also getting close to securing a venue for this year's unity day campout. We have new members and along with that new ideas for future events! More will be revealed.

Thank you for letting me serve Keren B

HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS:

Good morning everyone. H&I is going well. Currently all of our positions are filled. The men's jail meeting is going well. Meeting every other Friday. As always we would love to have more members approved to speak or chair in the jail. I can get you an application to fill out today if you're interested. We are planning our annual learning day. Our tentative date is June 23rd from 12-3 at Sugden park. As soon as the venue is secured we will be putting out a flyer for the event. When we place our literature order this month we will be using \$75 from our miscellaneous line item in our budget to purchase 4 literature racks. These racks will be spread out throughout several different facilities where we have meetings.

Thank you for letting me serve. Brian S

POLICY:

Policy met this month, before ASC, at 9am, with seven members in attendance. The PR Chair addressed the issues in policy pertaining to helpline and there were motions made to update the information to reflect the 21st century that will be in the Area minutes for groups to vote on. Also the RCM brought to our attention that there is a lack of consistency when defining term lengths for Area admin. These issues will be addressed at the next Policy Subcommittee meeting on 19 May. If anyone would like help writing up motions prior to ASC, feel free to attend. All members are welcome to attend or contact the Policy subcommittee with questions or assistance with matters relating to policy.

Thank you for allowing us to serve.

Bob T - Chair - 239-398-5457 Michelle S - VC 239-919-9240

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

PR in the Sunset Coast is gaining some forward momentum. We are currently working toward getting our area policy updated by removing information that isn't current.

We have some members moving through the community delivering meeting lists to probation, outpatient facilities, recovery houses, first responders. The members are working to build a relationship through continuity and consistency. Several have agreed to have us deliver short presentations for their teams.

Our next big tasks will be our annual poster day, outreach to local schools, and a large website overhaul. If anyone within the region has experience making a successful poster day, please reach out. 239-404-9093. We are hoping to see our posters on bathroom stalls, community bulletin boards, and anywhere else that allows us to hand them.

ILS Julia W

11. GSR REPORTS

BREAKFAST CLUB

The Breakfast Club meets 7 days per week at 8:15am on Zoom and is also held in person (hybrid) on Mondays at The Last Connection. Various formats depending on the day of the week.

The group has light attendance and could use some support at both the in person meeting and on Zoom. We have a Homegroup member celebrating an Anniversary ... Cindy B will have 18 years on 5/4 and will be sharing on Monday 5/6 at the in person mtg at 8:15am at TLC. We have NO donation to Area this month.

Thank you for letting me serve. Jeff F Temporary proxy for GSR

EYE OF THE HURRICANE

EOH meets Sunday at 7 Monday & Tuesday 8:30.

We vote yes on all motions. Our average meeting attendance is 11. We continue our primary purpose to carry the message to all addicts that suffer. We proudly nominate Susan for Vice Chair. T-shirts for sale \$10 cotton and dry fit shirt long and short sleeve. Thank you for letting me serve. Gigi

FREEDOM IN THE FAIRGROUND.

Meeting Time: 5:30pm

Location: Big Corkscrew Island Regional Park, 810 39th Ave NE, Naples, FL 34120 Pavilion H

Average attendance: 10-14

Report: Our format consists of reading the Spiritual Principle of the Day, followed by open discussion. April 24, 2024 Dan W. will be celebrating 37 years clean! To ensure we have plenty of seating, it's suggested to bring a chair. All Group Service Positions have been filled and NA Charlie will be Chairing for the next Month.

We have a donation to Sunset Coast ACS of \$25.

Motions, Nominations & Elections: Regional Motions PASSED
IN LOVING SERVICE. Dan W.

GET NAKED

The Get Naked Group meets once a week on Tuesdays at 7:30 at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church. Average meeting attendance was 23 and average 7th tradition was \$32.00. Our donation to Area is \$50.00 and our prudent reserve is intact..

Thanks for letting me serve. Chris C.

LAST CHANCE

Last chance group which meets every Friday from 6:30 to 7:30 at 2740 Bayshore Drive , unit 5 , is donating \$19 to area , average attendance is 12 , Richard K shared his experience strength and hope on April 12th , there are no celebrations this month , we are now in an indoor venue and could use support , Thank you for letting me serve Ron C

LIFE WITHOUT BARS

No report

NEW FOUND FREEDOM:

NEW FOUND FREEDOM meets at 8:30pm on Wednesday's at The Last Connection. Shotgun format. The group is doing well. Average attendance is 30-35 people.

April Anniversaries

Morgan 4/8/2023 1 yr shared 4/10

Leon 4/27/2019 5 yr sharing 5/1

Hayden 4/22/2022 2 yr tbd

Donated \$83 to Area

Thank you for letting me serve Jeff F

NOONERS

Nooners group is going well. Same format throughout the week. We have Misty celebrating 3 years clean on April 18th and Brian F celebrating 10 years on April 25th. We do not have a donation today.

Thanks for letting me service Rene K

RECOVERY BY THE BOOK

Meeting time and place: Mondays 700PM St Monica's Episcopal Church, 7070 Immokalee Rd. Average attendance: 30-40

Report: Our format consists of reading the Basic Text, line by line, followed by open discussion. Home group members celebrating clean time, share on the last Monday of the month which will be April 29th. Brian F. will be celebrating 10 years on the 25th and will share his ESH on the 29th. The group is fulfilling our primary purpose through welcoming newcomers, reading literature & sharing how we stay clean. We regularly have newcomers in attendance, and another one joined our home group this month and is already participating in service there. The group is contributing \$75.00, of 7th Tradition collections, this month to further the NA message.

Motions, Nominations & Elections: We are announcing all open positions at area, region, and within our area's subcommittees, at our business meetings. Our group conscience was to pass all Regional Motions submitted for votes. We extend heartfelt gratitude for our RSC & ASC admin & all members for your service.

Thank you for allowing me to serve. ILS, Michelle S

SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE

SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE (SNL) is a NA speaker meeting. We meet every Saturday night at 7:30pm inside The Last Connection Meeting Hall. Our speakers share on a theme/topic that we have chosen for the month.

APRIL TOPIC; "DON'T BE FOOLED!"

"You gotta get to know your disease because your disease knows you."

4/6 ~ Karl F. rocked the hall sharing how his disease can manifest itself in many different ways

4/13 ~ Angie H. shared a powerful message on knowing & understanding her high risk situations which may trigger her disease

4/20 ~ Dan R.

4/27 ~ Craig B. will be celebrating 18 yrs 4/20 and will be sharing his ESH with us ❤️ 😊

MAY TOPIC ; "WHY ARE WE HERE?"

"Our disease always resurfaced or continued to progress until in desperation, we sought help from each other in Narcotics Anonymous." Basic Tx.

~ Speakers to be revealed at a later date ~

SNL home group member Craig B. celebrates 18 yrs on 4/20

SNL will be hosting an "NA SPEAKER JAM" in mid August on the topic "WE DO RECOVER!" ...

more will be revealed 😊

Thanks to our 7th tradition SNL is able to donate \$50 to Area.
Our 4 week average meeting attendance is "34"
Thank you for allowing me to serve as service work helps keep this addict clean. Sam V

12. Break at 10:18

13. Reopened with the serenity prayer at 10:31 Re-Established Quorum 9/10

14. Acceptance of motions were closed.

15. OLD BUSINESS

16. NEW BUSINESS

Motion 2024-04-14 - 01

PR moves that the Area Service Committee (ASC) allocate funds to purchase an Epson Ecotank 2800 wireless all-in-one printer as well as a 4 year warranty.

Intent: To address the issue of the discount card no longer being accepted, enable the area to become self-sufficient, and save significantly on printing costs.

Financial Impact:

Printer: \$199.99

Warranty: \$34.99

Total w/ tax: \$249.08

Pros:

- One Time Purchase: The routine purchase of paper and ink required for the printer will be purchased by the Public Relations Subcommittee using funds from the meeting list budget line item.
 - Increased self-sufficiency & autonomy: Having a printer available allows the ASC to operate independently, reducing reliance on external services and ensuring timely access to printed materials as needed despite any future variables.
 - Cost-saving: By investing in a printer, the area can save significantly on printing costs over time, especially with the efficient ink system avoiding the need to purchase costly cartridges.
 - Enhanced versatility: The printer will be available for the areas trusted servants, including but not limited to PR meeting lists, the Policy Subcommittee for policy printing, Hospitals & Institutions Subcommittee for meeting lists, activities or homegroups for printing flyers, and the Treasurer for scanning receipts and relevant documents. **Cons:**
 - Maintenance requirements: The printer will require ongoing maintenance. ●
- Upfront cost: While the long-term savings are substantial, the initial investment of \$199.99 plus tax may strain the ASC budget.

Motion 2024-04-14 - 02

PR moves that the Area Service Committee (ASC) allocate funds from the miscellaneous line item in the admin budget to rent an available locker, as well as purchase a combination lock to secure the locker.

Intent: To provide storage for the printer and its associated supplies.

Financial Impact:

Locker Monthly Rent: \$10

Combination Lock One Time Cost: \$10

Pros:

- Secure storage: Renting a locker at provides a secure and centralized location for storing the printer and its supplies, protecting the equipment from theft, damage, or unauthorized access.
- Organization: Having a designated storage space helps maintain the printer and supplies in an orderly manner, facilitating easy access and inventory management.
- No reliance on individual members: By storing the printer and supplies in a rented locker, ASC ensures that the equipment is not housed at any one member's residence, mitigating the risk of misuse.

Cons:

- Additional expense: Renting a locker and purchasing a combination lock entail additional costs that may impact the budget.
- Maintenance responsibilities: ASC members are responsible for maintaining the rented locker.

17. OPEN FORUM

- **Question:** Do we need another group inventory to discuss issues raised previously about how our group is reaching the newcomer?
 - Inventory came down from Region for homegroups to discuss. Group conscience is that questions were not highly relevant to our area. We should maybe consider doing an annual inventory
 - Support of the newcomer comes from the bottom up at the individual level, not from the top down at the area level
- **Question:** Has Admin discussed an annual learning day?
 - The spirit of rotation is suffering due to a lack of willingness in the fellowship
- **Question:** Do we have admin meetings?
 - Yes
 - Admin meetings and possible learning days are a good way to encourage the Area to serve its purpose as discussed earlier
 - Setting an individual, attracting rather than promoting. Also, fulfilling commitments is important
- **Question:** Does policy need to pay rent?
 - Policy needs to get with the landlord about that

- Gabe to step down as Alt Secretary.

18. LITERATURE REPORT

All is well with the literature sub-committee. Sales for this month are \$47.72 cash and \$81.38 cash app for a total of \$129.10. I'll be putting in a H&I order this month. The most recent invoice was turned in to the treasurer. If you need any special orders or medallions over 20 years please let me know in advance.

Thank you for letting me serve, Leon F

19. TREASURER REPORT

We started this area with a balance of \$4282.32. We took in \$1305.29 in donations this month. We have \$1098.45 in expenses, we made a donation to World in the amount of \$899.44. Yay Sunset Coast!!! (We actually made the donation last month but it showed up in this months bank statement.) That leaves us with a balance of \$3589.72. This means that we are under prudent reserve in the amount of \$1059.35.

I gave a copy of the new budget for 2024 to everyone. Plus I passed the 2023 actual Area budget around to everyone at Area. I will have both copies in my report this month. If you see any errors in it, please let me know.

Thank you for letting me serve. Katt

20. REVIEW BUSINESS O-F THE DAY

21. NEXT MEETING: **May 19, 2024 at 9:30 AM.**

(NOT 5/12 which is Mother's Day)

22. MOTION TO CLOSE - CLOSED AT 11:51AM