

**Colorado Regional Service Committee of NA Minutes  
November 9, 2002, 10:00 a.m.**

**Introductions** - New people were warmly welcomed.

**Roll Call**

- \*Chair
- \*Vice Chair
- \*Secretary
- \*Treasurer-Excused Absence
- \*CRCNA XVI Chair
- \*CRCNA XVI Vice-Chair
- \*CRCNA XVI Secretary
- \*RD
- \*RDA
- \*Boulder Area
- \*Denver Area
- \*Foothills Area
- Mountain West Area
- \*Off The Wall Area
- \*Pikes Peak Area
- \*Serenity Unlimited Area
- Southern Area

**MSC: August Minutes Approved**

**REPORTS**

**CRSC TREASURER'S REPORT**

**November 10, 2002**

<b>Beginning Balance:</b>		<b>\$4,974.62</b>
<b><u>Expenses:</u></b>		<b><u>Check #</u> <u>Amount</u></b>
Ned Koss (H&I Lit order)	-	149      \$ 24.50
Monica Edlauer (RD-Rcky. Mtn. Forum)		150      \$ 900.00
Off The Wall Area (H&I Resource- Basic Text)		151      \$ 250.00
Ned Koss (H&I Resource- Postage/Handling)		152      \$ 112.50
NAWS (Donation)		153      \$ 1000.00
<b>Expense Totals:</b>		<b>\$ 2287.00</b>
<b><u>Receipts:</u></b>		<b><u>Amount</u> <u>Check #</u> <u>YTD</u></b>
Boulder Area		\$ 175.00
Denver Area	\$ 100.00	0976      \$ 1000.00
Foothills Area	\$ 100.00	0983

Mountain West Area		
Off The Wall Area		\$ 100.28
Pikes Peak Area		\$1195.30
Southern Area		
Serenity Unlimited	\$ 200.00508	\$ 200.00
Clean and Serene		\$ 263.74
Newcomers in Recovery		\$ 50.00
CRCNA XV		\$ 2451.84
<b>Receipts Totals:</b>		<b>\$ 400.00</b>
<b>YTD Totals:</b>		<b>\$ 5436.16</b>
<b>Less Expenses:</b>		<b>\$ 2287.00</b>
<b>Ending Balance:</b>		<b>\$ 3087.62</b>

Brenda E., CRSC Treasurer

### **CRCNA XVI Final Report**

Chair Report to CRSCNA

November 10, 2002

In my final report as CRCNA XVI chair, I want to tell you what a privilege it has been serving our fellowship. This has been, without a doubt, the most challenging, and most fulfilling service position I have undertaken in all my years in NA. Unfortunately, I did not have the experience of having first served one year as vice-chair, but fortunately I did have an administrative support committee and a group of subcommittee chairs who had a lot of previous CRCNA experience. We could not have succeeded without the help and support of the Colorado Regional Service Committee. I especially want to thank Mike M, regional Chair, who attended almost every CRCNA Committee meeting, with the exception of the one that was held a few days before his wedding. Thanks, Mike. We got tremendous feedback at the convention from many members of the fellowship, but as good as this convention was, we always feel we could and should do better next year. Our committee meeting at the close of the convention focused on how we could do even better next year, and the notes from that meeting will be passed on to the CRCNA XVII Administrative Committee.

The subcommittees, at our final meeting yesterday, submitted some recommended changes to the CRCNA Guidelines based on their experience in serving CRCNA XVI. These will be compiled and handed in at the next CRSCNA meeting.

When I was asked to serve, I wanted to make sure CRCNA would be a fun celebration of recovery, but I also committed to running this as a tight business venture, as it is the Region's main source of revenue each year. We scrutinized all invoices. We negotiated better deals whenever possible. When we purchased merchandise, we purchased items based on how well they would sell, and not only on how cool they looked.

Financially, CRCNA XVI was a huge success. The budget I handed in to the region in

March as prepared by the administrative committee and the subcommittee chairs, projected that after all expenses, we would have a profit to turn over to the Region of \$6950, which would have been the largest CRCNA donation to the region to date. We were a little off with our projection. CRCNA XVI, after all expenses to date having been paid, has a profit of \$14,945.34.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Steve K

CRCNA XVI Chair

### **CRCNA Elections**

CRCNA XVII Chair

**MSC: Charlie R. is as CRCNA Chair**

CRCNA XVII Vice Chair

**MSC: Dave R. as CRCNA Vice-Chair**

CRCNA XVII Treasurer

**MSC: Tiffany J. as CRCNA Treasurer**

CRCNA XVII Secretary

No nominations at this time. Please spread that to your groups.

**CRCNA will officially be held in the Foothills Area.**

### **RD/RDA Report**

Ryan has attended the Rocky Mountain Forum. Minutes from the Forum can be found on the internet at [www.nacolorado.org](http://www.nacolorado.org).

Rocky Mountain Forum Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, 2002 – Heber City, Utah

Overall, I felt this forum was quite productive and I would call it a success. It seems that the identity and purpose of the Rocky Mountain Forum is becoming clearer and we should see more things happen from here on out. Blaming any lack of action on the forum's nascency should no longer be acceptable to the participating regions. Minutes from the forum can be found on the internet at <http://www.nacolorado.org/rmf/> but here is a brief rundown of what transpired:

FRIDAY 9-27-02

\* Discussion about Colorado's inquiry as to what special needs are being addressed. Out of this discussion came several ideas regarding outreach to smaller communities and those isolated by things such as language barriers (see flyer). One of the main ways the forum helps is by holding its meeting in smaller Areas. Wyoming, Montana and Utah have all benefited from having the forum in one of their smaller Areas and letting the local addicts see that there is recovery and service outside of their geographic boundaries.

\* A priority list of goals for the forum was made which included: 1. Outreach/literature 2.

Personal contact 3. Computer Link-ups 4. Defining "Atmosphere of Recovery" 5. Addressing Special Demographics

\* Discussed various topics including: Communications between regions, Fund Raising and Outreach to Isolated Areas, Atmosphere of Recovery, 7<sup>th</sup> tradition

\* Discussed and created a flyer for groups that are isolated and seeking recovery to let them know that the RMF exists specifically to help them. I haven't received the flyer yet, but I am told that it has been finished. Outreach to Hispanic Community is one of the main purposes for this flyer. RCMs, please take back to your Areas and have your GSRs announce that the RMF needs Spanish speaking volunteers to be of service. At this point the forum does not has specific tasks and hopes to form a database of addicts throughout the Regions in order to best meet the needs of any groups requesting help from the forum. Also, the RMF needs the Regions to tell the forum what is needed from it.

\* Discussed and created T-shirt to help generate funds for the forum.

SATURDAY 9-28-02

\* Decided that Wyoming would host the next RMF in December, 2003 and would coincide with CAR workshop in order to have World Board participation.

\* Elected new officers: 1. Chair – Joe C., Utah 2. Treasurer – Bob D., Colorado 3. Secretary – Steve H., Wyoming

\* Broke off into groups and had roundtable discussions about the following topics: A. atmosphere of recovery B. 7<sup>th</sup> tradition C. Communications; notes forthcoming.

\* Had speaker meeting open for local fellowship with speakers from Colorado and Wyoming followed by an event which helped to raise funds for the forum.

EXPENSES:

- Airline Tickets = \$238
- 3 nights hotel = \$235.59 (61.39, 87.10, 87.10)
- bus & taxi = \$58.86 (25.86, 33)
- parking & mileage = \$56 (21, 35)
- per diem = \$99 (24, 30, 28, 17)

TOTAL EXPENSES = \$687.45

TOTAL RETURNED TO REGION = \$212.55

In service,

-Ryan C.

## Area Reports

**Boulder** Area Representative to the Colorado Regional Service Committee Report for December, 02

Good Morning All,

Things are going well in our area, since September we have added another meeting

and most of our groups are thriving. As always, there are a few groups who could use some support, most notably, the group in Brighton that meets Monday night at 6 PM and Saturday night at 6 PM.

Just a reminder to all RSC members, the January RSC meeting will be held on Sunday January 12<sup>th</sup> at the Mapleton Center for Rehabilitation in Boulder. The Boulder Area will be providing a breakfast for attendees beginning at 9:00 am and members of the Boulder fellowship have volunteered to provide overnight accommodations for those members who desire to stay over Saturday night. For directions or other concerns please contact me via e-mail or telephone and I will do my best to answer your questions.

**Area Donation: \$50.00**

Vacant Area Positions: Vice-Chair, RCM 2, and Activities Chair

Submitted in Loving Service,

Don T RCM

**Denver Area**, Discussion ensued, initiated by Tom , Chair from the Denver Area. He expressed concern about a meeting that does not wish to be listed on the meeting list and Tom was concerned about this. The meeting is not part of the Denver Area.

Consensus was that if the meeting does not wish to be on the meeting list then they should not be forced to have their meeting on the meeting list.

**Foothills Area**. foothills has recieved some donated speakers tapes. They will then donate the tapes to people in correctional fascilities. Foothills Area meets the first Sunday of the month at Villa Del Sol Restaurant at 3:00 p.m. Discussion ensued upon letters coming in from correctional institutions and jails. Foothills will be voting on a guideline change at their next meeting. A creation of a sub-committee to establish guideline changes to efficiently deal with the letters that come in through the mail from Colorado DOC facilities should occur. Foothills annouces a new meeting called Bring your own Lunch Group meets every weekday at 12:00 p.m. at 8545 E. Dry Creek Rd. They also announce that the Thjis Aint Therapy Group will no longer meet on Saturdays at 12:00 p.m. Activities is looking for raffle items to be donated for the raffle. There will be a dance held November 30 from 4:00 -10:00 p.m. at 6750 Carr street in Arvada.

Food will be available and a professional DJ will be spinning the disks. Please spread to groups. Foothills reports that the convention table was a success. They had recieved 40 peoples contaact information to serve their H&I service committee in the Foothills area.

**OFF THE WALL AREA REPORT - 10/10/02**

The Off The Wall ASC has met twice since the last RSC, with seven and eight GSRs attending, respectively. At the October meeting, we discussed and approved Guidelines, elected a new Vice Chair (Dave from Estes Park), and approved a donation of \$100 to the Colorado RSC.

A number of addicts from the Off The Wall Area attended CRCNA this year Everyone

seemed to enjoy it.

Our Service Unity Day was held on October 26. Attendance was fair, with about 55 addicts attending. We had six service-oriented workshops. Each was presented by one member from the Off The Wall Area and one member from outside our Area. These were followed by a Unity speaker and potluck. A special thanks to all who participated and all who attended.

At the November ASC, the Guidelines that were approved unanimously in October needed changing. Budgets for 2003 were to be presented and discussed.

December is scheduled as budget month, so that could prove to be interesting.

An Awareness Day is in the planning stages. This will be a P.I.-H.&I. presentation on the eastern Plains, probably in Akron. The plans are to bring counselors, medical professionals, and members of the judicial system together to bring awareness of what N.A. is, where we are, and how our fellowship can help to serve the needs of the eastern Plains. We currently have regular meetings in Fort Morgan and Yuma.

Upcoming events include the Steak Feed on November 16 in Loveland (3448 N. Taft) and the

Holiday Dance at the Knights of Colubus Hall in Fort Collins on December

The Steak Feed includes dinner, a speaker (Shanna P. from Ft. Collins), and fellowship.

The Holiday Dance starts with a speaker (Jeanne R. from Arvada), followed by a dance to a live band, the Alien Outlaws. So an open invitation is extended to all to share in fun and fellowship in the Off The Wall Area. See flyers for more information.

Statistics for the month of October show that our website had 2000 hits and 420 separate visits.

352 people looked at meeting schedules, 190 at activities, 138 at the GSR checklist, 130 at ASC meeting information, and 126 at phonelines. The information is there, and people are visiting our website. The phonelines in Weld and Larimer Counties are still operating.

Weld County had five calls last month, and the number of calls to the Larimer County line is unknown. Other P.I. activities include updating the meeting list.

The H.&I. subcommittee meets regularly. The committee has also adopted Guidelines as written in the WSC H.&I. handbook. All H.&I. meetings are still happening, and the results show at regular meetings.

Financially, the Off The Wall Area is okay today. However, our spending has been exceeding our income, and we need to either downsize our spending or find a way to increase our income.

All in all, the Off The Wall Area is holding together, but that is not to day that we aren't challenged.

In Loving Service,  
Larry and Ned

## **Serenity Unlimited**

Good news is the letter the Mesa County Jail inmate sent the region was handled by our Literature committee chair who did what was necessary to get a book to him and a letter, it is up to the inmate to pursue sponsorship, Woody is willing.

I am unable to attend region this weekend, I am sorry but life is good not using, I have too much to do!

The situation at delta prison is a little clearer, they do not wish the meeting to control incoming mail donation of books. The books are distributed to those persistent in asking for them on a property sheet. Some of the books have been distributed to inmates that way. The staying clean on the outside pamphlets are being distributed through the health services to any inmate with drug problem. Promotion but NA does not run the prison. Serenity Unlimited area gave little white books and introductory guides to the meeting and I was able to just carry them in, the guides were a hot item and disappeared directly. Shamelessly I ask for donations of introductory guides to saturate this need. Mail them to me at PO box 1161 Cedaredge Co. 81413, and I will get them into the hands of the 50 or so addicts who attend the meeting. Through all this an inmate was able to get a wso order form to Major Worthington who promised to order somehow through state budget. More will be revealed. Woody our literature chair is our co-rcm I believe and perhaps he will be there in person. Thanks- Mike C. SUNA  
RCM

## **RESOURCE POSITION REPORTS**

Ned, H&I, Basic Text and Colorado Jails Motion. Ned has sent out some meeting schedules, a letter and one Basic Text books to 25 facilities. The letter is as follows; Linda L. is the Literature resource person. Linda says that World is putting together a sponsorship book. If Linda needs more input for that she will send out an email. World is still asking for people to fill out the survey on the White Booklet and the Basic Text. You can find the survey on [www.na.org](http://www.na.org).

## **OLD BUSINESS -**

Basic Text and Colorado Jails Motion. This was discussed during the Resource Position reports.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

April 2003 Regional Assembly & U.S. Assembly of Regions.

It was discussed that the Regional Assembly not be part of the regional meeting rotation schedule.

There was also discussion that the April 2003 Regional Assembly to be held at Steamboat Springs.

MST: That the current CRCNA Guidelines be amended as follows; To make a

concerted effort to provide a balance of workshop speakers of the voices throughout the Colorado Region. The motion was tabled because it was improperly worded. Dave R. as Vice-Chair will go and look at guidelines and rewrite the motion so that it is correctly worded..

Human Resource Panel (HRP) will reconvene due to an overload of work. If you wish to sit on the HRP you can go to [www.na.org](http://www.na.org). The clean time requirement is five years.

### **SHARING SESSION**

Discussion about the amount of money the CRSC donates to the world. It was requested that RCM's go back to the groups and ask them what their ideas are for money aside from regular regional expenses. It was said that he is planning on submitting a motion to the region to give the remainder of the money to World. It was suggested that groups come up with some ideas if people do not want to send all of that money to the WSC. It was expressed that money will not solve everyone's problems but that we need more willing trusted servants. Money does not carry the message, people do. It was also expressed that P&I needs more attention. It was also expressed that the 800 number should be reinstated.

RE: Letter from the U.S. Assembly, Ryan would like to respond back to them. He would like to respond that CRSC will not attend the assembly because CRSC does not believe that it is necessary for an occurrence of the U.S. Regional Assembly.

Spanish Speaking meeting. The Region to give two Basic Text, Spanish readings etc... It was consensus that the concern needs to go to the Denver Area.

Zonal Forum, Is the money we are spending on it go to be worth while? It was answered that it will be worth while.

Letter from the non-profit insurance for Colorado NA events. Mike will look further into this.

Steve (CRCNA XVI Chair) wrote a check for \$15,388.30 to the CRSC from the CRCNA XVI account.

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