

Colorado Regional Service Committee Meeting

January 9, 2005
10:00 a.m.
Pueblo, Colorado

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.
Opened with Serenity Prayer

Roll Call:

CRSC Chair- Jim H. – Absent
CRSC Vice Chair- Torri F.
CRSC Treasurer- Steve K.
CRSC Secretary- Brenda E.
R.D.- Chuck C.
R.D.A.- Don T.
CRSC Webservant- Don T.
CRSC Outreach- Don T.
CRSC Mtg. Coordinator- Linda L.
CRSC Literature- Brad K.
CRSC H&I- OPEN
CRSC PI- OPEN
CRCNA Chair- Dave R. (XVIII)/Neal H. (XIX)
CRCNA Vice Chair- Alan H.
CRCNA Treasurer- Johann M.- Absent
Boulder RCM- Rob L. & Angie
Mile High RCM- Jason H. & Brad K.
Mountain West RCM- Vicky K.- Absent
Off The Wall RCM- Karen C. & Christopher L.- Absent
Pikes Peak RCM- Mary Kay A.
Serenity Unlimited RCM- Sanna M.
Southern RCM- Kent M.

Minutes were approved without exception.

Reports:

Chair- No report

Vice Chair-

CRSCNA VICE CHAIR REPORT:

AS DIRECTED I COORDINATED AND CONDUCTED THE PI AND THE H&I SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS. THANKS TO ROB AND CHUCK FOR YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT!! THE SAME TWO AREAS WERE REPRESENTED AT BOTH MEETINGS, OFF THE WALL AND PIKES PEAK. IT WAS DISAPPOINTING THAT BOULDER AND MILE HIGH WERE ABSENT. HOW DO WE STRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF ATTENDANCE AT THESE MEETINGS?

DUE TO HOLIDAY TIME RESTRAINTS I NEEDED TO CONDUCT THE H&I MEETING THE SAME DAY AS THE CRCNA MEETING, (MY APOLOGIES TO NEAL) I WILL MAKE THE NEXT CRCNA MEETING. I WAS HOWEVER IN CONTACT WITH NEAL FOR SOME CLARIFICATION REGARDING CRCNA.

I HAVE ALSO BEEN IN CONTACT WITH KAREN FROM OFF THE WALL AND SPOKE WITH HER ABOUT THE "FRIENDSHIP HOUSE" EVERYONE INVOLVED IS VERY CLEAR THAT IT IS NOT N.A. AND A STRONG

UNDERSTANDING OF THE TRADITIONS THAT COULD BE VIOLATED. SHE IS WILLING TO SEND INFORMATION TO ANYONE WHO HAS A CONCERN ABOUT THEIR PROJECT. THE ENTIRE AREA SOUNDS EXCITED ABOUT THE VENTURE.

LASTLY ON MY TO DO LIST WAS TO CONTACT MTN WEST ABOUT THE PROPOSAL FOR THE LARGE PRINT LINED BASIC TEXTS. I SPOKE WITH SHELLY AND EXPLAINED WHAT SHE NEEDED TO INCLUDE FOR THE PROPOSAL. AS OF YET I HAVE NOT RECEIVED THE PROPOSAL.

I PUT TOGETHER A NOTEBOOK FOR THE CHAIR/VICE CHAIR POSITION FOR ORGANIZATION PURPOSES.

I HAVE A DISPURSEMENT REQUEST FOR THREE NOTEBOOKS AND WSO MATERIALS.

OFFICEMAX FOR 3 – 2" BINDERS, 3 SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS, 3- 8 TAB DIVIDERS = \$ 34.06

NA WSO FOR H&I HANDBOOK W/ TAPE, GUIDE TO PI, AND 3 GUIDE TO LOCAL SERVICE HANDBOOKS = \$34.30

TOTAL DISPURSEMENT REQUEST = \$68.36 (RECIEPTS INCLUDED)

IN GRATITUDE - TORRI

Treasurer's Opening Balance: \$1652.52

CRSC TREASURER'S REPORT

9-Jan-05

Opening Balance - November 14, 2004 **\$2,496.41**

Expenses:	Amount	Check #
Public Storage - Storage Space - 2005	\$504.00	200
USPS- PO Box - 2005	\$68.00	201
Holiday Inn - Jan 2005 CRSC Meeting	\$133.07	202
Chuck Corcoran - Zonal Forum - Chuck and Don	\$242.00	203

Receipts:	Amount	Check #	YTD '04
Mile High Area	\$50.00	1629	\$175.00
Mountain West Area			
Off The Wall Area			\$400.00
Pikes Peak Area			\$200.00
Serenity Unlimited Area			
Clean & Serene Group	\$53.18	1025	\$100.98
Golden Group			\$81.50
Southern Area			
CRCNA XVII			\$1,324.17
Really Last Chance Group			\$9.42
Road to Golden Recovery group			\$20.00

Total Receipts	\$103.18		\$2,311.07
Total Expenses	\$947.07		

Ending Balance - November 14, 2004 **\$1,652.52**

Opening Balance - January 9, 2005

\$1,652.52

Steve K, CRSC Treasurer

R.D. -

Regional Delegate Report

Attended the Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum In December. The meeting went well we accomplished a lot and feel that we have a pretty good direction for the forum. We will host service workshops on the non conference years and CAR workshops during conference years. Due to the fact that we have several regions participating we can request world participation at our workshops. Our yearly share of the expense to operate the forum is \$242 plus travel expenses for the RD and RDA.

Attended the Regional H&I meeting. It was disappointing that only Pikes Peak and Off the Wall showed up but, the meeting was productive and we discussed a lot of issues facing the two areas.

In Loving Service

Chuck

R.D.A. -

Morning all,

Attended the Rocky Mountain Forum with Chuck, and ended up with a trusted meeting position. I am now the web servant for the Rocky Mountain Forum, The website is up and running at <http://www.rmfn.org>. The web site will have a discussion board for addicts in the member regions to discuss the current WSC Discussion topics. The RMF trusted servants will be writing articles focusing on specific parts of each topic. I am excited about the direction the forum is going and feel that this body (RMF) will be a strong force in unifying our four regions.

Submitted In Loving Service,

Don T

RDA, Web Servant, Outreach

CRSC Webservant-

Web Servant

The searchable meeting database project is moving forward. From the current list there are approximately 200 meetings and 139 groups meeting in 104 locations throughout the Colorado Region.

Requests from family members for information have been increasing over the past two months and I am passing on the Nar-Anon contact information.

Thanks to another addict, I had to do an emergency post of the CRSCNA meeting information to the home page of the CRSCNA web site due to the H & I sub-committee meeting the same weekend. I will change the behind the scenes part to allow for more than one CRSC meeting (sub-committees, assemblies, and service committees) can have the information posted at the same weekend.

I will be looking to bring in a replacement as the web servant in April and currently am talking to the addict who has stepped-up to work into this position.

CRSC Outreach-

Outreach

I spoke to Alan H about the Mountains West Area, currently he is contacting the addicts in Aspen to see if he can generate contact information for the Aspen groups. I have also been in contact with Angelo in Glenwood Springs in the past 10 days about the current situation in Glenwood Springs. Sanna, from the

Serenity Unlimited RCM contacted me about Regional, and will be at the CRSC meeting today. I have been in contact with an addict about starting new meetings in the Vail Eagle area.

CRSC H&I- OPEN Position

H&I SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING:

CHUCK AND MYSELF COORDINATED AND CONDUCTED THIS MEETING ON SATURDAY JANUARY 8TH IN ARVADA. WE WERE JOINED BY THE OTW AND PP PI CHAIRS AND THE PP ASC CHAIR. I HAVE CREATED A NOTEBOOK FOR THE H&I CHAIR WITH ALL RELEVANT H&I MATERIALS THAT I ORDERED FROM WSO. I ALSO CREATED AN H&I CONTACT LIST. BOTH AREAS ARE LIMITED TO THE FACILITIES THAT THEY CAN SERVICE DUE TO LACK OF COMMITMENT WITH MEMBERS. OTW REQUESTED A LEARNING DAY WITH PI FOR THEIR MEMBERS AND ALSO FOR THE COMMITTEE CHAIRS WHOM ARE BOTH NEW TO THEIR POSITIONS. PP IS REQUESTING A LEARNING DAY COLLECTIVELY WITH ALL AREAS. BOTH AREAS STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CRSC CONTINUING THE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS. I WILL SEND MINUTES TO THOSE WANTING A MORE INDEPTH REPORT. **NEXT MEETING WILL BE SATURDAY FEBRUARY 26TH 1PM CASTLE ROCK (HOPEFULLY) VILLAGE INN

CRSC PI- OPEN Position

PI SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING:

ROB AND MYSELF COORDINATED AND CONDUCTED THIS MEETING ON SATURDAY DECEMBER 18TH IN ARVADA. WE WERE JOINED BY THE OTW AND PP PI CHAIRS AND THE PP PI SECRETARY. I HAVE CREATED A NOTEBOOK FOR THE PI CHAIR WITH ALL RELEVANT PI MATERIALS THAT I ORDERED FROM WSO. I ALSO CREATED A PI CONTACT LIST FOR CRSC. IT IS APPARENT AFTER THE MEETING THAT LACK OF PARTICIPATION IS THE BIGGEST OBSTACLE FOR ALL AREAS. OTW HAS REQUESTED A LEARNING DAY FOR SUPPORT AND BOTH AREAS WANT THE CRSC TO CONTINUE WITH THE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS. I WILL SEND THE MINUTES TO THOSE WANTING A MORE INDEPTH REPORT.

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE SATURDAY, FEB.19TH 11AM CASTLE ROCK (HOPEFULLY) VILLAGE INN

CRSC Meeting Coordinator-

TO: COLORADO REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

DATE: January 9,2005

SUBJECT: Regional Meeting Coordinator Report

Southern Area - 1/9/05 Meeting of the COLORADO REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE Hopefully, this venue is meeting our needs. Enjoy the coffee....

Boulder Area - 3/13/05 Meeting of the COLORADO REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE See attached flyer for info. Yeah! Even tho I dearly love the chairs at the usually meeting place we go to for CRSC in the Boulder Area, we are going to Brighton in March...

Off The Wall Area - 4/16/05 Meeting of the COLORADO REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE
- REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

I am looking into holding this assembly in Estes Park on this 3rd Saturday if OTW wants to consider hosting something on Saturday nite?? or for lunch?? or whatever.... Please see me at the break TODAY - Thanks....

Mile High Area - 5/15/05 Meeting of the COLORADO REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE Heads up, I will be looking for meeting space in Aurora or Parker.

Let me know if you all know of space or are going to hold some function...

Mountains West Area - 7/10/05 Meeting of the COLORADO REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE I am looking into holding this Regional meeting in Glenwood Springs and will be trying some very old contacts there UNLESS SOMEONE TODAY CAN HELP ME OUT!!

Or, gosh, I just might have to go up there to find a meeting place and sleep rooms for this CRSC...

Thanks for letting me be the CRSC RMC (Regional Meeting Coordinator) as it has been fun and addict-experience-intensive. And, I am enjoying myself!!

Submitted lovin' service still,

Linda L.
CRSC RMC

CRCNA XVIII Chair- Lots of discussion around contracts for CRCNA conventions.

CRSC **CRCNA XVIII Chair's Final Report**

CRCNA XVIII was held in Vail, Colorado, from Friday, October 8 through Sunday, October 10. There were 506 addicts registered for CRCNA XVIII. 25 of those registered were H&I registrations, all from one institution. 23 of those registered were newcomer registrations. We took in a total of \$824.00 in Newcomer donations, of which \$575.00 went toward newcomer registrations. Per our guidelines, the remaining \$249.00 is being used to purchase NA literature to give to newcomers at CRCNA XIX F&E events in 2005.

The CRCNA XVIII Committee feels that this convention was a success. In our guidelines, it states that "The purpose of CRCNA is to sponsor conventions held by members of Colorado NA to bring our fellowship together in a celebration of recovery from the disease of addiction. Reasons for holding CRCNA include helping addicts around the region to overcome isolation, to gain new information about recovery and service, to raise money, and, most importantly, to further our primary purpose." We feel that we accomplished all of this, through our speakers, through our workshops and workshop topics, through the unity of the CRCNA Committee and the fellowship at large.

One concern that arose involves the sign language interpreter. Our understanding is that at the September 2004 CRSC meeting, we were to find out if any addicts needed a sign language interpreter before engaging in a contract with an interpreter. Through our inquiries, we discovered addicts who would need sign language interpreters, but because they believed we would not have such interpreters, they had already made other plans for the weekend of CRCNA and did not attend the convention.

Another concern involves the use of the Vail Marriott. There were occasions when the Vail Marriott made changes which adversely affected CRCNA for which they would not make any reparation. Most egregious of these are two room changes the hotel made. The first involved the merchandise room, which was moved from a moderately large room to a much smaller room more closely resembling a closet. The second involved the double booking of a workshop room, and our forced move to a smaller room. In both cases, the hotel's response to CRCNA was an underwhelming, "take it or leave it" approach. The hotel also added charges that were not laid out in the contract, and refused to discuss details of the banquet until the contract was signed. In retrospect, CRCNA should not have been as hasty as it was in agreeing to terms, and should have held more in-depth discussions with some of the other eight hotels the convention took bids from.

Financially, CRCNA XVIII took a net loss of \$387.30. The final CRCNA XVIII balance is \$4612.70. This includes two outstanding checks for \$225.00, plus \$489.54 for Town of Vail sales tax, \$483.01 for State of Colorado and Eagle County sales tax, \$47.44 for Bearcom, \$1509.35 for the final settlement with the Vail

Marriott, and \$249.00 for literature for newcomers. The tax amounts listed here are approximately 10% higher than the amounts quoted at the January 2005 CRSC, as it became apparent when filling out the tax forms that penalties would need to be paid because of the late payments.

At this time we have no specific recommendations for next year's CRCNA Committee. CRCNA guideline changes were examined, and if it is determined that those are to be presented, they will be presented in 2005 by the CRCNA XIX Committee. One recommendation to the fellowship at large regarding CRCNA is to get involved early. The first CRCNA XIX meeting is where subcommittee chairs are typically elected. I urge the fellowship to show up and participate. Being a part of CRCNA was one of the most rewarding experiences of my life, and unity and goodwill felt among the committee is a gift of recovery no addict should miss. Personally speaking, I could not be more proud of the people who served on the CRCNA XVIII committee. Their hard work and dedication made this convention happen.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Dave R.
CRCNA XVIII Chair

CRCNA XIX Chair -

CRCNA XIX
Chair's Report
January 9, 2005

Yesterday the first CRCNA XIX meeting was held. Nine addicts attended. No area liaisons attended the meeting. The following subcommittee chair positions were filled:

Hotel & Hospitality – Ken S. (Pike's Peak area)
Merchandise – Flori M. (Mile High area)
Fundraising & Entertainment – Peggy Z. (Mile High area)
Hospitals & Institutions – Marilou L. (Mile High area)

The following subcommittee chair positions remain unfilled:

Registration
Program
Print & Display
Convention Information & Web

Last year's CI&W Subcommittee Vice-Chair has expressed a keen interest in chairing the subcommittee this year, but was unable to attend yesterday's meeting.

I brought 75 copies of a flier for the RCMs to take back to their ASCs to alert the Fellowship to the fact that these positions remain unfilled. Please forgive the primitive nature of the fliers; we currently have no Print & Display Subcommittee chair.

Teresa K. (Mile High area) attended yesterday's meeting in order to express interest in being CRCNA XIX Secretary. Unfortunately, she was unable to attend today's CRSC meeting to qualify and be voted on. However, she has agreed to serve as acting Secretary until the March CRSC meeting, which she will be attending.

Johann M. informed us that she must step down as CRCNA XIX Treasurer for personal reasons. I will be speaking with specific individuals who have previously indicated to me their desire to serve on the CRCNA XIX committee to invite them to serve as our Treasurer. I am committed to having someone at the March CRSC meeting for you to vote on so we can get this position filled as quickly as possible.

The committee has established the parameters for the CRCNA XIX Theme & Logo Contest. I also brought 75 copies of a flier for the RCMs to take back to their areas. The deadline for submissions is March 10, 2005; we want submissions in our hands by that date. Submissions may contain a logo, or a theme, or both. Logos need not be camera-ready. We will be voting on themes and logos at our March meeting, the 12th.

The new H&H Chair has arranged for us to have a very brief introductory tour of the Pueblo Convention Center.

The next CRCNA XIX committee meeting will be held on February 12th at 11:00am in the Anderson Room at the Englewood Public Library (Hampden & Inca in Englewood).

ILS,
Neal H.
CRCNA XIX Chair

CRCNA Treasurer- \$1509.35 for final hotel bill.

Final Balance: \$4954.08 (\$45.92 net loss)

Rocky Mountain Forum Chair – Talked about upcoming workshops and discussed some topics. They included contracts, who we are, service apathy, common problems of each region, addicts responsibility to NA, how to start a group, etc. Gave a general direction on how the forum would like to help out in regions.
Linda L.

AREA RCM Reports:

Boulder-

CRSC - 1/9/05 - Boulder Area RCM Report – Rob L

All Area service positions are filled with the exception of Activities chair. We do have a CRCNA Liasion, although I know she was unable to attend the meeting yesterday.

New Years Marathon meetings were well attended and lasted until the “We” hours of the morning.

Our Phonenumber continues to have a high volume of calls (148 calls last month), presumably as a result of the radio PSA. Meetings seem to have strong attendance and a lot of newcomers.

PI has been working on keeping our meeting list up to date and correct, as there have been some changes in meeting spaces, miscommunication, and some new meetings being added to our list. They are also working on getting phonenumber info into all the phonebooks, and getting info and literature to the Juvenile Division of the Justice Center.

H&I has 2 jail meetings going well, and 2 that need more support. There was some problems getting clearances through, and now the biggest issue for them is volunteers. Our meeting at Centennial Peaks Hospital has been going strong; 10-15 people regularly and usually a few patients from the facility. The old Friday night Broomfield meeting has had to move and has moved into this facility as well. We also had a meeting in the ARC, which will be folding due to lack of support and that that facility isn't happy with this inconsistency. Also the literature rack at Centennial Peaks hospital has apparently been stocked by Mile High H&I in the past, we would like to do this in the future.

We are looking into holding a group service level learning days to raise interest and awareness of the importance of service work. We hope to have something along these lines in the next few months.

BASC is working on its own revisions to its prudent reserve, and has an ad-hoc committee working on some recommendations to changing our guidelines. We have a 4182.12 donation to the Region.

The March meeting of CRSC will be held in Brighton and we look forward to y'all commin' by!

Thank you for letting me be of service, Rob

Mile High-

Activities: Dance and speaker/DJ. 7:30pm – Feb. 11,05 @ 6644 Wadsworth in Arvada.

H&I: Going good and always in need of volunteers. Going into around 17 facilities.

Literature: Need literature chair.

Outreach: Received 6 letters and sent out 8 letters to inmates.

PI: Still doing IP rack projects. 9 IP racks in different facilities.

Phoneline: All slots are filled. Need vice chair.

Website: Starting an inventory today. Jan. 9, 05 @ 6750 Carr @ 5:30pm. Need vice chair.

Old business: Jan. 15, 05 @ 12:00 noon an ad hoc for area guidelines.

Area inventory: First meeting is Feb. 20,05 @ Lakewood Library @ 12:30pm.

Jason and Brad, RCMs

Mountain West- No Report

High Life Area-

Hello everyone, Sorry we are unable to attend the Regional Meeting in Pueblo at this time, the weather is not so great up here for traveling. I am not sure of how to send or format our information & request. So here it goes. Proposal: Back to the Roots Group of Narcotics Anonymous is requesting financial help from Colorado Region in purchasing 10 Large Print Line Numbered Basic Texts for a meeting that wants to get started. This meeting will be held on Wed evenings 7:30pm at our meeting place here in Craig Co. This meeting will be a closed meeting anyone over the age of 2years old that is not an addict will be asked to attend one of our other open reuglarly scheduled meetings. This will be a VERY structured Book Study. There are many addicts here in our group that is very much looking forward to this meeting. Especially since recovery is still new here for many and they want more recovery. We as a group feel this meeting will be a great assett to many of us. The price of each book is \$9.70 WSO # LN1101 If my calculations are right I believe S&H is \$6.79 Total request is \$103.79 If this request is approved location to have books sent to is: Back to the Roots Group 11 W. Victory Way #200 Craig, Co 81625 If there are any questions or concerns in regards to this request please do not hesitate to contact Vicky or Shelly Home # 970-824-5335 Vicky's Cell 970-629-1794 Email: NAVicky02@aol.com Shelly's Cell 970-629-8976 Email: NASHellyV03@aol.com (please note our new email addresses) Now on to our report, Hello everyone, Meetings are going real well here in Craig, our attendance had dropped for awhile there, but is picking up real quick again. Participation is improving also. There is such a great need for NA Recovery up here. And growing fast. We had our first nominations, elections and now changing of our group service body. This new body starts Feb 5, 2005. With this venture, we have gone ahead and started a new area. With interim Service Bodys as we work through the process of buiding this area. Name of our new area has been chosen as: The High Life Area of Narcotics Anonymous of Colorado Region. The acting Area Chairperson will be Vicky K. from Craig Vice Chairperson Kevin T. from Craig As this area continues to establish itself we will be filling positions as there will or are be willing addicts to step forward to fill these positions. Will be holding our next area service meeting on Feb 6, 2005 in Craig. 11 W. Victory Way #200 Craig, Co. If anyone has information or direction to help along this journey please do not heasitate to contact us.Any and all help will be very much appreciated. An announcement: and we get more information for the events calendar real soon. We will be celebrating our 2 year birthday for our group, Back to the Roots Group on a pizza party speaker meeting on Feb 12, 2005 here in Craig. Flyer will be forth coming.

Please come join if you can. Once again please do not hesitate to contact for questions or concerns. Also, to Don T. for the meeting schedule online, I have done some research in regards to the meeting that was being held in Meeker. It is no longer. It has not been going for quite sometime. I will be contacting other groups within this area and updating and also us on how they are doing. As I get information it will be passed on to the Region. I hope this all gets to the right people and the right places for the meeting. I'm sorry if this is not the way to submit this information, someone can let me know the proper procedures. Once again sorry we could not make it to the meeting, but please stay in touch and keep us informed on what is going on and also please do not hesitate to contact us for any reason. In loving service Vicky

Pikes Peak-

**CRSC
PIKES PEAK AREA
RCM REPORT
JANUARY 9, 2005**

The Pikes Peak Area of Narcotics Anonymous met on December 2, 2004 and January 6, 2005. Our donation to the Colorado Region is \$200.00.

We welcome Shelbie as our new PPANA secretary along with Joyce P., H & I Chair, Kevin W., Phonline Chair and Kim C., Policy Chair who have agreed to second terms.

All sub-committees are doing a great job of carrying the message and looking forward to the continued Regional brainstorm for both PI and H&I.

Activities did a wonderful job of providing a New Years Eve activity. The PPANA now has a revised new Policy Handbook. We thank Kim C. for the many hours of service involved in this.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service and the Pikes Peak Area extends a HAPPY NEW YEAR, Just For Today, to each of you.

In loving service,
Mary Kay A.

Serenity Unlimited-

**CRSC
SERENITY UNLIMITED AREA
RCM REPORT
JANUARY 2005**

The Serenity Unlimited Area of Narcotics Anonymous met on January 8, 2005. We had a great turn out at least 20 people. We had two vacancies to fill one was the Vice Chair and the other was the H & I Chair. Thanks to Vern for stepping up to the plate and being nominated and voted in for the Vice Chair position and thanks goes out to Chris who was nominated and voted in for the H & I Chair position!!! We keep what we have by giving it away!!!!

Our Activities Committee was reorganized back in late August early September and Polly who is our Activities Chair person has done a fabulous job with the help of a great group of members who have joined in this service position. We had a Halloween dance, a pot luck for Thanksgiving, a pot luck for Christmas and on New Years we had marathon meetings.

Thanks goes out to Woody who has stepped into the Area Chair position. We are very fortunate to have such experience, strength and hope chairing this area. Area meetings have become more organized and have been done in timely fashion.

Our next Area meeting will be held on February 5, 2005. I will make a proposal to donate to Regional at this meeting.

Thank you everyone for your love and support. I had a great time meeting all of you and am looking forward to seeing you all again in March.

In Loving Service,

Sanna M.
RCM Serenity Unlimited

Southern -

Southern Area Report:

1/09/05

Submitted By: R. Kent McKinney II

1. All groups are conducting meetings on a regular basis and practicing all principles.
2. H&I are still going strong in Trinidad. They meet on Wednesday at 7. Area is trying to get meeting established in Las Animas county jail. There has been some resistant but we are determined. Area is continuing to send literature to Cross roads, Drug and Alcohol councilors and Human Services.
3. Happy to hear new meeting in Alamosa is doing well.
4. Glad to hear addicts are attending Florence Federal Prison.
5. PI – New Years dance went great in Pueblo. No report on financial status of dance.
6. Area voted on having meeting once a month instead of once every other month.
7. Area sent out letters in December to groups to get involved with the area!
8. Trinidad Meeting has a serious problem with resistance from AA groups in town. Bring to Region to discuss our options!!

Old Business:

Nominations and Elections:

PI Chair- Still Open

H&I Chair- Still Open

CRCNA Treasurer

CRCNA Secretary

CRCNA turn in final report along with a financial report.

RMF financial request.

Prudent Reserve ad hoc committee:

The CRSCNA Ad Hoc Prudent Reserve/Budget Committee met on Sunday December 19, 2004. Steve K, CRSCNA Treasurer; Brenda E, CRSCNA Secretary; and Rob L, RCM Boulder were present.

This Ad Hoc Committee was formed as a result of the following proposal from the September CRSC meeting:

To establish a prudent reserve for the CRSCNA of \$5000.00. Any amount above that should be sent as a donation to NAWS after each regional meeting.

Intent:

- 1) to ensure that we can pay the bills of our region. Our regional budget for the past 3 years has never exceeded \$5000.00. This will ensure that even if we have \$0.00 in receipts for an entire year, we can finance the needs of our region.

2) to maintain unity in the region so that we do not have to spend time at the regional meeting arguing what to do with our excess funds, when we can instead spend our time carrying the message and discussing the needs of addicts in Colorado.

The issues we discussed were:

- a) To determine how much money we need to keep to satisfy the needs of our Region
- b) To determine how much money we should send to World Service Office
- c) How to get away from the disunity that these discussions often stir up at our service meetings
- d) To minimize the perception that the Region "holds on" to funds
- e) A review of the seed money that CRCNA maintains

We looked at the budgeted and actual expenses, the receipts from Groups and Areas, and the receipts from CRCNA for the last few years.

Those numbers are as follows (numbers are approximate and rounded):

2002:

Donations from Groups and Areas - \$3000.00
Donation from CRCNA 15 - \$2450.00
Regional Expenses - \$4400.00
Donations to World - \$1300.00

2003:

Donations from Groups and Areas - \$4875.00
Donation from CRCNA 16 - \$11,500.00
Regional Expenses - \$7400.00 (Budgeted Expenses were \$5500.00)
Donations to World - \$6000.00

2004:

Donations from Groups and Areas - \$980.00
Donation from CRCNA 17 - \$1325.00
Regional Expenses - \$4250.00 (Budgeted Expenses were \$7000.00)
Donations to World - \$4000.00
We started 2004 with \$7567.09
We start 2005 with \$1652.52

While we put together a budget for 2005, we find ourselves in a terrific cash crunch coming in to the current year. Donations from the Areas and Groups fell way short in 2004 than in previous years. Our donations from CRCNA fluctuate dramatically from year to year, and we can not count solely on CRCNA donations to meet our Regional expenses. With the exception of 2003, when we had excess funds from CRCNA 16 to add some expenditures for additional services in our Region, we have been working with a realistic expense budget of approximately \$5000.00.

Some of the thoughts that came out of our discussions:

- 1) We want to make sure that the Areas are fiscally responsible to the Groups and addicts in their Area. We need to develop a culture in our entire Region of prudent money management so that we can improve the trust that the Areas and Groups have in our Region's financial decisions (11th Concept).
- 2) We want to encourage the Areas to make appropriate requests of funds to the Region "when they need it", not just "when we have it". The timing of the Area's requests should be based on what they need, not just when they feel there is money available. If there is a legitimate need, it should be submitted to the Region, and we will determine whether the funds are available. If the funds are not available at that time, we will hold the request open until such time that the funds become available.
- 3) The amount determined to be the Region's Prudent Reserve is to be reviewed periodically based on current financial data (receipts and expenses).
- 4) We currently have a hole to dig out of. It is up to the Areas, Groups and Addicts in our Region to help regain financial stability in our Region.

Recommendation:

That CRSCNA set a Prudent Reserve of \$5000.00 for fiscal year 2005 and until such time that CRSCNA feels it should be reviewed. At the end of each Regional Meeting, we will review any current or past requests for funds from our Areas. When those approved requests have been met, we will forward any excess funds over \$5000.00 remaining to the World Service Office.

Submitted in loving service,

Steve K

CRSCNA Treasurer

Open Discussion/Sharing:

New area discussion-

Regional inventory? - Financial inventory has been done.

Discussion on how 7th traditions work in groups, areas, regions.

What is our region doing for groups and areas.

New Business:

Proposals:

Ad hoc recommendation to April assembly.

The Pikes Peak Area of NA asks Region for financial assistance for PPANA H&I as attached.

200 IP #1; 200 IP #6; 200 IP #7; 200 IP #8; 200 IP #16; 200 IP #22; 200 IP #23; 72 Basic Texts for a total of #1035.60. - Passed

10 large print line numbered Basic Texts \$103.79

High Life Area - Consensus not reached.

To send \$500.00 to NAWS. - Consensus not reached.

To send \$100.00 to NAWS - Consensus not reached.

Closing Treasurer's Report: \$ 3088.64

Donation to NAWS: \$ 0

Treasury Ending: \$ 3088.64

Meeting adjourned at: 2:51

CRSC/CRCNA Storage Keys: Neal H. (2), Torri F. (1), Alan H. (1), Jim H. (1)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CRSC H&I Meeting: Saturday, February 26, 2005 – Castle Rock @ 1:00 pm. (Village Inn)

CRSC PI Meeting: Saturday, Feb. 19, 2005 – Castle Rock @ 11:00 am. (Village Inn)

CRCNA XIX Meeting: Saturday, Feb. 12, 2005 – Englewood Public Library @ 11:00 am. – (Hampden & Inca in Englewood) – Mtg. in Anderson Room

Mile High Area: Dance on Feb. 11, 2005 @ 7:30 pm. – 6644 Wadsworth, Arvada.
Area inventory meeting @ 12:30 pm. – Lakewood Library

High Life Area: Area meeting in Craig, CO on Feb. 6, 2005 @ 11 W. Victory Way #200
Pizza party and speaker meeting in Craig, CO. Back to Roots Group is sponsoring this event on Feb. 12, 2005. Flyer to come soon.

Serenity Unlimited: Area meeting is Feb. 5, 2005.

NEXT REGIONAL MEETING IS MARCH 13, 2005 IN BRIGHTON, CO. 1750 EGBERT STREET – PLATTE VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER - MEETING STARTS AT 10:00 AM AND FLYER IS ON WEB. WWW.NACOLORADO.ORG

TO DO LIST/TAKE ACTION LIST:

1. CRCNA Treasurer and Secretary positions are open. **RCMs – Please announce**
2. CRSC PI Chair position is OPEN. **RCMs - Please announce.**
3. CRSC H&I Chair position is OPEN. **RCMs - Please announce.**
4. **RCMs**—Find out what areas' want from the region. What support is necessary?
5. **RCMs**- Discuss at areas the recommendation from the CRSCNA prudent reserve ad hoc committee. Recommendation: That the CRSCNA set a prudent reserve of \$5000.00 for fiscal year 2005 and until such time that CRSCNA feels it should be reviewed. At the end of each regional meeting, we will review any current or past requests for funds from our areas. When those approved requests have been met, we will forward any excess funds over \$5000.00 remaining to the World Service Office.
6. What is region doing to change its perception with areas and groups. RCMs and other members of CRSC think about this question. – **Torri F.**(add to agenda)
7. Contact WSO. In what ways can we or should we contact the other fellowships on matters affecting NA. **Chuck C.**
8. Contact Kent as PI chair to present a panel or talk with problems in Trinidad. **Torri F.**