

Colorado Regional Service Committee

Minutes
March 16, 2008
Wheat Ridge, CO

Open With Serenity Prayer

Roll Call

Approval of January Minutes

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Old Business

Elections

Open Discussion

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Closing Treasurer's Report

Donation to World

Close

Open – 10:12 a.m.

Roll Call

Chair – position open
Vice Chair
Treasurer
Secretary
Regional Delegate
Regional Delegate Alternate
CRCNA Chair
CRCNA Vice Chair – position open
CRCNA Treasurer
PI Chair
H&I Chair – absent
BOD Ad Hoc Chair
Boulder RCM – 1
Mile High RCM – 1
Mountain High RCM – absent
Mountains West RCM – absent
Off the Wall RCM – 2
Pikes Peak RCM – 2
Serenity Unlimited RCM – 2
Southern RCM – absent
Visitors - 4

Approval of January Minutes – NOT APPROVED – no minutes published

Chair Report – No report, position open

Vice Chair Report

As a follow-up regarding the BOD Ad Hoc Committee, I was directed to contact Chuck C. about serving as chair, and he has agreed. He indicated that he would attend the 1/27/08 meeting. It's my understanding that he did attend that meeting and has assumed the chair position.

On 2/15/08, I received a call from an addict in the PPANA who sponsors an inmate at the Sterling correctional facility. The inmate reported to this addict that on 2/5/08, two people showed up at the facility stating that they were "NA" and conducted a meeting for about 25 inmates. At this purported "NA" meeting, the two individuals passed out photocopies of Bible scriptures and eventually admitted that they had never actually been to an NA meeting. They did, however, say that they would attend one of the two weekly NA meetings in Sterling for the purpose of obtaining some NA literature for the inmates. I first contacted the OTW Area to confirm that its Area H&I committee did not send these two individuals in and also confirmed that OTW Area knew nothing about this meeting or the individuals. I then contacted our Regional H&I and turned the matter over to him. Ryan was going to contact the facility on Monday, 2/18/08, and I will let him report on the outcome of that call. We discussed the importance of getting an H&I meeting into the facility to clean up the mess with the 25 inmates, and also the need for a PI presentation for the staff so that they would know what NA is and what it is NOT. I also spoke with our PI Chair. Linda and Ryan were going to discuss the matter at subcommittees on 2/17.

On 2/27/08, I received an email from an individual by the name of Clay in Hayden, Colorado, asking how to start a meeting in Hayden. Hayden is about 25 miles from Steamboat. I replied to Clay on 2/27 and gave him the basics of "how to," email contact information for Don T., Reese and Marty, the Mountain High link, and a link for the WSO's group starter kit. Clay responded on 3/3 and said the first meeting would be held on 3/8 in Hayden. He also said that he had been in contact with Marty and that he had asked Don T. to add the meeting to the website. I have copies of the emails if you want to see them.

I attended the CRSC Ad Hoc Budget Committee on 2/10/08 and will continue to attend that committee and act as Secretary for it.

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

Opening Treasurer's Report

Since the close of the last CRSCNA meeting on January 20, 2008, donations have been received from three Areas (Boulder, Off The Wall and Pikes Peak) and two Groups (Golden and True Blue) totaling \$1,386.86 --- resulting in a current (or opening) balance of \$2,507.48. All of the donations received during the current report period are listed on the accompanying page. There have been no expenditures during this period beyond the \$1,123.00 approved and paid during or immediately following the last meeting and reflected in the minutes of January 20 and on this current report.

There have been some donations received in the last few weeks but confusion on the part of the CRCNA representative who picked up the mail from our joint CRSC-CRCNA Post Office box has led to those checks only having being turned over to the CRSC Treasurer at today's meeting. They are, therefore, not included in this report.

The Regional checkbook and the latest US Bank statement have been reconciled with no checks outstanding and no variance.

Respectfully Submitted --- Thank you for letting me be of service --- ILS,

Alan S. – CRSCNA Treasurer

CRSCNA TREASURER'S REPORT
 JANUARY 20 to March 15, 2008

| | <u>CURRENT REPORT PERIOD</u> | <u>CURRENT YEAR TO DATE (2008)</u> |
|--|----------------------------------|--|
| OPENING BALANCE - January 1, 2008 | | \$2,147.10 |
| OPENING BALANCE - January 20, 2008 | \$2,243.62 | |
| ***** | | |
| INCOME: | | |
| Area Donations | - | |
| Boulder Area | \$534.98 | \$534.98 |
| Mile High Area | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Mountain High Area | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Mountains West Area | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Off The Wall Area | \$500.00 | \$500.00 |
| Pikes Peak Area | \$300.00 | \$300.00 |
| Serenity Unlimited Area | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Southern Area | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Group Donations | | |
| Crestone Group | \$0.00 | \$40.00 |
| Golden Group | \$30.00 | \$30.00 |
| Northside Young in Recovery Group | \$0.00 | \$21.60 |
| True Blue Group | \$21.88 | \$56.80 |
| Other Income | <u>\$0.00</u> | <u>\$0.00</u> |
| TOTAL INCOME | \$1,386.86 | \$1,483.38 |
| EXPENDITURES: | | |
| | | <u>Check #</u> |
| Prior Report Period YTD Expenditures | \$0.00 | |
| The Donut Hole (Rent - H&I, PI, CSC meetings) | \$100.00 | 299 |
| Serenity Unlimited Area (Travel to H&I, PI meetings) | \$60.00 | 300 |
| VOID | \$0.00 | 301 |
| Brenda Eastlick (RDA to WSC 4/25/08 - CA) | \$963.00 | 302 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | \$1,123.00 | \$1,123.00 |
| ***** | | |
| (NET) ENDING BALANCE - March 15, 2008 | \$2,507.48 | \$2,507.48 |
| OPENING BALANCE - March 16, 2008 | \$2,507.48 | \$2,507.48 |
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BANK ACCOUNT-CHECKBOOK RECONCILIATION as of
 XXXX 2008

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|--|---------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Latest Bank Statement Date - February 29, 2008 | - | - | - |
| Balance Shown on Latest Bank Statement: | \$2,507.48 | | \$2,507.48 |
| Adjustments to Bank Statement - | | Net | |
| Outstanding Deposits: | \$0.00 | Adjustment: | <u>\$0.00</u> |
| Outstanding Checks & Charges: | <u>\$0.00</u> | Adjusted Bank Balance: | \$2,507.48 |
| Net Adjustment: | \$0.00 | Checkbook Balance: | <u>\$2,507.48</u> |
| | | VARIANCE: | \$0.00 |

Alan S. - CRSCNA Treasurer March 15, 2008

**Regional Delegate's Report
Since November**

- Web Servant is still open – as before I will continue to fill the position until a replacement can be found
- Regional Meeting list last updated: March 05, 2008
- Website Stats

| Month | Unique Visitors | Number of Visits |
|------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| February 2007 | 1367 | 2173 |
| March 2007 | 1634 | 3164 |
| April 2007 | 1696 | 3339 |
| May 2007 | 1779 | 3519 |
| June 2007 | 1452 | 2959 |
| July 2007 | 1692 | 3431 |
| August 2007 | 1799 | 3538 |
| September 2007 | 1933 | 3895 |
| October 2007 | 2247 | 4599 |
| November 2007 | 1778 | 3412 |
| December 2007 | 1650 | 3251 |
| January 2008 | 1871 | 3374 |
| February 2008 | 1855 | 3227 |
| March 2008 (to date) | 1126 | 1744 |
| Daily Averages 03/2008 | 83.33 | 129.19 |

- I held two CAR workshops in Longmont and Franktown and although I would have loved to have more members in attendance, I am grateful for those who did participate. The discussion was spirited and I have prepared a "Group Conscience" Worksheet and attached it to this report. The worksheet is not to replace the CAR or CAT documents; it is meant to help the groups go through the process in an efficient manner to prepare for the Regional Assembly. There are Compact Discs available here today that have all the pertinent documentation. Also attached to this document will be my CAR workshop summary that I have submitted to the World Board and The WSO.
- **Regional Assembly:**
 - I have secured the First Presbyterian Church, 220 W 10th Street Pueblo, CO 81003 to hold the April Regional Assembly. The Pike's Peak Area Activities committee has volunteered to provide refreshments for the Regional Assembly and should be presenting a budget and funds request to do so at the RSC today.
- **Budget Items:**
 - **Web Site**
 - nacolorado.org hosting and domain registration fees \$214.20 of due 11/11/2008
 - **RD**

CAR Workshop Expenditures

02/18/2008 copies \$ 25.60

Regional Assembly Proposed Expenses

04/12/2008 Rent \$50.00
 04/12/2008 Copies \$75.00
 04/12/2008 Refreshments TBD

- The World Service Conference has a "World Market" on Saturday evening April 26, 2008 and May 3, 2008. I have been in contact with the CRCNA chair about getting items out there sale. Although I am planning on attending a recovery meeting

Upcoming Commitments:

- Regional Assembly Saturday April 12, 2008 Pueblo, CO
- World Service Conference April 25, 2008 – May 3, 2008

Deadlines:

- April 12, 2008 – Group Conscience for CAR and CAT conscience issues
- April 24, 2008 – Regional Motions for WSC Floor – final form

World Services Updates:

The Just for Today Meditation is now available for those of you who wish to have it sent to your e-mail every day. Up until December, any e-mails that you may have subscribed to were in violation of our fellowship intellectual property trust. NAWS now sends the e-mail on a daily basis. To subscribe to the Just for Today Daily meditation e-mail go to:

<http://www.jftna.org/cgi-bin/dada/mail.cgi/list/jft>.

The medallion survey is complete and I expect to see the final numbers sometime before the World Service Conference.

Literature prices will be going up in July 2008. The WSO has not raised prices in several years, so there may be a bit of sticker shock when the final pricing is announced after the World Service Conference.

WSC 2008 Group Conscience Worksheet

CAR

Motion 1

Replace Stories

Made by WB

Recommend approving

Motion 2

Add the following changes

Made by WB

Recommend approving

the Preface to the Sixth Edition,

the titles "Our Program" and "Our Members Share," which would replace the titles "Book One" and

"Book Two" respectively,.

the Introduction to Our Members Share,

the abstracts,

the reflections, and

the titles and descriptions for the sections "Beginnings," "Coming Home," "Regardless of ... ," and "Life

on Life's Terms."

Additional Conscience items

Would your group support "splitting" this motion into 6 questions?

Is there any of these six changes your group would oppose?

Motion 3

Update Statistical Information each printing

Made by WB

Recommend approving

Motion 4

Change Citations in Just for Today

Made by WB

Recommend approving

Motion 5

Add New Index

Made by WB

Recommend approving

Motion 6

Replace N.A. with NA and remove reference in Tradition 11 to PI handbook revised

Made by WB

Recommend approving

Motion 7

Replace IP 13 with "By Young Addicts, For Young Addicts"

Made by WB
Recommend approving

Motion 8

Add IP 27 "For the Parents or Guardians of Young
People in NA"

Made by WB
Recommend approving

Motion 9

English only Medallions with Roman Numerals

Made by Tri-State Region
Recommend not to approve

Motion 10

English only Medallions with Roman Numerals beside Arabic Numeral medallions

Made by Region of the Virginians
Recommend not to approve

Motion 11

\$36,000 to Northern New Jersey Region

Made by Northern New Jersey
Recommend not to approve

Motion 12

Service Pamphlets approved only by CAR process

Made by New Jersey
Recommend not to approve

CAT

To change the World Convention Zones

Historically, the world convention has usually been held the first weekend in September, which is the Labor Day holiday weekend in the USA. However, the World Board retains the right to set the date of the world convention as appropriate. WCNA will be held every two years.

The current rotation plan will either continue or a new rotation plan will be presented to the conference in sufficient time for planning for the site of the 2029 World Convention.

There are two zones in the US and Canada, as well as zones in Asia-Pacific-Middle East-Africa, Europe, and Central & South America. Rotation for WCNA is based on every third convention being held outside of North America.

Translations Policy

We will recommend revising the personal story section of the translation policy so that language communities would have the option of translating some or all of the stories in the Sixth Edition. In order to publish an incomplete Basic Text consisting solely of Chapters One through Ten, a community would need to have a discussion with NAWS. Language communities who wish to collect local stories for publication could consider doing so for the White Booklet, but they would be asked to talk to the World Board before embarking on the project. That way, we could have a conversation with a given community about what is included in NA literature and any potential challenges they may face before the work begins.

Proposed Moratorium on the Seating of "Split Regions"

We are recommending a moratorium on seating regions that have formed by splitting from an existing region, and also a moratorium on the use of a workgroup to make recommendations to the board about seating.

Regions requesting WSC seats

Egypt

To seat

El Salvador

To seat

Nepal

To Seat

Nicaragua

To seat

Poland

To Seat
North Carolina
Not to Seat
Southern Brazil
Not to Seat

CAR Workshop Summary Report

Issue Discussion Topics

Building Strong Home Groups

Home Group Worksheet

The biggest issue with the Home Group Worksheet is lack of communication about availability

Include in the group handbook?

Good Beginning – needs more “meat”, too vague in present form

FEAR -- identifies more with a business model as opposed to a spiritual model

Most groups do not feel the “need” for an inventory, group is functioning up to expectations.

Our Service System

Area Planning Tool

Once again communication about where to get it and how to use it

Stirred up good ideas and helped in identifying problems, lack of desire to implement solutions after completion of the process. FEAR

PR handbook updates – how to obtain them is a problem.

What is working in our Areas

Getting trusted servants with time.

Attracting “new blood” especially in the Subcommittees

Service Rocks Enthusiasm for service especially in the newer members.

Consensus Based Decision Making

H&I, PI and Activities

More groups fostering service

Desire to implement solutions to lingering problems.

What is not working in our Areas

Personalities and “service bullies”

Lack of greater participation and enthusiasm

Area policies and guidelines in conflict with the Guide to Local Service, 12 Concepts and group conscience

Using policies and procedures to control service

How to get more money!

FEAR of new tools and the “pain of change”

Loud voice leadership vs. life skills leadership

Moratoriums

Who is Missing from our meetings and Why

Challenges:

Spanish Speaking addicts (biggest challenge of all for our region, no matter what we do, we cannot get this population to come and stay)

Youth (Not enough to do – activities)

Long-timers (relevance, New NA –touchy feely)

Professionals (anonymity, support)

Elderly (do not fit in – membership too young)

Newcomers (must prove themselves)

Active Military (anonymity)

Native Americans (spirituality)

African-Americans (racism)

Targeted Literature

Drug Replacement Therapy and the NA Group

Living the program – Matching our lives to our spiritual principles

Appropriate use of long-timers

12 Tradition Workbook

"cookbook" Sponsorship Book

Trusted Servants

Professionals – The "for the professional -- <http://na.org/professional.htm>" web page at NAWS still says under construction

Do nothing – no new pieces but update the current body of fellowship-approved literature to reflect the changes in the world since these pieces were written

Sponsorship

This topic had the greatest variety of responses, most said that they thought they were getting a HOW TO guide and were disappointed with the touchy-feely nature of the final product. Those that had used the book found it hard to follow, and when they needed to look-up someone else's Experience, Strength and HOPE had to put a sticky note or bookmark on the page to find that passage again. The piece does not flow and seems choppy, and could use more meat about the responsibilities of being a sponsee.

World Board Motions

Overall there was not a lot of discussion about these motions at the workshops. Most of the questions concerned the removal of citations specifically if we remove the footnote in the 11th tradition, why was it not considered to replace it with the PR handbook citation, since the PR Handbook has replaced the Guide to Public Information revised.

Regional Motions

Final disposition of the medallion issue

Motion 11 – Is Northern NJ capable of providing services without this financial help?

CAT Issues

Regional Seating

Most of the discussion was even if the process is not working as evidenced in the conscience of the 2006 WSC why a moratorium. If a moratorium is imposed, why just split regions who do meet the previously approved criteria and not all regions. Perhaps instead of locking down, more flexibility needs to be added to meet the current expectations and demands of a dynamic and growing worldwide fellowship.

Service IP's

For the most part, those in attendance liked the process and noted how responsive the World Board was, when pulling a piece of literature. Some suggestions that came up were a possible vetting of the general membership for 30 or 60 days before

Final Regional Report to the WSC 2008

Facts about: Colorado Region

Regional Delegate Don T

Have you attended a WSC before? Yes

Alternate Delegate Brenda E

Have you attended a WSC before? No

How many areas are in the region? 8

How many groups are in the region? 206

How many meetings take place each week in the region? 248

How many H&I panels take place each week in the region? 25

Donations and Literature

What was the total amount of money contributed to the region by groups and areas in 2007?
\$6638

What were the total annual expenses for your region in 2007? \$8148 «*Expenses*»

Where do you purchase your literature—your region's service office, NA World Services, or another source? NA World Services

How much literature does the region distribute to H&I annually (in US dollars)?
\$2300 «*HILiterature*»

Your Regional Service Structure

Does your region participate in a zonal forum? Yes

If you answered "yes" above, which zonal forum? Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum

Does your region have a regional office? No

Does your region have a regional convention? Yes

If you answered "yes" above, what is the average attendance? 650

Do any areas in your region hold conventions? No «*AreaConvAttendance*»

Is there a corporation or an entity with legal status that is a part of your regional structure? Not yet

If yes, what is the type of legal registration? «*TypeofRegistration*»

If yes, did your regional corporation have to pay any taxes or duties last year? «*TaxesPaid*»

Do you have tax-exempt or duty-free status? No

Is your region insured? No «*TaxesPaid*»

Has your region held discussions about any of the issue discussion topics over the past conference cycle? Yes

What can you share about the type of workshop or your experience with these efforts? On the whole these workshops have been well received. We have two regional Assemblies a year so we try and do at least a one issue discussion workshop at each one, depending on the time and business at hand. Has your region participated in any public relations efforts? Yes

What can you share about the different types of efforts in which your region participated, or about your experience with these efforts? This has been a new effort for the region and we are currently updating our guidelines to bring H&I and PI efforts under a single sub-committee to coordinate our PR efforts.
«*PRExperience*»

Does the region have any type of NA phonenumber or a helpline? No but we are in the process of setting one up as part of the PR umbrella

What can you share about your experience with these efforts?

Has your region hosted CAR workshops? Yes, February 23, 2008 and March 8, 2008

If yes, did you workshop the discussion questions in addition to the motions? Yes

Is there anything that you can share about your experience with these efforts?

We went through and work-shopped the Issue discussion topics and the delegate received some excellent input on targeted literature and who is missing from our meetings and why. What surprised us the most was the response we got when we started to look at Motion 11 in the CAR. The addicts in attendance understood what the consequences were for providing that kind of support from NAWS, and yet were uncomfortable about leaving this issue without a solution. We are looking forward to the Regional Assembly in April, to see what if any solutions that our membership may suggest.

Although in a perfect world it would have been nice to have more members in attendance, the fact that second CAR workshop had been planned, along with an event may have kept them away.

Has the number of members in your region been growing, shrinking, or staying the same since WSC 2006? The irony here is that outside of Denver, and Colorado Springs our fellowship has been growing, inside the two largest cities our fellowship has remained about the same, as evidenced by the number of meetings currently active in our region.

Innovations and Challenges

What subject generated the most interest and discussion in your region over the past conference cycle?

The subject of incorporating the region and or the convention generated the most interest over the last convention cycle.

What is the best manner of supporting our groups and areas that lie outside of the urban corridor of our region? We have been out by having Regional Assemblies held in their respective Areas. We can let the isolated addict know we are here and hopefully attend their NA meetings to show support.

What is best manner of carrying the message into correctional facilities that lie outside our urban corridor?
One of the possibilities we have been exploring is to start in-house inmate facilitated NA meetings. To have Regional H&I support to get them started and then check on them twice a month to make sure they are running ok and assist with any help from H&I.

What is the best way to bring the three inactive area service committees back into the service structure?
One of our greatest challenges is to overcome the attitude that the Regional Service Committee is just about the convention.

Our areas are struggling with attracting addicts willing to serve on the area level, and the region is doing what we can to help make service attractive to those with clean time that have stepped out of the service structure for whatever reason.

Please share some solutions to challenges your region has faced since WSC 2006.

We are in the process of creating a Public Relations subcommittee at the regional level, to bring create an umbrella for our Public Information, Hospitals and Institutions, Phone line, Web and Outreach functions. The greatest challenge we face is that most of our willing addicts live in the urban corridor, and large tracts of our region are underserved by our fellowship because of the lack of Human Resources needed to carry the message. It has been the unofficial vision of the Regional Service Committee to facilitate growth in our rural areas, so that every addict in the region has the chance to recover in Narcotics Anonymous.

Please share some highlights or successes your region has experienced since WSC 2006.

We have been successful in attracting addicts with significant clean time back to the regional service body. The perspective they bring as well as their knowledge of the attitudes of the addicts in their areas has been invaluable to us as we try and grow our fellowship.

We have also been successful in getting addicts from 2 of our inactive areas interested in starting a dialogue about resurrecting area services. We are holding our April Regional Assembly in the third inactive area, in hopes of attracting some of the addicts from that area back into service.

«AdditionalInfo»

Conference Input

Is there anything in particular you want to discuss at the conference?

Some solutions to provide support to the Northern NJ Region, other than a direct donation from NAWS. Service and recovery literature approval process.

Delegate Experience

What has worked well and what challenges have you experienced in your role as regional delegate?

Attending the World Wide Workshops and working with the other delegate team members in the Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum, has provided me the chance to see World Services at work. The road trips to each of our member Area Service Committee meetings gave our delegate team the chance to meet with the members of the Area that do not often attend the Regional Service Committee meetings, and provided insight into what their struggles were. Asking the Serenity Unlimited Area to "host" the annual meeting of the Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum helped me to learn how to delegate responsibilities and let go of the results. One of the results was a well-crafted, workshop put on by World Services in Grand Junction in July 2007, which addressed the specific issues of the rural portions of our region.

Submitted in Loving Service,
Don T

Regional Delegate Alternate's Report

Attended CAR Workshop.

Discussed planning for July Regional Assembly.

RCM's were asked to bring to the May CRSC an estimate of number of GSR's attending July Regional Assembly.

Webservant Report

See Regional Delegate's Report, above

CRCNA Chair's Report

Good morning,

We have been extremely busy since my last regional report and I'm glad to present several items for your review.

Firstly though, please note that our merchandise committee has been very busy in attending events, and even provided a few cases of merchandise for anyone here that would like to take something back to their areas for sale. A sign-out sheet is provided and I hope a few people help him in his efforts! Frank also asked that I thank the region for allowing him to attend the CAR Workshop. He sold approximately \$200 there, attending an Off the Wall event, and is expected to attend the upcoming Unity Day event (thanks Joseph!)

In your packets, please find the following items:

- A contract for the Holiday Inn Estes Park & Conference Center. I have been working diligently with Janet at the hotel and am pleased to present this contract. No other venue in the Off the Wall Area offered a contract for a reasonable weekend date in October (ie: not Halloween, or mid September). Some items of note for this contract:
 - o \$82 per room night for regular rooms, \$129 for the few suites they have available. THERE IS NO ROOM BLOCK COMMITMENT! (ie: these are set aside for our group – if we pick up less we are not charged the difference).
 - o Reservation rates are good till Oct 8th, there is also an overflow 'lodge' across the parking lot, as well as other hotels within a few miles to cover any overbooking
 - o A \$6000 food & beverage minimum is more than acceptable for our group
 - o All meeting space is complimentary provided the Food & Beverage Minimum has been met. The Ballroom will host the primary workshops and general sessions, while other meeting space will be dedicated to merchandising and marathon meeting rooms
 - o All Audio Visual needs have been waived. I will be able to provide AV support to the conference (pipe & drape, lighting, audio) at a dramatically reduced rate through my company and will have technicians within the fellowship provide technical support
- The most recent minutes with the logo "Giving it Away" on hand, and a timeline for your approval. The timeline is the most recent, but is subject to adjustment as needed. Please note there are 5 major CRCNA fundraising events – with the Sponsee Breakfast in the Mile High Area on April 26th, and the Cinco De Mayo / Mexican Dinner & Dance for May 3rd already booked.
- A current draft budget with the new ledger system we are going to use. This budget sheet includes a 3 year itemized and 3 year average with actual data since CRCNA 19. Special thanks to those who helped compile all the previous financial data into this new form. Each year had a different accounting technique to interpret and we hope this system will prove worthy to pass on to next year's committee and standardize the accounting from here on out. Some things to note with this budget:
 - o Our committee has adopted this as its current working budget and present to you for approval
 - o It is essential that the committee have a working budget prior to actual business (ie: fundraising and registrations)
 - o At the last committee meeting, the committee voted to raise registration rates to \$20 for early bird, \$25 for pre-registration, and \$35 for on-site. The budget reflects these changes
 - o The budget is based on the Estes Park contract (ie Food & Beverage)
 - o A direct contribution to WSO to encourage their participation in our program, including a luncheon keynote on Saturday. WE ARE ASKING FOR REGIONAL APPROVAL TO PURSUE WSO PARTICIPATION
- A Food & Beverage Worksheet. THIS IS ESSENTIAL FOR US TO MOVE FORWARD WITH REGISTRATION. In order for us to put the correct dinner prices, we need to know from this committee what they would like to see. This worksheet includes previous CRCNA data

- A tentative Program Flow-Sheet with accompanying Ballroom Usage Designs. In order to provide an accurate venue contract – the ballroom activity needed to be estimated so that we could estimate worst case hospitality labor.

Special thanks to the ad-hoc committee for their support and direction at times, and our wonderful committee for an outstanding start! We hope, that with such a huge jump start in the process, it will allow for shorter committee meetings, give a true direction for the committee, and help everyone stay on the right page.

Please do not hesitate to contact me via email (crcnaonline@nacolorado.org) or by phone at 303-598-6351 any time.

Sincerely,

Jay B
CRCNA XXII Chair

Questions about room availability in Estes Park
Vice Chair. Hotel and Hospitality, Convention Information and Web are open
What was the fundraising event in Ft. Collins on 3/15 and how did we do? – Dinner, Dance and Speaker meeting put together by Off the Wall area. Numbers not available at the time of the CRSC Meeting. CRCNA Merchandise Chair reported selling 4 shirts.

CRCNA Timeline

Rev 3-11-08

CRSC

CRCNA Various

F&E

Merchandise

Program

Registration

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| January 12th | 11am - CRCNA | | Committee Elections Theme & Logo Contest Start | | | | |
| January 20th | 10am - CRSC | Preliminary Reporting | | | | | |
| February 9th | 11am - CRCNA | | Review F&E Events Budget Questions / Issues | | | | |
| March 8th | 11am - CRCNA | | Present Timelines Theme & Logo Vote | Proposed Event Calendar | Pre-Convention Merch? 5pm - CAR Workshop - Castle rock 3-15 OTW Fundraiser 6pm-12am Fort Collins | Thoughts on Workshop Topics | Present Timelines |
| March 16th | 10am - CRSC | Timeline Approval Logo Presentation Award CRCNA Contract | Update H&I Letter | | 3-22 Pike's Peak Talent Show 3-23 PreCon Merch Bids & Order | | |
| April 12th | 10am - CRSC Assembly PUEBLO | Present Banquet & Breakfast Menu Present Logo & Location | | | 4-4 Receive Pre-Con Merch & Stage | | 4-5 Reg Merchandise Decided |
| April 19th | 11am - CRCNA | | Admin - Set Registration Prices All - Budgets H&I - Letter | | TBD- Send Merch to WSC Market | DRAFT Program & Topics | |
| April 26th | EVENT | | | March 26 - Sponsor Sponsee Breakfast | | | |
| May 3rd | EVENT | | | May 3 - Mexican Dinner / Dance / Poker Run | | | |
| May 10th | 11am - CRCNA | | | | Receive any WSC unsold Merch | FINAL TOPICS & WORKSHOPS | |
| May 18th | 10am - CRSC | Budget Approval | | | | Marathon Topics and Workshops | |

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| | | Marathon & Workshop Submit Present Bids for 23 | | | | presented at regional meeting | |
| June 14th | 11am - CRCNA | | | | Present Merchandise Ideas | Choose Main Speakers | 6-14 First Mailing |
| June 21st | EVENT | | | 6-21 Boulder Hawaiian Pig roast | | | |
| July 12th | 11am - CRCNA | | | Convention Entertainment | Preview Merchandise Orders / Bids | Update on Main Speakers | 7-14 Order Reg Packet Swag |
| July 20th | 10am - CRSC Assembly | Marathon & Workshop Topics Bids for 23 | | | | | |
| August 16th | 11am - CRCNA | | | | | | 8-15 2nd Mailing |
| Aug 23rd | EVENT | | | F&E Event TBD | | | |
| September 13th | 11am - CRCNA | | | | | | 9-12 Assemble Reg Packets |
| Sept 27th | EVENT | | | Talent Show / Chili Cook-off? | | | |
| October 11th | 11am - CRCNA | | Pre Con - Now or Never | | | | |
| October 23- 25 | ON SITE | | CRCNA 22 | | | | |
| | | | CRCNA 22 | | | | |
| November 8th | 11am - CRCNA | | Wrap Up & CRCNA 23 Elect Set CRCNA 23 Budgets | | | | |
| | | | Happy Holidays! | | | | |
| November 16th | 10am - CRSC | Wrap Up & Present XXIII Members | | | | | |

CRCNA Vice Chair's Report

No report – position open

CRCNA Treasurer's Report

CRCNA XXII Treasurer's Report
Colorado Regional Service Committee
March 16, 2008

Below is the detailed breakdown of the past two month's activity. The minutes of the February and March CRCNA meetings will need to be amended for beginning/ending balances but all information reported at the regional meetings has been and is correct.

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| Beginning Balance | | \$2,420.24 |
| Income | | |
| | Newcomer Donation/Transfer | 844.81 |
| | Reimbursed Merchant Fee | 25.00 |
| | Interest | .04 |
| | Merchandise Sales Dec-Jan | 361.00 |
| | Merchandise Sales Feb | 56.00 |
| | Program (BB Production Miscellaneous) | 10.80 |
| Subtotal | | 3,717.89 |
| Expenses | | |
| | Merchandise Bank | \$50.00 |
| | F&E Deposit Mexican Dinner/Dance | 100.00 |
| Ending Balance | \$3,567.89 | |

ILS,
Peggy Z.
CRCNA XXII Treasurer

Public Information Subcommittee Report

TO: COLORADO REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

FROM: LINDA L., CHAIR OF PI SUBCOMMITTEE

DATE: March 16, 2008

SUBJECT: REPORT OF ACTIVITIES SINCE LAST CRSC

PI Area Chairs and their Subcommittee members plus CRSC Regional PI members and I met on Feb 17th. The March 15th meeting was canceled - not sure if we are charged for it???

Budget: Approved: \$ 1900.00

Prof'l Symposium \$ 350.00 venue

450.00 food/bev

300.00 print

OutReach \$ 400.00 print

Monthly mtg space \$ 400.00

Spent to date: \$ 700.00 - literature

\$ 300.00 - mtg space (1 mtg canceled tho)

Balance: \$ 900.00 (unused venue/food&bev + mtg space monies figured wrong)

CRSC PI is "returning" to the coffers of the CRSC Treasury this unspent \$900.00 dollars since the Symposium was moved forward a year to 2009 and meeting space costs were figured wrong.

The request for PI's new operating budget for 5/2008 to 4/2009 is:

1. PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOP \$2,500.00 (in June for whole state)

REFRESHMENTS 1500.00 (breaks - not lunch)

MAILINGS 600.00

LITERATURE 400.00

2. LITERATURE \$ 400.00 (for other PI presentations)

3. PRINTING \$ 45.00 (stationary/envelops)

4. POSTAGE \$ 650.00

5. TRAVEL \$ 100.00 (for PI pres. outside Areas)

6. MEETING SPACE \$ 300.00

7. WINTER SYMPOSIUM \$ 550.00 (January in Pikes Peak)

BOOTH RENTAL 450.00

LITERATURE 100.00

PI TOTAL \$ 4,545.00

OUTREACH (OR):

1. LITERATURE \$ 550.00

2. PRINTING \$ 610.00 (posters, stationary, mtgs)

3. POSTAGE \$ 650.00

4. TRAVEL \$ 194.00

OR TOTAL \$ 2,004.00

CRSC Combined PI/OR TOTAL \$ 6,549.00

YES, we understand CRCNA had a shortfall and YES, we understand

CRSC coffers are low. But, the Region either does what it states it is going to or not. PI is considering some fundraisers or sale of merchandise to help CRSC...

Profession Symposium:

The CRSC PI questionnaire is attached and will be sent to database contacts (around 3000 - which is \$ 2520 for stamps alone without printing the questionnaire) to ascertain interest, potential numbers, needs and issues.

Database:

Work continues on the monumental task.

Message Board:

We are in the process of learning how to use this tool and to get all Regional PI Committee members their user names and passwords.

Proposal Activities: Both the 800 # and the PR proposal being

REpresented to this body today have CRSC PI members' endorsement.

I have brought several copies of 1) the phonline proposal, 2) the PR proposal, 3) CRSC Guidelines with grammar plus adds/deletes included, and 4) how the CRSC Guidelines would look with the PR Proposal included. In addition, attached please find all phonline info sent or presented to CRSC members in 3 different lots combined into 1 handout for better viewing and copying for your GSR's.

Needs:

Regional PI needs addicts. PLEASE LET ADDICTS KNOW IF THEY WANT TO DO SERVICE TO CONTACT ME (719-390-7484 or 720-244-4291 or mll312@comcast.net).

Area PI Chairs NEED your SUPPORT!! THEY NEED YOU TO PARTICIPATE!

Remember, it is frequently a PI Presentation that precedes H&I into a facility.

OutReach:

Moving slowly only until the outcome of the possible Regional "800" number so this phone link could be added to a poster with www.nacolorado.org info. These posters along with recovery road trips will then be spread throughout Colorado and Raton (NM) this summer. So, RCM's, you will need to warn your respective Areas that an influx of new addicts will hopefully occur by the end of Summer.

Misc:

When/if the 800# and the PR Proposals are approved at the April Assembly, CRSC PI is eagerly looking forward to doing resultant CRSC Guidelines changes, setting up phonline training, or whatever/wherever needed or assigned to us with this dynamic move by the Colorado Region.

Questionnaire:

QUESTIONNAIRE for PROFESSIONALS

We (the Public Information Committee of Narcotics Anonymous of Colorado) are planning a one day Symposium in June of 2009 for all professionals who come in contact with addicts whether as clients, inmates, students or patients. At the Symposium we will have representatives from our world level, state level and local levels to share with you and be available for questions. If you are not the appropriate person for this questionnaire, would you kindly forward it - thank you. Please take one minute to complete this questionnaire by circling your choice, then tri-fold it, seal it and drop in a mail box. And finally, we appreciate your efforts in letting us assist you where addicts are involved.

The Committee

Would you be interested in attending such a symposium? Y or N

If you answered No - why? _____

Which day of the week would you prefer: M Tu W Th F Sa

Which time frame would you prefer: 9am to 4pm or 10am to 5pm

If the symposium is held in Colorado Springs, will you need reduced rate sleep rooms (at your own costs) in order to attend?

Y or N

If you answered yes, when? ____ night before ____ night of

If you selected Friday or Saturday, would you be interested in weekend reduced hotel rates (at your costs) where the symposium is being held in order to stay and play? Y or N

As a preparation for this symposium, are there any items or issues you would like to see on our agenda?

In the interim between now and June, 2009, is there anything we can do for you?

PLEASE RETURN THIS QUESTIONNAIRE BY JUNE 1, 2008.

Thanks for taking time to fill this questionnaire out and return it to us.

The Public Information Committee of Narcotics Anonymous in CO

Phonline Info Combined:

800# PROPOSAL ADDENDUM

** We would be purchasing the Freedom Extreme package from Freedom

Voice

> Given lifetime toll free number, renting the service month-

By-month with no contract

- > Get 10 mailboxes: each one independent of the others
- > Help available 24/7/365 thru phone and web with PIN's
- > Account has master PIN for access and control
- > Each mailbox can have its own PIN assigned
- > More mailboxes can be added in lots of 5 for \$5.00/month
- > Instant account opened as soon as we call back
- > Customized greeting(s)
- > Costs: \$29.99 per month plus 4.9 cents per minute per call

For example: 1000 minutes would cost \$ 49.00 so a typical month of using 1000 minutes would cost \$ 29.95 +

\$ 49.00 or \$ 78.95 / month.

- > One time only initial cost: \$25.00 activation fee
59.90 1st+last month's service
\$84.90

Note: 2nd month's billing would be the \$29.95 per month and the 1st month's minutes used, 3rd month = per month plus 2nd month's minutes used, etc.

- > Our toll free number can be accessed from anywhere in USA, Canada, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands
- > 800# number would be a HOT LINE - an addict answers IMMEDIATELY (vs a Help Line - an addict calls back in minutes to hours to days)

1. Each call will be routed to a regionally-trained addict in correct Area.

2. If for some reason a voice mail is left or if caller goes to boxes dedicated to PI or H&I, that voice mail is immediately converted to an email and sent to addresses we provide. However, the CRSC phone-line will NOT have unanswered calls because our system will NOT be set up that way. Only PI and H&I have potentials for voice mails to emails..

3. When a call comes in, addict answering will get a prompt to accept call (so no spouses, kids, non-addicts answer). If no prompt pushed, call is forwarded to next # on list.

> Directory listing would cost \$15.00/month but Freedom Voice suggests that the most common ways for recovery bodies to list their phone number is on flyers, websites, meeting lists, and NAWS. Dex and Yellow Pages may or may not charge as we are at this point nonprofit.

> Phone calls can be blocked: repeated annoying/prank calls, pay phones, any area codes, and so forth.

> If an Area gives up their existing # and phonenumber to fully become part of the 800# and this Area wants their old number preserved (like Denver's 303-832- DRUG which is about 24 years old and out there!), there is a one-time setup fee for capturing the number AND then \$10.00 per month for access.

> If an Area did "give up" their number to Freedom Voice, getting it back would be as simple as finding a phone company to "house" it again.

> Charge when a call comes thru one of these existing numbers is down to 4.4 cents per minute due to monthly fee

(\$10.00) being charged to us.

> We would also get a service called Voice-On-Demand which is prerecorded Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) slot (recorded by us for PI and/or H&I) that is available to us with NO charge. We would then end this mini message with:

"If we have answered your questions, please hang up (or words to that effect)..

or

If the caller is not satisfied, she/he stays on the line and gets to talk with a live addict and our usual charges would THEN begin once they reach the live addict.

Our next several 2008 meetings are all Saturdays @ 10111 W. 26th St in Denver @ 11a-1p. The dates are: April 5th, May 17th, June 21st, and July 19th.

PLEASE tell your Area PI Chairs AND interested addicts- Thank you!!

Thank you for letting me be of service,

Hugs and still lovin' service,

Linda L., Chair - CRSC PI Committee

Much discussion about which published version of the proposals were available and if the proposals are ready to be voted on at the April Regional Assembly.

Hospitals & Institutions Subcommittee Report

No report

RD reported that bogus NA meeting was taken into Sterling DOC Facility. Steps are being taken quickly to get genuine NA H&I into this facility. Letter from Sterling facility was given to Off the Wall Area.

Incorporation Ad Hoc Committee Report

We met 3 times since last region and accomplished a lot. Our recommendation is to incorporate the region in the form of a 501c3 non-profit. The incorporation would involve a regional board that consists of a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 9 members. Members of the CRSC executive committee (Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and PR Chair) will also be part of the regional board and 5 members will be elected from the fellowship at large. The regional board will provide information to the public and handle legal, financial, contractual, insurance, and indemnification issues for the Colorado Regional Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous.

We located a lawyer that is willing to assist us pro bono and we will only have to pay filing and administrative costs which should amount to around \$200 – \$300. The firm has experience setting up non-profit and for profit corporations and usually does the non-profit pro bono. We have sent a copy of the by-laws to the law firm and are open to whatever they may suggest.

We will have a formal presentation of the incorporation plan at the next regional assembly along with a proposal to be voted on in July. We believe that with lawsuits increasing around NA and society at large and the amount of money that CRCNA now handles, that it is critical that we protect our members. It is unfair for us to ask members as part of their service at CRSCNA to put their personal assets at risk.

Special thanks to Linda L. for all of her hard work and research. She spent a lot of time talking to folks at world and reading all of the documents that they sent regarding incorporation.

ILS

Chuck C.

Questions and Comments

What makes this different from the BOD different the BOD 10 years ago? – That was to protect the Regional Service Office, which no longer exists. This is to protect the Colorado Region trusted servants from liability in contracts and from lawsuits.

Will the committee be working on guidelines, by-laws and necessary operating documents? – yes

Will this protect areas? – no

How will this fit into the service structure? Would RCM's need to attend Bard meetings? – annual report. The CRSC would be incorporated. Discussion of RCM's and CRSC role.

Why not just incorporate CRCNA? Incorporating CRCNA as a 501c3 non-profit would disable it from legally donating funds to a non-501c3 Colorado Region, thus defeating it's purpose as a fundraiser for the Colorado Region.

If incorporating CRCNA would prevent it from donating money to Region because it could only donate to another 501c3, in the event that an Area or Group would need financial help, i.e., donations of literature, would that Area or Group need to attain 501c3 status in order for the Region to donate to those Areas? – don't know, will check with lawyer.

Comment from RCM that RCM's needing to know what is going on, need to be involved.

CRCNA Analysis Ad Hoc Committee Report

The CRCNA Analysis Ad-Hoc Committee met 4 times since the November CRSC Meeting. The committee started by gathering data from past CRCNA's. The committee chose to look at specific data from the last five CRCNA's, with a general eye toward all previous CRCNA's. The committee focused on five specific areas, Treasurer, Merchandise, Registration, Hotel & Hospitality, and Fundraising & Entertainment. What became apparent in putting data together was the inconsistency in the form and scope of data reported from each CRCNA, as well as within each CRCNA year. Much information is missing. It appeared that each CRCNA Committee is reinventing their reporting and procedures each year. The committee consensus is that well-defined, consistent reporting and procedures are needed.

The committee hopes to work with the current CRCNA Committee to test new data reporting methods, with the intent of streamlining reporting procedures for the CRCNA Committee members while providing more precisely defined operational guidance to the CRCNA Committee. At some point we intend to propose CRCNA and CRSC Guideline changes to more clearly define roles and procedures.

Our next meeting is Saturday, March 22, 1:00 p.m., in the Great South West Construction Conference Room of the Douglas County Library in Castle Rock, 100 S. Wilcox Street.

In Loving Service,

Dave R.

CRSC Budget Ad Hoc Committee Report

The Ad Hoc Budget Subcommittee was given the two-tiered task of:

(1) developing a standardized methodology including the when, how and who of soliciting and receiving input, evaluating and – perhaps the most important factor in budget building – prioritizing the requests which come from that input and creating a working budget for the CRSC with built-in allowances and procedures for both positive and negative contingencies such as more or less income than projected, an increase in costs, a change of personnel or activity plans, etc. and

(2) after the development and approval of the above methodology, to follow that methodology in order to engage in the building of a recommended budget for the then current fiscal year or – if the fiscal year has progressed too far for that to be practical – to begin the budget construction process for the next fiscal year.

As a general observation, it should be noted that the role assigned to this subcommittee has never been described as a “quick-fix-it-set-it-up-and-implement-it,” “quick-shot” or “immediate bandage-job” task. The CRSC has been operating financially for quite a while now – probably over a year – without an approved budget by using seat-of-the-pants intuition, reasonably well-informed good judgment and cautious oversight. We do not need to rush into anything!

The subcommittee first met in Castle Rock on February 10, 2008 and reached consensus that (1) all addicts in the Colorado Region should have an opportunity to provide input concerning the CRSC budget; (2) that the Budget subcommittee will create a model budget for distribution to addicts in the Colorado Region for the purpose of gathering input and (3) that a specific list of line items and sub-line items – which were developed at the meeting and later edited – will be used in the construction of the model budget.

Specific action items were assigned: Don T. to prepare a “Spending FAQ” document; all were requested to read the “Budgeting” presentation prepared by Alan S. for the CCID Management Institute in Florida in 1983 and Alan S. to prepare an Excel document containing the line items agreed upon (This has been done and it was distributed to the members of the subcommittee).

The subcommittee’s second meeting was set for March 2 but had to be cancelled due to a major snow storm. The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, April 6, 2008 from 12:30 to 3:00 pm in the GSWC (“Fishbowl”) Conference Room at the Philip S. Miller (Douglas County) Library, 100 Wilcox Street, Castle Rock.

Respectfully Submitted,
Alan S., Chair

Boulder Area RCM Report

The Boulder Area met on December 2nd, and again on January 6th.

Filled Area Positions:

Elected-Positions

Literature Chair: Aretha C.

Chair: Chuck C.

Vice Chair:

RCM: Leslie S.

PI Chair: Carrie S.

Treasurer: August

Activities: Alejandro

H&I: Joel C.

Vice Chair: Joel C.

Web Servant: Kat Y.

Phone Line: Leonard H.

Secretary: Dani F.

Open Area Positions:

RCM 2

H&I Report:

The H & I Chair was not present and no report was submitted.

PI Report:

The PI Chair was not present and no report was submitted.

Activities Report

We had a fair turn out at the St. Patrick's Day Event. The band was great, as was the speaker, but the turn out was smaller than expected, due to the CRCNA fundraiser being held in Fort Collins. More details will be revealed later.

Alejandro F. was re-elected Activities Chair.

At this point, there are no more planned events coming up that have been announced. The activities committee meets every other Monday at the Rock and Soul Café in boulder at 6:00 PM.

Phoneline Chair:

Leonard H. reported that the phone line training was effective and they added 4 people to the phone line. No more planning sessions are being planned at this time, but Leonard is willing to train interested parties individually.

WebSite

Business as usual, our usual \$11.95 donation.

Donation to Region:

December Donation: \$53.01

January Donation: \$534.98

February Donation: \$176.39

There were two questions posed of what were our biggest challenge and biggest success over the past year as an area.

1. What has been our Areas biggest challenge over the last year?

- Getting people with clean time involved in service
- Getting H&I support

2. What is our greatest success over the last year?

- More meetings
- Young peoples

In Loving Service

Leslie S.

RCM-Boulder Area

Mile High Area RCM Report

For the last two months we have seen an average of 27 GSR's attend our Area meeting. Unfortunately about half of these leave by the first break. Our meetings are held the first Sunday of each month at 1212 Mariposa at 2:00pm.

All subcommittee service positions are currently filled. We will begin our nomination process in May for all chair positions, except CRCNA liaison, with elections to be held in June.

Activities had an event in February called A New Way to Love that was successful and fun for all who attended. They also addressed the Unity Day 3 Event during their February meeting. Because there was already a planning committee in place outside of the Area Activity committee, a work plan, volunteers already lined up, and the date and location were already chosen the committee "decided to separate this event from the Mile High Area and continue to have it put on a group event". Unity Day 3 will be held on Saturday March 29 at the Temple Events Center, 1595 Pearl Street in Denver, from Noon to Midnight. There is a \$20 pre registration and it will be \$25 at the door. Registration includes all day event pass, t-shirt, hospitality & dance. The committee then decided to hold a Unity Day event to coincide with Worldwide Unity day that would include the phone hookup during the World Convention. It was discussed that this event would be held in an effort to help support the sending of Regional Delegates to the World Service Conference.

Hospitals and Institutions is going strong with new requests coming in each month. They recently held training for new volunteers that went well. They are always in need of new people willing to serve. Literature is going well. In February we had a glitch with the credit card we use to order with reaching a transaction limit. This resulted in huge backorders. We have since fixed the challenge and all orders have been filled.

Outreach is doing well. The correspondence program on average receives and writes about 20 letters inmates that are incarcerated who want to stay clean monthly. Each month they also choose a meeting that is struggling and help support the meeting by asking members to attend.

The Phonenumber committee is still in need of volunteers to help fill open shifts. Shifts are four hours long. The Public Information committee is up and running. They have had a new stamp made for our literature, put a literature rack in the Denver VA Hospital, and are in the process of printing new posters. The poster campaign will be similar to the project that was done over five years ago. We hope to get as many home groups involved as possible to place the posters in our community. This committee is also investigating TV and Radio spots.

Our Training subcommittee has planned to hold a GSR training on March 22 but as of our last meeting a venue had not been confirmed and I have not received any communication otherwise. Hopefully this will still happen.

The Area passed a proposal to use the Area Planning Tool in its entirety and the Ad-Hoc committee was extended in order to complete this task. Last area they did a brainstorming activity similar to what we have used at our world service events. The topics were what do is favorite and least favorite aspects of area. This activity generated a wealth of information for the ad-hoc to use as they continue to work with the area planning tool. The activity took about an hour, received positive feedback, and was something different for most people attending.

This last month during a sharing session it was suggested we provide mentors for new GSR's at our meetings. I believe the Area will be giving this a try. The idea is to have a "seasoned" volunteer sit with a new GSR for one meeting to help them with what is going on, where to make a donation, how to order literature, and to assist with general questions.

Don T recently presented the CAR to the Area. The event was poorly attended by the GSR's of our area. It was nice to share the event with many of our Pikes Peak trusted servants. The event was informative and the MHASC would like to thank our RD for giving an informative presentation.

The area has been struggling as far as fund flow is concerned. Some months we do not have enough outside of the budgeted reserves to provide refunds to expenses outside of our budget. Thankfully we are covering our necessary services. We passed our fourth quarter budget and are hopeful for a successful final quarter.

In Loving Service,
Joann D.

Comment – suggestion that area wait for Regional Phone Line to put up poster. – Mile High Area is unwilling to give up Area number (303-832-DRUG), so they're going forward with the posters.

Mountain High Area RCM Report

No report

Mountains West Area RCM Report

Report made by Alan H. They are making the rounds of meetings.

World is getting returned letters from Mountain's West Area. RD has Mountain's West Area's mail. A PO Box will be set up.

Off the Wall Area RCM Report

No report sent

Pikes Peak Area RCM Report

The Pikes Peak area of Narcotics Anonymous holds its area meetings on the 1st Thursday of every month, with an average of 13 meetings / groups in attendance. Our donation to the region this month is \$200.00. The Pikes Peak area has met twice since our last regional meeting and many of us look forward to seeing all of you at the regional assembly next month in Pueblo.

In the Area:

Public Relations Subcommittee:

The Pikes Peak PR subcommittee meets regularly on the 4th Sunday of the month. This month, due to the spring holiday, they will meet on the 5th Sunday. The H&I subcommittee will also be meeting at this time. The date will be March 30th at 5590 N. Nevada at 2:00p.m.in Colorado Springs. Currently our PR subcommittee is in need of a chair, vice chair and a Phone line Coordinator. The subcommittee has been discussing different ways to get literature to our contacts and appreciate any suggestions anyone may have.

H&I

The subcommittee has been receiving regular requests from addicts who are incarcerated and asking for sponsors. The requests have come from several prisons and for now the subcommittee is turning these requests over to the Mile High Outreach Committee.

Notes from the winter symposium held from 01/29/08 through 02/01/08.

There were approximately 800 registered attendees of the symposium.

We received a total of 43 contacts, 12 from the Pikes Peak and surrounding area, 10 from Canon City, 11 from Denver and surrounding cities, 6 from pueblo, 1 from Crowley and 3 from out of state

In addition to the contacts, about 80 other people stopped by just to say hi or to thank us for being there.

Thanks to our Regional PI Chair for being there all weekend and lending your support.

New meeting in the Pikes Peak area called "Always asking, Never alone." The meeting will be held on Tuesday nights from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on 4508 E. Platte.

An informational Ad Hoc committee has been formed to conduct a Workshop on the proposed 800#, in order to further educate interested parties and GSRs to the specifics of the 800# to be voted on at the regional assembly. Any interested parties are invited to attend. It will be held at Nemos coffee shop @ 2230 E. Pikes Peak Ave on 03/29/08 at 2:00 pm. In Colorado Springs.

Activities in the Pikes Peak Area

Our activities subcommittee is moving fast this year, and yes they have been reminded to list these activities on the regional website. March 22nd is the talent show and Food fest from 3-7 pm at the sons of Norway Fjellheim Lodge at 1045 Ford St. It is \$5.00 for entry and \$3.00 for sloppy joes, chips & soda. If you're interested in performing, please see contact information on the flyer. Future activities include May 26th, Lazy Land pavilion in Palmer Park, June 15th, Unity day Fathers Day Scavenger hunt , July 4th America the Beautiful park and September 1st, Monument valley park for the Labor day BBQ. More information to come so please stay tuned.

Thanks for letting me be of service.

Peace

Pikes Peak Area RCM

Steven R.

Serenity Unlimited Area RCM Report

Dear family,

First I would like to introduce the new RCMII for the SUANA, Rick R.

We have 2 new meetings one in delta on Mondays at 8:00pm and one on Sundays starting the the 23rd at 10:00 am at the meeting hall on the corner of first and orchard in Grand Junction. we are very excited because this is the first morning NA meeting in the area. We hope that the earlier time will attract addicts that have to work late shifts and are unable to attend the nightly meetings. The Durango group/groups have contacted the area chair about joining our area. They are currently part of the region based out of the four corners. They were informed that we will welcome them with open arms. They are to vote on this matter at their next group conscience.

SUANA has gone through some trying times lately. With some growing pains with great amount of turmoil, meeting attendance and funds in Grand Junction have gone down. Those with experience are frustrated and quickly burning out, due to what they are seeing. At the last ASCM, we talked about addressing the lack of participation at the next area. It has been proposed that we set up a meeting, where the service people are available to the groups for some Q&A, and some education on their positions. Hopefully, this will help some of our newer members get interested in service work.

Some of the groups have agreed to combine in order to fill the service positions and committees more efficiently. This month, we held our first official H&I and PR committee meetings, and there seemed to be a fair turnout. Hopefully, both of those committees will be up and running strong very soon. However on that note, both of the representatives that were sent to the regional H&I and PR committee meetings, came back feeling unwelcome and felt that their input fell on deaf ears. If we are to uphold our primary purpose, alienating the few trusted servants that are willing to travel in excess of four to six hours to drive over to Denver, seems counter productive. Our area is already struggling with people willing to serve for regional servants, due to the immense commitment that it requires to travel to the eastern slope. To dismiss this effort will definitely hinder future participation. Frankly, that is unacceptable. ALL ADDICTS, EVERYWHERE, MATTER!!! Not exclusively those located in metropolitan areas.

I have hopes, that some understanding can be reached and we can get the service structure unified. We would be interested in hosting a training workshop or learning days to better unify the service structure, both locally and at a regional level. We would like to ask the region and the individuals at this time for their suggestions on this matter. Presently, SUANA trusted servants are 'winging it' the best that they can. However a true understanding of what their obligation entails is lacking. We hope to establish a continuing degree of training in our service structure.

Thanks for letting me be of service.

Talle M.

Comment on the sacrifice made by people from outlying areas attending CRSC Meetings. Belief was stated that we should take this meeting to other areas from time to time. Issue was discussed, including how groups in those areas get information about visiting CRSC meetings.

Southern Area RCM Report

No report

Old Business

Proposal #5 tabled at 1/20/08 RSC meeting: "To submit a bid for Western Service Learning Days to be hosted in 2010."

Was not taken to areas because of lack of Regional Minutes. Maker is not present, proposal is tabled until May.

Proposal #3 from 1/20/08 RSC meeting: "To adopt the changes to the CRSC Guidelines as found in the attached draft version." [to correct grammar, errors and necessary deletions]

Vote will be delayed until July. **FINAL FINAL VERSION** will be posted on the Regional Website after April 12. THIS version will be voted on in July. No other versions are to be considered.

At the April Regional Assembly we will vote on the Phonline and PR proposal, and the guideline changes involving grammatical changes will be voted on at the July Regional Assembly.

Elections

CRCNA Vice Chair

Tina W. nominated – elected

Open Discussion

CRCNA Analysis Ad Hoc Committee drafted a Proposal for a CRSC Guideline change requiring CRSC Chair or Vice Chair attend Regional Subcommittee meetings and Regional Ad Hoc Committee meetings. Committee did not reach a consensus on making this proposal, would like feedback and discussion.

Discussion of need for this kind of proposal – mixed response, seems like too much of a burden for Chair or Vice Chair. Attendance can enhance understanding, but requirement may not be necessary.

Proposal Timeline – Do we have a proposal guidelines laying out the timeline by which proposals go to the regional Assembly? Should this be more well-defined? Mixed discussion, no consensus that this is needed.

New Business

CRCNA Timeline Approval – APPROVED

CRCNA Registration Costs – APPROVED higher rate

CRCNA WSO Participation – APPROVED

CRCNA Preliminary Budget – APPROVED – NOT Final Budget

CRCNA Banquet Prices – no decision – take it to CRCNA committee

CRCNA Hotel Contract – APPROVED October 24, 25, 26, Estes Park

Proposal #1 – To create a flier to invite the fellowship to an Outreach dinner/meeting event in Pueblo after the Regional Assembly on April 12th. Dinner is \$6 per person. Spagetti – salad – roll. Dinner location will be 320 Clark Street in Pueblo.

0 expense to Region.

Intent: In an effort to continue our Outreach to Southern, to respond to a request from Southern Members to give support and deliver a clear NA message.

Maker: Jayme S. PPA

Second: Karen C. OTWA

Discussion: Discussion of location.

APPROVED

Proposal #2 – To amend the CRSC Guidelines to include the following vision statement:

The Colorado Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous exists to support our member groups and areas in their effort to carry the message to the addict that still suffers. It is our vision that every addict has the opportunity to find recovery in Narcotics Anonymous regardless of where they live within the Colorado Region.

Intent: To provide the means to measure and guide the decision-making of the Colorado Regional Service Committee.

Maker: Don T. – RD

Second: Talle M. – SUA

Discussion: APPROVED, This is up for vote at July Regional Assembly.

Proposal #3 – To reimburse Alan S. for office supplies purchased to complete the duties of CRSC Treasurer.

Replacement P.O. Box Key (original was stolen along with other personal keys) - \$7.00

Paper for printing reports and forms - \$11.05

Ink refill for printing reports and forms - \$29.90

Intent: as above

Maker: Alan S. – CRSC Treasurer

Second: Don T. – RD

APPROVED

Proposal #4 – Automatic disbursal – Rent for PI, H&I, BOD ad hoc and CRSC Meeting - \$180.00

Intent: To pay the rent

Maker: Alan S. – CRSC Treasurer

Second: Don T. – RD

APPROVED

Disbursements

\$250.00 – April Regional Assembly Food
\$25.83 – Don Tilleman – Copies for CAR Work

Closing Treasurer's Report

Open Balance \$2507.48
Income \$832.42
Expenses \$503.78
Final \$2836.12

Donation to World - 0

Close – 4:35 p.m.

Action Items

CRSC Secretary – Get January Minutes and March minutes out in a timely manner.
Webservant – Post **FINAL FINAL VERSION** of CRSC Guidelines Changes to Regional Website on April 12.
RCM's – Take **FINAL FINAL VERSION** of CRSC Guidelines Changes to groups for vote at July Regional Assembly.

Decisions Made

CRCNA Timeline approved
CRCNA Registration approved
CRCNA WSO Participation approved
CRCNA Preliminary Budget approved
CRCNA Hotel Contract approved
Proposal #1 – Event following April Regional Assembly approved
Proposal #2 – Regional Vision Statement sent to July Regional Assembly for GSR vote