

Colorado Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous

Minutes of the Regional Business Meeting

July 19, 2026 | Held via online video conference

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1. Opening

The meeting was opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. In the absence of Chair, Vice Chair chaired the meeting.

The Twelve Traditions of NA were read and the Twelve Concepts for NA Service were read.

2. Clean Time Anniversaries

All together we had 169 years clear together!!!

3. Welcome of New Members

Attendees new to the Region were welcomed:

- Attendee from Rifle representing the Mountains West / Western Slope area; attending to learn the process and stepping into the RCM role for that area.
- Attendee from the Serenity Unlimited area, attending to observe.

The new secretary was welcomed in their first region meeting.

4. Approval of Prior Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the April Assembly was made and seconded. The previous minutes were approved with no objection.

5. Meeting Etiquette

The Chair read the standing meeting etiquette agreement.

- We affirm that mutual respect and trust is paramount to the effectiveness of all Colorado Regional ServiceCommittee activities.
- We strive to achieve consensus whenever possible.
- We will not separate ourselves as individuals from the consensus of the Region and will take responsibility for the decisions of the Colorado Regional Service Committee.
- We will focus ourselves upon establishing unity, mutual respect, and trust during the meeting.
- We will meet our stated objectives for each meeting.
- We agree that only one person will speak at a time, and there will be no sidebar conversations.
- We affirm that action groups (ad hoc committees) will be used at Regional meetings to identify solutions for goals and issues before the Region

The body affirmed.

6. Roll Call

Regional Committee Members (RCMs) present:

- **Boulder** — RCM 1 present. RCM 2 position filled but not attending.
- **Mountains West / Western Slope** — Representative for mountains west accepted the RCM role; seated with a vote for the meeting.
- **Off the Wall** — RCM 1 present. Newly elected as RCM 2 not present.
- **Pikes Peak** — RCM 1 present. RCM 2 not present.
- **Serenity Unlimited** — RCM 1 present. RCM 2 position now open.
- **Bringing Freedom East and Mile High** — no RCMs present.

Regional Administration & Delegates present:

- Vice Chair — Present
- Secretary — Present
- RD — Present
- RDA — present
- Chair — Absent (traveling).
- Treasurer position open.

Subcommittee Chairs / Event Committees present:

- CNAC — Chair present; Vice Chair present
- PR — present; H&I — present; PI — present; Web — present; Archives — present (interim)
- CRCNA XL — Chair present, Vice Chair present, Treasurer present, Program Chair present
- CRRMCO XIII (Campout) — Chair absent, Vice Chair present
- WRCNA XIII (Women's Retreat) — Chair present, Vice Chair present, Treasurer present

7. Area Reports (RCMs)

Boulder

- Total donation to Region of \$2,200 (May–July).
- Struggling to fill service positions, particularly H&I.
- Barrel Full of Recovery meeting has closed and is no longer active (reflected on the website and in meeting packets).
- Upcoming events: Clean for Today annual cruise event (July 25, flyer attached to report); Labor Day barbecue (12pm–4pm, no flyer yet).

Bringing Freedom East Area - Not Present

Mile High Area - Not Present

Mountains West / Western Slope

- No formal report; area representation is under consideration with an active ad hoc (more information later). A meeting day/time is yet to be determined and will be set by the region assembly meeting

Off the Wall

- Newly elected RCM 2; June elections filled the administrative committee except alternate treasurer. No candidate for the literature position, so the incoming Vice Chair will cover it until filled.
- No ASCs held in July (summer break). The previous alternate treasurer identified a spreadsheet formula problem; records are being reviewed ahead of the August annual audit.
- A \$500 donation was sent to the Region in June.
- Panel coordinator openings in H&I; hoping to fill them in early August. Off the Wall will host the September Assembly in Loveland.
- Ongoing concern regarding a predatory individual in the area; groups are taking protective measures (accompanying the person, requesting he be barred from certain premises). No physical incidents reported; efforts continue to keep members safe.

Pikes Peak

- Beginning in August, the monthly ASC will alternate between Colorado Springs and Pueblo, still on the first Saturday at 1:30 (July meeting moved from the 4th to the 11th per guidelines when it falls on a holiday).
- May/June donation amounts to Region were not available; no donation this month due to being under prudent reserve. Amounts to be provided next time.
- Area guidelines are being updated to align with online meetings for the ASC.

Serenity Unlimited

- \$72 regional donation forthcoming from area treasurer. Full written report to follow later in the week.
- Two Steamboat meetings have joined the area, bringing an established H&I presence and Routt County correctional connections.
- First H&I subcommittee meeting held; H&I activity includes a youth correctional facility, a circle program, the Delta jail, and a women's facility. Seeking qualified members to help carry the message.
- Area placed a \$1,000 literature order; reports good summer attendance and consistency. Voted to move the area banking system to Home Group.
- Website being updated (events calendar, activities subcommittee dropdown, minutes, flyers). Next activities subcommittee meeting August 3 at 7:30 PM.
- Requesting guidance on PR/PI; area representative is elected but needs support. Points of contact were identified to reach out to for support.
- Hosted its first Unity Day (100+ attendance); a Montrose speaker jam also drew 100+ and may become annual.

Discussion — Western Slope / area recognition: A discussion arose regarding support for the western side of the Region and the standing of the Mountains West / Western Slope area relative to Serenity Unlimited, including who would staff a table at an upcoming recovery rally in Grand Junction and the use of regional property. The vice chair declined to resolve the area-recognition question during the meeting (not having proper knowledge about the issue) and directed the table/literature matter to the PR subcommittee meeting. Vice chair established an ad hoc committee.

8. Regional Administration & Delegate Reports

Chair / Vice Chair / Secretary

- Chair absent; Vice Chair had no separate report.
- Secretary; no report; reminded attendees that reports go to the Region email and asked anyone wishing to receive the minutes to add their email to the chat.

Treasurer

- Position open. We had someone filling in but was not present. The Vice Chair advised he may need to cover the role until a treasurer is seated, and noted he has spoken with a potential candidate who may be willing to be nominated at a future meeting. No treasurer's financial data or closing report was available for this meeting.

Regional Delegate (RD)

- RD and RDA attended the World Service Conference in Woodland Hills, CA, including a tour of the World Service Office and time with World Board members and delegates from around the world. A fuller presentation will be given at the Fall Assembly.
- CAR/CAT Report attached in the email.
- The CAR/CAT report and executive summary were attached to the RD report and posted in the chat, covering adopted motions, ballots (World Board, HRP, Co-facilitators), planning/prioritization results, and NA meeting counts.
- The World Board has released a proposed revision of IP #1 introducing gender-neutral language in the readings (not the Steps or Traditions); fellowship review is open through the end of October.
- Delegate elections (including alternate delegate) will be held at the Fall Assembly; interested members should review the guidelines and contact RD or RDA.
- The Rocky Mountain Zonal Forum will be held the following weekend in Denver (hybrid; business meeting Friday 4–6 PM, programming from 10 AM Saturday) — the first in-person zonal forum for Colorado in over six years. Regional PR/H&I will present Saturday morning.

Regional Delegate Alternate (RDA)

- Reported the conference was excellent and that he and the RD came in roughly \$500 under the approved budget (RD ~\$2,100–\$2,200; RDA ~\$1,940).
- The report previews the projects and activities coming out of the World Service Conference for the next three years and includes a table summarizing the four proposed IP #1 changes. Encouraged attendance at the Zonal Forum and interest in the alternate delegate position.

9. CNAC Report

- The CNAC Board met July 4; only about half the board attended, so an additional board meeting may be scheduled before the September Assembly (next regular meeting is October).
- Signed the AV contract for CRCNA and the location contract for the September Regional Assembly.
- Member at Large was unanimously elected; they must be ratified by the Region at the September Assembly.
- CNAC budget will be the same as last year and submitted on time.

- The PNC / First Bank transition has created banking issues; anyone with unresolved banking matters (debit cards, checking accounts) should notify the CNAC Board as soon as possible. People raised specific access issues to be followed up on.

10. Regional Subcommittee Reports

Public Relations (PR)

- The PR, PI, H&I, and Web functions are collaborating closely, including joint planning for the Zonal Forum and CRCNA. A PR subcommittee meeting is set for Monday the 13th (all welcome).
- Behind-the-walls work: NA is now carrying the message into the Florence federal supermax (one attendee at a time) with strong cooperation from Florence Federal, which may open federal prisons to NA nationally. Work continues toward DOC access at Lyman and an educational-channel broadcast (e.g., Channel 56 at Florence) reaching men in solitary confinement.
- Noted the national "Miraculous Mondays" men's meeting out of Colorado (500+ men biweekly) and a forthcoming national women's meeting effort.
- A member reported he was appointed by the governor's office as a consultant on addiction, clarifying he participates as an individual member and not as a representative of NA.

Hospitals & Institutions (H&I)

- An ad hoc effort rewrote a universal format for taking meetings into prisons, which has been rolled out.
- Women's Writing Behind the Walls will temporarily take on men's letters; volunteers are needed to sponsor Men Behind the Walls (There was a volunteer to take a letter and help recruit men in Boulder). An assistant DOC coordinator is also needed.
- Continued requests from the Downtown Denver Detention Center and a halfway house seeking NA meetings; more H&I volunteers are needed.
- A further literature order is needed; We were advised ordering through the World Service Office with reimbursement from the Region (or via his card).

Public Information (PI)

- Continuing to support Mountains West with fellowship development. Raised a question for CRCNA to consider: whether the CRCNA tax-ID could be used for regional PI/PSA work requiring a tax-exempt number.
- Reiterated availability to help any area that reaches out.

Web

- The host server (Gator) briefly went offline earlier in the month; working with the host on outage notifications.
- Assisted with Square access for the Campout. Website updates do not always propagate immediately to phones; plugins were updated to help. Steamboat meetings were moved from Mile High to Serenity Unlimited, and the Serenity Unlimited meeting list was updated.
- Confirmed licensing costs: ~\$200/year online-meeting license (paid September) and \$105 every five years to for domain registration; still researching WordPress licensing.
- Will work with H&I and PR to improve their web descriptions and posted the PR collaboration meeting link. Requested feedback on any broken or hard-to-find links (phone vs. laptop display issues were discussed).

Archives

- The subcommittee meets every odd month and reviews inventory monthly in preparation for CRCNA 40. Members asked member to serve as interim chair until a chair is elected at the September Assembly.
- Preparing a convention display including editions 1–5 of the Basic Text and draft literature in secured, locked cases, a memorial area for members who have passed, and hundreds of local speaker CDs to be made available for listening.
- The subcommittee has 4–5 members and needs more volunteers. A member offered to have COVID-era speaker video archived to MP4 for preservation.
- Interim-chair arrangement accepted; Archives chair to be elected in September per guidelines.

11. Convention & Event Committee Reports

CRCNA XL

- Committee met July 11 at the Englewood Library; Archives and the DOC Coordinator attended. AV needs are largely settled, aided by a \$15,000 discount negotiated down.
- Registrations over \$200; food and beverage covered; pre-convention merchandise now at a profit. The website ran smoothly.
- PNC/First Bank issues are being managed by CRCNA Treasurer; The Chair will get onto the bank account this week. With the assistant treasurer stepping down, Treasurer will continue solo and is expected to stay on as treasurer for CRCNA 41.
- CRCNA attended the July 4 Colorado Springs picnic (12 registrations). Entertainment largely decided; contracts going to CNAC. Saturday-night theme announced as black and gold.

CRCNA XL Treasurer

- The First Bank to PNC transition has been difficult; PNC regulations are tighter than First Bank's. Treasurer still lacks online access pending the new PNC account number and debit card.
- Approximate CRCNA balance: \$6,493.54. Two large expenditures since the last meeting: the CRCNA 41 convention-center deposit and CRCNA 40 registration packets. Steady income continues via PayPal and Square. Reconciliation pending bank access.
- Chair of CNAC suggested CNAC could explore other banks if PNC remains too complicated.

CRCNA XL Program

- Presented the proposed convention program from a 10-member regional committee (three Off the Wall, three Mile High, two Pikes Peak, one Serenity Unlimited, one Boulder).
- Program structure: 29 speaker workshops (75 min), 4 interactive workshops (75 min), and one 60-minute panel workshop ("History of NA in Colorado"), plus five approved backup topics. Speaker-workshop titles are open-ended questions; the convention theme is "The Passion That Carries Us Forward."
- 43 marathon-meeting time slots run from 3 PM Friday to 10 AM Sunday, using the 39 previous CRCNA themes sequentially as topics.
- **Spanish-language programming:** At the request of a member of the Spanish-speaking community, no Spanish-language workshop was scheduled this year; the committee chose to honor the view that such programming should originate from the Spanish-speaking community itself.
- A possible open slot for an RD-team / World Board presentation was discussed and referred back to the CRCNA committee, along with scheduling coordination with H&I/DOC.

Action: The CRCNA program and marathon-meeting topics were approved by the body with no objection. Scheduling refinements (Friday room availability, H&I/DOC slotting, pronoun consistency in topic wording) were referred back to the CRCNA committee.

CRRMCO XIII (Rocky Mountain Campout)

- The campout was well attended (likely a record), with good weather and strong fellowship. The event was profitable again this year (approximately \$700 profit, pending recovery of a couple of expired PayPal authorizations).
- Some friction with the campground/Forest Service over area mapping was largely resolved for next year; the committee will contact the Forest Service in advance of the 2027 campout.
- Several volunteers are interested in next year's committee; elections planned for the November committee meeting.

WRCNA XIII (Women's Retreat)

- The retreat will be held August 21–23. Four regional events were hosted this year (Pikes Peak, Boulder, and two in Mile High).
- Scholarship applications close the following day; registration closes on the 7th of August.. Merchandise closed June 30 with just under \$700 in sales. Registrations are around 60, which is relatively low — help spreading the word was requested.
- A final close-out meeting is set for August 29, at which the incoming admin committee will be elected for ratification in September.
- **Bed-sharing concern:** Vice Chair and Secretary addressed rumors about bed-sharing arrangements that may be affecting registration, emphasizing this reflected a team consensus and asking RCMs to carry accurate information back to areas and groups. Questions may be directed to chair@wrcna and vicechair@wrcna committee emails.
- Treasurer reported PNC access is now working (with a difficult reconciliation process). Registrations total about \$1,260, not including scholarships and online payments.

12. Old Business — Elections & Open Positions

Region Treasurer (CRSCNA): No nominations. Position remains open.

Archives Chair: Looking forward to getting elected in the September assembly

Campout (CRRMCO) Treasurer: No nomination. Remains open

Delegate Team transition (noted): RDA transferring to RD.

13. July Budget Item — Tier 1/2/3 Proposals

Per the July agenda, CRSCNA Administration, RD/RDA, CNAC, and the PR subcommittee (combining PI, H&I, etc.) are to prepare and present Tier 1, 2, and 3 budget proposals. No budget proposals were presented at this meeting. A sample budget from 2025 was used as a reference.

Tier definitions (as explained): Tier 1 reflects Seventh-Tradition donations only; Tier 2 adds a modest CRCNA surplus; Tier 3 assumes a strong CRCNA surplus.

Process: Draft budgets are presented at the September Assembly, reviewed beginning in January, and ratified in April. Delegate travel to World is not anticipated for the next few years (zonal expenses instead).

Decision: To allow the fellowship time to review, CRSCNA Admin, RD/RDA, CNAC, and PR budgets (Tier 1/2/3) are due Wednesday, August 19, 2026, so they can be distributed electronically ahead of the September Assembly. (Event/activity committees are on a separate cycle.)

14. New Business & Proposals

Archives Out-of-Budget Disbursement

Proposal (dated 7/19/26): To reimburse an Archives Subcommittee member for materials purchased to build displays for CRCNA 40. As the subcommittee has no budget, the expense required approval by the body.

Action: The reimbursement proposal was approved by the body with no blocks or stand-asides. It was advised to bring a further proposal in September to cover additional pre-convention expenses and to submit an annual budget going forward.

CNAC — Ratify New Member at Large

CNAC reported the unanimous election of Member at Large. Ratification by the Region will occur at the September Assembly; no ratification vote was taken at this meeting.

Amendment to Current Guidelines

The Vice Chair reported that a guidelines update will be circulated with these minutes for review, with possible approval at the September Assembly. This item was not yet ripe for a vote.

West Slope Recovery Ad Hoc Committee (Formed)

An ad hoc committee was established to address support for the western side of the Region (Mountains West / Western Slope and Serenity Unlimited), including area development and the reach of NA between Aspen and Rifle. Members who volunteered to serve were said to be documented by the vice chair.

15. Open Forum

- **National Women's Online Meeting:** It was asked whether the Region would support hosting a national women's online H&I/PR meeting out of Colorado. The body was supportive.
- **Regional storage & shared equipment:** Organizing the regional storage unit and adding horizontal storage for banners; the Vice Chair and Chair will coordinate and may bring a proposal for shelving. The body agreed that shared equipment housed in regional storage belongs to the Region as a whole. There will be a proposal to replace the coffee maker at the next meeting.
- **GSR participation at Assemblies:** Several members urged stronger GSR attendance at the September Assembly, where admin committees and the delegate team are elected. It was noted that the Region supports areas and does not dictate how areas run their committees, though it may encourage attendance. RCMs asked to emphasize participation to their areas so it gets back into the home groups.

- **Fall Assembly:** The September Fall Assembly will be held in Loveland (hybrid). Elections include the CRCNA, CRRMCO, and WRCNA admin committees, the Archives Chair, and the delegate team. Flyer posted in the chat.

16. Closing

Treasurer's Report: No closing Treasurer's report was available, as the Treasurer position is open.

Adjournment: A motion to close was made by and seconded. The meeting closed with a moment of silence and the Third Step Prayer.

Minutes recorded by: CRSCNA Secretary

Meeting chaired by: CRSCNA Vice Chair

Next meeting: Fall Assembly — September 2026, Loveland, CO (hybrid)