

Wyo-Braska Area Service Committee

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Date: March 9, 2008 Time: 1:05 pm Location: Sidney, NE

Ray B. opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer
Robert N. read the 12 Traditions of N.A.
Lucretia M. read the 12 Concepts of N.A.
Chris B. read the 12 Values of WBASC

Group Response to Concept _7_ & Question _2_ from last meeting:

All members of a service body bear substantial responsibility for that body's decisions and should be allowed to fully participate in its decision-making processes.

Who should take part in our decision-making processes? The participation of all members of a service body provides the broadest group conscience and the soundest foundation for service decisions.

2. Who participates in your group's business meetings? Why?

Trusted servants and those who care about what happens to the group, those who want to have their voices heard, votes counted and want to know where their donations are going.

Reading/Study/Discussion of Concept _8_ using chapter questions.

Our service structure depends on the integrity and effectiveness of our communications.

Regular communication is essential to the fulfillment of all these concepts, and to the integrity and effectiveness of our services themselves.

Study and discussion questions

1. How does regular communication support the Second Concept? The Third Concept? The Fourth Concept? The Sixth Concept?

Leadership depends on regular, quality communication which also provides a vehicle for delivering information so that those responsible for duties are able to carry them out. It also helps other members feel comfortable with delegating duties and sure that their wishes will be further communicated to others down the chain of service without distortion.

2. How could a lack of regular communication undermine those concepts, and the integrity and effectiveness of our service structure?

Individual thoughts and concerns would not be passed along these broken links and things would not be taken care of. Accurate notes may help this situation. Also, straight forward, simple communication would present an easy going atmosphere to visitors and those interested in getting involved instead of disorganized arguing.

3. Does your group receive regular communication from the trusted servants, service boards, and committees that serve it? Does your group regularly communicate with those trusted servants, service boards, and committees? How has this communication—or lack of communication—affected your group? The service structure?

GSRs -- take this question back to groups for input.

Roll Call: Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, 2nd RCM, Literature Chair, UD Chair, Webservant

GSR, Alternates and guests: Willy O. (GSR – Clean and Free), Robert N. & Mistie W. (GSR & GSRA – Saturday Nite Live), Richard M. (GSR – Clean & Serene), Chris B. (GSR – Live from Laramie), Lucretia M. (GSR – Free Bird), Tara T. (GSR – Staying Clean in Sidney), David R. – Sidney, Ed P., Les F. & Juan P. – Scottsbluff.

Absent: Vice Chair (vacant), RCM (vacant), PR Chair (vacant), Activities Chair (vacant), (Footsteps in Recovery), (On Life's Terms), (Vision of Hope), (We Do Recover).

NA Recovery Birthdays: Tara T. – 1 yr. Congratulations!!!

Recognition of new groups: Ray B. represented the new group NA Anchors Away (will check on spelling of "Away") from Cheyenne. Gus N. is the GSR and they are requesting recognition and a new grp starter package of lit, key tags etc. They have submitted a registration to NAWS. Welcome to the area. We will post to the web site & meeting list.

Approval of last month's minutes:

Minutes were somehow lost while working with them between a lap top and flash drive. (So be warned – copy to hard drive before using to prevent losing.) Richard M. apologizes and will get to them post haste.

Treasurer's Beginning Balance: \$2,314.19 (includes \$6.00 service fee)

Serenity Break: 1:45 – 1:55 pm

Officers Reports:

Chair: Report given and filed as follows:

Good afternoon fellow ASC members,

I would like to take a moment and say welcome to the new group in Cheyenne. I stopped by and visited the meeting & there were about 20 addicts seeking recovery & it was a recovery based meeting. Also, our treasurer and I went to the bank to get the signature card changed & we will need to have in the minutes names of people to be on the card. There are many positions available to those who would like to be of service. I would like to remind all that it is very important to read & understand the guidelines for this area & understand your responsibilities to this body. The chairs account balance stands at \$100.00.

In Loving Service

Ray B.

Vice-Chair: Vacant

Treasurer: Report given and filed as follows:

Hello Friends,

It is nice to see that everyone was able to make it today. I would like to report that Ray and I were able to make it to the bank and get the signature cards done, however there are a couple of things that are needed to complete the process. In which after the meeting today I should be able to complete the process. The opening balance today is \$2,314.19. That includes the \$6.00 service charge that is applied to the account monthly. I am sorry to report that as of today I do not have the amounts of each sub category for you. I will, by next month, be able to give you correct figures on them along with the disbursements that were made to this point in each category. I do appreciate your patience. Thank you!

There are the following outstanding checks:

Check #1247 for \$10.72 to Freedom Voice

Check #1248 for \$12.98 to Quest Communications

Thank you. In Loving Service,

Lucretia M.

Secretary: Report given orally only:

Again apologized for problem with the minutes, but has the hand written minutes if anyone needs to know anything today. Copies of the latest version of the policy and guidelines printed and available. Forgot to update the contact list, but will get that done before the next meeting. Is considering posting the area letterhead on the web site and will try two different formats so everyone can use one of the other. Reminded us that all documents except the contact list is or will be on the web site. Because the contact list has more personal information on it for ease of communication among members of the area it will not be posted. It is intended for internal use only. Account remains at \$100.

RCM: Vacant

RCM 2: Report given and filed as follows:
Dear Fellow ASC Members:

I have nothing to report regarding RSC business as of yet.

I am prepared to go to Riverton for the Regional Assembly and CAR workshop, so if anyone cares to ride along let me know. Also, if you have read the CAR report and care to give me your insight on how you want the RD and AD to vote on specific issues, I will make them aware of your desire.

In Loving Service,
Chris B.
RCM2

Note: RCM travel balance from the treasurer not available.

RDA Report: None

Group Reports:

Footsteps in Recovery: Absent

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: Other:

On Life's Terms: Absent

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: Other:

Clean & Free:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$43.10 Other: None

Vision of Hope: Unavailable??

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: Other:

Saturday Nite Live:

Concerns: Would like to see more home group members.

Needs: Nothing at this time.

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$20.00 Other:

Clean & Serene:

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$100.00 Other: Starting a new traditions and concepts study meeting on Friday evenings at 6:30 pm geared for trusted servants especially newer openers.

Live from Laramie:

Concerns:

Needs: Still in need of an alternate GSR

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$60.00 – ASC, \$48.00 – RSC, \$12.00 – NAWS

Other: Reminder: the LFL–Wyo-Braska Area camp out #4 on 6-13,14,15–2008 @ Pole Creek Campground. The registration is \$10 for adults 12+ (under 12 free), which would include 2 meals and two nights camping. The first 50 registrants may camp in the campground. Craig H. (LFL CO Chair) has provided a report with registration numbers and monies received that will be read during activities subcommittee report.

This group did not discuss the concept because the GSR was attending a campaign rally that night and there was no business meeting held.

In Loving Service,

Chris B.
GSR – Live From Laramie
Laramie, WY

Free Bird:

Concerns: All positions are open.

Needs: More active participants.

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$15.26 Other:

Staying Clean in Sidney

Concerns: None

Needs: Literature

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: 0 Other:

We Do Recover (Torrington) Absent

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: Other:

NA Anchors Away (Cheyenne)

Concerns:

Needs: Start up kit for group.

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: 0 Other:

Sub-Committee reports:

Activities: Chair vacant but the following report was given by Chris B. for Craig H.

To: Area Service Committee

From: Live From Laramie Campout Committee

As of now we have 10 paid plus 2 campers signed up for the campout. Enclosed is one check for \$20.00 and \$80.00 cash – for a total of \$100.00. We are working on the menu for the dinners and breakfast. So that we will have an idea, does the area still have pancake mix? And syrup, so we will know if we need to get this for the breakfast?

Live From Laramie Campout Committee

Craig H.

Robert N. has about 1/2 of the activities totes left over from the New Year's event, but isn't sure if there was any mix or syrup. He will check and is making plans to pick up the rest of the totes from the former activities chair as soon as he can. He'll let Chris or Craig know.

UD: Report given and filed by Richard M. as follows:

The UD committee met on Feb. 22 at Shari's in Cheyenne and again before today's area meeting. On the 22nd 8 volunteers got together and accomplished quite a bit. Richard renegotiated the Trails West contract (copy attached and another given to the treasurer) and straightened out some typos. As a result there will be not only some free archery, but some free swimming too.

The raffle fund raiser for the NA books is in full swing with tickets distributed to most GSRs in the area. A flyer announcing Unity Days and the raffle has also been distributed.

A logo has been decided on and should be camera ready within a few weeks. Once it is ready we can seriously look into shirts, bandanas and the such. Initial research leads us to believe we can do better. Richard is going to e-mail Lucretia some web site addresses for imprinting and is going to check with a Scottsbluff member who has gotten a lot of printing done to see what their prices are. With the logo chosen Robert will work with another volunteer and do up a tie-dyed banner.

Out of state speakers have been arranged. All four have substantial NA recovery to draw from and share with us. None of them want any compensation and are more than glad to attend. A schedule has been tentatively drawn up menus are set. Final prices will be prepared before the next area meeting.

We will soon have enough info and the logo to prepare fliers and registration packets. We are also looking at setting up a page on our web site and at the very least will work on some mass e-mailings of the fliers.

We still have some details to work out and some fine tuning, but we are well on our way. Our next meeting will be Saturday March 22, 2008 @ 9 pm at the Shari's in Cheyenne.

Thank you all for all of your great ideas and hard work.

Richard M.
Unity Days Chair

PR: Chair vacant

H&I component: No report

PI component:

Web site: The on-line meeting list and upcoming events pages have been updated, but forgot to update the ASC page with the new trusted servants. Our ISP has redesigned some of the features for our hosting plan, one of which is the actual method of making changes to the web pages. Hopefully there will be little problem changing over to it.

We received an e-mail from a member in Laramie looking for meetings and was given a list of them. We also received an e-mail from the Scottsbluff probation office requesting some meeting lists and 40 of them were taken to her.

From noon on 3/07/08 to noon 3/08/08 we received 26 hits from 5903 to 5929 and another 15 hits by 9 am 3/09/08. All fees have been paid up until next September.

Phoneline: A quick check of the phoneline showed that it wasn't working. The chair will get in touch with Tommy O. to check it out.

Literature: Crystal reported that she was turning in \$100 and placing an order for \$103.43. She also told us that she would be resigning no later than August and maybe a month or two before. She'll let us know.

Break: 2:30 – 2:40 pm

Sharing Session:

- 1) Discussed solution on how to get minutes out on time. Secretary has been trying to get caught up and will make a concentrated effort to get minutes, especially these, out sooner. If there is, or may be, a problem then he will get in touch with the appropriate Executive Committee member for help.
- 2) NAWS is going to raise prices on several items on July 1 and discontinue the individual recovery tapes and gold plated medallions.
- 3) Lucretia reported that in order for her to change our signature card at the bank we need to make note of the person's name, position and that he or she is responsible for signing.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motions ~ #1 Donate startup kit for new group up to \$30.00.
 Intent: Carry the message to the addict who still suffers.
 Carries unanimously.

Elections ~ Vice-Chair: Chris B. nominated Les F. Requirements and duties were read from the "Guidelines of the Wyo-Braska Area . . ." and Les qualified himself.
 Approved by unanimous vote of all GSRs present.

RCM : Chris B. nominated Ed P. Requirements and duties were read from the "Guidelines of the Wyo-Braska Area . . ." and then Ed respectfully declined because of his job.

Activities Chair: Lucretia M. nominated Robert N. Requirements and duties were read from the "Guidelines of the Wyo-Braska Area . . ." and Robert qualified himself and stated that he may only be able to serve for a few months. None the less . . .
 Approved by unanimous vote of all GSRs present.

PR Chair: No nominations and no volunteers.

Based on these and other recent elections the following members now make up the Executive Committee:

- Chair – Ray Burgien
- Vice-Chair – Les Foster
- Treasurer – Lucretia Maes
- Secretary – Richard Mann
- RCM – Vacant
- RCM2 – Chris Borland

Of these, according to article 10 of the "Guidelines of the Wyo-Braska Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous," the Chair – Ray Burgien, Vice-Chair – Les Foster, Treasurer – Lucretia Maes and RCM2 – Chris Borland will now, as of March 9, 2008, be those responsible for signing the Wyo-Braska Area checking account.

Disbursements:

Tara T. – Cheyenne County Community Center		
Meeting Hall Rent		\$30.00
New group startup kit	up to	\$30.00
Will provide itemized list next meeting.		
(NAWS – Literature \$103.43) [Need signature]		

Closing Treasury balance: \$2539.12

Area 7th Tradition of **\$23.32** to: Staying Clean in Sidney
 Next mtg: April 13, 2008 – 1pm @ 14 W 17th St., Scottsbluff, NE

