

Wyo-Braska Area Service Committee

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Date: February 10, 2008

Time: 1:11 pm

Location: Cheyenne, WY

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.
Robert N. read the 12 Values of WBASC

Group Response to Concept 6 & Question 4 from last meeting:

Group conscience is the spiritual means by which we invite a loving God to influence our decisions.

Group conscience is the means by which we bring the spiritual awakening of the Twelve Steps to bear in making service-related decisions. It is fundamental to our fellowship's decision-making process. It is not, however, merely a euphemism for "voting" and is not itself the NA decision-making process.

4. Read NA's Twelfth Tradition. How does the practice of the Sixth Concept help us focus on "principles, not personalities" when we make service decisions?

Spirituality is a principal and people have personalities. The sixth concept actually defines the difference between the two words in the twelfth tradition. Anonymity is a principle that is not operating on self-will.

Reading/Study/Discussion of Concept 7 using chapter questions.

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.

Study and discussion questions

1. Right now, who participates in your ASC meetings? Why?

Trusted Servants, GSRs and hosting group members. Why? Because the guidelines require it, because members have made the commitment and are responsible and because of the meeting being held locally.

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

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

3. Do all the members of your ASC bear substantial responsibility for the NA services delivered in your area? Do all the members of a particular subcommittee bear substantial responsibility for that subcommittee's work? Are there any differences in the way members participate in area committee meetings and in a subcommittee meeting? Why, or why not?

While often given the responsibility some don't always follow thru with their duties. Substantial also implies equal and not everyone can or will do as much as others. ASC meetings aren't a lot different from the subcommittee meetings when they occur. A few show up and fewer actually do what's necessary. Bottom line is that those who want to get things done mostly do and others do what they can which sometimes may not be much.

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

GSR, Alternates and guests: Tommy O. (Rep for – Clean and Free), Robert N. (GSR – Saturday Nite Live), Richard M. (GSR – Clean & Serene), Chris B. (GSR – Live from Laramie), Lucretia M. (GSR – Free Bird), Juan P. & Richard Y. – Scottsbluff.

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

NA Recovery Birthdays: Richard M. Jan. 13 - 4 yrs., Tommy O. Jan. 24 - 19 yrs. Congrats to you both!!!

Recognition of new groups: None

Approval of last month's minutes:

Chris B. moved to accept / Crystal L. seconded / Motion carries unanimously to accept Jan minutes with correcting the amount of the meeting hall rent from \$25.00 to \$20.00.

Treasurer's Beginning Balance: \$2,510.84

Break: 2 – 2:10 pm

Officers Reports:

Chair: Report given and filed as follows:

Hello Friends

Today we will be conducting some pretty serious business & I would like to remind you all to place principals before personalities. We are here to help the groups fulfill their primary purpose & that is to carry the message to the addict that still suffers. With that I must remind you that concept #4 tells us that leadership qualities should be carefully considered when electing trusted servants. I also believe we need to be careful of the load we put on each person & if we need help that we ask for it.

As I have heard before we should all be familiar with the guidelines & our roles as trusted servants.

The chair's account balance stands at \$100.00

In Loving Service
Ray B.

Vice-Chair: Absent

Treasurer: Report given and filed as follows:

Thank you all for making it today. I am glad to be here clean. I have such a busy schedule lately, I am hoping that it is going to be tapering off some next week. I recently started a new job. Not that that is an excuse because it is not. As I am sure that Richard knows I was unable to get a chance to send off the minutes of last month. However, I did send them via e-mail. I was also unable to get with Ray to go and get a signature card from the bank. We will be getting together next week to do so.

Check #1238 was returned by Tara T. from the New Year's Eve bash.

There have not been any checks wrote from this month that would reflect on the account. However, the phone bill was sent off as well as the Freedom Voice bill.

FYI – The phone lines are now working.

The opening balance is \$2,522.76 (according to the on-line bank statement), the same balance that I show.

Sorry for being so disorganized this month, it will get better.

In Loving Service
Lucretia M.

Addendum: \$2,623.87 Closing balance in Jan. based on the ledger, according to the minutes.
\$2,651.91 According to the bank.
 \$ 28.04 Difference

Checks that hadn't cleared
 \$ 64.15 # 1240 NAWS for literature
 + \$ 65.00 # 1242 NAWS for literature
 + \$ 11.92 # 1244 Freedom Voice
 \$ 141.07

\$2,651.91 According to bank
 - \$ 141.07 Less outstanding
 \$2,510.84 Opening according to the bank
 - \$ 28.04 Difference
 \$2,482.80 Opening according to the ledger and hence the opening balance???

Secretary: Report given orally only:

Having been sick for most of January, not much has been done including the December minutes addendum. Will tend to them before the next meeting. The contact list has been updated and everyone is reminded that this is for internal use only due to the personal information on it. If anything needs to be corrected let me know and I'll see to it. Didn't get a chance to print out more copies of the guidelines, but they, as well as most all of the other documents and report forms are on the web site for anyone to download and print.

Account balance remains @ \$100 ILS, Richard

RCM: Absent

RCM 2: Report given and filed as follows along w/ a copy of RSC minutes from February:

Dear Fellow ASC Members:

I am recovering well from my arthroscopic surgery a week ago Wednesday; however, I was unable to attend the RSC last Saturday due to the surgery. Thus I have nothing to report at this time. I hope our esteemed Chair has provided info regarding RSC happenings.

In Loving Service,

Chris B.
 RCM2

Ray B. and/or Chris B. let us know that the May 2009 regional convention is scheduled to be hosted by our area. The RSC was going to elect a convention chair at the February meeting, but there were no takers. We were reminded that the chair elected in February would attend meetings and help out with this year's convention and after May begin planning the 2009 convention. The overlap helps with a smoother transition. The chair requires 5 years clean time.

RD/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: Group voted to change start time to 7pm beginning Tues. March 4th for both nights. Also, Friday meeting will change back to one hour from 1 ½ hrs.

Needs: Group needs GSRA

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: 0 Other: \$40 to URMRS

Vision of Hope: Absent??

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: Other:

Saturday Nite Live:

Concerns: None at this time.

Needs: More attendance, more people sharing experience, strength and hope.

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$12.00 Other:

Clean & Serene:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$14.01 Other:

Live from Laramie:

Concerns:

Needs: Still needs an alternate GSR

Votes and /or motions: This group did not discuss the concept, but did want to keep the ASC guidelines the same regarding monthly meetings; they felt that it would severely restrict/limit the functioning of ASC and area business.

7th Tradition: We are unable to make donations to ASC, RSC and NAWS this month due to misplacement of treasury report.

Other: A flier has been prepared and is available for the LFL-WyoBraska Area CO #4 on 6 - 13, 14, 15-2008. The registration is \$10.00 for adults 12+ (under 12 free), which would include 2 meals and two nights of camping. Remember: There is a limit of 50 campers in the campground; however, there is ample room outside of the campground proper and those not in the campground could make donations at the event.

In Loving Service

Chris B., GSR – Live from Laramie, Laramie, WY

Free Bird:

Concerns:

Needs: Need everything but GSR.

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$20.00 Other:

Staying Clean in Sidney: Absent, but had called secretary to report.

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: 0 Other:

We Do Recover (Torrington): Absent

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: Other:

Sub-Committee reports:

Activities: Absent – Chris B. did report of the LFL campout.

UD: Report given by Chris and filed as follows:

Attendees:

Lucretia, Robert, Richard, Rich, Juan, Gail, Crystal, Tommy, Ray & Chris.

Merchandise:

Still checking prices and vendors: suggested Pony Express, and others local. Richard will check in Scottsbluff.

Venue info:

1 bunkhouse part of estimate (sleeps 12)

Registration:

Approved \$25 per need 30 registrations to break even, 12 and under free.

Meals:

Approved \$400 cost 4 meals: Fri. Taco bar (Chris); Sat. morning continental buffet (Gail); Sat. night TBA (Crystal); and Sun. eggs, bacon, pancake breakfast (Robert). People listed will provide estimates of food needs and proposal of menus, costs for each meal will be figured after meals approved.

Fundraiser:

Approved Richard M. NA book set raffle, will provide tickets (\$1 ea.) Starting Wed. 2-13-08 drawing at ASC April 13, 2008.

Next UD committee meeting 9 pm Sat. 2-23-08 @ Shari's on East Lincolnway off College Drive in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

PR:

H&I component: Richard reports that since the new, Scotts Bluff County correctional facility has been opened, the Clean & Serene group has had enough volunteers approved to hold two both men and women's meetings – two each. The juvenile section has asked from AA meetings at this time, but the group will respond when asked. As usual, the group is still looking for more volunteers.

PI component:

Web site: Richard reported that as of last night there had been a total of 5510 visits to the site since it was re-established. There is a way to use the Google advanced search to determine how many other web sites are linked to our own. Currently there are four other sites linked to ours. In the coming months he will try to increase that number. Other than this all remains the same with all fees paid up until next September.

Phoneline: Unknown.

Literature: Crystal reported \$79.00 in sale receipts. She is still unsure of exactly how to keep track of everything and needs to know what past minutes say about the literature fund cap. It was suggested that she check past minutes on the web site for reports from her predecessor.

Break : 3:02 – 3:10 pm.

Sharing Session:

- 1) Regional Assemblies – Discussed how many meetings we feel necessary. Currently there is one a year which would mean one before the World Conference, for our input on the CAR, and one the next year to get information and have an opportunity to have a GSR learning day.

Richard read from the "Guide to Local Service," page 100, about what NAWs has compiled regarding what these assemblies are for. Other comments included how hard it is to get GSR unity and participation at the area as it is. Adding another meeting a year most likely would not be well attended. It was felt that the current chain of service/communication would suffice.

- 2) The URMRCNA X is scheduled to be held in our area in 2009 and it needs to have a chair, preferably from our area and who has 5 years clean time. There was no one elected at the URMRC meeting yesterday. We discussed limits of service and how can we attract those with enough clean time to participate. About all we can do is announce the need for trusted servants, maybe make up some fliers, ask our sponsors and even sponsees who may have it together.

Old Business:

Motions #1 (from last meeting which had to be announced to the groups as per our area guidelines)

Motion: Area meeting held every two months [as indicated in guideline change below].
Intent: Make it easy for people to participate. . .

Propose changes in Article 3 of the "GUIDELINES OF THE WYO-BRASKA AREA . . ." are abbreviated as follows:

In paragraph 1, sentence 1 change it to read "The regular meeting of the WBASC is held on the second Sunday ~~of each~~ **every other** month . . ." Change sentence 3 to read ". . . hosting the **ever other** monthly WBASC meeting." And in paragraph 2 delete the entire 2nd sentence, "~~The Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson, on being advised of a matter of special urgency, may call a special meeting.~~" and change sentence three to read "The Chair **person** must give reasonable . . ."

Motion failed unanimously.

New Business:

- 1) Replacing Vice Chair/Activities Chair and RCM – Based on Article 7 of the area guidelines the WBASC declares these three positions vacant, by unanimous vote, in accordance with condition 1 & 2. GSRs are instructed to announce these three positions vacant and search for volunteers.

So everyone present was informed, the requirements and duties for all of these positions was read as well as for the PR Chair. All positions suggest two years clean time except the RCM which is three years.

Motions ~ None

Elections ~ PR Chair – No volunteers or nominations. Please take back to your groups.

In accordance with the area guidelines, the Chair appointed Richard M. the Unity Days ad hoc committee chair. He accepted the appointment.

Disbursements:

\$214.39 NAWS for literature.

Closing Treasury balance: \$2,534.58

Area 7th Tradition of \$17.00 to the SNL group.

Next mtg: March 9, 2008 in Sidney, NE at the Cheyenne County Community Center.

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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:

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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 ½ 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:

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| 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

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

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?

Yes, communication to the groups is received and yes the group communicates thru the GSR. Another group posed the question of why did the Area want them to answer a concept question? Partly to initiate communication so that groups feel comfortable asking the Area for help when appropriate and partly so the groups start wondering about and learning more on the *Concepts of NA Service*.

Depending on the information received, informed decisions may or may not be possible. Are the trusted servants bringing back accurate information or has it been distorted in the delivery? Good communication can affect the group positively and promote participation.

Reading/Study/Discussion of Concept _9_ using chapter questions.

All elements of our service structure have the responsibility to carefully consider all viewpoints in their decision-making processes.

1. An effective group conscience is a fully informed group conscience. Why is it important to make sure all viewpoints are considered when making service decisions?

Because no one person is more important than anyone else. The truest form of the spiritual principle of anonymity. We doesn't have an I in it.

2. In your group, area, or region, how can an individual member voice his or her viewpoint on a service decision at hand?

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

3. Do NA services make the effort they should to seek out new, different viewpoints? Do NA services stifle opposing viewpoints?

See group question above. The Area tries to initiate and attract participation. No, NA services do not stifle. If anything it may lead to a controversy which elicits even more participation and a wider variety of ideas.

4. How do you know when its time to speak up against a decision of the majority? When its time to accept a decision and surrender to group conscience?

It may be time to speak up if the discussion is headed toward an obviously non-spiritual decision which seems to go against our *Twelve Traditions* or *Concepts of NA Service* and additional information or a view hasn't been expressed that would help clarify the situation. It may be time to accept the majority decision after everything that can be said has been. At the point where a single hold out is present that person would best serve the service body by quietly abstaining from further deliberations. He or she need not condone the action, but allow the action to take its course. It may even be that that person has an internal issue at work and may be putting personalities before principles rather than vice versa.

Roll Call: Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, 2nd RCM, Activities 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. & Scott T. (GSR & GSRA – Live from Laramie), Lucretia M. (GSR – Free Bird), Richard M. (Contact for – Staying Clean in Sidney), Ray B. (Rep. for NA Anchors Away), Ed P., Dan G. & Juan P. – Scottsbluff.

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

NA Recovery Birthdays: Dan G. – 10 yrs. Congratulations!!!

Recognition of new groups: None

Approval of last month's minutes:

Dec. Addendum was also finished as well as the lost Feb. minutes so Dec., Feb., and March minutes were all presented. On page six of the March minutes Chris's last name was spelled wrong and he, as the RCM2, is not one of those authorized to sign checks as stated in the minutes. Chris B. moved to accept all minutes w/ corrections, Willy O. 2nd the motion – carried unanimously

Treasurer's Beginning Balance: \$2,702.91

Serenity Break: 1:40 – 1:50 pm

Officers Reports:

Chair: Report given and filed as follows:

Hello Friends,

Good to see you all again hope all is well. I received word that the phone line is up & running & as close as I can tell it was a problem in their records that kept it from being turned on. Just a little reminder that the convention will be coming up soon & it would be good for unity if we were able to hang out in Casper with old friends & at the same time make some new ones. Once again I would like to remind you that it is of importance to know your duties as trusted servants & to be accountable also be familiar with the guidelines of the WBASC. The chair's account balance stands at \$100.00.

In Loving Service
Ray B.

Vice-Chair: Report given and filed as follows:

First of all, I'd like to thank this body in their confidence and trust in electing me to this position. With the PR chair vacant I have checked the area web site and found it to have been up dated and printed a copy of last month's minutes, thank you Richard. And called the info line and found it up and running. Thank you Ray and Tommy O.

I received an email from Richard with minutes from the last Unity Days sub committee attached. Thank you again Richard. Again I printed a copy and encourage all to do so with these minutes, fliers, etc.

Anyone needing my assistance with their committees please don't hesitate to contact me.

Again, thank you all.
In Loving Service
Les F.

Treasurer: Report given and filed as follows:

Good afternoon, it is nice to see that everyone was able to make it today. I have been trying to balance out the books, which has been a very difficult task to this point. I have a number of items missing in order to be able to give accurate figures. However I did the best that I could with what I did have. I will be looking for who ever had the box of items that came with the treasurers position in the beginning. I believe that once I find that I will be able to audit the books, and have more accurate figures for every one. The opening balance is \$2,702.91. The

discrepancy from last months closing balance and this month's opening balance, is because I made a deposit of \$163.79 from literature sales. The following checks have not cleared the bank yet.

Check #1301 for \$10.58 to Freedom Voice Systems
Check #1302 for \$12.98 to Quest Communications

From the records I have we have not made a donation of any kind to Region or the World. With the figures that I have starting September of 2007 the amount of donation that needs to be made is 10% of the gross income minus debt is \$92.57 to NAWS and \$92.57 to Region. In which I request that checks be made out today in those amounts.

The best figures that I could come up with are as follows:

RCM beginning balance is \$500. [On] 11/11/07 – \$147 was designated for travel, leaving the account at \$353

Secretary beginning balance is \$100. [On] 9/9/07 – \$53.09 was designated for printing supplies. [However this amount did not come out of the current years budget] Balance at \$100.

Chair beginning balance is \$100. No information. Leaving account at \$100.

PI/H&I [PR] beginning balance is \$900. No information. Leaving account at \$900.

Activities beginning balance is \$50. [On] 11/13/07- \$27.68 was designated for activities. Leaving account at \$22.32

Prudent reserve is at \$250. No information. Leaving account at \$250.

There is an old check book that is missing with checks starting at #1251 running to #1300.

[Note: Chris said that he thought this book had been used up during a time when there were two check books in circulation and being used.]

Lucretia M.

Secretary: Report given orally only:

Was able to get the March minutes done much earlier than usual so Lucretia could get the bank signature card taken care of. Also retyped the Feb. minutes and finished the Dec. Addendum. These were all e-mailed out and posted on the web site so everyone should have copies of them. Only three of four copies were printed out and available today.

Couldn't print out any region convention fliers because the file couldn't be located and the region web site was inaccessible. Updated and printed out new contact lists and then left them on the printer – oops.

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.

ILS
Richard

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 as the next meeting will be held in May.

I went to Riverton and attended the Regional Assembly/CAR workshop where we discussed the CAR report and motions held within. If you have read the motions in the CAR report and have completed the ballot with your

home group, please mail, e-mail, or phone in the results to Steve H. (RD) or Tommy O. (AD no later than the 24th of April so your voice will be brought to the WSC.

We addressed the Issue Discussion Topics: 1) Building Strong Home Groups; 2) Our Service System; and 3) Who's Missing from Our Meetings? The discussion on service, #2, may be one that the ASC should discuss.

I have received the *PR Handbook*, which contains the Area Planning Tool to assist the areas in offering help to groups. I would like to plan some time to go over this with the ASC.

In Loving Service,
Chris B.
RCM2

Starting RCM balance \$353.00

P.S. I am claiming 400 miles for travel to Riverton and back (450 miles [actual]) at \$0.30 per mile = \$120
Ending RCM balance = \$233.

Chris also mentioned that he may be moving to Tennessee in July in which case we will need to elect a RCM2.

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: 0 Other: None

Vision of Hope: Absent

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: Other:

Saturday Nite Live:

Concerns: None.

Needs: Literature.

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$45.00 Other:

Clean & Serene:

Concerns:

Needs: Still looking for a GSRA

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$100.00 Other: Input on concept question.

Live from Laramie:

Concerns:

Needs: Still in need of an alternate GSR

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$50.00 – ASC, \$40.00 – RSC, \$10.00 – NAWS

Other: Reminder: the LFL–Wyo-Braska Area camp out #4 on 6-13,14,15–2008.

This group did not discuss the concept.

In Loving Service,

Chris B.

GSR – Live From Laramie

Laramie, WY

Free Bird:

Concerns: None

Needs: More participation in service.

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$20.00 Other:

Staying Clean in Sidney: [Phone in to Secretary]

Concerns: None

Needs: Participation by trusted servants.

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: 0 Other: Group doing well otherwise

We Do Recover (Torrington) Absent

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: Other:

NA Anchors Away (Cheyenne) Submitted by Robert N.

Concerns: None.

Needs: Literature.

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: 0 Other:

Note: A point of information was invoked by Chris B. asking about a group’s status when they have never actually had a group member at the ASC. In our guidelines, Article 2, paragraph three in part states that “For a new group to be eligible for inclusion in the WBASC, their representative must attend the monthly meetings of the WBASC. . . . After attending three (3) WBASC consecutive monthly meetings, this new group is then considered a full member in good standing at the WBASC with all the inherent rights and privileges therein.”

It also states, in affect, that we can still list them on our meeting list and web site after first contact.

Sub-Committee reports:

Activities: Report given and filed as follows by Robert N.

This is my first report and I don’t have much to say other than I am grateful to be of some amount of service. After checking the contents of the totes I was amazed to see how much material was duplicated unnecessarily in the totes. I am still working on a banner and am sure that today I will be given more direction as to what I need to be working on. So thank you for your support and help.

In Loving Service,

Robert N.

Robert submitted a detailed inventory of the tote contents. Copy available upon request. Thank you.

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

March 22, 2008, Cheyenne, WY.

Meeting started around 9 pm w/ 5 in attendance including, Richard M., Mistie W., Crystal L., Meghan L. and Robert N.

The logo drawing that Robert provided was touched up and had the event and dates added. From this logo several files were prepared and Richard passed around some samples of a book mark made with the logo at the top and about 3/4 ths of the original group symbol positioned in the lower right corner. The registered symbol (a capital R w/ a circle around it) was added to both to comply with internal use of registered Narcotics Anonymous trademarks as outlined in bulletin #1.

Using the same design, name tags were also designed. These can be laminated on a single 9 X 11 1/2 inch sheet as long as there is about a 1/4 inch between them and then cut apart. Meghan went over the laminating process she uses and can bring the unit to Unity Days for on site use.

Robert and Lucretia got prices from Sam's Club on all estimated amounts for the four menus. A volunteer from Scottsbluff is going to check on a donation of pre-seasoned taco meat for the taco bar and has volunteered to cook or help cook.

Robert was able to get most, if not all, of the totes from the previous activities chair. There may still be one left to retrieve. He made a cursory inspection enough to determine that there is no pancake mix or syrup. He will do a thorough inventory before the next set of meetings. He also picked up a 42 cup coffee maker and our podium or dias – whatever.

Mistie reviewed the agenda she had prepared. Richard hasn't been able to get in touch with the Trails West manager for the last week to verify the events schedule so he will do this and get back to Mistie. Mistie will also call and confirm the speakers.

Next meeting will be at noon on April 13, 2008 before the regular ASC meeting in Scottsbluff, NE.

April 13, 2008, Scottsbluff, NE

Meeting started around noon w/ 4 in attendance including, Richard M., Mistie W., Willy O., and Juan P.

Raffle – All raffle tickets were turned in or accounted for. I am pleased to announce that we sold a total of \$131 worth of tickets and held the drawing during the UD report at the regular ASC meeting. Congratulations Patrick M. from Dalton for winning the set of NA books. Also, along with the *Basic Text, It Works: How & Why* and the *Step Working Guides* there was a last minute donation of a JFT to add to the package. Thank you everyone for your help and generosity.

Trails West schedule and kitchen facilities – Richard got in touch with the Trails West manager and scheduled the archery blocks and confirmed the swimming time as outlined in Mistie's agenda. Everything should be good to go. As for the kitchen facilities, since the last time we used them they have needed to be brought up to Health Department code and will be fully supplied with all necessary utensils, bowls, pots, pans and skillets to prepare and serve a group of about 50.

Riverside Zoo, Park & Campground access – The Zoo, Park, Campground and Trails West are all accessed by the same entrance off the South Beltline Hwy. W. which is gated. This gate is closed at 11 pm, but it is **not** locked. Everyone must leave the area unless they are campers or sleeping at Trails West. If overnight guests need to leave the area to go into town, or what have you, all they have to do is open the gate and then close it behind themselves.

Registration flier – Gail created a draft of the registration flyer. She reminded Richard that the Saturday morning eats were actually going to be a brunch that would last from 10 to 12 or so. After we finish here today we will draw up the final version and start distributing and posting it. It is a

very simple flyer which lends itself very well to printing and black and white copying. Included on it is a schedule and web site addresses of Trails West, the Riverside Park, Zoo and Campground so people can see what is offered.

Laminated bookmark w/ quote on the back – After searching thru the *Basic Text*, the only promise quote on page 102 was presented for printing on the back of the book mark. Most, if not all, thought it was an excellent choice. These will be printed, laminated and included in the registration packets given to all registrants. Fifty 6" X 9" clasp envelopes have been donated for this.

Tote contents – Robert reported that there was a lot of duplication of items between totes and he found the small NA items that we have been given to sell at Unity Days. We'll compile a comprehensive list of things we have and those we may need.

T-shirts – Richard checked with a printer in Scottsbluff and another on the internet. Since turn around times and costs are about the same it was decided to go with the local printer as opposed to the net. Only a helper was there so Richard will get an actual cost for two or three shirt styles so we can decide on what we want and then get an appropriation and order them.

Guest Speakers – Willy and Mistie are going to check the Trails West facility's web site and see if another sleeping accommodation is appropriate and affordable for the out of town speakers. Even though they insist they do not need nor want anything it would still be nice if we could offer them a place to sleep.

Next meeting will be at noon on April 26, 2008 at Shari's in Cheyenne, WY. See ya all there ;-)

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: No report

Web site: 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 and I can employ it to redesign and update our site.

Wasn't able to get the letterhead uploaded yet, but will try when time allows. Until then if anyone needs one just ask and it can be e-mailed. Since the quarterly meeting list is due to be updated that list has not been changed, but the on-line meeting list is updated.

We received 587 hits since last month, up to a total of 6531. All fees have been paid up until next September.

Phoneline: Reported on in earlier report.

Literature: Mistie W. is standing in for Crystal and as such has no report.

Break: 2:35 – 2:45 pm

Sharing Session:

- 1) Discussed Treasurer's duties as related to disbursements and forms as well as donations to NAWS and the URM. Checked the guidelines on pages 7 & 8. See motion #2. Also, NAWS would prefer donations of at least \$50 due to the expense of handling lots of smaller amounts.

- 2) Talked a little about the literature fund. Secretary will check past minutes for cap – \$1000 or \$1200?

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Motions ~**
- #1 Drop "We Do Recover" Torrington, WY group as active participants from ASC roles.
Intent: No longer participating or active for at least three consecutive meetings.
Carries unanimously.
 - #2 Amend guidelines under Treasurer's duties that "The Treasurer will, at the end of fiscal year, submit disbursement form for donation to NAWS, i.e. August, each year and quarterly for Regional donations in October, January, and July."
Intent: To create a paper trail of these donations.
Tabled until next ASC meeting as per Guidelines on changes to the Guidelines.

Elections ~

RCM: No volunteers nor nominations.

PR Chair: No nominations and no volunteers.

Disbursements:

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| NAWS – Literature | \$122.06 |
| URMRSC donation | \$ 92.57 |
| NAWS donation | \$ 92.57 |
| Chris B. – RCM2 travel | \$120.00 |

Closing Treasury balance: \$2743.77

Area 7th Tradition of **\$24.00** to Clean & Serene group in Scottsbluff, NE
Next mtg: May 11, 2008 – 1pm @ 1215 E. Gibbon St. rm 202, Laramie, WY

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Date: May 11, 2008 Time: 1:00 pm Location: Laramie, WY

Ray B. opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer
Mistie W. read the 12 Traditions of N.A.
Scott T. read the 12 Concepts of N.A.
Jeanne S. read the 12 Values of WBASC

Group Response to Concept _9_ & Question _2_ from last meeting:

All elements of our service structure have the responsibility to carefully consider all viewpoints in their decision-making processes.

In your group, area, or region, how can an individual member voice his or her viewpoint on a service decision at hand?

C&S – Simply show up and ask to be heard.

LFL – Very open meetings & all invited to be heard w/o prejudice.

C&F – Same as LFL.

Reading/Study/Discussion of Concept _10_ using chapter questions.

Any member of a service body can petition that body for the redress of a personal grievance, without fear of reprisal.

The Tenth Concept encourages us to treat each other with respect in the service environment, and provides us with a means of making amends when we wrong others. The essay describes ways in which an individual who feels he or she has been wronged can go about seeking redress of his or her grievance.

Study and discussion questions

1. Do you know of anyone who has been wronged in service? Has that wrong been made right?
Maybe once.

2. "Together, the Ninth and Tenth Concepts support an atmosphere in which our members feel free to express themselves frankly on matters at hand." Have you ever been afraid to speak your conscience in service meetings? Do you know of anyone, in your area or elsewhere, who has been afraid to speak freely? If so, why? Would the Tenth Concept ease such fears?

The nature of the question answers itself. Early exposure to service may leave one somewhat reticent, but for the most part if someone has something to say, eventually (s)he will overcome inhibitions and speak her or his mind. Although, sometimes people may shy away from speaking up when intimidated by all of the "guidelines."

3. When is it appropriate to apply the Tenth Concept? When is it not appropriate?

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

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

GSR, Alternates and guests: Willy O. (GSR – Clean and Free), Ray B. (GSR – Vision of Hope), Mistie W. (GSR – Saturday Nite Live), Richard M. (GSR – Clean & Serene), Scott T. (GSRA – Live from Laramie), Ray B. (Rep for – Free Bird), Richard M. (Contact for – Staying Clean in Sidney), Rich Y. & Juan P. – Scottsbluff, NE., Danny F., Brian S., Rory G., Tammie D. & Craig H. – Laramie, WY.

Absent: Treasurer, RCM, PR Chair (vacant), Activities Chair, (Footsteps in Recovery), (On Life's Terms), (NA Anchors Away).

NA Recovery Birthdays: Rich Y. – 19 mths. Congratulations!!!

Recognition of new groups: None

Approval of last month’s minutes:

On pg. 8, under motion #2 April should be inserted between January and July.

Les F. moved to accept minutes w/ correction, Mistie W. 2nd the motion – carried unanimously

Treasurer’s Beginning Balance: \$2,743.77

Serenity Break: 1:33 – 1:45 pm

Officers Reports:

Chair: Report given and filed as follows:

Hello Fellow ASC Members,

Glad you could make it, as you can see I am not 100% but was able to semi type anyway. Went to Region last week & was asked to check on banners from conventions in the past. I hope you are all getting practiced up for the upcoming convention we will need all your help. I am confident that there will be someone step up & give some leadership for this project that is so important to carrying the message. I have noticed that everyone has been taking care of their commitments & I would like to say thank you. At this time I would like to take a minute & say thanks to Chris & Jeanne for all your service to this Area & you will be missed. Just a reminder; know what your responsibilities are & if you don’t have a copy of the guidelines get a copy. The chair’s account balance stands at \$100.00.

In Loving Service
Ray B.

Vice-Chair: Report given and filed as follows:

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

I checked the area web page and found it had not been updated since the last ASC meeting and when I went to the upcoming events page to see if the regional convention was getting a good plug I found the URMRCNA VII in Cheyenne, Wyo. was getting a great review in 2005 but nothing on the upcoming URMRC in Casper. So we desperately need a PR chair. Further more, when I called 1-866-4 NO DOPE I got a recording saying “We’re sorry, your number cannot be completed as dialed. Please check your number and dial again.” So I called Tommy O. who checked. It seems that the area is not paying the bill on time. We may want to pay ahead some. PR is very important and we really need someone who can get involved and get these two things back on track and ask all of you to put it out to your groups how important PR is to our Primary Purpose and get a responsible person with enough time and commitment to[??]

Thank you.
In Loving Service
Les F.

Treasurer: Report given by Les F. and filed as follows:

Good Morning everyone,

I do apologize that I was unable to make it today. Hope that everyone is doing well. There is not much to report this month. I did receive the box of items that go with the treasurer’s position. I will spend some time going threw them all. Our opening balance is \$2743.77.

The balances on the following accounts stand as:

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|-----------------|---|
| Chair | \$100.00 |
| Secretary | \$100.00 |
| RCM | \$353.00 |
| PR | \$900.00 [minus web site hosting and domain name registration.] |
| Prudent Reserve | \$250.00 |
| [Activities | \$ 50.00 ???] |

Again I apologize for not being able to make it today. Hope everyone has a good month. Until next time.

In Loving Service,
Lucretia M.

Richard M. added that after a thorough and extensive review of past minutes our budget for fiscal year 2007 – 2008 is supposed to be a total of \$1900.00 confirming the treasurer's previous figures.

Secretary: Report given orally only:

Spent considerable time reviewing minutes from the past two or three years to determine what our current budget is supposed to be and what the literature cap is. Budget reported above and the literature cap is \$1000.00 max. For the last couple of years the inventory has been reported to be between \$700 and about \$900.

Reminded us that all documents except the contact list is or will be on the web site including the area guidelines and a version of the area letterhead. Updated and printed out new contact lists. Because the contact list has more personal information on it, it will not be posted on the web site or else where. Its purpose is for ease of communication among members of the area. It is intended for internal use only.

The spring meeting list has been updated, but due to technical issues is not yet available in the web site. The lists are updated each month after the area meeting and is based on information received, in particular from the group reports. So, GSRs, please make sure your meeting information is included and accurate. Account remains at \$100.

ILS
Richard

RCM: Vacant

RCM 2: Report given by Les F. and filed as follows:
Dear Fellow ASC Members:

I am visiting my friends in Oregon, as I will be unable to visit them later this summer. Here is my report.

RSC business:

Open positions:

Webservant, Secretary, Treasurer, and incoming Convention Chair.

Upcoming openings:

RSC Chair, RD and AD.

Info from RD report (see attached report):

At WSC – motions 1 – 8 passed, and 9 – 12 failed.
Regional Forum scheduled for the last weekend in July (SLC).
More events listed that are on the web site. (Regional)

To Areas:

1) Should there be a quorum of voting members (executive committee and RCMs X 5) required to perform non-monetary or election business? (Not currently in guidelines)

2) Should quorum consist of ONLY RCMs for elections and money matters? (Currently in guidelines)
These may come up as (a) motion(s) at the next RSC meeting.

Motions: Direct RD to schedule only 1 Regional Assembly each year – passed.

Convention: Cool band, karaoke and nice raffle stuff will be at the convention. They need registrants to sign up for banquets, as 100 were purchased by committee with only ~ 20 sold so far. T-shirts and sweatshirts are for sale. Wyo-Braska Area is scheduled to host the next (2009) URMRCNA, and as such a convention chair is needed who should be from this area.

Discussion: There is continued concern regarding the adopted logo, and will be discussed at the next RSC. The Region has received authorization by the Trademark Office to use the logo. I mentioned that there might be confusion by members as to possible Regional affiliation with the State of Wyoming, and its use should be reconsidered for that and other reasons. If you have further comments regarding this issue please provide them in writing for presentation to the RSC next August.

ASC business: I am submitting a disbursement request for 400 miles for travel to and from the Regional meeting held in Evanston: \$120.00. Please allow Jeanne to take possession of the disbursement check - she will get it to me.

I have accepted a position at Oak Ridge National Laboratory starting in June and as such will have to step down as RCM at this time. Thanks for the opportunity to serve. . . I will miss you all very much.

In Loving Service,
Chris B.
RCM2

RDA Report: Turned in by Chris B. as follows:

Dear Upper Rocky Mountain Region,

I have been at the WSC of NA in CA since April 25th, and will be home on Sunday the 4th. I'm not quite as prepared as I would like to be but still have much to report. Our Regional Assembly went really well and we used many of the ideas and suggestions at the conference in the discussions we have had so far. Thanks to all the groups and addicts who made the event possible and I look forward to it next year. I don't know that checks will be able to be written, but would like to get it recorded that I'm asking for \$200 for travel and the cost of the facility in Riverton and the check can bbe given to the chair to make available for me.

From 5 ballots sent in to the delegate we voted for motions 1 – 9 and against motions 10 – 12. At the conference, motions 1 – 8 passed and 9 – 12 failed. At 7:26 on Tuesday April 29th our fellowship approved a six[th] edition *Basic Text* with all of the new stories, index, abstracts and one new word that was added to the index. For many at the conference it was a very emotional event when an addict approached the floor after the facilitator was asking the body to be quiet and said, "[B]ut Mr. Facilitator, our fellowship just approved a new *Basic Text*."

I won't go into much detail here about the conference, but I can say that our Zonal Forum presented one addict for the position on WB, who eventually withdrew their nomination and the CO region also had a nomination on the floor for [W]orld [B]oard. We will be voting today (May 1, 2008) on positions and new business will begin on Friday with approximately 55 new motions to consider and we will be busy.

The Rocky Mountain Forum held a meeting at the conference and we plan on having another forum meeting the last weekend in July in Salt Lake City. We are requesting NAWS participation at the event. I will pass on more information when it becomes available. Our forum is doing well with five regions participating and a lot of experience from the members involved.

Events around the region include URMRCNA 9 which will be held in Casper in two weeks and the CO Regional Convention is again scheduled in October, Utah will be having Campvention again just out side of Heber, UT and southern Utah is also having their first convention in June. The MT gathering is also in June and check out the web sites for all these events and information.

In Loving Service
Stephen H.
URMRD
steve@allwest.net

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: Phone Line [not working]

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$43.71 Other: None

Vision of Hope:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$15.00 Other: None

Saturday Nite Live:

Concerns: None.

Needs: Literature and [more] home group members.

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$25.00 Other: None

Clean & Serene:

Concerns: Meeting openers not knowing Twelve Traditions and Concepts of NA Service. (The new Friday evening study meeting may help with this.) Some meetings not focused. Have suspended all 10 pm Night Owl meetings.

Needs: Still looking for a GSRA

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: 0 Other: Input on concept question.

Live from Laramie:

Concerns:

Needs: Need of a GSR.

Votes and /or motions: Motion made to donate old literature [readings] for a new group. [Ruled out of order – no motion needed, just add it to the literature inventory.]

7th Tradition: \$45.00 – ASC, \$40.50 – RSC.

Other: Reminder: the LFL–Wyo-Braska Area camp out #4 on 6-13,14,15–2008.

Free Bird: By Ray B.

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: 0 Other:

Staying Clean in Sidney: [E-mail to Secretary]

Concerns: None

Needs: Participation by trusted servants. Otherwise doing good.

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: 0 Other: Group doing well otherwise

NA Anchors Away (Cheyenne) Absent

Sub-Committee reports:

Activities: Activities Chair Absent but Craig H. reported on the LFL Campout as follows:

May 9, 2008

As of this date we have received 6 more pre-registered for the Live From Laramie campout. I am enclosing \$50.00 cash and \$10.00 in checks. This brings us to a total of 16 paid and 1 child registered for the campout plus comp registrations for 2 guest speakers. I would also like to request \$125.00 advance for the purchase of food for meals.

Campout Committee Chair
Craig H.

And on the spreadsheet provided by Craig the tallies show a total of 19 attending which leaves 31 of the maximum of 50 spots left for additional registrants.

UD: Report given by Richard M. as follows:

Everything is progressing quite well. Would like a little input on t-shirts, i.e., color and style, so we can request needed funds and get them ordered. We are also considering logo printed bandannas. Based on input this info will be incorporated on the registration flier and they will be finished, converted into a compressed PDF file and then posted on the web site and e-mailed out.

Registration packets have been mostly decided on. Each registrant will receive a 6"X9" clasp envelope (families receive one combined package) with the following items included (samples were shown): A small business card sized and a large, laminated book mark w/ the UD logo and about 3/4 ths of the original group logo in the corner. The large bookmark will have the NA holding hands and the freedom promise on the back. Also included will be a personalized and laminated name tag with the same design on it and yarn to wear it with. Also a business card sized magnet with just the UD logo on it. Then another printout of the weekend schedule, a detailed map of the Trails West area, another map of the Riverside Zoo and another of all parks in Scottsbluff and a map showing how to get there.

We may not meet in two weeks this time, but wait until the next area meeting and then maybe every two weeks thereafter until the event weekend.

Thank you everyone for your help.

Richard M.
Unity Days Chair

PR: Chair vacant

H&I component:

Richard read an e-mail request, received via the area web site, from Laramie County corrections asking for volunteers and gave it to the vice-chair. He will also forward a copy to the Chair.

PI component: No report

Web site: As mention by Les (& others) the web site is not up to date. After working on several other chores, attention was turned to the web site. In stead of updating it I started by downloading a back log of older e-mails, saving them in PDF format and printing out a hard copy for the archives. As for the site itself, updating it was fraught with glitches from the beginning. In transferring files and images over for the current site and editing tool to the new one some of the images were lost. Since a redesign was already in the works some new images were created. And then the editing program would freeze up and starting over was the only option. At any rate it should be redone soon.

I did discover that the area's letterhead is in fact on the archives page although it is in Word Perfect format. Most text editing programs should be able to open it though.

Again, for the second month in a row, we received over 500 hits. From 6531 up to 7078 for a total of 547 hits. Pretty respectable. All fees have been paid up until next September.

In response to having an alternate web servant or at least a second person who could take care of the site should something happen to the primary, I have been working on developing a training CD that would guide almost anyone with a little computer know-how through the updating process. Of course now that the host has changed the editing method, the screen shots and training will need to change. My goal is to have all e-mails backed up and a training cd completed so there can be someone else fill in. With the other duties I have it may take a few months to accomplish, but when completed it should help out a lot. I'm sure that now there are those who could do the job where a few years ago computer literacy was lacking on most resumes :-)

Phoneline: Reported on in earlier report.

Literature: Mistie W. is standing in for Crystal and as such has no report except to remind us to get our purchases made so she can figure up an order to submit.

Richard was asked last month to review past minutes to determine what the literature cap is – \$1000 or \$1200. It seems that the literature inventory was capped at \$1000 in 2005 and has never been changed. The fact that every literature report since has noted an inventory between \$700 and about \$900 seems to support this.

Break: 3:00 – 3:10 pm

Sharing Session:

- 1) URMRCNA – The usual rotation has our area hosting the convention in 2009. As such we should have had a chair voted in by the last regional meeting in Feb. We really need to find someone from our area to chair this important event. Les F. volunteered and Ray B. will let the region know.
- 2) Monthly Concept Study – Do the groups want to carry on with this tradition or do we want to just do it at the area meetings? A few groups in the past have asked why the area wants them to answer a concept study question every month. And as discussed in the past, this practice helps with two way communication, as talked about in concept eight where "*Our service structure depends on the integrity and effectiveness of our communications.*" It also can promote curiosity and a desire to learn more about these important principles of service.
- 3) Unity Days Shirts – Richard wanted to get a little idea what other members thought about colors and styles for the shirts. For the most part it is a UD committee thing, but besides t-shirts, some would like hoodies if possible because the regional convention had them and they were well received. We'll check on them.

Old Business: Motion #2 from last ASC meeting as per Guidelines on changes to the Guidelines.

Motion to Amend guidelines under Treasurer's duties that "The Treasurer will, at the end of fiscal year, submit disbursement form for donation to NAWS, i.e. August, each year and quarterly for Regional donations in October, January, April and July."

Intent: To create a paper trail of these donations.

Carries unanimously.

New Business: The next RSC meeting is scheduled to be held in our area on the 1st Saturday in August. The Cheyenne SNL group volunteered to host at the LCCC, rm 336. Mistie will verify.

- Motions ~**
- #1 To disburse \$125 to purchase food for the LFL campout.
 Intent: This money should be made up if we get enough people registered for campout, but we need to have food ready for two meals
 Carries unanimously.
 - #2 That the treasurer give us a amount of past due charges [phone line] plus \$30.
 Intent: To keep phone line secure (from being turned off).
 Carries unanimously.
 - #3 For \$398.04 for 36 Unity Days shirts
 Intent: Fundraiser – Unity Days merchandise.
 Carries unanimously.

Elections ~ Duties and responsibilities were read for each of the following.

RCM: Willy O. volunteered. Some concern about what was different now from when he last served. Response satisfied to body and he was voted in unanimously. Thank you Willy.

PR Chair: Rory G. nominated by Scott T. He qualified himself and after a little discussion voted in unanimously. Congratulations and thank you much.

We will be electing a Literature Chair at the meeting in June. Check you groups for volunteers.

Disbursements:

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| Ck #1308 – Chris B. – RCM2 travel to Evanston RSC | \$120.00 |
| Ck #1309 – Trails West YMCA – 2 nd installment UD fee | \$223.44 |
| Ck #1310 – 1 st Presbyterian Church – Today’s meeting rent | \$ 20.00 |
| Ck #1311 – Craig H. – LFL Campout food | \$125.00 |
| Ck #1312 – Scottsbluff Screenprinting – Unity Days shirts | \$398.04 |
| Ck #1313 – NAWs for literature order | \$130.02 |

Closing Treasury balance: \$2,035.28

Area 7th Tradition of **\$20.00** to Live From Laramie group in Laramie, WY

Next mtg: June 8, 2008 – 1pm @ LCCC, rm 336 in Cheyenne, WY

Unity Days Committee will meet at the same location at noon just before the ASC meeting.

WBASC/rlm

Wyo-Braska Area Service Committee

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Date: June 8, 2008 Time: 1:05 pm Location: Cheyenne, WY

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

Group Response to Concept _10_ & Question 3_from last meeting:

*Any member of a service body can petition that body
for the redress of a personal grievance, without fear of reprisal.*

When is it appropriate to apply the Tenth Concept? When is it not appropriate?

Simply put, it is appropriate is NA service matters and it is not appropriate for personal issues.

Reading/Study/Discussion of Concept _11_ using chapter questions.

NA funds are to be used to further our primary purpose, and must be managed responsibly.

The Eleventh Concept establishes the sole absolute priority for the use of NA funds: to carry the message. The importance of that priority calls for total fiscal accountability. Direct contributions to each level of service help us focus on our primary purpose and enhance accountability.

Study and discussion questions

1. What is money used for in your group? Your area? Your region? Your world services?

Most groups use the funds for rent, refreshments and literature. Due to the nature of the C&S meeting hall they also purchase cleaning supplies and some building maintenance items when they are directly donated.

Area funds are used for functions, both celebrations and occasional workshops, literature, printing such as meeting lists and fliers, travel expenses to Regional meetings by our reps, an info phone line and a web site.

Regional funds are believed used predominately for travel expenses to the WSC, Region meetings and Regional forum meetings as well as rent, printing and a web site.

NAWS funds are believed to be used for travel to various workshops around the world and both literature development and sales. Funds are also used to provide literature to correctional facilities and others who cannot buy it. Also, service offices are maintained in California, Canada, Europe and maybe one in the Middle East. And a considerable amount of money is spent on legal issues including protecting and defending our trademarks and copyrights. There are also audits performed to make sure all monies are accounted for.

2. Rank the following group budget priorities:

Of those responding, priorities were about the same. 1) Meeting-hall rent, 2) NA literature, 3) Refreshments, 4) Group reserve & 5) Service donations.

Why did you rank them in the order you did? The rankings seemed logical in order to best see to the primary purpose and providing an atmosphere of recovery.

Does your group have standing budget priorities, or does it handle such questions from month-to-month? Some do, others are month-to-month and others a combination depending on circumstances.

3. Do you know of instances where NA money has been spent frivolously at the group level? In an area or regional committee? In world services? What was “frivolous” about the way that money was spent? How should it have been spent instead?

This question did not generate much response. There was one instance, unknown at what level, where some extra funds were discovered and used as a reward for hard work done. This may or may not have been frivolous and if so then it could have just been added back into the general funds.

4. Are NA funds well-accounted for in your group? Your area and region? In world services? If not, what kinds of financial reports would you like to see instead?

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

5. “Direct group contributions to our service structure encourage responsible management of service funds and help our services maintain their focus on NA’s primary purpose.” Does your area or region depend on NA fundraisers for a significant portion of its income? Is that wise? How does it affect the relationship of the ASC or RSC to your group? Would that relationship be any different if groups contributed directly to each level of service? Would our service boards and committees be able to operate solely on income from direct group contributions?

In our area, group contributions may not always be enough and fundraisers alone have not proven to be enough to provide the services groups want and need. For us, the budget depends on a combination of both and responsible resource management.

Roll Call: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, RCM, PR Chair, Acting Literature Chair, UD Chair, Webservant

GSR, Alternates and guests: Willy O. (GSR – Clean and Free), Ray B. (GSR – Vision of Hope), Mistie W. & Carl L. (GSR & GSRA – Saturday Nite Live), Richard M. (GSR – Clean & Serene), Scott T. (GSR – Live from Laramie), Lucretia M. (GSR – Free Bird), Rich Y. & Juan P. – Scottsbluff, NE., Paul P. – Laramie, WY. and Gail W. Cheyenne.

Absent: RCM2 (vacant), Activities Chair, (Footsteps in Recovery), (On Life’s Terms), (Staying Clean in Sidney) & (NA Anchors Away).

NA Recovery Birthdays: Willy O. – 5 yrs., Ray B. – 4 yrs., Les F. – 11 yrs., Paul P. – 1 yr., Carl L. – 9 mths., Scott T. – 90 days & Juan P. – 30 days. Congratulations one and all!!!

Recognition of new groups: None

Approval of last month’s minutes:

Lucretia M. moved to accept minutes as is, Les F. 2nd the motion – carried unanimously.

Treasurer’s Beginning Balance: \$1,898.23

Serenity Break: 1:40 – 1:50 pm

Officers Reports:

Chair: Report given and filed as follows:
Hello Friends,

I am glad to see you all again. Really not much to put in this report. Lucretia M. & I got together over the last month & were able to get the bills caught up. As was decided on the last meeting, we sent 85 dollars to Freedom Voice to make sure the phone line was turned back on & should be able to keep it up to date now. I am glad to hear the Unity Days Committee has everything running smooth. The chair’s budget stands at \$100.00.

In Loving Service
Ray B.

Vice-Chair: Report given and filed as follows:
Fellow ASC Members,

Our Area Info-line is still not operational, so I would like the chair to address this at the earliest opportunity in today's agenda. I have had conversations with our newly elected PR Chair, Rory, and can't understand why the bill has not been paid and I will let Rory address that issue.

I have not heard from Scott in Laramie concerning a hotel for URMRCNA 10. Tommy O. has agreed to check into hotel locations in Cheyenne. If anyone has an idea for a location I need to know immediately as I will be announcing time and place for first convention committee meeting for sometime later this month, by which time we need to have a location for URMRCNA 10 so that we can move forward. We have only 10 months remaining until the convention. I would like a contact list for any interested members willing to serve on the convention committee.

I don't have much else to report since all area sub-committee positions are filled and operational.

In Loving Service
Les F. – WBASC Vice-Chair

Treasurer: Report give and filed as follows:

Hello Friends,
How is everyone doing today? Nice to see that every one was able to make it. I don't have a lot to report today. There is going to be a discrepancy in the opening balance this month from last month. Opening balance changed due to checks being wrote. The initial opening balance should have been \$2,035.28. However, there were some checks that needed wrote. Due to work being done on and around the post office we were unable to get in to check the mail box.

The following checks were wrote:
Initial opening balance of \$2,035.28
Check # 1314 to Quest for phone bill in the amount of \$39.25
Check # 1315 to Freedom Voice for phone line in the amount of \$85.80 (paid on June 2nd)
The bank service charge of \$6.00 for the month of May, that was not included in last month.
The bank service charge of \$6.00 for the month of June
Leaving the opening balance at \$1,898.23

Thank you. In Loving Service,
Lucretia M.

Account balances will be updated for next month.

Secretary: Report given orally only:

Reminded us that all documents except the contact list is or will be on the web site including the area guidelines and a version of the area letterhead. Updated and printed out new contact lists. Because the contact list has more personal information on it, it will not be posted on the web site or else where. Its purpose is for ease of communication among members of the area. It is intended for internal use only.

The spring meeting list has been printed and available here today and on the web site. The lists are updated each month after the area meeting and is based on information received, in particular from the group reports. So, GSRs, please make sure your meeting information is included and accurate.

Unity Day registration fliers have been e-mailed and are available here today also, as are several other fliers. Account remains at \$100.

ILS
Richard

RCM: Given and filed as follows:

Hello Fellow Members,

I would like to thank you all once again for allowing me to be of service again. I don't have a lot to report at this time as the next RSC meeting is in August in Cheyenne. I did not get with Lucretia to be added as a signer on the checking account. I will have more time to dedicate to my service position as I am not required to travel as much for work @ this time.

In loving service,
Willy O.

RCM 2: Vacant

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: Phone Line [still not working] & selection of next convention location

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$30.00 Other: None

Vision of Hope:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$15.00 Other: None

Saturday Nite Live:

Concerns: None.

Needs: More home group members.

Votes and /or motions: Yes, on \$120.00 every Sept. to keep up phone line.

7th Tradition: 0 Other: None

Clean & Serene:

Concerns: Trusted Servant participation

Needs: Still looking for a GSRA

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: 0 Other: Input on concept question.

Live from Laramie:

Concerns: We are all new representatives.

Needs: Treasurer

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$72.50 – ASC, \$65.25 – RSC.

Other: Reminder: the LFL–Wyo-Braska Area camp out #4 on 6-13,14,15–2008.

Free Bird:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$36.00 Other:

Staying Clean in Sidney: Absent

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions

7th Tradition: Other:

Sub-Committee reports:

Activities: Activities Chair Absent but Richard M. was able to report on the following:

The Live from Laramie 4th annual Campout is scheduled for June 13th – 15th @ the Pole Creek campground which is the same location as last year. About ½ of the available spots have been taken so be sure to check it out. Registration fliers are available here today.

The Scottsbluff Clean & Serene Group is having it's 2nd annual "Picnic in the Park" on June 21st. Since several Cheyenne members had expressed an interest, fliers were e-mailed to everyone on the Unity Days mailing list. A ball game, T-shirts and maybe an out of town speaker are lined up this year so drop in for some fun and fellowship.

UD: Report given by Richard M. as follows:

June 8th Noon – In attendance, Juan P., Gail W., Lucretia M., Rich Y., Mistie W., Willy O. and Richard M.

T-Shirts & bandannas – Shirts have been delayed, but based on new information we ought to be able to order, offer and sell only those shirts most popular with a smaller amount of left over inventory. A Unity Days committee member who is also the activities chair for the Clean & Serene group wanted me to present the info on the Unity Days shirts to that group.

From the ensuing, enthusiastic discussion, the group decided to use a dry erase board to record who wanted what sizes. Some wanted 4XL shirts that were unavailable from Scottsbluff Screenprinting (SS). At first it was thought that they would have to bring in their own shirts and have them printed up. SS said they would do this on a limited basis for ½ the regular charge. But then exact same brand shirts were found on eBay for about half the cost (\$6.25 ea.) as offered by another supplier in Scottsbluff. There was, however, a 1 dozen minimum order.

The group had 25 pre-orders out of the 36 available and quite a different size distribution than I had initially calculated. Based on the numbers, previous experience & the recommendation from another convention savvy committee member, the most sought after sizes seem to be the XL, 2, 3 & 4Xs and the least wanted were the smalls.

The Clean & Serene group decided on sport gray and we decided on a relative compromise of navy blue. Rather than order a dozen for each entity I ordered a dozen from the seller on eBay – 6 of each color. Based on all of this additional information I am better able to come up with an exact price for the first order and we can still get them in soon, do up some fliers with photos of them and get to selling them and still have time for a second order if sales justify the need. After some discussion, we will try to get a small order of hoodies printed up with our second order.

Also, solid center or solid color bandannas were a harder to come up with, but I was finally able to get a few dozen with a variety of colors – dark green, fire engine green, hot pink, dark yellow, dark blue, black and purple. Will come up with a flier for selling.

Unity Days T-Shirts break down:

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|--|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| T-Shirts – Scottsbluff Screenprinting | S | M | LG | XL | 2XL | 3XL | 4XL | TOTAL |
| About two weeks turnaround. | 2 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 36 |
| Set up Fee = \$25 1 st screen | | | | | | | | |
| = \$15 subsequent screens | | | | | | | | |

Regular T's = \$8.00 – Print on two sides.
 Pocket T's = \$9.00 – Print on two sides.

\$2.00 more for 2XL & \$3.00 more for 3X.
 We furnish 4X, printing = \$4.00 ea. (1/2 the cost for shirt & printing)

Print sizes are 3½" X 3½" and 12" X 14", approx. (12" wide and then actual ratio)

Color – Navy Blue w/ White Logo

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|------------------------------------|-------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|----------------|--------------|
| | | S | M | LG | XL | 2XL | 3XL | 4XL | TOTAL |
| Plain T's, printed on two sides – | qty | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | (6 we provide) | 16 (+6) |
| | | S | M | LG | XL | 2XL | 3XL | 4XL | TOTAL |
| Pocket T's, printed on two sides – | qty | 0 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 14 |
| | Total | 2 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 36 |

Would have to sell 27 @ \$15.00 = \$405 to roughly break even.
 sell 36 @ \$15.00 = \$540

Set up 1st = \$ 25.00
 Set up 2nd = \$ 15.00
 16 @ \$8.00 ea. = \$128.00
 14 @ \$9.00 ea. = \$126.00
 4 @ \$2.00 ea. = \$ 8.00
 4 @ \$3.00 ea. = \$ 12.00
 6 @ \$4.00 ea. = \$ 24.00

(\$42.80 less for 2nd order)

Scottsbluff Screenprinting
 Shirts = \$361.66
 Bandannas = \$ 83.46
 Sub-Total = \$445.12

Richard M.
 6 – 4X shirts = \$ 37.50
 Total = \$482.62

\$338.00
 Tax @ 7% = \$ 23.66
 \$361.66

Total from sales = \$625.00
 = \$142.38 difference

(6 – 4X shirts = \$ 37.50) out sourced due to lack of availability at Scb. Screen.
 \$399.16 ÷ 36 = \$11.09 average cost ea.

Bandannas = \$2.60 for just printing w/ the 3½" X 3½" screen and we furnish the bandannas. \$2.60 X 30 = \$78.00
 Tax = \$0.18 Tax = \$ 5.46
 \$2.78 \$83.46

Sell at \$5.00 X 30 = \$150.00 \$5.00 X 17 = \$85.00

Merchandise seller – Our past seller has gotten out of the business but the Off the Wall Area in Colorado is very excited about being able to come to the convention and offer jewelry and other items. We will most likely comp the seller the weekend. Final arrangements are being made.

Registration/Flier – Distribution – The first flier needed name an address section added so it was redesigned and resent. It has been e-mailed to many or the surrounding areas and regions.

Other fliers touting speakers, events and activities – Will be coming up with these to blanket everyone possible, including groups, with information promoting special features of the event in hopes of encouraging attendance. We decided to leave off the names of the speakers, but note that they are from out of town/state.

Registration Package:

6" X 9" clasp envelopes

Laminated bookmarks (1 lg & 1 or 2 sm) & logo magnet.

Laminated name tag – Rather than set up printing and laminating equipment at UD it may work better to pre-print and laminate the name tags and then just use a permanent marker to write names on them.

Trails West YMCA map, Riverside zoo, campground and park maps and events schedule.

The treasurer had to resign last month and we decided that the Unity Days Committee really doesn't need one. After the GSRs had sold raffle tickets all of the money was turned in to the UD chair which then went directly to the area treasurer. When we start getting registrations in they will go to the registration chair, i.e., Gail, and then to the treasurer.

Speakers: Two of the three Washington state speakers cannot make it, but the third is still a go. Daniel F. will be our kick off speaker. Juan said that Ed P. from Scottsbluff thought a friend of his from Kansas may be able to speak at the Sunday morning spiritual meeting. Juan gave Mistie Ed's number so she can check on this. Then all we need to do is get one other speaker.

Meals: Between now and the next meeting all of the menus and Robert and Lucretia's shopping figures will be compiled into one master list. Many items, duplicated between meals, can be combined into one purchase thus saving money. Lucretia will get in touch with Robert N. to make sure he is still going to be able to transport everything from Sam's Club to Scottsbluff.

A Scottsbluff cook has been lost track of, but Carl L., a retired chef, volunteers his services.

Willy assured us that all of the drinks have been taken care of.

Banner: Lucretia will check w/ Robert on this. Also, Gail is wondering where all the other banners may be. Scottsbluff only has the one hanging on the wall. Some may be with the totes and or in Wheatland since the chair for the last Unity Days in Scottsbluff was from there. No one knew about the one from Hynd's Lodge or Pole Creek Camp. I guess we will have to try to track them down.

Other: Craig H. has the NA signs and will make them available after the LFL campout.

Based on the new information about the t-shirts I am going to return the check I was issued last month and have another one issued for the exact amount including costs for 30 bandanas and a small one for the 4XL shirts bought off of eBay if the ASC approves.

If everything goes well and we are able to place a 2nd order, we will get a half dozen pullover hoodies. We already have an order for two mediums @ \$27.50 ea.

Thank you everyone for your help.

Richard M.
Unity Days Chair

PR: Since Rory is still getting up to speed he has no report as such, but will defer to other committee members to report on their respective areas of endeavor.

H&I component:

Richard reported that the Scotts Bluff County Corrections had asked him to help with a new program they have started called "Introduction to Twelve Step Fellowships." The program is non-fellowship specific using materials from AA, NA and what ever other program inmates may want and where materials are available. Last Saturday Richard spoke to a coed group of about 50 – 10 women and 40 men. He was able to share his story without there being an affiliation with any specific program. Afterwards he learned that a large percentage of the population were Spanish with Spanish as there first language. While he spoke some were interpreting for others and it

would be nice if they had Spanish literature to refer to. It just so happens that NA does have the first part of the Basic Text in Spanish. He would like to see if the PR sub-committee has the funds and willingness to donate at least two Spanish texts to the facility. More in sharing.

PI component: No report

Web site:

The web site has been redesigned and is mostly up to date and working well. At least temporarily, the URMRCNA page has been backed up and saved and turned into a Unity Days page. As time allows minutes, additional fliers and whatever else can be added will be. The ASC page will be incorporated with the Archives page and then the Regional convention page redesigned. Meetings are up to date and the newest meeting list posted.

Again, for the third month in a row, we received over 500 hits. From 7078 up to 7581 for a total of 503 hits. Pretty respectable. All fees have been paid up until next September.

Phoneline: Reported on in earlier report and is also in sharing. Essentially, it is still disconnected, but the check was just mailed on the 2nd and probably is only a day or two away from being reconnected.

Literature: Mistie W. is standing in for Crystal and as such has no report except to remind us to get our purchases made so she can figure up an order to submit. As she sells items she places them on an order. Lookin' good! Thank you Mistie.

Break: 2:40 – 3:00 pm

Sharing Session:

- 1) Spanish Basic Text for Scotts Bluff County Corrections – Good idea but we still aren't sure how much remains in the PR budget. However this shouldn't make much difference as the books are only \$6.05 each. And even if illegal aliens with drug problems are deported there is a strong NA presence in Mexico. Reading the Basic Text while incarcerated could be just the seed that might grow into a saved life and maybe even a new meeting in Mexico. And this can be a start for Rory to get in touch with people who can contact the different correctional facilities in our area and see what we can do for them. Rory agreed and requested two books be ordered.
- 2) Web site – Additional changes were discussed including implementing the blind e-mail forwarding to trusted servants and setting up some blind links to GSRs on the Meetings page. Both good ideas and doable.
- 3) URMRC donation – We were given back \$20 from the Region thinking it was an oversight on our part. After checking our records and the Region minutes it appears that the amount in the minutes was misstated so we will just add the \$20 to our next donation to the Region.
- 4) URMRCNA 10 – It's believed that our Area hosted the 1st Regional convention and as such it would be nice and fitting if we could come up with something special to recognize the 10th anniversary. Also, in order to better prepare and hence be able to put on a successful event, Les thinks that in some respects we ought to be preparing for the 11th convention as well. Many convention facilities are not only booked a year in advance, but in some cases two years. This should be kept in mind in our preparations.

Old Business: Area phone line – What to do to keep it functional. Some were for paying it a year in advance and one group felt that, if we could, it should be paid a full two years in advance. Most agreed that what ever it takes. See motion #4.

New Business:

Motions ~

- #1 For area to purchase a laminater.
Intent: [For] future events area will hold – convention next year – Unity Days.
Carries unanimously.
- #2 To issue check to Richard M. for \$37.50 for cost of 6 – 4X shirts.
Intent: Unity Days celebration shirts size 4XL.
Carries unanimously.
- #3 To issue a new check to Scottsbluff Screenprinting for \$445.12 for Unity Days shirts (36) & bandanas (30). (Other check will be voided and returned.)
Intent: Unity Days celebration merchandise.
Carries unanimously.
- #4 To make amendment to Area Guidelines under treasurer’s duties to include “At beginning of fiscal year pay total annual cost of monthly service charge for the phone line & web site hosting fee and domain name registration in advance.” (Phone line currently \$10.00 a month for a total of \$120.00.

Intent: To secure phone line and web site from danger of disconnection during treasurer lapse or period of transition.
Read and tabled until next meeting after taking it back to groups for vote as per guidelines regarding changes to guidelines and policies.

Elections ~

Literature Chair – Lucretia nominated Mistie and she accepted the nomination. Duties and responsibilities were read and Mistie qualified herself. Carries unanimously. Congratulations and thank you.

RCM2 – no nominations nor volunteers. There are no scheduled elections for July so GSRs please ask your groups for volunteers to fill the RCM2 position.

Disbursements:

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| Ck #1316 – Cash in and issued a check for LFL donation to URMR | \$ 65.25 |
| This entry is for notation purposes only – there is no acct. change. | |
| Ck #13XX – NAWS for literature order | \$ 67.59 |
| Ck #13XX – 2 Spanish BT’s from PR to Lit. to NAWS | \$ 12.10 |
| Ck #13XX – Richard M. reimbursement for UD Shirts 6 – 4XL | \$ 37.50 |
| Ck #13XX – Scottsbluff Screenprinting – Unity Days shirts reissue | \$445.12 |

Closing Treasury balance: \$1,959.05

Area 7th Tradition of **\$20.00** to SNL group in Cheyenne, WY
Next mtg: July 13, 2008 – 1pm @ 14 W. 17th St., Scottsbluff, NE
Unity Days Committee will meet at the same location at noon just before the ASC meeting.

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Date: July 13, 2008 Time: 1 pm Location: Sidney, NE

Ray B. opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer
Mistie W. read the 12 Traditions of N.A.
Willy O. read the 12 Concepts of N.A.
Rory G. read the 12 Values of WBASCs

Group Response to Concept _11_ & Question _4_ from last meeting:

NA funds are to be used to further our primary purpose, and must be managed responsibly.

Are NA funds well-accounted for in your group? Your area and region? In world services? If not, what kinds of financial reports would you like to see instead?

Clean & Serene reported that their funds are currently well accounted for and believe that for the well being of the group any excess needs to be passed along the service committee chain. Area funds seem to be well accounted for as reported in the area minutes. No one seems to know much about the Region and those minutes don't say much. And even though NAWS produces annual financial reports based on audits, at least one member would like to see some of the items and or categories broken down more than they already are, i.e. postage. Postage is pretty general and the member wonders how much of this is for free literature, office mailings, regular order short falls, etc.

Reading/Study/Discussion of Concept _12_ using chapter questions.

*In keeping with the spiritual nature of Narcotics Anonymous,
our structure should always be one of service, never of government.*

Within the context of the Twelve Concepts, as a body, this concept serves much the same function as Tradition Twelve does in the context of the other traditions. The Twelfth Concept brings our consideration of concepts for NA service back to the spiritual root of selfless service. A structure based on that foundation could only be one of service, never of government.

Study and discussion questions

1. What is the difference between service and government?

Service does not rule or govern. It is serving others selflessly and with humility. Service is giving it away.
Government is ruling or governing. It is often selfishly motivated and a matter of pride and taking what it can.

2. The difference between a governing organization and a service organization is often not of structure but of spiritual foundation and purpose. What is it about NA's primary purpose and its spiritual identity that says "our structure should always be one of service, never of government"?

Selflessly giving it away – carrying the message to the addict who still suffers and by each level of service asking "What can we do to help you provide an atmosphere of recovery so you can best carry the message.

3. The essay on the Twelfth Concept talks about how gratitude, humility, communication, and selflessness help our structure remain "one of service, never of government." Discuss these things.

These traits are rarely found in government and by definition applies more to serving others.

4. Discuss how the Twelfth Concept applies to each of the eleven other concepts.

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

Roll Call: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, RCM, PR Chair, Literature Chair, Activities Chair, UD Chair, Webservant

GSR, Alternates and guests: Willy O. (GSR – Clean and Free), Ray B. (GSR – Vision of Hope), Mistie W. & Robert N. (GSR & GSRA – Saturday Nite Live), Richard M. (GSR – Clean & Serene), Rory G. (Treasurer – Live from Laramie), Ray B. gave report for Lucretia M. (GSR – Free Bird), & Dave R., (GSRA – Staying Clean in Sidney).

Absent: Treasurer, RCM2 (vacant), (Footsteps in Recovery) & (On Life's Terms).

NA Recovery Birthdays: Mistie W. – 4 yrs. Congratulations!!!

Recognition of new groups: None

Approval of last month's minutes:

Les F. moved and Mistie W. 2nd the motion to accept the minutes as presented w/ the check numbers in disbursements to be amended next month – carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Beginning Balance: \$1,969.05

Serenity Break: 1:30 – 1:45 pm

Officers Reports:

Chair: Report given and filed as follows:

Hello fellow ASC members & guests, glad you could make it. I attended the Live from Laramie campout last month & in my opinion it was a great success – good job to all persons involved. Hope to see you all there next year. At this time I will remind you all that we are trusted servants & need to be aware of our duties & responsibilities to our groups & this body. If you are having challenges call someone. We need to start thinking about who our next Area Chair will be as the time is fast approaching for my term to be done. Chair account balance is \$100.00.

In Loving Service
Ray B.

Vice-Chair: Report given and filed as follows:

Hello, fellow ASC members and guests.

I have checked the area phone line and as you probably already know it's up and running. Also, the area web site has been updated as of July 2nd and I have heard nothing from other sub-committees, so all is well in WYO-BRASKA AREA. Thank you all committee chairs for jobs well done.

We now have a location and date for the URMRCNA X. It's the Hitching Post Inn in Cheyenne, May 15th, 16th and 17th 2009. We had our 1st committee meeting there July 12th and toured the facility. I still have sub committee positions to fill so please, if you can, please attend our next committee meeting there, July 19th at 1 pm, tentatively, as I have to confirm that with the Inn personnel. At that time we will approve the convention's theme, so if you or anyone in your groups have ideas for the theme please send them to me at anything4les@hotmail.com or call me @ (308)641-7566. Two ideas already submitted are "That no addict seeking recovery need ever die. . ." and "Without Parallel."

Remember, it's **your** group, our area and region, and OUR region's convention so get involved. It's been a decade of uninterrupted regional conventions now and our privilege to put it together.

ILS Les F.

Treasurer: Report given and filed as follows:

Hello Friends,

Sorry I am unable to make it today. There is not a lot to report, other than I have not been able to get Willy on the bank account yet. I will work on that this month and should have it straightened out by next month. There has not been any checks wrote for the month of June. So, our opening balance will remain at \$1,969.05. Thank you for being so patient with me. Hope every one has a good day.

If you have any questions for me, please send them back with Robert N.

In Loving Service,
Lucretia M.

Secretary: Report given orally only:

Reminded everyone that all documents such as the minutes, group report, disbursement and motion forms are or will be on the web site including the area guidelines and a version of the area letterhead. Updated and printed out new contact lists. Because the contact list has more personal information on it, it will not be posted on the web site or anywhere else. Its purpose is for ease of communication among members of the area. It is intended for internal use only. Everyone please check your information to make sure it is accurate and up to date. Info is taken off of the sign-in sheet as well as the group report forms and if any of it is illegible then the list won't be right. Available today are meeting lists and the Colorado regional convention registration fliers. CRCNA is scheduled for October in Estes Park and has historically been a fantastic celebration of recovery. There are also a stack of the Unity Days registration fliers and another flier that simply announces the event and the plethora of activities.

I am requesting \$57.02 for printing ink and paper – receipts turned in. Account will now contain \$42.98.

ILS
Richard

RCM: Given and filed as follows:

Hello Family,

During the last month I have not had time to meet up with the WBASC Treasurer to be added as a signer on the acct. I will have arrangements made with her today to meet sometime this coming week. As far as next year's URMRNA convention goes, we had our first committee meeting July 12th at the Hitching Post in Cheyenne which looks like it will be the site for the convention. There will be many positions available for the convention committee. The next convention committee meeting will be held at the Hitching Post along with all the committee meetings. Time and date of next meeting will be revealed. Thank you.

In Loving Service,
Willy O.

RCM 2: Vacant

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: Do not want their trusted servants included in the web site e-mail forwarding.

7th Tradition: \$14.69 Other: None

Vision of Hope:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$15.00 Other: None

Saturday Nite Live:

Concerns: None.

Needs: More home group members.

Votes and /or motions: Yes, adding "At beginning of fiscal year, pay monthly service charge for phonenumber 1 yr in advance" under Treasurer's duties.

7th Tradition: \$20.00 Other: None

Clean & Serene:

Concerns: Trusted Servant participation

Needs: Still looking for a GSRA

Votes and /or motions: Yes unanimously on the policy change to add line to yearly paying of phone, web and domain name.

7th Tradition: 0 Other: Input on concept question.

Live from Laramie:

Concerns: None.

Needs: None.

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$20.15 – ASC, \$15.15 – RSC. Other:

Free Bird:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$20.00 Other:

Staying Clean in Sidney:

Concerns: Lack of members

Needs: Area service manual (Concepts of Service?) By-laws (Guidelines)

Votes and /or motions

7th Tradition: \$10.00 Other:

Sub-Committee reports:

Activities:

Hello, everyone. Three months ago I decided that, I needed my weekends at my disposal so I could take care of the things I wanted to. I met a girl and dove into an un-healthy relationship with her. Basically I have been running my life th way I want for the past 3 months. It has affected every area of my life. I am working on changing this thought pattern and its negative affects on my life. In the last three months I have not taken care of my duties at SNL as GSRA as I should have, nor have I fulfilled my duties as the activities chair for the Wyo-Braska area. It has affected you all in that you have at some point had to pick up the ball where I dropped it. For that I apologize and will let you know that I am trying to change things, and would appreciate your help and support. I will only be in Cheyenne for about another month. I will, to the best of my abilities, fulfil my duties for Unity Days, but have to be in Montana on the 17th so I can start work the following Monday. Thank you all for your help . . .

In loving and grateful service. . .

Robert N.

UD: Report given by Richard M. as follows:

Noon – In attendance, Dave R., Ray B., Robert N., Rory G., Mistie W., Willy O. and Richard M.

Everything is coming along in an orderly chaos ;-) In some cases plans have been fine tuned and in others changed a little and others yet scrapped in favor of a backup. Thank you everyone for your efforts.

T-Shirts & bandannas – We got our shirt order in and have sold both a few shirts and bandannas already. Turned in today was \$125. (By the end of the meeting we had sold a few more even.) I may be a little biased, but I think they turned out great. The logo on the back just about covers the entire shirt and the printers did a great job reproducing our drawing. I believe that we will have enough sales and hence need for a second order that will include more shirts, bandannas and several have expressed and interest in getting some hoodies done up.

I have done up a flier touting the shirts and bandannas and have myself listed as the Scottsbluff contact and Lucretia as the Cheyenne contact since she kind of took over merchandising from Crystal. However, after some discussion, Willy volunteered to take about half of the remaining items with him to sell during his travels.

Merchandise seller –It has been confirmed – the Off the Wall Area in Colorado will come to Unity Days and offer jewelry and other NA items. We will most likely comp at least one seller the weekend.

Registration/Flier: We have another flier touting speakers, events and activities with only the area's web site address for direction to a registration flier. These fliers can be emailed or posted around various groups' meeting places drawing attention to the upcoming event and all of the neat, fun things available. We will pass these out at the area meeting to all of the GSRs and email them around.

Registration Package: We have a sold four full registrations with \$100 to be turned in to the acting treasurer. Fifteen registration packets have been made up so far. Three were given to Mistie W. for the speakers, one was given to Robert N. for having submitted the winning logo, two were given to registrants and nine were given to Mistie to pass on to Gail W. our registration chair. An additional 10 laminated name tags and book marks and 20 cards were also included in the stuff going to Gail in the instance where two or more people were registering together.

As previously discussed, we will just make up the name tags, punch them and tie on a hunk of yarn and then mark names on them as needed. I tried this with a permanent marker and after letting it dry, it was hard to wipe off except with an erasure. This process will free up time for other chores.

At this point the contents of the registration packs has changed a little. A separate flier is included in them listing the weekend schedule and activities as well as a little blurb listing times and prices for zoo visits and then a full color map of the zoo. Of course the laminated bookmarks with the logos on the front and the promise on the back is included, but instead of laminating the business cards they are just put in as they are. The cards are just too thick for the laminator. Then there is a laminated name tag prepunched and tied with a piece of yarn. As people register we will use a permanent marker to write their names on them. And of course the logo magnets are included. I'll try to come up with detailed maps of the Trails West YMCA, the Riverside zoo, campground and park and make them available at the registration table.

Scottsbluff members Suzanne and Kathy have volunteered to help at the registration table and shirt sales respectively.

Speakers: Mistie has all three speakers lined up including one each from Washington, Casper and Cheyenne. All three will be given comp registration packets as per previous discussions and our custom. Also, we have a Basic Text donated for the clean time countdown and we may also get a 'It Works: How and Why' and maybe a "Just for Today"

Meals: Between now and the next meeting all of the menus and Robert and Lucretia's shopping figures will be compiled into one master list. Many items, duplicated between meals, can be combined into one purchase thus saving money. Robert N. is still going to be able to transport everything from Sam's Club to Scottsbluff with the perishables in coolers.

Carl L., had volunteered his services and Larry B. from Scottsbluff (another professional chef) has also volunteered his help with the cooking.

Willy assured us that all of the drinks have been taken care of using coolers he and Richard are loaning us. We will only need to figure in the cost of ice.

Banner: Robert is just about done with the drawing and Richard will mail him a tie dye kit he got on a super sale at WalMart. The kit had been marked down from \$20 to \$3. No word on any of the other banners. There aren't any in the totes.

Raffle Items: **Hey everyone – how about going through your NA paraphernalia and digging up some stuff to donate for a good ole fashioned raffle? Just about anything is okay with NA stuff preferable and non-NA okay as long as it does not refer to any other fellowship. You know – like a nice display rack for NA mugs or somethin' like that?** And of course we will have a 50/50 raffle.

Other: Rory G is going to get with Craig H. about getting the NA signs. And Robert said he thought there were a couple with the totes.

Addendum: July 23, 2008

I met with Willy O. yesterday in Kimball, NE and gave him the rest of the shirts and bandannas. He had earlier called to let me know that he had sold almost all of what he took with him at the 13th meeting and that was almost half of the entire order less what was sold at the area meeting. So it looks like we will indeed be needing another order before UDs. With the \$125 turned in on the 13th, total sales are now at \$395. Our total cost was \$482.62 so we are doing well. If we sell everything we will clear \$187.38 so we have a little elbow room.

We do now have at least 7 hoodies spoken for and another possible 3 so I may be ordering as many as 10 hoodies as well as another 2 dozen bandannas and at least another 2 dozen t-shirts. Hopefully this will be enough without being too much. A few leftovers is fine, we just don't want a lot of them.

Thank you everyone for your help.

Richard M.
Unity Days Chair

PR: Rory reports that he has been checking with correctional facilities in our area to determine NAs current status within their institutions. Albany and Laramie county corrections currently each have one qualified NA member each who has been approved for holding NA meetings within the jails. The main draw back is that these institutions require that the volunteer have absolutely no felony convictions what so ever. As most of us are aware, this is problematic because of the nature of the disease and the high incidence of drug related felonies. The few without convictions may not have the time or ability to attend jail meetings so it's going to be difficult to find qualified and willing volunteers.

Rory was unable to get in touch with the contact for the Scotts Bluff County Corrections, but was given the names and phone numbers of the two Scottsbluff chairs. Of note, Scotts Bluff County does not have the same restriction but it does require that volunteers not have any family members currently incarcerated and it's preferred that volunteers not have been incarcerated themselves in the past year. Also of note – Rory presented the Scottsbluff Clean & Serene group's GSR with the two Spanish versions of the Basic Text promised at the last meeting for the corrections. Thank you very much. The texts will be given to the jail.

H&I component: See above.

PI component: No report

Phoneline: Reported on in Vice-chair report, but Rory said that he had been in touch with Tommy O. and the info line was operational and up-to-date.

Web site: Richard M. reports that the web site is mostly up to date and working well. As time allows Unity Days minutes, additional fliers and whatever else will be added. The ASC page will be incorporated with the Archives page and then the Regional convention page redesigned. Meetings are up to date and the newest meeting list posted.

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Literature: Mistie W. reports she brought in \$106.19 which includes the item cost plus 10% for S&H. Three percent of this, \$3.19 will go into the general account and then she is ordering \$103.30. Beginning on July 1st some prices have gone up and she is charging that price so as to be able to replenish the stock without taking a lose. Some items have been discontinued including the gold plated and silver medallions, recovery tapes, pocket sized Basic Text, the 20th anniversary Basic Text and the large PI poster. The Roman numeral medallions are back and soon the newly approved 6th edition of the Basic Text will be available. Lookin' good! Thank you Mistie.

Break: 2:45 – 2:55 pm

Sharing Session:

- 1) URMRCNA X – Les, as the interim acting committee chair until a vote can be made at the next regional meeting, encourages all GSRs to pass along the need for volunteers to help out with the 10th anniversary convention. He has an email list and will be letting everyone know when upcoming planning meetings will be and what will be needed.
- 2) Unity Days t-shirts, etc. –We discussed time lines, amounts and types of shirts, including hoodies, and payments etc. We would like to have enough for the convention, but at the same time we don't want to get caught with a lot of left overs. It's a fine line between the two, but ultimately it was agreed to place an order if it looked like we would need to and allow the committee chair to make the final decision on how much of what to order based on input from others and those here today. He will also check with the printer to see if any last minute printings are possible. Essentially he seeks a vote of confidence from this body to make the best decision with available info at the time. See motion #1.

Old Business: Laminator – Richard M. said that there is a 3M brand, full page laminator available for around \$27.00 at WalMart. 3M is a well known name brand and for the price it should fit our needs without undue expense. No other estimates were presented. See motion #1 from last month. Richard will purchase the laminator and submit a receipt for reimbursement at the next ASC meeting.

Motion #4 from last month.

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Carries unanimously.

New Business:

Motions ~ #1 To allow the Unity Days chair to place a second shirt/bandanna/hoodie order as necessary. Intent: Procure Unity Days merchandise. Carries unanimously.

Elections ~

RCM2 – no nominations nor volunteers. There are no scheduled elections for August, but we do need to find a replacement for the activities chair, Robert who is moving. So GSRs please ask your groups for volunteers to fill the RCM2 position and the Activities Chair.

Disbursements:

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| Ck #1321 – NAWS for literature order | \$103.30 |
| Ck #1322 – Richard M. secretary's printing ink and paper | \$ 57.02 |
| Ck #1323 – ???????????????????? | \$?????? |
| Ck #1324 – Cash in and check out for LFL donation to URMR | \$ 15.15 |

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Closing Treasury balance: \$2,252.02 (approximately)

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Date: August 10, 2008 Time: 1:04 pm Location: Scottsbluff, NE

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4. Discuss how the Twelfth Concept applies to each of the eleven other concepts.
Every other concept goes back to the principle of service and not government where everyone has an equal say in discussions and making decisions.

Reading/Study/Discussion of Concept _1_ using chapter questions.

To fulfill our fellowship's primary purpose, the NA groups have joined together to create a structure which develops, coordinates, and maintains services on behalf of NA as a whole.

The primary responsibility of an NA group is to conduct its recovery meetings, carrying the message directly to the addict who still suffers. Groups join their strength in the service structure, ensuring that other services—H&I, PI, literature development, for example—are fulfilled effectively and without distracting the groups from their own primary responsibility.

Study and discussion questions

1. Does your group hold regular business meetings? (See *The Group Booklet*, pp. 9-10.)
For the most part – yes – everyone holds regular business meetings, but the question is how to get members to attend and get involved in the business meetings?
2. Does your group regularly talk about how it can better fulfill its primary purpose?
Not necessarily specifically at every meeting – it is, however at the back of members' minds while they tend to business matters. Some meetings state the primary purpose as the main reason for gathering as an opening.
3. After paying the expenses for literature, refreshments, and meeting-hall rent, does your group have enough money to conduct other services on its own?
Hopefully at least some in case it is needed, but not always. Sometimes 7th tradition donations barely cover expenses.
4. Can your group perform a variety of organized services like PI work, H&I panels, phonline management, and literature development while still attending to its recovery meetings?
GSRs -- take this question back to groups for input.
5. Does your group send a representative to your local area service committee? Do you contribute money to your ASC on a regular basis?
Usually GSRs attend area meetings and groups contribute whenever they are able.

Roll Call: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, RCM, PR Chair, Literature Chair, Activities Chair, UD Chair, Webservant

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NA Recovery Birthdays: Juan P. – 90 days. Congratulations!!!

Recognition of new groups: None

Approval of last month's minutes:

Les F. moved and Willy O. 2nd the motion to accept the minutes as presented w/ it noted that check #1323 was voided – carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Beginning Balance: \$2,222.94

Serenity Break: 1:40 – 1:50 pm

Officers Reports:

Chair: Report given and filed as follows:

Hello fellow ASC members & friends. It is good to see you all again. I just have a few things to say today. I would like to say good-bye & good luck to my friend Robert N. It is a bittersweet day & we will miss your energy in this area. Stay in touch brother. Next I would like to congratulate Les F. on his being elected as the Chair of the up coming convention to be held in our Area, I am excited to work with him on this project. The other thing is I would like to thank Richard M. for taking charge of the Unity Days Campvention & doing such a great job getting everyone involved. Thanks is also in order for those of you that pulled this off. It is important that we each know our guidelines & the responsibilities of our service positions. It is my opinion that we have had a really smooth year & I would like to thank you all for being important part of my recovery. Chair account balance stands at \$100.00.

In Loving Service
Ray B.

Vice-Chair: Report given and filed as follows:

Hello fellow members and visitors.

Just want to remind everyone that next weekend is Unity Days and unity is vital to our recovery so hope to see you here next weekend.

Also we still need help with next year's convention, so please let your groups know we will be meeting Sept. 7th, 2008 at the Hitching Post Inn in Cheyenne at 1:00 pm. We will still need a secretary, merchandise chair and arts & graphics so please come and be a part of the fun. Also take flyers back to your groups and announce the logo contest, we will be voting on entries at that time.

In Loving Service
Les F.

Treasurer: Report give and filed as follows:

Hope all is going well with everything. I do apologize for the inconvenience. I have had something come up in my life that I have no control over. Kind of have to roll with what I am dealt. There is not much to report from last month that I am aware of. The original opening balance was at \$2,252.02. With two checks wrote the opening balance is as follows – \$2,222.94.

Check #1325 for Quest in the amount of \$13.43
Check #1326 for Freedom Voice in the amount of \$15.65

Another thing that I wanted to mention as for the spread sheet I am not sure when I will be able to get that to you. I have had some problems with my computer and am unable to open them up or open pdf files. As soon as I can get that together I will let you know. Sorry.

Chair account at \$100
Secretary account at \$42.98
H&I/PI [PR] chair unknown at this time.

Again I am sorry for any inconvenience that may have been caused. I do realize that you all are depending on me. And I will try to fulfill my obligations to a better efficiency. Thank you, hope you all have a good day.

In Loving Service,
Lucretia M.

Secretary: Report given orally only:

With everything else going on, the guidelines, article 14 (quarterly summary of guideline changes) has not been done, but since the fiscal year ends this month all changes will be incorporated into the guidelines, posted on the web site and printed out by the next meeting. The laminator was purchased and since having just a laminator would do us little good, a package of 20 full size pouches was also purchased. I guess until someone needs it I will keep it with the secretarial stuff.

Reminded everyone that all documents such as the minutes, group report, disbursement and motion forms are or will be on the web site including the area guidelines and a version of the area letterhead. Because the contact list has more personal information on it, it will not be posted on the web site or anywhere else. Its purpose is for ease of communication among members of the area. It is intended for internal use only. Everyone please check your information to make sure it is accurate and up to date. Info is taken off of the sign-in sheet as well as the group report forms and if any of it is illegible then the list won't be right.

Available today are meeting lists and the Colorado regional convention registration fliers. CRCNA is scheduled for October in Estes Park and has historically been a fantastic celebration of recovery. There are also a stack of the Unity Days registration fliers and another flier that simply announces the event and the plethora of activities.

If the laminator expense doesn't come out of the Secretary's budget the account will remain at \$42.98.

ILS
Richard

RCM: Given and filed as follows:

Hello every one. I attended the URM RNA business meeting on August 2nd. There are a lot of things going on in our region. Wyo-Braska Area will be hosting the Regional Convention May 15, 16 and 17, 2009 in Cheyenne at The Hitching Post. We have several positions available in the convention committee. Positions available are Treasurer, Alternate Treasurer, Arts and Graphics chair and co-chair, Convention Information chair and co-chair and Gail is acting secretary till we find someone to take the position. The theme for the convention is A Simple Way Has Been Proving Itself . . . and there is a logo contest. The deadline for the logo contest is September 1st. The next convention committee meeting will be revealed. We will need all the help we can on our sub-committees. Please show up if you are interested.

Elections were held at the region level last week.

Chair: Ray B. (Cheyenne)
Vice Chair: Amber F. (Casper)
Secretary: Janet (?) (Casper)
Web Servant: Steve H. (Evanston)
Treasurer: Open
Alt. Delegate: Delynda H. (Evanston)
Regional Delegate: Tommy O. (Cheyenne)
Convention Chair: Les F. (Scottsbluff)

The logo issue was discussed again for the region and an ad-hoc committee was appointed to investigate.

Living Proof group from Evanston is holding its 19th annual Campout Under the Stars this August 8th – 10th @ the Stillwater Campground 40 miles south of Evanston on Hi-Way 150.

Next weekend, August 15th – 17th is the Wyo-Braska Unity Days in Scottsbluff, Nebraska at the Trails West campground.

In Loving Service,
Willy O.

RCM 2: Vacant

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: Lack of home group members.

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: 0 Other: Donated to Region this time.

Vision of Hope:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$10.00 Other: None

Saturday Nite Live:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$35.57 Other: None

Clean & Serene:

Concerns:

Needs: Still looking for a GSRA and now need a treasurer and literature rep.

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$500.00 Other:

Live from Laramie:

Concerns: None

Needs: Literature

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$15.87 – ASC, \$12.70 – RSC. Other:

Free Bird:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$15.00 Other:

Staying Clean in Sidney: Given by the secretary, Richard M.

Concerns: GSR and GSRA likely to swap positions, with group approval, so better able to perform duties.

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: 0 Other:

Sub-Committee reports:

Activities:

Dear Trusted Servants:

Good Morning! I am grateful to be here clean today. In the last month I have been very busy with work and my upcoming move to Montana. I have not had time to finish the banner for the upcoming Unity Days event. However, I have an appointment scheduled for Monday morning that will allow me to finish the banner. I will bring the banner with me Friday when I bring all the food for the event. Please let me know if you have and questions or need any help with any other activities or preparation.

I have to be in Montana on the 17th of August so that I can start work the following Monday. This means that unfortunately I will be unable to stay for the whole event. I will be bringing the food and the banner on Friday and leaving that evening.

Thank you for the opportunity to allow me to be of service. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve in the Wyo-Braska Area with all of you. Thank you for all your help and support.

I love you all and may God Bless you continually on a Daily Basis.

In Loving Service,
Robert N.

From: **Live from Laramie Campout Committee**

To: Wyo-Braska Area Service Committee

We would like to thank the Wyo-Braska Area Service Committee for sponsoring the campout again this year. We had a very good turnout with 35 people attending this includes:

30 paid
2 speaker comp
3 children

The totals are on the attached spreadsheet.

We took in a total of \$300.00 for reservations. There was also \$42.00 in 7th tradition. We are returning \$9.26 from the seed money for food and receipts totaling \$214.74 – see attached spreadsheet for a breakdown of these expenses.

We are looking forward to campout #5 sometime next June.

Craig H.

UD: Report given by Richard M. as follows:

Noon – In attendance, Ray B., Robert N., Mistie W., Willy O., Juan P., Larry S. and Richard M.

Everything is coming along in an orderly chaos ;-) In some cases plans have been fine tuned and in others changed a little and others yet scrapped in favor of a backup. Thank you everyone for your efforts.

T-Shirts & bandannas – Based on almost selling all of the t-shirts and having several people pre-order (kind of) hoodies we have placed another order for shirts, hoodies and a couple dozen bandannas. They will be ready Wednesday or Thursday. Money from previous sales was used to pay \$255.00 down on this order. Turned in \$45 in checks and a money order.

Merchandise seller –It has been confirmed – the Off the Wall Area in Colorado will come to Unity Days and offer jewelry and other NA items. We will most likely comp at least one seller the weekend.

Registration/Flier: We have another flier touting speakers, events and activities with only the area's web site address for direction to a registration flier. These fliers can be emailed or posted around various groups' meeting places drawing attention to the upcoming event and all of the neat, fun things available. We will pass these out at the area meeting to all of the GSRs and email them around.

Registration Package: We have a sold two more full registrations for a total of \$50.00. along with items sold here today \$110.00 cash will be kept and used for startup change in the cash boxes. There will be a separate cash box for drink sales only so we can kind of keep track of them.

Speakers: Mistie has all three speakers lined up including one each from Washington, Casper and Cheyenne. All three will be given comp registration packets as per previous discussions and our custom. Also, we have a *Basic Text* donated for the clean time countdown and we may also get a *'It Works: How and Why'* and maybe a *"Just for Today"* A back up speaker will fill in should someone not be able to make it.

Meals: All of menus have been compiled onto one shopping list. Because it has been several months since the original prices were obtained from Sam's club and according to news reports food prices have risen about 17%, the list was taken to WalMart and repriced. There is enough extra from the Saturday brunch that we probably won't need much for the Sunday breakfast. Depending on turn-out we can get more if needed. Including the \$130 for the hog, which includes, purchase, butchering, delivering and cooking, the total falls under the \$400 originally budgeted for. At the Unity Days meeting just before this area meeting, several items were donated and crossed off the list given to Robert who will take the list and get everything on Friday and bring it over to Scottsbluff in coolers.

Willy assured us that all of the drinks have been taken care of using coolers he and Richard are loaning us and at least seven large bags of ice have been donated. These can be stored in the on-site freezer.

Richard is going to do a walk through of the kitchen and facilities to make sure we have everything we need tomorrow or the next.

Banner: Robert received the tie dye kit and asked Richard to e-mail him a copy of the logo in jpg format. He has an appointment tomorrow morning to use some kind of image enlarger to finish the banner.

Raffle Items: So far we have a box with several t-shirts and NA mugs and a set of special old style group logo items to raffle off. Everyone, dig through your stuff and bring what you can to donate to the cause. And of course we will have a 50/50 raffle.

Other: Rory G. got the NA signs from Craig H. and we have a volunteer to but them up.

Thank you everyone for your help.

Richard M.
Unity Days Chair

PR: Rory reports that he has been checking with correctional facilities in our area to determine NAs current status within their institutions. Albany and Laramie County Corrections currently each have one qualified NA member who has been approved for holding NA meetings within the jails. There will soon be another for Laramie County. Albany Cnty absolutely will not allow any convicted felons in the jail so it is harder to find qualified and willing volunteers. None the less, both facilities could use additional volunteers. Anyone interest should contact Rory for details and applications.

Two other avenues for PR work are libraries and college newspapers. Rory has (or will) check to see if libraries have copies of the Basic Text on their shelves and has contacted the University of Wyoming school paper – the "Branding Iron" about placing an ad in their paper announcing local meeting times and places. More on this in sharing.

H&I component: See above.

PI component: See above.

Phoneline: Current??

Web site: Richard M. reports that the web site is mostly up to date and working well. In stead of combining the ASC and Archives pages it seemed to make more sense and took less work to combine the Upcoming events page with the Links page. Then the regional convention page was re-established. Meetings are up to date and the newest meeting list posted.

It seems that since redesigning the site the hit counter was reset so that when it was checked less than 24 hours ago it registered 1243 hit. This is apparently the accumulation since the site was redesigned in the middle of last month and with less than 24 hours an additional 62 hits were recorded. Someone's using the site. Hopefully it is people interested in the Unity Days.

The domain name registration and a year of hosting fees will be automatically deducted from the checking account next month. The domain name will be renewed on Sept. 3rd and is \$9.99 and then the year of hosting, with 10% discount, will be deducted around Sept. 20 for about \$97.00. All fees have been paid up until then.

Literature: Mistie W. reported that since the last ASC meeting the Cheyenne Anchors Away group had contacted her and placed a substantial order for literature. They paid for most of it with cash and a check made out to the Area for \$11.00. A money order was purchased and made out to NAWS and this order was included with the regular order. Mistie needs \$11.00 cash for the check and then is turning in \$7.32 for the general account which reflects 3% of the additional order. She also reports \$40.36 in sales. She is asking for \$68.05 for this month's order which replaces what was sold and includes a supply of the new youth pamphlets. Lookin' good! Thank you Mistie.

Break: 2:25 – 2:45 pm

Sharing Session:

- 1) Fiscal Year – The fiscal year ends August 31st so all of the executive committee and the committee chairs need to prepare a budget for the coming year and present it at the next ASC meeting.
- 2) URMRSR grievances – At the last regional meeting there were three grievances filed with the service body including inappropriate removal of the webservant in 2006, slanderish language used in a report presented in the regional minutes and of more concern for our area – questionable use of the new logo. There is also the matter of some rewording in the regional guidelines.

The guideline change that pertains to the Wyo-Braska area is section 1, par. B where the wording was changed from

“This committee shall serve geographical areas of Wyoming and Nebraska as deemed appropriate. We shall have the option of including neighboring areas when necessary.”

to

“This committee shall serve geographical areas of the US state of Wyoming. We shall have the option of including neighboring areas when necessary.”

Somehow the omission of Nebraska from the line was never questioned. The reason given for Nebraska being left out was to avoid confusion between the Upper Rocky Mountain Region, which is primarily Wyoming, and the Nebraska region. And yet throughout the guidelines and the regional web site the Wyo-Braska Area is still used profusely. A simpler and perhaps more acceptable change could be “. . . and the Nebraska Panhandle. . .” This would provide a clear delineation between the Nebraska region and the URMRSR. Our RCM was asked to propose this change.

As for the matter of the logo, even though it is now under review by the regional grievance ad-hoc committee, a WBASC member asked that groups in the WBASC give direction on this matter to the RCM to pass along to the regional service committee. We were reminded that this area has already addressed this issue and has never been in favor of using the State of Wyoming bucking bronco. It was strongly encouraged for us to stay the course and consensus affirmed continue opposing its use.

- 3) PI announcements at college papers: The University of Wyoming school paper – the “Branding Iron,” charges \$2.70 per week for one ad or \$2.50 per day when run two or more times a week. It comes out on Tuesday and Friday. Rory was wondering if this is a viable outlay of resources in making meeting times and locations available to post secondary students who may well benefit from NA more than other targeted populations. Most thought this a good idea and that maybe he could also check with Arlene for LCCC and maybe someone from the Western Nebraska Community College in Scottsbluff and the tech college in

Torrington. The PR budget is the H&I and PI combined and it is thought to amount to around \$900.00 total per year. Out of this comes the web site domain name registration and hosting fees, the info line and placement of the toll free number in several phone books and any literature needs in the form of *Basic Texts* and pamphlets to correctional facilities, mental health organizations and any other public agency that may need info.

It's up to Rory as the PR Chair to consider what we already pay for, what was left over from this last year's budget and how much we may need in the coming year and what additional services we can manage. All of this can be figured in for this years budget request. Good job.

4) URMRSR guideline change, i.e. change meeting months: It was proposed to change the meeting rotation schedule and add in the new area so they can have their turn under section 4, paragraph A. Change May to April and making this the annual regional assembly/workshop, add June and change November to October. Other areas of change would include adding the new area to the convention rotation under section 11, paragraph A and changing the months of trusted servant elections to match the new meeting schedule in section 8, paragraph A.

Old Business: See above.

New Business:

Motions ~ None

Elections ~ Requirements and duties were read for each.
RCM2 – no nominations nor volunteers.
Activities Chair – no nominations nor volunteers.
Area Chair – for September

Disbursements:

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| Ck #1327 – Robertson's Meat Processing for hog | \$130.00 |
| Ck #1328 – Richard M. for laminator and pkg full size pouches | \$ 33.39 |
| Ck #1329 – Scottsbluff Screenprinting - 2 nd order of shirts and hoodies | \$214.09 |
| Ck #1330 – Trails West YMCA Camp - last installment for facility rent | \$372.40 |
| Ck #1331 – NAWS for literature order | <u>\$ 68.05</u> |
| | \$817.93 |

Closing Treasury balance: \$2,255.39 (approximately)

Area 7th Tradition of **\$19.00** to Clean & Serene

Adjourned at 3:30 pm

Next mtg: September 14, 2008 – 1pm @ 1215 E. Gibbon St., rm 202, Laramie, Wyoming

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Date: September 14, 2008 Time: 1:12 pm Location: Laramie, WY

Ray B. opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer
Mistie W. read the 12 Traditions of N.A.
Richard M. read the 12 Concepts of N.A.
Rory G. read the 12 Values of the WBASC

Group Response to Concept _1_ & Question _4_ from last meeting:

To fulfill our fellowship's primary purpose, the NA groups have joined together to create a structure which develops, coordinates, and maintains services on behalf of NA as a whole.

The primary responsibility of an NA group is to conduct its recovery meetings, carrying the message directly to the addict who still suffers. Groups join their strength in the service structure, ensuring that other services—H&I, PI, literature development, for example—are fulfilled effectively and without distracting the groups from their own primary responsibility.

4. Can your group perform a variety of organized services like PI work, H&I panels, phonline management, and literature development while still attending to its recovery meetings?

C & S – We can and do PI and H&I activities when we have experienced members step up to do it. At times all we can do is pass out meeting lists and attend jail meeting. Sometimes we just can't because we do not have the resources and time for a web site, phonline and especially literature development.

Most of the Cheyenne groups are small enough that they just do not have the resources to do anything except fulfill the primary purpose placing meetings as the number one, and sometimes the only, priority.

Reading/Study/Discussion of Concept _2_ using chapter questions.

The final responsibility and authority for NA services rests with the NA groups.

The groups have final responsibility for and authority over the service structure they have created. By fulfilling their responsibility to provide their service structure with the conscience, ideas, people, and money it needs, the groups also exercise their authority. Conversely, the service structure must always look to the groups for support and direction.

Study and discussion questions

1. Does your group have any way of letting your area committee know whether it's meeting your needs? How?
Yes, either through the GSRs or via the web site and e-mails,
2. Does your group's GSR regularly take part in ASC meetings? Do you regularly contribute to the ASC? Do these things give your group any say about the way NA services are administered? How?
For the most part all said yes in what ever way they could even if were only volunteering for service.
3. How frequently is your group consulted on service matters by the ASC? The RSC? The WSC? Do you want to be consulted more often? Less often?
By the ASC – regularly. By the RSC – it's getting better with more detailed minutes being available. By the WSC – who are they?? We may not have direct contact with the WSC except via the service structure and our Regional Delegates. For now, at least, we are consulted enough especially on matters that really matter like the *Basic Text* etc.
4. What does the Second Concept say to our service boards and committees? Does your group believe that message is heard and understood by our service structure? If not, what can your group do about it?

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

Roll Call: Chair, Secretary, RCM, PR Chair, Literature Chair, UD Chair, Webservant

GSR, Alternates and guests: Willy O. (GSR – Clean and Free), Ray B. (GSR – Vision of Hope), Mistie W. (GSR – Saturday Nite Live), Richard M. (GSR – Clean & Serene), Rory G. (Treasurer – Live from Laramie) & Ray B. gave report for Lucretia M. (GSR – Free Bird) Juan P. & Larry S. from Scottsbluff.

Absent: Vice Chair, Treasurer, RCM2 (vacant), Activities Chair (vacant), (Footsteps in Recovery) & (On Life's Terms), (Staying Clean in Sidney).

NA Recovery Birthdays: None this last month.

Recognition of new groups: While not present (they had planned on attending), a couple of members from Chadron, NE visited us at Unity Days asking for help in starting up a new group and meetings in Chadron. They had a *Basic Text* and were given a copy of *It Works: How & Why* and the NAWS web site address where they can download a registration form, the group readings, the *Twelve Concepts for NA Service*, IP #2 – *The Group* and *A Guide to Local Service in Narcotics Anonymous* as well as a lot of other useful information. We can look for them to attend a future area meeting.

Approval of last month's minutes:

Mistie W. moved and Willy O. 2nd the motion to accept the minutes as presented – carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Beginning Balance: \$2,255.39

Serenity Break: 1:45 – 2:00 pm

Officers Reports:

Chair: Report given and filed as follows:

Hello A.S.C. members & friends.

Glad you all could make it; there are a lot of things we need to take care of today so it is very important that we stay on track. I would like to say thanks for allowing me to be of service to this body & it has been an awesome experience for me. As before let me remind you to know your responsibilities & also know the guidelines for this Area. We have a log going on in the next year so remember this all works with unity. The Chair's account balance stands at \$100.00.

In Loving Service

Ray B.

Vice-Chair: Absent

Treasurer: Absent

Secretary: Report given orally only:

The latest revision of the area guidelines has been updated and printed out although not yet uploaded onto the web site (at the beginning of our fiscal year the secretary incorporates all guideline and policy changes taken from the three or four Article 14s generated during the previous year). The best way to make sure you have a current version of the guidelines is to look on the last page for the revision date and keep in mind that they are updated each fiscal year that begins Sept. 1 and runs to Aug. 31.

The contact list has also been updated with info taken off of the sign-in sheet as well as the group report forms. If any of this info is illegible then the list won't be right. Everyone please check your information to make sure it is accurate and up to date. Because the contact list has more personal information on it, it will not be posted on the web site or anywhere else. Its purpose is for ease of communication among members of the area. It is intended for internal use only.

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The Secretary's budget account remains at \$42.98.

ILS

Richard

RCM: Given and filed as follows:

Hello,

Good to see you all again. I once again failed to meet with Lucretia to be added to the checking account as a signer during the last month. I will make an appointment to meet with her and make sure this gets done before the next area meeting.

We have had 4 Convention Committee meetings so far. At this time Mistie, Ray, Tommy, Gail, Les and Dan are part of the committee. There is a lot of work to be done to pull this convention off. Anyone who would like to get involved the next meeting is October 5th at Ray B.s house at 1:00 pm.

Mistie W. will be working with different areas and groups on fundraising for the convention. If anyone has any good fundraising ideas please contact Mistie.

The logo contest for the convention logo has been extended to October 5th. We had no entries at our last meeting. The winner of the logo contest gets a free registration to the convention. URMRCNA will be held in Cheyenne, Wyoming May 15, 16 and 17 at the Hitching Post.

In Loving Service,
Willy O.

Next regional meeting on Saturday Nov. 1, 2008 in Gillette, Wyoming

RCM 2: Vacant

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: \$23.51 Other: None

Vision of Hope:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$20.00 Other: None

Saturday Nite Live:

Concerns: None

Needs: Literature

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$28.39 Other: None

Clean & Serene:

Concerns: Lack of older members participating & filling trusted servant positions.

Needs: 1, 2, & 20 year medallions. Spanish literature???

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$30.00 Other:

Live from Laramie:

Concerns: None

Needs: Literature

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$13.81 – ASC, \$11.05 – RSC. Other:**Free Bird:**

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$20.00 Other:**Staying Clean in Sidney:** Absent

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: Other:**Sub-Committee reports:****Activities:** Vacant**UD:** Report given by Richard M. as follows:**Wyo-Braska Unity Days XV Subcommittee Wrap up Report**

Sept. 14, 2008

First of all, thank you everyone for all of your help. Bringing all of the supplies and groceries over from Cheyenne, setting up the lodge, preparing the meals and doing everything else it took to make the weekend a memorable one. Thank you.

Feast, fun and fellowship was the name of the game – fair weather was not. Unfortunately our crystal ball wasn't working very well and we didn't see the abnormally cold and wet weekend coming. So we did not have the turnout we were hoping for. A few phone calls were fielded from people asking if we were going to still have the event. It seems that the word "Campvention" may have misled some into thinking it was all outside which, of course, was not the case. We still had a lot going on inside the lodge. Some people just don't know what they missed.

There were 37 people who signed our guest book, from five states including California, Colorado, Nebraska, Washington and Wyoming. Others were there, but didn't sign – oh well. We recorded 12 full registrations and 3 one day registrations. With the 6 pre-paid, full registrations already reported on, we had at least 18 full registrations. I say at least because we may have had as many as 21 total, full registrations. A total of 50 packs were made and 48 accounted for. It is likely that the others actually registered, but did not fill out a form for the cash box.

This Chair was also contacted by a Cheyenne family services organization who had learned of our convention and had a Cheyenne family trying to get back on their feet who they thought would benefit from attending. The service provided gas money and found lodging for the family and we comped them for the weekend. An attendance form was signed attesting to the family's participation in the activities. Even though health issues dampened their weekend somewhat, both expressed their appreciation for an enjoyable experience. Somehow, this and the newcomers seemed to make it all worth while.

The banner was a HUGE success – really! It was the size of a twin size flat sheet. Oh yeah – it was a twin size flat sheet. Anyway, the Unity Days logo was faithfully enlarged and reproduced on the retro tie dyed sheet. Great job!!! There was plenty of room for everyone to sign. We did locate several other banners, although not all, in one of the totes.

Three members from the "Off the Wall" area out of Fort Collins brought up some NA merchandise. This was the first time they had attended a convention specifically to sell and so it turned out to be a learning experience for them. Most of what they brought was "Off the Wall" stuff, but there was some jewelry and several book covers. The jewelry didn't last long.

We had a special visitor and speaker from Longview, WA., Daniel F., who shared his story with us Friday evening and went on to help us with the raffle and a special auction on Saturday evening of some rather unique items which ended up bringing in \$275.00. Thank you everyone for buying raffle tickets and for your bids.

Friday night proved to be too wet to have a campfire meeting, but in true addict fashion a meeting was still held using the lodge fireplace instead of a campfire. It was rumored that the bunks in the cabins were not near as comfortable as personal sleeping accommodations, but then what the hay – it was still better than slumbering in a cold, wet sleeping bag.

While a bit too cold for swimming on Saturday, some of the younger set did take a very short dip. Other guests enjoyed shooting arrows at the archery range and a few toured the best, if not only, zoo in the Nebraska panhandle. Some went shopping and our newest member went fishing and actually caught a couple of large mouth bass. They were too small to keep, but fish none the less.

The hog roast on Saturday evening was out of this world. Thank you cooks and all who arranged for, hauled and otherwise prepared this delectably delicious porker (w/ the butt). The Saturday evening speaker didn't make it, but we had a backup plan so after everyone feasted, attendees got to hear – some for the first time – part of this Chair's personal story. The traditional clean time countdown followed recording a few months, days and weeks over 136 total years of clean time. Congratulations to all and especially to the newest member to our fellowship who had 5 days clean and was presented with not only the *Basic Text*, but groups and members from Cheyenne kicked in *It Works: How and Why, Just for Today* and the *Narcotics Anonymous Step Working Guides*.

Also on Saturday evening two members from Chadron, Nebraska joined us to learn how to go about starting up a new group and meetings. Contact information was exchanged, they were given an *It Works: How and Why* and it looks like we may soon have another group within our area.

I would like to give a special thank you to all who helped clean out the lodge. Not only were all of the tables and chairs restacked, the carpet vacuumed and the kitchen mopped it was all done by 1 or 1:30 pm. I've never seen anything cleaned and straightened up so fast. Another great job!!! Thank you again.

After all was sparkling clean and everyone had headed back to their homes I got with the Trails West manager and then had a chance to talk to him a few weeks after the event. He was impressed with how well behaved we were and how responsible we were in taking care of the facility. There was a piano bench that had fallen apart. We set it on a small table so no one would get hurt and told the manager about it. We offered to repair it, but he said it wasn't necessary. To him it seemed no big deal as it was old and had probably already been abused by some of the day camper children.

On to the financial end of things.....

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| Book set raffle = | \$ 131.00 | | |
| 7/13 shirt sales | \$ 125.00 | | |
| 7/13 regs | \$ 100.00 | Facility rent | \$ 744.80 |
| | \$ 255.00 | Unity Days shirts 1 st order = | \$ 482.62 |
| 8/10 shirt sale | \$ 45.00 | Unity Days shirts 2 nd order = | \$ 469.09 |
| | \$ 60.00 | hog = | \$ 130.00 |
| Regs | \$ 50.00 | | \$1,826.51 |
| | \$ 766.00 | groceries = | [\$ 270.00] |
| | | | \$2,096.51 |

[start \$110 (\$50 reg & \$60 shirts)]

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| Auction = | \$ 275.00 | Actual groceries = \$437.35 | |
| Drinks = | \$ 40.00 | budget = \$270.00 | |
| 50/50 = | \$ 35.00 | over = \$167.45 | |
| Coffee 7 th = | \$ 11.00 | | |
| Friday 7 th = | \$ 19.87 | | |
| Newcomer donations = | \$ 10.18 | | (\$2,096.51) |
| Full reg = | \$ 300.00 | | \$2,058.57 |
| 1/2 reg = | \$ 37.50 | | (\$ 37.94) |
| Hoodies = | \$ 247.50 | | |
| Shirts, bandannas, | | | |

pins, key chains etc. \$ 316.52
 \$1,292.57
 \$ 766.00
 \$2,058.57

Left — 12 shirts @ \$15.00 = \$180.00
 12 bandannas @ \$ 5.00 = \$ 60.00
 \$240.00

Plus left overs to Willy
 1 hoodie @ \$27.50 = \$ 27.50

(Cory has 3 shirts for \$45)
 (Tracy asked for 2 & 2 \$40)

Also have 3 or 4 cans of coffee, 7 or 8 creamers, 2 X large cans of beans ++++
 Turning in \$1,403.57

Thank you everyone for your help.

Richard M.
 Unity Days Chair

PR: Given and filed as follows:
 Howdy,

I have a new person on board with PI in Laramie. Tammy and I have been distributing meeting schedules around town.

Laramie is still not having jail meetings due to lack of qualified volunteers. As far as I know Cheyenne is the same way. Please take this back to your groups, detention center applications can be picked up at the jail or from me.

After checking the libraries (which ones??) none have the *Basic Text*.

Along with my report I have a budget prepared for the next fiscal year.

Web – 120
 Phone line – 250
 UW Branding Iron – 80
 Literature and printing costs – 450
 PI grand total - 900

Literature – 250
 H&I grand total – 250

PR Budget for the fiscal year 2008 – 2009 = \$1150

H&I component: See above.

PI component: See above.

Phoneline: Current??

Web site: Richard M. reports that the web site is mostly up to date and working well. Meetings are up to date and the newest meeting list posted.

For the third month in a row we have noted more than 500 hits for the month. This past month saw 618 hits recorded. Someone's checking us out.

The domain name registration of \$10.19 was automatically deducted from our bank on Sept. 3rd and a year of hosting fees of \$97.04 will be automatically deducted from the checking account on Sept 20th. This reflects a 10% discount for paying for a year in advance.

Literature: Mistie W. reported sales of \$144.78 with 3% or \$6.91 going into the general fund. She is placing an order for \$137.87. Lookin' good! Thank you Mistie.

Break: 2:30 – 2:45 pm

Sharing Session:

1) URMRC fundraiser – Discussed the Cheyenne groups putting on some kind of fundraiser for the convention, either something like last year's Harvest Gathering or maybe something for Halloween. Talked about doing this on either Friday Oct. 31 or maybe something at LCCC on Nov. 8. Something for us to think about and Mistie will check with the college.

2) Unity Days XVI – Wanted to look at next year's Unity Days celebration and get started planning for it if need be. Due to the regional convention and a strain on resources it was decided to scale back on the event – maybe even ask Craig if he could put something together when (and if) he plans the LFL campout at the Pole Creek camp ground. Rory will ask him. We can't make any reservations until after January 1st anyway.

3) Left over UDs merchandise – If the region wants to we decided to sell them some of the left over bandannas and t-shirts at, about at, cost. The bandannas cost \$2.78 ea. so we decided to round to an even \$3.00 and Richard will check on the actual cost of the shirts and let Mistie know.

Old Business: See above.

New Business:

1) Fiscal year 2008 – 2009 budgets.

Motions ~ None

Elections ~ Requirements and duties were read.
RCM2 – Danny F. nominated, but respectfully declined.
Activities Chair – no nominations nor volunteers.
Area Chair – no nominations nor volunteers.

Disbursements:

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| Ck #1332 – ??? | |
| Ck #1333 – ??? | |
| Ck #1334 – NAWS for literature order | \$137.87 |
| Ck #1335 – Voided – oops. | |
| Ck #1336 – Cash in and check out for URMR donation from LFL grp. | \$ 11.05 |
| CASH – First Presbyterian Church for today's rent | \$ 20.00 |

Will postpone NAWS donation until treasurer available next month.

Closing Treasury balance: \$3,433.24 (approximately)

Area 7th Tradition of **\$9.00** to LFL

Adjourned at 3:50 pm

Next mtg: October 12, 2008 – 1pm @ Laramie County Community College on College Dr,
rm 336, Cheyenne, Wyoming

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Date: October 12, 2008 Time: 1:02 pm Location: Cheyenne, WY

Les F. opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer
Ray B. read the 12 Traditions of N.A.
Mistie W. read the 12 Concepts of N.A.
Gail W. read the 12 Values of the WBASC

Group Response to Concept 2 & Question 4 from last meeting:

The final responsibility and authority for NA services rests with the NA groups.

The groups have final responsibility for and authority over the service structure they have created. By fulfilling their responsibility to provide their service structure with the conscience, ideas, people, and money it needs, the groups also exercise their authority. Conversely, the service structure must always look to the groups for support and direction.

4. What does the Second Concept say to our service boards and committees? Does your group believe that message is heard and understood by our service structure? If not, what can your group do about it?

C & S – The groups have the final say and it is heard provided the GSR does the appointed job.

Reading/Study/Discussion of Concept 3 using chapter questions.

*The NA groups delegate to the service structure
the authority necessary to fulfill the responsibilities assigned to it.*

In day-to-day matters, the groups have given our service boards and committees the practical authority necessary to do the jobs assigned them. This is not a blank check issued to the service structure; the group's final responsibility and authority, spoken of in the Second Concept, still apply. To make Concept Three work, we must carefully select trusted servants.

Study and discussion questions

1. In general, what does your group think about the concept of delegated authority?

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

2. If your group were consulted on every decision that had to be made by every service board, committee, or subcommittee at the area, regional, and world level, would you still have enough time and energy to address your own group's business? Would your group have enough information to be able to offer intelligent advice on such matters?

No we wouldn't – we would be inundated with information overload and not able to be of much help.

3. If the service boards and committees serving your group could act only after consulting your group, would they be able to act swiftly enough in performing the duties your group has given them?

Even with monthly meetings probably not. Most groups are in touch (thru GSRs etc.) so direct input not needed on every item. If the Region had to ask groups about every question, since the Region only meets quarterly, actions would be way too slow. However, some issues important enough to seek direct group input.

4. In the essay on the Second Tradition in our Basic Text (p. 60), it says "We are mismanagers and not one of us is capable of consistently making good decisions." If this is true, how can we responsibly delegate to our trusted servants the kind of authority called for in the Third Concept?

No one person makes a decision and if so then is held accountable. Decisions are based on serving and on the way others direct – in a general way.

Roll Call: Vice Chair, Secretary, RCM, PR Chair, Literature Chair, Webservant

GSR, Alternates and guests: Willy O. (GSR – Clean and Free), Ray B. (GSR – Vision of Hope), Mistie W. (GSR – Saturday Nite Live), Dan G. (GSRA – Clean & Serene), Rory G. (Treasurer – Live from Laramie) Mac B., Juan P., Rick M. & Wayne W.

Absent: Chair (vacant), Treasurer, RCM2 (vacant), Activities Chair (vacant), UD Chair (vacant), (Footsteps in Recovery) & (On Life's Terms), (Free Bird), (Staying Clean in Sidney).

NA Recovery Birthdays: None this last month.

Recognition of new groups: Juan reports that he has heard of a new NA meeting at the hospital in Torrington, WY on Saturday mornings at 10 am. Will try to get more info on.

Approval of last month's minutes:

On the disbursements, ck # 1332 to Robert N for Unity Days food = \$437.45
ck # 1333 to Quest = \$ 12.96
Service charge = \$ 6.00

On the RCM report there were two logo entries instead of the stated no entries.

Mistie W. moved and Willy O. 2nd the motion to accept the minutes as corrected – carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Beginning Balance: \$2,996.55 approx.

Serenity Break: 1:45 – 2:00 pm

Officers Reports:

Chair: Vacant

Vice-Chair: Given orally only.

Les F. let us know that pre-registration fliers for the URMRCNA X are available. There will likely be a correction for the room rate at tomorrow's convention committee meeting, but in order to get some fliers out to the folks at CRCNA they are going to go with what they have. Unity Days shirts and bandannas were offered at about cost to the regional convention committee for use as fund raisers. This will be taken up later.

Treasurer: Absent

Secretary: Report given & filed as follows:

Hey all,

It's been a privilege and a learning experience – and it's been a lot more. I've learned a little about humility and a lot about responsibility. And I've enjoyed working with everyone. I have served the WBASC as the secretary for almost 3 years, having been elected after the position was opened up after a few short months into a term and then 2 full terms. So, unless something requiring a 2/3 rds majority vote happens, this will be my last month serving the Area as the secretary. November is the scheduled month for electing a secretary so everyone please check your groups and see if anyone can and will step into this rewarding service position.

Okay for today's stuff. CRCNA fliers are available and the Clean & Serene group is putting on a pre-thanksgiving shin ding. All other forms are also up to date – I think ;-), copies are here and they are available on our web site except the contact list, which, because of the personal information, will not be posted. It is for internal use only.

Again, thank you for typing up your reports. It really makes it handy to scan in and insert into the minutes.

Besides the full size laminator we purchased a few months back, a smaller one has be donated to the area. It is supposed to be able to handle up to 6 inch wide by 9 inch long laminating pouches.

Budget remains at \$125.

ILS

Richard

RCM: Given and filed as follows:

Nothing to report. Next Region meeting Nov. 1st in Gillette, WY. I am working on spreadsheets and getting a true balance on checking acct.

In Loving Service,
Willy O.

Next regional meeting on Saturday Nov. 1, 2008 in Gillette, Wyoming

RCM 2: Vacant

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: 0 Other: None

Vision of Hope:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$20.00 Other: None

Saturday Nite Live:

Concerns: None

Needs: Literature

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$15.60 Other: None

Clean & Serene:

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$15.00 Other:

Live from Laramie:

Concerns: None

Needs: Literature

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: \$32.14 – ASC, \$25.71 – RSC. Other:

Free Bird: Absent

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: Other:

Staying Clean in Sidney: Absent

Concerns:

Needs:

Votes and /or motions:

7th Tradition: Other:

Sub-Committee reports:

Activities: Vacant

UD: Report given by Richard M. as follows:

Unity Days Wrap up Addendum

Activities totes inventory of consumables left over from Unity Days.

2 – Unopened, extra large, 48 oz. cans of Folgers coffee.

1 – Unopened, extra large, 48 oz. cans of Arabica (WalMart brand) coffee.

9 – Full, 16 oz. coffee creamers.

2 – Almost full 16 oz. coffee creamers.

1 – Box. approx 2/3 full “Sweet N Low”

About 15lbs sugar in two opened 10 lb bags.

1 – Huge can Bush’s baked beans

1 – Huge can refried beans.

Lots of plates and napkins, plastic utensils and some cups.

Postal money orders were purchased and money returned to two members who had ordered hoodies. His cash was returned in person to the third person who ordered one.

Richard M.

Unity Days Chair

PR: Given and filed as follows:

Clarifying the libraries checked for Basic Text – Rory reported that he checked public and college libraries in Laramie & Cheyenne, WY and Sidney & Scottsbluff, NE.

PR Report

The Carey Junior High in Cheyenne is requesting a Public Information panel for two days in December. Dates are not yet confirmed. Gail W. and I will be asking for qualified volunteers to help put this on.

Jail meetings in Albany County are still on hold till we can find another qualified volunteer.

There is a PSA running in the University of Wyoming newspaper – “The Branding Iron” – on Tuesdays. It runs in the classified section under “Services.”

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Rory G.

Gail W. elaborated on the Carey panels. They are tentatively looking at the first week in December either on Monday and Tuesday or Thursday and Friday. Volunteers can do any school class blocks they can. One or all or any number in between. Gail will send Rory info on.

H&I component: See above.

PI component: See above.

Phoneline: Current??

Web site: Given and filed as follows:

Hey All,

General – The online meeting list and the printable Fall 2008 meeting list are both updated. Please check them to make sure they are accurate. Information is taken from the group report forms so if these are inaccurate the web site will be inaccurate. The minutes and guidelines are all available also.

Remember, GSRs can download their motion, disbursement and report forms from the “Archives” page on our web site.

NOTE: In order to open these PDF files the Adobe Reader 5.0 or greater is needed. Version 4.0 will **not** open them.

Minutes were received from the URMRCNA X committee and posted and the logo contest extension announced. After the deadline this announcement was taken down from the home page.

Remember, if I get the info . . . I will post it if appropriate.

Technical – Last month we had 1861 hits which represented the third month in a row we had more than 500 hits. Yet, for some unphantomable reason we are only showing 1192 hits this month. I still haven't figured out why the discrepancy.

Now that Unity Days is over and my terms as GSR have ended I will have the time to get an instructional CD developed so others will have a means to keep the web site updated should I be unable to or a new volunteer is appointed.

FINANCIAL: As reported last month, the domain name registration for the next year was automatically withdrawn from our bank account on Sept. 4, 2008. However, instead of costing \$10.19, like last year it only cost us \$8.30 because of a special renewal discount. The hosting fee of \$97.04 was automatically deducted from our account on Sept. 20, 2008. This reflects the 10% discount for paying for a year in advance. Both receipts are being given to the PR chair and the Treasurer. I also changed the contact information taking Gail's name off and registering it to the WBASC as it should be.

And finally, ". . .wherever we go, we always represent NA to some degree. If we are seen acting poorly while we prominently display an NA logo, . . . we carry a distinctly unattractive message . . ."

"It Works: How and Why", Tradition 11, pg. 206.

In Loving Service,
Richard M.

Literature: Mistie W. reported sales of \$41.00. No 3% going into the general fund as she is ordering 8 new sixth edition "Basic Texts" – 4 hard cover and 4 soft cover. Total order is \$110.50. Lookin' good! Thank you Mistie.

Break: 2:32 – 2:45 pm

Sharing Session:

- 1) Sixth Edition *Basic Text* – It was shared that the NAWS News for September had a paragraph on the Sixth Edition *Basic Text* and a special commemorative edition that was to be available in late November. It will cost \$25 and "It is a beautiful book with a special hologram sheet in the front of the book, a two-toned leather cover with an embossed logo, and many other glorious touches . . ." The item # will be 1103.

The NAWS News can be subscribe to electronically on the NAWS web site in the same way as the NA Way. Notices are sent out via e-mail when a new edition is available and can then be downloaded in PDF format.

- 2) Harvest Gathering in Cheyenne – Mistie W. and others are planning on a celebration in recovery gathering that will serve as a fundraiser for the 2009 Regional convention if all agree. It would be Nov. 8th at the LCCC cafeteria. They are looking at a pot luck dinner, a speaker meeting followed by a dance – 7 to 11 am.
- 3) Treasurer – Some concern was expressed at the lack of attendance by the treasurer in recent months. However, it was explained that extenuating circumstances have occurred. Since the treasurer’s position is up for election in December and Willie has been taking care of things, it was thought by most to just let things stand as they are and see if Lucretia’s circumstances improve.

Also, as far as elections go, the Secretary’s position is up for election next month. As mentioned in the Secretary’s report, he has served two consecutive terms so unless the body votes to extend this we need to be looking for volunteers. When asked, Richard did say he would be able to fill in and/or help out a new secretary or until one is voted in.
- 4) On Life’s Terms group – Deb B. has been attending the Monday meeting, which should read at 7 and not 6 pm, and tells us it is growing. She may be able and willing to volunteer to serve as the GSR. She will let us know and asks that the secretary mail her the minutes.
- 5) TRP *Basic Texts* – Travis B. sometimes attends this institutional meeting and has noticed that they have no *Basic Texts* in their library and is wondering if we could give them some. It was pointed out that quite some time back we had offered to supply them with literature and the administration had declined stating that they would purchase their own. We need to ask the current administration if they would be open to our donating some books before we actually do it. If they are agreeable to this then maybe we can donate some of the left over 5th ed. Basic Texts we have. This way the Literature chair may just debit the PR committee budget for the \$9.70 cost plus 10% S&H, which would not hit the PR budget as much as the newer price. Of course we still will be paying the new price to replace these books so our PR Chair and Literature chair could get together on this. Either way we would be finding a good home for the books and would be able to restock with the new 6th editions. We currently have 7 hard covers and 1 soft cover left of the 5th editions. Also, the BT can be downloaded from the NAWS web site.

Old Business:

- 1) Harvest Gathering – Will be a pot luck on Saturday Nov. 8th. See above in sharing and motion #4.
- 2) UD merchandise – As mentioned in the last minutes the left over bandannas cost is \$2.78 and after adding both the first and second orders the shirts average out at \$9.99 cost.
- 3) UD XVI – Rory hasn’t asked Craig H. about doing a campout for the 2009 Unity Days. Tabled appointing an ad-hoc chair until a volunteer available.

New Business:

- Motions ~**
- #1 – That a representative is sent to Region with a motion to put the original winning logo back.
Intent: – To not be affiliated with State of Wyoming, i.e. ‘Bucking Bronc.’
Carries unanimously
 - #2 – Wyo-Braska Area donate 5 shirts, 1 hoodie, 5 bandannas to Fundraising Convention Committee.
Intent: – Help raise money for convention. [URMRCNA – X]
Carries unanimously except one abstention.
 - #3 – To remove “Footsteps in Recovery” group from Roll Call, leaving it on meeting lists.
Intent: – To stop calling for a meeting that has no representation.
Carries unanimously.
 - #4 – Wyo-Braska Area sponsor Harvest Gathering as fundraiser for convention committee.
[URMRCNA – X]
Intent: – Support the Region.
Carries unanimously.
 - #5 – [Agree to proposed] Change URMRCNA rotation to meet Aug., Oct., Feb. & June instead of

Aug., Nov., Feb. & May.
Intent: – So travel can happen in months that are more weather friendly.
Carries unanimously.

Elections ~

Area Chair – Mistie W. nominated Willie who respectfully declined.
Les F. nominated Ray B. who accepted. Since this was Ray's 2nd term there was little discussion.
Carries unanimously.

RCM2 – Qualifications and duties were read and clarified.
Juan P. nominated Mac B. who qualified himself.
After some discussion vote was 4 for, 1 against & 2 abstained.

Activities Chair – Mistie W. nominated Deb B. who respectfully declined
Ray B. nominated Gail W. who accepted. Gail qualified herself. Since she is a long time trusted servant for the area there was little to discuss.
Carries unanimously.

Congratulations returning and new trusted servants!!!!

Disbursements:

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| Auto withdrawal 9/04 GoDaddy – Domain name registration for 1 yr. | \$ 8.30 |
| Auto withdrawal 9/20 GoDaddy – 1yr hosting fees | \$ 97.04 |
| Ck #???? – NAWS for literature order | \$110.50 |
| Ck #???? – Cash in and check out for URMR donation from LFL grp. | \$ 32.14 |

Will postpone NAWS donation until treasury straightened out next month.

Closing Treasury balance: \$2,906.31 (approximately)

Area 7th Tradition of **\$26.00** to SNL
Dan G. moved and Mistie W. 2nd motion to adjourn – carries unanimously.
Adjourned at 4:25 pm
Next mtg: November 9, 2008 – 1pm @ 14 W. 17th St., Scottsbluff, NE Clean & Serene meeting hall.

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Date: November 9, 2008 Time: 1:10 pm Location: Scottsbluff, NE

Ray B. opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer
Les F. read the 12 Traditions of N.A.
Gail W. read the 12 Concepts of N.A.
Willy O. read the 12 Values of the WBASC

Group Response to Concept 3 & Question 1 from last meeting:

*The NA groups delegate to the service structure
the authority necessary to fulfill the responsibilities assigned to it.*

In day-to-day matters, the groups have given our service boards and committees the practical authority necessary to do the jobs assigned them. This is not a blank check issued to the service structure; the group's final responsibility and authority, spoken of in the Second Concept, still apply. To make Concept Three work, we must carefully select trusted servants.

Discussion Question

1. In general, what does your group think about the concept of delegated authority?

C & S – The groups have the final say and it is heard provided the GSR does the appointed job.

Reading/Study/Discussion of Concept 4 using chapter questions.

Effective leadership is highly valued in Narcotics Anonymous. Leadership qualities should be carefully considered when selecting trusted servants.

The trust necessary to confidently delegate authority is founded on the careful selection of trusted servants. Leadership is very important to the welfare of our fellowship. True, our leaders are but trusted servants, not governors; yet we also expect our trusted servants to lead us. If we select them carefully, we can confidently allow them to do so. The essay on this concept describes an array of leadership qualities to be considered when selecting trusted servants.

Study and discussion questions

1. Read NA's Second Tradition. Does NA have leaders? If so, what kind of leaders? Does a fellowship that makes collective decisions need leaders?
Yes, NA has leaders who are trusted servants. Govern is to dictate. Leaders don't dictate but guide and serve. the best leaders are good followers.
2. Does your group have leaders? If so, who are they? In what sense can they be called "leaders"? Could your group do without leaders? Could a service board or committee do without leaders?
GSRs -- take this question back to groups for input.
3. According to this essay, what are some of the skills and personal traits we seek when selecting trusted servants? What is the real foundation of NA leadership?
Must have service experience and be able to follow direction. Must have an attitude of humility. A modest spirit, not driven by ego but which allows others the opportunity to develop their skills and then step aside and watch the continued growth. Must bring spiritual based recovery into the service structure rather than have service based recovery which expresses self-will more than spirituality.
4. "Effective NA leadership knows not only how to serve, but when it will serve best to step aside and allow others to take over." Discuss rotation of leadership.

If we step aside, as per the guidelines, and invite others someone will eventually step up. Otherwise the same person holding the same position could be view as having a governing personality and therefor contrary to the guidelines, traditions and concepts.

5. What does NA leadership have to do with recovery? With selfless service?

In recovery we learn selflessness. Selfless service is one more tool for growth. There is no higher purpose, no better way to give back to the fellowship than to selflessly serve. We can only stay clean by giving it away.

Roll Call: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, RCM, RCM2, PR Chair, Literature Chair, Activities Chair, Webservant

GSR, Alternates and guests: Deb B. (GSR – On Life’s Terms), Willy O. (GSR – Clean and Free), Ray B. (GSR – Vision of Hope), Mistie W. (GSR – Saturday Nite Live), Scott M. (GSR – Clean & Serene), Rory G. (Treasurer – Live from Laramie) Juan P. & Rick M.

Absent: Treasurer, UD Chair (vacant), & Staying Clean in Sidney.

NA Recovery Birthdays: Scott M. – 6 yrs., Deb B. – 5 yrs. & Juan P. – 6 mths. Congratulations all !!!!!!!

Recognition of new groups: A member had been in touch with a member in Wheatland and as soon as some physical problems are remedied it is thought that he will get in touch. It’s been too long.

Approval of last month’s minutes:

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| On the disbursements, ck # 1337 Voided | |
| ck # 1338 to NAWS for literature order | = \$ 110.50 |
| ck # 1339 Cash in, check out URMR donation from LFL grp. | = \$ 25.71 |
| Service charge | = \$ 6.00 |

Les F. moved and Willy O. 2nd the motion to accept the minutes as corrected above – carried unanimously.

Treasurer’s Beginning Balance: \$2,906.31

Serenity Break: 1:55 – 2:10 pm

Officers Reports:

Chair: Given and filed as follows:

Hello fellow A.S.C. members and guests,

I recently attended a workshop in Gillette were we discussed the first tradition & concept nine. The thing that I got out of the workshop is that we must set goals for ourselves so that we are working towards some solutions. I have addressed some things later on in sharing that we can talk about. I attended the Harvest Gathering last night & it was a success, as far as I could tell. Everyone had a good time & the speaker had a very strong message of recovery. I would like to thank every one that helped to put this on. As Richard M. noted at out last meeting, this will be his last month as Secretary. I personally would like to thank you for everything that you have brought to this committee. You have been as asset to this body & it has been a pleasure working with you. I would like to remind you all that it is important to know and understand the guidelines of this service body & to also know & understand the duties of our service positions. Thank you for allowing me to be of service for another year. The Chair’s account balance stands at \$100.00.

In loving service
Ray B

Vice-Chair: Given and filed as follows:

I was asked tot take our RCM report to region on 11/01/2008 in the absence of our RCM. And did so to the best of my ability. I took the two motions you asked, #1 that the original winning logo be reinstated. That motion passed. #2 that the geographical description of our region be changed back to the original wording including the parts of Nebraska that our region serves. That motion came to 5 yeah, 5 nay and 2 abstentions and was called a failed vote, after which we were asked to ask our area if it would be satisfied if it was simply added to the current description, “and the Panhandle of Nebraska.” So I am asking the GSRs take this question to their groups and return next month with their answers.

I was not provided a report to region so I quickly hand wrote to the best of my ability with the limited info I had on hand and it was presented by Mac [B.], our newly elected RCM2. Mac also collected from the executive committee and RCMs reports and notes, from which with Willie's aid, should have a more thorough and accurate report on the Nov. URMRS meeting.

I have some ideas that I will be bringing up during our sharing session on how I believe the region could better serve our areas so that there would be less occurrences of needing to address such things that I personally don't believe were even necessary such as the changing of the geographical description. It concerns with how and or when our motions are made and voted on.

I believe the new regional chair is doing a great job of getting the agenda out very soon and from that agenda motions that would be considered should be out soon enough that areas would be able to discuss them, since areas meet monthly and region about quarterly, prior to a vote called on a matter. This would allow our RCMs to carry our vote, not try to guess our vote on matters not of great importance.

ILS
Les F.

Treasurer: Absent w/ no report. Willie O. is in the process of reconciling our records with bank statements.

Secretary: Report given & filed as follows:

Hey all,

Weeeeee – according to our guidelines it's time for someone else to step up and help keep the area informed by taking notes, typing and distributing minutes and providing information whenever possible. If we cannot find a volunteer I can and will continue until we do. After almost three years I think I have almost got it down ;-).

I have a special form I use to take notes on and then templates to actually type them up with. I think both need a little updating, but nothing major. The key for me has been to encourage typed reports that make it easy to scan and include in the minutes. It also helps if I take legible minutes and try to get them typed as soon as possible so the memories are still fresh :-). Then it helps to also be the web servant as I can upload them when they are done. I have also gathered up all of the notes, reports and forms going back to January of 2007 – our hard copy archives. I just need to round up the 2006 stuff and it should be mostly complete along with the two boxes of stuff I was given when I started.

The contact and meeting lists have been updated with info taken off of the sign-in sheet as well as the group report forms and corrections given to me at the last meeting. If any of this info is illegible then the list won't be right so please print clearly. Also, everyone please check your information to make sure it is accurate and up to date. Because the contact list has more personal information on it, it will not be posted on the web site or anywhere else. Its purpose is for ease of communication among members of the area. It is intended for internal use only.

Again, thank you for typing up your reports. It does really makes it handy to scan in and insert into the minutes.

I am planning on turning over the full size laminator we purchased a few months back and the smaller one donated to the area last month to the Activities Chair so they can use them for the fundraisers and conventions and what have you.

Budget remains at \$125.

ILS
Richard M.

RCM: Given and filed as follows:

Hello Family,

It is good to see you all again. Last weekend I was unable to attend the region meeting as I was in New Orleans. Our RCM2 did fill in for me and I must thank him for doing an exceptional job.

There was a motion made to change the area [region??] guidelines back to include Nebraska. This vote failed with 5 for, 5 against, and 2 abstaining. It was mentioned that we add "Pan Handle [Panhandle] of Nebraska" next to "United State of Wyoming" and a vote is needed from this body on this issue.

The new rotation for URMRSK meetings have been scheduled as such: February (Central Wyoming), April (Central Basin), June (Western Wyoming), August (Wyo-Braska) and October (Freedom Seekers Area).

From a committee report from Delynda S. "Several members from this service body met after the last Regional Business meeting to address personal grievances brought by a member of our fellowship. The grievances were three in number: 1) Removal from Office without due cause or process. The ad-hoc committee approached this issue with the fellow addict in stating the time frame that had elapsed was extensive without seeing him in our regularly scheduled business meeting, and that this body moves forward instead of sitting on accomplishments we are striving to make. The regional body wanted the website up and running, and was able to accomplish this upon another stepping up to get it done. The member bringing the grievance was able to let this go after long discussion and explanation." (It was discussed at the meeting that the addict wanted a letter of integrity placed on the web site. Tommy O. will write a letter to the addict, but it will be a letter of his choosing.) 2) Failure to use submitted logo after approval by the URMRSK: Those in attendance at the ad-hoc meeting assured this member that attempts were made to contact him regarding the logo contest and the fact that his logo had won the contest. We did not hear back from him and he had made a decision that if we could not reach him by the next scheduled meeting then we would put the second place runner up logo into effect. The member seemed to understand our position on wanting to finally move this item off of the agenda. 3) Slanderous language in a report printed and published in regional minutes: The committee and member bringing the grievance both agreed this was more of a personal issue between two members and was best handled between them. No action was taken by the service body."

A new group in Lyman is meeting ("Clean and Serene") on Tuesday and Thursday at 8:00 pm. Jackson has a new group that meets at 5:30 on Wednesdays. The "Free at Last" group has closed the Thursday night meeting in Thane.

Wyoming Western Area learning day will be held in July and Rawlins and Saratoga are talking about hosting a function. More will be revealed. The next area WWA meeting will be held Dec. 6 in Evanston, WY in conjunction with the "Living Proof" group's 20th year annual birthday celebration. There will be Mexican food and a speaker and a raffle. We are also taking orders for shirts. This function will be held at the Beeman Cashin Building in Evanston at 10th and Front St.

Three new service pamphlets will be released this year as "Leadership," "The Benefits of Service" and "An Introduction to NA Meetings." Service IP "An Introduction to NA Meetings" was pulled from our shelves after distribution. With a few minor edits World Services is reporting that this piece will be ready for re-distribution in the near future. Also, revisions to the service IP "Service and the NA Member" are to possibly include a section on leadership. This project will include an overall assessment and revision of the book and also the addition of material to address long-term illness, current issues with medication and mental health issues in recovery. The draft will be released in early February of 2009 for a 90 day fellowship review and input period. Much discussion has taken place on revising "NA Groups and Medication" as well, however, with the "In Times of Illness" project under way, World Services has announced that "NA Groups and Medication" and bulletin #29 are sufficient pieces of information regarding medication for now.

Other workgroups and project news going on with World Services:

- Service System Workgroup
- Living Clean Workgroup
- Self Support Workgroup
- NA Way Workgroup

The World Service Office is calling for new submissions and updated information for the World Pool. The form for this is available on their web site at www.na.org or by calling or writing them.

Sixth edition "Basic Text" did become available on October 1, 2008, as well as the new Roman numeral medallions in bronze. A commemorative edition of the "Basic Text," 6th ed. to celebrate the book's 25th anniversary and triplate medallions will be available for purchase in November.

WCNA will be August 20th – 23rd and will be held in Barcelona, Spain.

November 8th Wyo-Braska area had another successful and enjoyable "Harvest Gathering" at LCCC in Cheyenne. This event, as you all know, was a fundraiser for the regional convention in May, 2009. The event raised \$441.00. Thank you all who supported this event.

As always, most area and regional events are posted on the regional and area web sites.

In Loving Service,

Willy O.

Mac B.

RCM 2: See above.

Group Reports:

On Life's Terms:

Concerns: Trying to reorganize (group conscience timing, budget, literature, & donations to area, region etc.

Elected secretary & GSRA.

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: 0 Other: None

Clean & Free:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: 0 Other: None

Vision of Hope:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$20.00 Other: None

Saturday Nite Live:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: 0 Other: None

Clean & Serene:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$15.00 Other: None

Live from Laramie:

Concerns: None

Needs: None

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: 0 Other: None

Free Bird:

Concerns: None

Needs: People to support service.

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: \$20.00 Other: None

Staying Clean in Sidney:

Concerns: Via phone w/ Vice-Chair – Since the Sidney drug court shut down there has been a drop in attendance. The GSR is indisposed and unable to attend area meetings and the GSRA (Tara, the former GSR) can't attend either due to ongoing issues within her family. They do want to continue being a part of the area, but need to bow out of the regular hosting rotation this time.

Needs: Members, support, more members and did I mention support??

Votes and /or motions: None

7th Tradition: 0 Other: None

Sub-Committee reports:

Activities: Submitted and filed as follows:

There is not much to report as the only activity was a convention fundraiser, I will leave the reporting of that to Mistie, as she organized the event.

This subcommittee will meet with the E & F Chair of the convention to organize the next combined event hopefully targeting New Year's Eve. The thought on the theme for the event is a 70s theme.

Other ideas for the year range from a Valentine party, to picnics, and a possible "Get to Know Your Area Service Committee" forum.

As this year's convention is hosted by our area, my intent is to not over tax the area's members with multiple events as it is my belief that it will drain the committee of resources needed for the convention. What I mean by this is that I do not want to over tax our general members in energy and resources that can better served by putting on one heck of a 10 year anniversary of the convention. Until the convention is over I believe that New Year's and Valentine's day will be the only events scheduled.

JFT
Gail W.
WBASC Activities Chair

UD: vacant

PR: Given and filed as follows:

Howdy,

There is still a desire for volunteers for the jail meetings in Albany and Laramie county jails. I have been in e-mail contact with a corporal at the Albany county jail who will give me an inventory of NA literature in the facility. I have been told there is little or none right now, but Corporal Wilken is going to try and give me specifics next week.

I have an order for pamphlets to be made available at the PI panel at Carey Junior High in Cheyenne next month. The dates for that will be December 15 and 16 (that's a Monday and Tuesday. We will need several volunteers for this two day panel. It will begin at about 8 in the morning with a lunch break at noon and the day ends around 2:30. Interested volunteers can contact either me or Gail W. At least five people for each day would be great. If you can only make it for a few hours that would help, you don't have to stay the whole day.

Thank you much

Rory G.

H&I component: See above.

PI component: See above.

Phoneline: A few updates to meetings is needed otherwise all is well

Web site: Given and filed as follows:

Hey All,

General – The online meeting list and the printable Fall 2008 meeting list are both updated. Please check them to make sure they are accurate. Information is taken from the group report forms so if these are inaccurate the web site will be inaccurate. The minutes and guidelines are all available also.

Remember, GSRs can download their motion, disbursement and report forms from the “Archives” page on our web site.

NOTE: In order to open these PDF files the Adobe Reader 5.0 or greater is needed. Version 4.0 will **not** open them.

I received a couple of e-mails requesting reciprocal web site linking. However, both were not official NA web sites so I cannot add their links to our site as outlined in NAWS bulletins and our web site guidelines. We cannot prevent others from linking to us – we just can't link to them unless they are NA and comply with tradition guidelines.

Remember, if I get the info . . . I will post it if appropriate.

Technical – Last month we had 1192 hits and this month we show a total of 1646 or 454 hits for the month. This is down slightly from the previous 4 months when we had 500 plus for 3 and 600 plus for one month.

I have started planning the format and content for an instructional CD so others will have a means to keep the web site updated should I be unable to or a new volunteer is appointed.

FINANCIAL: All fees paid for through September 2009

And finally, “. . . *wherever we go, we always represent NA to some degree. If we are seen acting poorly while we prominently display an NA logo, . . . we carry a distinctly unattractive message . . .*”

“It Works: How and Why”, Tradition 11, pg. 206.

In Loving Service,
Richard M.

Literature: Mistie W. reported sales of \$125.56 and a transfer of \$11.22 in pamphlets to the PR committee. No 3% going into the general fund as she is ordering 10 more sixth edition “Basic Texts.” Total order is \$167.75. Lookin' good! Thank you Mistie.

Break: 2:45 – 3:00 pm

Sharing Session:

- 1) What do the groups need from the Area Service Committee? How can we [the ASC] help create unity?
- 2) Les elaborates on the time lapse in motions made at the region and sent back to areas or groups via the area for consideration. In essence, the different service bodies ought to be allowed to decide matters through the trusted servants we elect without the matter having to go back to another body. For instance, once groups or areas donate funds to the region the region should be able and trusted to use those funds appropriately without having to ask groups and areas first. Several principles from the *Twelve Concepts for NA Service* relate to this delegating of authority – in particularly number three. However, it was pointed out that concept two states that “*The final responsibility and authority for NA services rests with the NA groups.*”
- 3) What about RCMs only voting on money matters at the regional level? One member felt that the executive

committee should be the only ones who vote on money matters since areas, thru the RCMs, have voted on and donated these funds to the region. They have effectively relinquished control over them. Maybe they should just let go of the funds and allow the region to do it's job.

- 4) Regional grievance ad-hoc committee: Les F. questioned the process for forming this committee believing that it would have been better had the chair appointed all RCMs to sit on the committee. Further it wasn't clear if the grievances were handled or resolved adequately.
- 5) Treasurer and deposits. A member informed us that a check written to the area in June was not deposited and hence not submitted for remittance until October well after the account the check was originally drawn on had been closed. Our guidelines explicitly state that all funds, including checks, are to be deposited within five days. In most cases, checks are no longer redeemable after 90 days. The member has paid the fees but cautions and urges us to be more diligent with our deposits to avoid any future problems.

Old Business:

- 1) URMIR logo. The original winning logo design has been reinstated.
- 2) As reported, the Panhandle of Nebraska will most likely be added to the region guidelines.

New Business:

Motions ~ None

Elections ~

Secretary – no volunteers nor nominations. Current secretary to fill in until one is elected. Tabled.

Treasurer up for election next meeting. Everyone please check your groups for volunteers.

Disbursements:

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| Ck # 1342 – Quest | \$ 13.44 |
| Ck # 1343 – Voided | |
| Ck # 1344 – Post Master for annual PO Box fee | \$ 54.00 |
| Ck # 1345 – Mac B. travel to region meeting | \$153.00 |
| Ck # 1346 – NAWS for literature order | \$167.75 |
| Transferred \$11.22 from PR to literature for pamphlets to the Carey panels. | |

Will postpone NAWS donation until treasury straightened out next month.

Closing Treasury balance: \$2,720.68

Area 7th Tradition of **\$22.00** to C&S

Adjourned at 4:00 pm

Next mtg: December 14, 2008 – 1pm @ 1215 Gibbon St., Laramie, WY

WBASC/rlm