

**ARKANSAS REGIONAL SERVICE
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

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OPENING:

Billy B. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.
 Doug H. read the 12 traditions.
 Davia W. read the 12 concepts of service
 “TP” read the first two paragraphs of tradition 2
 “LD” read our Purpose and Definition

ROLL CALL:

Arkansas River Valley Area	“TP” (RCM Alt)	Present	_____
Central Arkansas Area	Jennifer N., (RCM)	Present	_____
Clean and Serene Group	David B. (GSR)	Present	_____
Cope Without Dope Group	“LD” (GSR)	Present	_____
Foothills Unity Area	Davia W. (RCM)	Present	_____
Genesis Group	Walter S, (GSR Alt)	Present	_____
Northeast Arkansas Area	Jenny W. (RCM)	Present	_____
Northwest Arkansas Area	Mickey W (RCM)	Present	_____
Texarkana Area	Jackie H. (RCM)	Present	_____
RD	Bill L.	Present	_____
RDA	*	VACANT	_____
RSC Chair	Billy B.	Present	_____
RSC Vice Chair	Laura C.	Absent (1 st) prearranged	_____
RSC Secretary	Barb H.	Present	_____
RSC Treasurer	Valerie Mc.	Present	_____
Activities Chair	David B.	Present	_____
H & I Chair	Jackie H.	Present	_____
Literature Chair	Tim A.	Present	_____
Outreach Chair	Maili K.	Absent(1 st) prearranged	_____
PI Chair	*	VACANT	_____
Phoneline Chair	Doug H.	Present	_____
Webmaster	Valerie Mc.	Present	_____

Alternatives and Other Representatives:

Jeff W. Foothills Unity Group RCM Alt.
 Larry W. Northeast AR Alt.

SECRETARY REPORT:

Motion: to read secretaries report, old and new business, open sharing and elections with out service resumes.

Passed through consensus.

Clarification: The secretary had questions regarding 2 reports from the previous RSC. 1) Genesis group report: The place mentioned was Denby Point not Damby as listed in the minutes; no other clarification from this report was available. 2) Due to the Outreach chairpersons absence we were not able to get clarification on that report.

Additional information reported by the secretary: Under Correspondence report it stated that bank statements would be sent out to those committee members who received their minutes by e-mail, however, to save money, copies were brought to the regional meeting instead. Very few of the copies were picked up so in the future,

rather than spending our regional funds to make copies of the bank statements I will have the originals with me at the RSC's and available for anyone who would like to look at them.

I received \$60.00 at the last RSC for Copies and postage. I turned in receipts for \$60.98. \$48.98 went to pay for copies. The printer made me double the amount of copies I had requested so we now have a credit at Passmore Printing in Jonesboro for \$24.49. I also spent \$12.00 in postage to complete mailings.

At the end of the meeting Valerie and I discovered an error in the Ending Treasurers Report. The report was as follows:

Beginning balance	\$189.19
Income	\$1259.82
Expenses (budgeted)	\$712.40
Expenses (non-budgeted)	\$0.0
Ending Balance	\$531.61

But should have been:

Beginning balance	\$189.19
Income	\$1259.82
Expenses (budgeted)	\$912.40
Expenses (non-budgeted)	\$0.0
Ending Balance	\$536.61

This was a typing error on my part and Valerie's treasurer's report that was submitted in the minutes is accurate.

Correspondence Report:

- Received the Bank statements from Val for June. A copy will be attached to all reports mailed out. A copy will be available for review at the next RSC for all others.

TREASURER INITIAL REPORT:

Ending balance	\$536.61
Income	\$300.00
Expenses	\$82.00
Beginning balance	\$754.61

See attached Treasurer's report for complete details.

RD/RDA REPORT:

See Attachment

AREA/GROUP REPORTS:

ARVANA

Hi Family,

At this time our area has no demands on the Region.

I have several checks with me for the region, a \$100.00 donation to the region from our area. A \$200.00 donation to the region from my home group the Grateful Heads. Also a \$100 donation to the region from the Grateful Heads for group starter packets only.

We would like to thank Northeast Arkansas Area for hosting the Regional weekend, which I enjoyed to be a part of again. Sorry for my absence but do to a personal life and a job change this is how it may be.

Our Area is hosting a Toga Party August 23rd at Straight Forward group, Corner of 9th and B, Fort Smith AR.
--Thank You, In loving service, TP.

Central Arkansas Area

Hello Family!

Central Arkansas is alive and well. Our meetings are doing well and flourishing right now. Recovery in the Daylight now has a noon meeting everyday of the week at Recovery Central on 9th Street. Our annual convention is coming up in two weeks; the dates are August 8th, 9th, and 10th. The convention will be held at the West Little Rock Holiday Inn on the corner of Markham and Shackelford. Pre-registration is still going through July 31st. Please come join us for fun and recovery. The activities committee will be holding our annual softball tournament. It will be on September 6th at Bennie Craig Park starting at 10:00 am. Bring a team and come beat us. The Petit Jean campout will be October 3rd, 4th, and 5th at the Lutheran Campgrounds; Registration will be \$20.00 for the weekend and \$15.00 for one night, whether you stay in a cabin or a tent. Cabins are on a first come basis. Children under 10 are free. Come and join us at the mountain for some recovery. Flyers for these events will be coming soon. I have good news. Today, I have a donation from our Area to the Region. Yeah! If you have any questions about anything going on in Central Arkansas Area, please get with me.

--ILS, Jennifer N.

Clean and Serene

Dear Family,

As a family we are alive and as such going through ups and downs, but lately we have been growing. This is good.

Our groups annual function is now very close and we hope that all who can will show up; August 29th, 30th, 31st, and September 1st. We are still taking meetings into the local treatment center and transporting clients to our Tuesday night study meetings. Some of the clients have been getting out and sticking around, this is as a result of our continuing commitment to H&I work.

--In service loving it, David B. GSR C&S

Cope Without Dope

Hello Family,

My name is LD. I would like to start by thanking Northeast Area for their hospitality and hosting this weekend. CWOD group is doing well. We had a bar-b-que on the 4th that went well, we really had a good time. We have had several b-days since the last RSC; Donnie-1 yr, Jamie-2 yrs, LD-2-yrs, Jean-18 months. At our last business meeting we had a real turn around on some funds. Therefore, we were able to donate \$300.00 to Region and \$300.00 to World. We also talked about some concerns about Region being more responsible with their spending and being steadier with our donations. However my group is really glad and looking forward to the revised Treasurers report. I feel like we really got past some barriers within our group and their finances.

--Thank you for letting me serve, L.D., GSR-CWOD group

Foothills Unity Area

Hello Family,

I would like to express my gratitude to NEA for the hospitality, having lived in this area it was truly like coming home to family.

Foothills Unity Area is alive and well continuing to carry the message of recovery.

We are experiencing trouble at the Area level with trusted servants, but I am sure more will be revealed. We "as an Area" don't have current signature people on the checking account so I don't have the donation that was voted on, but it will be forthcoming. Recovery Connection has sent \$50.00 donation from the home group level, having voted to bypass Area just this once.

Recovery Connection continues to meet every night at 7:30 at 510 Elm in Searcy. Ties that bind meet Mondays and Fridays at St. Pauls Methodist Church at 7:30.

Our H&I is still strong, taking a meeting panel into the local treatment facility "Wilber Mills every other Friday at 6:00pm. If anyone on this committee is in the Area on Fridays, contact Jeff W. (phone is in the minutes) we would like to have the benefit of your experience, strength and hope.

We have celebrated multiple birthdays since last RSC proof that the program works.

Recovery Connection held a dance at the Carmichael Community Center on June 28th. We celebrated the birthday of Narcotics Anonymous. A good time was had by all.

We look forward to hosting the RSC September 27th and 28th it will be held at the Recovery Connection location. I'm sorry that I have no flyers at this time but I will get them mailed out ASAP. We are planning to have a "Night Volleyball" activity to encourage Regional fun and unity.

I would like to ask for thoughts and prayers for David C., he was injured in a job related accident and is currently in the Hospital., Hp works when we ask.

In closing I would like to say that I am once again humbled and grateful for the chance to serve this fellowship.
--In Loving Service, Davia – Foothills Unity Area, RCM

Genesis Group

Hello Arkansas region,

As in the Fellowship as a whole, recovery and relapse are alive and well at Genesis. Our new building is still working out well. Our new activities chair (Jimmy Mac) is preparing for our Denby Point Campout on Labor Day weekend.

Also we have a banner contest going on right now. Budding artists and former hallucinogenic substance abusers are hard at work as we speak.

Since we are responsible for the potluck at the Unity Campout the wanna be cooks are irritating those of us that are real cooks.

Our "H&I" presentation at the Dunston Center in Mt. IDA is continuing and evidently going well. Out PI interim chair (Diana D.) is preparing the committee for a presentation to the court system (family and municipal).
__Just another day in NA, Thanks, Walter S.

Northeast Arkansas Area

Northeast Arkansas Area and Greene County Clean Air – Green County has been moving along great. We now have 6 meetings a week and had 5 birthdays last night. NEA is very honored to have the privilege to host Region this weekend. Our auction and 50/50 provided some success and we are able to donate 296.75 to Region.

The Leachville group is up and going strong. Members of our group have attended this meeting. They have an excellent facility and lots of good recovery.

Paragould GSR and myself have consistently attended Walnut Ridge group. Several members have regularly caused disruption via phone use during meetings, war stories, we met with their GSR and an immediate solution to this problem is underway.

Rock bottom group in Jonesboro is up and running, this information has been learned from Paragould group meetings.

--Jenny W- RCM

Northwest Arkansas Area

Hey everybody my name is Mickey W. and I am an addict and this is my first time region as an RCM.

I was H&I Chair over the past year and stepped down and accepted this position.

While serving as H&I we started a new meeting at the VA Hospital in Fayetteville, and still chair it on Monday nights at 6:00, as well as starting jail meeting in Carroll County every Wednesday night which we actually started a little over 2 years ago and it is still going well.

We have several service positions open but the good news is we have people with 1-2 years showing interest in service.

The Primary Purpose group was asked to look at locations for Beaver Roundup 2004 and Lake Leatherwood is excited at the possibility of us returning there, after meeting with their director.

Area assembly was held in Eureka Springs July 12th and following that Final Frontier hosted a 50's sock hop immediately after their regularly scheduled meeting along with a covered dish dinner and raffle, which Mickey W. won from Eureka Springs, Primary Purpose group which helped pay the price of coming to Paragould.

Final Frontier is hosting the first annual Formal Occasion, Speaker meeting, Dinner, and Dance at the Clarion Inn of Fayetteville, October 18th dinner 6-7pm, speaker 7-8pm, and dance from 8-whenever.

Fact group of Siloam Springs has started a speaker meeting Thursday night at 8 and will be hosting a cookout and swim, their second annual, August 9th. For more information contact them at [PHONE# SUPPRESSED].

Harrison has started a new regular meeting behind the Dairy Queen at the College Room M 305, at Interstate 62 and 412. The new Harrison group is looking forward to joining our Area when the time period as a group is met.

The New Life group that meets at the Alanoe building in Fayetteville has started a Wednesday night Candlelight meeting at 7pm.

The Primary Purpose group who has captured all but one of the flags recently returned Living Cleans flag because they have new willing members that were not aware they had a flag it was gone so long! And maybe rekindle the incentive to get out and visit other groups.

Northwest area has a new web page that's very interesting, with some history, slogans, and many other points of interest. September 6th there will be a meeting at Final Frontier concerning hosting the phone line that will coincide with their regularly scheduled meeting at 810 Douglas Street, St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church at 7:30.

The Northwest Area has donations of 527.84 and donations from auction of NA key tag box of \$80.00.

In closing, we of the Northwest Arkansas Area would like to express our gratitude for the courtesy shown us by the Arkansas Region.

--Thank you sincerely, Mickey W. RCM

Texarkana

Greetings Family,

We are recovering from the loss of our trophy at our annual Sports Invitational to a group from Fort Worth and are looking forward to being challenged with volleyball and our swimming relays during our Bust-a Move on August 16 (flyers available). As always, we will be awarding the winner of our cooking contest at that event with a free registration complete with its banquet ticket for our great February TACNA XX convention, again at the Four Seasons Sheraton, Stateline Avenue (aka Hwy 71) and I-30. Of course, all attendees will assist in eating the evidence of that contest which proves to be quite a fringe benefit. The suggested donation for Bust-a- Move is \$5.00.

The Texas Department of Corrections has decided not to allow twelve step recovery programs or other activities, which would utilize a counselor. We received much of our literature which we had previously donated over the years back from the Barry Telford Unit at New Boston TX, where we have been conducting H&I meetings since it's opening. We are very concerned about this decision, but have redistributed that literature among other H&I activities as well as outreach and other groups not a part of our Area. As concerned as we are about this situation, we are thankful to receive it, for we recognize it could well have been discarded as with any rehabilitation programs.

We are bringing our donation of \$100.00 to the Region. We know of no need for assistance from the Region at this time.

--In loving service, Jackie H./John C.

STANDING SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative Committee

Chair – Billy B, Vice Chair – Absent, RD Bill L., RDA – Vacant, Treasurer - Valerie Mc., Secretary – Barb H.

- 1) Two problems were brought to our attention: 1) Due to our subcommittee/ADHOC meetings running over schedule this morning, the budget committee ADHOC did not have a chance to meet. 2) Both of the ADHOC committees were lumped together into the same time frame, which again did not allow for the 2nd ADHOC committee to meet. The first and most obvious solution is to remind subcommittee chairs that they need to start and end their meetings on time. The other solution presented by this committee is that when an ADHOC committee is formed the chairperson needs to take time to add the committee to the schedule for the next RSC. If there is more than one ADHOC Committee there should be time allotted for each one individually. The budget ADHOC committee will meet on September 20th at 1:00 at Valerie Mc.'s house.
- 2) There was some concern about what constitutes an absence at the RSC. One of the Subcommittee chairs had to leave the RSC weekend early due to a family emergency and expressed concerns about being marked absent in the minutes. The committee determined that it is the responsibility of the Sub-committee chair to notify one of the Administrative committee members of an expected absence, and the administrative committees responsibility to communicate all absences with each other. Therefore, in the future, during our Administrative committee meeting we will make it a point to discuss any attendance related issues.

- 3) Bill will continue to work with the RSC to help tabulate the results of the Regional Assembly Questionnaires as they come in and, once they are all in, help the Region formulate the structure.
- 4) It seems that groups and areas may be having some difficulty understanding our treasurer's report/budget. We are unsure at which point the confusion starts or to what degree it exists, but we want to encourage GSR's and RCM's to be sure that they understand how to read the reports and the difference between the treasurers report and the budget prior to taking information back to your groups. If you have questions about the treasure's report or budget please ask.
- 5) Reports and Service resumes must be submitted in writing or they will not be in the minutes.
- 6) Treasurer's requests need to be in to the treasurer ASAP to allow time to get checks written.
- 7) New motions MUST be submitted to the administrative committee prior to lunchtime so that the committee has time to review them.
- 8) Please remember that this body voted to make sure there was a room for the Administrative Committee to meet so that other committee members who are waiting for the business meeting to start do not have to wait out in the weather.

Activities

Dear Family,

We now have a calendar for activities for this year and will at next Regions have one for 2004.

The Unity Campout is still progressing even if slowly on this end. I am sure that all will be as is needed. If anyone has any questions or needs information please phone me at [PHONE# SUPPRESSED].

Also please call back and forth to each other to get direct answers.

Our campout will be located at the Shiloh Park on October 17th, 18th, and 19th and as was decided at the activities meeting following is a list of responsibilities as chosen:

ARVANA	Entertainment
Central	Registration
Clean and Serene	Auction
CWOD	Flyers
Foothills	Merchandising
NEA	Workshops
NWA	Hospitality
Genesis	Potluck Dinner
Texarkana	Speakers

I would like to thank all those that have taken the time to serve on this committee, and I would like to encourage all the Area and Loner groups to continue on. Tradition five is our Stock and trade and the unity of all is a main cornerstone.

--Loving You ALL, David B. - Activities Chair

Hospitals and Institutions

Hello Family,

H&I is fine in the Texarkana Area.

We are still meeting in our regular places. We have added to our H&I meeting list a every other Friday volunteer speaker 2:00pm meeting at the Department of Community Punishment Center. Point of contact Billy B. We also support a volunteer speaker Sunday meeting at River Ridge Treatment Center at 7:00pm. Point of contact is Jackie H.

As your H&I chair I would like a meeting list of all H&I functions within your areas.

Thank you for such a great job in your H&I areas. Great job service workers.

Remembering all H&I service work requires 90 days clean and we must follow all rules of your H&I institutions, there will be a H&I workshop August 9th 2003 at 1:00pm at 919 Hobson, Hot Springs AR. Point of contact is Charlie M. [PHONE# SUPPRESSED].

I also have a H&I handbook for Jeff W.

Texarkana H&I meeting list:

Monday:	Living Hope Arkansas Blvd. 7-8:00pm
Wednesday:	River Ridge Treatment Center Stateline and Hwy 71 North

Thursday: 6:30-8:00pm FCI Leopard Dr Liberty Eylau point of contact Kenneth N.
Need no help from region at this time.
--In Living Service, Jackie H.
Home Phone [PHONE# SUPPRESSED]
Work Phone [PHONE# SUPPRESSED]
Mailing address - [ADDRESS SUPPRESSED]
Home address – [ADDRESS SUPPRESSED]

H&I AREA MEETING LIST

Clean and Serene
Monday 8:00pm
OMART Treatment Center
Contact David B. [PHONE# SUPPRESSED]

VA-Fayetteville AR - Primary Purpose
Monday 6:00pm
North College at VA Hospital
Eureka Springs AR 72632
Contact Mickey W. [PHONE# SUPPRESSED]

Carroll County Jail – Primary purpose
Wednesday 6:00pm
Berryville AR
Contact Betty E. [PHONE# SUPPRESSED]

NEA Regional Recovery Center - CWOD
Wednesday 7:00pm
Jonesboro, AR
Contact LD [PHONE# SUPPRESSED]

Willber D. Mills Recovery Center – Foothills Unity group
6:00pm Friday
Searcy, AR
Contact Jeff W. [PHONE# SUPPRESSED]

Mt. Ida Denstm, Center – Genesis Group
Tuesday 8:00pm
Hot Springs AR
Contact Charlie M [PHONE# SUPPRESSED]

Sobering Center – Little Rock
Every other Wednesday

Bridgeway Recovery Center
Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday

Literature

Hello Family,

Final Report

I would like to thank everyone for letting me serve as the Arkansas regional Lit. Chair. It has been a very rewarding part of my recovery and I look forward to continuing serving the Region in my next capacity.

The 20th Anniversary edition of the Basic Text is now out. 15,000 copies were made ??? “Just for Today”, “Basic Text”, “How and Why” and “Step Working Guide” are also out. We are getting closer to seeing the final draft of the “Sponsorship Book”. It is now due out in this years CAR, due out in November.

This past year was full of great things for literature. WSO did a poll on the Basic Text. Results shown that the fellowship did not want to make any changes to the first half of the book., and a few changes to the stories. Also no changes will be made to the little white booklet. Sponsorship book review material was made available . The Arkansas Region conducted a workshop on this material in December of 2002. Southern California Lit. committee sent us copies of their IP titled :Freedom From Prejudice”. It is posted on our website.

The only money that was spent out of budget was for copies of the Sponsorship Book review material. This cost was below \$15.00 (sorry don’t remember actual cost).

Again thanks for letting me serve.

--Tim A. – Outgoing Literature Chair

**Secretaries note: ??? indicates inability to read what was written on the report.

Outreach

Billy B., Chairperson, held the meeting in the absence of the Outreach Committee chair. As of 7/26/03 we have 4 starter kits and 4 sets of readings. A starter kit was sent to Harrison and a set of readings to Pocahontas. If more information is needed, contact Maili K.

--In loving service, Billy B. -Regional Chair Person

Phoneline

Family,

As reported in the subcommittee meeting yesterday, we have a need to change our carrier. It came to light with the June 15th bill that due to the move of “our Message Center” to the Texas side of Texarkana, calls made from Arkansas are now State to State. This increased our calls from .17 cents a minute to .36 cents per minute. To make a long story short after some footwork by Valerie we have been given a quote by MCI that would charge us 6.9 cents per minute. This is 11.2 cents a minute less than the best quote we got from AT&T and 2.5 cents per minute lower than Sprint. The 6.9 cents per minute is for in State and State to State. International calls are 53 cents per minute or 63 cents per minute depending on day and time of call. I will be submitting a motion to change carriers from AT&T to MCI in New Business.

We have set September 13th as Regional Phoneline flyer day. We are asking all areas and Loner groups to post our 800# flyer around their communities on that day. Please remember some basic rules; Don’t go out alone (work in pairs or more), always ask permission before posting flyers, act appropriately (you are representing narcotics anonymous), and have some fun with it.

We will be holding a Phoneline workshop in Fayetteville on September 6th (specifics forthcoming). Anyone who wishes to become eligible to be on the Regional Phoneline patch list for you home group should attend. If you are unable to attend, don’t worry these workshops will be ongoing and rotate throughout the State.

--In loving service, Doug H. - Phoneline Chair

Public Information

Greetings Family,

We had a short meeting of the PI committee. I received a mailing (addressed to me as the RD) from the World Service Office. I had reported that September was labeled as the official Drug Awareness Month (or something close to that). The Official wording is (for the 14th time) the ***National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month*** (or Recovery Month for short). In the mailing, there are several materials that can be used to further our fellowships PI efforts in conjunction with state and local governments (as well as public meetings and schools). This is the first time that *Narcotics Anonymous* has been listed as an official additional resource in these efforts. This means as we approach individuals, or groups, with our PI efforts, we can use this information as a door opener (letting people know that we have been recognized by the US Government as a viable source for recovery from addiction). There are a few letters in the mailing, as well as several documents to be used for mailings and/or presentations (as well as background information).

President Bush has said that this is a top priority issue for him. He has pledged \$1.6 Billion increase in

funding for substance abuse treatment over the next 5 years. In the president's 2003 *State of the Union* address he was quoted as saying, "Addiction crowds our friendship, ambition, moral conviction, and reduces all the richness of life to a single destructive desire. For those who are addicted, the fight against drugs is a fight for their own lives." He also said, "Our nation is blessed with recovery programs that do amazing work...Let us bring to all Americans who struggle with drug addiction this message of hope: The miracle of recovery is possible, and it could be you." The president has also proposed a new three-year, \$600 million initiative that will assist people who cannot afford treatment.

The information, in this mailer, was too vast to copy and include with the minutes. The mailer I received is titled (on the outside) as *Join the Voices for Recovery: Celebrating Health*. You can get free copies of the "Recovery Month" kit by calling 800-729-6686 or 301-468-2600 (or TDD # 800-487-4889). You can also order online (or download the files in .pdf format) at <http://www.recoverymonth.gov/2003/>. I will check with our Regional Web Master to see if these files can be uploaded to the Arkansas Region of Narcotics Anonymous Web Site at <http://arscna.org>.

--In Loving Service, Bill L, RD

Webmaster

See attached Report

ADHOC Committee For Regional Reorganization

We had Bill L. do some looking with other Regions and get some feedback just to see where we might improve.

What we came up with on the 19th of July was that we would like to continue rotation, go to quarterly meetings. The months that we have chosen are February, May, August and November. We would meet on the first weekend of each scheduled month and we would like to begin in February of 2004.

We are also proposing restructuring of the agenda/schedule:

Saturday:	Sunday:
Secretary Report	Sub-Committees continued (if needed)
RD/RDA Report	Old Business continued (if needed)
Treasurer Report	Lunch
Area & Loner Group Reports	New Business
Lunch	
Old Business	
Open Sharing	
Sub-Committees	

On Workshop weekends the agenda would just start later, following completion of the workshop.

During discussion it was brought up that the ADHOC committee would need to meet at least one more time prior to a final proposal and motion to take this back to groups. Implementation would require numerous guideline changes as listed:

- Rotation of meetings (page 4) - 3, 4, and 5
- Meeting format (page 6)
- Election of officers - 1 and 2
- Administrative committee
- Duties, responsibilities, and qualifications: Administrative officers Treasurer guidelines (page 17)– 1
- Activities committee (page 21) – I
- Arkansas Regional Unity Campout Responsibility Checklist: merchandising (page 23) – 8
- Hospitals and Institutions (page 25) - Hospitals and Institutions committee budget
- Literature (page 25) - Literature committee budget
- Outreach
 - A. (page 25) - Regional meeting lists should include the following items: Update Criteria
 - B. (page 26) – Outreach budget
- Phoneline (page 27) – Phoneline budget
- Public Information (page 27) – PI budget
- Appendix A (page 28) – Trusted servant fill dates

The next ADHOC for Regional re-organization will be held on September 20th 2003 at 10:00 am, at Valerie Mc's house in Yellville, AR. For more information contact LD, Maili, or Valerie for directions.

ADHOC Committee For Budget Review

Time ran out before this committee had a chance to meet. A meeting was held on July 19th in Jonesboro, AR. The next meeting will be held on September 20th 2003 at 1:00 pm in Yellville at Valerie Mc's house. For information and directions contact Valerie Mc, Doug H or David B.

OPEN SHARING:

Motion: was made to hold open sharing to 20 minutes. **Passed through consensus.**

- 1) Bill let the committee know that 2 of the motions in new business included guideline changes:
 - A. The first one would include the "flow chart" from the packet on "Consensus Based Decision Making" to our guidelines.
 - B. The second will be to add back into our guidelines a stipulation regarding "dead horse" issues stating that once something has been voted on it cannot be brought back up for 6 months.
- 2) We discussed not scheduling functions on top of each other within our region. It was suggested that prior to setting a date for any event that the Area/group Activities chair or appointee check the Regional Website or call the Phoneline to avoid duplicate scheduling.
- 3) Bill reminded RCM's and GSR's to get Regional Assembly Questionnaires back to the Region, again.

Open sharing ended on time.

OLD BUSINESS

None

ELECTIONS

Motion: was made to wave the reading of each job duty unless specifically requested. **Passed through consensus.**

REGIONAL DELEGATE (RD):

Nominations closed last RSC with Tim A. as sole nominee.

Vote of Acclamation failed. Floor opened for discussion. Ballot vote taken. Nominee failed to receive a 2/3rds majority vote. Nominations reopened. Tim A. willingly remains nominated. No further nominations. Nominations remain open.

SERVICE RESUME:

- *Previous service commitments completed:*
Special Activities SFG 1 year; Convention committee – ARVANA 2 Years; Area secretary – ARVANA 1 year; Area Vice Chair – NWA 1 year; H&I member 1 and 1/2 years.
- *Other current service commitments:*
Regional Literature Chair, Home group member, Area member
- *Service positions vacated by resignation or impeachment (and possibly why):*
Area Vice Chair – NWA resigned after 1 year due to changes in the Area
- *Experience in area of service for which nominated:*
1 and 1/2 years of Regional service
- *Clean Date:* 4/27/97
- *Why nominee can and wants to serve the fellowship:*
Further relationship with God of my understanding, Narcotics Anonymous, fellow addict. To better carry the message of Recovery to addicts who need it and want it.

No further nominations. Nominations are now re-opened.

REGIONAL DELEGATE ALTERNATE (RDA): There were no nomination for RD Alt. Nominations remain open.

CHAIRPERSON: Laura C. was nominated from the floor at the last RSC. There were no new nominations

SERVICE RESUME:

- *Previous service commitments completed:*
RCM of Central Ark Area; GSR and Alt GSR; Sec.; Treas. of recovery Connection; GSR and Alt GSR; Sec; & Treas. Of Spiritual Ideals; Vice Chair of ARSCNA
- *Other current service commitments:*
Vice Chair
- *Service positions vacated by resignation or impeachment (and possibly why):*
Resigned from Vice Chair in 94 and treas. Of Recovery Connection in 94
- *Experience in area of service for which nominated:*
Vice Chair
- *Clean Date:* 10/28/95
- *Why nominee can and wants to serve the fellowship:*
Help still suffering addict
- No further nominations. Nominations are now closed.

VICE CHAIRPERSON: Davia W. was nominated from the floor at the last RSC. There were no new nominations

SERVICE RESUME:

- *Previous service commitments completed:*
Group H&I panel member (Central); RCM Alt of Northeast Ark Area; RCM Northeast Ark Area; panel member Foothills H&I; RCM Alt Foothills Area; RCM Foothills Area; Home group Chair Central Area, Northeast Ark Area and Foothills Unity Area
- *Other current service commitments:*
Activities Treasurer Foothills Unity Area; RCM Foothills Unity Area; Group member
- *Service positions vacated by resignation or impeachment (and possibly why):*
None
- *Experience in area of service for which nominated:*
I have experience in conducting group and Area meetings. I feel I can grow closer to my HP by learning and participating in service.
- *Clean Date:* 7/19/97
- *Why nominee can and wants to serve the fellowship:*
Staying active in service, helps me stay connected to my HP and the experience strength and hope of my fellow addicts.
- No further nominations. Nominations are now closed.

(RSC) SECRETARY: Barb H. was nominated from the floor at the last RSC. There were no new nominations

SERVICE RESUME:

- *Previous service commitments completed:*
2 x 1 year home group chair - Sunday night candlelight; 1 x 1 year group chair - Wednesday Freedom group; 2 year ASR; 1 year Corresponding Secretary - Region; interim/temporary Area Treasurer; fill-in home group chair when needed; volunteer on committees/functions/Phoneline.
- *Other current service commitments:*
Sponsorship, Phoneline, no other.
- *Service positions vacated by resignation or impeachment (and possibly why):*
None.
- *Experience in area of service for which nominated:*
Computer skills can use word processing programs, experience-writing reports, fairly organized.
- *Clean Date:* 09-15-86
- *Why nominee can and wants to serve the fellowship:*

I want to be of service.

No further nominations. Nominations are now closed.

TREASURER: Valerie Mc. was nominated from the floor at the last RSC. There were no new nominations

SERVICE RESUME:

- *Previous service commitments completed:*
Group: GSR, GSR Alt, Meeting place Liaison, Chair and Secretary of several ad hoc committees, H&I Panel Coordinator, H&I Panel Leader, Treasurer, Newcomer Packet Coordinator, Chip Chair (interim position) Literature Chair (interim position), Public Information Chair.
Area: Vice Chair, Chair, H&I Panel Coordinator, H&I Vice Chair, Chair and Secretary of several Ad hoc committees, Tee Shirt Sales Coordinator, Meeting List Coordinator, Treasurer Pro tem.
Region: Vice Chair, Chair, Activities Chair, Activities Treasurer, Treasurer, Phonenumber Chair, Webmaster
- *Other current service commitments:*
Group: H&I Panel Leader (term ends 7/31/03), Meeting Place Liaison, Treasurer.
Region: Activities Treasurer, Treasurer, Webmaster
- *Service positions vacated by resignation or impeachment (and possibly why):*
Some positions have been resigned due to employment conflicts; I have never misappropriated NA funds or been impeached.
- *Experience in area of service for which nominated:*
Treasurer: Longtime personal work history in the bookkeeping and accounting fields. Love working with numbers.
Webmaster: Desire to make accurate and up-to-date meeting information available to the still suffering addict in the Arkansas Region. Willing to do the work involved in order to better carry the NA message.
- *Clean Date:* 3/8/93
- *Why nominee can and wants to serve the fellowship:*
I owe my life to the Fellowship of NA. I have willingness and desire to serve in these capacities, to ensure that our message is not blurred, through continued communication and education. I have the time and resources to do the job. I have a working knowledge of the Twelve Steps & Traditions of NA. I continue to strive for knowledge and growth and am working on knowing and understanding the Twelve Concepts for NA Service.

No further nominations. Nominations are now closed.

ACTIVITIES: David B was nominated from the floor at the last RSC. There were no new nominations.

SERVICE RESUME:

- *Previous service commitments completed:*
Secretary, Vice Chair, Activities, GSR, H&I chair from Clean and Serene Group.
- *Other current service commitments:*
H&I, Activities, GSR of Clean and Serene Group, current ARSCNA Activities Chair.
- *Service positions vacated by resignation or impeachment (and possibly why):*
None
- *Experience in area of service for which nominated:*
None Submitted
- *Clean Date:* 3 or 4 /27/2000
- *Why nominee can and wants to serve the fellowship:*
Enjoy coordinating events; pleasurable to see addicts having fun and helping me stay clean.

No further nominations. Nominations are now closed.

HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS (H&I): Duties were read, Jackie H. was nominated from the floor, and the nomination was seconded. Jackie accepted the nomination and read his service resume; questions were taken from the floor.

SERVICE RESUME:

- *Previous service commitments completed:*
Service as H&I AREA Chairperson for 1 year. 1 year service as RSC H&I Chairperson
- *Other current service commitments:*
RSC Area Rep. Texarkana
- *Service positions vacated by resignation or impeachment (and possibly why):*
No
- *Experience in area of service for which nominated:*
1 year Area H&I, 1 year RSC H&I Chairperson
- *Clean Date:* 12/31/99
- *Why nominee can and wants to serve the fellowship:* To give back what was so freely given to me.
No further nominations. Nominations are now closed.

LITERATURE: There were no nominations for Literature. Nominations remain open.

OUTREACH: There were no nominations for Outreach. Nominations remain open.

PUBLIC INFORMATION (PI): There were no nominations for PI. Nominations remain open.

PHONELINE: Doug H. was nominated from the floor at the last RSC. There were no new nominations.

SERVICE RESUME:

- *Previous service commitments completed:*
Various Groups - GSR, Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer. Ore-Cal Area - H&I Chair, Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Activities Chair, Phonenumber Chair, Literature Chair. Pacific Cascade Region - Activities Chair, Corresponding Secretary, Vice Chairperson, Chairperson, Policy/Procedures Chair, Treasurer, Regional Delegate, Parliamentarian. Individual - sponsee, ride-giver, hug-giver.
- *Other current service commitments:*
Chair for Sunday Book Study - CWOD Group, H&I member - CWOD Group.
- *Service positions vacated by resignation or impeachment (and possibly why):*
Gave up Regional Delegate Alternate to fill vacant Regional Delegate position. Gave up Regional Treasurer position when I moved from Oregon to Arkansas.
- *Experience in area of service for which nominated:* 15 years on Area help line contact list; 1 year as Area Phonenumber Chair.
- *Clean Date:* 02-10-86
- *Why nominee can and wants to serve the fellowship:* If everyone does a little nobody has to do a lot. My desire to serve NA stems from the understanding that my gratitude speaks through service. I also may be a little insane - seeing as how insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results. (Just Kidding)

No further nominations. Nominations are now closed.

WEBMASTER: Valerie Mc. was nominated from the floor at the last RSC. There were no new nominations.

SERVICE RESUME: See this service Resume under Treasurer.

No further nominations, Nominations are now closed

NEW BUSINESS

M01-072702: To change our toll – free service carrier for the Arkansas Regional 800 number from AT&T to MCI.

Intent: To reduce the cost of our Regional 800 number and adhering to the responsible management of NA funds as outlined in our 11th concept.

Motion passes through consensus

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Treasury Request Motions

None

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ENDING TREASURES REPORT:

Beginning balance	\$754.61
Income	\$1,602.85
Expenses (budgeted)	\$908.49
Expenses (non-budgeted)	\$600.00 (reimburse ARSCNA Activities)
Ending Balance	\$848.97

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Information for these and other Arkansas NA events is available at our website.

1) The annual “Chilidog Chow Down”, will be Labor Day weekend, for 4 days August 29th, 30th, 31st and September 1st, please attend and support our function.

2) Regional Unity Campout is scheduled for the 17th, 18th, and 19th of October. Flyers will be forthcoming.

3) 8/23/03 There is a Toga Party in Fort Smith.

4) 8/16/03 Busta Move

5) Central AR annual softball tournament

6) Central AR Area convention is August 8th, 9th, and 10th in Little Rock.

7) September 20th, ad hoc for restructuring at 10:00 and ad hoc for budget review at 1:00 in Yellville at Valerie Mc’s house. Contact Valerie Mc for directions.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS TO BE TAKEN BACK FOR GROUP CONSCIENCE:

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Nominations:

Chair: Laura C. – Nominations are closed

Vice Chair: Davia W. – Nominations are closed

RD: Tim A. – Nomination are open

RD Alt: None - Nomination are open

Activities: David B. - Nominations are closed

H&I: Jackie H. - Nomination are open

Literature: None - Nomination are open

Outreach: None - Nomination are open

Phoneline: Doug H. - Nominations are closed

Public Information: None - Nomination are open

Secretary: Barb H. - Nominations are closed

Treasurer: Valerie Mc. - Nominations are closed

Webmaster: Valerie Mc. - Nominations are closed

NEXT RSC MEETING:

September 27th and 28th in Searcy. Hosted by Foothills Unity Area

CLOSING:

Meeting closed with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Yours in Service, Barb H.