

# **The Beach Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous**

## **Meeting Minutes for January 4, 2014**

### **OPEN WITH SERENITY PRAYER**

**READINGS:** 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts

**BASCNA STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:** The Beach Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous shall, in accordance with the 12 Traditions and the 12 Concepts of NA, serve all NA meetings who choose to participate.

### **ADMIN ROLL CALL:**

#### **Administrative Committee Members:**

Chair - Ron K., present  
Vice Chair - Marji B., absent  
Treasurer - Sean M., present  
Vice Treasurer - Joe B., present  
Secretary - Akiko T., present

Regional Committee Member (RCM) - David C., absent  
Virginia Regional Convention Committee Member (VRCCM) - Ian B., present

#### **Sub-Committee Members:**

Serenity On The Shore (SOTS) Vice Chair - Scott B., present  
Emergent Needs Committee (ENC) Vice Chair - Sam B., present  
East Coast Convention Committee Representative (ECCNA) - AJ O., absent

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** [see attached]

### **OPEN FORUM:**

- how can we spend BANA money sitting in bank?
  - ENC could help NA Hotline currently run by TACNA
  - help pay rent for struggling meetings in BANA?
  - can money go back down to groups in NA service structure?
- importance of BANA involvement in AVCNA (via the VRCC) is mentioned
  - our VRCCM just resigned, we ought to have representation from our area
- Straight Ahead home group is looking for new meeting place
  - several suggestions for new space discussed

- some home groups are struggling with meeting attendance (Wave of Recovery, Serenity Sisters)

- we can't force people to go to any particular meeting
- attraction not promotion
- some meetings just don't make it
- topic has been discussed at previous BANA meetings

- **Motion:** (made by Sam B., 2nd by Ben L.) to close open forum early. **Vote:** (17/0/0) motion passed

## **GROUP ROLL CALL / GROUP REPORTS:**

### **Groups present / Report:**

- 1) Choose Life
- 2) Enjoying The Journey
- 3) Hope Ignited / written report
- 4) HOW Group
- 5) Kempsville Crossroads
- 6) Living The Program
- 7) Saturday Night Men's
- 8) Serenity Sisters
- 9) Shattering The Illusion
- 10) Straight Ahead / written report
- 11) Sunday Sanity
- 12) There's A Light
- 13) Trusted Servants
- 14) Wave Of Recovery
- 15) When At The End Of The Road

### **Groups not present / Absences:**

- 16) Awkward Group / 1
- 17) In Times of Illness / 1

### **New groups:**

- 18) Clean And Serene
- 19) Surrender And Recovery / verbal report
- 20) The Journey Continues / verbal report

**WRITTEN GROUP REPORTS:** [see attached]

**ESTABLISH QUORUM:** 17/20 groups represented - quorum met

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** **Motion:** (made by Sherry R., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sam B.) to approve minutes. **Vote:** (17/0/0) motion passed

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

[none]

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- VRCC Member resigns position
- Sam B. nominated Dale R. for VRCCM
  - Dale accepts nomination, qualifies self
  - Dale R. voted in as new VRCCM

**- 2014 BANA Executive Committee:**

- Chair - Ron K.
- Vice Chair - Marji B.
- Treasurer - Sean M.
- Vice Treasurer - Joe B.
- Secretary - Akiko T.
  
- RCM - David C.
- SOTS Chair - Robert D.
- (SOTS Vice Chair - Scott B.)
- ENC Chair - Geoff L.
- (ENC Vice Chair - Sam B.)
- ECCNA Representative - AJ O.
- VRCCM - Dale R.
  
- Regional H&I Chair - Chuck K.

**MOTION TO CLOSE:** (made by Amanda F., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scott B.) **Vote:** (17/0/0) motion passed

*\* [policy change requires 2/3 vote]*

## **Committee Reports:**

### **CHAIR:**

BASCNA body,

Welcome everyone to the 2014 term of the Beach Area Service Committee of NA. I am grateful to have the continued opportunity to serve this body, and look forward to the gifts and challenges we will all undertake. As it has been a continuous process in growth and change both for us as an area and me as an individual I truly appreciate everyone's interest and effort in being of service to NA.

ILS,

Ron K.

### **VICE CHAIR:** [no report]

### **TREASURER:**

Treasurer's Report

1/04/2014

Hello BASCNA,

Our beginning balance for December 2013 was \$1734.05. We paid \$50.00 to Ocean Lakes Church for BASCNA Rent and had Home Group donations in the amount of \$236.00 – leaving us with an ending balance of \$1920.05

We have \$166.00 in approved expenses in reserve for the purchase of Basic Texts and a Prudent Reserve of \$920.00; leaving us with \$834.05 over our Prudent Reserve.

ILS

Sean M

### **VICE TREASURER:**

Vice treasurer's report

1/04/14

Hi everyone. I am looking forward to learning and serving in this new position. I look forward to the coming year.

ILS, Joe B.

(committee reports cont'd)

**SECRETARY:**

dear bana,

I look forward to serving you all as secretary again this year. just a reminder that per policy, all written reports are due to me *by the end of the day of area* every month, otherwise they will not be included in the minutes. this includes all committee reports and gsr reports. thanks

ils,

akiko

**RCM:** [no report]

**VRCC CHAIR:**

VRCC committee report

DEAR FAMILY,

UNFORTUNATELY DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND MY CONTROL I WILL BE UNABLE TO PERFORM MY OBLIGATIONS TO THIS POSITION. WHEN I VOLUNTEERED I DID SO WITH PERMISSION FROM THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA DUE TO CHANGES IN THE SYSTEM, I NO LONGER HAVE THIS PERMISSION. I AM SORRY FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE THIS MAY CAUSE. I WILL BE RESIGNING.

IN LOVING SERVICE,

IAN B.

**SOTS CHAIR:**

BANA - SOTS

Vice Chair Report

January 4, 2014

There is a SOTS meeting tomorrow Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at Virginia Beach Psych Center. We have a couple of positions that need to be filled and as always, we need trusted servants to help us throughout the year with planning, fundraising, etc.

I am extremely grateful for the opportunity to serve not only SOTS but also the Beach Area of Narcotics Anonymous.

In Loving Service,

Scott B.

**ENC CHAIR:**

Emergent Needs Committee

Vice-Chair's Report

January 3, 2014

We would like to report the following from the Emergent Needs Committee:

-EN met 1/3/14 with 10 addicts in attendance

-The H and I learning day was a success with 19 addicts in attendance

-Kerry S. has been unanimously voted in as Panel Coordinator for H and I. She and Chuck K. are in communication with the VB City Jail and we are still encouraging any addicts interested in serving to come to the ENC meeting.

-The first ECCNA fundraiser will be held 2/8/14 at 5:00 pm at the Church of the Good Sheppard (HOW Group). Tickets and fliers have been printed and we would ask that the GSRs announce the event at their home groups and take fliers to hand out.

-There are opportunities for service during the event.

-Possible dates for future fundraisers are being looked at.

-Creative solutions to the issue of funds exceeding prudent reserve were discussed during our meeting. Listed are the ideas that were generated:

- Magnetic accordion address books to give to home groups (\$.50- \$1.00 apiece) for newcomers
- Books (ECCNA, It Works How and Why for area libraries)
- Region (phone line, CAR representation, workshops)
- Newcomer packages for conventions (AVCNA on 17, 18, 19 of January, TACNA, ECCNA, campouts)
- Money back to struggling groups in the form of literature or supplies

A formal report with monetary recommendations can be submitted at the next area meeting if the GSRs want Emergent Needs to investigate any of these ideas.

-It was brought up by a member that Emergent Needs' prudent reserve was not reported in the area's budget. This should be clarified be for any excess funds are distributed.

Gratefully,

Sam B.  
ENC Vice-Chair  
BANA

# Written Group Reports

## **Straight Ahead Group:**

Straight Ahead Group of Narcotics Anonymous  
January 4, 2014

Straight Ahead's meeting date and time are Wednesday night at 7:15 PM.

Because we had to vacate our location (no fault of our own), we haven't met since December 18. At this time we have two locations in the works: Christ Presbyterian Church and Virginia Beach Christian Church.

More will be revealed.

No donation this month.

In loving service,  
Sherry R., GSR-Straight Ahead

## **Hope Ignited Group:**

January 4, 2014

Hope Ignited GSR written report:

I look forward to serving as GSR for Hope Ignited for this year. Jon B. will be serving as GSR alternate for the home group.

This month there is a double celebration on January 5<sup>th</sup>, Shelly G and Akiko T.

January 26<sup>th</sup>, Leah S. will be celebrating.

Gratefully,

Amanda F.

# BANA Home Group List

## ACTIVE:

- 1) **Awkward Group** - Friday 10:30pm, "Wandering Meeting", call for location. Contact: Michael W. 757-961-3156. **GSR:** Mike W. 757-916-3156
- 2) **Choose Life** - Thursday 8:00pm, Virginia Beach Psychiatric Center. Contact: Phil S. 757-771-6763. **GSR:** Phil S. 757-771-6763
- 3) **Clean And Serene** - Sunday 8:15pm, Bayside Baptist Church. Contacts: Mike S. 757-618-3221, Craig W. 757-395-9999. **GSR:** Mike S. 757-618-3221
- 4) **Enjoying The Journey** - Tuesday 8:00pm, Water's Edge Church. Contacts: Mark M. 757-214-4286, Billy B. 757-681-4341. **GSR:** Hank K. 757-339-7694
- 5) **Hope Ignited** - Sunday 9:00am, Virginia Beach Recovery Center. Contact: Chuck K. 757-469-9365. **GSR:** Amanda F. 757-615-8482
- 6) **HOW Group** - Friday 8:30pm, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Contact: Lance G. 757-692-7864, Tim L. 757-472-1690. **GSR:** Kathleen G. 757-642-3823
- 7) **In Times of Illness** - Tuesday 7:30pm, Virginia Beach Psychiatric Center. Contact: Bill S. 757-717-1815. **GSR:** Bill S. 757-717-1815
- 8) **Kempsville Crossroads** - Friday 8:00pm, Providence Presbyterian Church. Contacts: Daniel 757-418-1690, Mark N. 757-478-1839. **GSR:** Jeff N. 757-469-1633
- 9) **Living The Program** - Monday 7:30pm, Water's Edge Church. Contacts: Lance G. 757-692-7864, Steve K. 757-715-1075. **GSR:** Bill W. 757-559-0002
- 10) **Saturday Night Men's** - Saturday 6:00pm, 2225 Rose Hall Dr. Contact: Ty G. 757-652-1150. **GSR:** Sam B. 757-621-1580
- 11) **Serenity Sisters** - Thursday 7:30pm, Haygood United Methodist Church. Contacts: Tracy B. 757-407-2661, Trish 757-575-9350. **GSR:** Jennifer M. 757-352-0870
- 12) **Shattering The Illusions** - Thursday 7:00pm, St. Michel Lutheran Church. Contacts: Deedee A. 757-560-5596, Bryan M. 757-635-7414. **GSR:** Peggy
- 13) **Straight Ahead** - Wednesday 7:15pm, Pembroke Manor United Church of Christ. Contacts: Chris P. 757-535-7227. **GSR:** Sherry R. 757-406-9175
- 14) **Sunday Sanity** - Sunday 8:00pm, Virginia Beach Psychiatric Center. Contacts: Mary P. 757-739-1726, John 757-567-6395. **GSR:** Lori K. 757-309-9631
- 15) **Surrender And Recovery** - Wednesday 7:00pm, United Congregational Christian Church. Contact: Ray I. 757-692-9446. **GSR:** Tom G. 757-647-1481
- 16) **The Journey Continues** - Sunday 5:00pm, St. Francis Episcopal Church. Contact: Donna V. 757-619-3737. **GSR:** Donna V. 757-619-3737



(home group list cont'd)

17) **There's A Light** - Tuesday 7:00pm, Ocean Lakes Church of God. Contacts: Geoff L. 757-641-3159, Robert S. 757-816-2777. **GSR:** Kelley K. 757-322-0164

18) **Trusted Servants** - Wednesday 8:00pm, New Faith Church. Contact: Ben N. 757-270-0264. **GSR:** Ben L. 757-270-0264

19) **Wave Of Recovery** - Friday 8:00pm, Virginia Beach Christian Church. Contact: Pat C. 757-735-8934. **GSR:** Steve S. 757-770-6289

20) **When At The End Of The Road** - Saturday 2:00pm, and Sunday 2:00pm, St. Francis Episcopal Church. Contact: Lucinda W. 757-343-0118. **GSR:** Lucinda W. 757-343-0118

**INACTIVE (3 or more consecutive absences):**

1) **Visible Changes** - Wednesday 12:00pm, Emmanuel Episcopal Church. Contact: Arden M. 757-737-4005. **GSR:**