

The Beach Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous

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Meeting Minutes for February 2018

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 – Joe B. (Present)

Vice Chair – Leah S. (Present)

Treasurer – Abby M. (Absent)

Vice-Treasurer – Vacant

Secretary – Madison B. (Present)

Regional Committee Member (RCM) – Dale R. (Present)

Virginia Regional Convention Committee Member (VRCCM) – Jess F. (Present)

Subcommittee Members:

Serenity On The Shore (SOTS) Vice Chair – (Absent) - Dale subbing in

Emergent Needs Committee (ENC) Chair – (Absent) Report

*****Open Forum - Starts at 1:18**

Geoff- motions submitted that are doing the same thing, requests that we discuss them during open forum.

Brian B- Wave of recovery - cant provide child care at the meeting. Young parents are coming in with children and being turned away at other meetings. Don't have a large enough support

network to hire someone to watch kids during the meeting. They would like financial assistance to provide childcare during their meeting.

Jack - Every group should be fully self supporting.

Joe - reading motions. — See below

Chuck - has this ad hoc committee ever been done anywhere else in NA

Leah - BRANA uses that structure -

Chuck - if ENC wasn't effective, how will this be effective?

Geoff- We need 4 permanent members of the ad hoc committee, they would report to area every month.

Jack - has heard of doing this back home. Still had standard subcommittees, area chair would delegate ad hoc chairs for different activities. This motion sounds like there is no accountability within area.

Tara- we used ad hoc committee in tidewater area. They were directly accountable to whatever subcommittee they were formed underneath. They were formed for a specific purpose.

Jess - we don't have a public relations person.

Chuck - We need to serve. No one serves the addict who still suffers. Not seeing any newcomers. What are the services were not providing to the new people? We don't have the willingness within this area. trying to find people to serve germanently on an ad hoc committee would be hard.

Ted - people want to reinvent the wheel all the time. I like the motion but thats what H&I is for. The people that are going to serve are here.

Geoff- One of the first things that an ad hoc comittee could do is write a policy for PR. Chuck would be a good chair for that committee and I am willing to serve on the committee.

Joe - I think that ENC as a subcommittee has run its course. Were not a new area anymore. ENC needs to be retitled. I think we can work toward where we need to go piece by piece instead of needing to dismantle everything.

Jack - service driven structure. World service started new projects for different events. They have it in policy to attend PR events and create ad hocs for certain services.

Tara- Regardless of structure, we need to focus on the positions of the people and what they need to be knowledgeable with. If were tlking about H&I becoming a new subcommittee, we need to have the people in the positions to be able to serve appropriately. Who is the person that can be contacted to be able to serve wherever service is needed.

Chuck - History - ENC was good and they did a lot. They made a tv advert, history events. We had some confusion on how the committee operates and how policy works. We need to teach people how to serve. No one knows what is going on. There were a lot of people that knew what was going on and created policy and then they left and no one knew what to do. How are we serving and are we fulfilling our primary purpose?

Jess - Hope Shot - We have a new member of NA and he is here to serve and learn how to serve. Please bring people that want to serve. Need to investigate at the home group level if you are not having new members. Greet people at the door, pick them up, show them how to stay clean. It is our responsibility to get people interested and want to stay clean and serve. Have to go to more than one meeting to find new people. Invite people to other meetings.

Joe - It is true what Jess said, but we are talking about at an area level. How can we better serve at an area level.

Chuck - We could build a mass and all get on board with an idea. The same way NA was formed in the beginning. Find a way through the promosal to provide a space for more people to serve.

Mike C - this is the first time i have heard us talk about carrying the message to the newcomer in a year at the area level. Needs to be addressed.

Ted - Please bring ideas back. I have some ideas.

Geoff - The intent of this motion is structural. I think that it will make it easier to do some of the things were talking about getting into if we have an ad hoc to support it.

OPEN FORUM Closed at 1:50

GROUP ROLL CALL / GROUP REPORTS:

Groups present / Report:

Enjoying the Journey / P

There's a Light/ P

Living the Program / P

HOW Group / P

Fresh Start / P

Saturday Night Live / P

Choose Life/ P

Sunday Sanity / P

Serenity Circle / P

Freedom of Choice / A (1)

Trusted Servants /P

Kempsville Crossroads / P

The journey Continues / P

Hope Ignited/ P

Wave of Recovery / P

In Times of Illness/ P

When at the End of the Road/ P

WRITTEN GROUP REPORTS:

Hope Ignited Report: We had several celebrations in January and the message is thriving in our group. Attendance is regularly 20-30 people however newcomer attendance is low. We have no celebrations in February. Our format has changed on the last Sunday of the month. We now read an IP before open discussion. We are also in the process of doing a home group inventory.

ESTABLISH QUORUM:

Yes 16/17

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

December Minutes - Approved

January Area Cancelled

OLD BUSINESS: [-]

-Nominations for VRCC Rep still need to go back to the home groups.

- ENC nominated Jack as chair. The body accepted the nomination and voted him in with 14-0-2 votes.

NEW BUSINESS: [-]

Motion #1: Reimburse RCM \$20 for the printing of region information.

Intent: Until a working budget is established for the RCM, a trusted servant should not bear any undue cost performing service.

Motion Maker - Dale

2nd - Kempsville Crossroads

16-0-0 PASSED

Motion #2: To have VRCC add line item to their annual budget that provides money to pay for directors hotel expenses at Regional Convention.

Intent: Directors are required to be at Regional Convention per VRCC policy. Areas already support Regional Convention through fundraising and attendance. If directors are required per VRCC policy then VRCC budget should cover expenses.

Motion Maker - Hope Ignited

16-0-0 PASSED

Motion #3 - Would like area to supplement childcare funds \$20/week.

Intent - To provide a consistent meeting with childcare. The meeting is not large enough to fund this weekly. To provide a regular meeting to fulfill over primary purpose to the addict with young children who cannot afford childcare.

***ADMIN** - for 1 month trial basis funded from ENC.

Motion to table from mike, 2nd by Chuck. 11-2-1 PASSED TO TABLE

Motion #4 - To make H&I a stand alone sub-committee of BASCNA.

Intent: To be in alignment with policy manual and the 12 traditions and 12 concepts. To allow H&I to follow NA's primary purpose.

***Brought to floor by H&I**

2nd - Mike

16-0-0 PASSED

Motion #5 - To propose a budget of \$100/month to fund H&I subcommittee.

Intent : To establish a budget for literature and printing expenses.

***Brought to floor by H&I**

2nd - Lucinda

—**Admin** - to fund this from ENC Budget until a budget review is conducted.

16-0-0 PASSED

Motion #6 -

Part 1: Eliminate ENC Permanently

Part 2: Upgrade H&I to a sub-committee

Part 3: Add ad-hoc committee formation, requirements, and procedures to BASCNA Policy*

Part 4: Upgrade Webservant position to executive level, add qualifications and job description to BASCNA Policy, and hold election for position in March*

Intent: Although the ENC Committee was a commendable and practical experiment for dealing with a common problem regarding burdening sub-committee information in ASC meetings it has proven cumbersome and dispensable. This motion seeks to simplify and streamline the tasks previously undertaken by ENC by offering a process that does not require a permanent committee and that guarantees the task will be well supported. This motion is in no way meant to disparage the addicts who have served selflessly in this capacity. The motion also seeks to make the H&I Committee and the Web servant directly accountable to area.

***Ad-hoc committee formation, requirements, and procedures: For tasks previous undertaken by the Emergent Needs Committee the following method shall be utilized:**

- A task must be approved by the ASC by the passage of a motion subject to standard requirements.
- The motion must be accompanied by a total of 4 (four) willing addicts: one willing to chair the committee and 3 (three) addicts willing to serve as permanent members of the committee. The chair shall have a minimum of 2 (two) years clean with an NA sponsor.
- Budgetary or other incidental needs of an ad-hoc committee may be requested within the formative motion or as needed. - The ad-hoc chairperson will report monthly to the ASC.
- The ad-hoc committee will be disbanded following its final report after completion of its respective task.

***Webservant Qualifications**

- Must meet a minimum clean time requirement of 2 years, and is suggested to have 3 years clean.
- Must have knowledge of all necessary platforms to maintain and update the BANA website regularly.
- Must possess previous NA service experience

Responsibility

- Must maintain and update the BANA website on a regular and consistent basis
- Serve a one year (12 month) term
- Attend all ASC meetings
- Provide a written report to be read for the body and submitted in the minutes
- Ensure the most recent version of the BASCNA Policy is available on the website
- Post the ASC meeting minutes to the website each month no later than the Monday following the respective ASC meeting
- Update the online meeting list and post the most recent version of the printable meeting list promptly as needed
- Add, update, and maintain any other pertinent information to the website
- Serves as a member of the Policy sub-committee
- Serves as a member of the budget sub-committee

Motion #7: To suspend ENC budget increase until the ENC does a budget review.

Intent: To be financially responsible.

*Brought by ENC sub- committee

16-0-0 PASSED

Motion #8 Have ENC plan, budget and implement a yearly New Years event for the Beach Area of NA.

Intent: Unity and our primary purpose.

Motion to table by Geoff, 2nd by Mike. 16-0-0 PASSED TO TABLE

Committee Reports:

- **CHAIR: (Joe B)**

Hello Family,

I am looking forward to serving all the groups in this coming year. This is my first time being in this position, so any help or advice would be appreciated. Please help me help you. I have prepared an agenda for today's business and have several copies available.

I want to apologize for cancelling the last Area Service. I felt it was too dangerous with the road conditions. Sorry if this inconvenienced any of you. We did our best to get the word out ahead of time. I would like to thank Madison, Leah and Jack for helping to spread the word.

ILS,

Joe B.

- **VICE CHAIR: (Leah S.)**

Hello Family,

A budget review will be conducted next month of which I will be a member.

ILS,

Leah S.

- **TREASURER:** - Report from Leah S.

Hello Family,

We started with a balance of \$1327.14. We collected \$529.00 in donations. We paid \$428.00 to Jess F. as our VRCC Representative to attend AVCNA which includes room and gas. We paid \$75.00 to Jess F. for literature for H N I, \$50.00 to Ocean Lakes Church for rent, \$24.00 to Lance G. for printing costs, and \$20.00 to Dale R. for printing costs. This leaves a balance of \$1259.14. After, \$920 for prudent reserve and 405.56 for the ENC budget we are left with a negative balance of -66.42.

ILS,

Leah S.

- **VICE TREASURER: (VACANT)**
- **SECRETARY: (Madison B.)**

Hello,

I have brought a sheet for everyone that is present to write in your names, emails and homegroup information on so I can get a fresh list going.

Thanks,
Madison

- **RCM: (Dale R.)**

Hello Beach Area:

Regional Service Committee met Dec. 16th in Charlottesville. The RDA(Regional Delegate Alternate)stepped down as his work prevents attending the World Service Conference. This vacancy is open and anyone interested can speak w/me about the position qualifications. Any nominee must be present at the Regional Service Conference to be considered. The next RSC is Feb. 17th in Charlottesville.

GSRs have been given copies of the Regional Delegate report from the last RSC. In it you will find links to submitting your Home Group votes for the Conference Agenda Report as well as the Literature Survey.

I have submitted receipts for gas reimbursement and request printing cost reimbursement for \$20.

I'm grateful to serve this body@ the Region. Please let me know any hone group or Area questions and/or concerns.

In Loving Service,
Dale R
RCM

VRCC CHAIR: (Jess F.)

Good Morning Family,

The 36th AVCNA went well and I am thankful to have been a part of service to the host committee and the VRCC as your area director.

Today I am submitting receipts for my trip to the treasurer and am returning the amount of difference between what I received and what I have receipts for.

Our next AVCNA 37 will be held in Richmond. I have fliers for it please pass them on to your Home Groups and get the word out for next year.

My term in this position will end in March so please let your Home Group members know that the position will be available so that there is a smooth transition.

I.L.S.

Jess F.

SOTS Vice Chair: (Dale R.)

Hello Beach Area:

The committee met 1/28 and new sub-committee chairs were elected. Anyone is welcome to join SOTS. It's a easy, fun service commitment. We meet once a month, the last Sunday@6:00, Good Shepherd Church on Laskin Rd(where the HOW group meets).

Although this year's campout is free, we will still hold fundraisers throughout the year to be able to fund next year's event. Please come support our campout by attending the fundraisers.

We will be hosting a bowling tournament next Saturday, Feb. 10th, from 9P-Midnight. \$20 in advance, \$25@the door. It will be@Pinboys on Laskin. Trophies will be awarded for the top three men and women's scores. Come join us for a fun night and fellowship.

Stay up to date with all SOTS events and happenings by visiting and liking the Serenity On The Shore Facebook page. Any news relating to SOTS will be posted here.

Since our Vice Chair was unable to be here today, I am presenting myself to the Area as the SOTS Chair.

In Loving Service,

Dale R

SOTS Chair

ENC Chair:

Hello Family,

ENC met today and business was conducted. The body voted in Jack to be confirmed at area today as chair of ENC. The position of Vice Chair is still open. The body suggested suspending the current budget until a budget review can be conducted for the ENC budget and a motion will be presented at area.

ILS,

Leah S.

BANA Home Group List

- 1) Choose Life - Thursday 8:00pm, Virginia Beach Psychiatric Center. Contact: GSR: Matt S. 757-817-0780**
- 2) Enjoying The Journey - Tuesday 8:00pm, Water's Edge Church. Contacts: Billy B 757-681-4341. GSR: Mike S 757-681-3221**
- 3) Freedom Of Choice - Saturday 8:00pm, Church of the Ascension. Contact: James P. 757-619-2273. GSR: Alicia H. 757-582-7246**
- 4) Fresh Start Saturday FounDry United Methodist Contact Madison B 757-506-6986 GSR: Nicole D 757-708-5113**
- 5) Hope Ignited - Sunday 9:00am, Virginia Beach Recovery Center. Contact: Chuck K. 757-469-9365. GSR: [REDACTED]**
- 6) In Times of Illness - Tuesday 7:30pm, Virginia Beach Psychiatric Center. Contact: Bill S. 757-717- 1815. GSR: Bill S. 757-717-1815**
- 7) Kempsville Crossroads - Friday 8:00pm, Providence Presbyterian Church. Contacts: GSR: Tracey B 757-407-2661**
- 8) Living The Program - Monday 7:30pm, Water's Edge Church. Contacts: Lance G. 757-692-7864, Steve K. 757-715-1075. GSR: Patrick G. 757-636-2412**
- 9) Saturday Night Live - Saturday 7:00pm, St. Nicholas Church. Contacts: Ted L. 757-717-2669**
- 10) Serenity Circle - Thursday 7:30pm, Haygood United Methodist Church. Contacts: Trish 757-575-9350. GSR: Anne V. 757-2701141**
- 11) Sunday Sanity - Sunday 8:00pm, Virginia Beach Psychiatric Center. Contacts: Karla W 757-434-6446 Pat O 757-633-2820. GSR: AJ Rowe 757-434-7196**

- 12) The Journey Continues - Sunday 5:00pm, St. Francis Episcopal Church.
Contact: Marcee A. 757-295-6925 GSR**
- 13) Wave Of Recovery - Friday 8:00pm, Virginia Beach Christian Church. Contact: Pat C.
757-735-8934. GSR: Steve S. 757-237-6873**
- 14) When At The End Of The Road - Saturday 5:00pm, St. Francis Episcopal
Church. Contact: Donna V. 757-619-3737. GSR: Lucinda W. 757-309-5071**
- 15) There's A Fucking Light - Tuesday 7:00pm, Ocean Lakes Church of God. Contacts: Ian
B. 757-717-7900 GSR: Geoff "Little" L. 757-641-3159**
- 16) HOW Group - Friday 8:30pm, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Contact: Lance G.
757-692-7864, Tim L. 757-472-1690. GSR: Ron K. 757-753-5201**
- 17) Trusted Servants - Wednesday 8:00pm, New Faith Church. Contact:
Neil T. 757-951-3826 GSR: Tara D. 757-506-6873**
- 18.) Write Now – Friday 12:00pm, Kempsville Rd Licensure School. Contact: Christine O.
GSR: Kristine H. 757-667-1099 Alt: Loretta B. 757-935-7021**
- 19.) Visible Changes - Wednesday 12:00pm, Emmanuel Episcopal Church. Contact:
Madison B 757-506-6986 GSR: Shelly G. 757-748-5364**
- 20.) Men's Meeting - Saturday 6:00pm, 2225 Rose Hall Dr. Contact: Micah L 757-779- 0198
GSR: Thomas Q. 757-274-8496**