

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MINUTES
FOR ASC MEETING HELD 07 September 2008

Visitors: Jeannie W., Tina D., Anjie B., Adam V., and Joseph B.

GSR Quorum: 15/22

Groups recognized by SCANA, not in voting status:

The Uncut Group, Courage to Change, Central City, Port of Entry, Harbor of Serenity,

Note to GSR's- After three consecutive absences, your group will lose voting status. This will be reinstated upon the 2nd consecutive re-attendance.

Service Motivation- Barb D. 12 Traditions- Dawn M. 12 Concepts- Jody W.

Officer reports-

Chair: Greetings SCANA Area Service Committee! Apparently the position of Area chair is a prize that you need not be present to win. I am honored, and humbled by this opportunity to serve this Area. I've got a few things that I want to get clear with you on prior to starting business today. The closest thing I can compare this job to is that of a traffic cop. I direct the flow of traffic, and I'm here to facilitate doing the business of this area with what the policy describes as "a firm and understanding hand." That being said, there are a couple of guiding principles that I am going to hold up in front of me (and you). First I believe what it says in our Service Motivation. "Everything that occurs in the course of NA Service must be motivated by the desire to more successfully carry the message of recovery to the addict who still suffers." I could cite examples chapter and verse of discussions in this body that have been completely contrary to that principle. Secondly, this is not a group conscience meeting or a discussion group; it is a forum for taking care of the business of this Area. This is not a governing body or a discussion group, it is a service body. I also want to make it clear that there isn't a single one of you (expletive deleted) that intimidates me intellectually or spiritually. There will be a 0 tolerance policy concerning any physical intimidation or abusive behavior towards any member or visitor here for any reason. We'll be opening nomination for officers for next year today. Carefully consider your nominations. In order to fulfill our Service obligations, we need committed Trusted Servants. Also remember when you say, "I accept," that means you're making a commitment. If you're not familiar with Chair's Rule, see me. Thank you for allowing me to serve. ILS Jay F.

Vice Chair: Greetings Area: Nothing to report. Paul B.

Treasurer: Opening balance is \$1,460.52 ILS Pat S.

Co-treasurer: Greetings Area: You can't spend what you haven't got. Money is still tight, because we will spend it. Thanks to all groups who donated. Keep bringing it in. ILS forever grateful Robby E.

Secretary: Greetings Area: In the spirit of recovery, I want to remind everyone that September is Recovery Awareness month throughout the nation. For those interested I have information about a local celebration of recovery for Iowa. Please, also, remember our primary purpose is the message, not the mess, to the addict still suffer. If you have questions, please see your sponsor or get one. ILS Wanda P.

RCM: Greetings Area! Let me begin by apologizing for missing last Area. Please feel assured that my program is strong and I take my commitments very seriously and continue to serve our Area with the zest and fire I've always given to N.A. Region was held August 16th in Davenport. We started a RCM orientation at 9 am. That I was unfortunately unable to attend. Every Region, from now on, there will be that learning session. I sat in on the P.I. Subcommittee and we talked mainly about RAGBRI and the booth at the Iowa State Fair. The committee is looking forward to next years RAGBRI by assigning a member next year as the single point of accountability when the 2009 route is announced. It'll be good...and speaking of good thing...well lets say a great thing...the N.A. Booth at the Fair. We handed out almost 2000 pieces of literature and many people were very interested and glad we were there. The P.I committee plans on making this a yearly event. The business meeting started later than usual and during open forum it was decided to change the start times for the subcommittees and business meeting. Times will be

changed for Region and all RCM's agreed on going well past the usual time making sure we weren't going to fast taking time in all aspects of business at hand. We weren't finished until 8:30, long day, but well worth it. As you all remember, early this summer Iowa was hit by the 500 year floods, devastating Cedar Rapids. It got out on the N.A. Website that help was needed. Anyways the Iowa Region was innodated with donations from around the country. Jonna M. read many letters from groups, Areas, and Regions that sent cash donations. It was almost overwhelming as the Iowa Region took in over \$17,000.00 in cash donations. Plus boxes of literature was donated as well. The money was deposited and next meeting the Region will decide where to allocate the funds. Thank you letters were sent out to all to repay our gratitude. A lot of other business was conducted in Davenport that day. Funds were allotted to the RD and RDA to attend the Zonal Forum in North Dakota. It was decided that IRCNA banners would be stored here at SCANA's office at the cost of \$100.00 a year. We also discussed the possibility of moving Region to a central location permanently thus eliminating cross state travel by SANA, SWINA, DANA, and QUAD Cities. Nominations were oped up for next years executive committee: Chair – Jonna M. from SCANA, Vice Chair – Peter B. from SCANA, Secretary – none for secretary yet. Any one interested please attend next Area., Treasurer – Alicia E. from SCANA, RDAH – Amanda M. from IRVANA, Jeff G. from HANA, and Adam S. from Clean and Free. RCM's voted to send World a donation of \$800.00. I do have a copy of the minutes if anyone is interested in looking at those donation letters and any other business that was conducted. Next Region is in Algona, Iowa November 15, 2008. Grateful In Service Peter B.

RCM alt: Issue of time management at the regional business meeting was discussed. 1 day? 2 day? One long day (which it's been last two regions)...also ways to try to save time and move the agenda along without compromising the jobs that these servants have been entrusted to do. Tentatively next region P.R., H&I, IRCNA Board from 10 – 12 pm. then Literature, RCM orientation, and Adhocs from 12- 2 pm. Fund raising and the spirituality of money was discussed. Insurance issue for now has been pronounced dead. The old standby topic of discussion...where should the region meet and would it be better to centralize? Also, as has been done in the past, would it be helpful for subcommittees to meet centrally separate from the regional business meeting. The flood – individuals, areas and regions from Texas, Florida, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, California, Kansas, Louisiana, Alabama, Mississippi, and New Zealand sent to Reid, our RD, in excess of \$3,500 of literature and around \$2,000 in cash. Exec. Committee is to organize list of donors, send thank you's, cash checks, and hold money until November region. Assess additional flood related needs of Iowans, research other areas, groups, and regions who may be affected by flood damage and allow areas throughout Iowa to input the handling of this money. Thank you Pat D.

Lit/Arch: Greetings Area: There are new letters on the table. The topic for our December 2008 new letter is “Gratitude For Your Home Group.” There are fliers on the table. We met this morning and all is well. ILS Tom D.

Public Relations: Greetings Area: If something happens or changes are made with any meeting, especially Holidays coming up...Please contact Randy with the Helpline so he can relay your changes. There will be a Flier Flood Day on the Eastside on September 20, 2008. There was a report given about the State Fair. Ullonda will be reading at the end of this report. There is a “Women Who Work In Corrections Conference” coming up in the Des Moines area on October 26 – 28th. We are ready to start working on the unification of our two public reaching subcommittees. ILS Paul B.

P.I. Regional Chair: Greetings P.I. Family; I'm writing this to you all to say “Thank You” so very much for all the help that was given to make the “State Fair” booth an awesome success. I believe, at my last count, there was 26 members out of the SCANA Area that helped on this event! Thank you all you are very much appreciated! “You All Rock!” P.S. In a total of 10 days 1,540 pieces of literature was disbursed. Keep in mind a lot of this being I.P. Packets made up of 3 – 8 different pieces in one handing. We reached thousands and made a few P.I. And H&I contacts to follow up on. PEACE In loving Service Ullonda S.

Activities: Greetings Area: Activities is going well. Last months camp out was a success although there was low participation. The weather was great as well as the fellowship. This month we are planning another camp out next weekend at Lake Ahquabi State Park – September 12-14th. Hopefully, we will have good weather and a great turn out. September 27th we are planning a dance at Wakonda Christian Church. We will have a meeting at 7:00 pm. with a dance to follow. The theme for the event is Serenity and Unity. In October on the 11th we will be having our Annual Bonfire at Hoosier Row. There are activities and meetings scheduled throughout the day. There will be a bonfire meeting starting at dusk. Coffee, hot dogs, and marshmallows will be provided. We will be having a

gratitude dance in November (more will be revealed) and our Annual Holiday Dinner and dance in December. ILS Melissa E.

H&I: Greetings Area: All went well in H&I today. We have new facilitators for MECCA, The Beacon, and Polk County Youth. Thanks to Kevin, Carrie Ann, and Alicia for stepping up. We also set up an Ad hoc committee to decide if H&I and P.I. should merge. More will be revealed. ILS Dawn M.

IRCNA: No Report

SCASO: The ASO has a balance of \$738.00 with \$700.00 being prudent reserve and \$38.00 being available funds. Price increase as of October 1, 2008 with new sheets available. In November (or when the new Basic Text comes out) Basic Text will also raise to \$12.00. New items; I.P. #13 "By Young Addicts for Young Addicts" is 10 for \$2.90. This replaces Youth and Recovery. I.P. #27 "For Parents or Guardians of Young People in N.A." is 10 for \$2.90. Don't forget to stop by the ASO to see new items or get a gift for sponsor or sponsee. Now available are the following: Basic Text on CD audio, CD audio sampler with Jimmy K, "It Works" on audio CD, computer "It Works" and "Step Working Guide", Combo book and computer Cd's - "It Works How & Why and Step Working Guide" and gift editions of all our books. ASO is open from 9 am. - 2:10 pm. on day of Area. Thanks Pat D.

Group reports:

Sunday Meetings

Scanamosa: Doing very well with a strong message of recovery. Our members are excited to be at the meetings with honest sharing. Monthly attendance 102 with 7 newcomers, 7th tradition \$85.00, expenses \$10.00 and area donation \$75.00. ILS Scott F.

Sun nite 7pm: No Report

Eastside Recovery: Sunday Night Eastside is doing Great! Filled with N.A. Hope and growing spirituality! Monthly attendance 266 with 12 newcomers, 7th tradition \$106.00, expenses \$75.00 and area donation \$31.00. ILS Ericka B.

Monday Meetings

Our Primary Purpose: Our meeting is going well. Will most likely be moving back to the third floor soon, as we are no longer going to need the air conditioning. Other than that I believe a good strong message of recovery is there. Monthly attendance average 11 with 3 newcomers, 7th tradition \$39.76, expenses \$21.00 and area donation \$18.76. ILS Lisa P.

Spiritual Hour: No report

Never Alone : Carrying a strong message to newcomers, old timers and everyone in between. Grateful to the SCANA for all they do! Monthly attendance 54 with 2 newcomers, 7th tradition \$55.00, expenses \$47.00 and area donation of \$20.00. ILS Chris D.

Tuesday Meetings

Unity in Action: All is well as we continue to carry a strong message to the recovering addict. Monthly attendance 289 with 24 newcomers, 7th tradition \$155.22, expenses \$98.80 and area donation \$93.00. ILS Katesha D.

Wednesday Meetings

Recovery on the River: All is well at Recovery on the River. Join us for some good recovery. Monthly attendance 59 with 7 newcomers, 7th tradition \$41.60, expenses \$8.60 and area donation \$33.00. ILS Becky W.

We Came To Believe: All is well. Attendance is up, message is strong – filled with experience and hope. Thank you for allowing me to serve. Monthly attendance 173 with 8 newcomers, 7th tradition \$111.72, expenses \$80.00 and area donation \$31.72. ILS Kevin E.

We Found Hope: Things were and are going well in our little corner of the mall. I would like to thank Adam V. who as an alternate GSR has and continues to learn this job and cover the meetings. I have missed due to my classes. Our message is strong and giving hope to all who attend. Monthly attendance 112 with 10 newcomers, 7th tradition \$86.93, expenses \$21.42 and area donation \$50.00. ILS Leon D.

Just For Today: Doing well always. Welcome all to come and share their experience, strength, and hope. Monthly attendance 95 with 8 newcomers, 7th tradition \$65.00, expenses \$29.30 and area donation \$35.70. ILS Barb D.

Thursday Meetings

Principles Of Recovery: Glad to report that our attendance is still running about 28 per week with a newcomer or two each week. We continue to carry a strong message of recovery. Expenses \$17.30 and area donation \$93.25. ILS Scott K.

Courage to Change – Winterset: We are hoping to get back on track with Area meeting attendance. We have been continually trying to spread the message to the addict who still suffers. Emphases on one addict helping another is without parallel. Monthly attendance 40 and area donation \$20.00. ILS Larry C.

Friday Meetings

Found a Way Out: All is well. As you can see we are carrying a strong, positive message of recovery! Monthly attendance 90 with 6 newcomers, 7th tradition \$65.00, expenses \$33.30 and area donation \$33.70. ILS Ullonda S.

Free Addicts Recovering Together: All is well at F.A.R.T. The group is still looking for a GSR. Monthly attendance 100 with 19 newcomers, 7th tradition \$98.15, expenses \$52.30 and area donation \$44.85. ILS Tom D. (Alt GSR)

New Beginnings: We are tentatively trying to plan our Annual Halloween Dance in the end of October. It's last minute and hopefully this event will happen. If you would like to donate items for a raffle, it would be greatly appreciated. We have faith that this will happen. Monthly attendance 120-150 with 3-4 newcomers, 7th tradition \$123.00 and expenses \$123.00. ILS Shane B.

Free On Fridays: Doing well. Free on Friday is giving a good message of what N.A. Is all about. Monthly attendance 348 with 23 newcomers, 7th tradition \$235.00, expenses \$73.00 and area donation \$162.00. ILS Bill D.

Saturday Meetings

Basic Text Study: We could use some support. We're averaging about 4 people each week. We paid rent. Monthly attendance 20 with 2 newcomers, 7th tradition \$90.80, expenses \$20.00 and area donation \$10.80. In Service Jeff McD.

Sat Night Live: No Report

Adel Quitters Club: We have been really working hard to make newcomers feel welcome. We believe we have been doing a good job because they keep coming back. Monthly attendance 38 with 2 newcomers, 7th tradition \$86.87, expenses \$56.65, and area donation \$20.00. ILS Tyrone

Sat Night Salvation: No Report

Living Clean: All is well. September 17th is our 3 year anniversary! We are celebrating on the 20th with cake and goodies. Please come and help us celebrate 3 years of helping our fellow addicts. Monthly attendance 63 with 5

newcomers, 7th tradition \$63.91, expenses \$53.30 and area donation \$10.61. ILS Michelle B.

Group Assemblies

Truth or Consequences: Attendance is high, 7th tradition is low, and we still need to be self supporting. I know that when we used, we always had found a way to get what we needed – most of the time with out stealing it – today we have a conscience. We have been learning about the steps and tradition which is the blood and guts of the program. We paid rent, bought white tags, treasurer book, and more good coffee. Monthly attendance 104 with 8 newcomers, 7th tradition \$139.36 and area donation \$30.00. ILS Alicia E.

Group Concerns:

New Beginnings – see above minutes regarding Halloween Dance

Living Clean – see above minutes regarding 3rd Anniversary

Truth or Consequences – Anniversary Dinner coming up and during the Holidays the meeting time may be changed or the location will be changed due to the Mall being closed. More will be revealed.

Clean time anniversaries:

Joseph B. and Adam V. - First time at Area

Joseph B. - 90 days

Adam V. - 1 year

Kevin E. - 2 years

Barb D. - 4 years

Financial Request:

Financial request from Pat D. for reimbursement of \$66.99 to copy fliers. Discussion: area is under prudent reserve by \$678.00 and should be balanced out in October. Pat D. will receive a reimbursement check for the amount of \$66.99 in October at Area.

Reset Quorum: 14/22 after 10 minute break

Unfinished Business

A. None

New Business

A. **Ad hoc Committee** – Jay F., Chair assigned Vice Chair, Paul B. to lead a ad hoc committee to do an audit of the

ASO and Treasurer. Additionally, will lead Policy Review. Jay F., Chair assigned Secretary, Wanda P. to get the copy of the cleaned up copy of Policy so that it would be available for the Policy Review coming up in October. After the review is completed copies will need to made for all GSR's

B. **Nomination of 2009 Officers** – Nominations were taken for officers. They are as listed below.

Nomination will

close in October. All Nominated individuals need to have their creditability turned into the Secretary so that they can be typed into the October minutes. Voting will be in November. Installation of new officers will be in December so that they can oversee business.

Vice Chair Leon D. Nominated by Alica E. and seconded by Jeff McD

Accepted

Scott F. Nominated by Dawn M. and seconded by Ullonda S.

Declined

Secretary Barb D. Nominated by Robby E. and seconded by Ullonda S.

Accepted

RCM Alt. Jay F. Nominated by Robby E. and seconded by Alicia E.

Accepted

Discussion was done regarding the position of Treasurer and Co-treasurer. Currently there is nothing in policy regarding the position of Co-Treasurer. Group conscience believes that it would be good to add this position, that it works well, and Robby E. has talked to World regarding two individuals in the same housing being in a Treasurer position. World agreed that it would be a good idea to have a Co-Treasurer for this reason. New policy will be made regarding the Co-Treasurer position. Group conscience was that the Co-Treasurer position would be similar to that of the Vice Chair position in that it is a training position to move up to from Co-Treasurer to Treasurer the next year and a two year commitment. Additionally, group conscience believes that the Treasurer position should have a 5 year clean time requirement. This will be reviewed and considered for policy change.

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| Treasurer Accepted | Robby E. | Will move up from Co-Treasurer position |
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| Co-Treasurer Accepted | Pat S. | Nominated by Ullonda S. and seconded by Jody W. |
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Closing Treasurer Report

Income: \$968.44

Expenses: \$1,106.04

Ending Balance: \$1,322.92

Meeting was adjourned

| SCANA Officers | | | |
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| Chair: | Matthew C. | RCM | Peter B. |
| Vice Chair: | Paul B. | RCM Alt: | Pat D. |
| Treasurer: | Pat S. | Lit/Arch | Victoria R. |
| Co-Treasurer: | Robbie E. | Activities: | Melissa E. |
| Secretary: | Wanda P. | H&I: | Dawn M. |
| | | P.R. | Hans P. |

There are 22 SCANA registered groups.
 You must have vote status to be listed on the roll call.
 We must have 50% of registered groups present to meet.

| Group Name | GSR | GSR Alt | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
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| SUNDAY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Scanamosa | Scott F. | | A | X | A | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | | | |
| Eastside Recovery | Ericka B. | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | | | |
| MONDAY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Our Primary Purpose | Lisa P. | | X | X | X | A | A | X | X | X | X | X | | | |
| Spiritual Hour | Tina M. | | X | X | X | X | A | A | X | A | A | A | | | |
| TUESDAY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Unity in Action | Katesha | | X | A | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | | | |
| WEDNESDAY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Just For Today | Barb | | X | X | X | X | A | X | X | X | X | X | | | |
| Recovery on the River | Becky | | X | X | X | X | X | A | X | X | X | A | | | |
| We Came to Believe | Kevin E. | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | | | |
| We Found Hope | Leon D. | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | | | |
| THURSDAY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Principles of Recovery | Scott K. | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | | | |
| FRIDAY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Found a Way Out | Ullonda S. | | A | X | A | A | X | X | X | X | X | X | | | |
| Free Addicts Re Together | Tom D. | Tom D. | A | X | X | A | X | A | X | X | X | X | | | |
| New Beginnings | Shane B. | Jonna | X | X | X | X | X | A | X | X | X | X | | | |
| Free on Friday | Bill D. | Tammy | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | A | X | X | | | |
| SATURDAY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Basic Text Study | Jeff McD. | | A | A | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | | | |
| Sat Night Live | Amy T. | | X | X | A | X | A | X | X | X | X | A | | | |
| Sat Nt Salvation | Phillip B. | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | A | | | |
| Living Clean | Michelle B. | Scott F. | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | | | |
| GRP ASSEMBLIES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Truth or Consequences | Alicia E. | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | | | |

| Not In Voting Status | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Central City | Mona | | X | X | A | A | A | A | X | X | A | X | | | |
| Uncut Group | Stan | | A | A | A | A | A | A | X | A | A | X | | | |
| Port of Entry | Emily W.K. | | X | A | A | A | A | A | X | A | A | A | | | |
| Harbor of Serenity | Barry | | X | X | A | X | A | A | A | A | A | A | | | |
| Courage to Change | Larry C. | | A | A | A | A | A | A | A | A | A | X | | | |
| Never Alone | Chris D. | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | A | A | A | | | |
| Adel Quitters | Tyron W. | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | A | A | A | | | |
| Sun.Nite Mtg | John L. | | X | X | X | A | X | A | X | X | X | A | | | |