

WWASC Meeting
Big Piney, WY
June 25, 2011

Open at 1:15 p.m., MOS, Serenity Prayer
Service Prayer: Shawn S.
12 Traditions: Kerry J.
12 Concepts: Allison C.

Roll Call:

Chair: Tucker C, not present, resigned before the mt g. for today, Mark S. chairing
Secretary: Open, Delynda H. taking minutes
Treasurer: Delynda H., present
RCM: Mark S., present
Alt. RCM: Open
PR Chair: Open
Web Servant: Steve H., not present, sent report

GSR's

LPG: Shawn S., present
Surrender to Win: Kerry J., present
5th Street: Diane J., not present, sent report
Just 4 Today: Andrea V., present
Pinedale Group: Lara H., present (2nd meeting), not active yet
Hope Not Dope: not active, not present
Clean and Serene: not active, not present
Warm Springs: not active, not present

Read minutes from the last meeting, Andrea V. motion to accept, 2nd by Shawn S., passed

Reports:

Chair: Resigned by sending a text message to Delynda. Stated he would need to step down as chair and would not be attending today's meeting. Chair position is an open position and put on the agenda for later today.

Treasurer: See report, attached

PR: Uinta County Detention Center, see report, attached

RCM: see report, attached

Web Servant: see report, attached

Activities: Report was Learning Days Flyer, to be held in Diamondville on July 16, 2011.

Adhoc for P&P letter: see report and letter, attached

GSR Reports:

LPG:

Hello WWASC: The Living Proof Group is still going strong with 5 meetings a week. We have 2 donations for the area equaling \$181.02. We have been going over opened and closed meetings at the group level. We haven't decided yet but the Saturday night might be changed to an open meeting. We are also in the process of changing the formats for our meetings, it's a work in progress. Also this will be my last area meeting as GSR. It's been fun, thanks for all the experiences. The LPG campout is Aug. 12-14, Stillwater Campground in the Uinta Mountains south of Evanston. Hope to see you there.
In service,
Shawn

Surrender to Win:

The doors are still open and the message of recovery is being carried at 295 Monroe Ave. in Green River. We still have meetings on Thursdays and Sundays at 8:00 p.m. in the church basement. Our attendance has been on average 4 addicts on Thursdays and 6 addicts on Sundays. The meetings are still closed to young children because of the church's policy. Our 7th tradition has been sufficient to buy literature and pay rent but we have no donation for the Area today.

In service,
Kerry J.

5th Street Group:

wwasc,

Sorry i am unable to attend. My report from the 5th street group is good. The attendance is up but the funding is down. Our group does bowling every Saturday night after the meeting.. has become quite popular. we also started speaker breakfast meetings again once a month at the santa fe grill ... they are self supporting. Also have 14 other meetings through out the week.. our group has started activities again.. i believe we did a hike to a waterfall by white mountain on mothers day..had a great turn out. So things in Rock Springs are coming together slowly. there's alot more activities and more people are willing to step up. again sorry unable to attend..
in loving service
diane j

Just 4 Today:

We would like to report to the Area that our meetings are going good. Our Secretary has moved to Vernal. Sad for us but good for her cause now she will be closer to her kids. Our meeting attendance has been a steady 2 or 3. Our doors are open Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. and Friday at 7:00 p.m. We were able to make our first Area donation and hope to make more in the future.

Thank you,
Andrea V.
Alt. GSR

Pinedale Group:

Lara reports she wasn't sure she should bring a report because they don't have a voting right. Now she knows that she can bring a written report. Working on some service stuff, trying to get organized, taking some advice from Area. Talking about a name for their group and are committed to continue showing up to Area. Holding regular group business mtg. on the 2nd Monday of the month. Paying rent. Made 2 area mtgs. now and are working on being able to vote.

Serenity break 2:15 p.m., MOS at 2:28 p.m. to reflect on why we are here.

Old Business:

1. Service positions open: Chair: Shawn volunteers for the Chair position. Qualified self. Questioned by body. Left room, no objections. Shawn S. new chair person, will assume the position at the next Area meeting.

Discussion regarding holding a GSR position and an Area position being in conflict. Questions from our new Pinedale Group.

Alt. Chair: no nominations

Alt. RCM: no nominations

PR Chair: no nomination

Secretary: no nomination

2. Area Inventory to be discussed after the business meeting.

3. Budgets: Delynda makes a motion to approve the budget as outlined in my report today. Shawn S. second, motion passed.

Budget for June 2011-June 2012 is as follows:

Budget for June 2011-June 2012

Prudent	\$350.00
Travel	\$1,000.00
Donations	\$300.00
Host Group	\$300.00
Website	\$300.00
Activities	\$200.00
Public Relations	\$100.00
P.O. Box	<u>\$20.00</u>
	\$2,570.00

4. Adhoc committee for letter to Probation and Parole: report and letter attached. Discussion followed regarding letter and the issues we are trying to resolve. Address to other places other than Probation and Parole: Courts, counseling centers, etc. This letter is specific for Probation and Parole, will keep it at that. Pinedale not having any issues so does not feel it is necessary to send this specific letter to them. Just send to those P&P offices we are having problems with, Rock Springs and Evanston. No other groups in our Area are having issues so feel this letter is not sufficient for them, although, do feel that communication is important in that we appreciate their support of us and if they have any questions or need more information then contact information is given. Lengthy discussion on this letter, who to send it to, do we revise, are we giving a message that court cards and those on probation and parole are a bother to our meetings? Lara makes a motion "We table the PR side of this until we have a PR person, and send the letter out to the 2 groups who have asked us to address the situation". Seconded by Delynda, discussion, 2 for, 1 opposed, 1 abstain. Chairperson-tiebreaker-for. Motion passes.

Break: 3:30 p.m.-3:40 p.m., MOS to reflect on why we are here.

New Business:

1. Region name change to "Wyoming Region" discussion brought by our RCM. Wyo-Braska Area brought discussion to the Region on changing the name of the Region to the Wyoming Region. How do we feel about this? Discussion as to intent, talked about panhandle of Nebraska, past issues at the Region with logo and guidelines. Talked about thoughts of new Service System

proposals and what is going to happen in a few years if approved. Referred to region business minutes, tabled discussion until we receive a proposal from Wyo-Braska Area as was said would be emailed out.

Money Matters: \$180.00 RCM travel to next Regional meeting
\$200.00 seed money for Learning Days to Andrea V.
\$50.00 host group

Will fill out checks and send them to Tucker for signature, and then I will forward them on.

Announcements:

Next Regional meeting is August 6, 2011 hosted by the Wyo-Braska Area.

Next Area meeting will August 27, 2011 hosted by Evanston.

Close meeting with prayer and hugs at 4:03 p.m.

Open workshop on Area Inventory at 4:20 p.m. with a MOS followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Inventory was done in December. Worksheet with results. Explained the inventory process to the body. Looked at problem areas.

How well does the area function in maintaining a full complement of trusted servants, with no open commitments? This seems to be our biggest struggle.

Suggested for each service body member to bring another addict to the area meeting.

Another thought was outreach, how do we inspire the groups within our Area to start coming to Area.

Wrote problem areas on big yellow sticky. Each member was asked to mark 2 of most important. Priorities:

1. Groups to Area
2. Keeping members involved

Ideas for #1, to get groups to Area:

Personal reminder to group of Area meeting

Send an invitation

Go to other meetings and invite them

Hold function and dances at the Area

Take Area to them

Inform addicts to hold their GSR's accountable

Car pool-Road trip

Build relationships between meetings via phone and email

Positive attitude toward Area Service

Top two:

Build relationships, personal communication with others between meetings

Hold functions and dances after Area meeting

So, what are we going to do to accomplish this:

Maybe a small activity during lunch so we can get to know each other. Rock, paper, scissors. Challenge the group hosting the next area meeting to present the service body with a surprise fun activity. Baby shower games, ect.

Building relationships:

Andrea will contact Rawlins

Delynda will contact Lyman

Lara will contact Saratoga

Delynda will email last known information for the groups above to Andrea and Lara. We will call and do follow up calls inviting to the next Area meeting.

Close at 5:15 p.m.

Attachments:

Treasurer's Report:

**WWASC Treasurer's Report
June 25, 2011
Pinedale, WY**

Checkbook balanced at \$2,307.38 as of June 25, 2011.

We have \$2,137.13 in the account as of June 25, 2011.

We have a prudent reserve of \$350.00 as of August 28, 2010.

Last months deposit totaled \$223.08.

Budget from June 2010 – June 2011

	<u>Remaining</u>	<u>Budgeted Amount</u>	<u>Spent</u>
Travel	\$529.00	\$1200.00	\$671.00
Donations	\$0	\$300.00	\$300.00
Host Group	\$50.00	\$300.00	\$250.00
Website	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0
Activities	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0
Public Relations	\$79.75	\$200.00	\$120.25
P.O. Box	\$0	\$20.00	\$20.00

***Check #728 for \$120.25 made out to WSO has not cleared the bank.

***Check #730 for \$50.00 made out to the 5th Street Group has not cleared the bank.

***We will vote on the budget today.

***At this time, with Tucker stepping down, I am the only signer on the account. I will get Mark on the account as soon as possible, and I will add a new chair as well as our secretary when we get one.

Total Group donations for June 2010-June 2011

5th Street Group	\$0
Hope Not Dope Group	\$0

Surrender to Win Group	\$50.00
Just 4 Today Group	\$50.00
Clean and Serene Group	\$0
LPG	\$738.23

On the following page is the proposed budget that we talked about at the last meeting. I will be making a motion to approve the budget as it is shown.

Proposed budget for June 2011-June 2012

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In Loving Service,
Delynda H.
WWASC Treasurer

PR Report:

Uinta County Detention Center
Hospital & Institutions
June 25, 2011

The Living Proof Group hosts a Hospitals and Institutions meeting at the Uinta County Detention Center on the First Monday of every month. The meetings are chaired and an addict from the Living Proof Group shares at these meetings. Attendance from those inside range 5 to 10 and most seem very interested in what we have to share. We continue to hold a regularly scheduled meeting before the Group Business Meeting to go over how the meetings went the previous month and if there were any problems or complaints that we can resolve before going out that month. A couple of requirements for attendance at the H&I meeting it so to attend the meeting before the Group Business Meeting, completion of the Area H&I packet and to attend the Orientation of the Uinta County Detention Center.

ILS
Mark S

RCM Report:

Wyoming Western Area
RCM Report
June 25, 2011

Hello every one, good to be here and of service. I attended the Regional meeting in Evanston, Wy on June 4, 2011 with many addicts from my home group. We spent the morning workshopping the Service System.

The Delegate reported that the approval draft of "Living Clean: The Journey Continues" may be purchased for \$8.50 (including shipping and applicable taxes) and is also available at the NA FTP site

Address: <ftp://66.6.216.61/>
user name: CP2012
Password: WSC2012

To open the Living Clean pdf file, a password is required, this is the password: WSC2012. The password needs to be entered twice. Also, the file is protected against printing and editing, but is available for those with accessibility issues. The vote for this will take place at the WSC 2012 (April 2012). World Unity Day will be held September 4, 2011 between 10:00 am and noon Pacific Time. The registration form allows groups/areas/regions who are not attending WCNA in San Diego to sign up to listen to the Sunday morning Closing Meeting via telephone hookup. Registrations must be received by August 1st.

The Alternate Delegate passed out copies of "Living Clean: The Journey Continues" to each of the RCM and I've brought the copy to this meeting for any group that would like to take it and go through it.

The Web Servant wants us to keep him informed of any changes to the meeting lists so he can have the website current for any addict needing meetings can go to a valid meeting.

The Convention XII chair reported everything went pretty smooth even after some problems with people backing out. They are waiting on the Treasurer report to give a final total of how much money can be passed on to the Region.

The Convention XIII chair reported all positions are filled except for the fundraising/entertainment subcommittee. Reported that the Thermopolis Days in has been reserved and a contract is still being negotiated. Saturday night main speaker will be Vito L.

Central Basin Area: Carla read her report. CBANA is doing well. Have changed to a central location for all of the area meetings, Thermopolis. Worland group is requesting to be a part of the area again and attended their first meeting in May. Area treasurer has stepped down so we have that position open. Bud J. is keeping the area current with USSC and US Fellowship Assembly kind of as an Ad Hoc Committee member. *CBANA campout is Aug. 12-14* and will be at the Boy Scout Camp up the sinks Canyon above Lander. Registration flyers were distributed. Powell group has changed Friday and Saturday meeting times to 9pm and hosts a speaker meeting monthly. Thermopolis group is still having jail meetings and are looking for people to help carry the message in the jail Thursday nights.

Central Wyoming Area Alt. RCM Bill S. gave report. Stated meetings are going well, have 5 groups and 21 meetings held weekly with good attendance average 7 - 35 addicts. Reported that the Breath of Life group is no longer meeting due to lack of attendance. Gave \$390.00 to Steve O. for region donation at their area meeting held 5/26/11. Reported H&I Committee is doing well going in to 4-6 treatment facilities or jails no. Still don't have PR Committee. Stated groups have looked at the Service System and discussed at area workshops and concluded we are happy with what we have now as laid out in the GTLS. Also looked at the United States Fellowship and we have sent a letter of support of that body being formed. Also that the convention was great and went smoothly.

Freedom Seekers: Absent no proxy report

Wyo-Braska Area: RCM Nate gave report. Reported Wyo-Braska Unity Days is set for Aug 18-20, 2011 at Lake Minatare (Boy Scout Cabin). The name of the theme is "In Tents Recovery". Also that he brought back the name change of our region from URM to the Wyoming Region and would like to discuss this more in old business. Reported area has some concerns over the lack of representation and lack of consistency of area mtg dates. Reported meetings are going good and the attendance is growing within the smaller groups with good support from the surrounding groups.

Wyoming Western Area: RCM Mark gave report. Meetings are still going strong in Rock Springs, Green River, Evanston, with Lyman, Kemmerer and now Pinedale (they attended the last Area meeting and seem thirsty for being able to carry the message) being announced as needing support. The last Area Meeting held in Rock Springs with fair attendance, but we were able to workshop the Service Structure and get a few things discussed. The next Area meeting will be held in Big Piney or Pinedale to give them some support. Our Annual Learning Days is scheduled for July 16th at the Diamondville Park in Diamondville, tentatively from 9am to 9pm and should have a flyer out on that soon. The Living Proof Group Campout is planned for August 12 - 14, 2011 at Stillwater Campground Group Site A. They will be supplying Saturday Dinner and Sunday Breakfast for all who attend. We continue to have a few positions open at the Area to include: Vice Chair, Public Relations Chair and Alt RCM.

We discussed the name change, to Wyoming Region instead of Upper Rocky Mountain Region. Their RCM will email a proposal.

Discussion followed on being able to workshop the CAR in an effective time frame to be able to tally votes at the Regional Assembly in April. There was a motion and the motion was amended to be able to do this ☺.

We next discussed the Vice Chair not following through with his responsibilities as we did not receive any minutes from the previous Regional Meeting and do not have access to the Regional checkbook, PO Box key, etc. There was a motion to remove the Vice Chair due to non-fulfillment of duties. Motion was seconded and passed. So open positions are the Region include, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.

We next discussed Regional Travel for the Delegate to the Regional meeting and to the next Zonal Forum to be held July 23, 2011 in Bozeman, MT. There was some lively discussion on the funding of the Trusted Servants.

The next Regional Meeting will be hosted by the Wyo-Braska area and I haven't heard where it will be held, and I am asking for travel of \$180.00 for this. The World Convention is going to be in San Diego, CA, Sept 1-4.

ILS
Mark S.

Webservant:

Wyoming Western Area Web Servant Report

06/25/2011

Dear Wyoming Western Area:

I am unable to be at the meeting today due to a prior commitment and want to thank Delynda for delivering my report. I have made several updates to the web site including removing past events and updating the area meeting information for today. Since I recorded the minutes I posted them to the archives page and if anyone did not receive them let me know so I can add you to my email list. The links to the service system page and the living clean project for the new literature are still linked on the site, but at this time the living clean project is not open for new input and for reference information only since the draft is now out for review.

I have to update the print list since one Evanston meeting has changed and I also believe there is a meeting in Big Piney but I would like more information from the area before I add it to the list regarding time, place and format.

I haven't the time to investigate the password protected web site but will try to provide more information or just go forward and implement it if the body has no objections to it.

Since I usually take minutes I hope that someone will record the meeting and send an electronic document as soon as they get finished so I can include it on the web site.

As always, if anyone has any updates, please let me know or send an email,

Wyomingna@wyomingna.org

Sincerely,

Steve H.

225 Grandview Cr.

Evanston, WY 82930

steveh@allwest.net

PR Adhoc Report:

Wyoming Western Area Ad Hoc Report

06/25/2011

Dear Wyoming Western Area:

I was tasked at the last meeting of developing a response for Probation and Parole regarding issues with several meetings that were discussed by our service body. I am unable to attend the meeting today due to a prior commitment but have produced a draft copy on Area letterhead that we may be able to use within our groups or altered to reflect more specific needs. I briefly searched the phone book but did not make any calls to the local governments for specific names or addresses so I basically made a template.

I thanked them in the letter for what they do for us, included some other information on our program, and mentioned several specific examples of issues we have recently had in our meetings. Of course I have electronic copies but please change the document as you wish and be sure to send me any changes and I will update the current copy and email them to the addicts that would be responsible for addressing and sending the letter in their town.

In loving service,

Steve H.

225 Grandview Cr.

Evanston, WY 82930
307-679-2270
steveh@allwest.net

PR Adhoc letter to Probation and Parole:

June 24, 2011

First and last name

Title

Organization

Address

City, state, zip

Dear _____ Probation & Parole:

We appreciate your assistance in Narcotics Anonymous as a program of recovery from drug addiction. NA was founded in 1953 and, with the publishing of our Basic Text in 1983, grew from 2,000 NA groups to over 43,900 weekly meetings in more than 127 countries around the globe speaking over 65 languages 1.

NA meetings all have a common purpose: recovery from the disease of addiction. In meetings, members speak of their experiences managing life situations without returning to drug use, and discuss recovery principles contained in the Twelve Steps. People of diverse backgrounds, ages, races, religious perspectives, occupations, and lifestyles attend NA meetings. The personal identification which occurs during meetings provides a powerful message of hope.

Recently we have heard in our service committee that addicts attending our local meetings have been taking names and other confidential information and reporting back to Probation and Parole who may or may not be attending. Of course we understand we may not have all the facts involved but NA is not under surveillance at any time to allow the freedom for our members to come and go as they please. We will address this to our members and explain to them the reasons for anonymity and if this is the case with your policies would you contact us soon as possible so we can discuss this?

Also, we have addicts who are asking us to give more information to Probation and Parole as to the times of our meetings since some have to leave early because of curfew. The groups that hold meetings in our area, which include Green River, Rock Springs, Evanston, Lyman, Kemmerer, Rawlins and Pinedale have meetings throughout the day at many times and locations. Meetings are generally an hour to an hour and a half and some addicts on probation are leaving early and worried about their cards being signed. It is generally the decision of the specific group whether or not they sign cards and in some cases may not be able to sign them since the card says the addict attended the entire meeting and participated which might not be the case if they leave early.

If you have any questions or would like to respond, please feel free to email our service body at wyoamingna@wyoamingna.org or regular mail to: WWASC, PO Box 445, Evanston, WY 82931-0445.

Sincerely,

Wyoming Western Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous