

Area Service Committee Meeting – Cleveland Freedom Train Group of Narcotics Anonymous

July Meeting 2008

Ben R opened meeting followed by the serenity prayer
Reading of the Twelve Traditions
Reading of the Twelve Concepts of Service
Reading of the Purpose of ASC followed by the Unity Statement
Reading of the Service Prayer

Roll Call by Secretary (no quorum)

Conroe - BTLN – GSR Absent
Spring - Crossroads – GSR Absent
Tomball - New Attitudes – GSR Absent
New Caney - New Hope – Eddie B. Present
Huntsville - Serious Undertakings – James H Present
Cleveland - Freedom Train – GSR Absent
Coldspring - Reflections – Wesley Present
Humble - Hope Without Dope – GSR Absent

Secretary Report – Read by Cherri B.

Summarized minutes from previous meeting 6/1/08.

Treasurer Report – Christy L.

There was \$185.00 in group donations and \$129.00 from sale of medallions. There was \$416.00 in expenses (literature for H&I, PO Box annual fees and HASCONA contribution. Beginning Balace \$1,755.74 and ending balance \$1,653.74. There is \$920.00 set aside for reserves leaving an actual balance of \$733.74 in account.

RCM Report – Ben C.

Discussion of the email sent by the regional secretary concerning the minutes not being released on time transpired. Ben C. reminded areas service committee that we are “here to serve and that when they go to RSC they should go in the spirit of service” Feedback was requested on this situation.

H & I – Jimmy H.

H & I is currently going into a couple of institutions. Jimmy He requested the GSR’s take back to their groups the fact that women are needed to get involved at Plain State Women’s facility in Dayton, TX and any individual who wants to get involved in H & I to please let him know.

H & I – Jimmy H.

Discussion of the Gulf Coast Trades Center (GCTC) requesting our area to host an NA: H & I / PI Panel on the 1st or 3rd Saturday of each month. Request of NA to get involved transpired. If this is to happen it will take the support of numerous individuals. ASC Discussed going in once a month, ASC asking for volunteers.

Don K. meeting in Huntsville for special needs inmates going great. There are twenty-three people in the multi-media program. Don will be taking five basic texts in his meeting.

Walls unit in Huntsville on 3rd Sunday of each month has been geared toward NA. They are asking for NA to take over this meeting and bring literature. Jimmy has requested a rack four tier rack to be placed in this unit. A large majority of literature he is requesting will be for this unit.

Jimmy H. requested funds for Literature in the amount of \$554.50. Needs 20 Basic Texts, 3 Spanish Basic Texts, 25 Self Acceptance, 25 I am an addict, 100 behind the walls, 100 white books, 100 intro guides.

PI Report – Ben C.

Ben C. Requested that ASC and GSR's review meeting schedule and note any changes. He is aware we will have some minor changes. We will update master copy and send in with the new order.

Activities – Don K.

Don K requested money for Chili Cook Off trophies / plaques for last year. Asked for fundraiser ideas – suggestions made were Volleyball, Halloween Party, and New Years Eve Dance.

Ad-Hoc – Ben C.

No Ad Hoc to Report

Vice Chair – Cherri B.

Vice Chair served as acting secretary in the absence of Tommy H. She has also restated to offer help to Stewart W. because of her experience in creating websites.

BREAK

Re-Opened – Serenity Prayer

Web Servant – Stewart W - Absent

Seventh Tradition Basket

Basket Passed – Collected \$31.00

Freedom Train opted to keep \$31.00 collected in lieu of donating to ASC.

Group Reports *All groups not listed were Absent of GSR*

Coldspring - Reflections – Wesley

Discussion of taking a meeting into the Coldspring Jail. Asked for info from H & I. Jimmy suggested attending the learning day HASCONA is holding at the Woodlands Group from 10:00 – 3:00. In addition, Wesley discussed starting a new meeting in Shepard, Texas. He also requested literature needs for his group from ASC.

New Caney - New Hope – Eddie B.

Their 9th Anniversary Party will be the 3rd Sunday in September 2008. The new location is really coming together. Before the next schedule update, he will have changes as they no longer will have a Saturday 9:30pm Candlelight Meeting. Their donations to area will be mailed.

Huntsville - Serious Undertakings – James H

Speaks on lack of trusted servants. Discussed the discontinuation of the service announcement on Channel 7 – will be looking into getting that reinstated. Announced that Trinity has a meeting on Sundays 6:00 and 8:00 at VFW Hall.

Sharing Session

Discussion of past secretary Tommy H and his effective service. Reminded ourselves of Recovery based service not service based recovery. Cherri B is acting secretary in the interim.

Christy stated that she has six months left of Treasurer Position before she resigns. REM and H&I stated the same – in summary most of the ASC positions will be open at end of year.

The Ad Hoc Committee met at noon to discuss ASC policy. Will meet early every month until goal is accomplished and a presentation of suggested changes will be made to ASC service panel.

Ben C asked Wesley to turn in literature order and he will be sure that his literature is provided. Wesley turned in an order for \$89.00 in literature.

Unfinished Business

Discussion of the Gulf Coast Trades Center (GCTC) requesting our area to host an NA: H&I PI Panel on one Saturday of each month. Discussion of a single point of accountability. Ben R, Jackie, Ben C, and Cherri B offered themselves as volunteers.

New Business

ASC approved \$100.00 for Don K to purchase trophies for chili cook-off.

ASC approved \$554.50 for H & I to buy literature for Walls unit.

Statement that all GSR's should have copy of "Twelve Concepts of NA Service"

ASC approved \$50.00 donation to Adopt an Inmate

ASC approved \$50.00 donation to Region NA

ASC approved \$50.00 donation to World Services

Elections

Open positions announced are as follows:
Secretary and P & I Chair

Select Location of Next Meeting

New Caney "New Hope Group"

12:00 PM - Adhoc committee on ASC policy changes

1:00 PM - Subcommittee Meetings

2:00 PM - ASC Area Service Meeting

Announcements

Announcement made about New Hope Anniversary on September 21, 2008 which is the pool party in New Caney at Peach Creek Park.

ASC thanks Freedom Train for hosting the July ASC meeting.

Ben R. Motioned to adjourn - Adjourned