

**NORTHEAST ALABAMA AREA OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS
(NEAANA)**

Minutes from the Area Service Committee (ASC) meeting held on: December 14, 2014 in Rainbow City, Al.

Nick W opened the meeting with a moment of silence and the "We" version of the Serenity Prayer.

Jeri A. read the Area Purpose

Sherry T read the 12 Traditions of NA

Jason K read the 12 Concepts of NA

Nick W read the Service Prayer

Roll Call:

NEAANA POSITIONS Held By: Phone Number Dec 2014

Area Chair	Nick W	256-996-6761	<u>Present</u>
Vice Chair	Open		<u>Vacant</u>
Treasurer	Frank F		<u>Present</u>
Alt Treasurer	Ladd G		Absent
Secretary	Jeri A		<u>Present</u>
Alt Secretary	Vacant		<u>Vacant</u>
PI Chair	Kyndi	256-605-4732	<u>Present</u>
H&I Chair	Jason K	256-293-7579	<u>Present</u>
Outreach Chair	Jake B		<u>Present</u>
Literature Chair	Alicia		<u>Present</u>
RCM	Vacant		<u>Vacant</u>
RCM-A	Vacant		<u>Vacant</u>

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Groups:

NEAANA GROUPS	CITY	GSR	PHONE NUMBER	Dec 2014
Acceptance	Henagar			Present
Active Change	Rainsville	Christy C.	256-388-9922	Present
Breaking Free	Boaz	Nicole W		Present
Courage to Change	Anniston	Ladd		Present
Freedom	Albertville	Rickey D		Present
Gift of Desperation	Gadsden	Jake B		Present
Help in Progress	Oxford			Temp closed
Section Serenity	Section			Present
Shot of Serenity	Rainbow City	David W.	256-295-0060	Present
Stepping Up	Jacksonville	Keith P.	256-283-0979	Absent

RECOGNITION OF NEW GROUPS: No new groups

OPEN FORUM: A thank you was given to all those who attended and / or participated in the Area Service day @ CTC

There was a T-shirt donated by the firehouse. It was available to anybody that wanted it. It was given to a recovering addict.

SECRETARY REPORT: Jeri A read over old business

TREASURER REPORT: See attached

RCM REPORT: None However chair and secretary brought the report emailed out after region. Went over motions and nominations under regional/new business.

PI REPORT: Kyndi W - See attached

WEBMASTER REPORT: Christy C. see attached

H&I REPORT: Jason K. See attached

LITERATURE REPORT: see attached

OUTREACH REPORT : Jake B (See attached)

BREAK:

GROUP REPORTS:

Acceptance - GSR position vacant report given by Sherry (See attached)

Active Change – Christy C. (Mike E gave report)- GSR (See attached)

Breaking Free – Nicole W - GSR (See attached)

CTC - Ladd G sent report - GSR (See attached)

Freedom – Whitney (alt) - GSR (See attached)

Gift of Desperation - Jason K - GSR (See attached)

HIP – Traci P. - GSR (See attached)

Section Serenity – David - GSR (See attached)

SOS - David W. - GSR (See attached)

Stepping Up- Billy M absent

AREA OPEN POSITIONS, NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS: All regional nominations passed.

Open positions at Area are as follows:

- Alt Secretary – minimum requirement 2 years clean time
 - RCM- minimum requirement 3 years clean time
 - Alt RCM - minimum requirement 2 years clean time
- Sub Committee open positions are:
- Outreach
 - H&I –alt chair
 - PI

OLD BUSINESS: Proposal by breaking free to send 10% of balance every month to the region. ***we ended up with an amended proposal that has been sent back to groups to vote on(see attached)**

NEW BUSINESS: Amended proposal made by Breaking free to send 10% every 3 months to region*****sent back to groups***** (proposal attached)

INTENT: to be consistent and prudent with funds in accordance with the 11th concept.

REGIONAL PROPOSALS AND NOMINATIONS: SENT IN SEPARATE EMAIL *IF YOU DIDN'T GET IT LMK**

RECURRING MONTHLY EXPENSES: SEE ATTACHED BUDGET PROPOSALS

BUDGET PROPOSALS see attached

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Gift of Desperation requests support, they meet @
7pm on Fri**

**Acceptance Group needs support M-W-F @ 6pm
Henegar AI**

**Area car pool to Acceptance group on 1/7 meet at the
meeting**

Open Fourm:

**Jake B and Jeri A will put together a workshop on
Consensus based decision making (CBDM)**

**Treasurer advised not enough to pay monthly
expenses, passed the hat and got everything covered.**

Next Area Service Committee (ASC) meeting will be on: 1/11/15

Times for sub-committee meetings are as follows:

12:00pm

Outreach

12:30pm

Public Information (PI)

01:30pm

Hospitals & Institutions (H&I)

02:00pm

Group Service Representatives (GSR) Orientation

03:00pm

NEAANA Area Service Committee (ASC)

12-14-

TREASURER Report

Hello Family Hope is well.
Hope very is Ready For Holidays
and has a wonderful Christmas
and Happy New Year. Love Frank
and Alecia.

11-1-14 we had a Bal. of +307.95

11-5-14 DeBIT FOR Litt. -39.13

11-5-14 DeBIT FOR Litt. -23.08

11-12-14 DeBIT FOR P.H. Line -28.25

11-12-14 ck # 1059 clear -7.00

11-12-14 ck # 1061 clear -59.91

11-12-14 made deposit for +191.20

~~11-12-14 DeBIT FOR Litt. Bal +341.78~~

11-13-14 DeBIT FOR Litt. -81.77

11-17-14 Bank Fee -13.00

11-24-14 P.H. Line -28.25

which left us with a Bal. +218.76

10-12-14 check # 1058 Rent not clear 20.00

10-19-14 check # 1062 Rent not clear 20.00

Leave us a Bal.

~~191.20~~

178.76

Thank you FOR Allowing me
to serve

Hello ASC!

I'm Kyndi and I'm an Addict. PI has been very productive this month. The phone line reported taking in 69 calls for a total of 139 min.

NEAANA paid \$28.25 for this service.

We successfully carried out Two Flyer days with a total of 500 Flyers being distributed into the Gadsden and Rainsville areas. Yesterday

12/13/14 Public Information participated in the Orientation/Workshop day @ CTC With a Phone line orientation.

Sherry T. your Meeting Schedule Coordinator has 55 meeting schedules and we request that she be reimbursed \$10.80.

I have had several NA members, and some GSRs request more schedules. So next month we are going to double up and print around 100 schedules.

If anyone has a problem with this, or has a better solution, please let me know.

Our webmaster Christy C. paid our domain renewal and requests reimbursement for \$19.95.

The invoice is attached to the webmasters report.

I need a male and a female Volunteer for the secondary position on the phone line...

Male: Jeff. H. Female: Sonja M.

I wanted to send out a big Thank you to everyone who participated in Any activity and/or Service this month.

In Loving Service,
Kyndi W.

Invoice Date: 11/20/2014

Account: neana

Invoice: #6903274

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS
 ATTN: KYNDI WILSON
 283 FORD RD
 HOKES BLUFF, AL 35903
 UNITED STATES

Billing Summary

Previous Balance	\$28.25
Payments	-\$28.25
Balance	\$0.00
Adjustments	\$0.00
Charges	\$28.25
Amount Due	\$28.25
Payment Due Date	On Receipt

A late fee of \$5.00 will be assessed if payment is not received by 12/20/2014.

Please see additional pages for billing detail.

Phone.com News!

Panasonic Cordless Phones

- 2.1" LCD with white backlight
- Wall mountable base station
- Support for up to 6 handsets (base includes 1)



Add a new Panasonic cordless phone to your account in your control panel.

Text Voicemail (Transcription)



UNLIMITED voicemail transcriptions.
 Read your voicemail in your email inbox.
 Go to extension general settings to activate.

\$1.50
/mo

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@phonedotcom

Please detach and return this portion with your payment. Keep upper portion for your records.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH

TO PAY BY CREDIT CARD:

- Logon to <http://www.phone.com/>
- Choose "Payment" from the My Account tab.
- We accept Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover.

TO PAY BY CHECK OR MONEY ORDER:

- Payments must be in U.S. dollars, drawn on a U.S. bank.
- Enclose this bottom portion with your payment.
- Make checks payable to:

Phone.com
 Payment Processing Center
 PO BOX 1808
 Poway, CA 92074-1808

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Account:	neana
Amount Due:	\$28.25
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Payment Due Date:	On Receipt
Billing Date:	11/20/2014

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Thank You - We Appreciate Your Business!

Previous balance**\$28.25****Payments****Total: -\$28.25**

10/21/2014 Electronic check payment received: 7868

-\$28.25**Adjustments****Total: \$0.00**

No adjustments have been made this period.

Charges**Total: \$28.25**

11/21/2014 - 12/20/2014	Virtual Office 600	\$24.88
11/21/2014 - 12/20/2014	Virtual extension: 500 - NA Greeting	\$0.00
11/21/2014 - 12/20/2014	Virtual extension: 501 - Men	\$0.00
11/21/2014 - 12/20/2014	Virtual extension: 502 - Women	\$0.00
11/21/2014 - 12/20/2014	Virtual extension: 503 - For Professionals	\$0.00
11/21/2014 - 12/20/2014	Toll-free number: (800) 230-5109	\$0.00
10/20/2014 - 11/19/2014	Additional usage	\$0.00
11/22/2014	Regulatory recovery fee	\$0.63
11/21/2014 - 11/22/2014	FUSF (VoIP)	\$2.67
11/21/2014 - 11/22/2014	FCC regulatory fee (VoIP)	\$0.07

Amount due**Total: \$28.25**

End of Invoice



Call Logs

Date Range Billing Date

Billing Dates:

List Calls

Billing Summary Number Usage Extension Usage

Total Minutes Used: 139			Total Additional Cost: \$0.100				
	# of Calls	Minutes	Cost		# of Calls	Minutes	Cost
Included Minutes:	69	139	N/A	Payphone Surcharges:	0		\$0.000
Unlimited Minutes:	0	0	N/A	Canada Toll-free surcharges:	1		\$0.100
Domestic Overage Minutes:	0	0	\$0.000				
International:	0	0	\$0.000				

- Inbound Calls
- Outbound Calls
- Inbound Faxes
- Outbound Faxes
- International Calls
- Filter by number:

Show Caller ID Name

Number

- All Numbers
- (800) 230-5109

Extension

- All Extensions
- NA Greeting (500)
- Men (501)

List Calls

*Times displayed are in the (-0800) America/Los_Angeles timezone.

Search Results

Download results as a CSV:

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Caller	Callee	Action	Date	Mins	Cost	
(347) 785-7274	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/14/2014 01:21 AM	2	Included	
(520) 445-4639	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/13/2014 04:25 PM	2	Included	
(256) 405-5641	(800) 230-5109	Forwarded to (256) 293-7579	12/13/2014 01:33 PM	3	Included	
(256) 613-8647	(800) 230-5109	Forwarded to (256) 293-7579	12/13/2014 11:24 AM	2	Included	
(256) 605-4732	(800) 230-5109	Menu: Main Menu	12/13/2014 11:24 AM	1	Included	
(256) 996-4020	(800) 230-5109	Forwarded to (256) 400-8900	12/13/2014 11:16 AM	1	Included	
(706) 305-7718	(800) 230-5109	Forwarded to (256) 960-6201	12/13/2014 10:26 AM	3	Included	
(706) 305-7718	(800) 230-5109	Voicemail to Women	12/13/2014 10:23 AM	2	Included	
(716) 748-7964	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/13/2014 09:14 AM	2	Included	
(256) 599-8705	(800) 230-5109	Forwarded to (256) 400-8900	12/13/2014 08:58 AM	2	Included	
(909) 877-5192	(800) 230-5109	Menu: Main Menu	12/13/2014 12:04 AM	2	Included	
(347) 692-8673	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/12/2014 08:30 AM	2	Included	
(413) 357-5593	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/12/2014 06:02 AM	2	Included	
(212) 470-3747	(800) 230-5109	Menu: Main Menu	12/12/2014 05:02 AM	2	Included	
(724) 264-3531	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/11/2014 08:17 PM	2	Included	
(432) 271-4693	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/11/2014 06:29 PM	2	Included	
(718) 947-6054	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/11/2014 09:06 AM	2	Included	
(415) 209-6565	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/11/2014 07:44 AM	2	Included	

	(917) 300-9802	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/11/2014 07:37 AM	2	Included	
	(714) 809-0458	(800) 230-5109	Played Greeting: NA Greeting	12/11/2014 06:56 AM	1	Included	
	(914) 205-8617	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/11/2014 05:30 AM	2	Included	
	(905) 816-9810	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/11/2014 03:57 AM	2	\$0.100	
	(631) 595-5840	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/10/2014 11:16 PM	2	Included	
	(313) 451-0577	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/10/2014 11:22 AM	2	Included	
	(765) 744-9376	(800) 230-5109	Voicemail Received from (765) 744-9376	12/10/2014 10:53 AM	3	Included	
	(801) 666-2365	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/10/2014 09:54 AM	2	Included	
	(205) 936-6986	(800) 230-5109	Forwarded to (256) 400-8900	12/10/2014 07:12 AM	2	Included	
	(248) 629-0330	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/10/2014 06:35 AM	2	Included	
	(646) 606-8442	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/10/2014 01:12 AM	2	Included	
	(432) 558-5107	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/09/2014 09:27 PM	2	Included	
	(347) 792-1019	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/09/2014 06:14 PM	2	Included	
	(650) 204-9011	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/09/2014 05:01 PM	2	Included	
	(801) 742-8365	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/08/2014 11:10 PM	2	Included	
	(347) 832-3074	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/08/2014 10:15 PM	2	Included	
	(267) 485-3017	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/08/2014 01:14 PM	2	Included	
	(256) 706-1658	(800) 230-5109	Forwarded to (256) 960-6201	12/08/2014 11:08 AM	2	Included	
	(415) 940-7257	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/06/2014 11:47 PM	2	Included	
	(415) 878-3810	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/06/2014 11:31 PM	2	Included	
	(256) 630-9353	(800) 230-5109	Menu: Main Menu	12/06/2014 06:18 PM	1	Included	
	(707) 721-3435	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/06/2014 05:50 PM	2	Included	
	(810) 605-7679	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/06/2014 02:38 PM	2	Included	
	(417) 717-1556	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/05/2014 05:08 PM	2	Included	
	(516) 554-0387	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/05/2014 01:30 AM	2	Included	
	(703) 382-0141	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/04/2014 10:40 PM	2	Included	
	(646) 727-0103	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/04/2014 10:42 AM	2	Included	
	(917) 336-8711	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/04/2014 09:34 AM	2	Included	
	(347) 304-5026	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item	12/04/2014 08:04 AM	2	Included	
	(256) 390-4424	(800) 230-5109	Forwarded to (256) 960-6201	12/04/2014 06:50 AM	1	Included	
	(218) 296-9359	(800) 230-5109	Menu Item		2	Included	



12/03/2014
07:06 PM



(240) 270-5497

(800) 230-5109

Menu Item

12/03/2014
05:02 PM

2

Included



Total calls: 69

Total Minutes: 139

\$0.100

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Meeting Schedule Coordinator Report

12-14-14

Hello, my name is Sherry T. and I am an addict. I would like to thank you for allowing me to serve. I have 55 double sided meeting schedules for distribution. I will make a proposal for \$10.80 reimbursement for their cost.

In Loving Service,
Sherry T.

JK

SHIFT LOG FOR PHONELINE CALLS

Date: _____ Day of Week: _____

Time called	Who called	How was the caller served
12-13 5:58 pm	male	mtg location Anniston
12-13 1:20 pm	male	mtg locations Section
12-13 11:20 pm	male	mtg locations Mobile from Scotsboro
? ?	Male	mtg location Cullman

Phone Line

Nov 22nd Received call from female requesting info about a meeting in Decatur area, gave her North Area phone line and region website.

Call received nov 24th female caller requesting information about the difference between open and closed meetings.

Call received during the Auburn/ Sanford game Male caller looking for a group in the Albersville area. Gave him Info for Freedom and Breaking free.

Returned a voicemail on Dec. 10th Female caller looking for a meeting in marshal county for her husband. Gave her info for Breaking Free and Freedom. Also, gave her North Area's phone line and Region Website

In Loving Service,

Kyndi W.

December 14, 2014

I'm Christy and I am an addict. The website has been updated according to the changes submitted by the groups and our ASC last month. The meeting schedule coordinator did not receive any changes from any groups since our last ASC. On December 12th the domain expired so I renewed it at a cost of \$19.95 and am asking the area to be reimbursed. During the month of November we have had 244 hits on the home page, 25 hits on the area events page, 5 hits on the for our members page, 20 hits on the information for the public page, and 219 hits on the meeting schedules page.

Thank you for allowing me to be your webmaster.

Christy C.

Sec. Hand I report

My name is Jason in an addict.

This month in H&I two panel leaders weren't present. One let me know they weren't going to be here. All our facilities are functioning very well with just normal hiccups. On 12-13-14 our H&I orientation went very well with plenty of participation several were orientated. I'd like to thank CTC for letting us use there facility. I've gave my lit order to the Fit Chair

In loving service
Jason K.

Hello ASC

I'm Jake and I'm an addict. Thank you for allowing me to serve. In the last month we facilitated a group inventory at the active change group which was a success. We also did an outreach workshop at the CTC group in an area orientation, workshop day. In the next months we as the outreach subcommittee will be facilitating an area wide carpet. Jan 7, we will be meeting at the Walmart on Hwy 77 at 4:00 PM, heading to the acceptance group, who has requested support. All members of Narcotics Anonymous are invited and encouraged to come out and help support the acceptance group. Any request for outreach are welcomed and we are here to serve the area. And in March our outreach secretary team is up in March.

I'm loving service

Jake B.

**GSR REPORT**

Acceptance Group **GROUP**
Henagar, AL

NEAANA Service Committee Meeting December 14, 2014.

TRUSTED SERVANTS:

GSR Sherry T.
 ALT GSR vacant
 SEC Lomie K.
 ALT SEC vacant
 TREAS Sherry T.
 ALT TREAS vacant

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Beginning Balance	<u>121.14</u>
Credits	<u>371.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>492.14</u>
Debits	<u>293.68</u>
Ending Balance	<u>198.46</u>

Meeting Schedule Changes & Special Notes to Area:

Meetings still Monday, Wednesday, & Friday @ 6pm. Consensus for add services as alternate H&J chairs and agreed that 10% of each monthly ending balance is appropriate for donation to region.

We will donate \$ 15 to NEAANA this month.

Average Attendance was approximately 7 per meeting.

Topics for the month have been Recovery Related

Old Business: Keep supplies & lit. checked and replenish as needed.

New Business: Got together & travel to New Years eve event.

Active Change GSR Report

12-07-14

I'm an addict name Mike

We began our group conscious by studying the 8th Concept. We are still effectively carrying the message and our format creates an atmosphere of recovery that we all need to feel safe so that we can share openly and honestly. We started with \$72, paid \$50 rent and donating \$22 to the ASC, leaving the group with a 0 balance. Our meeting attendance dropped to approx 12 addicts per meeting. We have a good relationship with the facility and the community. Chrissy E is the hugger this month and Phil G from Georgia will be speaking on December 28th. The group said no to the 10% monthly donation to Region and ask that the proposal be amended to donate 10% every 3rd month to be consistent and fulfill 7th Tradition and 11th Concept. Thanks for allowing me to serve.

Mike E

12-14-12

Heads, my names Nicole and
I'm an addict.

At Breaking Free's Business
Meeting we had a BB of 327⁵⁹
57⁰⁰ in 7th Tradition Donations
and an EB of 79.59. After paying
rent we are donating 25⁰⁰ to the
ASC. In Elections, we elected
Greg M as our new Lit Chair
we are submitting 3 dates
to PI for a Flyer Day: 2/17; 2/21; 2/28
On 12/23, we will have
a Cookie Exchange beginning
at 6pm before the 7pm
meeting.

In loving Service,
Nicole W.

P.S. Breaking Free agreed to go over
the pts at next business meeting
& we are all in agreement w/
10% ASC funds being donated
to ASC to support Fund 200.

Addendum: Whitney, Freedom Group,
do talk to Group about combining w/ BF
for Flyer Day - Dates held for
next ASC.



GSR REPORT

CTC

GROUP

NEAANA Service Committee Meeting _____.

TRUSTED SERVANTS:

GSR LADD G.
ALT GSR JEFF H.
SEC TWA B.
ALT SEC OPEN
TREAS PHILLIP Y.
ALT TREAS WILLY S.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Beginning Balance _____
Credits _____
TOTAL _____
Debits _____
Ending Balance less than \$20⁰⁰

Meeting Schedule Changes & Special Notes to Area:

N.A.

We will donate \$ 20⁰⁰ to NEAANA this month.

Average Attendance was approximately 35-40 per meeting.

Topics for the month have been recovery related

Old Business: THANKSGIVING / FUND RAISER
\$500 DISCREPANCY

New Business: CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR OPEN HOUSE

Hello Family,

I am Whitney and I am an addict. Due to sickness in our group and other situations, we have been unable to hold an official business meeting or provide a report for this month.

Despite the current issues we have been facing, we believe it is important to have our group represented at AREA. We hope to be back next month with better news and hopefully information on some of our upcoming events.

In loving service,
Rickey D. + Whitney R.

(Freedom Group)

Hello ASC

G.O.D.

In John and I'm an addict.
It's a good day to be clean and of
service. The last month we have had
some really good meetings. The atmosphere
of recovery is present and our members seem
very dedicated to the goodwill of each other and
because of that the atmosphere is growing stronger.

At our group conscience we studied the
9th concept, everything was smooth and productive.
We are good the regional donations change
in policy. And we would also like to ask
the P.T. subcommittee and Webmaster to remove
the D.N.S. (Does not sign) off of our group
information on meeting schedules and website.
We would like to thank the P.T. subcommittee
for the flyer day, and other members who
showed up to help. I was fun and
exciting and I'm sure it will help let
the community know that Narcotics Anonymous
is in existence in the Goddard area.
We took in 47 dollars, paid rent and
with assistance of other homegroup members
and the remaining 7 dollars we printed 3
guides to local services. So no donation. Oh
we love our new format. In Loving Service
John D.



GSR REPORT

Section Serenity GROUP

NEAANA Service Committee Meeting _____.

TRUSTED SERVANTS:

GSR DAVID

ALT GSR MARK

SEC Summ

ALT SEC _____

TREAS Sonja

ALT TREAS _____

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Beginning Balance 157.00

Credits 140.00

TOTAL 297.00

Debits - 70.00

Ending Balance ~~227.00~~
227.00

Meeting Schedule Changes & Special Notes to Area:

NO ~~at~~ Speaker meeting For Dec.

wednesday Nite some from another group share

on first 3 steps open Dec.

Business meeting 1st Saturday

We will donate \$ 0 to NEAANA this month.

Average Attendance was approximately 9 per meeting.

Topics for the month have been Book studs How & why

Old Business: _____

New Business: _____



GSR REPORT

SOS Group GROUP
1118 Forrest Ave. Gadsden, AL

NEAANA Service Committee Meeting December, 2014.

TRUSTED SERVANTS:

GSR	<u>David W.</u>
ALT GSR	<u>Janice A.</u>
SEC	<u>Christell</u>
ALT SEC	<u>David S.</u>
TREAS	<u>Elyah B.</u>
ALT TREAS	<u>Tom M.</u>

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Beginning Balance	<u>\$ 66.²²</u>
Credits	<u>275.³²</u>
TOTAL	<u>341.⁵⁴</u>
Debits	<u>287.⁰⁰</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 54.⁰⁰</u>

Meeting Schedule Changes & Special Notes to Area:

We will donate \$ 0 to NEAANA this month.

Average Attendance was approximately 10-15 per meeting.

Topics for the month have been B.T, H&W, JFT, Annual Business
Discussion, speaker last Sat. 12/19

Old Business: Looking for another place, will pay all lot.
etc

New Business: abstain on 10% to Region, Christmas
New Year Open then 4 pm - end of meeting

PROPOSAL FORM

Proposal #: 4

Date: 12-14-14

Made By: Active Change

Proposal: ^{Breaking Fees}
to amend last months proposal
for 10% be donated monthly to region - to donate
10% ~~every third month~~ on the month of regional Sc

Intent: to be consistent and prudent with
funds in accordance with 11th Concept

Discussion

Final Proposal

- Consensus Failure Refer to Groups Refer for Clarification Other

Other Note: _____

BUDGET PROPOSAL FORM

Proposal #: 1

Date: 12-14-14

Made by: Sherry Ty
Meeting Schedule Coordinator

Proposal: To be reimbursed for purchase of updated meeting Schedules. Purchased 55 double sided @ a cost of \$10.80.

Intent: To carry the message.

Discussion:

Final Proposal:

Consensus Failure Refer to Groups Refer for Clarification Other

"Other" Notes:

BUDGET PROPOSAL FORM

Proposal #: 3

Date: 12-14-14

Made by: Kyndi W.
PI Chair

Proposal:

To reimburse Christy C. our webmaster
#19.95 for NEAANA.com domain renewal.

Intent:

To Carry the Message.

Discussion:

Final Proposal:

Consensus Failure Refer to Groups Refer for Clarification Other

"Other" Notes:



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Phone +1-614-534-1961, Outside US: +1 614 534 1961
Address 1774 Dividend Drive, Columbus, OH, 43228

Product Invoice

Christy Champion

Email: christy@mbsolutions.org

Phone Number: +1 256 431 3255

Fax Number:

Address: 1446 Sutton Bridge Road, Rainbow City, Alabama 35906, United States

Charges History Creation Date: Dec-12-2014

Product: neaana.com, ID #864848

Billing Period: Annual

Exp. Date: Dec-12-2015

Billing Profile: neanna

Dec-12-2014	Renewal of neaana.com for 1 YEAR(s) (Dec-12-2014 / Dec-12-2015)	-\$19.95 USD
Dec-12-2014	Charge to Credit Card VISA #xxxxxxxxxxxx7846 Exp. 08/2015	\$19.95 USD

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Proposal #: 2

Date: 12-14-14

Made by: Alexis M.

Proposal:

Literature Proposal

Intent:

To distribute literature to H&L panel members for clients.

Discussion:

Final Proposal:

\$	83.61	lit total
	13.00	shipping charges (around)
\$	96.61	TOTAL

Consensus Failure Refer to Groups Refer for Clarification Other

"Other" Notes:

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Announcements

Outreach ^{facilitating area wide} 1-7- meet @ W mart Hwy 77
Car Pool & going to support acceptance
group in Henejas. All are welcome

12-28 Phil B speaking @ active change

SOS X-mas + New yrs open house
Xmas eve + day NYE + NYD
4 till mtg time

Next ASC 1/11/15 Subcomm @ noon
ASC @ 3

open positions at area

CTC open house 12-8 12/25 + 12/31 to 1 AM
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WHAT IS OUTREACH

Most dictionary definitions of "outreach" describe it as: to reach beyond, to surpass. In Narcotics Anonymous, we use the term to describe an array of services designed specifically to insure that any NA member, group, or meeting can participate in the NA service structure and receive services they so desire. The goals of outreach service are to assist groups in solving problems that may impede their growth or threaten their survival and to help groups overcome many kinds of isolation by encouraging increased knowledge, contact and exposure to NA as a whole and to the NA service structure. The fundamental approach in outreach efforts often described as support services for groups and service committees, is helping groups and committees to help themselves. In many ways, this really is reaching beyond or surpassing our normal or routine service efforts.

Outreach service is meant to complement rather than duplicate the activities of any existing service committee, board or the USSC. Many of our service committees, to be effective, must prioritize the nature and schedule for delivery of their services due to the limits imposed by available human and financial resources. Sometimes this results in a lack of basic communication and support to NA members and groups. Formalized outreach subcommittees appear around our fellowship because they provide a systematic approach for one group of addicts to help another by serving their basic needs.

The activities of existing outreach subcommittees vary widely, each one tailored to the needs of those it serves. There are, however, common themes and tasks shared by many who participate in outreach efforts. Describing what outreach subcommittees do may be the best way to define outreach. While none do all, most outreach subcommittees do perform some of the following functions:

- Provide a direct line-of-communication to isolated members and groups, in and out of institutions,
- Present or take part in activities designed to bring isolated members and groups together with each other and the NA community,
- Conduct workshops on group level service, provide orientation sessions for GSRs, and develop GSR information packets,
- Conduct outreach workshops at learning events,
- Facilitating, encouraging and improving GSR attendance at area meeting,
- Assisting groups in need of support and group trusted servants,

- Helping to register groups with service committees and the USSC,
- Compiling or advising in the compilation of meeting schedules,
- Developing or maintaining an informative map of service boundaries
- Encouraging members to be involved in NA Service,
- Helping members and groups to learn about ordering literature and receiving NA publications,
- Facilitation the development and availability of simplified service materials,
- Helping groups to provide for members with additional needs.

For discussion purposes, we can describe three general categories of outreach service; extended, community, and institutional.

Extended Outreach

Extended outreach efforts focus on communication as a way to minimize the isolation created by geographical, language and cultural barriers. The main objective is to bring isolated members or groups together with other parts of NA. These services can include; facilitation correspondence, coordination of long distance travels to support groups, maintaining conduct information files, helping plan activities for those who could not otherwise come together, and collecting information for outreach newsletters.

Community Outreach

Whether in an emerging NA community or an established urban setting, fellowship development seems to follow a very similar process. Often, alternating spurts of growth followed by plateaus characterized this development process. In many cities or communities where NA already exists, some type of service structures has been developed to meet local needs. In these situations, it is fairly common to find NA members or outreach subcommittees providing support services to the existing NA communities in countryside, suburban and/or metropolitan settings. The focus in this setting is on participation. Assisting groups in need of support, helping GSRs to attend area meetings, helping groups to become re-involved in the local service structure, and helping groups to register are the primary functions of community oriented outreach subcommittees.

Institutional Outreach

Institutional outreach efforts, designed to allow groups in institutions to participate in the service structure, can include personal contact, correspondence, newsletters, and literature mailings. These services are directed at NA meetings that are not H&I panels, yet have been started in institutions, long-term facilities, prisons, state hospitals, military bases, and nursing homes. These meetings and groups spring up from a variety of sources.

Often, NA is not available at all until our hospital and institutions committees conduct a series of panel presentations. Sometime later, staff professionals, patients, or inmates start an NA meeting. Sometimes, meetings in an institutional setting result from one or more recovering addicts becoming incarcerated. Also, professionals who have learned about NA through our public information efforts start NA groups in various settings. Regardless of how they came to exist, these NA meetings can easily become isolated from other NA groups, and service committees. Sometimes the only link to NA fro a group in one of these facilities is contact with an outreach subcommittee or registration with the World Service Office.

Some NA communities have used outreach services for many years, and some are just now considering the idea. To the struggling group or the isolated member, it is often outreach services that rekindle the hope and spirit of "Together We Can" as a theme for recovery in Narcotics Anonymous.

Outreach subcommittees work to provide growth and unity by bringing a variety of groups or meetings into contact with the service structure, allowing new and existing elements of the fellowship to benefit from shared experience. Funding comes from the service committee to which they are responsible. In some places, outreach effort are a regional activity. Elsewhere, area subcommittees provide these services directly with a regional subcommittee serving as a forum or coordinating body. It is important to emphasis that the mission of outreach activities are to assist groups to become self- sustaining, and not to enforce a uniform understanding of traditions, foster dependency nor to simply start new groups. Successful outreach committees have learned to avoid creating an additional level of structure bureaucracy or barrier to the direct communication between new, emerging, or isolated groups and the rest of the fellowship and service structure.

At the 2012 United States Service Conference meeting, the USSC Outreach Subcommittee was created to provide a resource to outreach subcommittees in their efforts to develop and sustain NA groups and to encourage their involvement in NA service. USSC Outreach works closely with the United States Fellowship to assist in the formation of new outreach subcommittees, compile and distribute resource information, and coordinate an outreach network for communication. To register your outreach committee or receive outreach bulletins and resource information, please contact the USSC Outreach Subcommittee, c/o the USSC office, P.O Box 8378 Rockford, IL 61126.

NA Outreach Service Bulletin #2

OUTREACH WORKSHOP PRESENTATION GUIDE

Introduction

This bulletin is offered as a guide for use by any member of NA to present an educational workshop on outreach. Feel free to use the material as presented here or improvise in whatever way suits the needs or circumstances in your location. We recommend using several different presenters, one for each subtopic. Some presentations of this material have questions and answers with each topic, and some wait until the sharing session of the workshops. The information in this bulletin is drawn from many sources and may be tailored to suit any audience.

Workshops of this type are an excellent way to introduce members to what outreach is, what it does, what it is not, and how outreach is accomplished. When conducting service workshops or learning days, efforts should be made to present an overview of NA services that is easily understood and not intimidating. The goal should be to show how members can participate and the benefits of doing so. Workshop presenters are encouraged to contact the USSC for additional information and assistance. Establishing this communication early will be of great benefit to anyone interested in the topic. Information contained in our bulletin, "What is Outreach," will also be extremely helpful in conducting an outreach workshop.

General Workshop Topics:

- The Idea of Outreach
- Between the "I"s
- Three types of Outreach
- Functions of Outreach
- Outreach to NA Groups
- What Outreach Is Not
- Available Resources Forum/Sharing Session

The Idea of Outreach

The intent of outreach is simply to insure that any group, meeting, or addict who wishes can be linked to our service structure, receive services and participate in the NA service structure.

Some form of "outreach" exists in virtually every emerging NA community. Usually this takes the form of one or a few members with the energy to get together and travel long distances to provide support to an isolated group or institutional meeting. During the 1980's some of these spontaneous efforts pulled together and subcommittees were formed in some locations. Often, they received enthusiastic support to help improve communication, plan related activities for isolated group members, and provide direct support to isolated groups or institutional meetings. As new subcommittee members were trained, committee continuity and consistency resulted in more groups becoming involved and linked to the fellowship. Today's outreach committees draw much of their experience from these earlier efforts and continue to rely on the principle of one group of addicts helping another. It is one way our fellowship has been able to spread from city to city and country

to country. The emergence of formalized outreach committees has made possible a more systematic approach to providing these services.

Currently, some Narcotics Anonymous outreach committees exist at every level of service. Although their activities vary widely, they seem to share a few common goals. First, outreach committees assist NA groups to solve problems that may impede the group's growth and may even threaten the group's survival. These committees also help groups to enhance their ability to carry a message of recovery through greater knowledge of and exposure to the NA service structure. Finally, outreach committees help NA groups to overcome the pitfalls of isolation by encouraging increased contact with the fellowship as a whole.

The focus of outreach is within NA. From long distance travel to correspondence to getting GSRs to show up at the ASC to registering groups -- all this is within the realm of outreach.

Between the "I" s

NA outreach service is designed to complement other services, not to duplicate them. Outreach subcommittees are formed because they fill a need. Outreach service efforts can assist a broad range of isolated and institutional groups and members that sometimes fall outside the scope of NA's H&I and PI service. For example, our public information committees work with those outside NA, helping them to know what we offer to addicts seeking recovery. Our Hospitals and Institutions committees conduct panels in facilities where NA is not available otherwise, helping addicts directly to find recovery. As a result of our PI and H&I efforts, professionals, facility staff, inmates, or patients often start an NA meeting in an institution, and it can easily become isolated from services and communication with NA as a whole. To these struggling groups and isolated member, it is often outreach that rekindles the hope that "together we can."

Three Types of Outreach

For discussion purposes, we can describe three general categories of outreach service; extended, community, and institutional. Where geographical, language and cultural barriers are involved, we find extended outreach. In extended outreach the focus is on communication to help bring isolated members together or in touch with "the rest" of NA. Institutional outreach services often take the form of physical support, correspondence, newsletters, and literature mailings to NA members and groups in a facility where access is limited. Community outreach occurs in countryside, suburban and metropolitan settings where NA already exists and some form of service structure has been developed to serve local needs. The focus in a community setting is on participation; assisting groups in need of support, getting GSRs to area meetings, and registering groups.

Around our fellowship there are many examples of each of the three main types of outreach. Contact information and some resource material from many of these locations can be obtained from the USSC Outreach Subcommittee.

Functions of Outreach Subcommittees

In some places outreach services are conducted at the regional or national level. Elsewhere, area subcommittees do the actual work, with a regional subcommittee serving to coordinate, train, and provide a problem solving forum. Regardless of the structure, each outreach subcommittee appears to perform tasks directly related to the needs of their

service territory and the resources available. Following is a list of some of the functions different outreach subcommittees are performing. Few committees provide all these services, but many of them are functions of most outreach subcommittees.

- * Provide a direct line of communication to isolated members and groups, in and out of institutions.
- * Presents or take part in activities designed to bring isolated members and groups together with each other and the NA community.
- * Conduct workshops on group level service, provide orientation sessions for GSRs, and develop GSR information packets.
- * Facilitating, encouraging and improving GSR attendance at area meetings.
- * Assisting groups in need of support and group trusted servants.
- * Helping to register groups with service committees and the USSC.
- * Compiling or advising in the compilation of meeting schedules.
- * Developing or maintaining an informative map of service boundaries.
- * Encouraging members to be involved in NA service
- * Helping members and groups to learn about ordering literature and receiving NA publications.
- * Facilitating the development and availability of simplified service materials.
- * Help groups to provide for members with additional needs.

Outreach to NA Groups

To the greatest extent possible we work in teams, not alone. Two or more people visiting a struggling group can offer support during the meeting, provide information and offer suggestions in conversation with group trusted servants. Answering questions about the purpose and functions of the area and its subcommittees are often beneficial during these visits.

Assisting new groups to obtain starter materials and register with their service committees and the USSC helps them to establish communication with other NA groups in their area or region. In some places, outreach subcommittees provide a "wake-up" call a couple of days prior to the ASC to groups that haven't attended in a while. Another service often performed by area outreach subcommittees is to provide brief training and orientation sessions for new GSRs, often done in a quick seminar format 30 minutes before an ASC meeting. The improved participation and communication that results from GSRs that know their job and how their committee works; usually helps build area unity and stability.

What Outreach Is Not

It is important to remember that the focus of outreach activities is to assist groups to sustain themselves. Outreach is not intended to be a committee that starts new meetings. For outreach committee members to become tied down supporting one meeting every week would be unfair to the area and a disservice to the group. Committee members can assist the NA members who start meetings by temporarily attending, education, starter kits, announcements, and registration. Successful outreach committees have avoided creating a

structure that fosters dependency or sets up an additional barrier to groups having direct contact with the rest of the fellowship's service structure.

It is important for outreach members not to 'judge' groups in how they conduct their meetings. Outreach has sometimes, mistakenly, been perceived as an NA "police department" that presents groups with citations for traditions violations, or a "swat team" that attends meetings for the purpose of telling a group what to do. Outreach committees need to remain clear that they are trying to help the group and their mission is not to promote or enforce uniform understandings of traditions, service concepts or proper NA language. Committee members so inclined should be encouraged to trust that isolated group members will develop their own understanding of NA's principles through increased contact with NA as a whole.

Another pitfall to avoid is identifying with any political factions. Outreach is about group service and must avoid being perceived as taking sides in local controversies. It is important in outreach visits to respect each group's autonomy. The integrity of the outreach subcommittee depends on its ability to provide unbiased, accurate information and then step aside and let the group decide. This is particularly true when an area grows to a point where dividing into more than one area is being considered. The role of outreach in this situation is simply to strengthen groups and develop ASC unity. Outreach should support whatever process the ASC chooses to guide its future and encourage the groups to make their own choices on issues.

For these reasons, outreach subcommittees usually spend significant time discussing how to introduce themselves and clarify their function so as to avoid leaving any group feeling threatened. Outreach may visit, offer suggestions, gather information and even make recommendations. It is the responsibility of the local NA members, groups, and the service committee to address issues.

Available Resources

Outreach subcommittees have many resources to draw upon and use in their efforts. Following is a short list of available resources:

Local service committees

- Group Booklet
- Group Information Pamphlet (IP #2)
- Group Treasurers Handbook
- Outreach Bulletins (list available from USSC)
- USSC Outreach Subcommittee

Open Forum/Sharing Session

The floor should be opened to answer any questions and encourage discussion about outreach. This is also a good time to elaborate on any topics of interest and encourage participants to share about the personal rewards of outreach service.

NA Outreach Service Bulletin #4

How to be a GSR

Why have a GSR?

Just as “an addict alone is in bad company”, the NA group that does not participate in the service structure will most likely struggle without the spiritual support that the ASC has to offer. The participation of the Group Service Representative (GSR) and the GSR-Alternate at the Area Service Committee (ASC) meeting can make a big difference in the chances of a group’s survival.

Shared experiences and services are key to helping the group carry the message. Your GSR is the bearer of that experience and service. As long as each group carries out its responsibilities by being an active part of the local area, by choosing a GSR and supporting the service structure, the area will sustain itself and provide services to the addict that a group cannot provide on its own.

Some of the services offered by an ASC may include: operating a phone line, providing literature distribution, speaking to the public about NA, reaching out to addicts in isolation and in institutions, printing a newsletter, and organizing functions such as workshops and unity activities. These services vary from area to area. Your GSR is your group’s voice in how these services are delivered.

Some isolated groups may belong to areas that hold their ASC meetings a long distance away. If your group is in this situation, contact your ASC for possible solutions so that your representative can fully participate. Some suggestions include, but are not limited to, travel subsidization, proxy (mail in) votes on issues sent back to all groups, and hosting an ASC meeting closer to your home group location.

In some cases GSRs from groups isolated in institutions have a hard time participating in their ASC meetings. Some of the ways GSRs in institutions can participate are as follows:

- * Members from the outside may get clearance to attend a meeting in an institution, make that their home group, and carry the group’s conscience to the ASC.
- * Member(s) from within the institutions may get clearance to attend the ASC.
- * On occasion, the ASC may actually be held within the institution
- * Conscience may be carried by proxy vote as mentioned above.

These examples are being utilized today, but your solution needs to fit your situation and facility.

Who should be the GSR?

Next to the individual member, our groups are the most important unit of the service structure. They have been established to fulfill our primary purpose by carrying the message through holding recovery meetings. The position of GSR is vital to the stability and unity of that service unit.

GSRs act as a resource to home group members by being well informed about most aspects of service in NA and by helping to guide members into the different branches of service available in which all may participate. There is always much service work to be accomplished in a local area. GSR who shares the group’s enthusiasm and knowledge can help by getting other members involved in the type of service they will enjoy.

The information pamphlet, *The Group*, suggests that a GSR have the following qualifications:

- * The willingness and desire to serve.
- * A history of recovery in NA (suggested minimum of one year clean time).
- * An understanding and working knowledge of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of NA.
- * Active participation in the group they are to serve.

A GSR-Alternate should have the same qualifications as a GSR except for the suggestion of six months continuous abstinence. The GSR and the GSR-Alt. is each elected at the home group business meeting for a one-year term. The position of GSR-Alt. provides the group with a member who is training to be a GSR. The GSR-Alt. is expected to stand for the position of GSR at the end of their term. In some groups, the suggested clean time is waived according to how new the group is and who is interested in serving. The group may also choose to elect a GSR-Alt. only and allow that person to grow into the position.

The GSR should be chosen carefully, because this person will become the group’s link with the rest of NA’s service structure. The group places its trust in this person to carry group conscience, and usually the group’s donation, to the ASC and to return to the group business meeting with clear, concise, objective reports on ASC activity.

What do we do now?

Once a home group has chosen its GSR and GSR-Alt., it is responsible for providing these members with continued support and guidance so that these trusted servants can carry out their duties in the spirit and atmosphere of recovery. By responsibly choosing a GSR, the group is free to focus on its primary purpose - “to carry the message to the addict who still suffers.”

GSRs are “the link that binds the groups together in the performance of our primary purpose.” One of the duties of a GSR is to attend the local Area Service Committee (ASC) meetings.

The function of the ASC is to serve the groups that are part of it. In order to do this, the ASC usually meets monthly. The ASC is made up of GSRs and GSR-Alternates from the local groups, subcommittee chairpersons (Outreach, Hospitals and Institutions, Public Information, Literature, etc.), and an administrative committee consisting of a chairperson, vice-chairperson, treasurer, secretary, Regional Committee Member (RCM), and RCM-Alt.

The GSRs of all the groups attending present group reports at the area meeting that may include the following information: group news and activities, group problems/strengths, location/time/format changes, donations to the ASC, group size, and subcommittee sign-up sheets. Many ASCs offer a forum for GSRs to discuss group problems and get feedback from other GSRs who may have faced similar challenges.

The GSR may order literature at the ASC meeting for the group from the area or regional literature stockpiles. Another important function is to verify that the group is listed on the area and regional meeting lists and is registered with the USSC.

In turn, the GSR reports matters dealt with at the ASC back to the group at the monthly business meeting. Such matters may include: other group news; elections/vacancies; subcommittee activities; ASC financial status; subcommittee sign-up sheets; area activities, workshops, conventions, camp-outs, retreats, etc.; regional and world level service information; business items referred to the group's monthly business meeting for group conscience; and shared solution to group problems.

How to be an effective GSR

In order to fulfill their duties, it is suggested that the GSR share the responsibilities with the GSR-Alt. (who acts as the GSR in their absence). It is suggested that the GSR possess the necessary service materials, including handbooks, guidelines, and area policies. Some of these items can be purchased from the area or regional literature stockpiles, while others are made available to all area level trusted servants at no charge. GSRs are encouraged to ask questions of other ASC members, past and present, to gain shared experiences.

It is suggested that GSRs become involved in other aspects of area service by participating on a subcommittee. Information about these subcommittees can be accessed from the subcommittee chairperson or other subcommittee member, as well as from the handbooks and by attending subcommittees meetings and activities.

While attending the ASC meeting, the GSR should remember that he or she is representing the group. Attending the entire ASC meeting, listening, taking plenty of notes, and voting with the group's conscience in mind (not personal opinion) are of utmost importance. The GSR should remember that their group may have no other way to get the information that is passed along at the ASC meeting. An ineffective GSR could keep a group in isolation; on the other hand, an attentive, objective GSR can help the group stay well-informed and thrive.

When reporting back to the home group, the GSR should cover all the information necessary in a brief, clear, and enthusiastic manner. Caution should be exercised not to offer an opinion unless asked to do so by the group. Some GSRs choose to make all information available in written format, only bringing up for discussion in the business meeting those issues that the ASC has asked be discussed in groups. However a GSR chooses to report, making sure that all group members have access to as much information as possible will go a long way toward promoting unity.

Available resources

Narcotics Anonymous has the following publications available for further information about GSRs.

- IP #2 -- The Group
- The Group Booklet
- NA Basic Text
- It Works: How and Why
- The Group Starter Kit
- The Twelve Concepts of NA Service