

JANUARY 28TH, 2018
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
1311 – 4TH ST SW

JANUARY ASC MINUTES

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MEETING OPENED WITH SERENITY PRAYER AT 6:32PM FOLLOWED BY READINGS

1. 12 TRADITIONS - READ BY: JOHNATHON
2. 12 CONCEPTS - READ BY: TANYA
3. GROUND RULES - READ BY: GROUP
4. SERVICE PRAYER - READ BY: JOEL
5. PAGE XXVI IN 6TH EDITION BASIC TEXT FROM EVERYTHING THAT OCCURS ...

INTRODUCTIONS:

Dan	-	GSR MIR
Jaime	-	GSR FREE TO BE
Joel	-	LISTENING MEMBER
Dave	-	GSR FRESH START
Kerry	-	GSR RIPPLE EFFECT
Ryan	-	GSR FIVE AND DIME
Johnathon	-	LISTENING MEMBER
Tim	-	LISTENING MEMBER
Charli	-	GSR LIFE HAPPENS
Amber	-	GSR LIVING CLEAN
Bill	-	GSR SOWING THE SEED
Joel	-	GSR RECOVERY IN PROGRESS
Stacey	-	GSR COURAGE TO CHANGE
Mark	-	GSR WE DO RECOVER
Tanya	-	GSR MORE WILL BE REVEALED
Ian	-	GSR BELTLINE SERENITY
Ron	-	LISTENING MEMBER
Brian	-	SECRETARY / GSR SWINGING INTO RECOVERY
Troy	-	RCM
Shane	-	TREASURER
Les	-	AREA CHAIR

TOTALS:

GSR'S	-	14
LISTENING MEMBER'S	-	4
RCM	-	1
TREASURER	-	1
SECRETARY	-	1
AREA CHAIR	-	1

Welcome Everyone!

ADMIN REPORTS

CHAIR REPORT

(PRESENT – REPORT SUBMITTED)

- INSURANCE BROKER WAS CHANGED BUT THE INSURANCE REMAINS WITH INTACT
- A LETTER WAS RECEIVED FROM ETHEL IN LETHBRIDGE STATING THERE WAS \$455.41 BEING DONATED TO THE AREA FROM A PREVIOUS BANK ACCOUNT CREATED TO START A SOUTHERN ALBERTA AREA THAT WAS NOT COMPLETED – THANK YOU TO DAVE AND ETHEL!
- ABLE TO SUPPORT H&I IN ATTENDING THEIR BUSINESS MEETINGS AS WELL AS LEAD A PANEL AT LANDERS IN DECEMBER AND 4 PANELS AT RENFREW.
- ATTENDED A COUPLE PR BUSINESS MEETINGS AS WELL ATTENDED A COUPLE CONVENTION MEETINGS
- **PLEASE REVIEW THE ATTACHED AND UPDATED P&P THAT CAPTURES THE CHANGES FOR AN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOR ELECTIONS. HAVE THE GROUPS REVIEW AND COME BACK IN FEBRUARY WITH SOME QUESTIONS AND FEEDBACK**
- CHAIRPERSON WORKSHOP BEING HELD MARCH 2ND

VICE CHAIR REPORT

(N/A – OPEN POSITION | 2 YEAR CLEAN TIME REQUIREMENT | 1 YEAR TERM)

SECRETARY REPORT

(PRESENT – MINUTES SUBMITTED)

- MINUTES APPROVED AND CORRECTED PRIOR TO ASC

TREASURER REPORT

(PRESENT – REPORT SUBMITTED)

- ON THE LAST STEPS OF FINALIZING THE ISSUE WITH THE THREE SIGNING AUTHORITIES AT ATB
- TROY (RCM) WILL BE ADDED AS A SIGNING AUTHORITY AT ATB
- SCOTIABANK - \$448.62
- ATB - \$954.88
- NET CASH BALANCE OF \$1,403.50, (\$448.62 + \$954.88)

RCM REPORT

(PRESENT – REPORT SUBMITTED)

- **GSR'S TO ANNOUNCE: THIS YEAR'S ARCNA CONVENTION IS TO BE HELD BY THE PEACE AREA AT THE NITEHAWK ADVENTURE PARK OUTSIDE OF GRAND PRAIRIE AUGUST 30 TO SEPTEMBER 1.**
- CHINOOK CONVENTION CHAIR 2020 NEEDED IF WE ARE TO HOST IN CALGARY
- ON JANUARY 13TH CANA ALLOWED THE REGION TO USE THEIR ACCOUNT TO HOST A ZOOM MEETING (WEB MEETING). THE MEETING WAS A SUCCESS.
- CCNA 27 NIAGRA FALLS EB TICKETS ENDED, \$150 FOR PACKAGES STILL AVAILABLE
- RD ALT AND PR CHAIR POSITIONS OPEN

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACTIVITIES REPORT

(PRESENT – NO REPORT SUBMITTED)

- 2 EVENTS SINCE LAST ASC (CHRISTMAS SWEATER GAME NIGHT) 20 PPL ATTENDING AND (OPEN MIC AND KARAOKE NIGHT) 40 PEOPLE ATTENDING
- JANUARY EVENT (KARAOKE) BROUGHT IN \$220 AND COST \$275 BUT WAS SEEN AS A SUCCESS DUE TO ABILITY TO REACH OUT TO THE NEWCOMER
- NEXT EVENT IS AN ART JAM AND POTLUCK AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 12PM TO 3PM FEB 16TH
- SCAVENGER HUNT AT CHINOOK MALL IS PLANNED FOR MARCH 16TH
- BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE \$478.35
- POSSIBLY HOLDING A SPRING INTO SERVICE WORKSHOP?

H&I REPORT

(N/A – OPEN POSITION | 2 YEAR CLEAN TIME REQUIREMENT | 1 YEAR TERM)

PR REPORT

(NOT PRESENT – REPORT SUBMITTED)

- JEFF DID NOT ATTEND BUT INCLUDED IN HIS REPORT THAT HE HAS STEPPED DOWN A FEW MONTHS PRIOR TO COMPLETING HIS TERM DUE TO PERSONAL REASONS
- THERE WAS AN ISSUE WITH THE FACEBOOK PAGE AND THE CONTENT BEING SHARED ON IT BUT IT WAS FELT THAT IT HAS NOW BEEN RESOLVED
- WEB SERVANT POSITION IS STILL AVAILABLE
- PHONE LINE IS SLOW 3 CALLS A WEEK ON AVERAGE

LITERATURE REPORT

(N/A – NO REPORT SUBMITTED)

- RON WAS ELECTED AS LITERATURE CHAIR SO THERE WAS NO REPORT

OUTREACH REPORT

(N/A – OPEN POSITION | 2 YEAR CLEAN TIME REQUIREMENT | 1 YEAR TERM)

CONVENTION REPORT

(PRESENT – REPORT SUBMITTED)

- FIRST FUNDRAISER WITH GOLDEN TICKET CHOCOLATES HAS BEEN STARTED
- ACADIA RECREATION CENTRE IS THE LOCATION AND CATERER SELECTED
- TICKET PRICE: \$30 BASIC / \$50 EARLY BIRD - BY APRIL 1ST / \$70 FULL
- BUFFET DINNER SATURDAY NIGHT BREAKFAST SUNDAY MORNING
- ASKING GROUPS TO SUPPORT THE CONVENTION BY OFFERING DINNER BEFORE THE MEETING.
- APPAREL, HOODIES, TANKS, SHIRTS, ETC. FOR SALE
- RAFFLE AT JAN EVENT BROUGHT IN \$85
- ACCOUNT BALANCE: \$941.00 | VENUE DEPOSIT PAID, CATERERS TO BE PAID
- "UNITY BEGINS WITH YOU" IS THE THEME, FLYERS STILL NEEDED
- STILL AWAITING BUDGET AS PER THE PNP FROM THE CHAIR

GSR REPORTS

- **Brian** | GSR Swinging Into Recovery | \$170.00 donation
- **Dan** | GSR MIR | averaging 50 people | \$200.00 donation
- **Jaime** | GSR Free To Be | as of Feb 22nd there will be no storage in the building and will need to find a new space to store their bins | \$30.00 donation
- **Kerry** | GSR Ripple Effect | No Changes
- **Dave** | GSR Fresh Start | attendance up 15 – 20 people | financial set back to the prudent reserve is being mended | struggling for business members
- **Bill** | GSR Sowing The Seed | 10 – 40 people attending | 5 birthdays recently | the old room is almost completed for the meeting to return
- **Ryan** | GSR Five And Dime | averaging 20 – 30 people | new Treasurer
- **Amber** | GSR Living Clean | increasing meeting attendance 11 – 44 people | email money transfer not being accepted for the 7th | \$300.00
- **Charli** | GSR Life Happens | 10 – 25 people attending | possibly moving at least one meeting location | the church will not allow them to store their meeting materials | \$50.00 donation
- **Joel** | GSR Recovery In Progress | 8 – 15 members | first Tuesday of the month is a speaker meeting
- **Stacey** | GSR Courage To Change | attendance is down 9 – 20 people | instead of a 7th they are talking about paying their travel expenses to ASC and anything above that can be donated | looking for feedback on which clarity statement to use in their meetings
- **Mark** | GSR We Do Recover | struggling a bit | the meeting is moving to the Alano Club and the time is changing to 7:00pm | focused on buying the group literature
- **Tanya** | GSR More Will Be Revealed | 25 – 50 people | 5 new home group members | third Sunday of the month is a speaker meeting | \$50.00 donation
- **Ian** | GSR Beltline Serenity | end of Ian's term | deciding on speakers for upcoming fundraiser | supporting convention with speaker jam Feb 22nd beef on a bun event

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Dan Brought Forward | Violent Behaviour In Meetings

- MARCH 2ND WORKSHOP PROPOSED TO HANDLE THIS ISSUE AT FIRST BAPTIST
- SECURITY ISSUES BROUGHT UP WITH MEMBERS WONDERING THROUGHOUT THE CHURCHES DURING MEETING TIMES
- QUESTIONING WHY WE ARE HAVING TO WAIT UNTIL SOMEONE ASSAULTS SOMEONE BEFORE WE CREATE A SOLUTION.
- THERE IS MORE THAN ONE MEMBER THAT IS MAKING PEOPLE UNCOMFORTABLE IN MEETINGS AT THE MOMENT.
- **REMINDER TO GSR'S, UTTERING THREATS IS A CRIME – DO NOT BE AFRAID TO CALL THE POLICE**
- SOME GROUPS HAVE CHANGED THE MEETING FORMAT TO INCLUDE MENTIONING THAT DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOUR WILL NOT BE TOLERATED OR WILL SHUT MEETINGS DOWN IF DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOUR BEGINS.

Troy Brought Forward | Regional Convention 2020

- REGIONAL CONVENTION 2020 COULD COME TO CALGARY IF WE WOULD LIKE TO HOST IT.
- CHAIRPERSON WOULD BE NEEDED TO BE ELECTED BY SEPTEMBER OF THIS YEAR AND GO TO REGION.
- THE CONVENTION WAS THOUGHT TO BRING UNITY WITHIN THE AREA.
- THEY HAVE ALWAYS BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN THE PAST.
- **ASK YOUR GROUPS “WOULD YOU LIKE TO HOST THE CONVENTION 2020 AND DO YOU HAVE ANY INTERESTED MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN PUTTING IT TOGETHER”?**

Les Brought Forward | Letter By Ethel

- IN 2011 A BANK ACCOUNT WAS OPENED TO START THE SOUTHERN ALBERTA REGION
- THERE IS NOW \$455.41 IN THAT BANK ACCOUNT AND IT WAS DECIDED TO CLOSE IT.
- DOUG AND ETHEL SENT THE MONEY TO THE AREA AS A DONATION
- THEY PREFERRED TO HAVE THE MONEY USED TO PURCHASE LITERATURE FOR H AND I BUT WERE AWARE THAT THEY COULD NOT STIPULATE WHERE DONATIONS TO THE AREA WERE SPENT.
- IT WAS ASKED IF ANYONE AT THE TABLE WAS OPPOSED TO SIMPLY TREATING THE DONATION AS A 7TH OR IF IT SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THEM TO DO AS THEY WISH (BUY LITERATURE)
- ALL VOTED TO APPROVE IT AS A DONATION TO THE AREA
- CHINOOK ASC THANKS DOUG AND ETHEL VERY MUCH

Les Brought Forward | Insurance Broker Change

- THE AREA INSURANCE BROKER AT INTACT BAILED HOWEVER LES WAS ABLE TO CONTACT A BROKER AT INTACT WHO WAS WILLING TO PICK UP THE POLICY AND CONTINUE TO HONOR IT AS IS
- THIS REQUIRES A NAME CHANGE OF THE BROKER ON THE POLICY AND NOTHING MORE
- THERE WAS SOME PRICE CHECKING BUT DUE TO OUR LARGE INVENTORY AND LIABILITY NEEDS THE INSURANCE WAS DEEMED TOO EXPENSIVE TO GO TO ANOTHER BROKER AT THIS TIME
- WE PAY \$112.00 A MONTH
- THE POLICY IS REQUIRED BY THE CHURCH WHERE THE LITERATURE INVENTORY IS HELD
- LES WILL NOW SIGN THE INSURANCE TRANSFER AFTER ALL WERE ASKED AT THE TABLE AND AGREED
- IT WAS DISCUSSED THAT WITH LESS INVENTORY OUR INSURANCE PREMIUMS COULD GO DOWN SO THAT IS BEING LOOKED AT

Ron Brought Forward | Church Fence Tampered With

- ANYONE ATTENDING THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SHOULD ONLY USE THE PARKING LOT AT THAT TIME - USING THE PARKING LOT FOR ANY OTHER REASON IS NOT ALLOWED
- THE CHURCH IS UPSET WITH PEOPLE LEAVING THEIR VEHICLE IN THE PARKING LOT AND THEN TAMPERING WITH THE FENCE THAT CLOSES AT NIGHT TO ALLOW THEIR VEHICLE TO GET OUT
- **GSR'S BRING BACK TO YOUR GROUP: PLEASE DO NOT PARK YOUR VEHICLE IN THE PARKING LOT UNLESS YOU ARE ATTENDING THE CHURCH AND LEAVE THE PARKING LOT BEFORE THE GATES ARE SHUT – THANK YOU**

Ron Brought Forward | Area Newsletter

- THE LITERATURE COMMITTEE WILL BE FUNDING THE NEWSLETTER
- AT THIS TIME THE NEWSLETTER IS COSTING LITERATURE \$165.90 TO PRINT PER MONTH
- A CHEQUE WAS WRITTEN BY THE AREA FOR THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF PRINTING (\$663.60) AT COPYCO WHICH WILL BE REIMBURSED BY LITERATURE WHEN THEY CAN GET ACCESS TO THE BANK ACCOUNT
- MEMBERS WERE IMPRESSED WITH THE UNITY THAT THE NEWSLETTER CREATED AND HOW IT WELCOMES THE NEWCOMERS HOWEVER THEY ARE WORRIED ABOUT THE PRICE
- THE PRICE IS BEING DEBATED AND A LESS EXPENSIVE WAY OF CREATING IT IS BEING LOOKED AT

Bill Brought Forward | NEW IP WORLD SERVICE

- MENTAL HEALTH / MENTAL ILLNESS IP BROUGHT FORWARD
- THE 2016 WSC PASSED A MOTION TO FRAME A PROJECT PLAN FOR SUBMISSIONS
- CHECK OUT [HTTPS://NA.ORG/?Q=MENTAL+ILLNESS&ID=SE&X=0&Y=0](https://na.org/?q=Mental+Illness&id=se&x=0&y=0) FOR MORE DETAILS

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

ELECTIONS:

RON | LITERATURE CHAIR

VOTED: YES | THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

NOMINATIONS:

IAN | AREA VICE CHAIR

NOMINATED BY BILL, GSR SOWING THE SEED | SECONDED BY SHANE, TREASURER

How long have you been clean?

“over 9 years”

Do you have an NA sponsor?

“yes”

Do you have an NA homegroup that you attend regularly?

“yes”

Do you work the 12 steps of NA as part of your recovery?

“every week”

Do you have a working knowledge of the NA Traditions and Concepts?

“Traditions yes, Concepts a bit shaky”

What special skills and / or experience can you bring to this position?

“Effective communication skills problem solving experience on other committees”

Why do you want this position of service?

“GSR Position ending at homegroup at the beginning of March and would like to continue on with another year of service after having a little break”

Do you have the time and the resources to fulfill this position?

“Yes, but n full transparency I have two work commitments that may interfere with one of the service meetings”

Have you ever not fulfilled and/or been asked to step down from a service position?

“I have not fulfilled a treasurer position for the activities committee and stepped down over a conflict with another member when I first arrived to this area”

Are you familiar with all the role and duties of the position you are being nominated for?

“Yes and no but I would have to look it up to refresh my memory”

Can you commit to the time frame expected for this position?

“I can guarantee the one year, taking up the position of the chair would be unknown”

Are you standing in any other service position at this time?

“Just GSR for homegroup”

Have you ever misappropriated or stolen NA funds?

“Yes, I did and paid it back in my early recovery”

No other questions from the table for Ian.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RON IS NOW THE LITERATURE CHAIR.

IAN WAS NOMINATED FOR VICE CHAIR

THE 7PM FOREST LAWN MEETING THE PATH IS SWITCHING TO THURSDAY
– PLEASE UPDATE THE MEETING LISTS SOON.

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL BIRTHDAY OR GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS TO
ASC.NEWSLETTER.CHINOOKNA.ORG TO BE INCLUDED IN THE UPCOMING NEWSLETTER