

# Houston Area Service Committee of NA Minutes

January 7, 2018  
(Dec. 2017 meeting)  
1:00-4:30pm

1:00 Serenity prayer  
Service Prayer, Twelve Traditions, Twelve Concepts

## **Roll Call**

GSRs present-12	GSRs Voting privileges-11
Administrative Committee Members-6	Subcommittee Facilitators-3
Groups represented-21	

## **Recognitions**

New groups-None  
New GSRs-None  
Visitor- Kerri M.

## **Key Administrative Reports**

Recorder- Asked for updates to the November email list so that members who attend the ASC meeting will also receive the minutes if they would like too.

Facilitator – No written report was submitted. The agenda was review and accepted.

Treasure- The 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition from the New Year's Eve event will be accounted for in the first income summary along with group funds for 2018. The bank account balance of \$3,229.07 includes the prudent reserve of \$2500. A balance of \$544.82 is available above prudent reserve, excluding the bank account fee of \$19 which will be investigated. See Attachments for Bank Statement and Financial Records. There are still outstanding checks, one for \$165.25 to TBRNA from June 2017. The RCM was asked to check into why the check has not been deposited.

The facilitator pointed out that the year-end financial report shows a negative balance of \$1,844.90 for the year 2017 when comparing revenue to expenditures, meaning the ASC spent that much more than it brought in. She reiterated the importance of the ASC's expenses being balanced out with revenue and not in the negative. We will follow up on our past expenses and revenue shortfalls at the Financial subcommittee meeting when discussing budgets for the next

year. Our funds will be limited this year; and all are encouraged to attend the budgeting meeting to be held on January 28 at 11:30 at the Montrose Center, prior to the regular ASC meeting.

## **Group Reports**

Our Common Bond- Made a \$50 donation to the ASC. Attendance average 20 ppl. Group Conscience 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday at 6pm. All positions filled. First Saturday of the month at 8pm is Anniversary/Birthday celebrations. On January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 will have an Anniversary celebration at the Elks Lodge, in Katy. Flyer is on HASCONA website.

Hugs not Drugs- Donated to ASC \$73.83. Average in attendance 25. Group Conscience 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 2101 W. 34<sup>th</sup> St. All positions filled except H&I/PI. First Monday of the month is the Anniversary/Birthday celebrations. Group concern is meeting location building is currently up for sale.

Rainbow of Hope- Number in attendance is 12. Affected by the Harvey Flood. Meeting location remains at the Resurrection Church in room 204.

The Sooner the Better- Literature study needs support. Planning an Anniversary for 2018. Did donate to the ASC. Attendance is up 20-25 ppl. Group Conscience is held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. Group positions are open. 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/Birthday celebration will be in July of 2018.

Phoenix- Tuesday and Thursday meetings are held at the Third Coast location.

Cypress- Everything is going well. Positions are open. Non Alon meeting on Monday's at 8pm.

Westside- Attendance is 5-10 ppl.

1960- Going well. New literature book study out of the Living Clean book on Thursday at 8pm.

New Pathfinders- Meeting are every Mon. and Tues. at 8pm, and on Weds at 8:15pm.

Third Coast- Donation to ASC \$13.25. Attendance is going well 26 ppl. Group Conscience is held of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month. Some group positions are still available (Outreach, Facilitator, and Chairperson). The Anniversary/Birthday Celebrations are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month. The business meeting for the Christmas Narathon will be held later, to be announced.

Chance for Freedom- Meetings held on Mon. Thurs. and Fri. at 8pm. Donation to ASC \$50. Attendance is down, average number 8-10 ppl. New literature book study out of the Living Clean book. All positions are filled. Group Conscience is held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday.

Sunday Starter- Meetings held on Sunday's at 9am with breakfast at 7301 Avenue F. Donation to ASC \$10. Attendance is 10-15 ppl.

Alive & Kicking- Discussed new positions and registration for a 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.

## **Old Business**

Tradition 12 Reading- Discussion with group

Elections:

- Facilitator- George D. was not elected - 1 yes vote, 2 no votes, and 7 abstentions; the position opens for nominations
- Treasurer – Colin P. was not present to be elected; position opens for nominations

- RCM 1 – Steve P. was not elected – 3 yes votes, 4 no votes, and 2 abstentions; the position opens for nominations
- Policy - Tommy M. was elected policy subcommittee facilitator
- Recorder – Rochelle R. was elected recorder
- PI - Terasina S. was elected public information subcommittee facilitator
- Outreach – Bret B. was not present to be elected; position opens for nominations

#### Nominations-

- Eddie R. was nominated for Hospitals and Institutions (H&I) subcommittee facilitator

The following positions are open for nominations:

- Facilitator
- Co-facilitator
- Treasurer
- Co-Treasurer
- Activities subcommittee facilitator
- Outreach subcommittee facilitator

The ASC meeting location for 2018 was discussed, and members re-established the desire to meet at a consistent location rather than rotating. The location at 2305 McGowen Street is currently the only option presented. Other options can be brought to the next meeting, but a decision must be made then.

**Groups that are centrally located should ask their facilities for space and pricing is available.**

Group Outreach form finalization and amends to groups discussion. Forms are available with the HASCONA Minutes (See Attachments). Further discussion was postponed.

#### **2:40 Break**

#### **New Business**

New Proposals - None

Members discussed whether a change in policy was desired or needed to implement the stipulation that HASCONA trusted servants have a home group that is a member of the Houston Area.

**Volunteers are needed for TBRCNA Hospitality Suite Friday 9, 5:30-7:30; a sign-up sheet was passed around but more may be needed. Food and drinks will need to be donated by groups and no cooking on site is allowed. TBRCNA is also asking for volunteers to chair workshops at the convention; Clean time requirement to chair at convention is one year. Hotel rooms are available at the Omni for \$119 a night. Call Allen P. (724)-575-2735 for information.**

Discussion of 2018 Strategies for Improvement was postponed.

Steve P. has agreed to train Rochelle R. to assist with Treasurer Report for HASCONA until position is filled.

### **Administrative and Sub-Committee Reports**

Co-Facilitator- No report

RCM1- Open

**RCM2- Family, please go to [na.org/conference](http://na.org/conference). The Conference Agenda Report (CAR) is there along with the Conference Agenda Talley worksheet (CAT) AND an actual video presentation on the CAR. Awesome! Check it out, get informed... Your vote matters and it counts.**

**The formal CAT will be out by the end of January. The Talley sheet passed to GSR's is a sample worksheet that you may use to place your Vote, and then pass on to your Regional Committee Member (RCM) or Regional Delegate (RD). TBRCNA will have a CAR workshop on February 10th at 8:00 am-Noon, in the main ballroom.**

Activities- Given by Steve P. New Year's Eve 2017 event had a good turnout - about 60 people attended. Seed money for event was \$300. The 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition from event was \$40 and with the balance from seed money was \$98.33. Donation to rent facility (When at the End of the Road) Was \$57. Total for the entire event was \$257.

HACNA- Hugs not Drugs on March 11<sup>th</sup> will have a fundraiser at 1:00 pm.

H&I- See Attachment

PI- Nominations for subcommittee positions are open. New schedules to be printed soon. Check website for more information. Subcommittee meeting was held at Hugs not Drugs; Regional Website: Basic Meeting List Tool (BMLT) discussion. Allen P. suggested a policy change to shift the responsibility for the BMLT updates from the RCMs to the PI subcommittee and sending this information back to the groups. If groups agree, a proposal will need to be submitted at the next ASC meeting.

Policy- Discussion for a policy change (proposal) for PI and H&I clean time requirements to be changed from 1-year to 2-year experience on the subcommittee.

**Note: January 28<sup>th</sup> is our next HASCONA Meeting at the Montrose Center;  
Financial Subcommittee Meeting at 11:30.**

4:30 **Meeting Adjourn**