

HASCONA

Houston Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous

Meeting Minutes for 11/28/2021

The meeting was call to order at 10:34 AM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, then readings of the 12 Traditions by Steve P., the 12 Concepts by Sarah N., and the Service Prayer by Jerry M.

I. ROLL CALL

| GROUP | 11.28.2021 | | | 10.31.2021 | | | 9.26.2021 | | |
|------------------------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------------|------------|--------|----------------------------|-----------|--------|----------------------------|
| | Present | Absent | right to vote this session? | Present | Absent | right to vote this session | Present | Absent | right to vote this session |
| Facilitator | P | | | P | | | P | | |
| Co-Facilitator | P | | | P | | | | A | |
| Recorder | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN |
| Treasurer | P | | | P | | | P | | |
| Co-Treasurer | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN |
| RCM 1 | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN |
| RCM 2 | P | | | P | | | P | | |
| H&I | P | | | P | | | P | | |
| PR | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN |
| Activities | | A | | P | | | P | | |
| Outreach | | A | | P | | | | A | |
| Policy | P | | | P | | | P | | |
| HACNA | P | | | P | | | P | | |
| 1960 Group | P | | X | P | | | | A | |
| Alive & Kicking | P | | X | P | | X | | A | |
| Chance for Freedom | P | | | | A | | | A | |
| Copperfield | | A | | | A | | | A | |
| Early Birds | P | | X | P | | X | P | | X |
| Familia Unida | | A | | | A | | | A | |
| Hope Sweet Hope | P | | X | P | | | | A | |
| Hugs not Drugs | P | | X | P | | X | P | | X |
| Jekyll & Hyde | P | | X | P | | | P | | |
| Juntos Podemos | | A | | P | | X | | A | |
| Keep it Real | | A | | P | | | | A | |
| New Pathfinders | | A | | P | | | | A | |
| Our Common Bond | P | | X | | A | | P | | X |
| Phoenix Group | P | | X | | A | | P | | X |
| Rainbow of Hope | P | | X | P | | X | P | | X |
| Sunday Starters | P | | X | P | | X | | A | X |
| The Sooner the Better (TSTB) | | A | | P | | X | P | | X |
| Third Coast | | A w/ rep | | | A | | | A | |
| Ties that Bind | | A | | | A | | | A | |
| Tomball New Attitudes | P | | X | P | | X | P | | X |

No New Groups or GSRs.

II. KEY ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. **Recorder's Report** – last month's minutes were reviewed and accepted.

B. **Facilitator/Co-Facilitator's Report** – will be discussed in New Business, under Financial Subcommittee Report.

C. **Treasurer's Report** – provided written report, which reads as follows:

| October 2021 ASC Treasurer's Report | | | |
|--|-------------------|--|-------------------------|
| 7th Tradition Income in October 2021 | | Expense Report for October 2021 | |
| Activities Committee | \$ - | NA Way of Life | \$ - |
| 1960 Group | \$ - | NASCONA | \$ - |
| Alive & Kicking | \$ - | New Pathfinders | \$ - |
| Chance for Freedom | \$ 200.00 | Old School KISS | \$ - |
| Cover to Cover | \$ - | Our Common Bond | \$ 145.17 |
| Copperfield Group | \$ - | Our Common Bond | \$ - |
| Cypress Group | \$ - | Phoenix Group | \$ - |
| Day by Day | \$ - | Rainbow of Hope | \$ - |
| Eastside Group | \$ - | Recovery Matters | \$ - |
| Edgebrook Unity | \$ - | Saturday Night Live | \$ - |
| HACNA | \$ - | Save Your Ass | \$ - |
| Happy Joyous and Free | \$ - | Sobriety Matters | \$ - |
| Hope Sweet Hope | \$ - | Steps to Serenity | \$ - |
| HSH for H&I | \$ - | Sunday Starters | \$ - |
| Hugs Not Drugs | \$ - | Surrender to Win | \$ - |
| Jekyll & Hyde | \$ - | The Sooner the Better | \$ 229.55 |
| Juntos Podemos | \$ - | Third Coast | \$ - |
| Just a Meeting | \$ - | Ties That Bind | \$ - |
| Just For Today | \$ - | Tomball New Attitudes | \$ 48.06 |
| Just for Tuesdays | \$ - | Vigilance Group | \$ - |
| Just in Time | \$ - | Westside Group | \$ - |
| Keep it Clean | \$ - | When At The End... | \$ - |
| Keep It Real | \$ - | Woodfair Group | \$ - |
| Year to Date Revenue: | \$ 3,844.79 | Total Receipts | \$ 622.78 |
| 2021 BUDGET AND EXPENSES | | Administrative Expenses | |
| Category | Year to Date | Budget | Remaining |
| Facilitator/Co-Fac | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Recorder | \$ - | \$ 75.00 | \$ 75.00 |
| RCM | \$ (318.29) | \$ 600.00 | \$ 281.71 |
| Treasurer/Co-Treas | \$ (55.00) | \$ 75.00 | \$ 20.00 |
| Room Rent for ASC | \$ (159.80) | \$ 600.00 | \$ 440.20 |
| GSR Handbooks | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| New Group Starter Kits | \$ - | \$ 50.00 | \$ 50.00 |
| Storage Locker | \$ (640.80) | \$ 1,100.00 | \$ 459.20 |
| Post Office mailbox | \$ - | \$ 118.00 | \$ 118.00 |
| Bank Fees | \$ - | \$ 80.00 | \$ 80.00 |
| Activities | \$ (255.42) | \$ 475.48 | \$ 220.06 |
| TBRNA Hospitality | \$ - | \$ 300.00 | \$ 300.00 |
| H&I | \$ (763.53) | \$ 900.00 | \$ 136.47 |
| Outreach | \$ - | \$ 500.00 | \$ 500.00 |
| PR | \$ (1,082.55) | \$ 1,000.00 | \$ (82.55) |
| Policy | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| TBRNA | \$ (451.15) | \$ 900.00 | \$ 448.85 |
| NAWS | \$ (225.57) | \$ 450.00 | \$ 224.43 |
| Totals | \$ (3,952.11) | \$ 7,223.48 | \$ 3,271.37 |
| 7th Tradition Donations for October 2021 | | Administrative Expenses | |
| Check Written to: | Amount | Check # | Description |
| TBRNA | \$ 62.28 | | |
| NAWS | \$ 31.14 | | |
| Expense Report for October 2021 | | Administrative Expenses | |
| Room Rental (William B.) | \$ (15.98) | Debit card | Zoom |
| Treasurer Supplies/copies | \$ - | | |
| Postage | \$ - | | |
| RCM | \$ - | | |
| Facilitator/Co-F. Expense | \$ - | | |
| Recorder Supplies | \$ - | | |
| Starter Kits | \$ - | | |
| Storage Rent | \$ (68.00) | | |
| P.O. Box | \$ - | | |
| Bank Fees | \$ - | | |
| | \$ - | | |
| | \$ - | | |
| | \$ - | | |
| Administrative Total | \$ (83.98) | | |
| Subcommittee Expenses | | Subcommittee Expenses | |
| H&I Expense | \$ - | | |
| PR Expense | \$ - | | |
| Web Hosting | \$ - | | |
| Phone Services (Freedom Voice) | \$ (30.06) | | |
| | \$ - | | |
| | \$ - | | |
| Policy | \$ - | | |
| Outreach | \$ - | | |
| Activities | \$ - | | |
| Debit Total | \$ (114.04) debit | | Phone, godaddy, storage |
| Subcommittee Expenses Total | \$ (30.06) | | |
| Total Expenses | \$ (114.04) | | |
| Deposits Posted and Checks Cleared This Month | | | |
| TBRNA | \$ (42.28) | 2805 | 8.29.2021 |
| NAWS | \$ (52.94) | 2810 | 9.26.2021 |
| | \$ - | | |
| | \$ - | | |
| | \$ - | | |
| | \$ - | | |
| | \$ - | | |
| Total Cleared Checks/Deposits | \$ (95.22) | | |
| Outstanding Checks | | | |
| Written To: | Amount | Check # | CHECK DATE |
| TBRNA | (105.88) | 2809 | 9.26.2021 |
| Kevin Rasco (H&I Orientation Pack) | (13.53) | 2811 | 10.29.2021 |
| TBRNA | (62.60) | 2812 | 10.31.2021 |
| NAWS | (31.30) | 2813 | 10.31.2021 |
| Total Outstanding Checks | \$ (403.75) | | |
| Bank Statement September 31, 20 | \$ 7,659.54 | | |
| September Revenue | \$ 622.78 | | |
| September Expenses | \$ (114.04) | | |
| Outstanding Checks | \$ (403.75) | | |
| Checks/Deposits Cleared | \$ (95.22) | | |
| Prudent Reserve | \$ (2,500.00) | | |
| Available Balance | \$ 5,169.31 | | |
| Bank Statement (End of Month) | \$ 8,073.06 | | |



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Wilmington, DE 19850

Business Advantage

Customer service information

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bankofamerica.com

Bank of America, N.A.
P.O. Box 25118
Tampa, FL 33622-5118

HOUSTON AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE
OF N A
(AKA) H A S C O N A
7502 DAYHILL DR
SPRING, TX 77379-8293

Your Business Economy Checking

for October 1, 2021 to October 31, 2021

Account number:

HOUSTON AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE OF N A (AKA) H A S C O N A

Account summary

| | | |
|---|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Beginning balance on October 1, 2021 | \$7,659.54 | # of deposits/credits: 2 |
| Deposits and other credits | 622.78 | # of withdrawals/debits: 5 |
| Withdrawals and other debits | -114.04 | # of deposited items: 0 |
| Checks | -95.22 | # of days in cycle: 31 |
| Service fees | -0.00 | Average ledger balance: \$7,624.47 |
| Ending balance on October 31, 2021 | \$8,073.06 | |

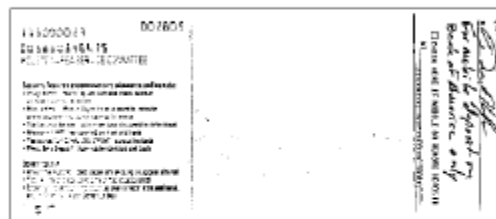


HOUSTON AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE | Account #

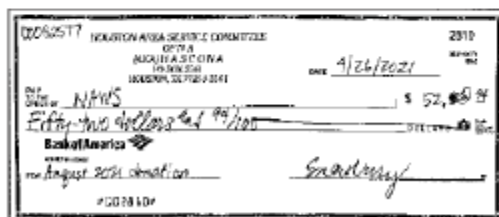
| October 1, 2021 to October 31, 2021

Check images

Account number: 0058 6039 6425
Check number: 2805 | Amount: \$42.28



Check number: 2810 | Amount: \$52.94



Deposits and other credits

| Date | Description | Amount |
|---|--|-----------------|
| 10/25/21 | PAYPAL DES:TRANSFER ID:1016432980105 INDN:HOUSTON AREA SERVICE C CO ID:PAYPALSD11 PPD | 422.78 |
| 10/26/21 | Square Inc DES:* Cash App ID:T200415581581 INDN:Houston Area Service C CO ID:8800429876 CCD | 200.00 |
| Total deposits and other credits | | \$622.78 |

Withdrawals and other debits

| Date | Description | Amount |
|---|--|------------------|
| 10/04/21 | FreedomVoice DES:8004771477 ID:036-0071706355 INDN:Colin Pritchard CO ID:1002005372 PPD | -30.06 |
| 10/05/21 | Public Storage I DES:RENTAL ID:000000036489319 INDN:HOUSTON AREA SERVICE C CO ID:4953551121 PPD | -68.00 |
| Card account # XXXX XXXX XXXX | | |
| 10/01/21 | CHECKCARD 0930 ZOOM.US 888-799-9 SAN JOSE CA 82305091273000016304692 RECURRING CKCD | -15.98 |
| Subtotal for card account # XXXX XXXX XXXX | | -\$15.98 |
| Total withdrawals and other debits | | -\$114.04 |

Checks

| Date | Check # | Amount | Date | Check # | Amount |
|--------------------------|---------|--------|----------|---------|-----------------|
| 10/08/21 | 2805 | -42.28 | 10/12/21 | 2810* | -52.94 |
| Total checks | | | | | -\$95.22 |
| Total # of checks | | | | | 2 |

* There is a gap in sequential check numbers

Daily ledger balances

| Date | Balance (\$) | Date | Balance (\$) | Date | Balance (\$) |
|-------|--------------|-------|--------------|-------|--------------|
| 10/01 | 7,643.56 | 10/04 | 7,613.50 | 10/05 | 7,545.50 |

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Treasurer's report was reviewed and accepted by this body.

III. GROUP REPORTS

- **1960 Group** – continues to meet in person at 8 PM on Saturday nights.
- **Alie & Kicking** – is having a Holiday Festival on 12/25/2021 to include a Speaker Jam from 2:30 – 8:30 PM. Also will be having a New Year’s Eve Masquerade Ball with \$25 tickets to include dinner and party favors.
- **Chance for Freedom** – meets Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays at 8 PM. Chris M. is our new GSRA.
- **Copperfield Group** – *absent*
- **Early Birds** – the meeting is every Monday from 6 AM to 7 AM CST. Attendance has dropped to 5-10, and we welcome all to attend. The Zoom code is 333 723 4519.
- **Familia Unida** – *absent*
- **Hope Sweet Hope** – HYBRID meeting at 7 PM on Thursdays. Average attendance is 8-10 in person, and 5-7 online.
- **Hugs Not Drugs** – no changes in meeting schedule. Still need confirmation on Saturday Night Live’s address to create a poster for upcoming (TBA) Poster Day.
- **Jekyll & Hyde** – HYBRID meeting at 6 PM on Sundays. Average attendance is 20-30 members in person, and 5-10 virtual.
- **Juntos Podemos** - *absent*
- **Keep it Real** – *absent*
- **New Pathfinders** – *absent*
- **Our Common Bond** – meets Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. Attendance is good. Having an anniversary on 1/22/2022.
- **Phoenix Group** – Meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:30 PM. Attendance is increasing.
- **Rainbow of Hope** – HYBRID meeting on Tuesdays at 7 PM. Masks are required indoors in person. Average attendance is 10-15 members.
- **The Sooner the Better** – *absent*
- **Sunday Starters** – meets in person on Sundays at 9:30 AM, except for on the FOURTH Sunday of every month, when they meet at Mason Park under the Gazebo. Average attendance is kind of low.
- **Third Coast** – *absent with representation* – will be having a Christmas Marathon meeting from 8 PM on 12/24/2011 to 8 PM on 12/25/2021. Needs groups and individuals to participate in hosting a meeting or time slot of meetings. Get with Kamie or LaVerne to sign up.
- **Ties that Bind** – *absent*
- **Tomball New Attitudes** – continues to meet in person on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at 7 PM at the church. Average attendance is 10-20 members.

IV. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **RCM2** – attended the Regional Service Conference, where they are having elections for the upcoming year.

FILLED POSITIONS:

Raymond L. – TBRCNA Co-Facilitator (2023)
Michael C. – Facilitator
Chris H. – Co-Facilitator
Kent L. – Treasurer
Tom K. – Co-Treasurer
Esteban – Recorder

OPEN POSITIONS:

Public Relations
Policy
Two Convention Advisory Committee (CAC)

EVENTS: EACNA: 1/14–16/2022 in San Antonio
TBRCNA: 2/18–20/2022 in Pflugerville

B. POLICY – This Policy is just guidelines, not set-in-stone rules. Nominations for Area positions are closed after today. Elections will be held in December. Regarding the vote, *only GSRs and GSRAs with voting privileges can vote in this election*. 75% of the groups with voting privileges should be present to hold the election.

POLICY meets every First Sunday at 6 PM on Zoom ID: 840 9490 3914.

C. HACNA – provided written report, which reads as follows:

HACNA November 2021 Facilitator Report

We met on November 14th 1pm, we had 13 committee members present.

We voted in a new fundraising chair person, Jason B. We currently have entertainment position (3 years minimum clean time) and web servant position open (3 years minimum clean time).

Discussed New Year's Eve event. It has been communicated to us that the area is not doing a New Year's Eve so HACNA is doing it. We are looking into venues such as Keep it Real location and Ties that Bind location. Next Fundraising meeting will take place Dec 1st 8pm to 9pm Midtown Bar and Grill, 415 W Gray St, Houston, TX, 77019. We are asking for support in planning and attending the event. All are welcome to attend.

We are still encouraging all to book your hotel rooms now, this helps in cost that HACNA has to prepay before the convention starts such as hotel fees, equipment, special services, registration packets, and any other related cost. You can go to Hacna.com, click on the hotel information link and it will take you to our designated hotel link. If you have any issues or questions booking please get with Kamie H.

Our next HACNA meeting will be Dec 12th at 1pm in person at 2305

McGowen St (At the End of the Road Group)

There was a proposal to give HACNA the \$220.06 remaining in Activity subcommittee's budget – **PASSED**.

Next HACNA meeting will be 12/12/2021 at 1PM at 2305 McGowen St.

D. H&I – met on the 3rd Sunday at 2:30 PM (12 attending). They now service 7 facilities. The facilities that need support are: Cheyenne Center TDCJ side (Sundays at 6PM – men only), the Women's Home (Saturdays at 2PM – women only), and Odyssey House (Thursdays at 7PM). Cenikor is now being serviced by Tri-County Area. H&I has \$500 worth of literature left, and will make one more order. Michelle W. was elected Co-Facilitator. They have created a new position for the coordination of Learning Days within the subcommittee. They are still hashing out the specifics, qualifications, job description, etc.

H&I meets every Third Sunday at 2:30 PM on Zoom ID: 713 594 6997.

E. **OUTREACH** – *absent*.

OUTREACH meets every Third Sunday at 3:30 PM on Zoom ID: 840 9490 3914.

F. **PR** – four attendees at the last meeting – Old Business: Poster Day in progress.

- New Business: PayPal account and new Tax ID requirements in order to avoid service disruption.

Will be brought up in ASC New Business, under Financial Subcommittee Report.

- Send any event flyers to events@hascona.com. Include a high-quality (PDF preferably) image of the flyer. No screenshots.
- PR is also reaching out to Parole/Probation in Harris County to start giving them information.

PR meets every Third Sunday at 1:30 PM on Zoom ID: 840 9490 3914.

G. **ACTIVITIES** – *absent*.

ACTIVITIES meets every Third Wednesday at 7:30 PM on Zoom ID: 514 350 6986 / passcode: activities.

V. OLD BUSINESS

NOMINATIONS:

Henry H. was nominated last month for Facilitator. Sarah N. was nominated last month for Treasurer. Sarah H. was nominated for RCM1 and H&I Facilitator, and she accepted nomination for RCM1.

Ronnie H. was nominated for Activities Facilitator. He accepted the nomination and qualified himself as follows: Has been activities chair for his Home Group and has also participated in HACNA. He meets the clean time requirement, and has an NA Sponsor with an NA Sponsor. He once lost \$2 of his Home Group's money, but he promptly repaid it. He's also very passionate about having fun.

There was discussion last month to move the December ASC meeting to 12/19/2021 at 10:30 AM. Consensus agreed.

There was also discussion last month about changing all future ASC meetings from the last Sunday of the month to the First Sunday, in order to eliminate delay and confusion about what month we're reporting on (for example, the Treasurer reports on the financial activities during month of October on the last Sunday of November.) Discussion ensued regarding the logistics of changing the ASC policy, et cetera, and a proposal was made to create an Ad-Hoc subcommittee to tackle these issues. In the end, the consensus agreed to TABLE this proposal until January 2022.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

FINANCIAL SUBCOMMITTEE - meeting was held today at 9:30 AM, with eight members attending, including four Executive members.

A. H&I's budget was increased by \$500.00 to \$1400.00 for the year of 2021.

B. PR's budget was increased by \$300.00 to \$1300.00 for the year of 2021.

C. PayPal account:

- 1) In order to apply for a tax ID number, an individual SSN and entity address must be provided, and the organization must report quarterly to the IRS, even if it's a non-profit

501(c)(3) organization. The current Treasurer is unwilling to provide this information, and it is unlikely that this body will find a willing participant to provide this information in the future.

- 2) In order to apply for Non-Profit 501(c)(3) status, we must submit Form 1023 or 1024 (which also asks for SSN and entity address) and pay a fee of around \$550.00. (Takes about 4-6 weeks)
- 3) A simple Google search came up with Tax ID # 76-XXXXX13, back from 2009. This TID is likely now inactive, as we have not been reporting to the IRS.
- 4) We have three other options:
 - a. Use NAWS's Tax ID?
 - b. Use TBRNA's Tax ID? Hurshell C. will research and report back next month.
 - c. Get our own Tax ID through Bank of America (our current bank)? Sarah N. will research and report back next month.
- 5) **Does NAWS have an official opinion or recommendation on the use of Tax IDs and/or 501(c)(3)s? Please research and report back next month.**

VII. OPEN SHARING

- **2020 and 2021 Financial Audits:**
 - Facilitator contacted the recommended CPA to do the audit, and they were no available. She also contacted her own person CPA, and they were also not available.
 - We have used non-CPAs before that have the skill-set required to perform a financial audit.
 - Chris M. has a relative who is a CPA – he will ask him if he's willing to do the audit for one or both years, and report back.
- There is a new NA Group forming in Pasadena called the Crash-Test Dummies. They meet for the first time on Friday, December 3rd. A member expressed concern that the meeting was not going to be led by NA members, and is requesting support to help in the form of attendance to carry a clear NA message and guide the meeting in the general right direction. This member will also encourage the Group leaders to attend the ASC meeting to get on the meeting schedule.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:13 PM with the Third Step Prayer.

The Next ASC Meeting will be held on 12/19/2021 at 10:30 AM on Zoom ID: 840 9490 3914.

In Loving Service,

Sarah N.