



Sierra Foothills
Area Service Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes Date: 1/5/2018

Admin @ 6:18

GSR Orientation @ 6:15

Open @ 7:03pm w/ Serenity Prayer

Readings:

- 12 Traditions – Jessica
- 12 Concepts – Nathan
- Purpose Statement - Joann
- “The Role of a GSR” – John

Announcements:

- GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS –
 - Auburn Breakfast Group will be changing locations. No longer meeting at the Denny’s on Auburn Ravine; We will however be meeting at @ 10 am at the Mel’s
 - Diner on Hwy 49.

Birthdays:

- Mike R – 35 years

New ASC Participants:

- *NEW GROUP “RESCUED “*
- Braden – GSR – Men’s Straight Talk
- Stu – GSR – Dopeless Hope Fiends
- Joann – Alt GSR – Colfax Connection

Outgoing GSR’s:

- none

Roll Call: Quorum: *ESTABLISHED* 17 /32

Approve Prior Months Minutes:

(motion to approve or amend) –

APPROVED by Janet and *SECONDED* by Jan

Opening Treasurer Report:

- Deposit: \$ 842.10
- Expenses: \$ 691.90
- Donation to Region \$ 10.00

Reports:

*If you are an Admin member or a Subcommittee Chair, please submit **written reports** to Recording Secretary either by email at sierrafoothillsminutes@yahoo.com or at the ASC meeting.*

Administrative:

- **Chair** – SEE RECORDING
- **Vice Chair** – no report
- **Recording Secretary** - If you are a new GSR, please make sure to check the box and include a **legible** email address at the bottom. Please see me if you haven't received any emails from sierrafoothillsminutes@yahoo.com
- **Policy Advisor** - Absent
- **RCM** –
 - Met after 4 months of being dark due to fires made for a very long and productive meeting
 - Area reports:
 - Folsom prison inmates saved commissary money and had it sent to ARANA as H&I donation. (\$3,013). According to ARANA H&I they aren't allowed to spend money outside of their budget, so in turn, they purchased literature to be sent directly back to Folsom Prison.
 - Number of areas had differing motions about issues happening in South Florida.
 - Areas had other issues concerning if they could afford to donate to region or even if they should donate to region.

- East Bay north will be setting up 2 meetings on the Berkeley campus
 - Similar issues are being experienced by all areas in the region; financial issues, lack of filled service positions, lack of Activity attendance, etc.
 - Areas reported that successful Narathons around region!
- CAR (Conference Agenda Report) is now available – sets the tone for what region will be doing over the course of the next two years. Available at NA.ORG
 - Record high 25 regional motions have been made
 - NAWS – no motions made
 - CAR workshops soon – to find out what’s going on in CAR.
 - *CAR report is available for \$10. Contains a breakdown of what South Florida was asking. Details are available through Sarah M. (RCC)*
- FIPT – Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust – Established to protect our IP, mainly our literature. In that trust lie provisions to allow regions to inspect what’s there.
- South Florida – South Florida region has petitioning to inspect a number of documents, records, conventions spending and budgets that fall *outside* the purview of FIPT. NAWS refused the request for 3 reasons.
 - 1. South Florida is not the BENEFICIARY of the information.
 - 2. Letter sent to NAWS was not supported by the minutes of the meeting to show what was discussed.
 - 3. Request falls the scope of the FIPT.
 - -Region followed by asking if the response from NAWS was valid. S. Florida did not include the minutes and did not fulfill the 2nd reason. The records and statements they were requesting do not fall under the trust of the FIPT and are not petitionable. Region does feel that S. Florida is the beneficiary of the information; they just didn’t ask in the right manner with accompanying documents and are not privy to all documents they requested
 - NAWS had the issue listed in the CAR for further discussion
- Na Meeting Finder App now new and improved with information.
- H&I – vacant

- RCC – Sarah M was elected
- BOD Pres – discussion about insurance purchased and an additional charge. Such will be the case if a facility needs to be named on the Ins contract. At a rate of \$50 USD.
- Literature expenses will be going up 6% across the board. The Basic text price will increase by 5%.
- Open forum issues included:
 - Medicines
 - Meetings with child care
 - South Florida
 - Greater San Jose want to see more money stay locally.
- Q: Member asked about the accountability of the member holding the records that S Florida is asking; where, in fact, does the scope fall if not for the FIPT?
 - What was left out of the prior explanation was that S. Florida is asking for an exhaustive audit of the region; an audit that would cost tens of thousands of dollars. The issue isn't the information being withheld (it can be found online) it's the matter of manpower and finances.
- Q: member asked. Why do we care about what happens to us since we're so far away?
- Q: member asked if there was any discussion about why S Florida was asking?
- Newspaper / webpage – absent

Subcommittees:

- **Activities:**
 - NYE Dance and Meeting
 - 70 presales
 - 170 people in attendance
 - \$ 1661.71 expenses
 - \$ 2344.22 income
 - \$ 677.60 profit +- \$4.95 m/o – (\$400 was part of an advance)
 - \$300 deposit refund is coming back
 - PRELIM P&L has been submitted to subcommittee
 - Missing 1 coffee pot from the event. Activities would like it returned
 - No new activities currently

- **Hospitals & Institutions: 46:14**

- Recapped last months issued – issues concerned with event and the participations of the activities committee as oversight of the event.
- *Update for anyone who was not at H&I Sub-committee last month.*

I did not have a consensus from this sub-committee for what my communication at area should be going in to the last ASC meeting. During debate of the motion to put ALL events, including the H&I event under control of SFANA Activities Sub-committee was discussed. Steve L presented the same spreadsheet presented last time and after much side discussion and discussion, it was determined that 2-line items on that report were listed as expenses but were paid from area treasury under the H&I budget line item. While the total discrepancy in accounting was approximately \$20 after this adjustment, this did not satisfy all parties involved. The discussion was passionate with many personalities and opinions. However, the motion at ASC to put ALL events under Area's Activities Sub-Committee control was tabled again, as there is no consensus and debate continues.

A further discussion at ASC Open Forum, without the spectre of a pending motion and vote, was had on the topic of "brainstorming a solution" and "clearly stating our problem" and the possibility of an "ad hoc" committee to put forth a more attractive solution. After putting the topic out there I stood down, as did those who had posted the motion. A vibrant open forum was had on the topic, it was genuinely about the H&I event specifically, and the GSR voices were thoughtful and provided other possible solutions. The ASC chair chose NOT to form an ad hoc committee at this time, instead opting for continued discussion and open communications in hope of reaching a consensus.

This matter, the and the ASC communications were taken back to the H&I subcommittee the following Friday, The members of that

committee, not including the Chair & Vice Chair, had a vibrant and critical discussion on this topic. A consensus was reached.

I will be taking our group conscience, a consensus, back to ASC this evening. The desired solution from our H&I sub-committee is that we remain tightly involved with the event, forming the event committee and working closely with that committee to assure an event that represents the needs of H&I, not just for SFANA but for other groups and NA as a whole. Our sub-committee does not believe that the event would be best served under SFANA's Activities sub-committee, for various reasons, and they also do believe that we have had a significant problem with accountability in the past, just the accounting itself. ASC's concerns, and the concerns of the GSR's were acknowledged and respected.

However, due to the culmination of past issues and the difficulty in communicating event details through a proxy (Chair/Vice Chair of H&I), the sub-committee would like the event committee to **report** directly to ASC and for those responsible for event treasury to work directly with ASC Treasurer and Alternate Treasurer to adhere closely to the SFANA ASC guidelines with regards to handling of NA funds and to lean on ASC Treasury to provide clear and responsible accounting.

In this vein, I will communicate this consensus during my report to ASC. I will submit a motion to ASC with the above. I will request for the previous group to withdraw or withhold their prior motion, and failing that will ask the GSR's to reject the motion in light of our sub-committee's consensus. I will discuss this with the admin committee to assure that, should our motion pass, any guideline changes will be made and submitted to assure the needs of ASC are met and requirements of our sub-committee and event sub-committee will be clear.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

- **Public Relations** – *ABSENT*
- **Newsletter/Website** – *ABSENT*
- **Literature:**
 - Currently Conducting dollar amount inventory – eliminated half of the current inventory
 - *No current purchase dollar amount available*
- **TAC Liaison** –
 - Sierra Foothills Liaison Report to TAC 1/5/18

Hello all,

Currently at TAC tonight, so I'm not there.... Anyway TAC 2019 Will be held on January 11,12 and 13 2018 in auburn ca.

The TAC 2018 committee convenes at 12:00 pm on January 20th at the Saint Elizabeth Community Hospital at 2550 Sister Mary Columba Dr., Red Bluff ca 96080.

That is when the elections will be held, and committee chairs identified. Please encourage interested parties to attend and get involved.

GRS please take this back to your groups

We are the host area, and I encourage any and all to get involved. Anyone interested can call or text me at directly at 530-906-4905.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald H

OLD BUSINESS:

***2nd Quorum call: 15 / 32 groups represented
Quorum NOT established***

Tabled Motion: (from 11/3/17) #110117-01

“That all activities for SFANA Area be overseen by the ACTIVITIES Subcommittee.”

Maker: Ryann H.

2nd: Jimmy L

****TABLED****

OPEN FORUM: 1:16

1. Area inventory – seeking to set up an Ad-Hoc committee
2. Area Treasurer Audit –
 - a. Looking for volunteers
3. Ad-Hoc committee to guideline review
4. H&I Event topic
 - a. Member asked about the new motion and how it will affect the old motion.
 - b. Member asked for clarity about the motions presented to take an accurate report back to the group.
 - c. Member asked if this motion is in direct contradiction with the prior motion brought to us in November?
 - i. Yes

New Business:

1. Motion #1052018-01

“ to allow the H&I Subcommittee to continue to organize an event working group for the annual H&I event, and to promote and sponsor the event itself. However, we ask that the Event working group itself report directly to ASC and that both H&I and ASC guidelines be amended to reflect this arrangement.”

Maker: Steve H *on behalf of the H&I subcommittee*

2nd: Jessica

**** TABLED ****

Group Reports:

A Better Opportunity:

Area Donation: \$36.00

Literature: \$ 0

Avg Attendance: 6

Need Alt GSR. I have been going to Get Lit Thurs night group in Folsom they need support.

Aisle 19:

Area Donation~\$

Literature~\$

Avg Attendance:

Auburn Breakfast Group:

Area Donation: \$

Literature: \$

Avg Attendance:

We have moved to Mel's at Grass valley HWY and Luther Ave. Saturdays 10:00 am

Catching/Seeking Some Serenity:

Area Donation: \$

Literature: \$

Avg Attendance:

Checkup from the Neck Up:

Area Donation: \$

Literature: \$

Avg attendance:

Colfax Connection:

Area Donation: \$

Literature~\$

Avg attendance: 5 for month of December

*Fledgling Monday night meeting at 7:30 in Colfax.

*Free cookies and coffee

*Come support, we have a rotating format that includes a lively stick mtg.

Dopeless Hope Fiends:

Area Donation: \$60.12

Literature: \$64.20

Avg Attendance:

Nothing to report

Folsom Home Group:

Area Donation: \$

Literature: \$

Avg Attendance:

Friday Night Alternative:

Area Donation: \$54.60

Literature: \$29.25

Avg Attendance: 30-40

Michelle B representative – everyone is at TAC.

Group is going strong – good speakers. All positions are filled.

Friday Night Folsom:

Area Donation: \$12.00

Literature: \$22.00

Avg Attendance: 20 – 25

Meeting is going well. Average attendance is 20-25 people. A lot of clean time and a lot of newcomers. We meet Friday night at 7pm. Come and visit us!

Get Lit:

Area Donation: \$

Literature: \$

Avg Attendance:

Happy Joyous & Free Group:

Area Donation: \$ 10.00

Literature: \$ 0.00

Avg Attendance: 5

Mon 5:45 – 6:45 SD

*needs support

Home on the Grange:

Area Donation: \$

Literature: \$

Ang Attendance:

Hugs Not Drugs:

Area Donation: \$ Literature: \$
Avg Attendance:

Men's Straight Talk:

Area Donation: \$10.70 Literature: \$9.30
Avg Attendance: 12 -14

The Men's Straight talk meeting is a great meeting. We have about 12 -15 guys on average attending on a good night. But, support of other men with recovery would be great.

Midtown Solutions:

Area Donation: \$62.00 Literature: \$ 28.10
Avg attendance:

The Midtown Solutions Meeting is a good group with lots of clean time and are always looking for people to come up and speak for us. Area donation of \$62.00

Nevada City NA:

Area Donation: \$73.20 Literature: \$18.80
Avg Attendance: 15 - 20

We meet on Thursday night @ 7pm in beautiful Nevada City. We are a speaker discussion meeting & we celebrate birthdays on the last Thursday of each month – with chips.

New Hope:

Area Donation: \$ 19.00 Literature: \$365.90
Avg Attendance: 20

Meetings are going good!

No Matter What:

Area Donation: \$ Literature: \$
Avg Attendance:

No Worries Wednesday:

Area Donation: \$ 0.00
Avg Attendance: 5 - 20

Literature: \$ 0.00

-7th Tradition not doing very well
- meeting needs support
-rotating format

Open Arms:

Area Donation: \$ 50.00
Avg Attendance: 15 – 25

Literature: \$ 18.60

Great attendance. Lots of new recovery. elections for all positions went well. currently all positions filled.

Placerville Survivors:

Area Donation: \$97.60
Avg Attendance: 45

Literature: \$149.60

Everything is good. Christmas party fun.

Primary Purpose:

Area Donation: \$ 0.00
Avg Attendance: A bunch lately

Literature: \$12.60

Meeting is doing well – Great chairs plus 75 minute in break is a plus.

Recovery Together:

Area Donation: \$0.50
Avg Attendance: 5 – 15

Literature: \$ 66.50

Saturday Knight Live:

Area Donation~\$
Avg Attendance:

Literature~\$

Spiffs Without Spliffs:

Area Donation: \$
Avg Attendance:

Literature: \$

The Men's Meeting:

Area Donation: \$
Avg Attendance:

Literature: \$

Under the Fig Tree:

Area Donation: \$
Avg Attendance: 25

Literature: \$

Meetings cont. to be well attended. 7th tradition waries. We had to dip into our PR for rent this month. Avg Attn - 25 (Christmas was 12). Avg 7th Trad - \$22.00

Welcome Home:

Area Donation: \$
Avg Attendance:

Literature: \$

W.N.C.F.N.A:

Area Donation: \$
Avg Attendance:

Literature: \$

Young at Heart:

Area Donation~\$0
Avg Attendance:

Literature~\$0

Closing Treasurer Report - *no information given. Please see Treasurer for details*

- **Area donation:**
- **Literature:**
- **Total Deposit:**
- **Estimated Expenses:**

Adjourned @ 9:04