

# Tejas Bluebonnet Regional Service Conference

May 11, 2019

Opened with Serenity Prayer at 9:05am

Twelve Traditions were read

Twelve Concepts were read

Service Prayer read

New participants:

Chelsea – visiting

Stephanie – new GSR

Donnie – GSR

Michael – Facilitator for CAC

Armando - Merchandise chair

Brazos - here

CTANA - here

Coastal Bend - absent

Esperanza - here

Freedom - here

Hill Country - here

Houston - here

Northside here

Rio Grande Valley - here

Southeast Texas - absent

Texas Tri County - absent

Facilitator - here

Co-Facilitator - here

Recorder - here

Treasurer - absent

Co-Treasurer – Debbie

Policy - absent

AAI – arrived late with notice

PR – absent without notice

H&I Facilitator - here

Internet Tech - absent

Lit Review - absent

CAC - here

TBRCNA 19 - absent

TBRCNA 20 - here

RD - here

RDA - here

Ad Hoc - here

Special worker - Tom K here

Tom routed contact info sheet for updates.

Elections:

TBRCNA 2020 Treasurer – Gilbert nominated Donny B. Member of Esperanza area. 6 years clean. Has sponsor. Knowledge of traditions and learning concepts. Has homegroup. Has held several service commitments with Esperanza area. Ed asked if he has not fulfilled any commitments. Has fulfilled all. Keith asked if he has any personal circumstances that could make him want to abuse the funds. Replied that he has integrity and would never take the money. Gilbert read requirements from policy.

Tom read policy on voting and proposals and explanation of consensus based decision-making.

14 voting members present. Keith suggested that we wait for the group that is still travelling here. Not supported. Donny stepped out of the room. Tom asked for consensus. Consensus achieved.

RD Report: Read emailed report and provided a few paper copies. **WSC Participant Activities:** Since last RSC, participated in 2 WSC participant Zoom calls with NAWS staff and other RD teams from around the world- 1 as RDA during the last regional meeting in February and 1 as RD on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

The topic from the April 13<sup>th</sup> WSC Participant Zoom meeting was all about Online meetings- Discussing such items as “Are Virtual Meetings NA?” and Can a collection of virtual meetings be considered as an “Online Area” within a Region? There are some regions where virtual groups are conducting business and meetings entirely online, and some were even going so far as to broach the subject of becoming virtual areas within their region. While we did not settle any discussions on the virtual area subject, a pulse was taken with a wide range of RDs across the globe and our consensus was these virtual meetings are NA if they follow the steps, traditions and concepts and base their organization on guidelines such as existing regional guidelines or the Guide to Local Service. The members in attendance all agreed NA needed to work on amending guidelines to address virtual meetings- specifically in the areas of setting up meetings, and how those meetings may participate in larger bodies (areas, regions, zones). Funding was also discussed- as in how would virtual groups respect the 7<sup>th</sup> tradition, and online payment tools were mentioned by those familiar with the way they operate. A concern was brought up about anonymity, since it is hard to be anonymous in virtual spaces such as social media and some virtual meeting rooms. Look for more information to be coming out eventually on this exciting and timely topic! There are 4 more WSC Conference Participant meetings scheduled for the remainder of 2019: June 15, August 10, October 5, and December 7. All meetings are at 1pm. More information about NAWS Webinar meetings topics, such as Rural Service, Local Service Toolbox, Inmate Step Writing, and many other topics may be found on the NAWS website here: <https://www.na.org/?ID=webinar-main>

**SZF:** The next Southern Zonal Forum will be July 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> in Lexington, KY. There will be 3 workshops conducted on July 27.

1. How to build strong homegroups
2. IDT: Who is missing from our meetings?
3. IDT: Drug Replacement Therapy/Medically Assisted Treatment

I will be requesting reimbursement for the airfare I purchased (round trip Austin to Cincinnati/Northern KY Regional Airport, \$259.00) for this trip. An agenda/flyer for the next SZF is attached to my report.

**Workshop Requests from around the region:** HACNA has requested a DRT/MAT workshop tentatively scheduled for Sept 14<sup>th</sup>. There has also been a request from an addict who sponsors someone in the RGV to have the RD go down and conduct a workshop on how to create policy and guidelines for an area. Before I scheduled this, I wanted to discuss it with the region and see if anyone else would be interested in going with. At last region Ed asked about a workshop in CBANA but I have not seen anything more regarding proposed dates for this.



Co-Facilitator Report – emailed and read by Michael C. Dickie asked why the hosting Treasurer was “excused” (dismissed) from the last meeting. He wants to know what the hosting Treasurer’s duties are.

TBRCNA 19 (asked to be moved up on agenda) Bill: was co-chair and this is his final report (read emailed report). We ended up with a total of 462 total registrations. We had 326 registrations going into the convention. The breakdown is as follows: 79 early bird registrations, 163 pre-registrations, 84 registrations, and 136 onsite registrations. We were anticipating more onsite and as you know if you were there, this year was most unusual. We had an influx of registrations on Friday night, and almost no onsite registrations on Saturday night. We had ordered enough registration bags/items for 500 registrants.

### **Merchandise**

In the merchandise department we ended up with more merchandise than we wanted to. I believe this was for a few reasons; one was we did not have better signage letting members know where the merchandise room was located. I heard several times that from members asking where the merchandise room was. Another reason is we did not have the high volume of members on Saturday night like we had anticipated. The last reason is there was other merchandise (not convention) being sold out of the rooms in the hotel. This is something out of our control. Sorry 2020 I really didn’t want you all to have to worry about getting rid of old convention merchandise.

### **Entertainment**

The entertainment for the convention went well. We had the dance/karaoke on Friday night and a dance on Saturday night. The cost for this was \$500.00. Saturday night consisted of the Piano Sing Along. If you did not get a chance to enjoy this you missed out, this was different, and it appeared that everyone that attended had a great time. The cost for \$2,500.00 (\$2000.00 for Russell Boyd and \$500.00 for equipment). We also had the pink cloud room, something we carried over from TBRCNA 18, we loved the idea. We had a cotton candy machine Friday evening and into Saturday. We had a great time with this. There was photo booth set up in the dance room on Friday night and this cost us \$300.00.

### **Programming**

Had Raymond L as our Friday Night speaker, Tommy O., as our H & I speaker, Rene B, as our Saturday night Speaker, and Chris T. as our Sunday morning speaker. Then we had numerous members from our region as workshop speakers. I continue to get members tell me what an awesome job the workshop speakers and our main speakers did. We did get a complaint about why did not have the marathon meetings continuously throughout the day. So, we made accommodations for this to be possible.

### **Arts and Graphics**

The arts and graphics committee did a great job with our logos and getting the programs and banners completed. The arts and graphics committee also did a great job doing the center pieces for the banquet. The committee donated their time and resources and hand made the centerpieces. The arts and graphics expenditures were dissolved into the respective committees that had signage made, flyers, and banners.

### **Hospitality**

If you didn’t make it to the hospitality room during the convention you missed out. Our hospitality committee out did themselves. We are also enormously grateful to all the groups from our region that had a hand in making the hospitality room a success. Note to self no shrimp boils.

## **Convention Information**

Our convention committee did well with making name tags for our members and having information available when needed.

## **Serenity Keepers**

We want to thank all who helped with this. The committee this year went with vests with serenity keeper on the back. These were a success and we have handed them over to the next convention.

## **Hotel**

We were able to meet our room block. I even received a call from the Holiday Inn which is next door to the Omni, and they stated that they had some of our excess room bookings. We were room blocked for 310 and we met this. We exceeded our food and beverage of \$5,000.00 which I thought was ridiculous. We were allocated for 100 banquet plates and we sold 120. It shows that we sold 29 breakfast ticket, but I believe we sold 45 tickets out of 50.

We paid the Omni upfront minus the 20% contingency fees at \$9,806.90, and at the end of the convention we paid them another \$1,028.96. So, the total cost of the hotel was \$1,0835.86. The one thing RSC needs to keep in mind is this is the first year that we had to pay the hotel upfront. I believe when is negotiating contracts they are now asking for deposits upfront. So with this in mind this body might want to consider raising the seed money to \$12,000.00 The seed money has been \$10,000.00 for many years and there was a time when this worked. This is just something to consider.

So, what was the bottom line: We had a surplus of \$37,633.94 (this includes the \$9,983.80 we started off with) and we had a total of \$27,283.83 in expenditures. We gave a check to Kari H. for \$10,350.11, which she deposited already. TBRNA owes TBRCNA 2020 \$1,200.00 which was theirs from early bird registration, so there is a surplus of \$9,150.11.

Armando noted that there was no representation of TBRCNA 2020 in the room when this report was read. Bill recommends that we find a way to transfer the seed money for the new committee to work with in February, right after the convention. Convention seed money was \$10,000. This body owes the 2020 committee \$1,200.

The 2020 hospitality chair wants contact info for areas.

TBRCNA 2020 report – Gilbert read emailed report. Meeting monthly. Their key members were elected at region late, which means they have missed out on many sales opportunities. Convention guidelines are not consistent, different copies on website, emailed and hard copy. Got current copy of hotel contract. One guideline copy doesn't state that committee has to stay on site at hotel and get comped room, but another does state this. One copy restricts number of colors for tshirts, one has another number of colors, and one doesn't set a limit. Also food and beverage costs were different. The committee has been shorted on time for planning and sales. Lorraine will get correct copy of guidelines out. Member asked what the CAC is. Several people explained that it's a committee that advises each new TBRCNA committee and offers some continuity from one convention to the next and to negotiate hotel and vendor contracts. CAC will make a proposal to solve the seed \$ problem. Randie is on CAC. Bill strongly suggests that when we elect next convention chairperson, that person sit down with the CAC on day one to find out what CAC handles and what the committee handles. Chelsea asked if the members who are required to be at the convention and get their rooms comped are automatically given that comp or if they need to request it and why. Armando questioned the authority of the CAC to limit

what the convention committee can do. Tom explained that all of the CAC actions are approved by the groups and members of the CAC are elected to the committee and answer to us.

Policy was supposed to be updated this quarter, but it didn't happen. Will have to do that this time.

CAC Report – Michael S. read emailed report.

We have had great participation in our Zoom meetings, at least 7 people in each of the last two meetings were present. Those meetings were held on April 7th and May 6th. We have been making announcements by sending an invitation by email to all@tbrna. Our upcoming meetings will be held on June 3rd at 8pm and July 2nd 8pm. Our 20th Anniversary for the Tejas Bluebonnet Region Convention takes place in San Antonio next year, 2020. One of the results of CAC Zoom mtg., there are two proposals: to increase the Convention seed money by \$2,000.00. Hotels are asking for the money upfront just before the Convention and costs have increased. Also to create an account or a means to transfer money from the past convention to the future convention. Need an account for credit/debit card usage that includes rent space, merchandise and registration. In April I was invited down to SATX for the TBRANA 20 Committee mtg., thank you Gilbert for your hospitality. TBRANA 21 will be held in Zone 5, CTANA and BVANA. RCMs please notify your area of an election for Facilitator in August 2019. So far, one person from CTANA is willing to step up and serve as a facilitator. In November 2019, the Co-facilitator and Treasurer get voted in. TBRANA 22 will be held in Beaumont. TBRANA 23 will be held in Zone 2, Houston and Northside Areas. We have contacted the Houston Convention Center and sent out the RFP. We have two hotels so far, Hilton North and the Omni Westside. Ed C. suggested that we need a single point of accountability to ensure that the website gets updated. Gilbert explained that the CAC needs to ensure that the convention vacancies get announced in May so that those interested will show up at the August RSC to be elected. Tom stated that Brazos Valley and Central Texas Areas should come to the next RSC with a nomination for convention facilitator, and a co-fac and treasurer could also be nominated though not elected until November. Larry suggested that the CAC should guide the RSC by letting us know well in advance when convention payments will be due.

Treasurer – absent with notice. Her written report was read by Debbie. "I prepared this report on April 18th, and our official April Bank Statement was not available yet, rest assured, I have provide all of the April transactions in place of the April Bank Statement. (I will include the official pages on the next report). The information provided for April, is from our Bank Account. AAI is costing us approxabitly \$605.00 per quarter, I thought it was a lot more. Regarding our Stipe Donations, I believe a discussion needs to take place, we can not tell the difference between a donation to the Region or to AAI. To continue on the Stripe Donations, they are not directly deposited into the Bank Account. They must be manully entered."

Debbie explained that the \$10,000 seed money stays in the convention account and the profit over that from the last convention moves to the RSC account.

## Regional Reports

Brazos Valley – Michael B. - Have 7 groups with 15 meetings per week. 2 H&I meetings. Active PI committee. Donation of \$125

CTANA – Ed F. emailed report – 74 mtgs/week. New women's meeting starting (Be Searching and Fearless). H&I active. PR has active workgroups. Campout being held May 31<sup>st</sup> through June 2<sup>nd</sup> by New Hope group at Bastrop State Park. Area 36<sup>th</sup> anniversary in July, no date/venue yet. Donation of \$534.33

Coastal Bend – Ed C. will send emailed report. Made donation. Have 59 mtgs. H&I is strong there. Thanked region for allowing them to host convention. Recovery By The Sea convention July 26-28th. Register online. \$15 until June 1<sup>st</sup>, then price goes up.

EANA - Gary L. -48 groups about 100 mtgs/week. Active H&I. Made donation today. Only one open area position: Alternate Secretary. EACNA new location will be announced when finalized. Frolic In the Woods October 4-6. There are still campsites available. Register on area website. James B. added that they now have 16 H&I facilities. EACNA VI support function will be June 8<sup>th</sup> 4-9pm at 8900 Starcrest, San Antonio. Larry announced that he'll be leaving early for a wedding.

Freedom – Steve P. Donation made today. Thank Lynn S. for facilitating workshop on new IP on mental health. Several areas attended. Participating in Service Day workshop on June 1 in Houston. All are invited. Will have panels from area and regional service committees. Flyer is on area website. Taking H&I meeting into new facility in Sugarland on Sundays at 7pm.

Hill Country – Dickie – Two new groups. 13 groups with 15 meetings. All positions WERE filled, but now there are 2 open positions. Have 5 H&I panels and working to get more. Working with CTANA on possible sharing panels. If you have extra meeting schedules, they would like them. New area location will be Kyle, where "Surrender To Win" meets. ROAR in Cypress Bend Park, New Braunfels. 12-7pm Food 1-3. No personal grills. Four guest speakers. Bring tubes to float in. Made \$193 donation today plus an insurance donation. The ROAR flyer has the contact info for Susan.

Houston – Dawn – 163 mtgs/wk by 54 groups on their schedule. Elected new trusted servants and all positions filled except two. Ad hoc has been formed to come up with viable ways to get a literature committee up and running. Tonight they're having Serenity High Prom, which includes dinner, dancing, and a murder mystery as a HACNA fundraiser. The Women in Recovery Speaker Jam featured 8 women speakers at event, and speaker recordings are available on their website. The Jekyll and Hyde meeting had year anniversary and great speaker. Early registration at \$20 for convention deadline is July 1<sup>st</sup>. After that it's \$30. Speaker Jam on June 1<sup>st</sup> with theme "Living the Steps". First annual My Brother's Keeper Retreat on June 15<sup>th</sup>. On July 13<sup>th</sup> will have Women's Recovery Tea Party. Cover To Cover is having a speaker for 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary on June 25<sup>th</sup>. Flyers on the table. PR is doing great, but H&I committee is struggling. Made donation to RSC of \$42.56 and to NAWS of \$21.28.

Northside – Debbie – Have 10 groups a 36 mtgs. No donation because treasurer was absent from ASC. New lit review chair is Terri C. Have several open positions. Past events, potluck speaker jam and Fellowship by the Lake, went well. No events scheduled. Area voted to block the proposal regarding the 3 year moratorium. Believe it violates Traditions 1, 2, and 12 and concepts 3, 4, and 12.

Rio Grande Valley – Rebecca – 9 mtgs/wk. by 2 groups in 2 cities. No service structure. Asking Keith to come help them get their area in order. No subcommittees. Have only 3 positions filled and old treasurer is holding money hostage. Speaker jam coming up July 13<sup>th</sup>. Flyer is posted. Rented place for \$300 and area only had \$600. Need help figuring out how to address that. Ed F. suggested our regional PR chair might be able to help. Larry asked when area is. On 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at about 8:15pm at 1105 w fern ave, mcallen. Have hotline and people covering shifts. Lack of PR so that addicts can find them. Kent will try to get info to her of how our area established their bank account (articles of association is what CTANA used). Larry noted that our annual PR week is in June, so maybe our areas' pr committees can help them out. Susen G. clarified that the members of the area are requiring that

members of REGION come down and help them write policy. Dawn proposed that we reimburse Rebecca for her travel here and back. Gary added to provide \$50 of literature and keytags. Amended to \$345 CONSENSUS obtained. Michael B. cashed out check for Rebecca to give her cash since they have no bank. Ed C. checked with his area and they're willing to swap places in the rotation. CTANA (Ed F.) made proposal to make a one-time swap in the rotation to meet August 10<sup>th</sup> in Rio Grande Valley. CONSENSUS Keith announced that RD team will hold 4 hours of workshops the next day. Steve P. will be there this Monday night to help look for a venue.

Southeast Texas – absent

Texas Tri County – absent

Policy – absent

H&I – Dan read emailed report. Participated in H&I fundraiser in Texas Tri County. Region donated \$150 to it. Have distributed extra copies of handbooks. Attended EACNA subcommittee meeting to address the use of alias or fake names to correspond with inmates. Rickie H. received Governor's award for service at Kyle Unit. Reimbursement requested for \$116.33 H&I policy: Dan doesn't know how to write policy. Vice chair will now help him write a policy draft to propose in August. Talked about do's and don'ts and accountability and the #2 bullet point of honesty, leading by example. Setting up spreadsheet that will list all meetings from all areas, the H&I chairs, dress codes, requirements, etc. by next RSC. Esteban read from the handbook that volunteers MAY correspond with inmates, but there are specific guidelines for doing so. He said no one has been using an alias, but that they may have correspondence addressed to them as "Step Guide One, Step Guide Two" and so on. He has a problem with the use of "Gang" to address trusted servants in reports. Ben said that we are supposed to be responsible citizens and must recognize and follow the strict rules of facilities that we work with. We don't break the rules that facilities have. Keith said the NAWS webinar addresses working steps with inmates. Click on link in Keith's email. Look at inmate step writing section. Dan agreed to not use the term "Gang" in future reports.

AAI – Ed C. read emailed report. Thanked TBRCNA for allowing opportunity to present AAI at the convention just before the H&I main speaker. Good for members to see what we do with the money they put in the basket. He has a list of people who will sponsor by mail. So, refer them to him.

Breakdown of where Basic Texts were sent this quarter:

Crain Unit \_ Gatesville, TX, 4 BT

SATF –San Antonio, TX, 4 BT

BCADC – Bexar County, 4 BT

Bandera J=County Jail, 1 BT

Ellen Halbert Unit- Burnet, TX, 10 BT

Plane State Unit – Dayton, TX, 4 BT

Dominguez Unit – San Antonio, TX, 3 BT

Luther Unit – Navasota, TX, 1 BT

Clemens Unit – Brazoria, TX, 1 BT

SATF – CC, TX – 1 BT

Total of 34 Basic Texts

IT Facilitator absent but emailed report: Not much going on in the TBRNA IT world but I do want to announce that the YAP development team had launched YAP 3.0 and it has some awesome new features including

- the ability to route calls based on gender of the caller
- set up of "trainee" volunteers
- call blasting which gives the ability to ring all shift volunteers simultaneously
- voicemail to email notifications and the ability to designate who receives VM notifications
- language based call routing and volunteers
- call details reports (duration, time, etc)

For a full list of 3.x release features, visit <https://github.com/bmlt-enabled/yap/releases>

I think that's all I have this quarter. As always I'm available to members for questions about TBRNA related technology questions. Please feel free to call or email me!

Literature Review – absent. Heidi read emailed report from Lynn S. (Later discovered that I read the February report in error, but here is the correct May report):

Literature Review has two projects right now, the Spiritual Principle A Day Meditation Book project and the Mental Health IP project. The Spiritual Principle A Day Book project workgroup has received over 1000 pages of material for input. Literature Review is grateful that we've had a lot of participation in our Region. Nine new spiritual principles were made available in March and will be used until June. These are online at [na.org/spad](http://na.org/spad). There is also a survey at that site for your input. The workgroup plans to begin releasing some entries for Review and Input in late spring. When more information is available on this Literature Review will let you know.

Literature Review would like to thank the Conscious Contact Group in CBANA for hosting a Spiritual Principle A Day Book project workshop. Thank you for your great participation!

The workgroup for the Mental Health IP project has collected over 259 pieces of input for the project. They report the majority of the input is positive. They say negative comments focused on 'a program of abstinence so no medication' and stating that this is an 'outside issue'. We can expect an approval draft of the proposed IP in the 2020 CAR. So far Literature Review has heard both negative and positive feedback. It is very important that if you have an opinion on this draft that you share it with the workgroup. You can access the Review and Input draft and the input survey at [na.org/mhmi](http://na.org/mhmi). The deadline is May 15, 2019.

Literature Review would like to thank the Freedom Area for hosting a workshop on the Mental Health IP project. There was a lot of great feedback collected.

Literature Review is available for workshops, however because of my travel schedule I won't be available until June. Please let me know if you would like to schedule a workshop.

The Local Service Toolbox project continues with a focus on Serving NA in Rural and Isolated Communities. Final changes are being made to the printed service tool. It should be available for review and input soon at [na.org/ruralservice](http://na.org/ruralservice).

The Convention and Events project's most recent printed service tool is Money Management. It is available at [na.org/conventions](http://na.org/conventions). They will be working on Contracts and Negotiations next

Addendum: The Serving NA in Rural and Isolated Communities service tool review draft is available until the end of July at [na.org/toolbox](http://na.org/toolbox) or [na.org/ruralservice](http://na.org/ruralservice)

Tom noted that this is the 2<sup>nd</sup> RSC in a row that PR chair has been absent. February he notified that he was sick. No notice this time.

Tom mentioned the need to update articles of incorporation. Keith stated that there is a member in Red River area that is an attorney who would be happy to help with questions: Dickie. We also need to add that to our policy. Since we are a 501(c)(3), we must have a Board of Directors. Debbie found the articles of incorporation originally filed in 2002. Last time filed was 2008. Tom will take them with him to review. Ed suggested we table this discussion until we have more information.

Treasurer: Working balance, minus prudent reserve = \$9,152.63

Proposal from February: "No servant can serve at the regional level for 3 years after resigning from a regional commitment." Voting members present 12. Several stand asides: 1 not necessary, 1 not spiritual/is punitive, too hard to enforce. FAILED.

Proposal: "To increase convention seed money by \$2,000 to a total of \$12,000." Ed F. suggested that if the committee got access to the \$10,000 right away, they could fund raise the extra \$2,000. Debbie explained that hotels started charging them in advance, and the seed money now just isn't enough. Also have not had an increase in years. CONSENSUS Effective immediately.

Proposal: "Create an account or means to transfer money from one convention to the next." Michael S. explained that the next convention committee needs to have immediate access to their seed money, but the prior committee needs to close out their books. Dawn asked if that would lessen the convention donation to the region. No. Keith stated that the proposal is vague. How does this currently happen? Same bank account is used for all conventions. So, we can't have 2 treasurers on the account at the same time. Gilbert stated that this proposal won't affect the 2020 convention, but will start for 2021. Michael B. this is just a bookkeeping issue that should be in the policy to allow the convention treasurers to move money between the two conventions. Ed C. asked if they usually have enough money in the account, and it was confirmed that there's plenty. Tom explained that online registrations can be made for 2 conventions at the same time because they would each have a different sku. Tom confirmed that people can already register for the 2020 convention since the week after the 2019 convention. Kent new proposal to change policy: "Upcoming convention will write invoices to current convention for expenses for the upcoming convention. To be deducted from seed money." CONSENSUS. Susen explained how the Square works. Tom confirmed that they have unique UPCs so the funds will get credited correctly.

Proposals emailed by Heidi prior to RSC:

Add to the policy paragraph that starts with "RD and RDA will be elected..." after the sentence that starts with "This vote will be a consensus of...":

"Only one GSR per group may vote." Intent: To clarify that each group gets only one vote.  
CONSENSUS

Proposal: The CAC will amend the convention committee guidelines to state that every TBRCNA schedule will include a time and meeting room for the RD team to hold a workshop and clarify that the person or committee that is responsible for finding convention speakers is also responsible for contacting the RD team to schedule their workshop. Intent: To take advantage of this annual mass gathering of the members of our region to hold a CAR workshop during WSC years or to hold an IDT workshop in non-WSC years in hopes of drawing more members into involvement in service.

Keith asked to add "CAR/CAT/IDT" in front of "workshop". Tom confirmed that it's the CAC responsibility to update the convention guidelines. CONSENSUS

Proposal: If the previous proposal passes, add to TBRNA policy at the end of the paragraph that starts with "RD and RDA:": "Must also be willing to facilitate a workshop at each TBRCNA."

Intent: To ensure that the RD team is aware that the region expects them to take advantage of this annual opportunity to inform and involve members who might not otherwise hear anything about service beyond their own area or region.

Keith expressed concern that SZF may be on the same weekend. RD team may have to divide and conquer. Gilbert suggested that the lit review chair could assist with the workshop if needed. Keith concerned that info they get at SZF is critical, and RD team is expected to attend it. CONSENSUS.

Announcements:

Summer 2019 RSC August 10, 2019 in Rio Grande Valley with a workshop the next day.

Never Alone meeting has an online Zoom meeting with ASL interpreter. Will send it to the regional email address. (Emailed that this is a closed meeting and all addicts are welcome. It's Thursdays at 7pm and Saturdays at 11am CST. Call in at 802-616-925 or <https://zoom.us/j/802616925>).

Register for Recovery By the Sea

Business concluded at 3:32pm

Correction to CAC Report on pg. 6, per Tom K.

Correction to Freedom Area report on pg. 7, per Steve P.