

Texas Bluebonnet Region of Narcotics Anonymous

May 12, 2018

9:30 AM

Service Prayer and Traditions

Roll Call of Trusted Servants

Facilitator	Patsy P.
Co-Facilitator	Tom K.
Treasurer	Kari H.
Co-Treasurer	Deb
RD	Dennis R. (Absent Notice) Graduation
RDA	–Brandon C.
Recorder	-- Layna D.
Policy	–Christina R. (Absent Notice) Graduation
H& I	– Dawn (Absent no notice; working)
PI	– Paul S.
AAI	– Ed C.
Literature Review	– Lynn S.
Internet	- Vyki D.
CAC	– John C.
Service Pool Ad Hock	– Tom K.
Brazos Valley	– Mike
Coastal	– Bill
Freedom	–Lisa
Houston	– Dawn/Jessie
Rio Grande	– absent
TRI	– David
Esperanza	– Larry M.
Hill Country	– Absent
Northside	– Present
Southeast	– Present

Agenda

- *Housekeeping > RDA will give report first
 - *Break out 10:30 AM (one subcommittee absent)
 - *Audit information given
 - *Regular treasurer report
 - *Spiritual principles in – take (service and personal)
- Jessie –region should lead not govern

Debby, Announcements about the building use inside doors, bathroom to side, upstairs to coffee machine. Two break rooms upstairs, no smoking facility.

- *Tom K. – Housekeeping starts
- *Minutes – changes to be made over couple hours
- Tom K. – Report TS Advising Board \$1095.00, give back \$1095.00 > Kari H.
Jessie verified.

No Elections

Regional Reports

Brandon C. -RDA Report

*Christina R. Policy Chair Is with Dennis R. the Regional Delegate at Graduation

*Brandon read report that was Dennis from Kansas City, Missouri

•If you have questions please contact Dennis R.

- Larry M. – proposals (prioritize)
- Brandon C. – Most of the CAT was approved
- Larry M. – Mental Health literature
- Brandon C. – tackled next cycle; Lynn on top
– Copies of report, handouts

Dropbox important to communication and information transfer.

Kristina and I are moving to Alabama.

*The Conference report information given had a break in communication

Friday late

*CAR stream line discussion making on Sunday at Conference

*let's get on the same page

*I would be going to Alabama

*Dennis R. rolled out in March 2019

- Patsy P. – do we owe you money?
- CJ – you can only serve two time not three.
- CJ – Inspection (world)
- Brandon C. – Monetary

Brandon C. – not enough trusted servants to be translators and be of service.

CJ – any new service structure projects?

Brandon C. – Board, next cycle those will come

Paul S. – you can submit an idea?

Larry M. – literature IP (Mental), Meditation Book

Brandon C. – Seating Situation

Please call Brandon C. he would love to share and gossip.

A heartfelt thank you for letting his family be of service to the fellowship and region. Reminder please don't forget about the (Speaker Jim).

Paul S. – Blessing to the Valley > Brandon and Kristina

Be supportive of NA in the Valley from now and going forward.

Lisa – McAllen, Edinburg > where is the Rio Grande Valley?

Brandon C. – Harlingen

Luis – nine meetings a week, schedule

Patsy P. -Facilitator Report

Misappropriation of funds

Full audit Completed

Contacted past treasurer via email, certified mailed theft of NA funds – Vyki sent this information out

Contact with Cynthia H.

Limited questions

Read May 7, 2018 (certified letter)

Response: moving; can't be here in the Woodlands

Take back and review with your groups the information

Patsy P. – responded (point blank) did you misappropriate NA funds?

Cynthia H. – no, contact Bank of America, cashier's check NAWS, please reach out to me.

Larry M. – can you read this again (her response)

Deb, Kari, Tom - Patsy is going to contact her in case we do go legal, no string communication did cc in emails.

Jessie – ledger?

Patsy P. – Kari can you answer her?

– Communication exhausted

Patsy – recommended \$28,000+ funds missing, prosecute through personal experience with the legal system, backed up by Kari H. communications.

Allan – was this the first contact?

Patsy – not first he was contacted by Tom K. and Kari H., No responses: did you go to her house?

Patsy – everything course of communication was through email

David -- please respect the minutes; move on.

CJ – are you going to be the sole contact?

Patsy – they are all being included in email and letter.

CJ – will you follow the suggestions of the misappropriation of NA funds given in the literature?

Patsy – I will follow what you say

CJ – lack of transparency

Tom, Patsy asked to step down from positions at region

Kari H. – Misappropriation situation; next transparency

CJ – apology

Tom – sorry, out of facility report into Kari H. Report, I apologize

Debbie G. There was transparency, and we will work through to May

Jessie – treasurers report?

Mary – transparency for region and addict

Jessie/Debbie – single-point of accountability

Luis – when do the committees have their breakout sessions?

Tom K. – Co-facilitator Report

Follow-up with Bank of America: they may call during the meeting

Experienced member dealt with miss handling of NA funds in the Greater NY area at a Convention if we need direction

Courtyard Hotel (Austin) Pflugerville, TX

Records for TX State are now online from 2012 to present

Very close to and filed room block

The guide will be used for event

TSCNA \$1095.00 check was written, we were below prudent, Kari gave Tom check

Harvey relief \$1006.54 November 14, 2017

Allan – does that have to come back to groups?

Tom K.– below prudent, audit above so check went out

Bill H. – Contacted Bank of America, what did they say?

Jessie – do we have a co-treasurer?

CJ – are we below prudent?

Allan – communication

Tom – 12 minute break

Tom K. -Serenity prayer restarts regional meeting

Kari H. Treasurers Report

Kari H. says a huge Thank you to Patsy P. for helping during this time of hardship in service because the past treasurer is a close friend and Kari H. is heartbroken about this process.

Kari H. is previous California resident and has a close relationship with Rochelle at NAWS and was able to get information that was needed.

Bank of America: Questions and where we are currently at

– Two signatures in my area

Kari – we needed two signatures (bank doesn't check)

Debbie – yes it's in policy, our coastal bend area is the same way

Patsy – twice attempted to add to account after election, Cynthia, Brian, Patsy

Jessie – ourselves, no, we are responsible, read the policy; RCM's are also responsible, we should all read policy and follow through

Jessie – audit, with bank statements going back three years, four years

Kari H. – Right, report should be transparent, I did an audit, \$800.00 AAI invoices

Ed C. – Cash in Texas at same bank

Patsy – please write recommendations

Eat and work – consensus

Debbie G. – AAI payment made

Larry M. – Two part

–Thank you

– complete report in three months

Patsy – decision should be made today on floor

Bea W. – We do not move forward?

Jessie – 100% we owe our members to do what's right

Kari – question, time, dates, any cashier’s check, no cashiers check, our region check is what they want.

Paul S. – Facts only

John C. – talk to Bank of America ?

Tom K. – she went over further. Work around

Bea W. – they can know if a cashier’s check is bought

Tom K. – purchased to cash

David – thank you for your time

- 1. What the banks think this is illegal? No, Kari H.
- 2. What do we think? Up to us!

Patsy P. – Tom look into legally prosecute

Tom K. – gained experience (small non-profit)

no money, called treasurer, couldn’t find them, district attorney,?, Jail time, no \$ back, civil suit, email in NY - NA

Debbie G. District attorney is the (free way)

Allan – practical experience, prosecute

*5013c - prosecute, mortgage up put up \$48,000, she told us, guidelines placed to stop it

Mary – gone, follow through legal action

Larry – prosecute, lost, gone, been done

Kari – prosecute or let it go

Bill H. – Safeguards of fellowship, this theft is on us.

CJ – spiritual, defensive

Paul S. – Read literature

Allan – suggestion two options

Patsy/Tom – Straw Pool > no proposal

– who would vote?

David – to, not to, pursue further action with the district attorney in the town where the bank is located

Tom K. – (Northside) Would you entertain that idea?

Referred to DA as she may move out of state

This is the options for voting

Assent (quiet)

Assent with reservation

Stand aside = no vote

Block (directly violated by traditions)

- Bill – stand aside (haven't told area)
 - Larry -Assent with reservation
 - Tom – she's moving, warrant to follow
 - Debbie – let the court do their work
 - Vincent P. – only take cases he can win, hit rock bottom
 - David – didn't talk, Travis County
 - Northside Area – refer the issue to the DA in Travis County as she may abscond. Consensus.
 - Debbie – officers go to DA; solution
 - Ed C. – Ad hock Debbie G.
 - *Just ask Cynthia?
 - *What can you payback?
 - *Prosecute the theft and not region
 - *\$10 fee for two signatures
 - *prosecute those serving while she was in charge for not overseeing
 - Kari H. – Regular treasurer report
- prudent reserve to and for region
duration/income (bold)
- Jessie – check list for treasurer
 - Kari/Debbie – policy
 - Steve P. – Balance activity, all of pages of bank statements can reveal lead to cash
 - David – Can we do electronic checks to NAWS
 - Kari – Debbie – that would negate this issue
 - Mary – Bank of America bank statements, electronic payment to NAWS won't work;
we will need minutes and signatures before we leave region today
 - Mike – mailbox
 - Lisa – great report; write information on the financial policy
 - Kari – any check will be copied, we will request
 - Allan – service and responsibility
 - Kari – process

CJ – we didn't steal it, butterflies, stomach turn, don't be defensive, move on but
4th concept humility brought to the table at region

Ed C. – double question

Kari H. – Scenarios

David – can we say no cash given?

Larry – only Tom and Kari; Debbie is not on

Jessie – what about who should be on there

Allan – 5 people (policy) 3 people to #4, #5

#1 Proposal

Patsy P.(proposal)

*changed the time limit to deposit funds from seven days to next business day of the month after RSC.

Intent, keep accountability of funds.

Didn't pass – keep as is

Bill H. – Policy stated 2 signatures

Tom – they will take (2 signatures and charge \$10)

David – these sent out an email

Tom goes over these 3 proposals again

Layna read Christina R. Policy Report

Layna read a Recorder Report

Sub committee breakout sessions

Brazos Valley- Mike handed in a report.

Central Texas Area- Steven N. handed in a report

The Central Texas Area will host the region on August 11, 2018.

Coastal Bend- Bill H. and Vincent P.

Youth Event June 30, 2018 Corpus

23 of June RSC Fundraiser Victoria, Texas

RBS pre- register by 1st July ends, www.cbana.org

Esperanza-Larry M.

Notes emailed to region

48 groups in the area

Literature Review – vacant

H& I – 15 Locations

New literature bank, CJ treasurer

EANA Convention will be in January of 2019

EL Tropicana hotel

\$105 hotel fee

Frolic October 2018 Garner State Park

Freedom- Lisa

most of the questions and concerns were covered in discussion from earlier

- pancake breakfast (unity)
- no donation today our policy was reviewed and strengthened

*incident with our area minutes

Apology to Patsy and body

Patsy – Thank you

Debbie G. < Not asking for us to leave out multiple suggestions, no drama, motion in our report

Hill Country – absent

Houston-Dawn and Jessie; no report just to

Prosecute with compassion

3rd Friday Mid Town Club HACNA Speaker Exchange

Jekyll and Hyde > PTSD/NA

they need sponsors; troops

Every Sunday 6 p.m. on base (open) GSR is a part of this group

Northside- Debbie G.

Report turned in

Tom K.– NAWS listed meetings, outreach, right in BLMT to Tom for update

Tri-County-David

college Spanish literature rack, help educate community, PR booth, 100 signatures, October 2019 conference, new treasurer, electronic checks

OPEN DISCUSSION

#2 Proposal

Tom K. – Proposal

Remove quoted “any policy change proposals of a financial and or budgetary nature will be taken back to the areas for discussion.”

Intent: this is ambiguous and will lead to confusion at this and future RSC'S. If there is a consensus. I will request that we revisit the two bounded proposals.

Ed – go back to area

Vyki – report (my); motion when to revisit

CJ – nothing improper of tying the treasurer's hands, take backs.

Michael – point of reference/to remove it

#3 Proposal

Tom: proposal that policy be changed to reflect that it to signature requirement be obtained through banking facility.

Reason or intent: to put safeguards in place to ensure safety of regional funds.

Mike, Jessie stand a side

Bea W. We don't pay \$10 anymore

Flag account

Two line signature check (convention account), cannot cancel this out

Kari H. – \$26 two line check

Sarah H.: One person brings a check with one signature will the bank take it?

Jessie – one check, forgery

Glenna – request two signature; measurer not gonna happen

Mike – stand aside

Vinny – worth it

Consensus

That policy changed to reflect that treasurer report include specifically written report including QuickBooks report, bank statements with account #' S recorded and copies of cleared checks.

Treasurer quick work balance

- check
- +donations
- \$8183.51
- \$4500.00 prudent

Southeast Texas – Vyki emailed report

No Old Business

CAC report – John C.

Report handed in

Bea W. – 19 TBRNA Report

Theme: recovery is a process of discovery

Merchandise should be completed by midweek

92 preregistered

Debbie: pre-registration \$20

Bea W. t shirt order sold great, ordering another batch

Budget for convention discussed 2019

The core members for service will be going to the bank today

Hiccups with the Hotel, informed committee and region

Randie B. – contacted Brian and he signed contract

Henry H. generated a list

Attached financial \$1500.

.83 square charge + pre-registrations

March \$1124.00 + \$50 change, P. O. Box =\$2641.83 total balance

Accountable to CAC and region > John C.

Financially accountable for that CAC

Tom K. – Sorry bank of America; function clover gateway create products in their system \$9583.80 large deposit (\$16) (not quite)

H&I -Dawn Absent with no notice; working

Tom K. February 22-24, 2018

Jessie – access to hotel

Bill H. – Statement: Hospitality chair – volunteer for serving/bringing dishes

10 minute break

Literature Review - Lynn R. – Reads Tom K.

Paul S. – Other area flyers are on the website and in handout form, updated events June is a big month for activities in our area. There are so many workshops and we are always available to help.

Steve N. – Insurance, Tom send it again

Ed c.– persist; charity statement

Vyki D. – Fellowship (approved)

CJ – (you can use it)

Larry – kinks phone line share info

Patsy – email, call, text our body we can help

1. RSC call into breakout virtual subcommittee, chair was absent, distribute #
2. Event?: Group, trusted servants, event, please email Patsy and Tom
3. Patsy and Tom, social media, files,.....

H& I report – no report; no work

AAI report – Ed C.- 40 requests normally down to 14 requests for books , PO box, Austin complications

Kari – any checks or adopt an inmate

Patsy/Cynthia has key

Ed – mailbox discussion – letters

Mary key changed

Patsy – mail forward to proper/change key, re-forward Steve N.

Jessi – personal address

Patsy – ASAP

New Business

Mailbox

Vyki – only people handle adopt an inmate should get keys

CJ – let's me know what's coming up postal mail, email service

Tom – WSC travel \$3683.51

\$4500 prudent reserve

Bill H. \$3000 proposal to world, Tom 20% rather than \$3000

Kari H. Insurance, taxes paid

Patsy – consensus – treasurer send \$3000 to world, payment to insurance till December

Upcoming Events

August 11, 2018 Central Texas Area to host the next region ; place tba

November 10, 2018 Houston area will host region