

Nebraska Regional Minutes January 14, 2007
Giltner, NE

The meeting was opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Mary R. read the Twelve Traditions and Stumpy read the Twelve Concepts.

Susan S. read the Purpose.

The following members were present:

Executive Committee:

Chairperson: Susan S. Secretary: Penny F.
Vice Chair: Diana B. RD: Brain S.
Treasurer: Dan M. Alt. RD: OPEN

Areas:

Central NE: Dan B. RCM Platte Valley: Steve Alt. RCM
Eastern NE: Keith P. RCM New Beginnings: Joe (acting)
Elk Horn Valley: John (acting) Area Twelve: Pony Boy Alt. RCM
Fremont: Burt M. Alt. RCM Southeastern NE: Pat W. RCM
Great Plains: Ruth S. RCM Nancy B. Alt RCM

Sub Committees:

Hospitals & Institutions: Dale B.
Public Information: Mary R. (acting)
Policy: OPEN
NRCNA 24: Penny F.
NRCNA 25: Lin H.
Ad Hoc: Mark B.

Visitors:

Todd	Lannie	Donald	Gary
Jolene	Christy	Everrette	Jerry
Paul	Dan	Stumpy	Kevin
Sean	Jake	Craig	Steve
Mike	Kirby	Kat	Dewayne

Secretary's Report:

Motioned by Mary R. and seconded by Burt M. to approve and accept October's minutes.

Passed

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance:	2509.00
Income:	4993.89
Total Balance:	7502.89
Expenses:	4925.00
Ending Balance:	2577.89

(see attachment)

Area Reports:

Central NE: Hello everyone From Central. We want to thank everyone for voting us in for NRCNA 25. We have started some new meetings in the Area. The survivors meeting at 422 N Burlington in Hastings, NE. at 6:30 PM and The Living Clean A Women's Meeting at 10:00 AM on Saturdays at 640 W. DARR Grand Island, NE. Also Freedom Seekers on Wednesdays has changed it's meeting time to 6:30 PM and is a book study meeting. New Day and Electric Candlelight is having a Chili Cook Off with a speaker and dance to follow at the Blessed Sacrament Church 518 W. State St. in Grand Island, NE. Feb 17. Doors open at 5:30 PM with Fellowship and all are welcome. Loving Service, Dan B.

ENNA: Greetings family From ENNA. The winds of change are blowing in our area. Our PI Chair had a sudden change in life direction and had to resign; therefore, our area is presently with a PI Committee. Our area has elected a new vice-chair just as the chairpersons term is coming to an end. I very well may be reporting next quarter on our new chair. Our area is gearing up for our annual convention—the 20th annual close encounters on our website. I hope to see you there to share in recovery and fellowship. Our area is still working on an input and reviewed of the 6th edition basic text. Some of the results of which were discussed at this quarters general assembly. Our area is still trying to cultivate alternative RCM, and several Sub Committee Positions. Our area continues to grow, in size and experience. Through all of this we continue to recover. In loving service, Keith P.

Elk Horn Valley: Hello family, I'm John. EVANA chair, proxying for Brent L. Things are going well in Norfolk (and surrounding areas). We do have a donation for Region along with the \$100.00 HI speed money, unfortunately I was called to proxy when I was already on my way to the meeting. We get the money to Dan M. A.S.A.P. the H & I learning day went well and the function after was a blast. We have a new function planned, a "sweetheart Valentines dance", scheduled for Feb 10th at Knights of Columbus in Norfolk, Carrie form Omaha is the speaker. Once again sorry I do not have flyers, flyers will be mailed out A.S.A.P. Apparently enough butts got burned for the fire, because we have a budget committee meeting set for the 21st of January. Things continue to grow and progress in EVANA. In loving service, John K. P.S. February function info is available also online.

Area Reports Cont.

Fremont: Hello family from Fremont Area. Our RCM could not attend today and I have been approved to be the new Alt. RCM by our area. Meeting attendance is strong with more newcomers recently. The majority of which have been females. I am pleased to announce a new meeting starting January 28th which will be a women's meeting Sundays at 6:30pm. The 20th annual Freezeout is next weekend (Jan 20th & 21st) and we hope to see many of you there, with the new year ahead of us we are looking forward to more activities and growth among ourselves and our area as a whole. I'm happy to be serving the Fremont area at region again. Jackie's address is included in my report because she would like to receive a copy of today's minutes and she says she will see you all again in April. In Loving Service, Burt M. FASC Alt RCM.

Great Plains: Hello Everyone from Great Plains Area. Everything is going well. Attendance has been alright. Some of our meetings are lacking with attendance but hopefully that will change here in the future. Last quarter I forgot to report that we have a new Alt. RCM. Thank You, Nancy. We are currently planning our NRCNA fundraiser. Once again we are going to have our Casino Night. We are having a little trouble finding a place to have it that is affordable but I'm sure that we will find something. We are possibly going for March 17th but we recently found out that ENNA's H & I learning day was rescheduled for the same day. We will discuss it at our next area meeting and will get flyers out as soon as possible with the date & place. Great Plains has \$80 of donations for Region. \$40 from Day to Day and \$40 from Sunday Noon Group. In Loving Service, Ruth S.

Platte Valley: Hello family. We are glad to be back as an Area. The windy flat lands are in Recovery mode. In the area we now have 5 groups. 1 in McCook and 4 in N.P. Attendance is starting to grow, slowly. We are now in the Lincoln Co. Jail. We are having 16 meetings a week with 4 groups reporting. One new group started in N.P. It is the only closed non smoking meeting called the School or Recovery Group. Here is our meeting schedule, up dated to the present time. McCook meets on Mon, Wed, Thurs, at 111 ½ C St. at 8 P.M. closed meetings. North Platte: Where Dreams Come True Group meet 7 days a week at 7 pm at the Dickey Bldg. 116 e. 6th St. Rm. 21-22 open meetings. Easy Does It Group meet 7 days a week at 6 pm at the Dickey Bldg 116 e 6th Rm. 6 open meetings. The school of Recovery Group meets on Mon. 7 pm at the North Platte Senior Center 900 e 10th North West Door c/*h. Procrastinators meet Tue, Thur, and Fri at 8 pm at harvest Christ. Fellowship Church 1500 s Dewey o/*h. We are glad that we have some new blood in the service structure and are glad to be Back. Thank You and in loving service, Platte Valley Area. Steve Alt. RCM.

New Beginnings: Hi Region Things are going relatively well. We have added the Genera NA group to our area. The Area has also voted on a new name, it has changed to New Beginnings Area Service Committee. We are in the process of electing new officers. There is also a new meeting starting on Sundays at 4 pm, the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. In loving Service, Joe G.

Area Reports Cont.

Southeastern: Hello family. It's great to be able to be at region even if it does blizzard. Our area has been busy. A few changes have come about. Due to a new change in our policy our executive board members now serve a two year sentence, oh I mean opportunity to serve our fellowship. Because of this, some of our positions came open and I was nominated for the Vice Chair position. If I get this position, I will resign my RCM position to full fill the Vice Chair position, meaning this will be my last report to Region. But good news, or bad depending on how you see it, you will still get to see me, as Jerry has been nominated for RCM position of our area should that position come open due to my nomination. They have told him that according to our Area's policy he can still do both H & I chair and RCM, lucky him. We have a new meeting in our area called the Wednesday's Wild Women meeting. It is on Wednesday at 7pm for one hour, at the Unity room or 2729 N. 12th Street. Our Area is turning in a total of 288.90 from our groups in Region donations, and 300.00 from our ASC to region for donation. Making our total donation 588.90. Donation from group's breakdown as follows 1) 40.90 form SENANA's Saturday Night Live group, 2) 10.00 from SENANA's Tuesday Night Let It Out group. Happy HaveLock 238.00. We have two different opportunities to celebrate Valentines Day coming up in our area. The first opportunity will be on February 10th 2007 at the Havelock Church, at 61st and Morrill, doors will open at 5:30pm, potluck at 6pm—meat will be supplied, speakers at 7pm (Kay & Eugene O.), dance to follow. The other Valentines Day celebration is on the 14th of February 2007, at the Unity room, 2729 N. 12th Street, the doors will open at 5:30pm, Wednesday s Wild Women will be sponsoring this celebration, sloppy joes and chips will be provided, meeting to start at 7pm. I would also like to say that our area is thrilled with the honor of having the Worldwide Workshop in Lincoln on May 11th through May 13th of this year. See the flyers. Our votes for the motions are as follows: *no new nominations at this time but a supportive vote for Mary R. for Alt. Rd., and Lin H. for NRCNA 25 chair., *we voted yes to increase start up for NRCNA from 1500.00 to 2000.00., *we voted yes to spend up to 1500.00 annually to purchase a general liability insurance policy., * we also voted yes to have an outreach web page on the regional web site listing a meeting for the month. That's all we have for now family. In loving service Pat W. Contact Info. 402-840-2873 (cell)

Area 12: Hello family. Things are starting to shape up in Area 12. Our first function was a great success thanks all who came & participated. Our next function is our first annual information celebration. It will be at St. Joe's Hall, 6 miles south & I mile east of Columbus, NE. Starts at 1pm on Jan. 27th. Hope to see you all there. H & I we are care a message of hope in to the Jail once a week men & women's PI is just getting started more come all in all things are looking great in Area 12 thanks for letting us be part of. In loving service Pony Boy, RCM Alt.

RD Report: Hi family, the Plain states Zonal forum was held in Oklahoma City Dec 9-10. There were some good work shops & discussions on issues going on in meetings such as Atmosphere of recovery & what pisses you off. All positions were dilled at the

RD report Cont.

zone facilitator Treasurer & secretary. And after 10 long years the Zone has adopted a policy. Thanks to those who served the fellowship to help produce the policy. The Public Relations Handbook is now available in print for \$5.00 at www.na.org. The area planning tool is included as a resource and can also be down loaded at www.na.org. They are still developing more resource material that should be available early 2007 that will go with the chapters 4, 5, 6, & 9 the resource section of the handbook is posted separately and will be updated continually at <http://portaltools.na.org/PortalTools/subscriptions/Login.cfm>. I have also brought flyers for the next WWW to be held May 11th—13th in Lincoln NE. I will also be asking for all the updates for the Regional contact list as the old ones are out of date. I see no reason at this time to change our budget. I will give Dan all receipts for the trip to Zonals & Areas. The total was 448.16. I attended 3 area meetings this quarter Sennana, NEASC, & Central. The deadline for the basic text review & input is coming soon. Please get your input in as soon as possible. I have also received registration flyers for WENA-32 in SAN ANTONIO, Texas, hope to see you there. If you have any questions on World issues or any thing at all I will do my best to get the answers or the right resources to get you the answers. In loving service, Brain L.

Alt. RD: open no report

Sub Committee

Hospital & Institutional: Omaha will have the first half year Regional H & I learning Day on March 17. 8 area's were represented all lit. was distributed. Things seem to be running fairly well all around. Now meetings are being started and people are stepping up to support them. Thanks H & I folks. In loving service, Dale B.

Public Information: Hello Region from the NRCNA PI Committee. I want to start by saying thank you very much for letting me serve as pro temp of this committee; it was nice talking to addicts in other areas and get information about other meetings and which ones need help. We have 3500 new meetings list and 200 regional information contact lists. I do not know if I over step what I was to do, but I have 10 mailing here to send out to every correctional center in the state. It has 10 meeting list and 4 IP's in it and a letter. Here is a copy of the letter that will be sent. The total cost was as follow: 3500 meeting list at 233.92 and 51 information sheets at 37.19 and 11 stamps for mailing at 12.21 and 4.50 for IP's a grand total 287.82. You gave me a check for 369.94; I have a balance of 82.12 left. If you want me to do the next meeting list I will and I would only need 206.00. The institution that the mailing going to are Community Corrections Center in Lincoln & Omaha, Lincoln & Omaha Correctional Center, Work Ethic Camp in McCook, Nebraska Youth Facility, Neb State Penitentiary, Tecumseh State Correctional in Tecumseh and the Women Correctional in York. I have a folder with all the information for the region archive with copies of receipts. The web master would like for this service body to look for some to do the web site. He will not leave until you find someone, but please try to do it as soon as possible. In love and service, Mary R.

Sub Committees Cont.

PI Cont.

January 10, 2007

Dear Friends,

The purpose of this letter is to bring an awareness of the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous in Nebraska to your institution. We hope to create an understanding of our Fellowship so that if you feel our program may be of benefit to you, or to the people you serve, you will know how to contact us for further information.

Narcotics Anonymous is a non-profit fellowship of men and women for whom drugs had become a major problem. We are recovering addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay clean. Ours is a program of complete abstinence from all drugs. We are concerned with the disease of addiction and recovery from that disease; an addict's choice of drugs (or drugs) is unimportant to us.

We've enclosed a sampling of our literature for your examination so you may better understand our program. We also include some current meeting schedule for the Nebraska Region and a contact sheet for member in each area.

Please use our literature and meeting directory for referral to our program. A literature order form is enclosed from our World Service Office in Van Nuys, California, if you wish to purchase more literature for your use. You may make copies of our meeting directory to distribute. Our meeting directory is updated on a regular basis and can be acquired by request through the contact information provided below or through the Internet at our website:

Nebraska Regional Public Information Subcommittee
P.O. Box 80091
Lincoln, Nebraska 68501
<http://www.nebraskaana.org/>

Thank you for your time and we hope that we may be of some the opportunity to be of service to you, your group or organization.

Sincerely,

Mary Rose

Public Information Subcommittee

Policy: Open no report

NRCNA XXIV: I am an addict and my name is Penny. Our theme for NRCNA XXIV is "WE CAME TO BELIEVE". There are pre registrations available today, feel free to take some back to your groups or areas or friends you want to hang with. Our convention meeting has been moved to the basement of the Freedom House on Central and 27th in Kearney at 4pm. Most service positions are filling up and if you would like to be a parrot of our Regional Convention COME ON DOWN we have a spot for you. Everything seems to be going well. We are still looking for speaker tapes or cd's, please, please, please let your groups and areas know or maybe someone you would like to railroad, oops I mean hear to send in a tape or cd. The address is NRCNA XXIV P.O. Box 36 Kearney, NE 68847. We are also looking for art work to go with our theme the deadline for entries is JAN 30, 2007. There are flyers available for this also. I believe the winner gets a free Registration to the Convention. Thanks for letting me serve as your Convention Chair. In Loving service, Penny F. PS. Need key for store shed. We will be having a convention subcommittee next region after General Assembly.

NRCNA XXV: Hello family. We'll be getting together later this month to sign contract for hotel other than that, there is nothing to report at the time. In loving service, Lin H.

General Assembly: Minutes read.

The topic was on questions and concerns of 6th Edition.

Mary R. personal stories not same between countries. 2 books-one of major concerns at workshop

Brain-translating is already a problem

Mary-no answers for that

Keith-problem getting copy

Sean-preface-problems over past-things that didn't belong there. Promote unity don't talk about past. Good questionnaire. Agreement good revision, hot all on internet file to big, need communication.

Todd-Did get in jail, didn't need 5yrs to get in. Preface is long. Some things needed, not only seen by addicts but public, bigger book bigger preface. Not all going to like what is voted on, but that's been going for a long time. Negativity needs to come out and be positive, agree needs to be shorter. Preface tells me if I want to buy book or not.

John-Haven't had opp. to read negativity, may make newcomer turn away

Mary-No

Mary-Pros & Cons. Negativity never got it right after all these years-how it works now.

Sean-Got clean by reading it

Keith-Neg in basic text-happen 2 book have shit-white book change-from Edition to Edition. Each edition someone stayed clean. Work for yesterday, not today need to progress. Street junkie to Doctors and Lawyers. Back text show diversity, each edition someone saw negativity 6th wont be last Edition like what Todd said about people reading book. Ones who benefited from it not only one looking at it.

Kirby-if all positive and no negative. Would anyone really believe it.

General Assembly Cont.

Dan-Opinion not from preface-by meeting people, spoke language more. Should of rad book, meeting gave hope. Read book now.

Mary-intro to members share. 2nd book of text. Changing into 4 categories-certain story for each section-if like or not-opinions were some yes & some no. looking for answer story tell you. Make you have to read it more. Would like to see-stories like-Hope to expect from revisions-stories start out 13-14. Not 50 would like to see stories Todd-clear clean message of hope have it in 5th. Stories could go in different book text to keep you clean. Back ½ seldom book open-personal stories-meeting & speaker Kat-like Todd Ok. 4 stories-don't relate to me today life on life's terms. How to stay clean in a crisis-nothing in book about being old. What to do next? Where to go?

More about Precisions

Keith-agreement to split books. Everytime read get something out of it. Clear concise message, rather see p. stories in own book.

Stumpy-have personal stories in different book like stories with reading

Everette-more of 103 pages-get meat and potatoes. All have stories-most out of 103 pages.

Donald-like way it s lazy don't like looking for 4 or 5 books; uncomfortable at first. Late night reading only one book.

Kirby-1st text in prison stories of back book-people talking to him

Nancy-like it stories relate to her

Diane-because sponcee-like unique-not charge to get speaker (in book steps are important)

As we welcome in the new year, we wanted to let you know that the Basic Text is now available online! This is the first tangible step in the process of placing our book-length pieces online, as we reported at WSC 2006 and since. You can access it at

<http://www.na.org/ips/eng/index.htm>.

The Large-Print Version of the Basic Text, *Narcotics Anonymous*, is in the PDF format. It has been optimized to load relatively quickly, but it is 6.5 megabytes in size—please be patient so that all features can be fully accessed. This version cannot be printed or copied, but maybe downloaded locally and is compatible with software for the visually-impaired. Versions in other languages will be posted as they become available through our proofing and production process.

And don't forget—the draft Sixth Edition Basic Text is currently out for review. The deadline to send in input is 28 February, but it will help us a great deal if you can send in your thoughts and suggestions as soon as possible. You can enter your input online via the main page for the project (<http://www.na.org/conference/bt>) where you can also sign up to receive a copy and read the latest news about the project. And of course, if it's more convenient for you, you can send your input via email (worldboard@na.org) or post.

Yours in Fellowship,

NA WORLD SERVICES

Thanks for letting me sever and I did the best I could with what people said. Penny F.

Insurance Ad Hoc: We've done nothing this quarter pending the approval or disapproval of funds. ILS, Mark B.

Nominations & Elections:

PUBLIC INFORMATION:

John Kielian Bio
Clean date 3/3/02

I attend regular meetings and have a home group in N.A. I have worked the 12 steps a number of times with different sponsors, including my current sponsor who is an active member of N.A.

I have held a number of service positions; at group level: GSR (cwc), Alt. GSR (SOS), and Treasurer (SOS); at area: PI/Phone line chair (neasc) and Chair (evanna-current position).

I believe I have a working knowledge of the 12 steps, traditions, and concepts of NA and apply the principles of the program to my daily life to the best of my ability. I thank you for this opportunity and look forward to the possibility of serving at the regional level.

In loving service,
John Kielian

POLICY:

PonyBoy Bio
Clean date 9/21/89

Service position are done in Kansas & Nebraska

Group Position: All

Area Position: All

Regional Position: Co chair, chair policy chair, alt H & I chair, alt RD, RD

World: Lit work group on Just For Today

Current Position: chair of Sat. night CWC 8pm, Alt RCM Area 12, Policy chair CWC.

All positions were completed terms, except Regional H & I Alt. reason moved to the great state of Nebraska.

In loving service,
Ponyboy

Old Business:

Motion 2: To raise the start up money for NRCNA, starting with extra \$500.00 from \$1500.00 to \$2000.00 (started with NRCNA XXIV)

Intent: to keep in mind with the rising cost of things

Financial Impact: \$500.00

Submitted By: Mary R. convention chair

Seconded By: Keith P. RCM ENNA

Central-yes

Platte Valley -yes

Eastern-yes

New Beginnings-no

Elk Horn-yes

Area Twelve-yes

Fremont-yes

Southeastern-yes

Great Plains-yes

Passed

Motion 6: to spend up to \$1500 annually to purchase a general liability insurance policy

Intent: to provide liability and litigation coverage for Narcotics Anonymous in the Nebraska Region including NA groups, and areas. Plus rider for World Service Committee

Financial Impact: up to \$1500.00 annually

Submitted By: Susan S. Chair

Seconded By: Keith P. RCM ENNA

Voting:

Central-yes

Platte Valley-abstain

Eastern-yes

New Beginnings-yes

Elk Horn-yes

Area Twelve-yes

Fremont-abstain

Southeastern-yes

Great Plains-yes

Passed

Motion 7: To have an outreach web page on the regional web site listing a meeting of the month

Intent: To better help serve our meeting through out the region that need help in attendance, isolation or new meetings. A flyer would be sent out three months in advance for any group that wished to be part of this monthly meeting. Three people would form this committee.

Financial Impact: none

Submitted By: Dale B. H&I Chair

Seconded By: Mary R. NEASC

Motion 7 Cont.

Voting:

Central-yes	Platte Valley-yes
Eastern-yes	New Beginnings-no
Elk Horn-yes	Southeastern-yes
Fremont-yes	Area twelve-yes
Great Plains-yes	

Passed

Motion 8: nominate Lin Hagood for NRCNA XV chair with the endorsement from CNASC

Intent: to fill position

Financial Impact: none

Submitted By: Ruth S. RCM Great Plains

Seconded By: Brent L. RCM EVANA

Voting:

Central-yes	Platte Valley-yes
Eastern-yes	New Beginnings-yes
Elk Horn-yes	Southeastern-yes
Fremont-yes	Area Twelve-yes
Great Plains-yes	

Passed

Open Floor: NO DISCUSSION

New Business:

Motion 1: To hold our next Regional meeting April 14, 2007, in Omaha, at GRACE LUTHERN CHURCH 1326 S. 26th St. (402) 660-3662 ENNA Hot Line (if need directions feel free to call)

Intent: Bring Regional Service Committee to allow for exposure to some newcomers in our Area.

Financial Impact: none

Submitted By: Keith P. ENNA

Seconded By: Burt M. FASC

Voting:

Central NE- Abstain	Platte Valley- No
Eastern NE- Yes	New Beginnings- No
Elk Horn Valley- Yes	Area Twelve- Abstain
Fremont- Yes	Southeastern NE- Yes
Great Plains- No	

Passed

Motion 2: To have Region in North Platte in October

Intent: To have Region in North Platte

Financial Impact: none

Submitted By: Steve W. Platte Valley

Seconded By: Ruth S. Great Plains RCM

Voting:

Central NE- Yes

Eastern NE- Yes

Elk Horn Valley-Yes

Fremont- Yes

Great Plains- Yes

Platte Valley- Yes

New Beginnings- Yes

Area Twelve- Yes

Southeastern NE- Yes

Passes

NEXT REGION WILL MEET AGAIN APRIL 14TH, 2007 AT GRACE LUTHERN CHURCH 1326 S. 26TH ST. OMAHA, NE. (402)660-3662 (ENNA HOT LINE) FOR DIRECTIONS.

The Ultimate Weapons Group will be hosting a function after the Regional Meeting. Flyers will be sent out soon. Details will be on the Website. It will be there NRCNA XXIV fundraiser. Hope to see everyone there.

General Assembly @ NOON

Convention Meeting @ 1:30 pm

Sub Committees @ 2:00 pm

Regional Service Meeting @ 3:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted by:

Penny Field Regional Secretary

Attachments:

Treasures Report

Regional Mailing List

Outsider/Insider Workshop at Plains State Zonal In S.D. Aug 06

Its all about CARRYING the Message