

Nebraska Regional Minutes April 9,2005  
Giltner, Ne

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

Penny read the Twelve Traditions and Diane read the Twelve Concepts.

Susan read the Purpose.

The following members were present:

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

Chairperson-Susan S.  
Vice Chair-Diane B.  
Secretary-OPEN

Treasurer-Dan M.  
RD-Mark B.  
Alt. RD-Brian S.

**AREAS:**

Central NE- Dan B.  
John C  
Eastern NE-Dale B.  
Brent L.  
Fremont-Christy B. & Burt M.  
Marilyn W.  
Great Plains-Ruth S. & Penny F.

Northeastern NE-Alt RCM  
Elkhorn Valley-Mike H. &  
Southeastern NE-Jeff W. &  
Platte Valley/McCook-Mike P.

**SUB-COMMITTEES:**

Hospitals & Institutions-Jeff D.  
NRCNA 22-absent  
Policy-Shawn R.

Public Information-Gus R.  
NRCNA 23- absent

**VISITORS:**

Troy  
Robert J.  
Joe G.  
Gary D.  
Eric

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

Motion by Shawn R. & seconded by Jeff W. to approve and accept the January 2005 minutes. Passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Donations: \$3537.73

Expenses: \$1227.77  
Ending Balance: \$3300.40  
(SEE ATTACHMENT)

#### NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS:

Secretary Open

Take back to groups for nominations for next Region

CONVENTION BID IS OPEN FOR NRCNA XXIII IN 2007 BRING  
PROSPAL BIDS IN JULY

#### AREA REPORTS:

Central NE: Hello everyone from Central. Our Area is doing well. Groups have been reporting good attendance. The Areas NA hot line has been receiving good support and seems to be a go with Radio ads. The local number is 308-389-4080 and the toll free number 1-866-360-1703.

The New Day Group is sponsoring the 3rd annual NA women's Retreat on April 15, 16, 17 th. For more information contact Heather @ 308-382-5024 or Lydia R. @ 308-381-8265.

The Freedom Seekers in Hastings is having a pot luck and speaker on April 23rd at 5th and Lincoln at the Church Of God in Hastings.

Central NE Area is having a Spring Campout at the Windmill Campground just off the Gibbon exit North of I-80, May 13, 14, 15, Speaker on the 14th. All are welcome. State Park Sticker Needed.

In Loving Service, Dan B.

Fremont: Hello Everyone! Our Area is doing well. Our meetings picked up a little since last time. Our youth group meeting is slowly building attendance. We had our annual Freezeout in March. We had a great turn out and all enjoyed the activity. We are currently planning a summer grill out. I am very pleased to announce that our area is able to donate \$70.00 to region this quarter.

In Loving Service, Christy B.

Southeastern NE: Hello everyone from SENNA. My name is Jeff and I am addict. The area has been growing with many new meetings as you can see in the new region list. Dave the PI chair has the phone line updated with some other ideas in the works. Hope to have more on that at the next region. H & I is starting to take off and still needs some help.

Friday Night Candle Light meeting had a regional donation of \$12.00 and Happy Havelock donation of \$102.00. Below is my contact information.

In Loving Service Jeff W.

JEFF W.

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Northeastern: Hello from NEASC. Things are going good for us. The NEASC Spring Fling is scheduled for may 7th at St Joe's social hall. The annual HOG ROAST is scheduled for june 11th in Columbus. The NEASC would be willing to hold an H & I Learning Day prior to the Hog Roast and dance if the region is interested. I believe that's all for now. Thanks for letting me serve. John C. Alt RCM

Great Plains: Hello everyone from GPANA. Our area is doing quite well. Meeting attendance is good. Our area held our NRCNA 22 fundraiser on March 12th. Once again we had our Casino Night and it was a huge success. Our area is pleased to let region and NRCNA know that we raised \$548.00 for the convention. WOOHOO! We would like to thank everyone for their support. Our next fuction will be our Mid Summers Night Campout on Father's Day weekend at Sandy Channels. We sure hope some of you can make it. Two of our groups, Day by Day and Just for Tuesday, were able to make donations to region this quarter. Over all it has been very good quarter for our area. In loving Service, Ruth S.

Elkhorn Valley: Hello everybody. I am Brent, an addict from Norfolk, NE. Things are going very well in the Elkhorn Valley Area. We have several meetings going really strong with attendance ranging from 40-70 people. We also have 7 new meetings at the Anchor House, a privately owned 3/4 way house and we have tried to show our support. We also have been trying to keep O"niell and Wayne involved in our area and to show thwm support as well. Our activities committee has Karaoke on April 16th at the Coffee Shop in downtown Norfolk. A campout scheduled for june 24, 25 and 26th at Lake Maskenthine and A Day In The Parkscheduled for September. The convention committee will meet on April24th at the Villa Inn at \$ 4pm in Norfolk, we welcome all support we can get. Thanks for letting me serve, Brent L. Alt Rcm

Eastern NE: ENNA is doing well. We hosted our Area Convention in Feb. It was a huge success. Thank you for all those who came and made Close Encounters possible. We paid up our storage unit and our bus bench signs for the year. We were able to give a donation to region. This will be my last region meeting as RCM. It has been both gratifying and educational. Darrel M. will hopefully become ENNA'S next RCM. Dale B.

McCOOK/PLATTE VALLEY: Hello from McCook. Everything out here is going well. Meetings are still fairly strong, they will eighter pick-up or drop-off as summer edges closer. Eighter case we are still here. Am still trying to get the rest of Platte Valley to participate in area. This is proving to be more difficult then I first thought. I have some time-off this month and plan on going to the other meetings in our area. this I think will be a good start. Am open to suggestions.

Anyways on another note our chili cook-off went great. Our next event is our annual camp-out at Harry Strunk Lake, June 10th-12th. No fliers available today will get them out soon.

Grateful servant, Mike from Max GSR

#### SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

H & I: The H & I sub-committee had a great meeting this afternoon with 9 addicts in attendance. Progress is being made on getting our next learning day lined up. Our thanks to South East & Northeastern areas for this.

We decided to spend this quarter's literature money to buy literature for the York Correctional Facility. Due to an error on the part of the chairperson meaning we will have extra literature next quarter. Unfortunately this means we did not have lit. to distribute today. My sincerest apologies for this.

Marilyn from Southeast area discussed the difficulties of getting H & I moving & prioritizing where to spend their budget. Look like lots of activity in the Southeast area H & I and it's great to see.

In loving Service Jeff D.

ADDENDUM: It looks as if a learning day will take place on June 11th in Columbus

Policy: Greeting- I apologize for my absence last quarter, however I was extremely ill.

After reading the minutes, the following changes have been made to our policy.

Motion 1- To limit all Regional Service Positions to 2 consecutive terms, this was added to section 10, miscellaneous.

Motion 2- To change the terms of RD and RD Alt to 2 years per term, this change was made to the RD & RD Alt. qualifications & responsibilities under section 2. The change was also made in the Timeline.

Motion 3- Adding a 2nd Alt- was not added as I am awaiting direction. I would like to recommend the addition of a "short form" for the Rules of Order. It is just a simple sheet that is very user friendly. Perhaps this would help until we begin using & practicing the "Consensus Based Decision Making."

I would also like to see some clean time requirements for Sub-committees added, but we will need some discussion about that.

I believe it would be in our best interest to set some parameters.

Thank You for allowing me to serve, Shawn R.

PI: Attending- Jeff W, Shawn R, Gus R, Robert J.

-Southeastern- working on phonelines

-Central- Phonelines up and running. New toll free number 1-866-360-1703, Radio spot up and running, Getting ready for an update. Working on changing format the station needs.

-Eastern-Bus benches are still up. Website is up and running.

The things the PI is working on were stated in the January 2005 minutes under PI/Web Update

NRCNA XXII: No Report

NRCNA XXIII: Report given by Mark B.-May 14th Convention meeting. No date and time given.

#### REGIONAL DELEGATE REPORTS:

RD: Hello Family, Let me start again by saying what a pleasure it is to serve this fellowship. Once again I've had the opportunity to participate in my own recovery along with learning more about dynamics of how this program works to share with you. I have a lot to share this quarter so I should get to it.

First let's start with the Zonal Forum held in Stillwater, OK on the 18th -20th of March. Jane and Ron from our World Board came out and on Sat. workshopped two issues for us. The first was Leadership/Infrastructure, one of our issue discussion topics for this conference cycle. The 2nd topic was Public Image, also one of our I.D.T.s. These two workshops took all day with just a ton of ideas being generated. I brought back all the literature used at these workshops which covers topics, meeting agendas and activities. Once again I will offer my time and service to all Areas wishing to put on one or both workshops. All this information and also input on these topics is available at [www.na.org/discussion\\_boards.htm](http://www.na.org/discussion_boards.htm) or you can contact me or the WSO for this information also.

On Sun. we met as the Zone and covered a lot of ground. Lets start with the Midwest Govenors Conference on Meth. Actually the group we've been in contact with is the Midwest Conference on Sub. Abuse & Gambling. Not the Govenors Conf. This was due to a mix up with our contact at the Gov. office. This conference only consists of NE, IA, KS, & MO. Not the 7 or 8 states that Gov Conf covers. The dates for this conference are Aug24-26th in Kansas City, MO. Anyone interested in helping man are booth need to attend the next Zonal Forum in Sioux City IA. on June 10-12th. Once the agenda for that function comes out I can be more specific on the actual date and time. We plan a PI workshop for that zone so all interested parties are invited to attend. As always EVERYONE is invited! Also if you have any promising candidates for the booth you are asked to extend them a special invitation.

Our next order of business at the zone was to establish 3 zonal trusted servant positions. 1st was a Facilitator, 2nd a Treasurer, and 3rd was a communications person. All 3 positions carry a two year term. All 3 positions will be funded as needed soley by the zone with funds generated by zonal functions and the seventh tradition.

We also discussed exactly what product we were delivering to our perspective regions by attending Zonal Forums. Having done the workshops with the World Board members this zone it was easy to see a product to take home but the discussion was about continuing to have a product. So the decision was made to go to a full 2 day Zonal. This will allow us enough time to handle zone business and to designate a full day to workshops and learning days of the hosting regions choice. The burden then goes back to the regions to put to use what their delegates and alt. delegates are bringing home. Also we ask for your

input on what you would like us to be working on. Any specific issues or topics that you want more information on or training? We are your trusted servants.

So much for the zone lets move to what is coming out of the WSO currently. The 2004 Annual Report is out. If you, your area or groups are interested in every single number in the Annual Report I will happily supply you with a copy at whatever my cost is. You can also get it at na.org and click on the financial section. Some of the numbers I do want to share are like last year we subsidized or gave away free \$400,000.00 worth of NA literature. I like that number! Another one I like is that donations are up 38% as of last Nov. which equates to about 7% over budget. Here's another set of good numbers, 21,201 groups holding 33,028 meetings each week in 118 countries. there's a lot more information in the annual report and as I said earlier if you want a copy I will do all I can to assist you in getting one.

Some of the other information is all discussion on the Issue Discussion Topics that I mentioned earlier in this report with the link to get them. One of the projects going on now is the Basic Text project with the updating of the personal stories. There are forms out now asking for submissions of your personal stories. If you are interested in doing this you need to act ASAP. There's also a work group working on a Public Relations Handbook. Also a closely related project being worked on by another group is Public Relation Strategy. Some deadlines that I think ought to be mentioned are as follows: BASIC TEXT-PERS STORIES 12/5, REGIONAL MOTIONS 8/05.

Well that's about all for now other than my financial report which is as follows:

Begin Bal.	\$1050.00
Alt RD. -	\$ 300.00
Hotel -	\$135.00
Car Rental-	\$90.56
Gas-	\$80.70
Food-	\$71.26
SENNAS ASC gas-	\$20.00
Expenses	<hr/> \$697.52
Ending Balance	\$352.48

In Loving Service Mark B.

Alt RD: Hi Fellow Addicts, I would like to thank the region for the opportunity to go to the Zonals & learn about this level of service work and partake in it. I was very impressed with the results of the all day workshop on Sat. And I didn't even leave feeling it was a waste of time! I have some forms for the Human Resources panel if anyone is interested in sending in their information. Also a form to submit your experience & ideas to the literature committee that is reding the Basic Text. In order to not be redundant because Mark done such a good job of communicating information back to region. Here is my expenses:

Begin Bal- \$300.00  
food & gas \$117.23

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Ending Bal \$182.77

In Loving Service, Brian S.

#### **GSR ASSEMBLY: TOPIC:Consensus Based Decision Making**

CBDM means no votes on everything, if everyone does not agree it does not happen. Talk to comprising to a win win situation. One large group breaks down to small groups, time limit discussion, then back to large group discuss what was talked about. Everyone has a say if good, bad or indifferent.

3 principles used are honesty, openmindedness, willingness.

Awesome meeting!!!! It was nice learning something new.

Next Topic- Mock CBDM meeting?"Having Region become CBDM".

Thanks for the Service Work, Penny F

#### **OPEN FLOOR:**

Gary D-Mark going to his area, Mark willing to utilize information given. "Better ways of communicating back to groups" would be a good topic for the GSR Assembly.

Mark B- asking region for funding to attend WWWorkshop in Nashville Tenn. needing extra \$200.00, would like input from others.

Gus- Likes the fact that RD & ALT RD are going to areas and passing information on, Mark showing humility in asking, makes him feel good attempting to pass it on.

Dale- World Wide Workshop is what you take to it not just what you bring back. Very important to go.

Shawn- Mark doing a good job and showing of financial records. Agrees with Dale. Funding of RD to go very valuable to have their voices heard.

Kevin- policy does not state that persons can not hold more than one position at regional level

Gus- not a good idea not being in the policy

Diane- Applying for a position in SD may have to resign

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Motion 1:** To give Penny the acting Secretary the \$75.00 to fulfill the duties required of the secretary

**Intent:** to carry out the business of the region

**Submitted By:** Brian S

**Seconded By:** Jeff W

Central- Yes

Eastern- Yes

Elkhorn Valley- Yes

Fremont-Yes

Great Plains-Yes

Northeastern-Yes

McCook- Yes

Southeastern- Yes

**PASSED**

**Motion 2:** To fund RD to World Wide Workshop in Nashville, Tenn

**Intent:** Informational gathering for Nebr. Region

**Financial Impact:** Approx. \$350.00 \$200.00 ck

**Submitted By:** Mark B

**Seconded By:** Jeff

Central- Yes

Eastern- Yes

Elkhorn Valley- Yes

Fremont-Yes

Great Plains- Yes

Northeastern- Yes

McCook- Yes

Southeastern- Yes

**Motion 3:** That any one individual may only hold one elected Regional position at Region at one time.

**Intent:** To avoid any conflicts of interest.

**Submitted By:** Shawn R Policy Chair

**Seconded By:** Jeff W

Take back to your groups. Have votes for next Region please.

**REGION WILL MEET AGAIN ON JULY 9, 2005 AT FONNER PARK  
GRAND ISLAND, NE**

**SPEAKER AND STREET DANCE TO FOLLOW**

**GSR ASSEMBLY -- MEETS AT NOON**

**SUB-COMMITTEES AT 2PM**

**REGION SERVICE COMMITTEE AT 3PM**

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:**

PENNY F.

ATTACHMENTS:  
TREASURER REPORT  
TIER ONE BANK STATEMENT FOR RD ACCOUNT  
RSC PARTICIPANTS LIST FROM APRIL 9, 2005