

# CROWLEY'S RIDGE AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MINUTES

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## OPEN MEETING

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 3:30 PM IN TRUMANN

1. SERENITY PRAYER
2. READ 12 TRADITIONS, 12 CONCEPTS OF SERVICE, 1<sup>ST</sup> 2 PARAGRAPHS OF TRADITION 2, PURPOSE AND DEFINITION OF AN AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE, AND TRADITION 9

## ROLL CALL

### MEMBER GROUPS:

|                                  |            |         |
|----------------------------------|------------|---------|
| Clean Air Group (Paragould)      | John N     | Present |
| Clean Slate Group (West Memphis) | Pam R      | Present |
| Cope Without Dope (Jonesboro)    | Liz M      | Present |
| Hope Not Dope (Trumann)          | Doug H     | Present |
| Lana (Leachville)                | Catheryn C | Present |
| No Matter What (Marion)          | Terri D    | Absent  |

### Area Administrative Committee:

|                        |           |         |
|------------------------|-----------|---------|
| Chair                  | Les N     | Present |
| Vice-Chair             | Zenia A   | Present |
| Secretary              | Awanna    | Present |
| Treasurer              | Barb H    | Present |
| RCM                    | Matt C    | Present |
| RCM Alternate          | L.D. G    | Present |
| Activities Chair       | Liz M     | Present |
| H & I Chair            | Theresa D | Present |
| Internet Sub-committee | Mark R    | Present |
| Public Relations       | Jerry B   | Present |

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary's Report was presented. Cat made a motion to accept, Matt C seconded and motion passed.

### Correspondence:

Two bank statements, NAWS News and two letters from No Matter What Group from Marion, AR. New contact numbers for their group are: Andy W, 870-514-1187, Mark C, 870-514-5795 and Kent W, 901-848-9369. Note attached reads: Hi, Terri has stepped down as GSR for our group. For now we do not have any one to attend area. Please call any of the numbers above for anything you may need. Andy W.

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**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Barb presented the Treasurers Report. Matt made a motion to accept, Theresa seconded and motion passed.

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Beginning Balance     | \$ 869.94   |
| Expenses              | \$ 17.85  |
| P.O. Box rent         | \$ 40.00  |
| Income                | \$ 704.77   |
| To activities account | \$ 500.00 <i>to make balance \$1500.00 which is prudent reserve</i> |
| Ending Balance        | \$1016.86   |

**GROUP REPORTS**

**Clean Air Group**

Paragould

Hi Family,

Everything is well and hot in Paragould. Our "Too Hot To Trot" went off well even with the heat. It was especially good to see members from the area there with us bearing the heat.

We have a \$300.00 donation for area today.

We vote yes to MO1-071507. Before we vote yes to activities we have two questions: H & I requirements and duties of chairperson, does that mean all sub committees or just activities? Second question is, if the operational guidelines need to be changed, what process do we take to do so?

Thanks for all of your support,  
John N, GSR

**Clean Slate Group**

West Memphis

Hello Family,

Everything is going great at Clean Slate. Meeting attendance is still good with 10-15 at each meeting.

We are celebrating a birthday tomorrow night (Aug 20)-James M with two years.

Our group conscious was to pass the motion to require a service resume and to accept the activities subcommittee guidelines.

We have no donation to area this month.

I L S,

Pam R, GSR

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**CWOD**

Jonesboro

Attendance is good; we've had several newcomers this month. Our group has had a little trouble communicating with the Mayor's office on the sale of our building. There has been much discussion about finding another meeting place if the need arises, but no suggested meeting places have been decided upon at this time. The motion 071507 requiring a service resume to be filled out by all elected trusted servants did not pass. The Activities Sub Committee guidelines were passed by the group. Our Sunday afternoon meeting was changed from 2pm to 1pm. We also have a \$100.00 donation to area today

Thank you,  
Liz M, GSR

**HOPE NOT DOPE**

Trumann

Family,

Hope Not Dope is honored to be able to host the Crowley's Ridge ASC meeting this month. Hope everyone is doing well. Attendance has been very good this month with some good recovery topics being covered and a diverse cross section of experience, strength and hope. We do not have a donation this month and do not require anything from the area at this time. We did not have any nominations for Secretary in Training and voted to approve the activities guidelines.

In Loving Service,  
Doug H

**LANA**

Leachville

There is not much to report at this time. Attendance is good. In the upcoming months there will be some changes made at LANA. We will be getting a new GSR, Wanda. We have a donation of \$30.00.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service,  
Catheryn C.

**NO MATTER WHAT**

absent

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**RCM**

Hello Family,

On August 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, I attended the Regional Service Committee in Searcy. It was a great weekend for love and fellowship and believe it or not, it went fairly quickly. We started as usual with roll call and the NEW Regional Secretary, ZENIA, read the secretary's report. In open sharing, the main topic was the year end reports that are supposed to be submitted by all of the trusted servants. There were just three or four year end reports given over the weekend. Needless to say, I had completely overlooked my responsibility to the ARSCNA and I didn't have one to submit. It was said that it would be a good idea to remind everyone in May that in August this report would be requested. After open sharing, we moved on to the sub-committees. In activities it was agreed that everyone would like to hold the Spring Campout at the Old Highway 25 campgrounds. That campout will be on the second weekend in April. In November, the responsibilities for the campout will be given out so everybody can be ready for April. As everyone knows, the first Regional Convention will be in October 2008. At some point the convention committee is supposed to be getting together to start getting prepared for that. Also, if anyone is willing and interested, our Vice Chair for activities put in his resignation. If you are interested you must be at the activities sub committee meeting in November. That Region is going to be held in Van Buren, AR. Our area is also requested to send \$500.00 so we can start the purchase for Unity t-shirts.

In the PI subcommittee the main topic was about a treatment center in Hot Springs. This treatment center is apparently allowing NA members to participate in a Recovery walk. They are charging \$10.00 a person and the proceeds are going to fund this treatment center. This is violating our 6<sup>th</sup> tradition because it is a direct endorsement of an outside enterprise. I talked with the PI chair earlier today and made sure that I had my facts straight on a meeting/spaghetti lunch. This meeting is an NN/NA meeting. This same treatment center is hosting the meeting and spaghetti lunch and they are asking for \$2.00 donations and that money is funding treatment for those who can't afford treatment. This AA/NA meeting is affiliating us with the other fellowship. As we all know our relationship with them is one of cooperation not affiliation. The real message that came out of all this discussion is that we as members and groups have responsibility. That responsibility is to educate our fellow members about our traditions and emphasize the importance of.

We are going to have another phonline workshop it will be held at the Clean Slate group in West Memphis on Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:00.

The website chair nominee unfortunately had to withdraw. There was a volunteer that stepped forward to take over for 6 months. At the end of 6 months, if there is not an interest shown in this sub-committee, the Region will have to make a decision as to whether to keep it going or to disband this service. Let's all remember that the "group" is the deciding factor for everything that goes on at the Regional level.

The Region had their elections. It went as follows: Doug H-chair, Bill Le-Vice Chair, Zenia A-secretary, Barb H-Treasurer, Scott D- Treasurer in Training, Pat P- RD, Bill La-Policy and Procedures, LDG- H & I, Susan H-Literature, Terri G-Outreach and Phonline and Diana D-PI. The activities chair was absent so we could not elect her this time. We

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also have two positions that are still open. RDA-open, Michael P nominated and of course the Website Chair. Congrats to Doug, Bill Le, Zenia, Barb and LD.

Believe it or not, New Business was extinct this quarter because there was no motion, YEH!

Just to let everyone know how well our Arkansas Region is participating at the fund-flow process, we as a region donated \$4216.03 the NAWS and \$454.49 to SZF. That's AWESOME!!

In the treasury, this past year the budget for budgeted items was \$7261.00. \$4263.01 of that has been used so we had \$2997.00 left over. We started the weekend with a beginning balance of \$3199.26. the final report read: Balance before accruals \$3125.00, Income-\$3449.69, expenses #3249.69, accruals- \$1400.00, prudent reserve-\$1815.00, NAWS donation \$1858.87, SZF donation, \$207.00.

### Announcements

August 13- Sept 3, Chili dog Chowdown (Mt. Home)

Aug 30-Sept 2, World Convention (San Antonio, TX)

September 28-30, New Way Campout (Mt. Nebo Park)

October 12-14, Cove Lake Campout (ARVANA)

- Review of business to be taken back to groups
  - Secretary in training nomination
  - Website chair nominations
  - RDA-Michael P was nominated, nominations still open.

In Loving Service,  
Matt C. RCM

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Activities**

Not much to report from Activities this month. There were four more t-shirts sold at Regional. We had some problems with our t-shirt sales; we didn't have as many shirts as we were supposed to after last months meeting. T-shirts were counted and there should have been 17 or 18 and there were only 13. We have nine shirts left now. Next year we will have to be more careful and do something different. I have \$60.00 to turn in today. There will be an activities meeting today after this meeting.

Thanks,  
Liz M

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**H & I**

22 in attendance  
3 for orientation

The meeting time will be changed from 3:15 to 2:15.

Tim stressed that attendance is very important.

Paige H will take Adam's place.

Kathy will take Amy's place.

Dough will take Matt H's place.

Discussion about someone on the panel, if they should be able to go. Doug said that they meet the guidelines and the Treatment Center requirements.

Doug brought up the group going to Osceola

Next meeting will be September 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:15

Thank you for letting me be of service,  
Theresa D.

**Internet Sub-committee**

Hello Family,

I really don't have anything to report except that I have made updates to the meeting schedule as far as CWOD changing a meeting time from 2:00 PM to 1:00PM. Although in the future I would appreciate something in writing. If I am at work and in an attic I don't have the brain cells to remember exactly what the changes are.

I also added a phone contact number for the LANA Group to the Meeting Directory. If there are many more contact numbers added there may be a need to start a Phoneline for this area.

In Loving Service,  
Mark R.  
Internet Subcommittee Chair  
8/19/2007

**Public Relations sub-committee**

No report presented

**OLD BUSINESS**

MO1-071507 passed and Activities Guidelines passed.

The activities guidelines passed so we need to move another \$500.00 into activities account for prudent reserve.

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**OPEN DISCUSSION**

LANA had questions about PR sub-committee going against the traditions.  
Zenia will order PR handbooks and have the committee reimburse her.

**ELECTIONS**

Awanna resigns as Area Secretary. Zenia will fill in until elections. (THANK YOU!! ak)  
All Area elections are in October.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There is a new meeting on Wednesdays at the old How Group's meeting place. It is at  
903 Union in Jonesboro and it is a newcomers meeting. LD has the info for this.  
Zenia will order three copies of the PR Handbook and the committee will reimburse her.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Newcomers meeting in Jonesboro at 903 Union on Wednesdays at 6:00.  
Phoneline Workshop on Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> at Clean Slate, 1:00 pm.

**REVIEW OF BUSINESS TO BE TAKEN BACK TO GROUPS FOR  
INPUT OR VOTE**

All Area service positions are open for nominations.  
From Region:  
Website chair nominations  
RDA-Michael P was nominated, nominations still open.

**NEXT MEETING**

9-16-07 @ 3:30 pm at LANA in Leachville

**CLOSING PRAYER**