



**E.A.N.A. – English Area of Narcotics Anonymous**

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**EANA ASC Minutes**  
**Sunday, September 13, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer and the reading of the Twelve Traditions and the Twelve Concepts of NA.

Quorum call: 10 out of 17; quorum attained (following the break).

<b>ASC Chairperson</b>	Adam	Absent	<b>Awakenings</b>	Kate	Present
<b>ASC Vice-chairperson</b>	Benjamin	Present	<b>Back To Basics</b>		
<b>RCM</b>			<b>Circle Thursday</b>	Audley	
<b>RCMA</b>			<b>Conscious Contact</b>	Nixsy	Present
<b>ASC Secretary</b>	Nixsy	Represent	<b>Day By Day</b>	Audley	Present
<b>ASC Secretary-Alternate</b>			<b>Free On Friday</b>		
<b>ASC Treasurer</b>	Jean	Present	<b>Glad To Be Alive</b>		
<b>Activities Chairperson</b>			<b>In Fokus</b>		
<b>Daily Inventory Chairperson</b>	Haidee	Present	<b>Inside Job</b>	Nizar	Present
<b>H&amp;I Chairperson</b>	Nixsy	Present	<b>Lighthouse</b>		
<b>Literature Chairperson</b>	David C.		<b>New Beginning</b>	Robert	Present
<b>P.I.–Helpline Chairperson</b>			<b>Out Of The Dark on Park</b>	Seba	Present
<b>Ad hoc</b>			<b>Saturday Night Clean</b>	Angie	Present
			<b>Serenity Sisters</b>	Stef	Present
<b>Archivist</b>			<b>Show Me How To Live</b>		Absent
			<b>Step by Step</b>	Moishe	Present
			<b>Take it or Leave it</b>	Mary Ellen	Present

**Group Open Positions**

<b>Group</b>	<b>GSR/GSRA</b>		<b>Secretary/Treasurer</b>	
Awakenings				
Back To Basics				
Circle Thursday				
Conscious Contact				
Day By Day				
Free On Friday				
Glad To Be Alive				
In Fokus				
Inside Job				
Lighthouse				
New Beginning				
Out Of The Dark				
Saturday Night Clean				
Serenity Sisters				
Show me how to live				
Step by Step				
Take It Or Leave It				
<b>Subcommittee</b>	<b>Chair/Vice</b>	<b>Secretary/Alt</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>	
Admin				RCM    Archivist
Activities				
Convention				
Daily Inventory				
H&I				
Literature				
P.I.				PI Webmaster:
Ad Hoc				PI Helpline:

<b>HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>	<b>Alternate Coordinator</b>
Addington	Stef	2 years
Bordeaux CCR ♂	Audley	Jean
Fosters	Keith M.	Stephen Mc.
Onen'tó:kon (Oka)	Angie C.	6 months

Chair: Report emailed.

Vice Chair:

Secretary: Absent

**Treasurer:**

**Opening balance: 3245.79**

**Donations: 293.45**

**Expenses:**

**Litt: 857.39**

**P.R.: 975.37**

RCM: Open

## ***SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS***

**Activities:** Not present.

**Daily Inventory:** Last month was my last month. I will return the keys to the church. I have the content for the third edition, I will send that out for approval. I don't plan to recommit for the position. Announcement for CANA in November.

**Hospitals & Institutions:**

All is well . Alt for Oka. Alt. Addington (2 years). No submissions for the logo contest. The next sc meeting is October 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Literature:** I got an email from Keith saying that he hasn't received a cheque for the inventory he ordered.

Jean: the money is not in the bank. Does he ask you if you have enough money to make the order?

David: No.

Stef: What is the difference?

Jean: Around \$97.

Angie: did the stepworking guides come in?

David: Two pamphlets weren't ordered and the Basic Texts.

**Public Information:** Quiet last month. Addict put up posters. I have more posters for GSRs to put up. We are getting more contacts from them with feedback allowing us to make more contacts. We are still working on and are at an impasse with the website. It is done and is in BETA and needs to be pushed through. We are moving forward and interested in doing more reaching out, want to work with H&I.

Jean: Someone was hired for the job.

Pat: The job hasn't been finished –throw \$500 on the table and get someone else to finish the job.

Jean: Was he paid for half the job?

Haidee: it may have been in thirds –not more than \$500.

Ron: He wasn't able to finish the job? I suggest ...rants.

Pat: The amount was a token amount, it was far smaller than what the job merited. No need for anyone to get upset about the cash.

Haidee: I got an email about someone wanting to have a booth...

Pat: Jen is on top of that one.

Rob: This is about EANA having a website?

Pat: Put the word out that we need help to put the website out.

Rob: I have a friend outside the fellowship, I could ask him nicely to have a look at it.

**Admin:** 15 minutes allotted to giving of donations, submitting motions, etc.

**Recess, reconvene and quorum:** 10 minutes.

Meeting reconvened at 10:57 am with the serenity prayer.

Quorum call: 9 out of 17; quorum attained.

**Old Business:** None.

**Elections:**

No nominations for RCM, RCMA, Guidelines.

**New Business:**

Halloween Party is mandated: any experience to share?

**Moishe: Talent** show and costume party was awesome.

**Ben:** Is anyone volunteering to take leadership for the event?

**Moishe nominated. Consensus achieved for Moishe to organize the Halloween party.**

**Seba:** I say we do what we did last year.

**Stef:** I can help organize to get the contact info.

**Seba:** I have the flyer from last year and can update the info. SNC is on one floor and we rented the floor on top.

**Stef:** I am good to look into that.

**Budget for the event: \$295** (agreed to by consensus).

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**Group Statistics**

Donations:

Attendees:

Newcomers:

Literature Orders:

***GSR REPORTS***

**Awakenings:**

Robert and Kate: Around 75 attended. 5 newcomers. Will be making a lit order soon. Kate is taking one year Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Back to Basics:** Absent.

**Circle Thursday:** Audley: 14 attended. Need support. Secretary position is open. I will stick around until someone steps up. GSR: 6 months. Treasurer: 2 years.

**Conscious Contact:** No business meeting held.

**Day by Day:** Audley: Treasurer: 2 years. GSRA: 3 months. 38 attended. No lit and no donation.

**Free on Friday:** Lit was 200. Donation was \$300. Positions are all filled.

**In Fokus:** Going well. Need GSR- 1 year. Jean will serve as treasurer until someone steps up.

**Inside Job:** Nazir: not GSR, representing and picking up lit. GSR resigned. Need a treasurer, gsr, gsra and secretary, we have a lot of attendance, but for the business meeting we only have a few people.

**Lighthouse:** Absent

**New Beginnings:** Robert: in crisis. 47 attended with 3 newcomers. Group moved to 6pm and getting a decent attendance. Picking up slowly. Need trusted servants. Robert serving as treasurer. Switched to a pamphlet reading format. Church reduced the rent from \$20 to \$10. Everybody is being generous and there is gratitude. We need support!!!

Nizar: get out to new meetings.

Ron: Why can't I visit certain groups. I can't help other groups.

Conversation escalates to yelling.

**Out of the Dark:** Seba: No lit. No donations: Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>, 18 months.

**Saturday Night Clean:** Angie: attendance 45. 2 newcomers. Concern with the lit order: we are asking for a refund for the basic texts.

**Serenity Sisters:** Problem with the administration with Chabad. Address hasn't changed. Voting next month on a time change. 7:30 to 8:30. 2 newcomers. 50 attended. GSR 6 months.

**Show Me How To Live:** Absent.

**Step by Step:** Moishe: haven't had a business in ages, no trusted servants showing up. Need GSRA. Need support in attendance and involvement.

**Take it or Leave it:** No business meeting. That will be this evening. Chairperson 167 attended. 3 newcomers. Placed a lit order. Lots of anniversaries coming up.

**Through Prayer and Meditation:** Joelle Secretary, Karl is treasurer. \$100 donation. 32 attended.

### **CELEBRATIONS!!**

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Questions and comments:

- Haidee: Can make it conditional to ask members to not attend certain meetings. Conflict can be a good thing. Feelings can be hurt when being cut off. Please find softer ways and come from the heart. We love this fellowship and our recovery and to stay in that space.
- Moishe: I don't wish to engage in the discussion, generally speaking if someone is asked not to not attend and that is done by a group conscious- not by any individual. There should be a time limit that is requested. I am glad to be here and to serve.
- Nizar: All business meetings are run from Robert's Rules of Order. Problem with me should be Ben addressing me not her (Nixsy) – and I should not be interrupted. People should not be getting emotional because they don't like what I have to say. I have experience with Area service and how things are supposed to be run. The 9<sup>th</sup> concept (what was read early) is – I have been coming to NA for a long time and we come here to do some service and suddenly we think we are somebody. NA is supposed to be a growing experience and for people –this is happening everywhere and the bigger the area service the

bigger the personalities....this guy right here (Ron) used to burn me up. But that doesn't give me the right to tell him....because I don't have the right. That doesn't tell me the right to tell him not to come to a meeting. Read the steps and traditions. I heard her (haidee) that when you pay rent that your group and your time then if you have to call the authorities. You can leave a meeting and go use over some emotional stuff, trying to protect someone from using. We say we try to practice unconditional love and when someone comes in here suh as myself and brings a viewpoint of what should be practiced and then leaves because they ...people don't like when I talk because I talk assertively – here and elsewhere. Don't shoot the messenger. People die if they go out and use.

- Duncan: Thanks for letting me serve.
- Kate: States 12<sup>th</sup> tradition – if a member is really disruptive then it's not just one member. If there is a ban (if the church intervenes) –make it conditional and say that you can come back...
- Ron: It's been over 2 years. Inside Jobs and Back to Basics. The man who runs the church, with members behind him that he will call the cops. I freak. I flip, I tell the cops that I can't believe that you believe the idiots. That's my biggest problem how to effectively manage my emotions. I sat in at TIOLI and was told to leave. I won't go back to that meeting right away.
- David: Nizar is right. People cannot be restricted from meetings. Principles before personalities. People are trying to learn. Glad I can be of service.
- Seba: Happy to be here. Have a great Sunday.
- Audley: Wow. This was raw, this is good. A lot of good points. If lifethreatening, or breaking the establishment. Causing harm. Not all meetings I can go to –meetings of different genders I cannot go to. Some addicts are very sensitive people –I would like someone to talk to me and not at me. Tone it down. Anger is a part of my disease. When anger comes up my disease is doing push-ups. My disease will hurt me to punish you.
- Mary-Ellen: I totally agree with David. I do not agree with banning. One night only. Not fair to ban people. We are supposed to be patient, kind and tolerant. We have to be patient. I can be the first to explode and I need to learn here. I am hoping that we can all get past this.
- Jean: Remind you that we need a treasurer. The alternate is not going to step in. I will be the alt for a while. Most of the people I have heard that those people banned try to go back to where they are banned rather than going to other meetings.
- Ben: Thanks for letting me chair. I don't see yelling often.
- Nixsy: (leaves room).

The next Area meeting will be held on Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am at the YMCA downtown.

The meeting closed at 11:36 pm with a circle and a prayer.