

**West Puget Sound Area Narcotics Anonymous**  
**ASC Minutes**  
**October25, 2009**

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- 1) Meeting opened @ 3pm with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer (we version).
- 2) Twelve Traditions read by: Lisa
- 3) Twelve Concepts read by: Bob
- 4) Approval of Minutes from meeting of September 27, 2009.
- 5) Introduction of new groups and new GSR's:: Wednesday night "How it Works" 7:00 PM Memorial Lutheran Church 916 Venetta, Bremerton.  
     Tammy Alt GSR for Lovin' Spoonfull. Greg Alt.GSR for NAWay.
- 6) Roll call

**ASC Chair Members:**

Chair	Eric P.	Present
Vice Chair	Dave S .	Present
Secretary	Alissa P.	Present
Treasurer	Tyler	Present
Assist. Treas.	Ian	Present
RCM 1	Blair A.	Present
RCM 2	OPEN	Present
Activities	Sarah	Present
PR	Ron W.	Present
Literature	Sharon P.	Present
C&E	Bonner S.	Present

**Groups:**

1. TWYI	Present	12. NA Hope Fiends	Present
2. Strength in Numbers	Present	13. Loving Spoonful	<b>NV</b> Present
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- 7) **Reports:** To touch on important aspects of A.S.C. reports I have included copies of them in my report.

Chair Report- None

Vice Chair-None

Secretary -Hello fellow ASC members. This months minutes, & all minutes from here on out, contain all ASC chair members reports. I'm trying to be as informative and thorough as possible. Also the ASC Guidelines have been posted to the web site for anyone who is interested or requiring them. I'm updating our contacts so I'm sending a paper around. Keep in mind e-mail is the preferred mode of communication, and the quickest. Yours in

Loving Service, Alissa P.

Activities- Spooktacular went well we made some profit on merchandise. The raffle was cancelled due to lack of donations. Coming up we have a "Never Alone" Thanksgiving dinner, and speaker gratitude meeting. the lists for Santa's Helpers is out. The logo concert is open until November 15. Our next meeting is November 1st, I am unable to attend, but sent a report via Blair. Spooktacular Dance 2009---\$1581.71 beginning balance, \$627.50 spent, \$677.33 made, \$1631.54 ending balance. Sarah

Literature- Hi my name is Sharon I'm an addict. Literature is good. All-Subs went well. We will be going over the 3rd and 4th chapters of the new book "Living Clean" in January. We sold \$1015.86 worth of literature. We bought \$1062.57 worth of literature, leaving us with \$20.93 in checking. I have the new IP "Introduction to NA meetings", one for every GSR. In Loving Service, Sharon P.

PRC Report- 19 members attended. Bob R. was elected PR vice chair. On October 10 I attended All-Subs in Ellensburg Washington. The meeting was not well attended as several members were sick. PI Chair person Greg was going to Fresno, California for Regional Representatives H&I and PI Learning Days. Pierce County will hold 2010 Learning Days. Yesterday we held our monthly meeting. All H&I Presentation have been met. Lisa K. was elected to coordinate for Mission Creek. Kitsap County Jail was very unorganized and we have not been able to start our meetings yet. We have all the people in place for two meetings a month and are ready to go as soon as we are given the word. PI had a presentation this month for handicapped Vets. PI Financial: beginning (old) balance \$1008.76, area(new) \$300.00, total \$1308.76-minus Staples \$135.75, and Wendy \$100.00 total ending balance \$1073.01. Yours in Loving Service- Ron W.

C&E –  
Quarterly C&E Sub-Committee Report  
West Puget Sound Area of NA  
October 25, 2009

Dear Family:

Thank you for excusing my absence here last month. Moreover, thank you for voting NOT to have me attempt to retrieve MC/RBB2009 income from C&E coffers. I would have dutifully made such attempt if you guys deemed it so, but am quietly grateful that I was able to avoid an attempt such as that from that august body.

Saturday before last, I made the 2 3/4 hr trip to Ellensburg for the C&E's 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Mtg. Much transpired in the 5 1/2 hr. mtg. First up were elections. We voted in all positions except Chair & Treasurer, which were voted in, in July. I volunteered myself in the only real election of the morning as the Insurance Co-ordinator. I lost to Shane of Everett.

Following that were the seemingly endless Tasks & Ongoing Business of organizing upcoming conventions & events for our Region. Included in that was a new phone # for Convention Info that will be printed on all flyers instead of personal phone #'s which is against our guidelines. That phone # is 206-659-8191. Personally, I would like our Area to adopt a policy that would post the Area # on all Activities & other Sub-Committee flyers *instead* of personal phone #'s on Area flyers...which I would like to address in Open Discussion.

We voted for the location of MC/RBB2010. It will be hosted by the North Idaho Area outside of Coeur d'Helene. It is slated to run June 12, 2010 at their local County Fairgrounds. I helped them make their bid several weeks back. The only setback to having it in N. Idaho is the fact that it is *only* two weeks after WNIRC NAXXV which is in Spokane. That is a lot of Eastward driving in less than one month's time. Oh well.

I have served dutifully & cheerfully in this position for my three year term. C&E earlier this year changed the Area Rep's terms from a 3 yr. term to a 2yr. one. I would like to serve one more term as this Area's Rep to the Conventions & Events Sub-Committee of WNIR-NA. This election needs to be done by December for the start of their first quarterly meeting in January, 2010, so please add it to the December elections list.

Please, if anyone has specific questions regarding upcoming conventions, events, or C&E business, do not hesitate to contact me, as I remain,

Yours in grateful Service:  
Bonner S.  
RCM 1 Report-

West Puget Sound Area RCM1 Report  
October 25, 2009

Dear NA Family,  
It was once again a privilege and a pleasure to represent you and our area at the October Quarterly Regional Service Committee Meeting. It was an eventful couple of days chocked full of meetings. I have submitted a copy of my RSC report to our area secretary for inclusion in the archives as required by our guidelines. I brought a donation of \$835.58 with me and it was gladly accepted. I am requesting reimbursement for \$82.50 the cost of my hotel room. I will not be requesting reimbursement for gas as I car pooled with others. It was great to see our Area participate so heavily this time. Eric, Ian, Alissa, Sharon, Greg, Jack, and Ron thank you all for your service and dedication to our Area and to Narcotics Anonymous.

As requested I asked if there was specific policies about putting personal information ie: phone numbers, email addresses, etc. on flyers handed out at the Area level and at the group level. There was great discussion about this and I received information regarding our region and world policies. We can not put any personal contact information at all on a flyer. What we can do is get an email address that is not personal but has one point of contact. As an example Activities is looking for a logo. They can get an email address [WestPugetSoundAreaActivities@hotmail.com](mailto:WestPugetSoundAreaActivities@hotmail.com) and they can use it for anything they want to. It is then not a specific persons email address and the person in charge of checking it can change from year to year, activity to activity or however they choose. So in summary leave personal contact info off of the flyers please.

There is one motion that needed to go back to the Areas to be discussed as it is a regional guideline change.

**Motion#100.01**

**Motion made by:** Samantha B.

**From:** RSC Secretary

**Seconded by:** Don W.

**From:** Everett Area

**I move** that the RSC create the position of Secretary Trainee, under Article XIII, Sec. 4, qualifications & Duties, see attached.

**Intent:** To assist the RSC Secretary in their duties and get hands on training to succeed into the Secretary Position.

**Who will carry out this motion?** RSC

**Why is this motion need?** To make the transition to a secretary position aware of the procedures of position.

**How much money will this take?** Gas & ½ Hotel reimbursements for each quarter.

**Secretary Trainee**

**Qualifications:**

1. Past participation in Regional Service.
2. Recommended clean time of 2 years
3. A working knowledge of the Twelve Traditions, Twelve Concepts, and the Regional service structure.

**Duties:**

1. Assist Secretary in all their duties.
2. Attend the entire RSC meeting quarterly.
3. Provide a written report to the RSC quarterly.

Now a message via our Regional Delegate from NAWS. The 2009 Membership survey is posted on [na.org](http://na.org). Please go to <http://questionnaire.disc.na.org> to complete this survey and pass the link on to others. Information collected furthers one of the aims of the NAWS Vision Statement that states that NA be viewed as a "viable program of recovery." And is put together every two years as a tool for Public Relations. I have brought some paper copies if you don't have access to the internet please get a copy from me. Please also share this with all of your home group members.

Also from world services ...The review and input on chapter 1 and 2 of the Living clean Project have been completed-look for the next three chapters to be out in early 2010. They are still looking for members experiences for chapters 6-10 please send your experiences in to NAWS <http://naws.org/lc/index/php> our literature is created through membership participation, so share your story. The book will be out for approval at the 2012 Conference.

Lastly a few upcoming event reminders. The Pacific Northwest Convention of NA #32 is Oct31-Nov 1, 2009 in Vancouver BC I have extra registration forms if you are interested. Also WNIR 2009 H&I PI Learning Day Saturday Nov 7. 9am –midnight. I have flyers for you to take back to your groups on the back table. WNIRNA Activities is still creating a speaker list. If you would like to be on it please answer the questionnaire and turn it in to your Activities Committee Chair or me. The survey can be gotten online at our regional website or from me. They must be filled out by the individual and not on an individuals behalf.

Yours in grateful service,

Blair A.  
RCM1

Treasurer Report-Hello everyone. I am regretfully stepping down today and want to say that I have full confidence in Ian to move into my shoes and perform the duties of Treasurer. Thank you, Tyler

My name is Ian and I am an Addict,

I've been working with Tyler to learn how the financial books operate. I feel confident I will be able to continue the Area Treasurer position in his absence. I made the monthly deposit. I made a check out to Region for a donation totaling \$835.58 which Blair passed on to the appropriate people in Ellensburg on October 10th 2009.

I too attended part of Region in Ellensburg on October 10th. Eric P. and I attended in the Region Audit. We got some contact numbers of addicts who may be able to help us if we have questions with any audits we do in our area. I understand there will be several.

The Region audit was a good experience and went smoothly. I got a better picture, perspective and experience for myself about how an audit is conducted.

In loving Service,

Ian

**8) GSR Assistance Discussion:** Loving Spoonfull desperately needs support.

### **7<sup>th</sup> Tradition & Break – 10 minutes – Reopen with “we” version of Serenity Prayer**

#### **After Break Roll Call:**

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#### **WSPANNA Area Minutes (continued)**

**7) Concept of the Month, #10** read by Dave

**8) Concept Discussion:** Steve read steps and concepts to not bring manipulation into these rooms. Bonner, grievance filing experience, says 10th concept protects people against reprisal. If you feel personally aggrieved talk to your sponsor, meditate, and follow 10th concept. John K. is grateful people before us helps us with the concepts. Sarah says never be afraid to voice your opinion. Concepts and traditions keep us in check. It's easy to get wrapped up in money, property, and prestige. Steve says if you have any question look up our guide to local service and see what to debate and how to debate.

**9) Grievances & resolutions;** none

**10) Old Business:** Literature positions available- chair, vice chair, secretary. Open ASC position is RCM 2.

**11) Open discussion:** Mike nominated Ian to step up into the treasurer's position. Brandon seconded it. Ian spoke to his qualifications. ASC body was asked if anyone opposed and no one spoke to it. But there was a discrepancy brought up that Ian needed to leave the room so we re-voted with Ian out of the room and the vote was passed 12 yes 0 no. C&E set up a phone number for point of contact on all flyers so no personal info goes out -per Region. Bonner would like to see our area phone number go on the flyer instead. Sarah not sure where we stand on the issue. A LOT of confusion and debate... Blair says policy is NO PERSONAL info on flyers PERIOD. get a website or use PO box for area. People are opposed and worry about creating a stopwork situation. Looking for a DJ to come to activities meeting. Clean and sober DJ under \$200.

.**12) New Business:** Blair brought a motion from region; Motion# 100.01, made by Samantha B.stating that the RSC create the position of secretary trainee at region level.cost is 1/2 of the hotel and gas to get to region. John made a motion to vot and Mike seconded it, but Steve needs to take it back to his group. all was recinded and motion was tabled so all GSR's could take it back to groups. Motion tabled.

Motion # 102509-2 by Lisa, seconded by Judy R.Motion to create a separate announcements page, added to the minutes that lists area and group activities, also any vacant area positions, and all addicts clean dates and birthdays. they would like the secretary to include this list with each months mailed minutes and to be started one month out to give time for all groups to compile a list and to be submitted to area secretary. There was so much discussion about this. many people were against the announcements of birthdays- to the extent that Lisa corrected her motion to exclude personal birthdays (re seconded by Bob R. ). the biggest argument against this motion is that the area secretary already puts activity announcements in minutes, also available ASC positions.Simple motion voted on requiering majority vote, failed 3 for, 9 against.

Motion # 102509-1 motion by Lisa C. seconded by Judy R.Motion stating Article VIII Section 5 of area guidelines. current wording- if there are no volunteers or nominations to fill a position, the ASC chair may appoint a person to fill the position until such a time that theres a nomination or volunteer. New wording- the ASC chair may SEEK a person to fill a vacant position until such a time as there is a nomination.Some people agree saying that an empty position will force people to fill it and keep area going. Many people opposed it saying thats why we have qualifications, area cant be ran with empty positions and still function for the better of the recovering addict,... Major motion requiering majority vote, to be reffered back to groups and voted on at area November 22.

**11) Announcements:** Visit N.A.ORG and fill out questionnaire, and go to living clean and share your story.PNWCNA#32 is October 30- November 1 in Vancouver B.C. more info on Regional web site.November 14th Spaghetti Dinner @5 , speaker @ 7, dance @9.PR sub-committe at St.Pauls Piscopal Church. Dont forget Santas Helpers sign up sheet is going around for presents for kids . H&I learning Days in Lake City Seattle Nov.7th

Literature needs a chair, vice chair, & secretary. Area needs a RCM 2, and Asssistant Treasurer Steve apologizes to all for obsenitys...Thank you Steve!

## ***Next Area Service Meeting –November 22, 2009 @ 3pm @ West Side Improvement Center***

*Meeting adjourned with Third Step Prayer* 