# Minutes of the Sierra Sage Regional Service Committee Meeting

July 10, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jimmy at 11:34 AM with the Serenity Prayer at Best Western Station House Inn, 901 Park Ave., South Lake Tahoe, CA, 96150. The 12 Concepts were read by Mac and the 12 Traditions were read by Dylan.

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<b>POSITION</b>	<u>NAME</u>	P OR A	<b>POSITION</b>	NAME	<u>A</u>
Chairman	Jimmy G.	Р	PI/PR	Walter S.	Р
Vice Chair	Karen R.	Р	BLAW RCM1	Katherine M.	Α
Secretary	Blanca G.	Р	BLAW RCM 2	Andrew A.	Р
			BLAW		
Treasurer	Rick O.	Р	Alternate RCM 1	Timber G.	Р
Alt Treasurer	Vacant	V	GOVA RCM1	Ami B.	Р
RSO Rep	Mike S.	Р	GOVA RCM2	Stephanie E.	Р
Convention Chair	Mac M.	Р	RNA RCM1	Abbey B.	Α
Regional Delegate	James C.	Р	RNA RCM2	Vacant	V
Delegate Alt	Dave B.	Р	CANA RCM1	Dave S.	Р
Gratitude Chair	Buddy J.	Α	CANA RCM2	Misty S.	Р
H & I	Sheryl M.	Р	NLT RCM1	Blanca G.	Р
Literature Review	Vacant	V	NLT RCM2	Bobby C.	Α
Outreach	Dylan C.	Р	SLT RCM1	Mark M.	Α
WEB	Walter S.	Р			
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Visitors: Rachel

# 1. Motion to approve minutes

a) May 15, 2016 minutes – James motioned to approve the minutes for May 15, 2016, seconded by Walter. Motion passed unanimously.

# 2. Birthdays-

- a) Mike S., 10 years
- 3. Chair-Jimmy G.
  - a) Nothing to report.
- 4. Vice Chair-Karen R.
  - a) Nothing to report.
- 5. Secretary-Blanca G.
  - a) SSRSC contact list, see attached.
- 6. Treasurer-Rick O.
  - a) Report presented, see is attached.
- 7. RSO-Mike S.
  - a) Report presented, see is attached.

# 8. Convention Chair-Mac M.

a) Mac stated the balance in the convention account is \$6,872.06. So far \$6,500 has been paid to the Grand Sierra Resort and the contract for the 2017 convention has been signed. All the speakers have been picked and the flights are booked and paid for. Arts and graphics resigned over the new pet policy at the GSR. There are members who are stepping up to take care of our arts and graphics. The next meeting is on July 24<sup>th</sup> at the Round Table Pizza on 4<sup>th</sup> and Vine in Reno at 2:00 PM.

# 9. Regional Delegate-James C.

a) Report presented, see attached.

# 10. Alternate Delegate- Dave B.

a) Report included with Regional Delegate report.

# 11. Gratitude Chair- Buddy J., Absent

a) The Gratitude dinner will be held on November 19, 2016 at Fuji Park in Carson City, NV.

# 12. H&I-Sheryl

a) Report presented, see attached.

# 13. Literature Review-Vacant

# 14. Outreach-Dylan C.

a) Dylan stated he will be visiting Yerington with James.

### 15. WEB-Walter S.

a) Walter stated the new meeting list form went online and we received the new schedules. There were a few mistakes but they have been corrected. Speaker tapes went online. In the month that the website has been live, there have been many malicious attacks and some spammers. We average about 150 visitors per day. As of this morning there has been 8 views on the calendar, 3 people visited the meeting locator, 3 views for the Mountain High Campout, 2 views for the convention, and 1 inquiry on the next BLAW ASC. Top searches were for Spanish speaking meetings in BLAW, NA Carson, and NA Reno. Walter stated he received 6-7 new meeting requests which include South Lake Tahoe and Yerington. We are beginning to run out of room on the schedule. We need to get an accurate update of active meetings. Susanville has several meetings that seem to not be active. If the meetings that are not active can be removed, it not only helps clean up the schedule but also helps the addict who is still suffering find a meeting. Susanville has been contacted several times regarding this issue.

James stated he will call the contact in Susanville so he can provide an updated meeting schedule.

Walter stated that any member can add themselves to the email list of any area through the website. Areas can also add their minutes to the website by submitting them through the website; PDF versions work best. Walter stated he will convert documents that are not in PDF format into PDF format.

# 16. PI/PR-Vacant

# 17. Area Reports

# 17.2 CANA -

a) Report presented, see attached.

### 17.3 GOVA -

a) Report presented, see attached.

17.4 RNA – Absent. They are having their annual camp out.

# 17.5 NLT-

a) Blanca stated all is going well and Serenity at the River is coming up on July 16, 12-4PM at Truckee River Regional Park.

# 17.6 SLT -

a) Mike stated their elections that were supposed to be held in June were postponed until July's ASC meeting because not many members showed up for June's meeting. The Mountain High Campout will be held August 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>. There is fund raiser by the Unity Sisters on Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, called A Night of Comedy. It will be held at the American Legion Hall. Presale tickets are \$15 and \$25 at the door. There are only 100 tickets available.

# 17.1 BLAW -

- a) Andrew stated the area held elections. Rachel is the new Chair, Ray is the new Vice Chair, and Timber is the new Alternate RCM1. The 4th of July event at Whitaker Park went well. The meetings seem to be going well except for one meetings who has all positions open. H&I is going well, a lot of positions are full. Sheryl asked if the Alano Friday night meeting is the meeting missing trusted servants. Rick stated that the Alano, Friday night meetings was moved. Walter confirmed the meeting had been moved to Lakeside Dr. and he he also removed the young people's meeting from the schedule.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition was collected for a total of \$21.00.

# 18. Old Business

- a) Nominations and Elections:
  - Chair: Jimmy G. Passed unanimously.
  - Vice Chair: Karen R. Passed unanimously.
  - Secretary: Katherine M. Election pending.
  - Treasurer: Rick Oppio. Passed unanimously.
  - Outreach: Dylan C. Passed unanimously.
  - PR/PI: Walter S. Passed unanimously.

# 19. New Business

- a) Behind the Walls Subcommittee Sheryl M. requested that the Behind the Walls Subcommittee become a direct subcommittee of SSRSC and/or have the accounting separate from H&I. Sheryl motioned to divide the Behind the Walls Sponsorship Program from H&I and become a direct subcommittee of SSRSC, and to have separate accounting from H&I. Motion was seconded by James. Passed unanimously.
- b) Spanish speaking meetings Walter stated that Spanish meetings in the BLAW area are highly searched for on the website. Karen stated it is important to have Spanish meetings to carry the message to the still suffering addict.

Misty stated there is a Spanish meeting in Carson City. They do not go to ASC because they are intimidated by the fact they don't speak English. Sheryl stated there is a small meeting of Spanish speaking recovering addicts in Woodside but they don't speak English either and they are not always there. Sheryl proposed that Blanca and she attend the meeting to see if they can talk to them.

Misty stated she is willing to also find someone that can translate and see if they can help with the group in Carson City.

Dylan stated he will contact a friend of his in the BLAW area who is bilingual to find out if she is interested in helping.

Karen stated a meeting should be started to just get the ball rolling. All we need is one dedicated person who can speak Spanish.

Dave stated if we can put a name and a telephone number on the website of someone who speaks Spanish, so at least the Spanish speaking addicts can talk to another Spanish speaking addict, is a good start.

Blanca stated she is willing to be added to the website as a Spanish speaking contact to help direct addicts to the Carson City Spanish meetings and/or serve as someone to talk to if the addict is in need. We can also tell them we have a lot of literature available.

Ami stated that she attended the WSC Learning Days and one of the biggest focuses was diversity. Amy stated she is willing to put a report together on what the protocol is; how we can get people to help with outreach and help us to find ways to put diverse meetings together. Ami stated she will contact Blanca for help.

Next meeting – Saturday, September 10, 2016 at The Neighborhood Church, 315 E. South St, Bishop, CA 93514.

Bishop will also be having their 5<sup>th</sup> Annual NA Unity BBQ and Campfire Meeting, 5-8:30PM, Izaak Walton Park, 3600 W. Line St, Bishop.

Meeting adjourned at 1:05 PM

Blanca, Secretary 8/1/2016

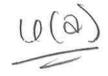
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PLEASE SEND ALL AREA LITERATURE PAYMENTS TO: SSRSC, PO BOX 11913, RENO, NV 89510

# Sierra Sage Regional Service Committee May – June 2016 - Treasurer Report



Total Income For This Period Is:	<b>\$1,099.76</b>	
It breaks down as follows:		
7 <sup>th</sup> Tradition	\$ 21.00 Cash	05.15.16
Capital Area Donation	\$ 200.00 #1219	04.26.16
Capital Area Donation	\$ 200.00 #1220	05.19.16
BLAW Donation	\$ 193.58 #2480	05.19.16
BLAW Donation	\$ 211.38 #2486	06.16.16
GOVA Donation	\$ 20.00 #1068	05.08.16
SLT Donation	\$ 100.00 #0682	05.28.16
Rural Nevada Donation	\$ 120.00 #1115	05.29.16
Group Donation: Dayton Group	, \$ 8.40 Cash	05.15.16
Never Alone Group	\$ 25.00 #1182	05.29.16
Bank Discrepancy Credit	\$ .40	05.20.16

Total: \$1,099.76

Deposits: 05.18.16 ... \$49.40 - 05.20.16 ... \$ .40 - \$193.58 ... 05/26/16 - 06.03.16 ... \$400.00 - 06.03.16 ... \$100.00 - 06.20.16 ... \$145.00 06.24.16 ... \$211.38

Total Expenses For This Period Are:	<b>\$652.00</b>			
It breaks down as follows:				
Schedules				
Reimburse James Cross Printing Costs	\$ 27.00	James Cross	#2334	05.15.16
NAWS - Contribution - May - June	\$ 300.00		#2336	06.06.16
Office Depot – Meeting Schedules	\$			
H&I Budget - Hopkins – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	\$ 325.00	Hopkins	#2335	05.15.16
Total:	\$ 652.00			

The checking account was balanced on July 9th, 2016.

The net account balance is \$ 5,551.11

No outstanding checks.

Thanks to all of the areas and groups for their donations.

As always, any questions are welcome and all documents are available upon request.

Please continue to send donations to the Regional Post Office Box. The address is: SSRSC PO Box 11913 Reno, NV 89510

If any approved payments need to be made, please contact Rick O. @ 775-843-9200 or cavanaughsreno@yahoo.com

I will continue to work closely with Karen.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Rick O

# SIERRA SAGE REGIONAL SERVICE OFFICE 7-10-16

Present:
Mike S -Chair
Karen R - Treasurer/Secretary
Jimmy G - Board Member
Kelly L - Board Member
Bobby C - Board Member
Rick O - Board Member
James C - Board Member
Dave B - Board Member
Dylan C - RSC designate

Absent: Vince P – Vice Chair Curt – Board Member Danny H – Board Member Mark M – RSC Designate Visitor: Mac (BLAW)

At 10:19 am, the meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer in South Lake Tahoe. James read the Traditions – Bobby read the 12 Concepts Minutes from July approved unanimously.

- Phoneline balance is \$915.60. CANA has used their Prudent Reserve and only has \$47.62. CANA still needs to begin monthly
  payments regularly. (Misty brought a check to RSC that brings them back up to date) NLT is also well into their Prudent Reserve and
  needs to make payment. (Spoke with Blanca after RSO and she will contact their treasurer and try to get payment in the mail)
  After July bills: BLAW \$160.24, CANA \$386.08, NLT \$70.72, RNA \$72, SLT \$201.85
- 2. Mac, the current convention chair was present. All main speaker travel arrangements have been made and paid for. Final softball tournament is set for Susanville on July 31. The contract for 2017 has been finalized and signed with \$1000 deposit made. There have been 2 payments totaling \$6500 made towards 2016. Next meeting on July 25 at 2:00 pm Round Table Pizza @ 4<sup>th</sup> & Vine in Reno.
- 3. Gratitude Dinner: No representation. Mike says that there is committee and Chris is doing well. Dinner set for November 19, 2016 at Fuji Park.
- 4. Treasurer RSO general account \$16,543.23 of which \$915.60 are phoneline funds. Convention account \$6872.06.
  RSC \$5551.11. Since our May meeting the following payments have been made from RSO: Directors and Officers insurance \$1650, to Danny H \$353.92 (which fulfills our \$1000 commitment to H & I from our 2015 convention profits) RSO paid all expenses for the Delegate team's travel, per diem and hotel to WSC. Funds and receipts were turned in to Karen in May. Dave B returned all receipts and \$301 from his \$400 per diem and \$200 gas allotment. James returned \$40 from his \$400 per diem.
- 5. Bobby asks about insurance for the NLT event this month. Karen reiterates that insurance is never offered! It is the responsibility of the venue to request insurance. Truckee Parks and Rec has not requested any insurance. Karen talks about our Assumption of Risk form and offers it for NLT's use. Bobby asks that she speak with Blanca at RSC. (After speaking with Blanca, it is decided that it is not necessary to use the A of R form)

Next meeting to be held on Saturday, 10 am, September 10, 2016 Location – Bishop, CA (Location TBD Will be confirmed ASAP)

These minutes subject to review, amendment, and approval by RSO in September 2016.

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# July 8, 2016 Sierra Sage Region Delegate Team Report Narcotics Anonymous WORLD SERVICES

David and I have attempted to find a suitable slot for the Regional Assembly, but with the Softball Schedule and the many NA Summer events and the fact we finally received the WSC rap up last week we decided to reschedule.

The rap up was sent to us via jump drive an in order to put together the type of Assembly the Region deserves it behooves us to present in the September/October timeframe we will have a time and fliers at the next RSC.

We have attended or participated in many of the events including the Softball, Convention, BLAW 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

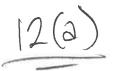
We also supported Rural Nevada Counseling in Yerington with the help of BLAW Public Relations with some NA information as there was only AA information and they counsel many addicts.

Please let us know about all your Area Summer events we would like to attend and support them all. We know they are upcoming in places like Silver Springs, Dayton, South Lake, Carson, and Fallon (Recoverython), we are trying to hit them all.

Also there are elections this month so we made a joint report to save time at RSC. So once again thank you all for letting us be of service. On back of the report you will see the "cover" of the 12 Traditions Workbook. More will be revealed.

James Regional Delegate

Dave Alternate Regional Delegate Hi Family,



- 1) As we move forward into the 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr. of 2016 we have 5 NA meetings in 3 facilities. Lovelock has (2) one English and one Spanish, Warm Springs has (1) one English which Lou and I go into on Thursday's at 6 pm. Lou his unable to attend for the next few months due to surgery. So I am looking for someone to take his place. NNCC in Carson city has (2) meetings both are English. One is on Friday at 6pm and the other is on Sunday at 12:30. The caseworker for the Friday meeting is looking for someone to help with that meeting and the Sunday meeting we have one addict cleared going in with a caseworker. Lou has been helping with that meeting when he can. We really need people to step up to help with our Primary Purpose!!
- 2) We are now sending literature orders into 5 NVDOC (Nevada dept. of Corrections) facilities. These facilities are Lovelock, Warm Springs, Ely, NNCC and Stewart Camp. We received approx.. 10 soft cover Basic texts from the Capital Area to help get Literature into these long term facilities. Thank You Capital Area for helping with the new literature program called "BOOKS FOR CROOKS" it is a huge help!! Any Area, Group, Meeting or Addict that would like to help can donate any soft cover NA text to help our new "BOOKS FOR CROOKS" program. I would also like to thank RSO for sending the last literature order to NNCC. Those books were shared amongst the 2 meetings there.
- 3) Here are the instructions for getting forms filled out to get cleared for the Nevada Dept. of Corrections; Go to; doc.nv.gov, put your cursor on the "About" pull down, click on "volunteer info", All the info/links for forms are on this page. On the right hand side you will find "required reading for volunteers and volunteer application forms", Please follow directions.
- 4) As most of you know, our new website has gone "LIVE". I would like to thank Walter for helping get the H&I pages updated and going. It is a work in progress. I hope to get more tools/information in place to help addicts in our fellowship learn how to get involved with H&I at any level of service.
- 5) BTWSP is alive and well!!! As always we are looking for new sponsors to help sponsor inmates anonymously thru the mail. Last I heard we have 5 men waiting for sponsors. We had elections recently. Sheryl M. is the new chair...is the new secretary...Rob E. is the new Mail distribution coordinator. I would also like to thank all the sponsors that have stepped up to make this program work by helping addicts work the steps thru the mail. Only the sponsors that are doing this work know how rewarding and satisfying this service commitment really is!! I would like to thank Kim C. for her long term commitment to BTWSP as Secretary for 2 yrs. running.
- 6) Please step up and learn how this program works to help us move into 2017 with a healthier BTW/H&I program than we have ever had in Sierra Sage!!! I will be stepping down next May and am looking to help train/work with the new people to carry on as we move forward.
- 7) Last RSC I received the 2nd Qtr. H&I budget \$\$. I bought stamps and ink at Costco for \$111.30. I delivered these supplies to Sheryl for BTWSP. I also mailed letters for BTWSP totaling \$3.03 for a total of \$114.33 \$135.00 = \$20.67 balance for BTW. The remaining balance is to purchase literature for H&I. I'm waiting for the remaining soft cover books promised to see how to use the money best.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Sorry I couldn't be here. I'm helping out at the RNA campout.

Danny "Hoppy" Hopkins 134 Knickerbocker Cir. Dayton, NV 89403 775-232-0193

Area Donation \$20,00

# G.O.V.A. REGIONAL REPORT July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016



In June, we had Area service elections. New Trusted Servants are as follows:

Chair: Ami B.

Vice-Chair: John L.

Secretary: Stephanie E. Treasurer: Michael O.

RCM: open- Ami proxy w/ volunteer

Activities: Dean M. H & I / PR: Ken D.

Literature: Stephanie E.

We have temporarily closed down our Monday 6:45 am meeting. We will revisit opening it again in October.

July Area Service Committee meeting:

RCM report: Ami B. and Stephanie E. will be traveling to South Lake Tahoe to Attend Region. We are very excited to host Region in Bishop on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016. We have made arrangements to have the meeting at 315 E. South St. Bishop, Ca 93514.

H & I / PR: The next D.U.I. panel at Inyo County Mental Health is on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 2:00 pm. We have three members scheduled to share their experience, strength and hope. Ken is planning an H & I / PR sub-committee meeting in early August to get volunteers for service work and go over guidelines.

Activities: The Keoughs Hot Springs event was a wonderful success. We swam from 4:00 - 6:00 pm. Had a BBQ from 6:00 -

7:00 pm and followed up with a meeting. Donations paid for the event. The next event will be the  $5^{th}$  Annual Unity BBQ and campfire meeting on September  $10^{th}$  at Isaak Walton Park. 3600 W. Line St. Bishop, CA 93514, from 5:00-8:30 pm. This event was planned to coincide with the Regional Meeeting the same day. We would love to see all of you there.

Literature: We are getting low on new comer packets. We may be placing a small order next month. 200 new schedules were printed and distributed. Stephanie found a cheaper printer and our printing only cost us \$38.00 this time.

GSR overall reports: We had good donations and all meetings are stocked up on literature. Sunday could use more member support but is a strong meeting.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service. Ami B.



# 5<sup>th</sup> Annual NA Unity BBQ & Campfire Meeting.

September 10<sup>th</sup> 2016

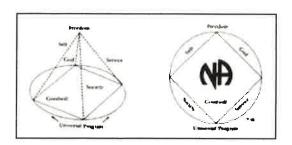
Izaak Walton Park 3600 W. Line St, Bishop

- BBQ & Potluck 5:00pm to 7:00pm
- Campfire Meeting 7:00pm to 8:30pm

Please bring chairs and a dish to share.

- Sierra Sage Regional Meeting
- 11:30 am, 315 E. South St Bishop

Donations excepted



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# CAPITOL AREA REPORT

### MAY -JUNE 2016

Capitol Area is running smoothly – we do have a fairly new area service committee board however they are learning and evolving with the changes.

Hotline had a workshop – they have also written up new guidelines which the groups are voting on this month & next month

H&I also wrote new guidelines and the groups will be voting on them this month & next month

There was also an ADHOC committee which got together every Thursday to write the new guidelines for capitol which the area will vote on this month

Area service body nominations are also coming up in July & August.

# **Upcoming Activities:**

Unity Sisters is putting on a Comedy Night- August 12 Located at the American Legion Hall 2748
Young Street, South Lake Tahoe Ca. 96150 Tickets 15.00 presale- 20.00 at the door

August 20<sup>th</sup> Summer Fun Days – 11 am – 5 Pm Mills Park Pavilion 851 E. William St Carson City, Nv

SSRCNA Inter -Area Mens Retreat - Oct 7th, 8, 9

**ALL Bills are paid** 

All groups are doing well - no issues to discuss at this time

We are donating \$100 Region

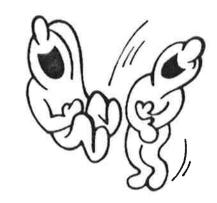
Thank you for allowing us to be of service

Dave Stewart and Misty Stewart

RCM1RCM2







# Unity Sisters Presents:

# A Night of Comedy

Comedians: Sean B and Dominic

Friday August 12th Doors open at 7pm

Tickets are \$15.00 presale

or \$20.00 at the door

Located at the American Legion Hall
2748 Young Street, South Lake Tahoe Ca. 96150
For tickets contact Michelle B. 916-923-8493 or
Misty S. 775-835-1010



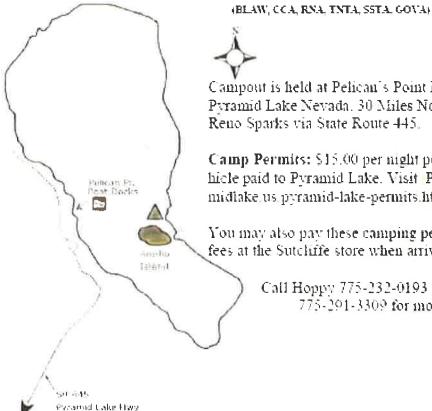
# SSRCNA Inter-Area Men's Retreat October 7th, 8th & 9th, 2016

Campout is held at Pelican's Point Beach Pyramid Lake Nevada, 30 Miles North of Reno Sparks via State Route 445.

Camp Permits: \$15,00 per night per vehiele paid to Pyramid Lake, Visit Pyramidiake us pyramid-lake-permits.html

You may also pay these camping permit fees at the Sutchiffe store when arriving.

> Call Hoppy 775-232-0193 or Ron 775-291-3309 for more info-



30 miles to Reng/Sparks from Pene take Exit 18 off 1-60.

To Wadshorth/Fernley 16 miles

### Event Schedule

Friday Evening: Meeting

Saturday Evening: Group Dinner \$10.00 per person.

Saturday Evening: Fireside Meeting

Sunday: Leftovers Breakfast & Closing Spiritual Meeting

Having fun, fishing and fellowshipping, Constant Come out for the day or come the whole weekend!

Please prepay to reserve for your dinner. Dinner to \$10.00 per person, \$9.00 is applied to the dinner cost and \$1.00 will be added to a newconcer fund. Please send your payment and thus form to Hoppy 134 Knickerbocker Circle, Dayton, NV, 89403. Deadline for sending in prepayment is March 20, 2016

Prepayment of dumer reservations will help pay the expenses for the dinner and allows us to purchase correct quantities of food and supplies needed to make our camp our a success! If need be payment: for dinner will be accepted on site during the event via each only. Again please con-

uder prepayment to we have a more accurate count for dinners.	
Name (s):	
Quantity of dinner reservations:	
Additional Newcomer Contribution:	
Total enclosed	
Comments, suggestions	

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# MOTION 7/10/2016 Regional H&I

Motion to Divide Subcommittee from Regional H&I; or at very least; or both,

Motion to Divide Financial Accountability from Regional H&I Subcommittee, and make "Behind The Walls Subcommittee" directly become accountable only to Sierra Sage Region.

I would like to Motion that the current Regional H&I Subcommittee "Behind the Walls Sponsorship Program" Subcommittee become a direct Subcommittee of Sierra Sage Region. and/Or to have the accounting Separate from Regional H&I REASONS:

- 1. The H&I Regional Subcommittee has become a extra large load for the Regional Chair and is split into 2 subcommittees now:
- One: Living Clean the inside the prison side of Regional H&I
- Two: The BTWSP-the outside the prison side of Regional H&I
- 2. The BTWSP is growing and needs direct attention weekly with more letters coming in.
- We have a Mail Coordinator that mails everything out or I pick up the letters.
- We have 5 men and 1 woman waiting on the waiting list and are currently doing Area prospects at ASC meetings for Sponsorship interests. It needs attention that the Regional Chair can't do when he is doing other things with the Living Clean Program.
- 3. The Financial accountability has been less than adequate by the current H&I Regional Chair.
- The current budget for BTWSP is \$135.00 quarterly. I have never seen (in 2.7 years) any listed accountability. There is no ledger, very few receipts, and the financial monies (as far as i can tell) are all joined together as a "Peter and Paul" marriage. When clearly the BTW Subcommittee was to have its own separate budget and accounting. (\$135 per quarter added to the \$200 already aloted for Regional H&I = \$335.00 Quarterly)
- I have asked for this accounting for months/years to no avail from the Regional Chair. He does do the best he can do and only in this report does he have a balance for me, and I have no idea how it came to that amount.
- As our Rotation period just closed, and new Servants have taken Positions now is a good time to start a new Accounting and to separate from the old ways.
- I will provide receipts, a ledger when ink and stamps have been purchased.

I respectfully ask that the BTWSP be allowed to divide from Regional H&I and become its own Subcommittee accountable to the RSC Body. Or;I ask that our accounting be divide to be accountable directly to this body.

Thank you for letting me be of Service,

ILS,

Sheryl M

Behind the Walls Chair Sponsorship

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# **Behind The Walls Sponsorship Subcommittee Guidelines**

# I. General Purpose / Mission Statement

Our primary purpose is to provide a sponsor to work the Twelve Steps of Narcotics Anonymous to those people who are incarcerated in an institution. Our interactions will only be via mail, not by telephone or through visitation. Our mission is to ensure that any addict seeking recovery through a working knowledge of the Twelve Steps of Narcotics Anonymous has the opportunity to do so, even in an institution.

# II. Membership

The Subcommittee shall consist of administrative officers: Chairperson, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Men's Facilitator, Women's Facilitator, and Area Liaison. (Can be changed as deemed needed by the Chair).

### III. Functions of the Subcommittee

- A. All letters will be sent via the P. O. Box, with no personal information given to the inmate. Sponsors will use first names only, as decided by the sponsor. "Correspondence Only" agreements (attached) with these signatures will be filed with Behind the Walls Sponsorship Subcommittee.
- B. Sponsors from the Behind the Walls Sponsorship Subcommittee will have an individual inmate assigned by the Subcommittee, in the order that the sponsors have qualified at a subcommittee meeting. Inmates will be assigned sponsors of the same sex. The Subcommittee will notify the new sponsors once they have been approved for the sponsorship program. The sponsor must have had no prior knowledge of their assigned inmate. This means that they should have never met the person they will be assigned for sponsorship at any time during their lives.
- C. After the Chairperson or the Subcommittee reads the first letter, all correspondence between the sponsor and inmate is confidential.
- D. The body is responsible for maintaining contact information for the sponsors so we may make inquiries of the status between the sponsor and inmate.
- E. Only inmates with incarceration time lines of 6 months or more will be assigned a sponsor.
- F. NO ARRANGEMENTS FOR RIDES, VISITS, LOANS, PHONE CALLS, MATERIALS FOR CORRESPONDING, PHOTOS, BOOKS, DRAWINGS, TAPES, NON N.A. APPROVED LITERATURE, CONTACTING FAMILY MEMBERS OR FRIENDS WILL BE MADE BETWEEN THE SPONSOR AND INMATE.
- G. The Twelve Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous will be strictly upheld.
- H. All rules and regulations of the facility will be strictly upheld.
- I. Only women will write women, and only men will write men.

- J. Any inmate who thinks they have a problem with addiction may write the Behind the Walls Sponsorship Subcommittee with any recovery related questions or concerns at any time. Our response may include providing information pamphlets, meeting directories, or any other approved NA information regarding the concerns of the inmate, at the discretion of the Chair and Vice Chair.
- K. All members of the administrative body are required to attend our meetings *via e-mail*. Loss of abstinence, non-fulfillment of duties, or missing two consecutive meetings without prior notification may be grounds that you will be asked to resign from your commitment in order to insure that our guidelines are being followed and our primary purpose is being carried out.
- L. The Subcommittee meets bi-monthly (every other month) in even months or at the discretion of the committee *via e mail communication*.
- M. Sponsors of the subcommittee may choose to remain in contact with their sponsees after their release at the sponsor's discretion.

# IV. Qualifications and Responsibilities of Officers

# A. Chairperson:

- 1.Is elected by the group conscience of the Subcommittee, via email and/or using Social Media with the Secretary taking tally and making all election posts and announcements.
- 2. Complete abstinence from all drugs for five (5) years.
- 3.Must have one (1) year experience in Regional H&I service or as Area H&I Chair and a working knowledge of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous through application.
- 4. Mediates all Subcommittee meetings/e-mails, with the general understanding of consensus-based decision making.
- 5.Prepares a report for each R. S. C. meeting and makes all motions on behalf of, and is the voice of the Subcommittee at R.S.C. .
- 6.Coordinates, and works with the Administrative body and is the Single-Point of accountability and is responsible for all work done by the Subcommittee.
- 7.Institutes guidelines and ensures that traditions are being upheld.
- 8. Coordinates screening of all applications. (i.e. sponsors/sponsees)
- 9.Performs initial correspondence with inmates. (i.e. Intro packet)
- 10. Maintains communication with sponsors via email, phone, mail, and/or bi-monthly reports.
- 11.Is available to answer questions from the Area Subcommittees.
- 12.Prepares a budget with the Vice Chair to be approved by the subcommittee to then be submitted for the approval of the RSC for the upcoming year.
- 13. Maintain communication with NAWS by email and/or phone.
- 14. Service commitment shall be for a period of two (2) years.
- 15. Facilitates all subcommittee meetings via e-mail.

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16. Coordinates with Behind The Walls Sub-Committee Program Mail Coordinator to check and distribute mail.

# B. <u>Vice Chair:</u>

- 1. Is elected by the Behind the Walls Sponsorship Subcommittee *via email and/or using Social Media with the Secretary taking tally and making all election posts and announcements.*
- Complete abstinence from all drugs for three (3) years.
- 3. Must have one (1) year experience in Regional H&I service or as an Area Chair or Area H&I chair. Must have a working knowledge of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous through application.
- 4. Works with the Chairperson to ensure the smooth operation of the Subcommittee and steps in and performs the duties of the Chairperson when absent.
- 5. If necessary, may be removed by a simple majority vote of the Subcommittee.
- 6. Advises and coordinates with web master for updating the Sierra Sage Regional Website.
- 7. Service commitment shall be for a period of two (2) years.
- 8. Prepares a budget with the Chair to be approved by the subcommittee to then be submitted for the approval of the RSC for the upcoming year.
- 9. Works with Chair when necessary to receive completed packets and then assigns sponsees to sponsors.

# C. Secretary:

- 1. Is elected by the Behind The Walls Sponsorship Subcommittee *via email and/or using Social Media with the Outgoing Secretary taking tally and making all election posts and announcements.*
- 2. Complete abstinence from all drugs for suggested one (1) year.
- 3. Must have *suggested* one (1) year experience in *Group or* Area level service and a working knowledge of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous through application.
- 4. Must have clerical skills.
- 5. Must keep an accurate set of attendance spreadsheets, minutes of all Subcommittee meetings, e mails, and learning session topics discussed; they should be ready for distribution to all Subcommittee members within 14 days.
- 6. If necessary, may be removed by a simple majority vote of the Subcommittee.
- 7. Service commitment shall be for a period of two (2) years.

# D. Men's/Women's (Mail, other jobs designated) Coordinator:

1.Is elected by the Behind the Walls Sponsorship Subcommittee via email and/or using Social Media with the Outgoing Secretary taking tally and making all election posts and announcements.

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- 2. Complete abstinence from all drugs for two (2) years.
- 3. Must have one (1) year experience in *Group or* Area level service and a working knowledge of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous through application.
- 4. If necessary, may be removed by a simple majority vote of the Subcommittee.
- 5. Service commitment shall be for a period of two (2) years.
- 6. Is required to give written and oral reports to the subcommittee bi-monthly through use of a reporting form *via e mail*.
- 7. Will receive mail to distribute by hand or by mail to sponsors of appropriate sex.
- 8. Must maintain the level of availability of the sponsors through phone/email communication.
- 9. Works with Chair and Vice Chair to maintain sponsors and sponsees.

### E. Sponsor:

- 1. Completed abstinence from all drugs for two (2) years.
- 2. Must have completed the Twelve Steps of Narcotics Anonymous with a Narcotics Anonymous sponsor.
- 3. Must have a working knowledge of the Twelve Traditions through application.
- 4. Must be off parole and/or probation.
- 5. Must have had no convictions for at least 18 months or more.
- 6. Must meet all of the requirements of the screening process. (i.e. print form; fill out & sign; and assigned next Sponsee by Chair/Vice chair via email or phone.)
- 7. Men with men, and women with women.
- 8. Must carry a clear N.A. message and have an N.A. sponsor.
- 9. Must always keep in mind that they are representing Behind the Walls Sponsorship Subcommittee when interacting with inmate.
- 10. A willingness and availability to reply to any letter within two weeks or less from the date the sponsor receives the letter is mandatory.
- 11. Must abide by the guidelines of not only our Subcommittee, but those of the institution, and may be asked to resign as a sponsor to an inmate if they are unable to do so at any time.
- 12. Must attend bi-monthly meetings, or report bi-monthly to the coordinator and/or liaison *via email*. There will be a 3 strikes rule in effect. On the 3rd bi-monthly meeting *via email*, that a sponsor has not reported *via email*, their voting privileges are voided.
- 13. If necessary, may be removed by a simple majority vote of the Subcommittee.
- 14. Must be willing to only use NAWS approved literature.
- 15. Must be willing to maintain anonymity through the use of an alias.
- 16. The sponsor is responsible for reporting that he/she is no longer available to be an active member to this Subcommittee or their assigned inmate.
- 17. Familiarity with the H&I Do's and Don'ts.
- 18. Must be willing to use own funds to maintain correspondence.

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# V. Elections of Officers:

- 1. Elections to be held in June of even years via e mail and/or social media.
- 2. At the discretion of the subcommittee, special elections may be held for all positions.
- 3. No positions can be held more than two consecutive terms in the spirit of rotation.
- 4. All positions will be confirmed through a consensus based decision-making process.

# VI. Subcommittee Budget:

- 1. \$135 total quarterly budget.
  - \*10/11/14 Budget will be revisited in one year to make sure that is still a sufficient amount to conduct business.
  - \* 06/10/15 Budget remains the same for next year.
  - Next Budget review is June/July 2016 and submitted to R.S.C. for approval.
- 2. Budget requests shall be submitted at a general session of the R.S.C within 30 days after the next budget review at the first of the year, approved by the R.C.M.'s, and dispersed through the Regional Treasurer. The development of an annual project agenda is important in the establishment of the budget.

# VII. Removal From Position:

Any Relapse is immediate grounds for removal of any and all positions.

# VIII. Amendment to BTWSP Guidelines:

Must be submitted in writing via email and must be voted and approved on by all voting members of the subcommittee within a 30-day turn-around.