

April 2016

Traditions: **Matt I.**
Concepts: **Roger**
Definition of an ASC: **Bob A.**

Open Forum

Katelyn: New meeting “On Solid Ground”, meets Wednesdays at 7:00 pm at Cape Coral Community Church, 811 Santa Barbara Blvd.

Brian: March’s open forum is incorrect... Jon F. is the GSR for Together We Can

Asia: In the Solution changes are permanent; Wednesdays JFT and meditation and Thursdays are open forum.

Patty: The Ultimate Fundraiser Raffle is still going on! Tickets are \$10 each. The winner will receive a 3 night stay at the Deauville Resort, paid registration for SFRCNA and all other paid events (including the banquet) will be included. The raffle is ongoing until June’s regional meeting, at which time the winner will be announced. You do not need to be present to win. I am still the only one on this coast with tickets!!!

Swede: New GSR for Serenity by the River

Alison: New GSR for Sick as our Secrets located at Cape Coral Salus Care.

Vannessa: Bob C. (Crying Bob) will be celebrating 25 years Saturday, April 16 at the Rainbow Group, St. John the Apostle Church on McGregor Blvd.

Motion to accept last month’s minutes: Shot of Hope

Chair	Melissa R.	P
Vice Chair	OPEN	
Treasurer	Matt S.	P
Assistant Treasurer	Patty K.	P
Secretary	Vannessa M.	P
Assistant Secretary	Brandy S.	P
RCM	Rob R.	P
RCM II	Steve H.	P
Activities	Tammy G	P
H&I	Jaime V.	P
Literature	Andrew W	P
Policy	OPEN	
P.R.	Danny	P

A Shot of Hope	P
Back to Life	P
Bridge to Recovery	P
Dare to Win	P
Do or Die	P
Goodfellas in Recovery	P
In the Solution	P
Just for Today	P
Keeping it Clean	P
Last Stop	P
Late Night Recovery	P
Lost Dreams Awakened	P
New Beginnings	P
Not Quite There Yet	P
On Solid Ground	P
Rainbow Group	A
Saturday Night Live	P
Serenity by the River	P
Sistas Journey in Recovery	A
Sick as Our Secrets	P
The Truth Will Set You Free	P
Together We Can	P
We Do Recover	P
Women Do Recover	P
Veteran's Road to Recovery	P

Establish Quorum

- **Total: 23**
- **Quorum: 13**
- **Policy Change: 16**

REPORTS

RCM Report

Good morning everyone.

The RSC will be meeting next month in the Mid Coast Area at Marriott. We have no new business from region, but we will be carrying your conscience back on the 3 motions that we will be voting on today, 12-05-15, 02-07-16 and 02-01-16. All members are welcome to attend at RSC weekend or at our regional assembly via webinar if they can't attend in person. At the assembly, we'll be voting on the items contained in the CAT as well as any CAR amendments and other new business that members would like us to bring up at the World Service Conference. The assembly will be held on the Saturday of our next RSC (on April 16) at 1:00 pm. Everyone

is encouraged to attend. The link to the webinar is <https://sezf-frsc.adobeconnect.com/sflassembly>.

Please remember that the online voting will be open until:

1. CAT Ballot (for Members): April 15
2. CAR Ballot (for Groups): April 22

If your groups wish to use paper ballots for the CAR, they will be collected today from all GSR's. Our secretary will be sending the guidelines for additional needs point of contact (POS) for all GSR's as an attachment to review with their group members. These guidelines were approved by the groups to help assist and guide groups to better serve our members with additional needs. Please review them in your next business meeting and if you have any questions about how your group can better serve our members please contact Rose Marie at (239) 997-1412. This past month we had our first West Coast Unity Day and it was a great success. I am grateful for everyone that helped put this together and that came out to show their support. Total income for the event was \$641.85 and that will be donated back to the region. ILS Rob R.

Sub-committee Reports

- **Activities:** We are putting together BBQ in May, there is a flyer. May 29th, 11-3 at Lakes Park. Speaker at 1:00 pm. \$5 suggested donation, selling Keychains). Also talked about putting together a kickball game involving 3 areas (Peace River, Sunset & Gulf Coast). Discussed suggestions from the suggestion boxes; Glow Bowling, Treasure Hunt, Fishing Day and Talent Show. These 4 were taken into consideration. ILS Tammy
- **H&I:** Sub-Committee started on time at 9:30 am. Meeting went smoothly. Every commitment has been filled. Lots of willingness to carry the message! Jaime V.

- **Literature:**

Area:	\$1,060.00
H&I:	\$215.00
PR:	\$51.00
Starter Kit:	\$42.00
Books:	\$505.00
Total:	\$1,875.06

- P.R.:** PR met with Florida Department of Juvenile Justice. They agreed to put our posters up. We also agreed to provide IP's in Spanish. Many "By Young Addicts, For Young Addicts" and "For the Parents and Guardians of Young Addicts". Most juvenile's speak and read English, but a lot of parents do not. We also agreed to provide IP's in Spanish to TLC. We are meeting with Lee County Justice Center again this coming week. PI/PR would like to remind new group GSR's to register their group with the NARS website, and old groups that no longer exist to remove them from the NAR's website. Also, groups that changed time and place need to make those changes with NAR's website. We are planning a new poster day in July... more will be revealed. ILS Danny
- Ad- Hoc Report for Policy Changes:** Good morning all, In April of 2015 the Area passed motion 03-02-15. The motion read "To have Area Policy split in to External Policy and Internal Guidelines. The motion carried on the floor and was sent back to the Policy Chair to revise the policy. Policy Chair sent out the separate policies for review and approval but they seemed to have gotten lost and were never addressed. After reviewing the policies, the ad-hoc committee recommends the policies be sent out to all GSRs to review with their home groups. A motion to adopt the new policies would need to be made and sent back to Groups for voting. These separate policies were all part of our Area Policy. Nothing was added or changed, only separated to allow the subcommittees some level of autonomy. ILS Jon B

OLD BUSINESS

Regional Motion 12-05-15 **PASSES**
 For: 15
 Against: 1
 Abstain: 7

Regional Motion 02-07-16 **FAILS**
 For: 11
 Against: 0
 Abstain: 12

Regional Motion 02-01-16 **PASSES**
 For: 14
 Against: 2
 Abstain: 4

****BREAK: RE-ESTABLISH QUORUM AS FOLLOWS:**

- **Total: 21**
- **Quorum: 11**
- **Policy Change: 14**

Nominations:

Vice Chair

Policy

NEW BUSINESS

None

Next Area Service Meeting to be held on May 8, 2016

Motion to Close: Tony, Second: Everyone.

Group Reports

- **A Shot of Hope:** All is well at A Shot of Hope. Attendance is great, the message is being carried and all are welcome.
- **Back to Life:** Group is doing well. Message is being passed. Newcomers and old-timers, good mix.
- **Bridge to Recovery:** Recovery is good at the Fort Myers Beach meeting. The nA message continues to be told at our meeting. ILS Tom F.
- **Dare to Win:** All is well at Dare to Win. Thank you for letting me serve.
- **Do or Die:** Homegroup members needed!
- **Goodfellas in Recovery:** All is good. Still seeking new homegroup members.
- **In the Solution:** All is well, great attendance. Message of Narcotics Anonymous is being carried.
- **Just for Today:** Just for Today group is doing well. Attendance is steady. The message of recovery is being carried. Three anniversaries are coming up in May.
- **Keeping it Clean:** Doing well, we're working to better carry the message to the recovering addict.
- **Lehigh on Recovery:** No GSR at this time! Attendance is steady, newcomers are showing up. Still no GSR. Rent is paid up to date, message being carried.
- **The Last Stop:** Meeting attendance is good. We are delivering a clear message of recovery. We are a step meeting, JFT and chair choice. Josias celebrated 1 year on March 29th. Nicole D. celebrates 2 years on April 26th, Jen F. celebrates 3 years on May 17th, Celia celebrates 8 years and Heidi celebrates 15 years on May 31st. ILS Jen.
- **Late Night Recovery:** Late Night Recovery continues to carry the message of hope. We could use support.
- **Lost Dreams Awakened:** Meeting attendance on both Friday and Sunday is very strong. Consistent newcomer attendance. We have grown from three homegroup members to six. No celebrations this month.
- **New Beginnings:** Our attendance has gone from around 20-25 people to around 30-35 people. Handed out several orange and green key tags last month. 2 celebrations coming on May 10th: John B., 1 year and Mike B. 21 years.
- **Not Quite There Yet:** Attendance is good. Meeting has been running smoothly. No celebrations this month. Message is being carried.

- **Saturday Night Live:** Group is doing very well, 70-80 people every week. Strong message of recovery is shared. We meet every Saturday night at Cape Coral Hospital. We have our groups tall sheet for the CAR motions. ILS Bobby S.
- **Serenity by the River:** No group report.
- **Truth Will Set You Free:** Attendance has been getting better. Thank you for your support. We are a step & tradition meeting. We meet on Thursday nights from 7:00 to 8:15. Please come check it out.
- **We Do Recover:** No group report
- **Women Do Recover:** JFT discussion, attendance varies. Women focus, always a good discussion.