GULF COAST AREA MINUTES March 10, 2019

The meeting was opened at 11:00 a.m. by: Matt S.

Minutes were recorded by: Tammy T.

Traditions: Read by Heatherann

Concepts: Read by Cam

Definition of an ASC: Read by Jeremiah

Open Forum:

Kim – New GSR for Shot of Hope

Don – Questioned whether there was policy that requires putting "NA is not related to this facility" on fliers.

Steve H. - Motion requesting \$199 from Area for Unity Day. Motion passes on the floor.

Jon R. - Expressed concern about doors being locked at Salus Care.

Matt S.- Saturday, March 23 is new GSR workshop

Chair	Matt S	Р	
Vice Chair	Shelly L	Р	
Treasurer	Tammy G	Р	
Assistant Treasurer	Judith D	Р	
Secretary	Tammy T	Α	
Assistant Secretary	Kat B.	Р	
RCM	Andrew W	Р	
RCM II	Charlene P	Α	
Activities	OPEN	Α	
H&I	Matt I.	Р	
Literature	Micah T	Α	
Newsletter	Brandi S.	Р	
Policy	Vinny L	Р	
P.R.	Mark S.	Р	

Establish Quorum

- ± Total: 27
- Quorum: 14
 - Policy Change: 18
- Motion to approve minutes: Second by Keeping it Clean

RCM Report:

Greetings Gulf Coast Area!

AWAITING ANDREW W.'S REPORT. WILL BE SENT OUT SEPERATELY FROM MINUTES

In loving service,

Andrew W.

8.Sub-committees:

Activities: Shelly L. brought up that we need Activities Chair. Requirements are 2 years clean time and 6 months involvement in activity committee.

H&I: 24 present. Hiccup with Lee County Jail. <u>Digital report passed in the minutes</u>

Literature:

Newsletter:

I will be getting together with Mark S. to create an account with <u>mailchimp.com</u>, so that we can start creating the newsletter from that website.

I hate to say it, but I believe I got a bit discouraged when I reached out to people before to help write articles for the newsletter, but realized I was approaching it in the wrong manner. I might reach back to the same people, but see if they'll spend 10-15 mins on the phone with me, and record the conversation so I can write it out later, and let them know I'll delete the recording when I'm done. I also think I should make a flyer to promote the newsletter so we can get more people involved. I can do that sometime this week, and distribute them when I can

Policy:

P.R:

PR and H&I Learning Day was a success in terms of unity and exposure. Helpline numbers, however, have not grown and are stagnating at 15 members. Subcommittee suggests holding off on additional bus ads, etc. until we see results from our phoneline statistical data. World PR Week is coming up in June, and an ad hoc committee the first Sunday of April has been set up to plan events (such as the poster day).

Thank you for letting me serve, Nick H

Helpline numbers aren't growing. Gulf Coast Area is looking into getting a faster server.

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ECCNA Report:

Attached in Area minutes

Any policy questions, please refer to www.eccna.org

10.OLD BUSINESS:

Regional Motions:

Area Motions:

12.01.18-Tabled for Amendment/Policy change

11.Nominations:

Activities Chair position is open for nominations

12.Elections:

13.New Business:

Prior to ASC each month, all subcommittee chairs are required per policy to meet with the ASC Vice Chair (Shelly L.) at 10:30am

14.Treasurer's Report:

Attached in Minutes

PENDING MOTIONS:

Motion 03.01.19-

Maker of the motion: Stepping It Up

Second by: Down & Dirty

Motion reads: To have the Area Trusted Servants with the exception of the Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Policy Chair sit away from the table.

Intent: To allow for a smoother flow of Area business. There is limited seating for GSR's and their alternates. This would allow for GSR's to be able to hear business better and allow the votes of Area to be counted more efficiently. This would free up several seats at the table. Our Area Trusted Servants already have a GSR seat at the table.

Motion tabled to be reviewed by Policy

GROUP REPORTS:

- •After The Rush:
- •Against All Odds:
- •Back to Life:
- •Bridge to Recovery: All is well, meeting is well attended. The construction has moved south, so that delay has gone away. JIMMY C. Is picking up the last Friday of the month. Come join us Friday 8pm. Malcolm E
- •Clean And Serene:
- •Dare to Win:
- •Down & Dirty: All is well and we're having great meeting attendance! March 26th Susan H will be celebrating 16 years! Also, our format has changed. Tuesday is speaker meeting, Wednesday is out

of the basic text, Thursday is from the living clean and Fridays is random topic selection. Also we'll be giving away literature to anyone who needs it!

- •Filling the Void:
- •Goodfellas in Recovery: The group continues to carry the message, averaging 15-25 men at every meeting, rent is paid, and always seeking new members and Trusted Servants. We are staying at the Cape SalusCare building despite confusion caused by their decision to limit meeting space. In Loving Service, Phil

Hot Topic:

- meeting on 3/30 will be a speaker meeting
- In the Solution
- •It Works:
- •Just For Today: Group is doing amazing. The message is being carried.
- •Keeping it Clean: Wednesday is a basic text study where we have a speaker share on a step, and Thursday is a beginner's topic meeting where we have newcomers share and then Old-Timers share afterwards. Thursday meeting Needs Support with people with time. ILS. Steve H.
- •Last Stop:
- •Late Night Recovery:
- •Lehigh On Recovery: All is well at Lehigh On Recovery and we do not need anything at this time.
- •Live and Let Live:
- •Lost Dreams Awakened: Our group has had low to medium attendence. Between our literature order and our donation for our meeting space, we had no money left over to donate to area but we foresee this to change moving forward.

Thanks Nick B

- •New Beginnings:
- •New Hope: The group has changed its format, we are now a literature study reading from the

NA basic Text, and the It Works, How and Why covering a step and a tradition each month. We need

the support of members of the fellowship who have reasonable lengths of clean time, solid recovery,

and experience for our group that is still predominantly newcomers. We continue to carry the

message of recovery to addicts, especially to the newcomer.

•Not Quite There Yet: All is well and the message is being carried. We would like to thank the area for the support we received from members with experience in the past few weeks and would ask that you keep coming back!

Thanks for letting me serve, Nick H

- •On Solid Ground:
- •Rainbow Group:
- •Saturday Night Live: All is well with the group, JP and Tyler MC both celebrate 1 year on April 27th!
- •Shot of Hope: Meeting attendance is up, the N.A. Message is being carried, the rent is paid, and there's a lot of willingness in the group.

 A Shot of Hope

 Kim M.
- •Sick As Our Secrets:
- •Sisters Journey: Sistas is now successfully moved into The Freedom Clubhouse in Fort Myers. Our first meeting March 9 had 4 new homegroup members: Annette B, Anna M, Lisa G. & Amanda. Jules, Chair/GSR, Kendra L, Alternate Chair/Treasurer, Mel, Debra S, HG members. Celebrating in March: Lisa G., 1yr, Kendra L., 2yrs, Jules S., 8yrs. We're so grateful to Andrea & Rob R. for allowing us to make Freedom Clubhouse Sistas' new home to continue to spread the message of Recovery.
- •Stepping it Up: Stepping It Up Group Is taking place. We are in an area between Naples and Ft. Myers where there are few Mtgs
- •The Last Stop:
- •The Truth Will Set You Free:
- •The Ultimate Weapon:
- •Together We Can:
- Under Construction:
- •We Do Recover:

•Women Do Recover:

Announcements:—None

Motion To Close: Steve H. (Keeping it Clean)

Meeting closed at: 12:05 p.m.

Next Area Service meeting will be Sunday April 14, 2019 at 11 a.m.

HOME GROUP ACTION ITEMS:

1. Activities chair position is open.