



Greater Albuquerque Area Service Committee of
Narcotics Anonymous

Minutes

September 14, 2013

Grace Church

6901 San Antonio NE

Albuquerque, NM 87122

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Opening

Mark (Chair) called to order at: 10:00 am

~20 Addicts Present

~15 GSR's Present

Service Prayer from Basic Text:

Serenity Prayer: All

NA Traditions read by: Bob G

NA Concepts read by: Greg I

New (Alt) GSR's

• Greg I. (TLC)

• Robert H. (MWBR) alt.

• Jack B. (SNL)

Roll Call

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Name
	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X				Chair (Mark G)
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	X				Vice-Chair (Brian T)
	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				Secretary (Alex H)
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				Treasurer (Michael L)
	V	V	X	V	X	V	V	V	V				Assistant Treasurer (vacant)
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A				Historian (Laura B)
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				RCM-1 (Chris G)
	X	X	A	X	X	A	X	X	X				RCM-2 (Richard M)
	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	A				Literature (Shelly M)
	X	X	X	X	X	V	V	X	X				Activities (Basil)
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				Communications (Amber D)
	A	X	A	A	X	X	X	X	X				Phonelines (Terry R)
	V	X	A	X	X	L	X	X	V				Hospitals & Institutions (Rand G)
	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	A	V				Outreach ()
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				Public Relations (Ron H)
1.	X	X	A	X	A	X	X	X	X				A life of its Own (ALOIO) (Derrick)
2.	A	A	A	A	A	A	X	X	X				Addict Like Me (ALM) (Mindy)
3.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				Addicts Only (AO) (Ricardi M)
4.	A	A	A	X	X	A	X	A	A				Basic Group (BA) (Marco C)
5.	X	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X				Breakfast Club (BC) (Alexis)
6.	A	A	A	X	A	A	A	A	A				Combined Gallup Groups (GG) (Laura V)
7.	A	X	A	A	X	X	X	X	X				Coming Home to Unity (CHU) (Henrietta C)
8.	A	X	A	A	A	X	X	A	A				Desire to Stop (DTS) (Denise L.)
9.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	A				Experience, Strength, and Hope (ESH) (Seth S)
10.	X	X	X	A	X	X	A	X	X				Happy, Joyous, and Free (HJF) (Joey A)
11.	--	--	--	--	X	X	A	A	A				Jemez Mountain Serenity (JMS) (Michele)

12.	X	X	A	A	X	X		A	X			Journey of Recovery (JOR) (Wayne)
13.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			Just for Thursday (JFT) (Noreen)
14.	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	X			La Cura (LC) (Christine G)
15.	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	X			Let It Go (LIG) (Jess)
16.	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	X			Living Clean the Journey Continues (Sam)
17.	X	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X			More Will be Revealed (MWBR) (Jeff G)
18.	X	X	X	X	A	A	X	X	X			Never Alone (NAL) (Natalie)
19.	X	X	X	?	X	X	X	X	X			Options (OPT) (Robert)
20.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	A			Rainbow of Recovery (ROR) (Joseph S.)
21.	A	A	A	A	X	X	A	A	X			Shelter From the Storm (SFTS) (Lilly)
22.	X	A	X	X	X	A	X	X	X			Sunday Nite Live (SNL) (Jack B)
23.	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	A	X			Surrender to Win (STW) (Nick H)
24.	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X			The Blue Room (TBR) (Andrea C)
25.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			The Young And the Dopeless (TYATD) (Noah)
26.	X	X	X	?	A	X	X	X	X			TLC Beginners (TLC) (Greg I)
27.	A	A	A	X	A	A	A	A	A			Wake up Call (WUC) (Mike R)
28.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			We Never Had it so Good (WNHISG) (Bob G)
29.	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A			What Can I Do (WCID) (LouAnn P)
30.	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	X	A			Why Be High (WBH) (Lou B)
31.	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	X	X			Women Rise & Recover (WRR) (Gigi)

30 Groups

13 Quorum (over ½ of Active Groups) to conduct business

24 Active Groups

17 for over 2/3 vote

6 Inactive Groups

Minutes Approval

August Minutes – Approved with RCM I section correction

Administrative and Subcommittee Reports

Chair:	No written report. Please arrive on time. Meeting starts at 10:00 a.m.
Vice Chair:	no written report
Secretary:	no written report
Historian:	no written report
RCM 1:	no written report
RCM 2:	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> GAASC RCMII 9/14/13 </div> <p>Last area minutes reflect incorrect report for RCM II (was previous report). Region is seeking a secretary. Region tax filing is getting closer, books have been straightened out. RCM position is open for our area. Albuquerque & Bosque areas are NOT counted together as one at Region. The count for areas at region has also not changed. Albuquerque has not regularly been making donations to region; we have been simply paying the amount of the regional phone line which this body agreed on last year. Northern NM: Fundraising event for our 2014 annual RGRCA Come join us for a fun day FALL FUN JAM! Food Music Speakers Place: La Canova Picnic Grounds, Verlarde, NM Saturday Sept. 21, 2013, Time: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm For Information or Directions call 505-901-9357 505-901-9357 The RGRCA XXV Entertainment/Fundraising subcommittee presents... Spaghetti Dinner & Dance Fundraiser for the 2014 Convention @ The Christ Lutheran Church 1701 Arryo Chamiso rd. Santa Fe, N.M. \$5.00 Admission fee (Newcomers 90 days or less free admin.) Speaker Jam D.J. / Music Auction/Raffle of N.A. memorabilia please bring favorite side dish. Any questions call (505) 316-6015 (505) 316-6015 Pecos Valley: Recovery ROCKS! Pecos Valley Area Roundup in Roswell. Join us for a weekend of workshops, speakers, dances, potlucks and a great time! Friday 6PM Potluck Dinner 7PM Speaker Meeting Patty from Santa Fe 8PM (after meeting) FLASHBACK 80's Party Saturday 9AM Morning Meditation Meeting 10:30AM Workshop: If You Want What We Have 12PM *Sack Lunch & Workshop: Sponsorship (*Sack Lunch must be purchased with registration) 1:30PM Workshop: It's a Family Disease 3PM Workshop: The 12 Traditions 4:30-6PM BREAK 6PM Potluck Dinner 7PM Speaker Meeting</p>

8PM Dance

Sunday

9AM Morning Meditation Meeting

10:30AM Brunch & Speaker Meeting Danielle & Kelly from Roswell

Next regional meeting: Grace Church Albuquerque 9/21/13 @ 1pm.

ALL ARE WELCOME

Thank you,

Rich

Treasurer & Assistant

1.41 region 0.71 world holding money for this month, will roll into next month's donation checks.

Treasurer:

	<u>July 2013</u>	<u>August 2013</u>	<u>September 2013</u>
<u>Start Balance</u>	\$790.37	\$1,251.86	
<u>End Balance</u>	\$1,251.86	\$1,595.80	
<u>NAWS Donation</u>	\$0.00	\$0.71	
<u>Rio Grande Region Donation</u>	\$0.00	\$1.41	
<u>Calculated Prudent Reserve</u>	\$1,597.42	\$1,583.80	
<u>Prudent Reserve Deficit</u>	-\$345.56	\$14.12	

Activities:

Spaghetti Dinner October 12, Convention, EPC 4-8

Sept. 7th start at noon end at 1pm. Basil, Josephine & Christine. We discussed the outcome of the two events. Unity Day & Labor Day picnic.

Unity Day + \$76.00 7th tradition - \$25.00 Phydo gas
 + \$122.00 raffle -\$10.00 Josephine had cake made
 +53.51 bake sale = \$35.00
 = \$251.51
 total + \$216.51

Labor Day + \$200.00 area -\$34.34sams
 +\$40.00 7th -\$31.17walmart
 +\$48.50 drinks -\$2.13smiths
 = \$288.50 -\$6.00ice
 -\$3.21fam dollar
 -\$107.88potties
 -\$4.94store
 = -\$179.79
 total + \$108.71

Bringing back to area \$125.22 + \$200.00 we started with = \$325.22

We also have 160 waters, 96 sodas & 80 juices left over. We would like to thank all who donated food, money & time.

Activities would like to have a fund raiser on October 12th for the up coming convention. we will raffle of items that region has offered us.

It will be spaghetti dinner plates will cost \$4.00 witch includes spaghetti, salad & bread. not sure yet if drinks will be sold separately or included. It will be held at EPC from 4-8pm. We are asking area for \$50.00 to help with purchase of food needed for this? Activities hopes to return the money. We will be having a meeting on Sept. 26th @

6pm @ Josephine's house should this event be approved.
 We are in the process of hoping to build a committee of responsible & committed members to activities. We are also looking at different way's to handle picnics in way of how they are being conducted (time to eat, parks, cooking etc...) At this late picnic it was an eye opener. (will try to explain.)
 we talked about Halloween dance. On Thursday the 31st 6-10pm DJ fun finger food potluck. Looking for location.

Thank You for letting us be of service:)

H&I:	<p>The H&I member are doing a fantastic job carry the message of Hope! MDC has asked our women to come back to the reopened ATP pod and 3 or perhaps more have committed thanks so much. Also Desert Hills has asked us to carry another meeting in on I believe Thursday. Derek the panel leader thinks we can commit to perhaps 1 week a month and if we get more volunteers maybe more. We will be discussing that This coming Monday at the Frontier restaurant at 6pm. If you won't to help carry the message show up and get plugged in !</p> <p>With gratitude and enthusiasm</p> <p>Rand</p>
Outreach:	no written report
Phonelines:	<p>For August 47 calls received,12 messages left. I.L.S., Terry</p>
Public Relations:	<p>* My term is up today. Reviewed our strategic framework and plan to carry it forward. Christopher G. is our nominee for PR chair. Strong core of about 6 members with others stopping in from time to time.</p> <p>* We did hear back from the BLM and forwarded that to Alex to get to you. I believe we can go forward with plans to use any of their campgrounds in the future, but need to follow their rules very closely and follow to the letter whatever we agree to. They verified that we did pay them for the use of the pavilion.</p> <p>* Current goal: reestablish contact with Del Norte high school to look into their plan of getting a meeting on their campus this year.</p> <p>* Current goal: Reached out to Sandoval County drug court and no response, so we're revisiting that and will be making more contacts.</p>
Literature:	no written report
Comm.:	<p>Communications will now be printing September- October, October- November, etc on schedules so that they always appear current on the literature racks.</p> <p>We now have an announcements page on the website. Go to riograndena.org, click on area pages, click on Albuquerque/Bosque and the announcements will be on the right side of the page. As always email me (AmberD1119@gmail.com) if you'd like announcements or events added to the web page.</p>

Group Reports

A life of its Own	The facility where we meet has asked that no cigarette smoking and no vaping be done on property. Please do so across the street. Thank you! Other than that, our meeting is going well. We carry a strong and warm message of recovery.
Addict Like Me	The group is doing well. And we're going to bring back Candlelight meeting every last Wednesday of the month, starting this month.
Addicts Only	Having NA 60 th B-day tonight. Still not signing cour papers for the next month.
Basic Group	no written report
Breakfast Club	no written report
Coming Home to Unity	We have had an influx of court order who are participating weekly. We would like to invite those NA members who have more recovery time to share their Experience, Strength, and Hope to the Newcomer. Thanks. We also need women sponsors.
Desire to Stop	no written report
Experience, Strength, and Hope	no written report
Gallup Groups	no written report
Happy, Joyous, and Free	We are still getting that young newcomer crowd. Se we welcome them as we should, letting them know its okay not to use. Just sharing with them. So we just keep doing what we do. Showing up, being a proud member of the NA fellowship!
It's Never Too Late	no written report
Jemez Mountain Serenity	We are still hanging in. Had a great group of people come up a few weeks ago. Great meeting & great fellowship! Still just myself and one other on occasion. Bills are paid and plenty of key tags on hand!!! P.S. I have 21 months clean today - YEA GOD! Michele
Journey of Recovery	We're not doing good. We're going back to doing Speaker Meeting the end of each month and need speakers. We get a lot of young women and would like women with clean time to be sponsors.
Just for Thursday	no written report
La Cura	Averaging 44 addicts per meeting. Group conscience: Vapors please sit in back ☺. \$54.14 donation to Area this week.
Let it Go	Our group is doing well.
Living Clean the Journey Continues	The meeting is doing well. We appreciate continued high attendance while we settle in to our new format. Thanks to everyone for your support!
More Will Be Revealed	All's well.
Never Alone	no written report
Options	no written report

Rainbow of Recovery	no written report
Shelter From the Storm	Strong core members w/over 100 years combined recovery. We are frequently visited by recovery house groups. Our expenses at the group level are basically covered by the 10 core members and are unable to contribute to Area.
Sunday Nite Live	no written report
Surrender to Win	Saturday at 5 is a great time for a meeting! Great topic pickers, open sharing topic discussion. Event: pot-luck dinner, Oct. 5, more details later.
The Blue Room	no written report
The Young And the Dopeless	no written report
TLC Beginners	no written report
Together We Can	no written report
Wake up Call	no written report
We Never Had it so Good	Effective now, we no longer have a sign language interpreter at our meeting. Current meeting schedule will incorrectly state that we do. We are seeking a replacement. If don't find one, we'll formally request a schedule change for Oct's schedule. If we do find one, schedule will not change. We will not be receiving the \$80 from Area this month. Thnx. BobG
What Can I Do	no written report
Why Be High	no written report
Women Rise & Recover	no written report

Guideline Requirements

See GAASC Area Guidelines

Break:	11:25	Return from Break at:	11:40
Call for motions:	11:40	GSRs Present:	22

Elections

Nominee: Christopher G.		Position: Public Relations	
Clean Date: 8/9/2001	Nominate By: PR Subcom	Second By: Sam S (LCJC)	
Do you have a Home Group:			yes
Do you have working knowledge of the NA 12 steps, traditions, and concepts:			yes
Have you been removed from office at the GAASC in the last six months:			no
Are you currently a GSR or do you currently hold another GAASC position:			no
passed	For: 22	Against: 0	Abstaining: 0

Nominee: Alex H.		Position: Secretary	
Clean Date: 7/5/2007	Nominate By:	Second By:	
Do you have a Home Group:			yes
Do you have working knowledge of the NA 12 steps, traditions, and concepts:			yes
Have you been removed from office at the GAASC in the last six months:			no
Are you currently a GSR or do you currently hold another GAASC position:			yes
passed	For: 22	Against: 0	Abstaining: 0

Nominee: none		Position: Outreach	
Clean Date:	Nominate By:	Second By:	
Do you have a Home Group:			
Do you have working knowledge of the NA 12 steps, traditions, and concepts:			
Have you been removed from office at the GAASC in the last six months:			
Are you currently a GSR or do you currently hold another GAASC position:			
	For:	Against:	Abstaining:

Nominee: Tucson		Position: RCM2	
Clean Date: 1/1/2010	Nominate By: Richie	Second By: Derek	
Do you have a Home Group:			yes
Do you have working knowledge of the NA 12 steps, traditions, and concepts:			yes
Have you been removed from office at the GAASC in the last six months:			no
Are you currently a GSR or do you currently hold another GAASC position:			no
passed	For: 21	Against: 0	Abstaining: 0

Upcoming Elections

December

- Area Chairperson
- Vice Chairperson
- Treasurer

January

- Activities
- H&I
- Communications

Old Business

Mark spoke with Jeff about payment arrangements. He said he would like to pay monthly.

Ad Hoc committee meetings: The inventory ad hoc is done. Last month, the suggestions that we came up with at ASC went out to GSRs. I have paper copies and will email that back out again.

The membership survey ad hoc is still on hold. More on that later.

New Business

Motion # 1

Made by:	Ricardi (AO)	Second by:	Derek (ALOIO)
Motion:	Ask Region to contact Answer NM to see if we can get a reduced rate for Region phone lines and to evaluate the services we do receive and either utilize them or remove them.		
Intent:	To be financially responsible.		
Discussion:	This is just to ask Region to ask ANM about the cost of the phone lines.		
passes	For: 15	Against: 1	Abstaining: 4

Motion # 2

Made by:	Chris G.	Second by:	Noah L.
Motion:	Albuquerque area donate a total of \$200 a month to Region for the length of the phone line contract (it's a month to month contract - so for this month)		
Intent:	To pay our bills		
Discussion:			
	For: 19	Against: 0	Abstaining: 1

Group Announcements

- Ⓝ **Never Alone** – First Saturday of the month we have a speaker.
- Ⓝ **Coming Home to Unity** – We have had an influx of court order who are participating weekly. We would like to invite those NA members who have more recovery time to share their Experience, Strength, and Hope to the Newcomer. Thanks. We also need women sponsors.
- Ⓝ **We Never Had it So Good** – No longer has a sign language interpreter.
- Ⓝ **Life of It's Own** – Last Sunday of the month is speaker meeting and potluck breakfast, 10:30 a.m.
- Ⓝ **Coming Home to Unity** – We are getting a lot of newcomers. We could use some support.
- Ⓝ **Journey of Recovery** – We are getting a lot of newcomers. We could use some support and Speakers (Tuesday Nights at EPC).
- Ⓝ **Surrender to Win** – Potluck, “Sir Red or Green to Win,” October 5th.
- Ⓝ **La Cura** –
 - Speaker jam the last Thursday of the month with refreshments. Coffee now served at every meeting. Actively seeking home group members.
 - convention fundraiser with Convention Program and Fundraising, potentially 9/26 – a two-hour Speaker Jam! Speakers from around region! Spread the word. Possibly cheap plates of food and opportunity to register for convention.
- Ⓝ **Jemez Mountain Serenity** – Meeting moved from Monday at 7pm to Thursday 7pm. Still at the Jemez Springs Presbyterian Church.
- Ⓝ **Breakfast Club** – Anniversary celebration: “99 cent all you can eat pancakes” for each meeting (Saturday 9:00 am) in September. Please come and join us and bring your stomach.
- Ⓝ **Sunday Night Live** – Sunday, September 22, 5:15 is our 32nd Anniversary celebration. We are having potluck and pizza, please bring side dishes.

Area Announcements

- Ⓝ Region needs a Phone Line Chair and Secretary.
- Ⓝ Albuquerque Area needs an Outreach Chair.
- Ⓝ Upcoming Elections:
 - **December:** Area Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer
 - **January:** Activities, H&I, Communications
- Ⓝ Email Amber about any ideas for an Area newsletter.
- Ⓝ Check the Regional Website, Albuquerque page has an Announcement Page. Go to riogrande.org.
- Ⓝ Western Service Learning Days XXVII – a Narcotics Anonymous Service Conference, October 25 – 27, 2013. Hilton Los Angeles Airport 5711 Century Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90045, (800) 445-8667, Group Code WSLD. www.todayna.org/wslld

RGRCNA XXV Fundraisers:

- Ⓝ Frito Pie Fiesta Friday; September 6 @ 6:22/hosted by the ‘Walk In Balance’ meeting in Santa Fe @ St. Francis Cathedral/Crispin Hall
 - Speakers, Frito Pies, and fellowshiping.
 - This group has offered to donate some of the money raised at this event to the fundraising committee. Thank you to the ‘Walk In Balance’ meeting!
- Ⓝ ‘Addicts Only’ hosts NA’s 60th Anniversary; Saturday Sep.14-Potluck @ 6, Speakers @ 7, Games/Auction/Raffle @ 8:30 (Albuquerque-Silver & Yale)
 - Committee decided that this will be the first official fundraising event!
 - Soda and water will be sold and those proceeds will be sent to world. All other proceeds (auction, raffle, merchandise) will be given to the fundraising committee!
 - Committee decided that this fundraiser will be ½ auction, and ½ raffle.
 - Committee decided that we will reach out to Nathan from Abq. to lead the auction.

- 🍷 Fun Fall Jam; Saturday Sep. 21-10:00a.m./5:00p.m. @ La Canova Picnic Grounds, Verlarde, NM
 - Food, Music, and Speakers!
 - Tickets-\$5.00
 - George stated to Alex from Espanola that if they need any funds for the event to report back to him with a budget list & the RCC can assist.
 - Discussion about tickets being sold came up; there will be tickets sold in advance and also @ the gate.
 - Laura asked for the possibility of some tickets given to a trusted servant to be sold in Abq.
 - *It is decided that George M. will get tickets from Alex, and will meet up with Basil to hand them off for sale in Abq.

- 🍷 Spaghetti Dinner & Dance; Saturday Sep.28-5:00/11:00p.m. @ Christ Lutheran Church in Santa Fe
 - Dinner, dancing, speakers, auction, and raffle! Please bring favorite side-dish!
 - Admission \$5.00 @ the door (Newcomers-90 days or less are free)
 - All proceeds will go to fundraising committee!
 - Writing up budget for supplies needed and will reply back to RCC.

- 🍷 Recovery ROCKS! Pecos Valley Area roundup in Roswell; October 11-13
 - Feel of a mini convention! Workshops with speakers, dances, potlucks, meditation meetings, and fellowshiping!!
 - 80% of funds will be donated to fundraising committee!
 - Save the Date!! Sasha from Roswell (and all of sub-committee!) asks for groups to come and support!
 - Sasha asked for the fundraising committee to hold a fundraiser. Possibly Saturday will be an auction, and Patty has offered to collect funds for the fundraiser.
 - George stated that if they need help with funds, to let him know and give a budget list.

Good of the Fellowship

Daniel: Never Alone needs group level positions open. Snide comments are unnecessary; we're here for business.

Tucson: Our home group has no problem sending money to the Area. It all has to do with staying clean.

Derek: Please come tonight from 6 – 10. Come have fun. Desert Hills needs a meeting.

Christine: Please pick up your cigarette butts. Do not throw them on the ground. Put them in the trash.

Greg: One of the groups I go to announces their financial needs at their meetings and

Vanessa: Please put upcoming elections on the Area Announcement page. (Amber will do that)

Mark: Maybe next month someone might consider making a motion for CBDM.

Jack: This is my second Area and I always feel uplifted and inspired. I would like the motions to be a little more informative.

Natalie: I enjoyed today. Never Alone needs support. We need speakers also.

Jess: Good meeting.

Sam: Good meeting.

Nick: Sorry I was late, and I'll quit texting.

Andrea: I'm confiscating Nick's phone.

Christopher: If you feel like you would like to represent NA to the public please come to the PR meetings, 4th Sat of the month 1:30 at Annapurna.

Amber: PR starts with the individual, like picking up our cigarette butts.

Subcommittees

- Ⓝ Hospitals & Institutions meets the Monday after Area at 6:00 pm at Frontier Restaurant 2400 Central Ave. SE
- Ⓝ Public Relations meets at Annapurna Restaurant, corner of Silver and Yale, 1:30, 4th Saturday of the month.
- Ⓝ Literature meets the 1st Saturday of the month at 10 am at Starbucks 8100 Wyoming Blvd. NE
- Ⓝ Activities meets the 1st Saturday of the month at 12 pm Annapurna Restaurant, corner of Silver and Yale
- Ⓝ Outreach meets the 1st Saturday of the month at 10 am at Frontier Restaurant 2400 Central Ave SE
- Ⓝ Phonelines contact Phonelines chair for meeting place and time.
- Ⓝ Contact Communications Chair for information.

Meeting Adjourned 1 p.m.
Next GAASC meeting is October 12, 2013 at 10 am @
Grace Church 6901 San Antonio NE,
Albuquerque, NM 87122