# **Northshore Area of Narcotics Anonymous**

# **Area Service Committee 8/23**

20th Aug 2023 / 3:00 PM / TRUTH 180

# ROLL CALL.

Administrative Committee and Subcommittees [9/10].

Chairperson	Toby M.	Present	Tobiasmajoria83@gmail.com
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Secretary	Rachel S.	Present	rrrachelduckworth@gmail.com
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ASR	Ronnie P.	Present	sirrpope@yahoo.com
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P.R. Chair	Matt B.	Present	Mbanta123@gmail.com
Policy Chair	Shannon B.	Present	mollie88.sb@gmail.com
H&I Coordinator	Carolyn G.	Present	cfgiacona@gmail.com

# **Group Service Representatives [7/13].**

1 = present, 2 = absent, 3 = inactive, 4 = written report submitted

Bogalusa House of Recovery	INACTIVE	3	,	
*Get Real Northshore	GSR-Melissa B. ALT-Shirley C.	1/4		melissaberard28@yahoo.com purpleshirley14@gmail.com
Lifetime	GSR-Chad M. ALT-Emily S.	2		cdmoore3579@gmail.com xeashuff@yahoo.com
*New Attitudes	GSR-Charles W. ALT-Charles W.	1/4		combatcontrol1987@gmail.com
New Life	GSR-Reuben W. ALT-	1/4		rfwt1964@yahoo.com
*Rising Star	GSR-Patricia D. ALT-	1/4		patriciaduggins123@gmail.com N/A
*Serenity	GSR- ALT-Matt B.	1/4		N/A mbanta123@gmail.com
Spirituality in the Wilderness	INACTIVE	3		
We Do Recover	GSR-Bob F. ALT-	2		rfree64498@gmail.com
Second Chances	GSR-Mickey Joe M.	2		Mickeyjm74@gmail.com
Clean and Serene	GSR-Caroline R. ALT-Carolyn G.	1/4		crsmitherman@gmail.com cfgiacona@gmail.com
Freedom to Change	GSR-Malysa W. ALT-	2		1malysa@gmail.com N/A
*Spiritual Ninjas	GSR-Andrea D. ALT-Chris. F	1/4		andreadennison71@gmail.com frick3y@gmail.com

<u>NOTE:</u>Groups marked with (\*) have voting rights for following NSANA ASC. \*Voting rights must be present for the last 2 ASC meetings.

# Call for Ouorum.

# 51% of Voting Participation of Groups with Voting Rights.

Quorum was met for the Aug ASC meeting which needed 6 GSR's with voting rights present. We had 6 GSR's present with voting rights at that meeting, we will need 6 GSR's with voting rights to meet Quorum in Oct ASC meeting.

# Reports.

# Secretary's Report.

I sent out the minutes on the 27th of June and in that same email I attached flyers for NA events and Conventions happening within the next few months.

Accepted by: Charles W. 2nd by: Ruben W.

#### Initial Treasurer's Report.

Current balance:  $\frac{$2,507.39}{}$  which is including the prudent reserve of \$1,440. Minus the PR and the starting balance is  $\frac{$1,067.39}{}$  Accepted by: Ruben W. 2nd by: Patricia D.

#### GSR's Reports.

#### Get Real Northshore

Hello everyone, I'm Melissa and I am an addict. The Get Real Northshore home group meets three days a week. Sunday night 7 PM at North Shore Catholic Center, Mondays at 7 PM at Saint Timothy's church and Wednesday night 7 PM at truth 180. We have an average attendance of 13 addicts. We have Celebrations on Aug 27th Amber, Roz, Trent, & Dreux. We have a donation of \$150 to Area In Loving Service, Melissa B.

### Lifetime

N/A No report was submitted.

#### **New Attitudes**

My name is Charles and I am an addict. New Attitudes group meets 7 nights a week at Open Arms Ministries Lutheran Church, 1340 8th st Slidell. We meet every night at 730pm with the exception of Wednesday being at 8pm. We are currently averaging 30 addicts per meeting. We have a donation of \$441.75 this month for Area. This month's celebrations will be Aug 28th Amanda A & Ray L, with 1 year, Whitney E & Evan C with 18 months, Cesar G & Randy F with 2 Years. There will not be a speaker meeting in September which is normally the 1st saturday of the month. Thank you Charles W.

**New Life**- Hello Family, My name is Ruben and i'm an addict. New life group of NA in Bogalusa at Westside Emmanuel BC 1107 West 9th St. is doing pretty good. We are averaging about 7 addicts a meeting. We added an extra day per week so it is now on Mondays Tuesdays and Fridays starting at 7pm We do have a donation of \$100 for Area. In loving service Ruden W.

#### Rising Star

Hello Family my name is Patricia, I am an addict. We meet on Tuesday and Friday at 7:30pm at The Way Christian Center on 45418 Durbin rd Hammond. We are averaging about 6 people on Tuesday and 11 addicts on Fridays. We also have a \$75 donation for Area. August 25th Ron D. celebrating 19 years. Gumbo

Cook off is being held on No 18th form 130 to 530pm Thank you for allowing me to be a trusted servant Patricia D.

#### Serenity

Hey Family, I'm Matt and I'm an addict. We meet at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at 707 Dakota St Hammond at 7pm on Sundays. We have an average attendance of 6 addicts and we have a \$50 donation for Area. We do not have any celebrations at this time. We could use the support at our meeting ILS Matt B.

We Do Recover- no report was submitted.

Second Chances-No Report Submitted

Clean & Serene- Hey yall im carolyn and i'm an addict. Clean and serene meets 3 times a week at the back porch in downtown covington, 414 New Hampshire st. We meet Tuesdays & Thursdays at 8pm for open discussion with an average attendance of 30 addicts. We also meet on Sundays for a book study which is available on zoom as well and average about 11 addicts in person and 4 virtual. The first Tuesday of each month is our speaker night on 9/5 James S will be sharing his story and 10/3 Ryan L will be in town from new roads to share his. We have a \$50 donation for Area today.

Freedom to Change-No Report Submitted

#### Spiritual Ninjas

Hello everyone my name is Andrea and I am an addict. Spiritual ninjas meet on Sunday and Thursday at 6pm at 1449 Fremaux Ave Slidell la 70461. We have an average attendance of 9 addicts. We have a \$160 donation for Area & a \$200 donation for Region to go towards the Gumbo Cook off. We are going to have a friendsgiving, but unsure on an exact date at this time. Thank you in loving service Andrea D.

# Subcommittee Reports.

### Area Service Representative Report.

Hello ASC, I attended Region in June, which was hosted by us in the Northshore. I would like to say thank you to all that helped put on a great regional weekend. I am asking that Rachel send everyone a copy of RSC minutes, because they contain a lot of information that groups need. Also included in the RSC minutes is the resumes of the members nominated for regional positions. These need to be voted on before the beginning of Oct so I can carry the area vote to the next RSC on Oct 7th and 8th in Greater Baton Rouge. The minutes also show the regional positions still open. I again brought up the fact, the Northshore has not seen any benefit from the regional PR committee's work. Such as billboards or PSA's. We had formed an adhoc committee for the gumbo cook off. We decided it will be held Nov 18th at the Rising Star meeting location from 1:30 until 5:30. Any member that is willing to help set up, be there at 12pm. Also ask your home group if they would like to make a donation to the function, it would be great. All the contact info will be on the flyer. We also formed an adhoc committee to revise the regional guidelines. As soon as I get a copy, I will forward them to ASC. We voted to give the BOD permission to accept a bid for the 2024 regional convention, instead of having to bring it back to RSC. A Host Convention Committee was formed and positions were filled to get the convention going. A flyer for the next HCC was made and sent out. Anyone interested in being a part of the convention is welcomed. We need ideas for a theme. The only Motion that was

brought back to area's for groups to vote on. Votes on C.A.R. motions can only be casted by ASR/Alt ASR beginning with the CAR voting cycle. It passed, There was a grievance brought before the RSC. I will try to explain this to ASC. There was a nomination for the BOD: Pixie S. It was a tie vote, so the admin cast a vote to break the tie, She was voted down. I encourage the gsr's to read the RSC minutes, because there is way too much for me to include in this report. In Loving Service, Ronnie P

Ad Hoc Committee Report. No ad hoc committee at this time Hospital & Institutions Report.

# Hey Family, I'm an addict named Carolyn G. We are currently leading meetings at Townsend Recovery Center on Tuesday nights at 7pm and Thursday nights at FTC at 7pm. Our next focus will be reaching out to woodlake addiction recovery center in Bogalusa to see if there is any interest and availability for H&I there.We can also discuss bringing meetings into st

availability for H&I there.We can also discuss bringing meetings into st tammany jail and about the process to start NA in the jails, we can discuss this further today in the meeting thank you ILS Carolyn G.

This is the current schedule for H&I at this moment. Thursdays are at FTC and Tuesdays are at Avenues.

<u>Thurs</u>	<u>Panel</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Panel</u>	<b>Phone Numbers</b>
	<u>Leaders</u>	<u>Numbers</u>		<u>Leaders</u>	
1st WK			1st WK	Rachel S	
	Nicholas L			Chino	
2nd WK	Rachel S		2nd WK	0pen	
	Jason S			Kenny P	
3rd WK	0pen		3rd WK	Melissa B	
	Ruben W			open	
4th WK	Melissa B		4th WK	0pen	
	Ron D			Ronnie P	
5th WK	0pen	_	5th WK	Katy P	
	Matt B			Glenn P	
1 ALT	OPEN		1 ALT	OPEN	
2 ALT	OPEN		2 ALT	OPEN	

### Activities & Fundraisers Report.

Hello everyone, I'm Shirley and I am an addict. The Regional function on june 24th and 25th went very well especially saturday night function at the collab it was a blast thank you to everyone who showed up. Overall the northshore area spent about \$350 to hold this event. There was an attendance of 31 people. Our area gave me @200 to spend on food and drinks for the sat night function. I spent 138.27 so I am returning 61.73 back in funds not spent. We did not plan on asking for donations because most of the groups in the area wanted to donate. I did put a donation bucket near the food at the collab to pay back for the expenses for the food which collected 70 from it. Thank you to our speakers on service ronnie p nikki b and dani k. At this time our area is not planning anything else for this year. I spoke with Lee P who informed me that we should do a learning day on predatory behavior before we can make a PSA. I'm thinking we could either do it in late sept or early oct or maybe in Jan? Let me know yalls ideas. I am also looking forward to planning for the mardi gras ball in october. Thank you for everyone's support and love. ILS Shirley C.

### Public Relations Report.

Hey Family, I'm Matt and I'm an addict. The phone line and website are up and running. Please let me know if any meeting times or locations need to be changed. I am requesting to be reimbursed for 20.96 for the hosting fees for the website. Also the BR area has offered to share flyers form our area so please share them with me. ILS Matt B.

### Mailbox Report.

Toby M.-No mail at this time. New Mailbox address is PO Box 134 Robert LA and the mailbox was due in Aug 2023 which Toby M has paid so it is up to date.

# Updated Treasurer's Report.

Todays Unencumbered Funds	\$1,067.39
Group Donations	
Get Real Northshore	\$150
Lifetime	\$0
New Attitudes	\$441.75
New Life	\$100
Rising Star	\$75
Serenity	\$50
We Do Recover	\$0
Second Chances	\$0
Clean and Serene	\$50
Freedom to Change	\$0
Spiritual Ninjas	\$160
Donations Total:	\$1026.75
<u>Income</u>	
Returned Funds	\$61.73
Regional Function	\$70
Income Total:	\$131.73
<u>Expenses</u>	
Website	\$20.96
Rent	\$47.00
P.O Box	\$62.00
Expenses Total:	\$129.96
Updated Balance:	\$2,095.91
Prudent Reserve +(\$1,440):	\$3,535.91

# Old Business.

- Summer fun day was discussed about doing something in 2024 outside possibly at fontainebleau park. We talked about possibly doing Banner Wars for the summer fun event as well or just pushing that event further down into next year. keep in mind we have to start getting the Mardi gras Ball committee together so willingness to be of service would help. Also noted it was voted a yes to have the banner wars event in April.
- Policy still needs to update our PO BOX address in guidelines and there was discussion about updating it with world as well, which will need to be followed up on.

# New Business.

• Discussion on H&I to have Literature racks at Townsend where clients can see them. Possible to have in the cafeteria area where we do the H&I

meetings. It was mentioned we needed NA Binders with readings for the panel leaders Charles W. volunteered to make binders for all of the panel leaders to be able to hold on to to bring with them to H&I. We are having issues with NA members being called to come hold a meeting from Avenues. We do not hold H&I at Avenues, we only provide H&I at Townsend. It was recommended that we spread the word and bring back to our homegroups that we can not go by ourselves or outside of H&I to represent NA. It goes against our guidelines to do so.

- H&I to reach out to north lake who was interested in having H&I meetings
- Discussion on doing a Northshore area PSA the regional PSA is on the Northshore website for anyone to share.
- Discussion on doing a learning day before the end of the year in need of a topic. Topic that we had been suggested to do on Predatory Behavior but it was voted out at Area.
- Sub committees to meet if necessary at 2pm which includes A&F H&I and PR

# <u>Motions.</u>

- Motion Number 08-20-23-1: Maker: Toby M. 2nd: Jackie D. \*Money Motion\* MOTION: Reimbursement for Mailbox of \$62.00. INTENT: Paid for mailbox for the next year. PASSED
- 2. Motion Number 08-20-23-2: Maker: Matt B. 2nd: Ruben W. \*Money Motion\* MOTION: Hosting the website of \$20.96 INTENT: to carry the message. PASSED.

# Elections.

All Positions are open for nominations. We will have PR Chair open for next year.

# Bring back to Homegroups.

- GSR's please read the Regional Minutes for more clarity on the ASR's report, i attached to this email as well.
- Positions are open at Area for Nominations, PR Chair will be open. You must be at the next Area to be nominated and to be elected in Dec you must be present.
- Please vote on the nominations for Region whos resumes will be in the regional minutes attached. Please give your vote to ASR Ronnie P before oct area will not meet again in time if you do not give him your votes.
- Mardi Gras Sub Committee will be formed by the next area in oct. If anyone is willing to be of service please contact Shirley C. (her info is on the 1st page)
- Banner Wars Event to be in April 2024
- Discuss with your homegroups how important it is to not go into a treatment facility by yourself or with others to represent NA outside of H&I. If facilities call you to hold an NA meeting please give them the H&I Coordinators info as a point of contact, Carolyn G. her info can be found on the 1st page. At this moment we as an area only meet at FTC and Townsend Recovery Center if you are willing to be a part of H&I please speak with the H&I coordinator or a panel leader for more information all info can be found under H&I report as well.
- 2024 Region convention needs a committee and wants to know who is willing to help. Please contact Ronnie P (info in the minutes) for more

- info if you are interested. Please see Flyer for the Regional Committee mtg info on sept 10th via zoom.
- Anyone willing to help set up for the gumbo cook off you can come early at noon to the rising star home group.

# Treasurer's Closing Report.

Unencumbered Funds	\$2,095.91
<u>Donations</u>	
LRSC 20%	\$420.80
WSO 10%	\$210.40
SZF 10%	\$210.40
Donations Total:	\$841.60
Ending Unencumbered Balance:	\$1,254.19
Ending Balance+PR (\$1,440)	\$2,694.31

# **Upcoming Activities.**

- 2024 Region convention who is willing to help. Please contact Ronnie P for contact info if you are interested.
- Aug 25th @ Rising Star- Ron D. celebrating 19 years @730pm The Way Christian Church on 45418 Durbin rd Hammond
- Aug 27th @ Get Real Northshore Amber- Roz, Trent, & Dreux celebrating clean time @ 7pm, Catholic Center 4465 Highway 190 E, Covington
- Aug 28th @ New Attitudes- Amanda A & Ray L with 1 year, Whitney E & Evan C with 18 months, Cesar G & Randy F with 2 Years @730pm 1340 8th St Slidell Open Arms Church.
- <u>Sept 5th</u> @ Clean & Serene- Speaker night meeting James S. @8pm 414 New Hampshire st. Covington
- <u>Sept 10th</u> LRCNA Convention Committee Meeting held at 326 Broad St. Lake Charles LA 70601 or virtual MTG ID: 759-771-8322 PW:NA1983
- <u>Sept 16th</u> @ via zoom- Southern Zonal Form Topic basis of PR @1030am-1230pm please see flyer for more info
- <u>Sept 30th</u> @ New Attitudes- Celebration Meeting @730pm 1340 8th St Slidell Open Arms Church.
- Oct 3rd @ Clean & Serene- Speaker night meeting Ryan L. @8pm 414 New Hampshire st. Covington
- Oct 7th @ Lifetime Group- Brandon will be celebrating clean time @730pm All Saints Episcopal Church, 250 West Hickory St Ponchatoula
- Nov 18th @ Rising Star- Gumbo Cook off @130 5pm The Way Christian Church on 45418 Durbin rd Hammond see flyer for more info