

Brazos Valley ASC Minutes
July 5, 2009
Miracles Happen Group

****Next Area meeting is August 2nd hosted by Serenity Happens at 1:30 PM****

Meeting opened with Serenity Prayer at 1:45

On Service, Service Prayer and 9th Tradition were read by Lena

12th Tradition was read by Larry

12 Concepts were read by Eddie

Roll Call:

Chair – Present

Vice Chair – Present

Treasurer – Present

Literature – Present

Secretary – Present

RCM I – Absent w/o Notice

RCM II – Vacant

Activity – Present

H&I – Present

PI – Vacant

Visitors – Patric G, Courtney C, Judy, Larry, Mike

Reports

Treasurer: Printed report attached. Motion to accept by Tom, second by Robert; report accepted.

H&I: BVANA H&I currently carries meetings into BV Casa every Wednesday evening at 7:30,

into the Hamilton Unit the second and third Wednesday of each month and into the Pack Trustee Camp on Thursdays at 7:00 PM. TDCJ applications are available from Robin C.

Applications must be approved and orientation attended to attend TDCJ meetings.

Requirements for panel meetings in hospitals are three months to go into the facility and six months to share a clear NA message. H&I subcommittee meetings are on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 PM held at the Kettle restaurant in Bryan.

Literature: This month there were \$48 in literature sales. Tom turned this amount over to the Treasurer for deposit. Literature fund stays at the reserve amount of \$50.

Activity: Robin C. resigned as Activity Chair. There are no activities planned at this time.

Group Reports

Miracles Happen: Meet at United Methodist Church on Houston in Bryan on Tuesday and Thursday at 8:00 PM. Average attendance is 10 people. \$20 donation this month.

Keep it Simple: Meeting is held at St. Francis on Rock Prairie on Tuesday (Basic Text Study), Thursday (Step Study) and Friday (Beginners Meeting) from 6:00 – 7:00 PM. \$6.50 donation this month.

New Freedom: Meetings are in Caldwell on Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday beginning at 6:30 PM. This month's donation is \$50. We currently do not have a GSR but are still looking for one. Our group conscience is the last Sunday of the month. We are planning our anniversary celebration on December 5, 2009 and we are planning a group trip to Austin.

Navasota: Meetings are Monday (Road to Recovery) 8:00 PM, Wednesday (Hump Day) 8:00 PM, Wednesday (Spanish Speaking) 7:00 PM and Thursday (No Fear) at 7:00 PM. Average attendance is 12 people. This month's donation is \$20. Group conscience will be held on July 29th.

New Day: Meet at St. Thomas Episcopal Church on George Bush on Wednesday at 8:00 PM and Saturday at 6:00 PM. Usual meeting attendance is 2-6 people. This month's donation is \$10. Tina H. is the new GSR. Third Saturday of the month is speaker meeting.

Wandering Addicts: Meet at the Twin City Community Café at 420 N. Bryan in Bryan on Monday and Friday at 8:00 PM. Group conscience is the first Monday of the month. Meeting will be moving with the mission on July 13th to 410 N. Randolph in Bryan.

Hope without Dope: Meet at the All Saints Episcopal Church at 200 N. Travis in Cameron on Monday at 7:00 PM. Average attendance is 3 people and is in desperate need of support. Happy to be back in BVANA.

Serenity Happens: Meets Sunday at 4:00 PM, Monday and Tuesday at 9:30 PM, Wednesday at 8:00 PM, and Friday and Saturday candlelight meetings at 9:30 PM. Average attendance is 10 people. \$10 donation this month. Next group conscience is July 25th at 5:00 PM. Celebrating 3rd anniversary on July 12th from noon until 4:00 PM.

High on Life: Meets at 501 North 3rd St. in Temple everyday of the week at noon and at 8:00 PM with women's meetings on Tuesday and Thursday at 6:30 PM. Average attendance is 19 people. \$50 donation this month. We conducted a Chairperson's Workshop in June and our next activity is our Recovery in the Park "White" Party on July 25th. We would like to have an area unity day sometime in August. Our anniversary celebration will be the weekend of September 26th.

Old Business

Website: Still need current and correct meeting and contact information for the website. A notepad is being sent around to list information for the Secretary to send to the interim web-servant.

Positions: Activities Chair added to open list. Can positions be volunteered for? GSRs go to groups and come back with nominations.

Secretary: DeAngela sent letter to Lisa and it was returned “undeliverable”. Not able to reach via phone but will continue to try.

Capture the Banner: Question – Does BVANA have a logo? The short answer is yes but not in possession of it currently. It should be in the Secretary’s binder that is with Lisa. More discussion on Capture the Banner in New Business.

New Business

Capture the Banner: Will bring excitement and unity to the area. DeAngela made motion to move forward with the idea and Eddie seconded. Passed. There was discussion about whether there should be one area banner or group banners and if one banner who would get it first. It was suggested that if one banner it be made so it can be written on so each group could sign it when they capture it with the date and names of the group members to show a history of the banner. It was also suggested that the group with the lowest attendance rate be the first group to have the banner. Kevin (and another recovering addict) volunteered to design and donate a banner to area. Motion made to accept Kevin’s offer, motion seconded – passed. The logo will be one that was brought to area for review by Kevin with the state of Texas and a yellow rose.

Returning Groups: A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept High on Life back into BVANA. Hope without Dope has returned to the area after being MIA for a period of time.

Positions: Kevin W. from High on Life was nominated as Activities Chair. His qualifications are: Clean date 02-19-08, Home group positions – activities chair, secretary and GSR, has a sponsor and is working steps and traditions, never misappropriated NA funds, is very willing and eager to serve. Accepted as Activities Chair.

Eddie G. from High on Life volunteered to be RCM II. His qualifications are: Clean date 06-28-02, previous positions – GSR, GSRA, secretary, RCM I and II, never misappropriated NA funds, failed to fulfill policy chair commitment because his home group left the area. Accepted as RCM II.

Policy: There was much discussion about the current written policy and the fact that changes had been made that are not noted. This causes confusion to new members of the area that are sitting in on the ASC. A motion was made to create an ad hoc policy committee to bring the written policy up to date. The motion was seconded and accepted. Patric G. volunteered to chair the ad hoc committee and was accepted. His qualifications are: Clean date 10-29-00, positions held – area treasurer, HASO treasurer, HACNA treasurer, policy chair, and GSR, never misappropriated NA funds nor failed to fulfill a commitment.

Minutes: There was discussion about getting the minutes out in the mail so they will be in the GSRs hands before the ASC. This was not done for the June minutes due to the change in Secretarial position. Since the Secretary book with the mailing supplies is not back with the area yet, Jennifer will be reimbursed for the costs of mailing the July minutes so the GSRs will have them. To save on this cost, minutes will be emailed to anyone that provided an email address.

Area Unity Day: High on Life Group would like to put together an area unity day and is asking for volunteers and suggestions for a date – end of August or beginning of September. Discussion has been tabled until August ASC.

Tom has literature.

The 7th tradition basket was passed and \$25 was collected for Miracles Happen.

Meeting adjourned.