

**Brazos Valley ASC Minutes
February 7, 2010
Navasota Group**

****Next Area meeting is March 7th hosted by New Freedom Group at 1:30 PM****

Meeting opened with Serenity Prayer at 1:43 PM
 On Service was read by Robert W.
 Service Prayer read by Robert W.
 9th Tradition was read by Patric G.
 12 Traditions were read by Chris A.
 12 Concepts were read by Patric G.

Roll Call:

Administrative Board	Groups
Facilitator – Present	High on Life – Present
Co Facilitator – Vacant	Hope without Dope – Absent
Treasurer – Present	Keep it Simple – Present
Recorder - Present	Miracles Happen – Present
Literature – Present	Navasota – Present
RCM I – Present	New Beginnings – Absent without Notice
RCM II – Vacant	New Day – Absent without Notice
Activity – Vacant	New Freedom – Present
H&I – Vacant	Pole Benders – Dissolved
PI – Vacant	Serenity Happens – Absent without Notice
Visitors – Nash	Wandering Addicts - Absent without Notice

Recognition of New Groups: No new groups this month

January ASC minutes approved with changes.

Reports

Administrative Board:

Treasurer: Written report attached. Discussion about the fact that the current Treasurer has not been on the account to conduct business. Also there was discussion about not having a debit card in order to stay within policy. There was also discussion about changing policy to have only one signature on the checks instead of two. Patric will get with a current signer to get the signature card changed. Currently De’Angela and Deborah are signers so he can get with either one. Motion to accept the Treasurer’s report was made and second. A date was set for Patric to meet with a current signer – Saturday, February 13th at 10:00 AM.

RCM I: Convention is coming up. Eddie did not realize that our Area had to supply the food for the hospitality suite. Suggesting veggie trays, water, cold cuts and is asking for a donation of

\$200 and other suggestions. Was told we would need to be able to supply food for 60-80 people. Eddie is still looking for volunteers to work the room from 3-4 on Saturday. Next RSC is on February 13th in Austin.

Groups:

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. They are planning a Spring Fling fundraiser on April 17th to raise funds to build a fence around the yard behind their meeting house. A flier will be out soon.

Keep it Simple: Meets Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 6:00 PM with an average attendance of 2-3 people each meeting.

Miracles Happen: Meets at 600 Houston in Bryan on Tuesday and Thursday nights at 8:00 PM with anywhere from 7-20 people in attendance. They are planning an event and will have details at a later date.

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 at 201 Judson St. Average attendance is 8 people.

New Freedom: Meetings are held at the Freeman Community Center in Caldwell, TX on Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday at 6:30 PM. Average attendance varies by night from 12-25 people. Birthday night is the first Sunday of the month for the previous month's birthdays.

Sub-committees:

Literature: The last deposit was October 4th, 2009 for \$203.00. Sales since that time have totaled \$63.00 which is the current amount to be deposited. This leaves an operating amount of \$50.00 cash.

Old Business

Open Positions:

- Co-Facilitator
- RCM II
- H&I
- PI
- Activities
- Policy

No volunteers or nominations at this time.

Saturday Unity Meeting: Deborah spoke to one of the members of New Day and they would like to know a date. There was discussion as to whether this body should decide the date or leave it to the group to decide based on the group's schedule. This body is asking if there is another group that has a Saturday meeting that could host this meeting. It was also asked of Keep it Simple if they would be able to have a room on a Saturday to host. It was discussed that the lack of Saturday meetings in general is a problem for our area and is most likely a reason we

are losing members to the other fellowship. It was also asked of Miracles Happen to host the Unity Meeting.

H&I Discussion: There was a lot of discussion as to whether the facility that is currently part of HOTANA H&I should be taken by BVANA. It was finally agreed that this meeting be left to HOTANA.

Policy – Holding more than one position: Proposal was brought by a member from HOLGNA that policy be changed so that members can hold more than one position. This body agreed to make this change in the policy by removing sections 5D and 5F.

New Business

TBRCNA Hospitality Suite Donation: The requested amount was \$200 but it was suggested to give \$150. This body agreed on \$150.

Proposals:

Two signers changed to one brought by a member from HOLGNA – consensus reached; policy will be changed by removing section 7F.

Prudent reserve changed from \$750 to \$300 brought by a member from New Day – consensus reached; policy will be changed by updating section 7S.

Pie system for distribution of funds brought by a member from New Day – consensus reached; not a part of policy so no changes necessary.

Remove an error in policy on page 7 section 5J – consensus reached.

Groups Having Summer Functions: It was suggested that each group try to host a function for area members to attend. This will help to promote unity. It can also help struggling groups to grow. It was suggested that groups could team up and sponsor some functions. This topic was brought up more as a point of discussion. The functions will not be area functions therefore will not be funded or sponsored by area in any way other than member support.

The 7th tradition basket was passed and \$16 was donated to Navasota Group.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 PM. February 7, 2010

Treasurer's Report to the BVANA

Fellow servants,

I have prepared a Treasurer's Report and it is attached. It covers all of the activity from the last Treasurer's report which came out on November 1st, 2009. I have also included a report that is what one would look like if we decided to adopt the "PIE" system. This was discussed at the last Financial Subcommittee meeting. The following were the items that came from that meeting that, as far as I know, have not been decided upon:

- 1) The financial subcommittee would like the ASC to consider establishing a prudent reserve of \$300. Note: After further review of the ASC Guidelines (Section VII, S), this would require a change to the current policy which states that a prudent reserve of \$750 or three months of regular monthly expenses, whichever is greater is to be established.
- 2) The financial subcommittee would like the area to consider the use of a Pie system for the distribution and use of the ASC funds.
- 3) All other items were tabled for review and discussion due to a lack of time and participation.

I was instructed by the previous Treasurer that all I would need to get my name added to the checking account was the minutes showing me being elected Treasurer. I went to the bank on Thursday to get this taken care of and was informed that this was not the case. I also have to have one of the current signers on the account present there with me. We have a tentative appointment set to do this on February 15th. So, as of right now, I am not able to sign any checks. I would then need to get the RCM1 to meet me at the bank to get them added as an additional signer on the account.

I know that there is currently an ATM card on the account that the previous Treasurer used to pay bills that were unable to be paid by check. If it is okay with this body, and to be in compliance with current policy, I would like to get rid of this card. As a solution, I propose that I be allowed to pay bills that will not accept our current available methods of payment with my personal checking account, and then be reimbursed by the ASC by writing a check to myself.

Thank you for allowing me to serve,

Patric G.

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