



## Tampa FunCoast ASC Agenda November 12, 2011

### **Open meeting with Service prayer at 2:00 pm:**

God grant us knowledge that we may write according to Your Divine precepts. Instill in us a sense of Your purpose. Make us servants of Your will and grant us a bond of selflessness, that this may truly be Your work, not ours, in order that no addict, anywhere need die from the horrors of addiction.

**Readings:** Purpose and Function  
Service Meditation  
12 Traditions  
12 Concepts

**Welcome new attendees to ASC:**

**Welcome any new Groups to ASC:**

**Secretary's report: (5 min)**

**Open floor to GSR's with home group issues: (3 min each)**

**Open floor to anyone wishing to address the ASC: (3 min each)**

**Roll call:** Groups  
Sub-committee Chairs  
ASC officers

**LDO report: (5 min)**

**RCM report: (5 min)**

**Vice Chair report: (5 min)**

**Sub-committee reports: (5 min each)**

Activities  
Helpline  
H&I  
Newsletter  
Policy  
Public Relations  
Convention

FRCNA

**Announcements for the good of NA:**

**Recess:** (10 min)

**Roll Call:** to establish quorum

**Serenity Prayer:** to reflect on why we are here

**Pass the basket:** (7<sup>th</sup> Tradition)

**Treasurer's Report:**

**Old Business:**

**New Business:** (3 min per each discussion; cons and pros)

**Elections:**

**Regional Business:**

**Close the meeting with the Serenity Prayer**



## Tampa Funcoast ASC Minutes October 8, 2011

**Chair:** Deb C. (813) 352-4158  
**Vice Chair:** Chris M. (813) 601-2151  
**Treasurer:** Jessica G. (813) 505-6867  
**RCM #1:** Sheri S. (727) 271-1579

**Secretary:** Anna M. (813) 600-9911  
**Alt. Secretary:** Sylvia M.  
**Alt. Treasurer:** Kimbra (813) 516-6335  
**RCM#2:** Cy K. (813) 781-1699

**ASC opened at 2:00 pm by with the Service Prayer.**

**Readings:** *Purpose and Function:* Dan N.  
*Service Meditation:* Lisa C.  
*12 Traditions:* Matt Y.  
*12 Concepts:* Nikki T.

**Welcome new attendees to ASC:**

- Lisa C.
- Cheryl

**Welcome new groups to ASC:**

- None

**Secretary's Report:**

Hi, my name is Anna and I'm an addict. There is a sign-in sheet, announcement sheet as well as a contact list at the table to my left. If your group has elected a new GSR or if you did not receive your minutes this month please look at and update the contact list. Please indicate on the contact sheet whether you want your minutes mailed or not by writing in **MAIL** or **NO** in the far right column of the contact sheet. This is to insure that your group receives their minutes in a timely fashion. If you are a new Subcommittee Chair please be sure to update the contact sheet as well.

Also, located on the table to my left, there are event flyers, literature order forms, GSR report forms, meeting schedule change forms. There is also a box on the table for the GSR reports to be submitted. All meeting changes such as time or location can be put in the GSR report box as well. However, you also **must** fill out a meeting schedule change form so that it can be updated on the meeting schedules and on our website. If you have Motion Request form to turn in, please turn it in before the group or you will have to wait until the next ASC meeting for the new motion to be read on the floor.

The cost of printing the minutes last month was \$275.08. The following groups are excluded from voting today: **Hope After Dope, La Ultima Parada, Living Life, Midday NA, NA Speaker**

**Meeting, Oldtimers, Second Chance @ 7, Together We Can, and Women Stand United.** Quorum is set at 36 with 70 eligible voting groups in the area at this time.

If you have any questions, feel free to ask me during the break or after the close of business today. Please do not come up to me during area, as I will not be available to answer questions at that time. Thank you again for allowing me to serve.

Also I would like to thank the area for voting me in as your Secretary and I look forward to the year ahead.

In Loving Service, Anna M

**Open floor to GSRs with home group issues:**

- Lisa-Rise for Recovery- no longer meeting on Saturday and Sunday; meeting M-F at meeting place; In need of trusted servants

**Open Floor to Anyone Wishing to Address the ASC Floor:**

- Merchandise for sell from FACNA
- Kim-Women Do Recover- Spoke to Steve Rush at World Services. Closed events are not a matter of right or wrong. Tradition 1 is to promote unity. Activities purpose is to promote unity and fellowship. Perhaps there can be no more than 3 events that are for addicts.
- Taryn-
  - Women's Retreat Committee: making 2 baskets for 2 Spaghetti Dinner on Oct 14 (Women's Recovery Room) and Oct 18 (Women's Hope); requesting donations
  - A Women's Perspective-Last Thursday of month will be a male speaker; this month will be Relapse and Shame; looking for speakers for next month on Parenting
- Mark M.- gratitude for the area for his 3 years, couldn't get to where he is without everyone
- Don- Thank You for support of FACNA; awesome convention, great speakers, 1<sup>st</sup> time on committee and learned a lot; Thank You!
- Nancy W.- New GSR for Women's Hope; last month was first area as GSR and was distressed because is difficult to hear; shocked at disrespect and would like to humbly remind everyone to respect everyone and follow the concepts and traditions and remember why we are here.
- Fernando-Together We Can- motion 47 was ruled out of order and doesn't remember motion 46 and feels it should be ruled out of order
- Mark-Alt GSR for Sunset at Sunrise- concern that A Women's Perspective is doing a series on 13<sup>th</sup> stepping and predatory behavior; this not mentioned in literature so it may be an outside issue
- Kirk- There is a time for silence and a time for applause; Nancy thank you for bringing a respectful request for decorum. There a lot of people here that worked hard to put on convention and we need to applaud them
- Jennifer-Last area was disturbed at how motions went. Page 19 in guidelines it explains how to run a motion. Can we please look at page 19 and 20 when doing motions so it takes away peoples personal feelings
- Absences
  - FRCNA Rep- Ninnah R.: Good morning family. I am unable to come to Area Service today due to working out of town. This is not normal for me to work out of town on Saturday. Please excuse my absence. Our 1<sup>st</sup> FRCNA meeting not until Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>; therefore, I have no report. ILS-Ninnah **(EXCUSED)**
  - RCM #2-Cy K.: Please excuse my absence today 10/8/11. I am sick. Thank you, Cy **(EXCUSED)**
  - Alt. Secretary Nominee-Sylvia M: I am absent due to bronchitis. I would like to know if we can still vote in my absence or table the election to next month. ILS-Sylvia **(EXCUSED)**

- Vice Chair-Chris M.: Please excuse my absence on 10/8/11 due to an emergency. I was present at the audit and admin meeting but had to leave before ASC started. Sincerely your-Chris M (**EXCUSED**)

**Roll Call:** (attendance attached to the end of the minutes)

Voting Groups present at First Roll Call: 62

Voting groups present for the Second Roll Call: 58

Quorum (based on # of voting groups in the Area) established (prior to opening of ASC) at: 36

**LDO Report:**

Hello family my name is Ron and I am an addict. Last month's ending inventory was \$2302.17. This month's literature order is \$1782.62 with a 6% discount. I would like to thank Lynne the Alt LDO, Jimmy, Kim for helping to pull literature orders. Their help is greatly appreciated. Thank you for allowing me to be of service to the Tampa FunCoast. In loving service Ron H.

**RCM Report:**

Fellowship development' there is 10 groups with 1 on hold: Internet committee fielded questions re: Facebook page should be read only. Literature in Public Libraries-we need someone to contact a few local libraries to find out if that's possible.

Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Tampa will put on a CAR report workshop

Nov 19<sup>th</sup> Bay Area is putting on Service System Workshop

We are considering Skype for outside rural area's to be able to participate at region.

FRC Board- 3 RSC elect positions open

Please pre-register for FRCNA 31

83 registrations

65 banquets

18 Sunday breakfast

22 Sat entertainment

F&E Programming: CD's being accepted-send to RSO

Logos for the convention to be accepted until after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year

Open Positions:

1 FRSC Elect to RSO Board

1 Archivist

1 HRP (Human Resource Panel)

Next region is Nov 18-20 Best Western Clearwater Grand on Highway 19 N

Please update your HRP forms and if you don't have one you can submit one on-line

Social Media Pamphlet coming

Missing Funds-No go on Forensic audit. Two accountants have checked and missing amount is \$1400.

**Vice Chair Report:** Outgoing Vice Chair thanked the outgoing Chair for his service. All subcommittee chairs must stand behind podium to give report and answer questions. No walking around or standing in front because it is too distracting. Read pg 17 Addressing ASC bodies

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Activities:**

Hi Family,

Activities met on October 2, 2011, at John Calvin Presbyterian Church at 5:00 PM. The primary purpose of the Activities Subcommittee is to promote unity and fellowship in the Tampa

FunCoast Area of NA. Activities is responsible to hold four (4) key events -- Halloween, New Years Eve, Valentine's Day, and Memorial Day.

MCC got back in touch with us. MCC would love to accommodate our request to use their Facilities for Feb 12, 2012. MCC would rent us their facility for \$300.00. MCC is requiring that **We must have Insurance** to use their facility. Which bring us to this next point. Is the FunCoast Area willing to purchase or carry insurance so we can have events at local churches. This is something that needs to be taken back to groups to decide. Here are a few question from the subcommittee to the Groups:

- Who would look into this?
- Who would be responsible?
- Who would be the signer on this contact?
- How much would this cost the Area yearly?
- Would we be able to get a policy that covers more than one facility?

If so please come back to Area Service with an motion and direction in this matter. Every GSR that was present at ASC was given a hard copy of Activity Budget for 2012, Please remember we make budget without capital.

#### Upcoming Events Mark Your Calendars

October	Halloween Dance	Club Yana Oct 29, @ 7PM
November	Cancel due to Learning Day Conflict for Area	
December	New Years Eve Gala Wellswood Civic	Dec 31, @ 8PM

In Loving Service,  
Jennifer P.

#### **Helpline:**

There was 14 people that showed up at help line

We took 719 calls for 1417 minutes and 34 seconds and 21 voice mails we elected new positions for helpline are vice chair is now Teri are cell phone coordinator is Aris and our secretary is Mark and are meeting coordinator is Trish

Also we have a ad-hoc committee that has updated the help line policy which I need to bring to the helpline body if approved I will submit to this body next month.

#### **H&I:**

Opened meeting with Serenity Prayer

2 new attendees

Read 12 Concepts

Stated Basic Purpose

No Secretary Report

Panel Coordinator Report- Jail training was cancelled again for this month. The HCSO has stated that NA has a 6:1 ratio of volunteers to presentations. They want us to have a 3:1 ratio. No further orientations are scheduled for 2011. The director of programs at the HCSO wants to decrease the number of volunteers to a more manageable number.

Concerns- Our meetings/presentations at the jails are in need of panel members with clearance/PV numbers

Panel Reports were read

Old Business: Learning Day is Sat. Nov. 19, 2011 at Oak Grove Church of God 6803 N. Habana Ave. Corner of Sligh and Hanna 6 p.m.-11 p.m. Chili Cook Off, speakers, dance and more

Elections:

Emily C. panel leader for FRJ Women's  
Israel J. panel member for DACCO R3  
William C. panel member for DACCO R3  
Chris D. panel member acts Adult Detox  
Ashli C. panel leader for ACTS Juvenile

### **Newsletter:**

Hello everyone my name is Terence and I am an addict. I was absent last month and wanted to thank Kent C. for his commitment and his assistance last month at ASC. He has been a very big help to this committee and other FunCoast Committees.

The Sept. and Oct. Newsletter was printed last month at a cost of \$359.52

Anniversary names and dates are kept in MS Access Database. I'm either going to print a hard copy of the names and their respective groups or maybe provide a means for this list/report to be distributed electronically. This list is a means for each home group and their GSR to review and clean up their membership and to save time in submitting member names. The Newsletter committee may be contacted via email at funcoastnews@hotmail.com. Thank you.

### **Policy:**

I'm an addict and my name is Craig. Policy met today with 11 members present. We looked at Motion 43P and found that the motion does not violate Steps, Traditions or Concepts. It also has no financial, spiritual, or time impact on the Area; therefore, this motion should go on to groups. This motion does establish new Policy for the Convention. The Policy Subcommittee discussed asking the Area Chair to appoint an Ad-Hoc committee to go through our ASC Policy and clean up discrepancies that occur in many places on our Policy. I want to thank the FunCoast ASC for the opportunity to serve them this past year. ILS-Craig

### **Public Relation:**

The Public Relations subcommittee met today at 1:00pm. There were 6 members present with 4 new members. We opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer. We also had the P.R. Chair and Vice-chair visiting from the Bay Area. There were 1400 copies of the meeting schedules printed this month and there were 4 changes to the meetings: NA at the Door, Squeaky Clean, Downtown Recovery, and Parrot Pirates in Paradise. The Tampa FunCoast Website had 2,551 unique visitors in September, which was an increase of 537 visitors from the month of August. I would also like to remind the members of our area that if there is something that is not correct on the website, you would like to post a flyer or event, or if you have any comments or suggestions on how to make it better, you can send any correspondence directly to us by clicking Contact Us in the navigation bar and selecting "Website Info" as the department. The old business we discussed was the website policy that we continue to work on. Our hope is to have policy regarding the maintenance of the website by the end of this year. In new business, our last poster hanging day on August 24th brought about a request for more information by the Kingdom Worship Center, which is located at 1102-C E. Fowler Ave. (about ¼ mile east of Nebraska Ave.) We brought a presentation into the facility on September 24th, where we were met with a very positive response. They would like to have a meeting brought into their facility and have an almost completely open time slot availability, so I would ask that if there are any groups that

would like to explore new meeting place options, or if someone has the willingness to start a meeting there, please contact me. We were contacted by a representative of MOSI last month who originally asked us if they could set up a booth outside of our convention, which would promote their exhibit called Target America: Opening Eyes to the Damage Drugs Cause. After speaking with other members of the committee and the fellowship, we decided that having a booth outside of our convention would violate our 6th Tradition, which reads "An NA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the NA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, or prestige divert us from our primary purpose".

We felt that this was an indirect endorsement of an outside enterprise, and this was explained to the representative at MOSI. However, in the spirit of continued cooperation with the community, we were asked to provide representation by Narcotics Anonymous at MOSI on 3 different dates over the course of the next 3 months. We are currently seeking trusted servants to be a part of Public Relations, in order to provide continued support in this manner.

Also, we discussed the proposed date for our next poster hanging day, which is currently targeted for December 10th. The specific area is to be determined.

In Loving Service,  
Rick S.

**Convention:**

Report not submitted

**FRCNA:**

No report. 1<sup>st</sup> meeting is Oct. 16 at Marriott Waterside 10AM. We need Tampa support.

**Announcements for the good of NA:**

- See the flyers!
- The Women's Recovery Room will be celebrating their 1<sup>st</sup> Spaghetti Dinner Oct 14 5-8 pm. Come celebrate our 1 year anniversary
- Daily Recovery Annual Gratitude Picnic 11/26/11 at Lowry Park, Pavilion 120, 10 am - 4 pm
- Keep the Faith 1 & 2 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dec. 3, 2011 at John Calvin Church; food, speaker and dance from 7-11 pm
- Women's Hope Annual Spaghetti Dinner to benefit Women Stand United with Hope Women's Spiritual retreat, Oct 18<sup>th</sup> at MCC-408 E Cayuga, 6 pm All You Can Eat pasta, bread, salad and dessert for \$5; 7 pm male and female speakers
- The raffle tickets for Stepping Up can be gotten today from Michael J. Who is raising his hand in the back
- Recovery on the Northside that meets at the Meeting Place on Thursdays from 7:30-8:45 pm needs trusted servants and would appreciate your support.
- FRCNA 31 in Tampa; next support meeting next Sunday 10 am at Waterside Marriott. Needs Tampa support
- WSUWH committee meets this Monday at 7 pm at MCC-408 E Cayuga on the corner of Cayuga and Central. We are looking for trusted servants.

**Group Announcements from GSR reports:**

- The Message: We are now a speaker-open discussion meeting. We save 15 minutes at end for sharing. Please come and support our meeting

- New Bite of Serenity: Group anniversary Oct. 22, 2011; 10 am-2 pm free breakfast/brunch. Come help us celebrate
- The Women's Recovery Room: 1 year Anniversary celebration 10-14-11 from 5-8 pm; free food, door prizes and meeting
- Women Do Recover: Change of location from the Meeting Place as of Oct. 1 to Apostolic Church at 7813 N Nebraska Ave
- OPP: In need of support. Attendance has been dwindling. We also need experience, strength and hope for our step studies.
- More Hope Christmas Dinner/dance December 17<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 – 11 pm at Fair Oaks Rec Center; 5019 N 34<sup>th</sup> St-Caracas; tickets \$5
- Women of Serenity: In need of continued support

**Treasurer's Report:** (Please see the attachment at the end of the minutes)

### Old Business

**Motion # 40P**

**Maker:** Policy                      **Second:** Vice Chair

**Motion:** To change printing of Policy from yearly to every two years and on the years of not printing, an addendum will be printed with current changes to policy

**Intent:** To save costs of printing a complete Policy yearly when some year there are not that many changes

**PASSED 48/1/2**

**Motion # 41P**

**Maker:** Recovery Central                      **Second:** Parrots Pirates in Space

**Motion:** To hold all elections for ASC Admin body and Subcommittee chairs in December of each year, with the nomination process to begin in September and new chairs to take office in January. Subcommittee budgets would change as well to reflect the calendar year.

**Intent:** To have new chairs serving terms consistent with the calendar year.

**Passed in September**

**Motion # 43P**

**Maker:** Women Do Recover                      **Second:** Parrot Pirates in Paradise

**Motion:** The FACNA Convention Committee will produce and bring to Area Service a monthly income and expense statement detailing events, registrations, funds used, expenses, and income for the convention committee.

**Intent:** Accountability and a past performance history

**TABLED TO GROUPS for November vote**

**Motion # 45**

**Maker:** Activities                                      **Second:** Women Do Recover

**Motion:** To move ASC storage back to where it was.

**Intent:** To provide easier access for those who use the facility.

**PASSED 26/12/8**

**Motion # 46**

**Maker:** Quest for Serenity      **Second:** The Message

**Motion:** Any function put on by Activities should not restrict children's attendance, as parents are responsible for their children.

**Intent:** To show unity and avoid violation of traditions 2 (For our group purpose there is one ultimate authority; a loving god as he expresses himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants, they do not govern.) and 9(NA, as such, ought never be organized, but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.).

**FAILS 17/20/10**

**New Business**

**Motion # 1P**

**Maker:** Parrots Pirates in Paradise      **Second:** New Bite

**Motion:** Add to Policy: Submit in report how RCM voted on all motions put on Regional floor.

**Intent:** Accountability

**Tabled to Policy and Groups for questions with voting in December**

**Motion # 2P**

**Maker:** Parrots Pirates in Paradise      **Second:** New Bite

**Motion:** Add to Policy: RCM's to bring hard copies of all Regional reports to Area Service for posting on FunCoast Area website prior to next Area meeting, includes RSO, FRCNA, and Region reports.

**Intent:** Accountability

**Tabled to Policy and Groups for questions with voting in December**

**Motion # 3**

**Maker:** Parrots Pirates in Paradise      **Second:** New Bite

**Motion:** Add to Policy: Report what positions RCM holds or subcommittees RCM serves at Region and how they voted at that meeting.

**Intent:** Accountability and "to expose any conflicts of interests"

**RULED O/O/O**

**Motion # 4**

**Maker:** Helpline      **Second:** Activities

**Motion:** Asking for a 30 day extension to submit policy change for Helpline to the body.

**Intent:** To have time for Helpline subcommittee to review updated policy

**PASSES 38/0/2**

**Regional Business**

**Proposal #11-003**

To remove the position of Helpline Resource Coordinator from our Guide to Florida Regional Service-The duties can be absorbed by other resource coordinators

**Purpose:** Prudent use of NA funds-Concept 11

**PASSES 37/0/8**

## Elections

### ADMIN POSITIONS:

**Alt. Secretary PASSES  
NOMINEE(S):**

**Sylvia M.**

**Policy: CLOSED  
NOMINEE(S):**

**Lovett**

### **Qualifications:**

**Lovett:** Has been clean since 1988. I have served the area as Alt. Treasurer, Treasurer and Policy Chair. I have been active in the FunCoast area and my home group throughout my recovery. I have a sponsor. I am familiar with the Steps, Traditions and Concepts.

### SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRS:

**Helpline: PASSED  
NOMINEE (S):**

**Kandi O.**