

FCANA January Minutes for 2008

FIRST COAST ASC ATTENDANCE & VOTING ELIBILITY - JANUARY, 2008

Position	Trusted Servant	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.
ASC CHAIR	JANELL S.	PP	PP	PP
ASC VICE CHAIR	WILLIE MAE	PP	AA	AP
RCM	"E"	PP	PP	PP
ALTERNATE RCM	LUANNE	AA	AA	PP
FRC BOARD REP.	OPEN	-		
ACTIVITIES CHAIR	OPEN	-		
CONV.COM.CHAIR FCANCNA VII	JACQUE B.	PP	PP	PP
HELPLINE CHAIR	JOHN B.	PP	PP	PP
H&I CHAIR	TISH	PP	PP	PP
LIT. REVIEW CHAIR	OPEN	-		
LIT. DISTRIBUTOR CHAIR	SHERRY B.	PP	PA	PP
ALT. LIT. DISTRIBUTOR	LINDA J.	PP		
P.R. CHAIR	ERIC C.	PP	AA	PP
POLICY CHAIR	DAVE V.	PP	AA	PP
POLICY VICE CHAIR	CHRIS A	PA	AA	AA
SECRETARY	TOM B.	PP	PP	PP
ALT. SECRETARY	OPEN	-		
TREASURER	MIKE B.	PP		
ALT. TREASURER	OPEN	-	PP	PP
1 ALIVE-N-KICKIN		PP	PP	PP
2 AMELIA ISLAND		PP	PP	PP
3 ANOTHER DAY CLEAN		PA	PP	PP
4 AVONDALE		PP	AA	PP
5 BYOM		AA	AA	AA
6 CLEAN AND SERENE	No Vote Feb.	AA	AA	AA
7 DEEPNA		PP	PP	PP
8 FRANTIC SERENITY		PP	PP	PP
9 FREEDOM OF CHOICE		PP	PP	AA
10 GRATITUDE		PP	PP	PP
11 IT WORKS: WE DO RECOVER	No Vote Feb.	AA	AA	AA
12 JUST FOR TODAY		AA	PP	PP
13 LOST AND FOUND	No Vote Feb.	PA	AA	AA
14 RECOVERY AT WORK		PP	PA	PP
15 MORE WILL BE REVEALED	Can Vote Feb.	PP	PP	AA
16 NEW BEGINNINGS		PP	AA	PA
17 NEW HOPE		PP	PP	AA
18 NEW LIFE		AP	PP	PP
19 NO MORE EXCUSES		PP	PP	PP

20	REBUILDING OUR BROKEN WORLD		PP	PP	PA
21	RECOVERY		PP	PP	PP
22	RIVERSIDE NOON GROUP		PP	AA	PP
23	SICKER THAN MOST		PP	PP	PP
24	SPIRITUAL AWAKENING		AA	PP	PP
25	TIMUQUANA GROUP		PP	PP	PP
26	THE ULTIMATE WEAPON		PP	PP	PP
27	TURNING POINT		PP	PP	PP
28	WAY OUT		PP	PP	PP
29	YOUTH AND RECOVERY		PP	AA	PP
30	LIVING WITH HOPE		PP	PP	PP
31	A SHOT OF HOPE	No Vote Feb.	AA	AA	AA
32	BEGINNING OF THE END		AA	AA	AA
33	JUST SAY NO		PA	AA	PP
34	DONE WITH THE PAST		PP	PA	AA
35	IT'S ABOUT CHANGE (NEW)		PP	PP	PP
36	MIDDLEBURG (New)	Can Vote Feb.	PP	PP	
37	BACK TO BASICS (NEW)	No Vote Feb.	PP		
38	CARRY THE MESSAGE (NEW)	No Vote Feb.	PP		
	Eligible at opening roll call = 26	Quorum = 14		2/3= 18	
	Highlighted not eligible to vote at FEB. ASC. Reinstate = after 2 consecutive months				

Meeting Opens

The First Coast Area Service Committee (ASC) met Sunday, December 9, 2007, at St. Luke's Hospital in a new room in the trailer (Modular A) behind the building in Jacksonville, Florida. This will be the meeting location until March when the sale of the hospital to St. Vincent and the moving of staff and patients in/out to/from the Mayo Clinic is complete. The meeting was called to order at 11:00am by the Chair and opened with a moment of silence followed by the Service Prayer. The 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts were read. The floor was opened to anyone wanting to address the First Coast Area.

Hope House Committee read a statement and the ASC agreed to include it in the minutes.

To: the First Coast Area of Narcotics Anonymous

I am here to represent the Hope House Committee which is the liaison committee between Narcotics Anonymous in the First Coast Area and St. Paul's Episcopal Church located on Atlantic Boulevard.

We are asking that every group, committee and sub-committee that meets at the Hope House contact us so that a meeting can be scheduled. We need a representative from each group and are open to a date and time for such a meeting. There are issues that need to be addressed and the committee would like input from all concerned. Please contact any of the below listed committee members with a date and time that you can have a representative meet with us.

Mike B. 904-860-4541

Bobby T. 904-981-3020

Deborah F. 904-262-6391 (home) or 704-904-3867 (NC cell phone)

Sincerely, Deborah F.

Secretary's Report

I need someone to assist me as the alternate secretary each month. Is there anyone here today who has a computer, email, and is able to begin learning the job next month?

The minutes and the forms that we use are also located on our website in the Area Service section: <http://www.firstcoastna.org/area.htm>

I am circulating the GSR/ALT GSR mailing list and contact info. Please make sure that it is correct.

I would encourage each GSR without email to arrange for a backup person in their home group to receive electronic communications from the ASC and other home groups. If you don't have an email address, but have access to a computer occasionally, there are free email accounts to be had. See myself or the webmaster for more information.

I am also circulating a calendar blank. Please make note of any upcoming events. Info can also be sent to me at secretary@firstcoastna.org or the webmaster at webservant@firstcoastna.org.

This month's mailing and copy expenses were as follows:

Minutes Kinko's.....\$67.97
 Additional copies.....
 Stamps.....\$27.36
 Envelopes..... None
 Labels..... None
 Printer supplies..... None
 Total..... \$95.33

Reimbursement requested this month:

Cash Advance. \$120.00
 Budget..... (\$120.00)
 Expenses.....\$95.33
 Returned with receipts..... \$24.67

Thanks for allowing me to be of service.
 Tom B.
 Secretary, FCANA

TREASURER'S REPORT

Starting Balance			\$1,912.53
MONTHLY INCOMING FUNDS			
GROUP NAME	LITERATURE	7th TRADITION	TOTAL
Alive & Kickin			
Amelia Island		\$106.00	\$106.00
A New Beginning			
A New Life			

Another Day Clean		\$95.41	\$95.41
A Shot of Hope			
Avondale	\$97.13	\$97.87	\$195.00
Beginning of the End			
Carrying the Message	\$18.94		\$18.94
Clean & Serene			
Desire for Change			
Deepna	\$143.99	\$116.66	\$260.65
Done With The Past	\$37.95	\$0.05	\$38.00
Frantic Serenity	\$103.83		\$103.83
Freedom of Choice			
Gratitude			
It's About Change	\$20.23	\$11.24	\$31.47
It Works, We Do Recover			
Just4Today			
Just Say No		\$24.73	\$24.73
Living With Hope	\$30.07		\$30.07
Lost & Found			
Message of Recovery			
Middleburg Group	\$18.31	\$13.35	\$31.66
More will be Revealed			
New Hope		\$83.67	\$83.67
No More Excuses	\$27.39	\$15.11	\$42.50
Rebuilding Our Broken World			
Recovery		\$168.35	\$168.35
Recovery at Work	\$17.90	\$182.10	\$200.00
Riverside Noon Group	\$44.73	\$27.57	\$72.30
Sicker Than Most	\$14.60	\$304.07	\$318.67
Spiritual Awakening			
Timuquana Group			
Turning Point		\$175.00	\$175.00
Ultimate Weapon		\$102.50	\$102.50
We Do Recover			
Way Out		\$71.00	\$71.00
Youth & Recovery	\$179.12	\$10.38	\$189.50
TOTAL	\$754.19	\$1,605.06	\$2,359.25
Other Incoming Funds			
Reimbursement from Sec.			\$24.67
Misc. Literature			\$6.00
Total Incoming Funds			\$2,389.92
Monthly Outgoing Funds			
Recurring Monthly Expenses			
Toms Instant Printing			
AT&T ck#1924			(\$5.17)

AT&T ck#1925			(\$70.61)
FRSO Literature ck#1927			(\$1,190.50)
Absent Answer ck#1926			(\$300.00)
FRSO Donation ck#1928			(\$350.00)
Subcommittees			
Helpline			
Literature Distributor			
Secretary (advance)			(\$120.00)
Public Relations			(\$85.00)
Activities			
Treasurer			
H&I (Rent and Supplies)			(\$40.00)
Policy			
Regional Expenses			
Literature Review			
Other Expenses			
Total Outgoing Funds			(\$2,161.28)
Incoming Funds Less Outgoing Funds			\$228.64
RECAP:			
Prudent Reserve			\$2,100.00
Donation To Region			
Month Ending Balance			\$2,141.17
Unresolved Bills Past Due			
Total Unresolved			
H&I Literature Order			\$413.70

WACHOVIA BANK, NA
 OLD SAINT AUGUSTINE ROAD
 JACKSONVILLE

DEPOSIT TO ACCT# 2xxxxxxx4941
 AMOUNT \$1,919.61

Cash In \$1,919.61
 12/12/07 09311 087 # 0000002

Time: 02:12 PM

Calendar Date: 12/11/07
 Deposit Effective Date: 12/12/07

Thank You For Your Business
 Wachovia

Account owner(s): FIRST COAST AREA

Account Summary

Opening balance 12/01 \$2,430.02
 Deposits and other credits 1,919.61 +
 Checks 1,995.56 -
 Closing balance 12/31 \$2,354.07

Deposits and Other Credits

Date	Amount	Description
12/12	1,919.61	DEPOSIT
Total	\$1,919.61	

Checks

Number	Amount	Date posted	Number	Amount	Date posted
1912	300.00	12/07	1919	5.38	12/17
1917*	273.99	12/17	1920	1,043.70	12/19
1918	72.49	12/17	1921	300.00	12/18
* Indicates a break in check number sequence					
			Total	\$1,995.56	

Daily Balance Summary

Dates	Amount	Dates	Amount
12/07	2,130.02	12/17	3,697.77
12/12	4,049.63	12/18	3,397.77
		12/19	2,354.07

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12/01/2007 thru 12/31/2007

RCM Report:

MEETING: RSC to be later this month

Comments: Looking for highlights to communicate to region from groups and the ASC. Also, see 2008 & GSR Assembly Agenda from Regional Delegate, Bob G. listed below.

RCM: E **RCM Alternate:** LuAnne **Notes submitted** by Bob F.

From our Regional Delegate, Bob G.

Please download the attached 2008 Conference Agenda Report - GROUP BALLOT. Every registered group in the Florida Region is eligible to participate and is encouraged to do so. The following information can be found at:

- 1) 2008 Conference Agenda Report - www.na.org
- 2) Register (or update) your home group online at - www.na.org

Every GSR is encouraged to attend the GSR Assembly on Saturday, March 15, 2008, from 8:30am to 5:00pm. If your GSR or other group representative cannot attend, then, submit your completed ballot to your Area's RCM (Regional Committee Member) and they can submit it on your behalf. Each area in the Florida Region is provided two room nights so that your GSR's can attend the GSR Assembly, your area may pay for additional room nights for additional GSR's to attend.

Agenda GSR ASSEMBLY – March 15, 2008

8:00am - 8:45am - Registration

8:45am - 9:45am - Introductions and Overview of NA Services - From World to the Home Group
Conference Agenda Track Overview

10:00am - 11:30pm - Proposed RSC Restructuring Plan - Questions & Answers

11:30pm - 12:45pm - Lunch

12:45pm - 2:00pm - Area Planning Tool Workshop

2:15pm - 3:30pm - Review of CAR Motions / Submission of Ballots

3:45pm - 4:30pm - How To Use the "How To Build Stronger Home Groups Worksheet"

4:30pm - 5:45pm - Roundtables and Straw Polls

The above agenda is subject to change

**Florida Regional Service Committee
2008 Conference Agenda Report Ballot**

Please complete information below:

Ballot Type: _____ Absentee _____ Assembly Participant

_____ Group

_____ Area

_____ GSR

_____ RCM

One vote per motion:

Motion 1	_____	In favor	_____	Opposed	_____	Not Voting
Motion 2	_____	In favor	_____	Opposed	_____	Not Voting
Motion 3	_____	In favor	_____	Opposed	_____	Not Voting
Motion 4	_____	In favor	_____	Opposed	_____	Not Voting
Motion 5	_____	In favor	_____	Opposed	_____	Not Voting
Motion 6	_____	In favor	_____	Opposed	_____	Not Voting
Motion 7	_____	In favor	_____	Opposed	_____	Not Voting
Motion 8	_____	In favor	_____	Opposed	_____	Not Voting
Motion 9	_____	In favor	_____	Opposed	_____	Not Voting
Motion 10	_____	In favor	_____	Opposed	_____	Not Voting
Motion 11	_____	In favor	_____	Opposed	_____	Not Voting
Motion 12	_____	In favor	_____	Opposed	_____	Not Voting

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

ACTIVITIES

Open

POLICY

MEETING PLACE: St.Luke's Hospital, Belfort Ave. Roger Main Building 1st Flr. Trailer Modular 9:45

Accomplishments: Motions were review and recommendations to the ASC were developed:

Motion #071202 – To add clean time requirement of 3 years for workshop speakers – motion to be withdrawn by maker.

Motion #071203 – To accept revised policy for H&I that would allow panel leaders to bring an IP study to facilities alone in the event a speaker doesn't show. This motion is in violation of world guidelines to not go into facilities alone.

Recommendation: Violates Traditions 1, 4, 12, Concept 4. Motion returned to groups.

Motion #071204 – To drop "group activities" from budgeted priorities (in prudent reserve).

Recommendation: Motion has positive financial impact. Citing Concept 11. Motion returned to groups.

Motion #071206 – To combine items #8 & #10 of the budget priorities for prudent reserve.

Recommendation: Motion has positive financial impact. Motion returned to groups.

Motion #071207 – To drop the "bank service charge" from the budgeted priorities for prudent reserve. (Heard from treasurer that there are no longer any bank service charges.)

Recommendation: Motion has positive financial impact. Motion returned to groups.

CHAIR: David V. **Vice Chair** Chris A. **Secretary** Tom B.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE FCACNA 8

MEETING PLACE: 5516 Atlantic Blvd, Currently meeting every 2 weeks - Thursday of the month, 6pm

COMMENTS: After much discussion and debate during our last CPC meeting in regard to the guidelines and how they read, our Arts and Graphics chair and Fundraising chair resigned. However, since both have contacted the chair, apologized, requested, and have expressed their willingness to continue their commitment; both sub-committee chairs have been directed to come to our next meeting for reconsideration. Next fundraiser is scheduled for Friday, January 25 at 9pm at the JABA Club.

Accomplishments: We have been very successful in our past two fundraisers & t-shirt selling. We have our main speakers in order, registrations forms have gone out to the world wide fellowship and have received 2 registrations (yet to be given to Registration chair, so not in the Treasurer's report) have removed clean time requirement for workshops on next batch of registrations.

Expenses: T-Shirts purchased came to \$594.21 incl. shipping. 10/30 \$250 turned in; 11/1/08 \$825 turned in.

CHAIR: Jacque B. **Vice Chair:** Mike S. **Secretary:** Warren L.

HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS

MEETING PLACE: 5516 Atlantic Blvd, 1st Thursday of the month @ 6pm

COMMENTS: One facility dropped due to the (The Bridge) attending outside meetings. Nominations and Elections held at this meeting. Several positions still open.

Accomplishments: Ad hoc committee has been started to put a learning day together. Basic Texts have been distributed in Clay Co. and Duval Co. jails.

Expenses: Secretary does not have receipts for previous months, but does still need \$40 for rent for the months of Feb.-May. Sorry and hope we can work this out. Motion submitted 071203 (returned from Policy to be sent to home groups for a vote.

CHAIR: Tish R. **Vice Chair:** Teri G. **Secretary:** Dena J.

HELPLINE

MEETING PLACE: Hope House: 5516 Atlantic Blvd, first Monday of every month, time change: 7pm

COMMENTS: Address of the Hope House is incorrect. Needs to be listed as 5616 Atlantic Blvd. so people with GPS can find it.

Accomplishments: (report was verbally given) The chair has requested a written confirmation straightening out a discrepancy with Absent Answer as to our monthly bill. Have verbal confirmation; just want it in writing for those who must pay the bills in the future.

CHAIR: John B. **Vice Chair:** Brian M. **Secretary:** Mary Jo V.

LITERATURE DISTRIBUTOR

MEETING PLACE: 5516 Atlantic Blvd. @ Hope House 3rd Sat. @ 1pm.

COMMENTS: Literature prices will be going up in the spring on certain items. More will be revealed. We are now paying for shipping. Changes on meeting schedule? Passing around please return it back to me.

Accomplishments: Due to me being out of town for the holidays, literature was not stamped at regularly scheduled place. Although, I did stamp literature and fill orders. What's left is back here. Please pick it up.

Inventory on hand: \$398.45.

CHAIR: Sherry B. **Alt. Chair:** Linda J.

LITERATURE (REVIEW) CHAIR

Open

PUBLIC RELATIONS

MEETING PLACE: 5516 Atlantic Blvd, meets the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm.

COMMENTS: PR Subcommittee still needs your support. We could use suggestions, ideas from experienced members or any addict with a desire to serve. Please help us serve the First Coast and NA as a whole. PR would like to ask for a member from every home group to attend the Hope House March 1st Saturday after the Saturday morning meeting at 12:30pm. Posters will be put up around town and need volunteers to help.

Accomplishments: The bus signs are now posted on 30 random buses until next December. Members from the First Coast were in attendance at the annual winter judges' conference @ Amelia Island Ritz Carlton helping out the Florida Region.

CHAIR: Eric C. **Secretary:** Chelsie

PR/WEBSITE SUBCOMMITTEE

Meeting Place: Online anytime *(no report submitted...information recycled as valuable – Sec'y)*

COMMENTS: Please continue to send us flyers or email for the evens in this Area, so we can continue to post them on the website. Some events have not been posted because we did not get the flyers from attending ASC or the info was not sent to us via email.

If any group or subcommittee realizes that we have not posted their request, please contact us by phone or email so we can properly serve you.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS, GOALS, and ACTIVITIES: If your group needs help registering online with NA.org, please contact us. Glad to help. We are informed of changes made through the World Services and are grateful for those that maintain their own meetings. But if you need our help, let us know, because posting accurate information is important.

New Conference section on NA World Services website is ready, including the CAR, NAWS News, Medallion Survey, Membership Survey and much more. The link is

<http://www.na.org/conference/index08.htm>.

Here is a link to some upcoming NA literature price changes effective 1 July 2008.

http://www.na.org/pdf/catalogs/NAWS_08PriceChange_12Nov07.pdf.

We are pleased to let you now that NAWS is starting to offer a daily email service for Just for Today, Daily Meditations for Recovering Addicts from NA World Services. This is in response to numerous requests we have had from the fellowship. In our role as the holders of the fellowships copyrighted material we have been unable to give permission to others to publish the fellowship's literature in this manner. Since the fellowship seems to appreciate the electronic service we have found a fairly simple way to provide it free of charge. This service will be available via subscription. The signup area for this subscription is located at <http://www.jftna.org/cgi-bin/dada/mail.cgi>. There is also a link to this page from our regular subscription page at <http://portaltools.na.org/Portal/Tools/subscription/Login.cfm>. From this page you can

click on the "Subscribe to the daily JFT mailing list" and it will take you to the special sign up page for this service listed above. Once you enter your subscription information and hit submit, you will receive a confirmation email with specific instructions to complete your subscription. You will then receive the JFT meditations in your email box daily. If you are interested in viewing the daily meditations online; you may do so at <http://www.jftna.org/jft/index.php>. The message changes daily on that website.

IMPORTANT WEBSITE LINKS:

First Coast Area Website has forms:

<http://www.firstcoastna.org/>

Florida Regional Website:

<http://www.naflorida.org/>

Florida Region Committee Reports/Policy:

<http://www.naflorida.org/frscna.htm>

NA World Website group registration and meeting posting info:

<http://www.na.org/updateforms/newregfm.htm>

FRC Board Representative
OPEN

GROUP REPORTS

GROUP	ATT / NEW	COMMENTS	DON / LIT	GSR
A Shot of Hope 1 st Christian Church /11924 San Jose Blvd.				No GSR/ Alt Wayne T. Sharon T
Alive-N-Kickin Calvary United Methodist 112 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, In back	192/ 10	All is well		Donald S.
Amelia Island 302 S. 14 th St First Assembly of God	280/8	All is well	106	Jeff S. Charlie C.
Another Day Clean 12791 Old St. Augustine Rd. Mandarin Mandarin Church of Christ,	56/2	Now meeting in our new meeting location: Mandarin Church of Christ on Old St. Augustine Rd 12791. 2 miles south of I-295 on left. We will be meeting in the trailer behind the church. Lighting parking provided in the back. Please come join us.	95.41	Sharon T
Avondale 4172 Shirley Ave.	252/ 20	All is well. Thanks to everyone's patience while plumbing was out. Now corrected.	97.97/ 97.03	Ken B. / Tim A.
Back To Basics 555 Stockton St. Gateway M/T 8pm	65/60	All is well. Adding Tuesday to the schedule.		Kevin/ Patrick H.
Carrying the Message 12791 Old St. Augustine Rd.	22/0	None.	0/ 18.94	Susanna T./ Peg M.

Mandarin Church of Christ T 7:30				
Clean & Serene Catholic Daughters, 124 King Street, St Augustine Sun,M,Tue,TH @ 7pm.				
Deepna Kennedy Ctr, 1 st and Ionia St T/H 7:30 W 12N.	794/ 14	All is well	116.66 / 143.99	Ralph F./ Arthur S.
Desire for Change 1240 McDuff Ave (Christ Church of Peace)				
Done with the Past 70 Washington St. St. Francis House F. 8pm	31/0	All is well. Attendance down due to vacationers and people working. Also more shelter residents attending meeting. Primary purpose is being met.	0/ 37.95	Joe B.
Frantic Serenity 1100 Stockton St F- Su / 5536 Atlantic Blvd Sa	6/0	All is well. Thanks for your support.	0/103. 83	Tona G.
Freedom of Choice Grace Baptist Church 1608 E 21 st Street; M H F @ Kennedy Center 1 st & Iona	180/ 40	Freedom of Choice will have a new GSR and need trusted servants who him time in the day. No lit order or 7 th tradition due to our treasurer was sick in the hospital and she's back. All is well.		Donald T./
Gratitude M, Tues @ 1821 S. San Pablo Rd TH @ St. Andrew Lutheran		All is well. Letter withholding donations to ASC was read. Entire text listed below.		Rudy B. Cindy S.
It Works: We Do Recover Corner of 7 th and Main St. /Palatka, Emmanuel United Methodist Church.				
Just For Today @5536 Atlantic Blvd Behind Java Club				Andrew R./Terry H.
Just Say No 1 st Congregation Church of Interlocken	103/9	All is well.	24.73	GSR: Tina S./Alt: Donald H.
Living with Hope Shepard of the Woods 6595 Columbia Park Ct.	93/3	Need more support, but all is well.	0/30.0 7	Robert C.
Lost and Found Wed-6/F-9:30pm/Sat- 6pm @ Serenity Club 18 South Old Dixie Hwy, St. Augustine	7/7	New GSR. Recognizing unknown donation/etc/etc.	??	Krissy R./ Debby C.

More Will Be Revealed 1301N. Myrtle Ave. Baptist Church	51/2	All is well		Michael S.
New Beginnings 511 W. 11 th St Inside Help Center	120/ 10	All is well.		Henry B.
New Hope Central Baptist Church 524 W. 3 rd St. M,W,Sat 8pm		New Hope is planning to have an anniversary celebration the 3 rd week of April, not confirmed on date yet.	83.67	Ronald C./ Bill J.
New Life 1 st Timothy Bap. Church 12103 Biscayne Blvd.	10	All is well.		Robert M.
No More Excuses Calvin Pres. Church 4050 Barnes Rd.	129/ 16	Thanks for the support of our bake sale. We raised 116.65 for the convention.	15.01/ 27.39	Phyllis C.
Rebuilding Our Broken Worlds 5516 Atlantic Blvd. Hope House	246/ 23	Due to the lack of trusted servants in the group; there was discussion about combining with the group "Just for Today" while I, the GSR was out of town. With lack of attendance @ the home group business meeting, I, the GSR was ready to go ahead with the change. But since then it has been suggested and talked over with a few outside members that we do what can to keep the group together, come to Area and ask for support and get it out there to the other home groups that we are in need of trusted servants. I did not get a chance to draw up any flyers, but will work on that to get them out for announcements. So if the home groups could announce it at this time we would be grateful.		Dena J.
Recovery 5516 Atlantic Blvd.	475/ 40		168.35	Edwin S.
Recovery @ Work 211 E. McClenny Ave	90/4	All is good.	182.10 /17.90	Chester/ Dorie B.
Riverside Noon Group Good Shepherd Church Forbes at Stockton	109/2	All is well	27.58/ 44.72	Herman B.
Sicker Than Most Calvin Presbyterian- Barnes & Kennerly			304.07 /14.60	George P.
Spiritual Awakening 6 th Street N				Gil R./ Charlie
Timuquana 5906 Lynn St. First Lutheran Church	320/3 5	All is well.		Mike S.
Ultimate Weapon Mandarin Methodist San Jose Blvd.	200/5	All is well. The Ultimate Weapon group is having its 7 th anniversary celebration on Feb. 9 at the same place as the meeting in the big hall. All we are asking is for people to bring dessert.	112.50	Chris A./ Brian R.

Turning Point Shepherd of the Woods Luth. Church 7860 Southside Blvd. Sun 6pm, M-8, Tue – 9:30pm	611	New Saturday 10pm meeting going well. Attendance is up at all meetings and all trusted servant positions are filled with great participation at group conscience.	175.	Brent D./ Mike E.
The Way Out Group Middleburg Presbyterian M-/ St Mary's Episcopal-end of Gum St GCS on river-TH	53/1	We have conscience!	71.00	Dennis S.
Youth & Recovery 5516 Atlantic Blvd	8/80	All is well.	.38/ 179.12	Dennis C./ Chelsie P.
Its About Change Sundays 5516 Atlantic Blvd. " Hope House"	125/3	All is well.	10/21	Clinton A.
Middleburg Group 3925 Main St. Middleburg United Methodist Church	40/3	Need Support. Need speakers willing to speak on Sponsorship and Step Working 4 th Tues. each month. Contact Scott R 509-4704 or Ken W. 352-478-9267.	13.25/ 18.31	Scott R.
The Beginning of the End. Putnam Medical Center, Palatka, front lobby of hospital				
BYOM Trout River Club 9745 Lem Turner Rd.				

(This letter was read during the open forum at the beginning of the ASC. The GSR of Gratitude then submitted it to be certain that the letter was included in the minutes as part of the home group's formal GSR report. – secretary's note)

January 13, 2008

Dear Members of the First Coast ASC,

I am an addict. My name is Heather. I am here as a representative of the Gratitude home group. We come to you today with much concern and feel that it is not only important, but necessary in conjunction with our 2nd Concept that we tell you that we are no ok with how the ASC is doing things.

First over the past four months, we have sent our GSR with two motions. Neither has been put into the minutes. One was concerning the pamphlets being circulated by World that we feel is a manipulation of their power and a violation of the 12th Concept. This motion never appeared in the minutes and was ruled out of order based upon incorrect information provided by one of the ASC members. We feel that it is not this body's responsibility to judge the content of a motion, but only whether or not, the motion is in order. Our voice should be heard, and we believe that, at times, this body forgets that it is here to serve us not govern us. In turn, another area, and then another region has submitted this same motion, which will appear in the upcoming CAR Report to be voted on, so it is obvious that the content was, in fact, not out of order.

The other motion was concerning World Unity Day, a great example of our 1st Tradition at work. This motion was also ruled out of order. Our GSR was asked to re-write it and resubmit it. She did that, and again the motion never appeared in the minutes.

In general, we feel that this body forgets the 12th Concept as well as the 2nd Tradition.

Secondly, we have a concern in regards to the prudent, or lack thereof, use of funds by this body. We as an area have an obligation to use any funds in the most responsible way possible and prioritize based upon furthering our primary purpose. As stated by our 11th Concept, "It is incumbent upon every element of our service structure to uses those funds to carry the NA recovery message as far as possible. To do that, our service bodies must manage those funds responsibly, accounting fully and accurately for its use to those who have provided it." Our group has noticed significant amounts of money being spent on things that we don't consider "at the top of the food chain." In addition, this past month we noticed that just as a motion was passed to increase the budget for trips to Region from \$60 to \$188. The expenditure for this trip was in extreme excess of this. There was approximately \$441 on hotel rooms and \$107 in gas. Where is the accountability?

Our 8th Concept talks about the "integrity and effectiveness of our communications." The members of the Gratitude Group take our role very seriously and are very passionate about furthering our primary purpose. As a result of our most recent Group Conscience, our group has decided to withhold any further donations to the ASC until we feel that there will be further accountability and responsibility with our donations. Until this time, we will use them to do things that will help the suffering addict.

We feel that it is our responsibility to demand some accountability. We truly hope that the members of the First Coast Area as well as the ASC realize that this letter, as well as our choice to withhold funds comes with great sadness, and is only a reflection of the love and respect that we have for the First Coast Area and Narcotics Anonymous. It has saved our lives.

ELECTIONS

FRC Board Representative – Open
Activities Chair - Open
Literature Review Chair – Open
Alt. Secretary - Open
Alt. Treasurer – Open

OLD BUSINESS

ASC MOTIONS (Format: Year/Month/#)

Maker: FCACNA VIII **Second:** DEEPNA
Motion: 071208 **Date:** 12-9-07
Motion: To set aside a onetime \$1,000 increase to CPC seed money
Intent: Concept 11.
STATUS: Failed 7-11-6

Maker: ASC **Second:**
Motion: 080101 **Date:** January ASC
Motion: Directed the ASC chair to find a new meeting place
STATUS: No vote required. Responsibility of the Chair.

Maker: ASC **Second:**
Motion: 080101 **Date:** January ASC
Motion: To form an ad hoc subcommittee to research a combined JAX-Daytona-Gainesville convention.
STATUS: No vote required. Chair directed the Vice Chair to create the ad hoc committee. Names were collected.

NEW BUSINESS

Maker: FCACNA

Second: Timiquana

Motion: 071202

Date: 12-9-07

Motion: To add clean time requirements of 3 years for Workshop Speakers. (Currently listed as 1 year in the CPC Guidelines).

Intent: To have clarity and a clear NA message at our conventions.

STATUS: Motion withdrawn by maker.

Maker: H&I

Second: New Hope/Gratitude

Motion: 071203

Date: 12-9-07

Motion: To accept revised policy (see *panel leaders p. 31 #5) and (Gen. Info #6) to allow panel leaders to bring an IP study to facilities alone in the event a speaker doesn't show. (*re: orientation package pages 29, 41, & 48. "Do not attend facilities alone")

Intent: To carry the message.

Policy Recommendation: This motion is in violation of world guidelines to not go into facilities alone. Recommendation: Violates Traditions 1, 4, 12, Concept 4.

STATUS: Returned to groups for vote

Maker: Alt. Treasurer

Second: Amelia Island Group

Motion: 071204

Date: 12-9-07

Motion: To drop Group Activities from budgeted priorities (pg 6 #7)

Intent: Concept 11, reduce prudent reserve where possible

Policy Recommendation: Motion has positive financial impact. Citing Concept 11.

STATUS: Returned to groups for vote.

Maker:

Second:

Motion: 071205

Date: 12-9-07

STATUS: Withdrawn

Maker: Alt. Treasurer

Second: Turning Point

Motion: 071206

Date: 12-9-07

Motion: Combine items #8 & #10 of budgeted priorities. Listing them as Literature Distributor Subcommittee with a budget of #310.00.

Intent: Concept 11/ Under responsibilities for Literature Distributor Guidelines (pg. 11 #5) The Literature Distributor is responsible for Meeting Schedules. Reduce prudent reserve where possible.

Policy Recommendation: Motion has positive financial impact. Citing Concept 11.

STATUS: Returned to groups for vote.

Maker: Alt. Treasurer

Second: Ultimate Weapon

Motion: 071207

Date: 12-9-07

Motion: To drop bank service charges from list of budgeted priorities.

Intent: Concept 11. We don't pay bank service charges.

Policy Recommendation: Motion has positive financial impact. Citing Concept 11.

STATUS: Returned to groups for vote.

**Home Groups should have a group conscience on
Motions highlighted with boxes.**

NOTE: CALENDAR IS IN A SEPARATE FILE

BUDGET PLANNING – REMINDER TO ALL SUBCOMMITTEES:

All subcommittees are directed to review and develop their budget requests to submit for inclusion in the review of the priorities for the Prudent Reserve to the next ASC.

AREA INVENTORY – REMINDER TO ALL GROUPS:

There will be an Area Inventory date announced at the next ASC. Below are some pages from both the Guide to Local Service and the CAR report that might be useful in preparing for the inventory.

(Excerpted from “A Guide to Local Services in NA” pages 58 & 59)

Some area committees set aside one day each year for conducting an area service inventory. Why? For much the same reason as NA members do personal inventories: to stop, consider their actions and attitudes, and rededicate themselves to their ideals. The area inventory considers three general topics:

- 1. How well has the area committee done this year at serving the groups, and how can it better serve them in the coming year?*
- 2. How well has the area committee served the larger community, and how can the committee better serve the community-at-large?*
- 3. How well has the area committee done at supporting NA's regional and world services? How can the area provide better support for these services?*

A substantial amount of preparation is required on everyone's part for an effective area inventory. GSRs, officers, and subcommittees must take a fearless, searching look at their work over the last year and come to the inventory session prepared to review their roles on the committee. GSRs should spend time with their groups considering what needs might be addressed by the area committee in the next year and come to the inventory session with ideas in hand. Officers and subcommittees should take the time to look at the make-up of the larger community in which they live, ask themselves how NA could be more effective in reaching out to that community, and be prepared to share their thoughts with the entire area committee. And perhaps most importantly, all area committee participants should make an extra effort to prepare themselves spiritually to make the most of the area inventory meeting. Materials available from your World Service Office may provide additional help, especially in developing an agenda for your inventory session.

Having conducted an area inventory, many committees will come to the conclusion that certain aspects of their work need to be altered. It should be remembered that there is no one model for area service committees that will be completely appropriate to all areas. A number of factors will affect the kinds of services an area committee offers and the ways in which it offers them: community size, number of meetings, availability of experienced NA members, geography, local laws and customs, and other such considerations. What works in a major metropolitan setting probably won't work at all in a rural community. What will work in any setting is an effort to maintain sensitivity to the needs of the groups and the community. Each area committee will, to a great degree, have to find its own way of effectively providing services to those groups and the larger

community of which those groups are a part.

Versatility is called for. Area committees in small or mid-sized communities may see fit to combine the work of some subcommittees, while well-established metropolitan committees might find themselves with a large number of highly specialized subcommittees, each with its own specific focus. Given reasonable consideration, an area committee should not be afraid to configure its services in whatever way it sees fit so that it may help carry the NA message in the most effective way possible.

The CAR report has a worksheet entitled Building Strong Home Groups Worksheet. It's a good example of a group inventory process at a smaller scale. The ASC Inventory will identify any needs that the home groups have, how the ASC serves the community and how the ASC supports regional and world NA service.

I Building Strong Home Groups Worksheet

This worksheet is meant to help NA members strengthen their home groups. Use it in your group business meetings to find ways to grow and improve. The idea of longer business meetings isn't always appealing. If needed, the group can schedule an extra business meeting or have a get-together on a separate day. In a spirit of giving, a little extra time goes a long way to strengthen the group so it can better carry the message. To make the process quick and smooth, hand out copies of this sheet in advance and try to get as many group members as possible involved. The worksheet includes a list of home group qualities in three categories on the back of this page.

1 Identify Areas for Group Improvement

For each category (*see list on the back of this page*), members can choose one or two items the group can improve, before or during the business meeting. Compare lists or vote. Address the top issues, one at a time.

2 State the Issues

The group should briefly discuss what needs to be improved in each area they chose, one at a time. Remember, keep it simple! Don't get too wrapped in the problem; move into the solution.

3 Brainstorm Solutions

As a group, discuss solution ideas. Remember, there are no bad ideas and there is no need to debate. One idea that won't work might lead to another that will. Focus on ways to make progress; don't worry about being perfect. Small improvements are better than no improvements.

4 Choose the Solutions

Choose the ideas that most members agree on. If needed, this can be done by a simple vote.

5 Make Decision(s)

From the brainstorming, look for simple, practical actions the group can take to implement the solutions. Be specific about *who* will carry out the action, and *how* it should be done.

Example

Area for improvement: Practices – Public Relations

The issue: meeting facility complains about noise and mess after our meetings, and they never know who to talk to about the problem.

Brainstorming/choosing the solutions (votes):

- let people know about noise (2)
- announce in meeting format (5)
- also mention trash/cig butts (3)
- have someone stay to clean up (5)
- give the facility phone numbers (4)
- have someone check in monthly (5)

Decisions:

- Add statement to meeting format about keeping noise and mess down.
- Group secretary will give facility our contact info and check in monthly.
- Get a "clean-up" person each month to make sure we don't leave a mess.

Ideals	Principles demonstrated by the group and its members
	<input type="checkbox"/> Consistency and Commitment – People can count on our meeting and trusted servants. <input type="checkbox"/> Spirit of Service – Members serve willingly with gratitude for NA. <input type="checkbox"/> Benefits of Service – Trusted servants demonstrate growth that comes with service. <input type="checkbox"/> Principles in Action – Members live NA principles and share about them in our meetings. <input type="checkbox"/> Positive Perspective – The group and members dream big and share our successes. <input type="checkbox"/> Intimacy and a Sense of Home – We help all members feel like a part of the fellowship. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
Practices	How strong home groups operate
	<input type="checkbox"/> Safe and Positive Environment – Our format keeps us focused on recovery. <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching Principles – The group discusses the steps, traditions, and literature. <input type="checkbox"/> Self-Support – Members give time and resources freely to support the message. <input type="checkbox"/> Good Public Relations – Our group reflects well on NA as a whole. <input type="checkbox"/> Encourage Diversity – The meeting reaches all newcomers and welcomes them home. <input type="checkbox"/> Nurture All Members – Group members are supportive and challenge each other to grow. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
Roles	How a group interacts with NA and the community
	<input type="checkbox"/> Evolves with Members – Members' personal growth strengthens the group. <input type="checkbox"/> Establishes a Network – Our group puts newcomers in touch with experienced members. <input type="checkbox"/> Gateway to Service – Members introduce newcomers into group service, then beyond. <input type="checkbox"/> Model of Service – Our group prepares trusted servants to work well at other levels. <input type="checkbox"/> Unity and Credibility – We work with other groups and ASC in a spirit of cooperation. <input type="checkbox"/> Positive Message – Group members are an example of NA changing lives for the better. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

Group Notes (use extra paper if necessary)

- ① **Area for improvement** _____
- ② **The issue** _____

- ③ **Brainstorming** _____

- ④ **Choosing the solutions** _____

- ⑤ **Decisions** _____

Worksheet can be copied or downloaded from http://www.na.org/discussion_boards.htm