

Southern Zonal Forum
Winter 2022 | February 13

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Opened 9 AM with the Service prayer. Traditions and Concepts read.

Attendance

Linsey (Facilitator), Shane (Bluegrass Appalachian AD), BJ, Caitlin (Bluegrass Appalachian RD), Catherine (Norway), Cico B (Sema), Maud (CRNA), Vince B (Volunteer RD), Staci H (Zonal Rep), Susan (AD Show Me), Troy S (St Louis), Lucy O (Secretary), Scott M (Show Me RD), Brad S (Mississippi RD), Sharon S (Treasurer), Lee P (Louisiana RD/FD), Ruben P (TBRNA AD), Craig G (PR Liaison), Greg V (Volunteer AD), Jennette F (Lone Star RD), Karl L (Louisiana AD), Holly T (Mississippi AD), Michael B (RCMA Fort Worth Area), Dyanne S (Arkansas ARD, Glynn W (Arkansas AD), Russ D (Lone Star AD)

Minutes

No issues with the last minutes

Regional Reports

Arkansas, report given by Dyanne

The Arkansas Region is alive and well. We have 6 areas, 1 unseated Area, and several loner groups. 1 loner group participates in the RSC consistently.

We have 2 new loner groups that started last month.

Our region had our annual convention the last weekend in October. It was the most successful Arkansas Region Convention in the history of the convention. The convention started out under the starting capital. The Region worked hard to bring the convention to the starting amount.

A struggle our Region is having is that the previous area hosting the convention took 7 months to surrender the convention checkbook and debit card. The last report the area provided was that the convention bank account had \$7500 in the account. However, when the region audited the bank account, there was approximately \$4500-\$4800 in the account. No bank records or financial records were provided. And there were checks missing from the checkbook.

The Arkansas Region elected to close the bank account and open an account at a different bank.

The question is - how does the Region move forward?

As of this date, the previous hosting area has not returned to the RSC to answer the unanswered questions.

Thank you for any feedback or ESH provided.

In loving service,
Dyanne Everett-Cantrell

Caitlin: We have had several cases of misappropriation of funds in our region. At area level – when you go through legal process, no one is anonymous anymore. It seemed kinder, gentler, nicer to learn from our mistakes and move on. The person eventually made restitution. At region, a check for convention went missing, never cashed, we stopped payment.

Staci: no one showed up from the convention committee? No one held anyone accountable? It's difficult to press charges when no one doing their part. Staci is happy to talk with you off line.

Bluegrass, report given by Shane. (verbal report)

Lonestar, report by Jeannette & Russ

Hello,

The Lone Star Region is comprised of 8 Areas with approximately ninety-five groups. All our Areas are meeting Hybrid currently. The Rose City Area has recently changed their name to Deep East Texas Area.

The Lone Star Regional Assembly was held on January 22nd , we conducted a CAR/CAT workshop and a workshop on Retaining Members in Service, it was a good learning experience. The Lone Star Regional Convention will be April 14th – 17th 2022 at the Hilton DFW Lakes Executive Conference Center. You can find all the information @www.lsrna.org. Hope to see you there.

Regional H&I is currently carrying the message into two facilities, with the remaining six still closed due to the pandemic. However, Literature is still being sent into all the facilities as needed.

In Loving Service,

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Louisiana, report given by Lee

Hello Southern Zonal Forum Members,

The Louisiana Region is doing ok, many member areas are reporting that meetings are opening up and things are trying to get back to normal. We're very excited to introduce our RD Alternate Karl L. (Slidell)! I hope that everyone has met him and made him feel welcome.

Nancy H. (Baton Rouge) is our new RDA Elect and we're grateful for her too. Our H&I, Outreach and A&F are vacant, and we hope to attract new members to those positions soon.

Our Zonal Donation was \$79 and was given to our Treasurer. We don't have any input from our areas on The U.S. Zones Meeting. I will start attending the meeting's again to stay informed and perhaps participate.

I am grateful to serve,
Lee P. RD Louisiana

Red River, report given by BJ (attached to end of minutes)

Question about room block. BJ: Best Western Plus is out of construction zone.

Show Me, report by Scott

Show Me Region is in fairly good shape for starting the 2022 year. We reduced the quorum from 16 to 13 based on the number of Areas who haven't been to Region in the last 2 years. Our regional chair reached out to those Areas, and they didn't have willingness to participate either in person or on Zoom. We had 9 of 13 Areas represented at the last RSC meeting. Fiscally we are in much better shape. We were able to donate to NAWS at the end of the last RSC. We also have a \$200.00 donation to the SZF.

We will have a Regional Assembly on February 26, 2022, to go over the ICC. It will start at 9:30 am. The Zoom code is 429 1871 4671 password RSC. Flyer of Regional Assembly included in minutes.

Tejas Bluebonnet, report by Rupen (emailed by Steven P)

Greetings to all of you. I am sorry that I would not attend this meeting, and I am grateful that Ruben could attend to carry the group conscience of our Region. What I present here is partly group conscience, and some personal experience.

The pandemic has had, and continues to have, a significant impact on Narcotics Anonymous in our Region. It is impossible to calculate how many addicts have been lost as a result of the pandemic. Reviewing archives of meeting schedules for some of the Areas in our Region shows that between five and twenty five percent (5%-25%) of the meetings open at the beginning of the pandemic are now closed, and have not been replaced by new meetings. What happened to those addicts is unknown. Some are attending other meetings in the vicinity, and many have simply disappeared.

Some of the recovery meetings that kept the doors open (either virtually or in-person) during the pandemic have actually grown in attendance, but that is the exception. According to GSR's (and other members,) of all the meetings open today about fifty percent (50%) of them currently have significantly lower attendance than they did before the pandemic. (Typically current attendance at meetings ranges from -10% to -50% of the pre-pandemic attendance.) For those interested in the math I am including a paragraph at the end of this report.

Currently about half to three quarters of the meetings in our Region have returned to in-person status. About half of the ASCs (and their subcommittees) have returned to in- person or hybrid meeting status.

Some Hospitals and Institutions meetings have been intermittently open, and some have transitioned to virtual/hybrid presentations in order to address issues arising from the pandemic, but most of them have been closed since the first wave of lockdowns. They are expected to remain so for the foreseeable future.

I note here that it is normal for Faith based recovery programs (and lay ministers,) to have access in jails and prisons long before NA is allowed to enter, or return. I think that probably this is true because the Chaplains of the jails and prisons are pre- disposed to allow access to those of their own kind before allowing “outsiders” to speak with the prisoners.

A few Areas have made some progress with their PR subcommittees - contacting PO’s, Drug Courts, and other professionals, etc. Sometimes the contacts have been virtual only. Mostly the professionals have been ensconced behind masks in offices that are not open to visit, or they are working from home, and are not readily available.

One aspect of the program that has been devastated by the pandemic is the ever- shrinking pool of addicts stepping up to serve at the Area or Region level. Out of 10 Areas in our Region not one of them has every service position filled, and the Region Service Committee also has an opening or two. The phenomenon of recycling trusted servants was present to a lesser degree before the pandemic, but it has become more prevalent since the lock-downs. It is now very common to see the same people continuing to serve by changing hats and stepping into different service positions.

While I am grateful that people do continue to step up and serve, I am concerned that the next generation may lack the willingness to serve. And if the next one does not step up to serve then the doors of NA will close. Perhaps forever.

People continue to talk about what will happen when the pandemic is over as if the pandemic will actually be over and completely gone. I see no reason to expect that we will ever return to a pre-pandemic situation. I see no realistic possibility of having a non- pandemic situation in the several years. I think that hoping for, or predicting a non- pandemic situation in the near future is unrealistic. This might be reason to put more work into Zones and Multi-Zonal symposiums because they are smaller and therefore less likely to be viewed as sources of infection. Also they are more tightly focused on serving the addicts in that vicinity.

So, while y’all are doing important work there I will be here at the Region Convention doing what I can to carry the message of recovery, and the benefits of service. Any feedback or best practices will be greatly appreciated. I miss you, and I miss the hugs, the coffee, the chats in the hallways between workshops, the laughter (at inappropriate subjects,) and tears when they happen. Thank you all for being of service.

No doubt Ruben will also have some thoughts to share. Thank you for allowing us to be of service.

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Some Math

I will present the best case, worst case, and middle case using the Tejas Bluebonnet Region as an example, and working with the percentages offered above.

One Region with 10 Areas. Each Area has a mean average of 40 meetings a week. Each meeting has a mean average attendance of 10 addicts every week pre-pandemic. This equals about 4,000 addicts attending meetings every week in the Region. (Please note that I am not saying 4,000 different addicts. Some of these people attend multiple meeting each week on a regular basis.)

Best Case Scenario

4,000 minus 5% (-200) = 3,800 attendees.

3,800 minus 10% (-380) = 3,420 attendees.

4,000 – (200+380) = 3,420 currently attending meetings every week. 85% of pre-pandemic attendance.

Worst Case Scenario

4,000 minus 25% (-1,000) = 3,000 attendees.

3,000 minus 50% (-1,500) = 1,500 attendees.

4,000 – (1,000 + 1,500) = 1,500 currently attending meetings every week. 37.5% of pre-pandemic attendance.

Middle Case Scenario

4,000 minus 15% (-600) = 3,400 attendees.

3,200 minus 30% (-960) = 2,440 attendees.

4,000 – (600+960) = 2,440 currently attending meetings every week.

61% of pre-pandemic attendance.

The starting figures, and this middle case scenario, are widely accepted as being actually representative of the reality in our Region by most of the GSRs and members of the Region Service Committee who have responded to my enquiries.

The question now is where do we go from here? How do we dig out of the hole, and start growing the fellowship again?

Volunteer, report by Greg & Vince

Greetings from the Volunteer Region, since our last SZF report in October 2021,

We have had 2 RSC meetings. The first was on November 30,2021. This was a hybrid meeting, it was held in the closing hours of our Volunteer Region Convention. Our convention was celebrated in the immediate area of where the basic text was put together 40 years prior; though the original structure was no longer intact, the spirit of those individuals that focused

their time, strength, and energy in developing our heritage was all around. Several interesting workshops were presented, and an array of diverse speakers kept the spirit of recovery in focus. The convention was a financial success as well.

The second meeting on 02-06-2022, was held completely in a zoom format.

We were able to welcome back representation from one of our areas that had been absent for some time, we are also seeing more meetings opening back up and some of the trusted servant positions being filled. Several areas are increasing their fellowship activities and many reported improved attendance over the various holiday celebrations.

A reminder that we are still not over the Covid pandemic was evident with the increased reports of cases occurring within the fellowship as well as the local communities.

Portions of our meeting were devoted to exploring the times and availability for the Delegate team to notify the areas and groups of the upcoming Interim CAR/CAT or ICC; a tentative date of 02-26-2022, at 1:00 - 3:00pm was established, it will be a zoom meeting. The Delegate team also reported on the WSC meetings held via ZOOM in the recent months and the ongoing topics of interest within the WB.

Several articles in the policies and procedures portion of our Regional guide lines were either clarified or removed due to antiquation. A Regional Inventory is scheduled for early August prior to the quarterly RSC meeting.

A change of venue was presented for the upcoming quarterly meetings with an overall approval by the RCMs, the group also agreed on a donation of \$499.00 to be given to the SZF.

Thank you for allowing our Delegate team to be of service,
Vince B. RD - Greg V. AD

Mississippi, report by Brad.

The MS Region has recently appointed me (Brad S) as RD. We're getting ready for our annual Trusted Servants Assembly which will take place March 11-13. At this event, we will discuss the Interim Cat/Car and we will hold workshops on a variety of different topics including some IDTs. The MS Regional Convention Committee is hard at work with plans to hold the next convention at the Hilton of Jackson October 13-15, 2023. The details of the hotel contract are still being worked out.

After the Interim WSC, Holly and I will focus on planning the Fall SZF. We can definitely use the help of experienced members of the SZF to plan that event as it will be the first time for both of us.

Comment: Craig G would like to get in on that conversation about PR in Mississippi.

Treasurer Report, given by Sharon

Balance 6920.27, 279.05 donations this weekend. Registrations 200.

The body was okay with reimbursing Lucy (209.09) for car rental/gas for Kentucky after her flight home was canceled. Check register attached to minutes.

See "Discussion on excess funds at this meeting" for more on treasury.

SZF Rep Report, given by Staci

Staci sent out several attachments to show what all is going on with the US Zonal Collaboration efforts. They are uploaded to the SZF website here: <https://szfna.org/us-zones-collaboration/>

Lucy's concern shared in US Zone's Slack channel: It was said in the Atlanta US zones workshop by Craig R, one of the presenters, that the US zones survey is only going to delegates without the rest of the regional body being given the opportunity for feedback.

Staci: No consensus yet on who survey should be sent out to.

Lucy: At least include zonal delegates as well in survey.

Ruben: we will discuss with GSRs at the March 12 regional assembly. Staci offered to go to their assembly. Ruben will discuss with Steve.

Staci: Concern that info about the US Zonal Collaboration is not making it back to the members.

Fellowship Development Report, given by Lee

Hi Southern Zonal Members,

I don't really have much to report from Fellowship Development. We're making very slow progress with the Facebook Page, thanks to all for liking it.

Last year we did a lottery of our member Regions and Mississippi won! Since they didn't have a RD at the time, we didn't do any outreach through their PR. I spoke with their new RD Brad S. and he asked for a little time to discuss it with his member areas to see if they would be interested in our Zones assistance with FD/PR/ Outreach to some of the out lying areas. More will be revealed!

Any questions?

I am grateful to serve,

Lee P. SZF FD Coordinator

Discussed the reason we can't place a Facebook ad on our SZF page. Facebook requires those in the US who offer addiction services like treatment centers and mutual support groups to get a costly LegitScripts certification.

Canada doesn't have to be certified and Shane has reached out to this person about becoming an admin on our page and running the ad. Do we want to do this?

Opposed: Arkansas, Lonestar, Show Me, Red River

Support: Bluegrass Appalachian, Louisiana

Abstain – Mississippi, Tejas Bluebonnet, Voluntee

Why people abstained -

Vince/Volunteer: I would need to talk to region about how they feel

Ruben/Tejas Bluebonnet – Shane, can you explain in a little more laymens terms about what Canada proposes to do? Shane: Facebook lumped anyone in addiction services together. They have to get vetted to be able to do ads which is expensive. Countries outside the US can do it with their laws. They are addicts helping addicts. Shane: let me be clear about Canada. It's an online group. We'd be collaborating with a homegroup. If Facebook finds out they did this for us, nothing happens to us. Facebook will know because we will add him to our page.

Brad – more for it now. If it's against the rules of Facebook it's not that big of a deal.

Scott: I am able to run ads on my region's page.

Shane: We got stopped because of an algorithm that picks up certain things. We're doing shares of the money in states. Since we split the ad up, Facebook thought we were spamming. Once you get hit, you're hit forever.

TAKE BACK to REGIONS – Do we want someone from Canada to be added to our Facebook page as an admin in order to run ads.

Some comments included above, for the full conversation, you can listen to the recording.

PR Report - Craig emailed report.

Hello Family!

I am really excited to be here this morning sharing this report with you all! As I start, I would like for all of us to stop for a minute and think about the first time we heard about Narcotics Anonymous or made it to our first meeting. (PAUSE) Whether it was from a treatment center, a Hospitals and Institution meeting, a phone line, a referral from a judge or probation/parole officer, a family member, an internet search, or a family member's recommendation, chances are it was from some form of Public Relations. The impact Public Relations has on a potential member can be the difference between life and death. I do not say that lightly. As most of you may already know, the CDC (no affiliation or endorsement) reports that there were over 100,000 overdose deaths in the first full year of the pandemic, which is the most in any 12-month period in history, and the numbers continue to grow. Our ability to make our program more widely known as a resource in our communities is probably at its most dire state in our history. Our fellowship was able to grow and thrive through other drug epidemics of the past, and we will do so through this one, however, it will probably require a little more effort on our part. As I said that, my first thought was how much more effort can I offer, or what more can I do. Even after all these years getting to experience the amazing benefits of living the Narcotics Anonymous way of life, I am still amazed by the gift of recovery! When I think about how great my life is and what all Narcotics Anonymous has given me, I really understand that I can't give back enough, but you can bet your ass I'm going to do all I can to help Narcotics Anonymous be more widely known as a resource in our communities and as a way out from the horrors of addiction. I thank God often for all the members throughout the years who served our fellowship and helped keep NA alive and free so that when I showed up broke, busted, and disgusted, there was a program that could change my life if I was willing to do the work.

With that said, here we are! I am really excited about getting to serve our fellowship at such a low level of service! Although the idea of serving an entire zone can seem daunting at times, I am super excited to do so, and to do all I can to help the Regional PR teams within the Southern Zone! Since our last meeting, I have reached out to all the Regional PR Chairs who I was given information for, as well as a few of the RDs for Regions that didn't have a PR Chair, or at least what I think was "all". I will be reaching out to everyone again to establish both a form of communication amongst the zonal PR folks, as well as the most suitable day and time for a Southern Zonal Forum PR meeting. I have been participating with the Northeast Zonal Forum PR Team in their meetings for a handful of months and have really gotten an opportunity to observe how the regular communication between Regional PR Chairs has made a difference in their ability to share new ideas and ways of reaching out to the community about NA, as well as helping each other work through challenges that a committee may be having. I strongly believe that this same format will benefit us greatly here in our zone, even though it may add an hour or two to our trusted servant's schedule. Please send me your Public Relations Chairperson's number or email, and if you do not have one in your Region, please make sure I have your information.

I was fortunate enough to get the opportunity to participate with the planning and implementation of the PR for Professionals event at this symposium on Friday. We met numerous times via zoom and I was grateful to have had previous experience with professional days to offer the committee, as well as the willingness to speak up and offer my input. The event was a great event, even though there was a time or two after the break that the train left the tracks. Even though it went off the tracks, that period of the event was also a great learning opportunity! I have numerous notes throughout my opportunities to participate in several professional days which include some really great ideas of things to do at professional events, as well as a fairly lengthy list of some things to avoid like Covid! I also got the opportunity to experience first-hand how the local fellowship can perceive the zone if we do not approach them with humility and seeking their input and direction as to what to do in their community. The basic premise, or perspective, that came from the local community was that the zonal members swooped in with all their wisdom and let the local community know that the zone was going to handle everything because they had all the experience and know-how. As you all can imagine, this caused some tension, however, they all managed to move forward and work it out.

I also go to present a PR Training workshop as one of the workshops at this symposium, and it was well attended. We expected 5 people to show up and had around 20-25 participants between in-person and Zoom so it was an amazing turnout as far as we were concerned. An hour and 15 minutes was an extremely short amount of time to present the workshop, but we managed as well as we could. There were several people who requested the PowerPoint and the requests were replied to. And on an interesting point, all of the requests were from folks outside the Southern Zone.

Finally, I spoke with the Red River Region about the PR for Professionals event that we were supposed to do on the Friday of the Zonal weekend. After speaking with Billy, it was decided

that I needed to participate in their Regional meeting to better assess the needs of their Region. After a good bit of discussion, it was decided by the local community that they are not quite ready for a PR for Professionals event. Instead, we will be providing a PR Training workshop on that Friday evening, with the local community to help plan the event. The conversation also came up about the workshop that the local community really wanted for the Saturday Zonal workshop. The two big issues they agreed upon for topics were “the atmosphere in recovery meetings”, and “mental health issues”. I clarified that we will hit on both these issues at the PR Training workshop, but that the FD team will come up with the best ways to address these two topics. And just for clarity and transparency, I spoke with both Lee P. and Scott K. prior to this conversation with the Red River Region and had both members approval to speak with Red River in this capacity. I did not just make the decision to speak with them on my own. This is really exciting, and I am looking forward to connecting with the local community in the Red River Region, but I also want to finish my report by letting everyone know that I am willing to help in whatever way is needed. My number is 615-207-2530 and my personal email is craig.garbison01@att.net. I understand that there are guidelines around funding for this position, but I don't know that the budget for this position was including anything other than a professional's event so I hope conversations can be had if we see that the zone providing services that it hadn't provided in the past can be seen as enough grounds to consider doing something different financially. And one final thought about this position for a future discussion is the title. One of the definitions for liaison is “an illicit sexual relationship”. Although I may have been in a few of those, I would rather the term be coordinator, or something else! In the meantime, I am super grateful for the opportunity to serve this body. In loving service,
Craig G., SZF PR Liaison

Web servant Report – not present

Ad-HOC for Policy / Guidelines, Report by Troy

Updated Guidelines added as attachment to minutes.

Break for 15 minutes

Guidelines Adhoc Discussion Continued...

Change prudent reserve to \$5000 in guidelines. That amount was found mentioned in July 2019 minutes..

Change room rental for meetings in guidelines: If it's over \$600, approval by the body is needed.

In favor of: Arkansas, Lonestar, Louisiana, Mississippi, Red River, Show Me, Tejas Bluebonnet, Volunteer. Present not voting: Bluegrass Appalachian

Add to secretary duties I guidelines: update guidelines as needed.

In favor of: Arkansas, Bluegrass Appalachian, Lone Star, Louisiana, Red River, Show Me, Tejas Bluebonnet, Volunteer

Lee: Request that past hosts of Zonal Forum weekends send in details of their funds spent... tshirts purchased and sizes, and other costs to help future zonal meetings prepare.

Discussion on excess funds at this meeting

Do we want to donate the 648 over prudent reserve to SEZF to help with this event?

In favor of: Bluegrass, Red River

Opposed: Arkansas Lone Star, Louisiana, Show Me, Tejas Bluebonnet, Volunteer

We are opposed to sending more to SEZ, and the remaining \$648 will go to NAWS.

Nominations

Sharon S. for Treasurer

In favor of: Arkansas, Lone Star, Louisiana, Red River, Mississippi, Show Me, Tejas Bluebonnet, Volunteer

Abstain: Bluegrass Appalachian

Old Business

US Zonal Collaboration:

“The regions are asked to review the PowerPoint and minutes from the US zonal meeting and bring your input back to the next SZF meeting about the US collaboration body’s voting procedure.”

STACI –

The US Zonal Collaboration body meets again in 2 months – there’s nothing to be decided at this moment.

Continue to report to your regions, areas, groups what is going on with this US zones body.

Suggestions: create place on website for zonal forum rep to upload files (minutes, othoer documents)

Lucy will put in a request to Steve S, our web servant, to create a US zone collaboration folder on the szfna.org website which can be found here: szfna.org/us-zones-collaboration. The files emailed out last weekend will be uploaded there as well as future documents. Staci will be able to send files to Steve directly to be added there as well as sending to the all@szfna.org email list as in the past.

Slack

Question: Is it open to anyone?

In favor of: Arkansas, Lone Star, Louisiana, Mississippi, Red River, Show Me, Tejas Bluebonnet, Volunteer

Don’t care: Bluegrass Appalachian

Lucy: We might need some help moderating Slack as more people join. Current admin are Lucy and Lee. Caitilin willing if help is needed.

Fellowship Concerns

Budget

Craig: If SZF PR was invited to an additional professionals event, would funds be available? Is it a hard/fast guideline or if it was over, is that ok?

Staci: I've never seen anything not be able to be brought up and discussed with the body.

Lee: Give me a couple of days to look up budget stuff for PR/FD

Shane – Motions for 2023 CAR

K-BARNA meeting is discussing making a CAR motion for 2023. They will vote in July and meet with Paul, WB liaison. Shane would like to talk to RDs in zone. Are any other regions submitting any motions for 2023?

The motion/idea is still incomplete but has to do with how business is done on the floor. We would like to be able to see how everyone else is voting in real time so RD team can make a more informed decision. Would like more input from the zonal body. Shane will post something in slack. And send invitation to a possible Zoom meeting.

Break 15 mins

New Business

Anyone opposed to changing liaison to coordinator for FD/PR.

No opposition. Lucy will update guidelines.

Lee: Shared an idea to switch business portion of SZF to following the Saturday morning recovery meeting, since on Sunday morning folks are rushing to get away.

We could have 2 workshops after lunch break on Saturday. On Sunday, the Recovery meeting and one more workshop.

comments:

Positive discussion about trying this on a trial basis in Red River if they are ok with it.

We can continue this discussion in Slack.

Next Meetings

RED RIVER REGION

Date: July 29-30-31

How is the planning going? Size of room block of 10 should be perfect. Request to have it negotiable so if we need more we can add rooms to it. Room rate and space rate should be reasonable. It will be in Dennison. Fly in to DFW. It's an hour or so from Dallas. Coordination needed for getting from and to airport.

Workshops:

- 1) Atmosphere of recovery as it relates to outside entities having an influence in meetings – Scott K/Craig
- 2) Mental illness – Lee
- 3) US zones – Staci will do this presentation
- 4) Friday Night – 5-6:45 PR training

MISSISSIPPI

last weekend in October. Jackson airport, Pearl Mississippi.

Reminders

- 1) Virtual SZF (WAS April 9, 9 AM) for 90 mins about policy. NEW DATE: April 24 Sunday afternoon, 1 PM central. Zoom Meeting ID: 821 1538 1173; Passcode: 121212
- 2) Tejas Bluebonnet: in Winter 23. CAR/CAT

Meeting closed at 1:13 with the Serenity Prayer

ILS

Lucy

SZF Secretary

Audio recording of meeting shared in slack. Search files for szfWinter2022Recording.mp3

OklaTex Area Committee Chairperson Report Form

RD 2/13/22

Committee _____ Chairperson _____

Vice Chair _____ Sect. _____

Date of Last Meeting _____ No. Attending _____

Issues Discussed OklaTex Area - Red River Region or doing well.

We had a new group ~~join~~ ^{Join} the Area-Region the NAG group in Gainesville Tx

We have been looking at Hotels for SZF in July need to know how many room

Blocks ~~we~~ ^{are} need. Have a donation of 500⁰⁰ and need to know

where to send it. Also need rec. for the 200⁰⁰ ~~in~~ ^{donation} in Dec.

I have minutes from Dec s USC/RSC attached.

In Loving Service Arney K.

Motions Arising from Report _____

Activities, Plans, Announcements OklaTex Army Mar 19th

Hope for Unity Campout 4/22;24

Problems/Needs in Your Position _____

Time/Date/Location of Next Meeting 1pm-5pm 4/3/22 Primary Purpose Bonham

RD,

**OklaTex Area-Red River Region
ASC/RSC Meeting
Dec. 5, 2021
Refinishing, Sherman Tx**

Convened: 2 pm

Service Prayer: Larry C.

12 Concepts: Josh

Introductions: (For the newcomers)

Roll Call: Absent: RD 2nd, Outreach 2nd, TSCNA Liaison 2nd

Secretary: Jeani S. read the minutes from last meeting.

Secretary Alt: Justin S.

A Whole New Deal: Sarah W.—Reg. Members-5; Attendance-15; Ave. attendance-5; Newcomers-3; Bank Balance- \$; Prudent/Event Reserve-\$; Ave. 7th -\$5.00; Monthly expenses-\$; Area Donation-\$60.00.

Zoom GC:3RD Fri. 8:30/zoom BDN:1st Sat.7:30/ zoom Speaker2,3&4th Sat of month.

Monday nights In person mtg @7:30pm

Discussion: Zoom ID 697 322 230

Full Circle: Jack W. – Reg. Members-6; Attendance-113; Ave. attendance-8.692; Newcomers-4; Bank Balance- \$3665.73; Prudent/Event Reserve-\$; Ave. 7th - \$14.77; Monthly expenses-\$120.00; Area Region Donation-\$100.00.

GC/BDN- Last Monday of the Month

Discussion: Trick Question: New Year's Eve Party.... Thanks for Everyone that came to Thanksgiving Dinner it was a great success!!

Key To Life: Andy M.— Reg. Members-10; Attendance-361; Ave. attendance-7; Newcomers-12; Bank Balance- \$3360.64; Prudent/Event Reserve-\$800.00; Ave. 7th -\$14.45; Monthly expenses-\$1355.79; Area Donation-\$100.00;

GC: Last Thurs. 6 pm/BDN: Last Friday

Discussion: Monday Karaoke 6-7 meeting 7-8, Dec 11th 5pm Dirty Santa

NAG: Bobby P. –Reg. Members-10; Attendance-52; Ave. attendance-10; Newcomers-4; Bank Balance- \$380.00; Prudent/Event Reserve-\$; Ave. 7th -\$20.00; Monthly expenses-\$40.00; Area Donation-\$;

GC: Thursday {BDN:} Meeting night is on Thursday at 6:30pm

Discussion: 411-415 East California St, Gainesville TX: we are currently alternating between basic text and how it works, currently learning and growing try to add meeting.

Primary Purpose: Cassey B. – Reg. Members-9; Attendance-205; Ave. attendance-9; Newcomers-; Bank Balance- \$3079.77; Prudent/Event Reserve-\$1544.35; Ave. 7th -\$24.27; Monthly expenses-\$540.22; Area Donation-\$100.00.

GC: 1st Monday, BDN: 4th Thursday, Speaker: 2nd Monday

Discussion:

Refinishing: Karla V. –Reg. Members-15; Attendance-232; Ave. attendance-9; Newcomers-5; Bank Balance- \$6224.07; Prudent/Event Reserve-\$1000.00; Emergency fund \$2000.00; Ave. 7th -\$20.00; Monthly expenses-\$2453.08; Area Donation-\$pending;

GC: Last Sunday, BDN: 1st Friday, Speaker: 3rd & 5th Friday

Discussion: Thanks for everyone's support at our anniversary party, report from the anniversary party

Surrender: Neil C. –Reg. Members-18; Attendance-380; Ave. attendance-20; Newcomers-6; Bank Balance- \$23.00; Prudent/Event Reserve-\$900.00; Ave. 7th - \$30.00; Monthly expenses-\$280.00; Area Donation-\$;

GC: 3rd Sunday, BDN: Last Tuesday, Speaker: 2nd Sunday

Discussion:

Break: 2:45PM

Open back up- 3:01PM/ Serenity Prayer

New or Readmitting groups: N.A.G = 3rd time attending ASC/RSC

Trusted Servants:

RD: Arney K. – 2nd Absence,
SZF Call from Craig- {craig@prszf} 615-207-2530,
Michelle R. Mock meeting, Disruptive behavior, Mental health,
Craig- workshops 2 hours, in times of illness, mental health, atmosphere of
recovery
Larry C. PR for professionals, call lisa and see if I can help
BJ Spoke on SZF, SZF Feb 12-14th, Car/Cat, Spiritual Principle a day,
Discussion: BJ Reimburse of approval draft of car-cat \$112.32{passed}

RDA: Doug B. - No Report
Discussion:

ASC Treasurer: Michelle R. - Full report attached.
**Discussion: 1 shredded check that was messed up from NAWS, World and SZF
Donations {passed} 200⁰⁰**

ASC Treasurer alt: -

RSC Treasurer: Larry C. - Full report attached.
Discussion:

Sub-Committee Reports:

Activities/workgroups: Cassey B. - Full report attached.
**Discussion: Requesting \$500.00 for New Year's Party {\$750.00 passed for NYE
party}**

Hospitals & Institutions: Vacant
Discussion:

Outreach: Arney K. - 2nd absence.
Discussion:

Policy: Michelle R. - Full report attached

Discussion: Will be working on the Region policy to have more done before next ASC. Meeting schedule updated, want to move forward with QR Code for meeting schedule we can just use the QR code with document for now and change it when we get the website updated. **Would like a vote of confidence to get the cards done for the area. {approved}**

Public Relations: Lisa O. - Full report attached.

Discussion: Will sit down and send out updated schedules the week of Christmas, I'll be calling all places to let them know to discard ALL old schedules.

TSCNA Liaison: Arney K. - 2nd absence

Discussion:

Ad Hoc Committee/work groups created. None currently.

H&I, ASC pays for this

Break: 4:10pm

Open back up. - 4:17pm/Serenity Prayer

Open Discussion/Concerns: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Hosting SZF July 2022**{passed}**
2. Books for Jail {what is going to make it in, Jeani will call and talk to paster Ball} Schedule, pamphlets, book, white book, 10 from Full Circle. {vote of confidence for list after talking to paster ball GCJ \$500} **{passed}**
3. RD Team to Atlanta **{passed}**

Elections: Tabled ~~ASC alt~~ Treasurer Jennifer A key to life{passed}****

Vacancies:

~~Activities-~~

H&I-

AD Hoc-

**Review & Announcements: Key to Life Dirty Santa, New Years Eve, TSCNA, SZF
{Atlanta July}**

**Next ASC/RSC: - February 6, @ Surrender Tx, 12pm
Closed – 5:15 PM.**



Okla-Tex Area 16th Anniversary March 12, 2022



From: 2 p.m.-?

Location: Jack Stockton Community Building
Donell Drive Calera, OK

Speakers, Food, Fellowship,
Raffle, 50/50 & Auction

Taco Bar is dinner (please bring a covered dish or
dessert)

NA related raffle or auction items are greatly
appreciated

This is an event to support the Texas State
Convention of Narcotics Anonymous. The journey
continues....

www.tscna.org

Please call for information: Cassey B. 214-624-8494, Bill
B. 903-486-4270



OklaTex Area of NA Hope for Unity



April 22nd-24th 2022

Speakers

Beach volleyball tournament

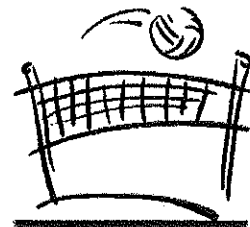
Horseshoes tournament

Ping pong-fishing-Campfire

Games-Music-Fellowship

!!!NO PETS—NO WEAPONS!!!

!!!BRING A NEWCOMER!!!



Bring your own bedding, towels, and toiletries.

Location: Straight Arrow Camp Preston Bend Road, Pottsboro, TX

Contact: Cassey B. 214-624-8494, Bill B. 903-486-4270, Larry C. 903-819-2282

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Name: _____

2 Night Pre-Registration: \$40 by April 9th \$ _____

2 Night Registration: \$45 Includes Bed and Food! \$ _____

1 Night Registration: \$25 \$ _____

Day Registration: \$15 Includes Food! \$ _____

Newcomer Donation! \$ _____

Kids 8 & Under are free! Total \$ _____

All Overnight Registrations include Bed and Food!

Beds assigned on a first come first serve basis!

Deadline to send pre-registration and money April 9th

Mail Payment to:

OklaTex Area

P.O. Box 1438

Denison, Texas 75020