

Texas State Convention Narcotics Anonymous III (TSCNA III) Meeting
at the Any Lengths Group Waco, TX Minutes from 12-19-04

Open Discussion

Meeting was held at the Any Lengths Group in Waco, TX beginning at 1 :30pm Meeting was called to order by vice chair Cheryl B. with reading of the Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts, Service Prayer and Roll Call of Planning Committee. All members were present, except Assistant Treasurer Sadie H. with notice. Minutes were read, accepted and passed with corrections.

Ken G. addresses committee body with opening statement that at the last meeting our Treasurer Chair Michael S. resigned. He informed body that all legal documents at Bank have been signed with the necessary changes and updated signatures on signature card. All items were delivered to Assistant treasure. He stated that at the Advisory Meeting held in Austin, TX on 11-11-04 Michael S. ask to be reinstated to the Treasurer Chair position. Ken G. informed body of the new policy changes that was revised and that also went into effect as of 11-11-04. He stated he will give updated copies to everyone. He also stated that since the resignation of the treasurer chair was given verbally, Ken G advised committee that Michael S is still Treasure based on old policy, and that the new policy is effected now, The Chair also states that a motion to remove Michael S as treasure had been giving to him in written before meeting and that Michael will be given a chance to address this motion. Cheryl B expresses concerns about Michael S behavior at previous meeting and his disregard for following the body wishes. Michael S began verbally criticizing committee members and his behavior became sporadic and out of control. After several guess left the meeting the Chair advised the Committee to take another ten minute recess due to a tape recorder was spotted recording the meeting by Michael S and his out of control temper and his total disrespect towards committee members and guess of the fellowship, The Chair advised Michael S to remove tape recorder from meeting. Meeting was called back to order by committee chair and he informed body that due to the revised policy all changes in the policy will stand. Michael S was spotted recording meeting again, after several members asked Michael S to stop recording meeting, The committee decided to address motion to remove Treasure based on conduct by Michael S and his total disunity and disregard towards the committee body and its wishes and his disrespectful behavior at all the committee meetings, We are voting on whether to remove Treasurer Chair based on behavior and conduct. As stated under "Removal Policy" guidelines. The following are grounds that represent the prerequisites for removal. They are NOT meant to imply that removal is necessary in every case in which these grounds are present. They are simply intended as a guide when removal proceeding are instigated.

Based on columns C & E

C. A breach of the Traditions (personal Anonymity)

E. Unethical conduct inconsistent with the role of a Convention Committee Officer.

The Chair expressed that by policy the Treasurer will be given ten minute for rebuttal, but he expressed to Treasure to take his time. After treasure rebuttal a closed ballot was taken. Motion to remove treasure passed.

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Reports

Chair

I want to thank everyone on the committee for attending the meeting today. I made several deposits over the past month for merchandise sales and fund raiser sales. All deposit receipts were given to our treasurer. I also attended the advisory meeting held in Austin, TX on Dec. 11, 2004. Overall the meeting was good and the advisory committee expresses some concerns about final registration flyer, hopefully we can get the information approved so the flyer can be made. I also sent out a pre-registration mailing to different groups, areas, and individuals, I will turn that receipt over to the chair. I also delivered a check to the New Horizon group for \$100.00 for the fund raiser to purchase food, I collected all receipts for the food from the group and I will give that to the treasurer as well as the deposit receipt for \$387.00 collected from the fundraiser. I have two bids one for jewelry and one for taping; I will turn those over to the CI chair. Also we should set a price for the registration packet 5-6 dollars per packet and a total cap of how much money they will receive, this was suggested by several members of the advisory committee. I ask that all committee members register and to keep inviting people to be a part of this convention. I also would like to encourage everyone to please communicate with each other as to the continuing progress of our obligation and commitment as we need a strong unity to carry out and help this convention be a success.

We are being changed. We've not only heard about the miracle of recovery; we are becoming living, breathing examples of what the power of the NA program can do.

IT WORKS HOW AND WHY

Pg 75 Love and Respect Ken G.

Vice Chair

Cheryl stressed the importance of the policy change is what needs to be addressed. She stated that the Chair and Secretary will host elections for the next convention. Also no committee members: significant other, spouse, brother or sister signature can be on checks. Any items or merchandise over \$150.00 HAVE TO GET THREE BIDS. We need three bids for the entertainment recommendations and merchandise can only be sold by venders. Any alternative groups or individual will need to get a contract and a license to sell anything.

Thank You, Cheryl B

Secretary

Please read minutes from previous meeting upon arrival at each meeting, so if there are any corrections that need to be made we can address them. I would like to thank everyone for pointing out errors and corrections and I also encourage you all please continue to keeping me on my toes.

Love and Service

Pam G

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Programming

Hello Everybody. It's good to be back amongst the committee. The programming committee has some names for speakers, but has not contacted anyone. In keeping with TSCNA commitment to having a diverse speaker core, this committee is taking great care to uphold that commitment. We have had the opportunity to visit with East Texas and West Texas in the attempt to have a broad speaker core. The month of January will be our decision making month. We will put names with topics and get commitments from the fellowship.

We will also select our Main Speaker. We are considering flying in two and having the third drive in and meeting the driving expenses as well as picking up the convention expenses of all three. I would like to know what is the policy concerning the number of speakers we will incur expenses for, what are those expenses, and if we can fly in three speakers. We will have something down before the end of January as for as workshop topics, times, and people in place. And by February we will have how many, who they are and their topics.

Grateful to Serve Alex G.

Entertainment

This has truly been a needle in a haystack experience. So far only a little has been accomplished as in getting potential comedians and comical plays to entertain us. With those potential ideas still in a developing state. We have been able to be of service with plans to cater this event. There are three (3) local businesses that stood among the thirty (30) on the list in which could be helpful to our Saturday night event.

1. Eddie Ray's Smokehouse 1-35 Elm Mott, TX (254) 829-2930, 2. George's Catering 1925 Speight Ave Waco, TX (254) 753-1421, . Waco Convention Center 100 Washington Waco, TX (254) 750-5813 or (800) 321-9226 Fax (254) 750-5801 or web- tonya w@ci.waco.tx.us

Thank You Gayla M.

Hello Family I also say it is great to be back with this committee body. I have contacted Roz G. from New Jersey for the comedy show. She has agreed to do it for \$600.00 instead of \$1000.00. We will need to provide plane ticket and room for one (1) night. She has ask for tickets to show not to exceed \$7-\$10.00. I have a contract from her that we need to sign and send back by Jan 5, 2005.

Thank You Sylvia W.

Registration

I am asking the committee for \$700.00 budget to purchase items for packets for registration.

Thank You Brenda G.

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Arts & Graphics

Hello Family, Happy Holiday & Season Greetings

I have been working on the Logo and Theme for the Convention, our deadline is Dec. 31-2004. I have several with me today for us to choose from, after that date we will have to narrow it down so it can be put on the final registration flyer, and any other media. **If** you have any other ideas, logos or cliché, Please let me know before you leave today.

Thanks For Trusting & Allowing Me To Serve Evelyn L.

Merchandise

Hello Family, I have enjoyed being apart of this committee. I received #46 T-shirts from Ken G. after the San Antonio fundraiser. I sold #21 at the Any Lengths fundraiser, Total sales of \$252.00 which Ken G. received. I sold #4 at Lake Whitney, Total sales \$48.00, I sold #4 at the Caldwell fund raiser, Total sales \$48.00 and I sold #1 more at Any Lengths Total \$12.00. I have deposited \$108.00. At the New Horizon fundraiser #9 T-shirts were sold Total sales \$108.00 which Ken G. deposited. So there has been #39 T-shirts sold and Total Sales to date is \$468.00. I have #7 T-shirts left to sale.

Thank You Lonzo G.

Convention Information

None

Hospitality

None

Old Business

NONE

New Business

Ken G. advised programming chair and entertainment chair to get together to obtain budget amount to be finalized Before the March meeting 60 days prior to convention, (travel for speakers, air flights, name of speakers, topics). He also added programming is in charge of the count down event.

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Sylvia W. informed committee that she would like to have a Harley Davidson Bike Show and she has contacted the Waco Police Department about the noise ordinance. She also stated she would like to have a Spanish Speaking workshop and a Hearing and Impaired person/persons at convention. She advised everyone to start announcing this in our meeting that if you know someone that can help out, especially during the main speaker meeting. Beverly J. stated she will check with Randy about the hearing and impaired person that was at the Dallas- Ft Worth Convention. Sylvia W. talked about the Jazz Breakfast and Band to be at the hotel. She stated she will be still checking on this. Ken G. and Cheryl B. advised that the cost not to exceed \$200.00 there was discussions about pricing for the comedy show, banquet & fashion show, and jazz breakfast and dance. Sylvia suggested prices were \$10.00 for comedy show, \$15.00 for Banquet and fashion show, \$10.00 jazz breakfast and dance free.

Ken G. advised Lonzo G. to get three (3) bids for #50 T-shirts
Logo will be sent to Carlos S. in Houston to get print ready, after it get finalized we will be working on flyers to be passed out to everyone.

Meeting held at the convention center in Waco, TX 11-3-2004 @ 1 :00 pm with Charlotte to discuss possibility of exchanging one of the meeting halls that have been contracted out to the TSCNA III for the State Convention. Members present were Ken G and Pam G, no other members were able to attend due to a variety of reasons. Charlotte asks if we would be willing to withdraw from the McLennan Hall in exchange for both the Chisholm Hall and the Texas room. THE INCENTIVE FOR THIS EXCHANGE WOULD BE, FREE UNLIMITED COFFEE AT THE CONVENTION CENTER, DRESSING ROOMS TWO (2) WITH LOCKS. TO BE USE FOR MERCHANDISE OVERNIGHT STORAGE / FASHION SHOW, PIPED CURTAINS. Ken G WILL CHECK ON EXTENDING TIME OF CLOSURE TILL 1 :00 AM.

Chisholm Hall seat capacity of 2,500 big enough for Banquet & Fashion Show and Saturday Night Main Speaker.

Texas Room can be used as three (3) separate rooms or one (1) large room which can be used for merchandise and/or other meeting rooms. Will also provide Easel 22 x 28 for Arts & Graphics to post TSCNA III LOGO and to provide information as to where everything is located. Example: MERCHANDISE HERE, REGISTRATION HERE, MARATHON MEETING HERE if we would like to have a big screen TV we will have to hire Hoosie's Company to put speakers image on screen fee will be \$100.00. (Convention does not provide this service).

Motions

- 1 Motion to remove Treasure - passed
- 2 Motion to accept caterer -Eddie Ray's Smokehouse -passed
- 3 Motion to have dance free on Friday night -passed
- 4 Motion to accept Logo & Theme "Thru Change Comes Freedom" -passed
- 5 Motion to accept Sadie as Treasure Chair -passed
- 6 Motion to elect Lonzo G as Merchandise Chair -passed

Next Meeting January 23, 2005@ Any Lengths Group Waco, TX

Meeting End 6 pm

Pam Goff

Secretary TSCNA III 254-867-6697

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