

Minutes TSCNA IV Committee Meeting
Saturday, October 15, 2005
Holiday Inn, Wichita Falls, TX

1. Meeting opened at 12:40 pm with Serenity Prayer.
2. Service Prayer read by Steve K.
3. Read Traditions.
4. Read Concepts.
5. Mission Statement read by Steve K.
6. Roll Call.
7. Secretary Report - Read aloud, accepted by committee, no questions or changes.
8. Treasurer Report – See attached report. Total income \$3794.40; total expenses \$1163.38; **total balance \$2631.02**
9. TEXAS STATE CONVENTION CHAIR REPORT

Hello Committee, Hope ya'll had a good month, we had our 1st donation from a group \$186.00 and sold 5 shirts @ the Dickinson group. I would like to maybe start sending something to the groups that host for us, don't know what yet. This could be a job for convention info. I talked with some members from Texarkana that might be interested in hosting a fundraiser. (Will see) Been trying to set something up in Red River not going as quick as I would like for it to, will see what happens. We may want to keep it simple like just 1 meeting and bingo or something. I mailed 17 shirts to Mary in Houston our new co-registration chair. Meet with Treasurer and worked on report. Meet with hotel everything is o.k. They scheduled an event that wasn't supposed to happen. He said that he would make it go away and don't worry also said if anyone wants to stay at hotel on the fundraiser for 69.00 dollars it would happen. We will be doing another walk through in November. Oh yea 7 months instill convention. Just want to let ya'll know I think everyone is doing a great job, I feel blessed to have such a great committee.

Thank God for service work, Steve K.

10. Arts & Graphics Report - Greetings, First off I'd like to apologize for my absence as well as my late report. There are three Designs I have worked up for the TSCNA IV. Each design centers around Texas, Ft. Worth, and most importantly The Service of Narcotics Anonymous that is exemplified in our Symbol. I do not feel like excuses for my absence goes over well with Recovering addict with a History of Justification. I will just say that I haven't had the means to make a trip anywhere out of town, due to a new job.

My home group, the HOPE group has agreed to host a Fundraiser in March. I need to get with the Fundraiser chair to work out the details. They will be happy and supportive of a TSCNA Fundraiser, all that is asked is that we get to keep the 7th Tradition.

Im currently taking Design Classes in school and its a wonderful way to unite my skills for our Design that will represent our Convention. A theme will bring us to a point that will certainly solidify these designs.

Once again I apologize for my absence. I do not wish to let the committee down any further than my

last 2 absences already have. I know when I made this commitment that it meant being %100 percent. I hope that the committee does not loose faith in my efforts, and that any irritation behind my absence will be relieved at some of the final productions of Art by myself and others on my sub committee. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone again and finding out the results of the Theme ideas.

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

JohnD

11. TEXAS STATE CONVENTION H & I CHAIR REPORT

I will be unable to make the meeting today due to work and not being able to take 2 Saturdays off in a row, since I will be doing the cooking the chair told me that next Saturday would be more important.

I have informed the V.O.A. on riverside, Pine street.

Goals: I plan to let every rehab know on Fort Worth, and Dallas aware of the convention. Also make transportation available and make up New Comer packets. I will be trying to get some new comers involved with the convention.

Thank You CLEO W.

12. HOTEL LIAISON REPORT FOR THE TSCNA IV MEETING IN WICHITA FALLS OCTOBER 15, 2005

Hello everyone,

It's good to see you all again.

The Chairperson and I met with Paul, the Radisson Hotel Manager and there have been a lot of changes that have come up with the hotel. They will be closing down one complete wing of the hotel for remodeling at the time of our convention. This will mean basically no swimming pool. No big deal. We will not have the rooms that we have been meeting in because they are being changed to something else. And until further notice, which means that Paul is working on it, there will be no smoking in any of the meeting rooms. We will still have a smoking hospitality room. We do have the complete ballroom and all the other meeting rooms that were on the contract.

Paul refused to take our deposit check until we had time to check on some other hotels. He was willing to let us out of our contract. Our Chairperson checked several other hotels and they were all booked up.

The areas outside of the main ballroom will be available to us for free if no one else has booked them.

I personally am a little disappointed in these changes, but I know our Higher Power has wonderful things in store for us and as the Chairperson put it, "The convention is not about swimming pools or smoking, it is about recovery and unity and fun." I have no doubt that we will have everything that we need.

Thank you for allowing me to help. In loving service, Pam V. Hotel Liaison

Concerns from floor: with the above hotel changes, what about room availability? There are still 379 rooms available; request from chair to set up a meeting in early November to make \$1000.00 payment due to hotel per our contract. Liaison has not called to get info

regarding Plaza across from hotel for possible hot dog roasting/guitar playing or whatever the committee decides we want to do over there. Debbie at Convention Bureau offered to come to November meeting and do presentation, committee decides that January is ok.

13. Program chair Report –October 15, 2005,

Hello Family, it is good to be here today, This is my report, I have started collecting Release forms, Program ideas and topics, I still have not heard back from the two tapers I contacted. I am still planning to have a sub-committee meeting next Saturday at 11am at New Horizons, I have been in contact with the Hospitality Chair and its going to be a few more weeks before he gets out of the Dallas VA hospital, I do have a number for him if anyone needs it. Thank you for allowing me to serve Larry C.

14. Fundraiser Report - Dear Family,

I am happy to be reporting to you all today. We are getting some fundraisers planned. Our first one is next weekend Oct.22nd at New Horizons II in Ft.Worth. I encourage everyone to attend. We will also be having one Nov.26th at the Radisson in downtown Ft. Worth. We have another one scheduled in Sherman on I believe Dec.17th. Please let me know if you know of any group willing to host a fundraiser. Please remember to encourage your groups to participate in the Texas Unity Day on March 25th a flier will be out soon.

In loving service,
David H.
1-2-03

Committee decided that December Fundraiser could be moved to San Angelo instead of Sherman/Denison (Sherman/Denison can be moved to March – gives Sherman/Denison more time); David H will confirm approval of that ASAP; Mike D from Irving will approach Irving group to host fundraiser there; Abilene discussing holding function for Unity Day on March 25

15. TEXAS STATE CONVENTION SERENITY KEEPERS REPORT

Hello committee, I was unable to make the meeting due to work. I have found a co-chair for my committee Paul B. from Arlington.

Goals are to get together 20 people to work 2 hour shifts at the convention. Looking to come up with some shirts with a NA badge on them. After the 1st of the year will start looking for parking lot rental around the hotel. Any ideas or suggestions please e-mail or call me @ 817-793-9744 or gregspitzer@sbcglobal.net .

In Loving service Greg S

16. Entertainment Report – have discussed having a band for Friday night, will be listening to CD's at next subcommittee meeting, last Wednesday of the month in October at Broadway group (Ft. Worth); discussed DJ for Saturday night;

there will possibly be a Rave; noted by chair to Entertainment subcommittee chair/vice chair that Banquet tickets are part of entertainment, and tickets need to be sold by Entertainment subcommittee; suggestion from floor for Karaoke and square dancing

17. Registration Report – The Registration sub-committee was scheduled to meet on Saturday October 8, 2005. I showed up as usual with no one else in attendance. The subcommittee is scheduled to meet on November 11, 2005 at 2pm at Ft. Worth 24 Hour Group. I will also hold a second subcommittee meeting this month during the Texas Unity Convention at Trailer #2 10am, Saturday November 19, 2005. No new registrations or other activity to report this month. In Loving Service, Lorenzo P.

Chair suggests that the price changes on the registrations do not occur, that we leave the amount of money to register the same all the way through the convention. After discussion on floor, idea tabled so everyone can think about it.

18. Pretty much everyone left at this point, so no further business was handled. It was on the agenda to discuss a theme and mailouts, but these important issues were not discussed due to most of the committee participants leaving the meeting.
19. There was a small discussion among the people left in the room regarding all of the subcommittees helping out one another. It was noted that those subcommittees needing help should email or call directly all committee members to ask for help, noting SPECIFICALLY what type of help is needed.

Just a personal note: We are all in this together. I love each and every one of you, and love this convention. I will do whatever I can to help any subcommittee in anyway that I possibly can. I have decent computer skills, I am pretty creative and I am willing. Please notify me of any help you may need from me.

In Loving Service,
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