



# BOULDER AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE - MINUTES

10-6-24 via zoom and in-person

ALANO CLUB - 4800 Baseline Rd, Suite B #102, Boulder CO

**Secretary:** Alanna P

The meeting opened with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer

**12 Traditions read by:** Amith  
**12 Concepts read by:** Jeff  
**Clean Time Anniversaries:** Taylor 10Y, Amith 2Y, Carl 17K Days  
**Welcome New Members:** n/a

## ***We Agree to Meeting Etiquette***

- We strive to achieve consensus whenever possible;
- We will not separate ourselves as individuals of the Boulder Area Service Committee;
- We will focus ourselves upon establishing unity, mutual respect, and trust during the meeting, we will meet our stated objectives for each meeting;
- We will agree that only one person will speak at a time, and there will be no sidebar conversations;
- We affirm that action groups (ad hoc committees) will be used at Boulder Area meetings to identify solutions for goals and issues.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Lit Storage @ Alano Club:** Jeff was supposed to talk to the building manager, but did not get a chance. Thinks were consolidated enough and is not concerned. Jeff will handle & report back once he talks to bldg manager.

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## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **I. WEBMASTER:** TJ - [Naboulderweb@gmail.com](mailto:Naboulderweb@gmail.com).

- Noticed some changes on website that he made did not save
- Will add flyers if approved

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### **II. REGIONAL COMMITTEE: RCM 1-** Grace F.

- Talked about Gender Neutral & Inclusive language. Survey will be going around. Can find in notes on NA Colorado website.
- Survey for how to handle predatory behavior & lit around that. Survey also in notes
- Lots of events going on
- Next region is 11/10/24
- No one from Boulder attended last Regional Assembly

Minutes and FLYERS

<https://nacolorado.org/rsc/minutes/>

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### **III. HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS:** Jeff R. - [naboulder.handi.sec@gmail.com](mailto:naboulder.handi.sec@gmail.com)

- Not alot to speak on . Next mtg is 11/12/24 6:30pm @ Ponca Place church.
- H&I can always use support
  - Female Broomfield county jail panel coordinator
- Homeless shelter mtg seems to have fizzled out. No support from shelter members. Closing mtg for now.
- Lit order of \$393

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**IV. PHONE LINE:** Joel H. - [naboulderhelpline@gmail.com](mailto:naboulderhelpline@gmail.com)

- 14 calls
  - 10 minutes
- No texts

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**V. PUBLIC INFORMATION:** Christian F. - [Naboulder.pi@gmail.com](mailto:Naboulder.pi@gmail.com)

**Activities:**

1. Reached out to Boulder County Public Defender's office about a literature rack. They did not respond a week later, so I tried again. Still no response.
2. I sent emails to the RTD district directors of Boulder and Longmont, Lafayette and Broomfield to see if there was any wiggle room on their lock out of advertising as a non-profit, asking specifically if we can put our flyers in the bathroom stalls. Included in the direct appeal was a suggestion that, if they cannot do anything at their pay grade, perhaps it is a matter worthy of bringing to the attention of those higher up the chain of command. I have still not heard back.
3. I sent an email directly to the mayor of Boulder, asking if there's anything that could be done to give us permission to distribute our flyers in the myriad public bathroom stalls where addicts are actually using. He replied that there was nothing he could do.
4. I sent out an email to the owners of the Sink to see if we can put flyers in their bathroom stalls. I have not heard back.
5. I sent an email to the venue operations manager of the Fox and Boulder Theater to see if they'd be ok with posting flyers in their green room and/or bathroom stalls. They would consider them for the bathrooms, but not there green rooms. He asked that they be 11"x17", so I need to get them enlarged at Office Depot.
6. Put up another flyer at Boulder Library. I found someone willing to do it every month, but am still trying to get them to that person.
7. Gave flyers to resource center at the Boulder County Courthouse.
8. Sadly, with the disbanding of the Boulder Homeless Shelter's weekly meeting, I had to remove the flyers advertising said meetings. I replaced them with our regular flyer to protect our IP stock from being used as scrap paper.
9. Placed flyers next to the phone of the common room of the detox, inviting them to use the backside as scrap paper, instead of using our resource packets.
10. I paid the invoice on KGNU for our spots throughout the remainder of 2024. It was \$250, so we'll need reimbursement.
11. Did not get my \$100 worth of IPs last month, as I was in the hospital, so I'm ordering \$200 this month to compensate for last month's shortage.

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## Literature Order:

1. \$200 for Ips
2. \$0 for Meeting Lists
3. \$0 for flyers

## Upcoming Plans:

1. Continue Flyer distribution
2. Follow up on un-replied emails

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### VI. ACTIVITIES: Adam S. - [Naboulderactivities@gmail.com](mailto:Naboulderactivities@gmail.com)

I apologize for my absence today at area. The Boulder area Activities committee is working on two upcoming events.

1. **Halloween Dance in conjunction with the Off the Wall Area.** Event flyers have been printed and Lit.chair is bringing them to area in my absence. Event planing is on going with the OTW area and F&E. We are looking for volunteers who would like to help during the event with games and prizes. For more information regarding helping with the day of please contact Adam at the Boulder Activities email.

Day, time, and location of the event can be found on the flyer. Please pass out flyers and take extras as there are plenty to go around. This is a CRCNA fundraising Event and is the last one of the year prior to the event. Please help Activities make this event a success by spreading the word and attending the event. Flyer is attached in this email as well.

2. Activities is working in conjunction with the Service Work subcommittee to plan an event around service work and inspiring NA members to do service. More information to follow.. please see proposal to area below. Any questions in regards to the proposal please speak with Irene T. Who is on the activities Subcommittee and/or Brian who is the Service work chair.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Adam S

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## VII. CRCNA LIAISON: Kelly

- Hotel is sold out
- CRCNA is asking to poll the area's on a decision between does CRCNA provide the coffee or do areas want to donate coffee. Lots of discussion and questions into the budget, but was agreed that we would make a monetary donation next month if the budget allowed
- Registration \$55 (does not include food or entertainment)
- PLEASE ANNOUNCE THAT BANQUET TICKETS NEED TO BE SOLD
- Please announce that people should register and buy entertainment tickets, CRCNA needs funding this year!
- 10/26 Halloween party is a CRCNA fundraiser (flyer attached)
- next meeting 10/12 9 am online

<https://nacolorado.org/crcna/>

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## VIII. Outreach Committee: Morgan

- Not much to report. Trying to build a more comprehensive list of meetings that need support. If your meeting needs support, please attend subcommittee meeting
- 6pm 10/30 on Google Meets, contact Katie D for meeting link, info on meeting list

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## AD-HOC COMMITTEES:

- **Service Work: Brian**
  - Have met a number of times, proposals ready to submit & discuss in new business.

## OPEN DISCUSSION:

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## **GROUP REPORTS:**

### **Barrel Full of Recovery: GSR - Dan**

- **Needs support**, 15-20 recovery house people attend with not alot of members with clean time

Area Donation: \$70

Literature Order: \$4

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### **Sunday Morning Tune Up: GSR - Max**

- Meeting going good, can always use support.

Area Donation: \$0

Literature Order \$30

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### **Tuesday Night by Candlelight: GSR - Kelly**

- Meeting going well, speaker first tuesday of every month. Meditation 5-7 minutes at beginning of meeting

Area Donation: \$32

Literature Order: \$68

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### **Ties that Bind: GSR - Morgan**

- Good attendance, approx 30 ppl/wk

Area Donation: \$60

Literature Order \$75

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**Welcome Home Group:** GSR - Carl (filling in)

- Going well. No women coming to meeting, let Carl know if there is a reason or just coincidence.
- Another member shared with Carl that there was concern about a member that is violent and disruptive, will discuss outside of Area.

Area Donation \$57

Literature Order: \$0

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**Kings of Recovery:** GSR - Stan

- Wants to see new faces but otherwise going OK

Area Donation: \$124

Literature Order \$8

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**It Works:** GSR - Peyton

- Doing well.

Area Donation \$31.50

Literature Order \$46.50

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**Clean For Today:** GSR - n/a

- not present

Area Donation: \$0

Literature Order: \$0

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**Primary Purpose:** GSR - Joe

- nothing to report. 13 ppl attended last Thursday

Area Donation: \$30

Literature Order: \$0

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**Parking lot Braveheart:** GSR - Joseph

- Meets in all weather, so come join!

Area Donation: \$0

Literature Order: \$0

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**Retune at Noon:** GSR - Evelyn

- had 1-2 new ppl every week on average. Attendance fluctuates since they meet everyday.  
Average 7 ppl

Area Donation: \$65

Literature Order: \$154

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**Silver Linings:** GSR - Carl (filling in)

- average 8-9 ppl per meeting, getting some OTW members along with treatment center ppl who are returning!

Area Donation: \$37

Literature Order: \$15

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**Surviving Saturday Night (Saturday)/No Matter What (Wednesday):** GSR - Amith

- going well

Area Donation: \$5

Literature Order: \$66

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**Saturday – No Matter What:** NEEDS GSR - Carl

- needs consistent support

Area Donation: \$0

Literature Order: \$0

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**Living Clean:** GSR -

- not present

Area Donation: \$

Literature Order: \$

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**Women's Literature Study:** GSR - Jenna

- 5 core members + treatment center.

Area Donation: \$0

Literature Order: \$0

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**Get Down to it:** GSR - T

- Going well, has core members. Struggling with funding for meeting space. Has venmo

Area Donation: \$.50

Literature Order: \$1.50

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**A Way Forward - Sunday Solutions:** GSR - Taylor

- Doing well, event was great but not well attended. Will probably throw another one. Could always use support, lots of newcomers.

Area Donation: \$18

Literature Order: \$6

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## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **PROPOSALS**

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#### **Proposal #1: The Service Week Pilot ( Brian's initial draft)**

**Requested By: Brian**

**Group/Committee: Service Ad Hoc Committee**

**Result: Please take back to your groups to discuss and gauge the interest. Will vote in Nov area**

The BASC will implement a service oriented pilot ("the Service Week Pilot"). The Service Week Pilot will be an Area-level service initiative designed to increase the awareness of service within the Boulder Area, by coordinating a "service themed week" 1/12/2025 to 1/18/2025. During the Service Week Pilot, each Group will be encouraged to design and test a service oriented meeting format to best align with the culture of their Group. The meeting format can be anything the Group wants to do as long as it centers on the value of service.

The BASC will evaluate the success of the pilot during the 2/2025 BASC meeting. If by consensus the BASC believes the pilot was successful, The Service Week Pilot concept can be formally adopted by the BASC and repeated on an annual or semiannual basis for an undefined period. (The frequency can be determined at the 2/2025 meeting.)

Before the Service Week Pilot is initiated, it is recommended each GSR brings this proposal to their group conscience prior to the BASC determining if there is an Area-wide consensus supporting this proposal. The discussion for this pilot will be added to the 11/2024 BASC agenda and GSR's will bring this proposal to their Groups between the 10/2024 and 11/2024 BASC meetings.

### **Discussion:**

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- **Subjects of meetings that week should be centered around service, whether they are speaker meetings, lit studys, etc.**
  - **This is just a suggestion to the groups and it is up to them. It could be group service, sponsorship, area level service etc.**
  - **Please discuss with groups & in Nov area we will discuss if this is what the area wants to do together as a whole for 1 week**
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## **Proposal #2: Bingo Night Service Learning Event**

**Requested By: Adam & Brian**

**Group/Committee: Service work committee & Activities Committee**

**Result: No opposition, activity approved, budget & planning will be discussed at a later area. Please start brainstorming with your group about prize donations.**

The Boulder Area Activities committee would like to submit a proposal to host a Bingo Night focused surrounding service work. The Boulder area would find a venue that will accommodate an indoor event, that will accommodate seating for 40+ NA members. Event will have light snacks and drinks provided by Activities committee. We would be asking a suggested donation of \$5.00, but addicts will be turned away for lack of funds. Members who participate in the event will have the opportunity to play bingo and in between a given number of games (not yet determined), we will have guest speakers (picked by service work subcommittee) that will share their experience, strength and hope surrounding service work and how it has help keep them clean. Speakers will share for approximately 15 min before a new round of Bingo begins. Each round of bingo will have various prizes to choose from. Activities committee is asking for each Group to consider sponsoring gift baskets or items for brings prizes to be brought to the December and/or January Area meeting. Bingo event to be hosted in February. If proposal passes, activities committee will submit a separate proposal at a later date to request funds.

**Intent:** The intent of the bingo night is to provide addicts a fun and exciting way to learn about service and inspire addicts to become involved with service work. The hope is that a fun event such as bingo will attract NA members to want to participate and for our service committee to choose NA members who have service related stories that can carry the message to addicts regarding service work.

### **Discussion:**

- **discussed how groups can support with donating prizes**
  - **cash, gift cards, prize baskets, etc**

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**Proposal #3: Funding to create service work resource binders to provide to meetings in the Boulder Area (\$500)**

**Requested By: Taylor F**

**Group/Committee: Service Ad Hoc Subcommittee**

**Result: 1 stand aside, rest approved**

The BASC Service Ad Hoc formed in July 2024 to address service participation in the Boulder area would like funds to create binders of service materials to provide to the 20 unique Boulder area meetings. Each binder would contain service related publications, published by NA World services and would be ready for the GSR of each meeting at the January BASC meeting

**Intent:** Members of the BASC have expressed intent in helping encourage more members in the Boulder area to participate in service efforts across various levels of the NA service structure. Materials contained in the service binders would; (a) support meetings in teaching about the value of service by having service related materials, including publications typically only available online, in one place; and (b) relieve groups of any expense/funds related to the purchase of materials, and (c) positively encourage other members to “keep what we have by giving it away” through learning what NA service is and what it is not, using materials written for addicts, by addicts.

**Discussion:**

- **Is this the best use of our funds?**
  - **Most agree that the area is here to service the groups and service is usually the #1 area we struggle in (at all levels) and really need to encourage people to participate in to keep carrying the message.**
  - **It supports every member of the group at some level**
- **It is a resource guide to the groups however they want to use them**

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**LITERATURE REPORT:**

Chair: Irene T.

- also discussed getting the NA Survival Kit book for on hand lit

**\*\*\*New Lit Form please use it. Shipping is 6% of the order anything over \$500**

**Total Income from Literature Sales: \$**

**PI Literature order: \$200**

**Literature order H&I: \$395**

**Total Literature Order: \$700**

Proposal to set aside for Literature Order: \$700

- approved/declined

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## **AREA TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Chair: Joseph C.

**\*\*Please announce that individuals donate directly to the NA Area account, then the Group will make one donation to area Venmo.**

**Previous balance:**        \$789.60

### **Income**

Total from groups:        \$    544

Literature Sales:         \$    475

Other Sources (positive adjustment): \$ 892.99

**Total income:**                \$ 1019.00

### **Expenses**

Area Room Rent            \$ 30

H&I                                \$

Secretary of State        \$

Website:                        \$

Phone Line:                  \$ 34.62

PO Box: (annually)        \$

Literature:                    \$ 700

H&I rent                        \$

H&I order                      \$

Activities                      \$

PI                                 \$250

Service Ad Hoc             \$500

**Total Expenses:            \$ 1514.62**

Grand Total (new and old money on hand):    \$ 2701.59

Expenses                        \$ 1514.62

Total adjusted (less expenses) on hand:    \$ 1186.97

Prudent Reserve:            \$ 1000

Total Available to Donate:                    \$ 186.97

\$ 150 (DONATING TO CRCNA FOR COFFEE - APPROVED)

Donate to Region:            \$ 0

New Balance                    \$ (including prudent reserve)

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**Boulder & Off the Wall Areas Present...**

# **HALLOWEEN PARTY & CARNIVAL CRCNA XXXVIII FUNDRAISER!**

**Saturday, October 26th, 2024 4pm—9pm**

**In the Gym at First United Methodist Church  
533 Grant Street, Loveland, CO**

**\$10.00 admission donation, no addict  
turned away!**

- **Food, Fun, Games, and Prizes!**
- **Costume Contest, DJ Dance, Carnival Games/Booths, Concessions**
- **Chance to Win One-of-a-Kind NA Prizes**



CRCNA is the Colorado Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous, an annual event for the Colorado Region of Narcotics Anonymous. The goals of the Convention are to celebrate recovery, bring addicts together to share their experience, strength, and hope, and to raise money to fund the Region's activities.

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