

# **Bayou Recovery Area**

## **Minutes**

# **January, 2026**

**Held February 1, 2026**

**Next area February 22, 2026**



Schedule for 2025 Bayou Recovery area meetings.

Schedule set and voted on during December area.

February 22, 2026

March 22, 2026

April 26, 2026

May 24, 2026

June 28, 2026

July 26, 2026

August 23, 2026

September 27, 2026

October 25, 2026

November 22, 2026

December 27, 2026

### **Bayou Recovery Area minutes**

January Area, delayed by weather, was rescheduled and opened on February 1, 2026 at 3:33pm at Grace Baptist Church at 630 Richland Ave, Baton Rouge, La 70806  
Ric S. to Chair meeting.

Serenity Prayer

Bobby read the 12 Traditions

Danny read the Area Purpose

Roll Call (see ASC roll call), 9 GSR's present, a quorum of 5 reached.

Quorum –8 GSR's present November. 8 GSR's present in December.

Simple majority of previous two months is 5. In January, 9 GSR's present, meets requirements for quorum

Chair – Report

**BAYOU RECOVERY AREA CHAIR REPORT**  
**~~JANUARY 25, 2026~~ Rescheduled: February 1, 2026**

Hopefully, this will be a productive year with new blood participating from groups at the area level. Just to be sure the communications efforts are intact, we're passing around a roster and ask that you verify the information we have on file for each one of you, making corrections or additions so we can update our records. Several new projects are in play as we move forward.

- **Ad hoc Policy Documentation-** Allison has taken the initiative to begin reformatting area policy in digital form, so we don't have to rely on old copies from years past. We converted the .pdf document to Word format and Allison is going to research all the changes that have occurred throughout the years, inserting them into the proper sections. From that, Allison has graciously agreed to organize the new working document, so it flows better, has a table of contents, and is easier to follow regarding policy adherence. Allison, if you'd like to have anyone else work on this project with you, please ask for that support today. As soon as we elect a policy chair, those duties can be passed on to that person. In the meantime, it is important that we try to resuscitate this guiding document. As a point of information, the last formal revision to Area Policy was made eight years ago. And for eight years, hand notes have been added here and there to one stapled copy, but we have been operating for some time without really consulting policy in all matters. Of course, no one has a copy of the document so we will be sure a clean copy, once ratified, is provided to everyone. Thank you for stepping up, Allison.
- **Interim Area Service Representative-**Everyone should have received an email in the first week of January indicating that Virginia was unable to represent us at the January Regional meeting. To ensure we had a voice, Taylor agreed to serve in that position until such time as an ASR and ASR-Alternate can be elected.
- **Incremental Activities Committee Projects-**Following the suggestion of Kristie at last month's Outreach and Area meetings, we have had members step up to take charge of two upcoming events: Valentine's Day convention fundraiser on February 7<sup>th</sup>, to be chaired by Erin (and supported by Kristie), and Unity Day on April 11<sup>th</sup>, to be chaired by Allison. Until such time as an Events Chair can be elected, thank you to these two groups for taking charge. We hope all home groups will encourage attendance before each event.
- **Election of Officers-**We obviously need members willing to be elected to numerous positions and hopefully all positions can be filled in the next couple of months. With that said, since I was coordinating three sub-committee tasks for the last couple of years, I hope folks will step up today, but I will continue to help those three groups as needed. The Angola project, which is not a subject of Bayou Recovery Area, is still something I will remain involved in, provided Region figures out what it wants to be when they grow up. It's my understanding that they no longer have anyone serving as H&I Chair at that level so who knows. Nevertheless, please seek out people from your home groups who may be interested in those three committees or any other area positions.

In Loving Service,  
-Ric

Secretary – No Report  
Treasurer – Allison L.

### **BRASCNA Treasurer Report January 2026**

As of January 23, 2026, we have a cash bank balance of \$4,560.29. There is an outstanding check in the amount of \$301.60 for ASR travel that has not been cashed therefore our actual cash balance is \$4,258.69. I have attached the treasurer's spreadsheet showing all revenue and expenses from January 2025 – Dec 2025 with the beginning and ending balances matching the bank transaction report.

The Treasurer's report shows the cumulative income and expenses received and/or paid by Area from January to December each year, with annual year to date totals at the end along with remaining budget balance. I also include the bank statement, bank transaction report, and monthly group donations report.

**Important notes:**

1. I have put together potential budget for 2026 based on 2025 expenditures but if committee chairs have a budget to submit, please do so.
2. I contacted GBR about meeting list update and they said it is correct.
3. Literature prices have increased starting in January. I have updated the website with the revised prices.
4. If anyone has money to turn in and or expenses, they need reimbursement for, please turn them in now. If you are requesting funds, please fill out a request form.

The Area Treasurer report along with minutes are posted to the br-na.org website each month for reference when needed. If you have any questions, please reach out to me.

In Service,  
Allison L  
225-571-2297  
[allisonleblanc@live.com](mailto:allisonleblanc@live.com)



Monthly Group Donations				
Group Name	Literature Order	Area Donation	Dec-25	YTD Total Donations
Deposits Fundraising and Activities Moonlight Madness				1,287.46
A New Way of Life	139.00	150.00	289.00	639.00
Bayou Plaquemine Daily Reprieve	-	-	-	74.00
Calm Cool Collective			-	38.00
Choking Lifesavor		20.00	20.00	378.00
How it Works	42.00	114.00	156.00	1,372.63
Keep It Simple	38.00		38.00	193.00
Miracle on Bayou			-	602.00
New Beginnings: DS- off list as of 8/25			-	55.00
Off the Rails LGBTQ	37.00		37.00	37.00
Phoenix Group			-	350.00
R U Ready			-	115.00
Saturday Night Group		30.00	30.00	85.00
Unity Rangers			-	173.00
Vision of Hope			-	-
We Do Recover			-	8.00
Spirit of Change (Fri)		267.00	267.00	459.00
Chris & Misc Lit Orders	4.00		4.00	655.64
<b>Totals</b>	<b>260.00</b>	<b>581.00</b>	<b>841.00</b>	<b>6,521.73</b>

250.00 EARMARKED FOR HI LITERATURE 2026

Venmo -  
Cash Desposit 841.00



# HANCOCK WHITNEY

Community Resource

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Available Balance: \$4,560.29 as of 01/23/2026

Current Balance: \$4,560.29 as of 01/23/2026

Date Range: 12/17/2025 - 01/23/2026  
Transactions 1 - 7

## Posted Transactions

Date	Description	Amount	Balance
01/22/2026	Twilio BPSQQPS3844-8144627 CA CC 01/21 11:45 DEBIT CRD*3575 012226 <i>Helpline</i>	-\$10.20	\$4,560.29
01/12/2026	PURCHASE FLORIDAREGIONALS 011226 <i>Literature</i>	-\$207.00	\$4,570.49
01/12/2026	TMOBILE*PREPD A877-778-2106 WA CC 01/09 16:12 DEBIT CRD*3575 011226 <i>Area Cell</i>	-\$17.18	\$4,777.49
01/08/2026	DEPOSIT 0000000000 <i>Dec Area Deposit</i>	+\$841.00	\$4,794.67
01/07/2026	VSI*BRECSOUTH DIBATON ROUGE LA CC 01/06 14:47 DEBIT CRD*3575 010726 <i>Unity Day Rent</i>	-\$175.00	\$3,953.67
12/31/2025	DDA CHECK 0000002145 <i>Rent</i>	-\$40.00	\$4,128.67
12/17/2025	PURCHASE FLORIDAREGIONALS 121725	<del>-\$354.02</del>	\$4,168.67

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Dec 2025*



PO Box 4019  
 Gulfport, MS 39502-4019  
 Electronic Service Requested



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 Statements Dates  
 12/01/2025 - 12/31/2025

Account Number:  
 [REDACTED] 212

Images:  
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 BAYOU RECOVERY AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE  
 FOR NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS  
 PO BOX 1548  
 PRAIRIEVILLE LA 70769

VISIT HANCOCKWHITNEY.COM TO ENROLL IN ONLINE BANKING WITH  
 ESTATEMENTS. CALL US AT 800-448-8812.

**Checking Account Summary**

PREVIOUS BALANCE	4,579.04	AVERAGE BALANCE	
+ 0 CREDITS	.00		4,363.87
- 4 DEBITS	450.37	YTD INTEREST PAID	
- SERVICE CHARGES	.00		.00
+ INTEREST PAID	.00		
ENDING BALANCE	4,128.67		

\*\*\*\*\* CHECKING ACCOUNT TRANSACTIONS \*\*\*\*\*

● **Checks**

Date	Serial	Amount	Date	Serial	Amount
12/08	2144	40.00	12/31	2145	40.00

● **Other Debits**

Date	Amount	Description	Date	Amount	Description
12/10	16.35	CC 12/09 16:08 DEBIT CRD*3575	12/17	354.02	PURCHASE FLORIDAREGIONALS
		TMOBILE*PREPD A877-778-2106 WA			025351001358548CCD

● **Balance By Date**

Date	Balance	Date	Balance	Date	Balance
11/30	4,579.04	12/10	4,522.69	12/31	4,128.67
12/08	4,539.04	12/17	4,168.67		



Wayne Recovery Area  
Service Center  
10000  
12/08/2025 2144

Grace Baptist Church  
Forty Dollars \$ 40.00

NA New City Post Allison J. [REDACTED]

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Activities	1,500.00	1,500.00
Rent	480.00	480.00
PO Box	200.00	150.00
Sec State Filing Fee	40.00	30.00
Secretary	100.00	100.00
PR	2,000.00	2,000.00
ASR & Alt ASR Travel	1,200.00	1,200.00
Outreach	200.00	200.00
H & I	2,250.00	3,000.00
Area Cell Phone	204.00	200.00
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Policy – Allison L. I went back to 2018 through all motions, printed, and would like to organize it. With area’s permission, an original 2018 document will be maintained, and I will work towards completing a updated and reorganized policy document.

No obligations stated, Will be voted on in New Business.

**COMBINED REPORT: OUTREACH, H&I, PR (Hoping for Committee Chairs soon)  
~~January 25, 2026~~**

**Rescheduled:**

**February 1, 2026**

**OUTREACH-**

- Outreach visited numerous home group meetings throughout the month, emphasizing the need to have representation at Area meetings and asking for members to consider service as officers or sub-committee chairs. Both paper and digital flyers asking for support and participation have been distributed throughout the area.
- We'll be asking for a member to serve as our liaison on Facebook, creating a private page, thereby making it even easier to keep our local members informed of special events, meetings and other pertinent information. We hope to have the page up and running in February.

**HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS**

- H&I PANEL-We still present a panel meeting every other Monday at 6:30 PM at Avenues Treatment Center. Calendars for March, April and May need to be filled and will be passed around today. If you know someone who is willing to go through orientation and serve on the panel, please have them come forward. At present, active panel members include: *Jessica G, Pixie S, John D, Jon S, Larry W, Ric S, Allison L, Lanny S, Taylor P, Bobby B, Andrea Ga.* A couple of others have expressed interest but have not yet completed orientation or have not yet agreed to be scheduled.
- PRISONS-While the Angola/LCIW project is a subject of Region, not Bayou Recovery, we still like to keep everyone informed. STILL no date by which we can go to Angola to work out the logistics. 😞

**PUBLIC RELATIONS**

- RECOVERY COURT – Still nothing new with City-Parish. We would like to get a panel scheduled to present to all the Recovery Court judges and staff after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year.

Submitting an invoice today for \$56.08 for the printing of flyers and meeting lists. Also requesting 250 little white books for a total of \$230. Below is a budget recap for the three sub-committees, pending any budget changes for 2026.

**BAYOU RECOVERY AREA BUDGET**

**2026**

Committee		Original Budget	Expenses	Remaining Budget
Public Relations	Date	\$ 2,000.00		\$ 2,000.00

			\$ -	\$ 2,000.00
		<b>Original Budget</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Remaining Budget</b>
<b>Outreach</b>	<b>Date</b>	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00
Invoice # 26-0115-113-Meeting Lists, Event Flyers	01/15/2026		\$ 43.89	\$ 156.11
			\$ -	\$ 156.11
		<b>Original Budget</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Remaining Budget</b>
<b>Hospitals &amp; Institutions</b>	<b>Date</b>	\$ 2,250.00		\$ 2,250.00
Invoice # 26-0115-113-Meeting Lists for Avenues			\$ 12.19	\$ 2,237.81
Literature order-200 Little White Books			\$ 206.08	\$ 2,031.73
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In Loving Service, Ric S.

Activities Update,

**Group reports: Present Groups**

How it works, GSR. Jessica G., Location St. Pats Church, 12124 Brogdon Lane, Baton Rouge, La. Unity Church, 15255 Jefferson Highway, Baton Rouge. Average attendance, Sunday 15-20

Unity Rangers, GSR, Dennis G. Highland Road, University Baptist Church, 203 Leeward Dr., Baton Rouge, Average Attendance, 5-15.

Miracle on the Bayou, GSR, Pixie S, Meadows Chapel United Methodist Church, 16172 Hwy 73, Prairieville, La. Area Average attendance 8,

Spirit of Change (Friday) GSR Ric S, St John the Baptist Catholic Church, 4727 McHugh Drive, Zachary, La. Average Attendance, 12-15. Birthdays, James 9-23

Bayou Plaquemine Daily Reprieve, GSR Felton Location: Episcopal Church of the Holy Communion 58040 Court St.

Off the Rails

Plaquemine, LA 70764 Meets Wednesday, Sunday.

Pheonix Group, Unity Church, GSR BOB s.

Choking on Lifesaver, GSR Lanny S. 8725 Jefferson HWY  
Meets Thurstday at 12 Noon.

R U Ready?

Vision of Hope

Election of Officers:

Nancy Noninitiates Jessica G. for Vice Chair

Pixie 2<sup>nd</sup>

None opposed, Motion Passes

Allison nominates Blake for H&I Chair

Danny 2<sup>nd</sup>

Discussion,

Vote, all approve, Motion Carries

**Old Business: None**

**New Business.**

Discussion for Ric S. reimbursement of expense. Reimbursement granted,  
noted that area consent not needed for budgetary reimbursements.

Motion, Jessica G. for Allison to Revitalize Area Policy.  
Passes unopposed.

Discussion to create area Facebook group for BRANA. Can we seek someone  
to take this on?

Passes unopposed.

Discussion to move to wave clean time requirement for bobby to Ad-Hoc Subcommittee with Joel V for moonlight madness event organization. No Objections Motion Passes

.Next meeting is Feb 22 at 3:30 pm. H&I subcommittee to meet before.

Closing Treasurer report

Closing roll call. See roll.

Closed with serenity prayer, and Circle.