

Bayou Recovery Area Minutes

May 26, 2019

Bayou Recovery Area Contact List

Name	Position	Email Address	Phone
Ryan S.	Chair	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Donovan C.	Vice-Chair	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Elmore B.	Area Service Representative	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
	Area Service Representative Alternate		
	Hospitals & Institutions Chair		
James S.	Secretary	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Bob Si.	Treasurer	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Joel V.	Policy Chair	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Steven W.	Activities Chair	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Vic M.	Group Supply	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Bob St.	Outreach Chair	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Brandon D.	Public Relations Chair	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Allison L.	Public Relations Vice-Chair	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

Cynthia P.	GSR, A New Way of Life	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Joel V.	GSR, Another Chance	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Harry D.	GSR, Fellowship Group		
Chris H.	GSR, How it Works	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Pixie S.	GSR, Miracle on the Bayou	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Shelley W.	GSR-A, Miracle on the Bayou		
Jeremy J.	GSR, New Beginnings	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Jennifer	GSR-A, New Beginnings	[REDACTED]	
Brandon D.	GSR-A, Open Minded	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Corey C.	GSR, Radical Changes	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Bob St.	GSR, Recovery Ninjas	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Jason H.	GSR-A, Recovery Ninjas	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Billie F.	GSR, Saturday Night Group	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Elena E.	GSR, Unity Rangers	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

Nancy S.		[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
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Action Items

1. Area Midterm Elections for 2019:

Secretary's note: H&I is currently running because of dedicated people in our community, but an H&I chairperson is crucial for the continued support and oversight of the program in our area. Please bring to groups and express this to members.

A person can be nominated and voted on the floor at the same area. Midterm nominations do not have to go back to groups. Nominees must be present at the June 23 area to be considered.

Open positions:

Area Service Representative- Alternate

Requirements:

- A suggested minimum of two years clean.
- One year service experience at the Area level.

Duties:

- Attends all regular area and regional service committee meetings.
- Performs the duties of the ASR in their absence.
- ASR Alternate is a two year term, with the first year as Alternate and the second year as the ASR. The ASR Alternate automatically becomes ASR when ASR becomes vacant.

H&I Chairperson

Requirements:

- Minimum of two years clean time.
- Experience in NA service at the H&I level.
- Completion of one full term as a panel leader of a H&I presentation.
- One year experience on the H&I committee.
- An understanding of the Twelve Traditions of NA.
- Willingness, time and resources to do the job.
- One year commitment.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- The H&I chairperson is elected by the area service committee as outlined in BRASCNA Guidelines.
- The H&I subcommittee is directly responsible to the ASC through the H&I chairperson.
- The H&I chairperson must attend all H&I subcommittee meetings and ASC meetings.
- The H&I chairperson is a voting member of the regional H&I subcommittee and should attend all of its meetings.
- He/she must attend at least every other Regional H&I committee meeting.
- He/she acts as a link of communication between the subcommittee, the ASC and the regional H&I subcommittee.

- He/she also makes sure that a link of communication is maintained between the subcommittee and the individual facilities. This communication is done by the panel leader, but the chair should ensure that it is taking place.
- The H&I chairperson is responsible for ensuring that all panel leaders and panel members comply with the H&I subcommittee and ASC policies, as well as the rules of the individual facilities.
- The chairperson is responsible for giving a monthly report of all budget expenditures except literature disbursements, which the Vice-Chair reports.
- The H&I chair must register the committee with the WSO at the beginning of their term.
- The chair is responsible for keeping all archives for the committee and turning them over to the newly elected chair.
- The chairperson should be aware of all matters that affect H&I in the Bayou Recovery Area.

2. Quorum:

At least six active groups needed for June 23 ASC.

- GSRs from ten unique groups attended the April and May ASCs combined. Quorum for June ASC will be reached if at least six of those active groups are present at roll call.
- Once quorum has been met and ASC is open, any inactive groups present at the June ASC will become active and eligible to vote at the June ASC. Any active group absent from ASC for two consecutive months will become inactive.

Current list of active groups:

- A New Way of Life
- Another Chance
- Fellowship Group
- How It Works
- Miracle on the Bayou
- New Beginnings
- Open Minded
- Radical Changes
- Recovery Ninjas
- Saturday Night Group

3. Motions:

- 19/04-006 (tabled for secretary update)
- 19/05-008p (tabled because of Maker absence)
- 19/05-009p (brought to groups for voting)

2019 Area Meeting Schedule

January 27	July 28	2:00 pm
February 24	August 25	
March 24	September 22	Francis Asbury Church
April 28	October 27	15447 Old Hammond Hwy
May 26	November 24	Baton Rouge LA 70816
June 23	December 22	

Birthdays

Member	Clean date	Location	Celebration date
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No birthdays reported.

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05.26.2019

Area meeting called to order
12 traditions, purpose of ASC read
Roll Call (see ASC roll call), quorum reached.
Minutes from last month, read by members, motion to accept passed 7/0/0.

Administrative Reports

Chair report: No report.

Vice Chair report: No report.

ASR report: No report.

ASR-A report: Vacant

Secretary report:

Summary: Made one update to contact list on April ASC.

Treasurer's report:

Summary: Balance of \$2473.99 as of 5/26/2019. Storage is paid through December. Online checking password is reset and working. We are getting better with controlling our money. PR gave \$355 donation from the Waffle Breakfast fundraiser.

Committee Reports

Activities report: Absent, but report provided.

Summary: Game Night, Meadows Chapel United Methodist, Saturday June 15, 6-10p. Guest speakers: Jason H and Kim W.

H&I report: Vacant

Group Supply report: No report.

Policy report: Absent.

Outreach report: No report.

Discussion: Online data base has most current meeting list. If there are discrepancies, please bring to Outreach to check the meeting out. Regarding NA App discrepancies, please bring to PR.

Public Relations report: Absent, but report provided.

Summary: No PR meeting because of fundraiser and Mother's Day. Fundraiser brought in \$375, \$20 of which was donated to Grace Baptist, and the remaining was given to Area. Reached out to outdoor advertising companies to gather pricing. Radio PSA's were finalized and will contact radio stations. Discussion: Donovan played three PSA's.

Group Reports:

A New Way of Life: Cynthia P. GSR. Meeting location: O'Brien House. Business meeting held: Last Saturday of the month. Area donation: \$3.20, Literature order: \$6.80. Vacant positions: Yes. Average attendance: 20-25. Problems or situations: None. Birthdays: None reported.

Another Chance: Elmore B. GSR-A. Meeting location: Little Zion BC. Business meeting held: No. Area donation: \$8.00. Literature order: \$0.00. Vacant positions: None. Average attendance: 2-5. Problems or situations: None Birthdays: None reported.

New Beginnings: Chris B. GSR-A. Meeting location: Serenity Club (Tues Thurs 6pm). Business meeting held: No. Area donation: \$0.00. Literature order: \$0.00. Vacant positions: None. Average attendance: 10-15. Problems or situations: None. Birthdays: None reported.

Open Minded Group: James S. GSR. Meeting location: Unitarian Church. Business meeting held: Yes. Area donation: \$12.80 Literature order: \$15.20. Vacant positions: Yes. Average attendance: 15-20. Problems or situations: None. Birthdays: None reported.

Radical Changes: Caleb I. GSR-A. Meeting Location: Francis Asbury United Methodist Church. Business meeting held: Yes. Area donation: \$9.00, Literature order: \$5.50. Vacant group positions: None. Average attendance: 5-8. Problems or situations: None. Birthdays: None reported.

Recovery Ninjas: Bob S. GSR-A. Meeting Location: Grace Baptist Church. Business meeting held: Area donation: \$0.00, Literature order: \$0.00. Vacant group positions: Average attendance: 8-12. Problems or situations: None. Birthdays: None reported.

Saturday Night NA: Billie F. GSR. Meeting location: Grace Baptist, Business meeting held: Area Donation: \$0.00, Literature Order: \$0.00. Vacant group positions: Average attendance: 8-14. Problems or situations: None. New time is working well. Birthdays: None reported.

Area Service Elections/Nominations for 2019 year:

ASR-Alt: open

H&I: open

Discussion: People are still coordinating meetings at facilities, orientation etc. Concern was raised about the lack of oversight and connection to Area.

Please bring nominations back to groups for voting at the June ASC.

Old Business:

19/04-006:

Summary: Cloud storage options for business plans average \$5 per user per account. Non-profit pricing exists, but unsure if Area qualifies. Will bring more information to area next month.

Regional Convention:

Host committee met and decided to set up the convention at the Marriott Hotel in New Orleans. Aug 23-25. \$99/night hotel cost. Daytime parking \$15/day, \$25 overnight (if guest).

New Business:

Motions (in numerical order):

19/05-008p

Motion: To require monthly area group conscience to determine the amount of money that H&I may use for literature each month.

Intent: Not to deplete the area of its working capital.

Discussion: This would change policy by making H&I ask and area vote to accept, or by making area set up the amount for H&I, but was unclear. The maker was not present to discuss questions.

Motion tabled 6/0/0 to next month.

19/05-009p

Motion: The ASR, ASR-Alt, Chair and Vice-Chair cannot represent any single group (GSR, GSR-A) because it would be a conflict with their job to represent ALL groups.

Intent: Maintain integrity of service positions and group representatives.

Discussion: Guidelines don't clearly define this policy. Chair cannot act as chair and represent a group at the same time. Vice Chair, ASR and ASR-alt should not do it for same reason. ASC order of chairs lists those positions to chair Area in case of absence. If this passes, then ASR, ASR-Alt, Chair, Vice-Chair need separate GSRs for their home groups to attend area and to make quorum.

Final Treasurer's Report:

Started with balance of \$2473.99. We have total Donation and Literature of \$239.84. We received \$355.00 from the PR Fundraiser. We paid \$25.00 rent and wrote a \$200.00 check for Activities. This leaves a balance of \$2843.83.

Final Roll call.

Motion to close, passed

In Loving Service,
James S

From: Steven W [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, May 25, 2019 10:52 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: May 2019 Activities report

Hi family!

Our next area activity, GAME NIGHT, will be held at Meadows Chapel United Methodists on Saturday, June 15th from 6-10pm. Guest speakers for the evening will be Jason H and Kim W, both out of Baton Rouge.

We have fliers printed and they've been uploaded to both our Area and Regional websites. Today I'll be asking for \$200 from our budget to fund this event.

Please spread the word, and I hope to see you there!

ILS,

Steven W

Secretary's Report

May 26, 2019

Hello Area,

I made one update to Nancy's email address on the contact list from the April minutes. The revised minutes is placed in the folder for review. Please pass the May contact list around, make any necessary corrections to it and return it.

I have some research on data storage options for motion 19/04-006. Regular business plans run about \$5-10 per user per month, usually billed annually. For my example I used OneDrive. Microsoft's OneDrive is \$5 per user, billed annually, and you get 1TB of storage per user. More expensive plans are available, with more storage and security (\$10) or with Office products like Word and Excel (\$8.25). My entire current library for Area is less than 200MB, so you won't need more than what ever is standard. Other companies were more expensive or required 3 users minimum.

<https://products.office.com/en-us/onedrive-for-business/compare-onedrive-for-business-plans>

Something that interested me was the OneDrive account option for non-profit. I don't know if Area qualifies, but it may be worth applying for those plans. However, it may also violate the seventh tradition. The plans mentioned are: 1. "donations" for 1TB per user, along with web versions of Word, Excel and others, and 2. \$3 per user for 1 TB and desktop versions of Word etc.

<https://products.office.com/en-US/nonprofit/office-365-nonprofit-plans-and-pricing?tab=1>

Sincerely,

James S

Bayou Recovery Area NA Treasurers Report

May 26, 2019

Greetings from your treasurer

Things have been OK in the world of the treasurer. We currently have a balance of \$2,473.99 as of 05/26/19. We currently have no outstanding check. We have had 4 transactions since the last Area meeting. One deposit for \$735.28 and 3 checks (see accounts page).

I finally got the online checking to work. It was a problem with the password. I received a call from Steve, our activities chair to tell me that he has relocated our storage unit to a smaller cheaper unit. I paid tiger Storage for 6 months and got an additional month for free. Out storage is not due until December.

We had donations of \$371.39 and literature orders of \$78.47 and sent \$61.40 in literature to H&I. I paid Corey \$25.00 for the rent. I received \$310.42 from activities Our total deposit was \$735.28. I will be filing with the Secretary of State in June; I believe the fee is \$25.00. I will pay for the new checks once the credit card bill shows.

In Service

Bob S



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Community Resource
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Available Balance: \$2,473.99 as of 05/26/2019

Current Balance: \$2,473.99 as of 05/26/2019

Date Range: 03/26/2019 - 05/26/2019

Transactions 1 - 10

Posted Transactions

Date	Description	Amount	Balance
05/13/2019	DDA CHECK 0000001071	-\$318.39	\$2,473.99
05/06/2019	DEPOSIT 0000000000	+\$735.28	\$2,792.38
04/30/2019	DDA CHECK 0000001069	-\$71.47	\$2,057.10
04/29/2019	DDA CHECK 0000001070	-\$10.00	\$2,128.57
04/18/2019	DDA CHECK 0000001065	-\$963.00	\$2,138.57
04/04/2019	DDA CHECK 0000001068	-\$80.00	\$3,101.57
04/04/2019	FLARSO FLORIDA RSO 040419	-\$443.83	\$3,181.57
04/02/2019	DDA CHECK 0000001067	-\$300.00	\$3,625.40
04/01/2019	DEPOSIT 0000000000	+\$317.30	\$3,925.40
03/27/2019	DDA CHECK 0000001064	-\$80.00	\$3,608.10

PR Subcommittee Area Report May 2019

Family,

I apologize for my absence from Area this month but I am attending an NA Convention in Dallas with my sponsor. I did want to give a short report on our PR Committee efforts for the month of May.

We did not have a PR meeting this month due to the Waffle Breakfast Fundraiser and Mother's day.

The waffle breakfast fundraiser was held on Saturday, May 11th at Grace Baptist Church. We had about 27-28 people in attendance and raised \$375.00. All materials for the breakfast were donated so we didn't have to request start up costs from Area. We donated \$20 to the Church for loaning us the space and the remaining \$355.00 is being given to Area hopefully for the use by the PR Committee within the next month. I want to thank all the PR Subcommittee people who worked diligently to make the breakfast a success and all of you who came out to support us.

I have contacted several advertising companies in Baton Rouge to begin inquiries on bus benches, signs, and outdoor advertising. I have discussions underway for those costs. Also, our radio PSAs were finalized last week and I will begin to contact radio stations around the Greater BR Area for airplay. There may some cost associated with this as well but should be minimal.

A portion, if not all, of the \$355.00 the PR Subcommittee raised will be requested at next month's Area meeting for advertising and radio costs of carrying the NA Message.

We have no expenses to request this month and no literature order.

**In loving service,
Allison L
Vice Chair**

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MOTION FORM

Policy: Money: None: Order rec'd: Motion No.: 19/05-0089

MOTION: (required) To require Monthly Area group conscience
to determine the amount of money that
H&I may use for literature each month.

INTENT: (required) Not to deplete the Area of its
working capital.

Maker: How I Works

Second: Radical Changes

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6/0/0*

OUTCOME:

Favor:

Pass:

Opposed:

Fail:

Abstain:

Refer to Committee:

Tabled to: 1980 next month for

repeal

BRASCNA
MOTION FORM

Policy: Money: None: Order rec'd: Motion No.: 19 05 02 97

MOTION: (required)

The ASB + ASB Alt + Chair +
Vice Chair cannot represent any single
group (GSR/ALT) because it would be a
conflict with their job to represent
All groups

INTENT: (required)

Maintain integrity of service
residence + group representation

Maker: Bob S
Recovery Nurses

Second: Elmore B
Another name

OUTCOME:

Favor:

Pass:

Opposed:

Fail:

Abstain:

Refer to Committee:

Tabled to: 9015

Bayou Recovery Service Area Resume

Name:	Clean Date:
Position:	Phone:
Email Address:	

Service Experience: (list positions and approximate dates served)

Group Service:
Area Service:
Regional Service:
World Service:

Have you failed to complete, or have you been removed from a position in the past five years? _____

Please explain: _____

Have you read the guidelines for your position? _____

Do you meet the suggested clean time requirements? _____

Do you have, and are you willing to make the necessary commitment of time and resources to meet the service position to which you have been nominated? _____

Please give to ASC secretary for inclusion in the minutes.

BRASCNA PRESENTS:

GAME NIGHT!

SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 2019

6P – 10P

BRING A GAME, BRING A SNACK, FOR AN EVENING OF...
“FOOD, FELLOWSHIP & FUN!”

MEADOWS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

16172 HIGHWAY 73

PRAIRIEVILLE, LA

GUEST SPEAKERS:

KIM W – 7:00P

JASON H – 8:00P

CONTACTS:

STEVEN W: (

RYAN S: ((

PIXIE S: (