

# Louisiana Region of Narcotics Anonymous Service Committee

## RSC Minutes

### Sunday, January 8, 2023

#### I. Meeting Convened:

- A. At 10:05am
- B. At 2825 Paris Rd, Chalmette La. (Gethsemane Baptist Church)
- C. Hosted By Unity Area

#### II. Readings:

- A. Serenity Prayer – Doug F.
- B. Personal Introduction's by All
- C. 12 Traditions – Anthony L.
- D. 12 Concepts – Trevis J.
- E. Purpose of the RSC – Doug F.

#### III. Roll Call

##### A. Administrative Committee:

1. Chairperson – Doug F.	Present	318-447-1241	<a href="mailto:dfearon56@gmail.com">dfearon56@gmail.com</a>
2. Vice Chair –	<b>Vacant</b>		
3. Treasurer – Trevis J.	Present	706-231-5991	<a href="mailto:lester40@att.net">lester40@att.net</a>
4. Secretary – Don B.	Present	504-234-8301	<a href="mailto:donb.larna@gmail.com">donb.larna@gmail.com</a>
5. Regional Delegate - Lee P.	<b>Absent</b>	972-898-2796	<a href="mailto:leejster@gmail.com">leejster@gmail.com</a>
6. RD Alternate – Nancy S.	<b>Absent</b>	225-241-4680	<a href="mailto:nancy61088@gmail.com">nancy61088@gmail.com</a>
7. RD Alt. Elect –	<b>Vacant</b>		

##### B. Standing Committees:

1. A & F	<b>Vacant</b>		
2. H & I – McNeal L.	<b>Absent</b>	251-656-1746	<a href="mailto:mcneallewis22@yahoo.com">mcneallewis22@yahoo.com</a>
3. Policy – Ruthie C.	Present	318-423-3255	<a href="mailto:ruthiecriddle@gmail.com">ruthiecriddle@gmail.com</a>
4. Fellowship Dev– Richard T.	Present	318-578-0344	<a href="mailto:nlananet1@gmail.com">nlananet1@gmail.com</a>

##### C. Interested Parties:

1. Board of Directors – Ron D.	Present	985-504-5685	<a href="mailto:nacaveman@yahoo.com">nacaveman@yahoo.com</a>
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##### D. Area Service Representatives:

1. Acadiana – Anthony L	Present	337-366-5369	<a href="mailto:tony736@hotmail.com">tony736@hotmail.com</a>
2. Bayou Recovery –Allison K.	<b>Absent</b>	225-571-2297	<a href="mailto:allisonleblanc@live.com">allisonleblanc@live.com</a>
3. Central – Pam G - Alt.	<b>Absent</b>	318-446-5902	<a href="mailto:pamelynw@yahoo.com">pamelynw@yahoo.com</a>
4. Grtr. Baton. Rouge –Roy M.	<b>Absent</b>	504-606-8988	<a href="mailto:mitchellroy036@gmail.com">mitchellroy036@gmail.com</a>
5. Lake – Julian B.	Present	337-660-7889	<a href="mailto:julian.bruce24@yahoo.com">julian.bruce24@yahoo.com</a>

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6. New Orleans – Pamela F.	Present	504-577-1334	<a href="mailto:foxpam4u@yahoo.com">foxpam4u@yahoo.com</a>
7. North – Ruthie C.	Present	318-423-3255	<a href="mailto:ruthiecriddle@gmail.com">ruthiecriddle@gmail.com</a>
8. Northshore – Ronnie P- Alt.	Present	225-229-6396	<a href="mailto:sirrpope@yahoo.com">sirrpope@yahoo.com</a>
9. Unity - Amy G.	Present	504-450-6839	<a href="mailto:amygunity@yahoo.com">amygunity@yahoo.com</a>
10. Serenity - Neil P	Present	870-299-8292	

**IV. Quorum Established:**

A. Yes - 7 Areas present out of 10.

**V. Approval of Previous Quarterly Region Minutes:**

A. July 10, 2022

B. **Motion** to Approve Minutes as Typed by Ronnie P ( Alt. - Northshore Area)  
2<sup>nd</sup>. By Anthony L. (Acadiana Area)

**VI. Reports:****A. Administrative Committee Reports:****1. Chairperson – Doug S. – No Report Submitted**

a) Doug discussed the proper way to conduct business at the region. Which covered:

- (1) reading how to make motions
- (2) recognition of hands voting
- (3) what an abstention is
- (4) and elections

b) Doug also requested that all ASR let they Area knows we are in need to fill the following service positions.

- (1) Vice Chairperson
- (2) RD Alt. Elect.

**2. Vice Chairperson Report – Vacant**

Nothing to Report

### 3. Treasurer's Report – Trevis J. – Report Submitted

I was able to open a new non profit business bank account with Red River Bank and have 3 authorized signers which are myself, Doug F., and Don B. The Capital One Bank account was closed out and a cashiers check for \$17,662.84 was deposited into our new account along with \$678.86 that was deposited from groups and Area's that will be notated on the Treasurer's report spreadsheet. \$50.00 of that deposit was deposited by me to open the account and I need to be reimbursed for that amount. We also had new checks debited from the account for \$18.54 which leaves us with a grand total of \$18,323.16. All checks were cleared prior to the transfer except for a lost check #1797 that was written on July 10<sup>th</sup> 2022 for SZF in the amount of \$161.32. My last closing balance was 17,568.53. I added all the new deposits and subtracted the new checks fee for a total of \$18,228.85. I added the un-cashed check of \$161.32 which leaves me with a total of 18,390.17 which is \$67.01 over the current bank total which I need to adjust out on the treasurer's spreadsheet to keep an accurate balance with the bank. Having online access with this new account will make it much easier to keep up with this account and find any discrepancies much faster. I'm not sure if Region wants me to re-write the lost check for \$161.32 to SZF.

I will continue to maintain an updated Organizational Charter and By Laws, and file form 990 annually by April 15 of each calendar year. I will also file an Annual Report with the Secretary of State by April of each calendar year and any amended Articles of Incorporation when we change officers or other changes. All of these documents are available for review if needed.

Our intent now that we are granted the 501(c)(4) status is to make policy changes to ensure that the treasurer keeps with up all the necessary legal annual filings to remain in good standing with the IRS and the Secretary of State. As of now, our legal name is Louisiana Area Region of Narcotics Anonymous. This can be changed at a later time but it will be a lot of paperwork and time to change everything. I suggest that if Region wants this changed, that we wait until after all of the annual filings are completed for this calendar year so that we have a year to get all the paperwork changed over to the amended name.

Respectfully Submitted  
Trevis J  
Regional Treasurer

### 4. Secretary Report – Don B. – Report Submitted

Greetings Family,

I emailed everyone copies of last quarter's minutes and sent out several flyers throughout the past three months. If any Area's would like me to forward flyers out to the other Area's as well as to PR, please send them to my email address: [donb.larna@gmail.com](mailto:donb.larna@gmail.com) . If anyone need to contact me about the minutes, please feel free to call me 504-234-8301.

In Loving Service,  
Don B.

**5. Regional Delegate Report – Lee P. Absent– Report Submitted By Don B.**

Hello regional Service Members,

Again, I apologize for my absence and this weekend I am celebrating two Sponsee's, one with 28 year's and one with 8 years'. Also sharing at a workshop at a convention out of town.

I was able to attend Area at Unity ASC in November (13th) and New Orleans the following weekend. Mostly just to check in and let people know about the Conference Agenda Report coming out.

I don't have a lot to report on other than we are gearing up for the Conference Agenda Report Season (C.A.R. Report). Also the Conference Approval Track (C.A.T.) is due out the end of this month. Several ASC's have planned their workshops and we have the dates locked in. So far this is what we have.

Lake Area January 14<sup>th</sup> 2023

North Shore Area January 21<sup>st</sup> 2023

Southern Zonal Forum January 28<sup>th</sup> (Austin TX.)

Central Area February 4<sup>th</sup> 2023

The Open Mind Group is trying to coordinate New Orleans and Unity Area's Workshop and I am not sure if a date has been scheduled. (Don will know more)

We had asked that ASR's turn in a annual report for us to compile the Louisiana Regional data prior to the World Service Conference. And, if you have "Votes" from your Area please turn them in to Don for me. I thank you in advance.

For information only this past Saturday I printed a stack of flyer's for our May Regional Convention and made them available at "Surrender by the Seashore" in Pascagoula MS.

ILS,

Lee P.

RD LA.

**\*\*Also, Open Mind Group of NA is hosting A C.A.R Learning Day Workshop for the New Orleans and Unity Areas on February 25<sup>th</sup>, 11:00am, Fellowship Hall, 583 Broadway St. New Orleans LA**

**6. Regional Delegate Alternative – Nancy S. – Absent No Report Submitted  
Nothing To Report****7. Regional Delegate Alternative Elect – **Vacant****

**Nothing to Report**

**B. Standing Committee Reports:****1. Activities & Fundraisers – Vacant – Open Discussion**

a) Region had an open discussion about Activities and Fundraisers.

- (1) Don B. informed Region about the Halloween Fundraiser hosted by Open Mind in which collected \$870.00 which was donated to Regional Convention Committee.
- (2) Lake Area presented a Flyer for the 23<sup>rd</sup> Unity Campout, March 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, held at Methodist Landing Park, Methodist Landing Rd., Leeville, La 71446, \$10.00 Suggested Donation (No Addict will be Turned Away)
- (3) Acadiana Area presented a flyer for Freedom Group 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary, February 21<sup>st</sup>, at Acadian Cares, 811 MLK St., Lafayette, LA. \$5.00 donation (No Addict Turned Away) for more information call 337-366-5369
- (4) Northshore Area is hosting a Fundraiser for Louisiana Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous, Mardi Gras Ball, Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> 5pm – 9pm at Abita Town Hall, 22161 Level St., Abita Springs, La 70420, \$10.00 suggested donation, Food Donations contact Jackie D. 225-360-2015, Auction Items contact Rachel S. 404-683-4375
- (5) New Orleans Area hosting New Orleans Area of Narcotics Anonymous XVI “Full Fruit of a Labor of Love” The Journey Continues July 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> at Hilton New Orleans Riverside, 2 Poydras St., New Orleans, La 70130, Hotel # 504-561-0500
- (6) New Orleans Area hosting 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary “The Evolution of Recovery, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 4pm to 8pm, 3101 Erato St., New Orleans, La

**2. Hospitals & Institutions – McNeil L. – Absent - No Report Submitted**

### 3. Fellowship Development – Richard T. – Present – Report Submitted

Fellowship Development has been implementing and monitoring the initiatives that were approved last year.

The Facebook PSA's look to be productive and I have a motion for \$360.00 to continue them through the first quarter of 2023 at which time we will reassess it and decide whether to continue. This is included in the 2023 budget. If approved, I will pay Facebook and submit receipts for reimbursement at April ASC.

The billboard initiative we started and paid for last year will continue through most of the first half of 2023. There have been billboards in Shreveport, Bossier City, Lake Charles, and Alexandria with more to come. We will assess this between now and July and make a decision on whether to put it in next year's budget. Hopefully there will be more inventory in some of the areas we couldn't get any billboards in on this round.

Due to health issues I'm way behind posting events to larna.org and still have to get with Steve to re-post some minutes and other material that were lost when his webhost crashed months ago. My health is better now so I hope to get caught up on this soon.

The area websites are doing well. I still need a web servant for Lake Area and have new web servants to train for North Area and New Orleans Area but that's just a matter of scheduling.

The Fellowship Development subcommittee hasn't met the last couple of quarters. There wasn't enough new items to address to warrant the travel as we were mainly implementing what we had worked on in previous meetings. I'll be taking an email poll soon for ideas we can work on and have a productive meeting before next RSC. We need ideas!

Thanks for allowing me to be of service.

ILS

Richard T

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<b>Calls</b> Louisiana Region of Narcotics Anon...	<b>11,624</b> Reach	<b>309</b> Link clicks	<b>\$119.99</b> Spent at \$4.00 per day
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<b>Website visitors</b> Louisiana Region of Narcotics Anon...	<b>386</b> Reach	<b>3</b> Link clicks	<b>\$5.75</b> Spent at \$2.00 per day

#### 4. Policy – Ruthie C. – Report Submitted

##### Fellowship Development

##### **Purpose**

The main purpose of the Fellowship Development Committee is to help overcome the isolation that hinders the growth and survival of Narcotics Anonymous in our areas and groups. While the main emphasis of this committee is on outreach efforts that are aimed at bringing geographically isolated NA areas or groups into the larger community, fellowship development is not limited to those activities. The committee's function may also include assistance to areas and groups isolated by such things as personal choice, language, or cultural differences. The Fellowship Development Sub-Committee shall coordinate the resources of the RSC with the needs of the individual area or groups. What Fellowship Development does, should depend on local needs.

Basic functions:

1. Maintain open lines of communication with areas and groups existing in the region.
2. Updating meeting lists
3. Functioning of phonedlines
4. To seek and encourage the growth of the fellowship at all levels; including areas and groups.
5. Maintain web page (See Web Master guidelines)
6. A resource for stockpiling, maintaining, and coordinating the distribution of radio and television public service announcements. Examples: poster or public days, letters and mailings, PSAs, and/or billboards. The ways in which these may be accomplished are innumerable and unlimited.

##### Chair Requirements

1. Suggested minimum of 2 years clean
2. Minimum of 6 months N.A. service involvement
3. Previous service at area and/or regional levels, preferably in Public Relations
4. One year commitment
5. Ability to organize and give the committee direction and incentive Chair Duties

##### Chair Duties

1. Arrange agenda for meetings
2. Initiates all necessary correspondence
3. Is ultimately responsible for files, records, and overall functioning of the
4. Presides over, and is responsible for maintaining order in, meetings
5. Presents a bi-quarterly report to the RSC
6. Keeps an accurate record of committee expenditures

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**C. Interesting Parties:****1. Board of Directors – Ron D. - Report submitted.**

Greetings from the Convention Board

Hope this weekend finds you all well. Ron D. has graciously volunteered to present my report and answer any questions you may have.

Goings on with the board

The board met 12/2/22. In addition to the board members Roy M was present to represent the LRCNA Committee. Roy shared that the convention was progressing and that they are working on aspects of the program, pre-convention shirts and flyers. He also stated that they will be selling shirts at the upcoming Pre-Christmas night of fun. As well as pre-registrations, there will also be a convention registration available for the pre-convention committee. They are willing to make shirts available to anyone willing to sell them as well, as well as sending someone to sell merchandise at any area willing to have them sold at any of their functions or fundraisers. They will be meeting January the 15, at Grace Baptist church in Baton Rouge.

Board Elections

The board held its annual elections, Bob Singer was elected as Board Chair, Serena Pandos, was elected for Board treasurer, Ron Duggins was elected as vendor and web Liaison and Bob Storer was elected as the Secretary. Denise has expressed willingness to be Vice-Chair, but was unable to attend. Speaking of elections, we have 3 people who will be rolling off of the board by July of this year, Paul Payne, Bob Storer and Virginia Williams. The Region nominates and elects members to the board. Ron will be able to give you any information that you need and be able to answer any questions. We also discussed sales of literature at the convention. We have tried to get a representative from the Lone Star Region, the St Louis Region and the Florida Region at the convention site and have had no luck working it out. We will discuss at the next meeting funding a literature purchase and selling literature available at the convention. We will see how it works out. If we cant work it out this year we will have to do it next year  
Where do we go from here?



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Funny you should ask? One of the problems that we have encountered with this bid, is the scaled back time frame the convention committee has to prepare for the convention and the lack of pre-convention merchandise available for fundraising. I would encourage all the areas to put on fundraisers for the convention. More important, we would also like to have a convention bid for 2024 as soon as possible. The earlier we can get a bid and hotel proposal/contract, the better. The board is willing to work with addicts to prepare the bid, find the hotels and come to any area that may be willing and or has any questions or their responsibilities to putting on a convention in the state of Louisiana. Please take this information back to your areas.

#### Future Games

The board Secretary is preparing the documents necessary to file taxes. Since they are due before the upcoming convention, it should be fairly easy. We will be the 990N postcard. The final part of the report is one of those good news, bad news, how the hell did this happen things. Early last year Paul was informed by his bank that we had a certain amount of money (we being the LRCC committee), and what did they want them to do about it. After a few months of research by Paul P and Virginia, it was determined that was a legacy account that was established by a now deceased board treasure. Paul and Virginia were the last surviving signatures on the account and they would need to come and close the account, which they did. The bank issued a check to the Louisiana Regional convention Corp in the amount of \$851.53, which was deposited in our main account. Including it in our account might be difficult and we are not entirely clear of the origin of the money and have absolutely no records on any of the above, it was decided to donate the entire amount of 851.53 to the Louisiana Region of NA. The board treasurer will issue a check and forward it to the region. I'm sure that Ron will be happy to fill you in on any questions you many have.

In Service Bob Singer

225 9784749 rsinger@tgpohio.com

PS Please bring convention bids and/or contact the board with potential hotels.

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Discussion was held about 3 new board positions opening up. Nominees qualifications are:

- 7 years Clean time
- Convention Experience
- Business Experience
- No reimbursement on Travel

Discussion was held about the ASR's would like to see Minutes and Treasury Reports for this last quarter.

**D. Area Service Representatives Reports:**

**1. Acadiana Area – Anthony L. – Report Submitted**

I am Anthony L. a grateful addict; its an honor to stand in the Gap for our Area!!

We have updated the website with meetings that are back meeting in person again to the best of my knowledge.

Acadiana Area Service Committee of NA: Host 29 in person meetings and 2 Zoom meetings seven days a week!! We have 5 active NA Groups and 4 inactive, total of 9, See our website for more information. Aascna.org

H&I commitments of total of 3:

- Lafayette Behavior – Wednesday 730pm to 8:30pm
- Victory Treatment – Monday 7:00pm to 8:00pm
- Lafayette Sheriff Work Release Program – Wednesday 5:45pm to 6:45pm

Acadiana Area apologies for its missed attendance at Last Region, We do have a donation of \$33.00 Check #0384

Announcements:

- H&I Learning Day at 12:00pm on March 25, 2023, at Acadiana Cares, 811 MLK St., Lafayette, LA. H&I Chair David J. will conduct the event.
- Pajama Jam in March 2023 times and place to be announced at a later date. (Convention Fundraiser)
- Freedom Group 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary – Feb. 21, 2023 10am to 9pm at Acadiana Cares, 811 MLK St. Lafayette La.

Loving Service Anthony L.

## 2. Bayou Recovery Area – Allison K. – **Absent**- Report Submitted – Read by Don B.

### Bayou Recovery Area ASR Report: January 2023

I am unable to attend Region because I tested positive for Covid on Thursday. I have asked Don to read my report to the Board and to place it in the minutes.

- **Number of Groups:** 14 individual home groups holding 17 meetings weekly
- **Number of weekly meetings** in person, zoom, and hybrid along with average meeting attendance:
  - 17 in person meetings, 1 zoom meeting, 1 Hybrid in person and zoom meeting
  - Average meeting attendance: approx. 20+/- Note: we have experienced an increase in attendance in the last couple months at several meetings.
- **Number of H&I meetings** per week:
  - Number of treatment centers and locations: We currently service 3 treatment centers:
    1. The Grove, Sorrento - every Friday night
    2. Woodlake, Ethel, LA- every Friday night
    3. Progressive, Zachary- once a month
  - Number of Correction Facilities and Locations
    1. Angola-2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month
    2. DCI-1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday or Saturday each month
    3. LCIW-1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday mornings Avg 15 people
- **Total size** of Bayou Recovery Area Fellowship: approximately 150+/-
- **H & I Activity/plans:**
  - Bayou Recovery Area is continuing to work with the DOC on volunteer orientation issues. Angola, DCI and LCIW are having problems with the approval process. DOC clearance certificates are not being issued and our Area is working diligently to resolve this. There has been little to no progress in this area. The volunteers have been oriented and their paperwork submitted, but DOC isn't responding to our Area's request for clearance certificates.
  - Bayou Recovery Area has a new H & I Chairperson, Taylor B who took over from Elmore as of January 1st. His contact information is 225-316-5114 and taybutts@gmail.com If you are interested in getting involved with H&I, please contact him.
  - H&I Learning Day- a potential plan is in the works for an H & I learning day/orientation sometime this year. More will be revealed.
  - Nancy S is no longer the H & I contact for the women's prison meetings and orientations. All H & I requests should now be directed to Taylor B.
- **PR Activity/plans:**
  - Bayou Recovery Area has a new Public Relations Chair, Kelly G.
  - The focus of the PR Committee for the new year will be collaboration with community organizations such as Capital Area Human Services and Louisiana Department of Health. Public Relations is preparing for and will attend Community Health Fairs, Community Substance Abuse Program Initiatives, and other various events.
- **Other community activities:** None planned as of January 2023
- **Major accomplishments:** Our Area has recently experienced an increase in meeting attendance and an increase in the number of new meetings being opened. We are grateful to say we are seeing Billboards around town on a regular basis.
- **Specific problems or situations:** None as of January 2023 for our Area.
- **Area plans for upcoming year:** The Bayou Recovery Area is hosting the LA Region Convention on May 25-28, 2023, in Baton Rouge. Please register and reserve your rooms in advance! Flyers are on the [www.br-na.org](http://www.br-na.org) or [www.larna.org](http://www.larna.org) websites.
- **Region Donation:** Bayou Recovery Area is donating \$500.00 to LARNA. I will place the check in the mail since I was unable to attend Region.

In Service: Allison L: Bayou Recovery Area Service Representative

### 3. Central Area – **Absent** - Report Submitted

#### Central Area ASR Report: January 2023

- **Number of Groups:** 7 Home groups
- **Number of weekly meetings** 10 meetings weekly with average meeting attendance:
  - Average meeting attendance: approx. 10-20+/-
- **Number of H&I meetings per week:**
  - Number of treatment centers and locations: We currently service 3 treatment centers:
    1. Red River Treatment Center, Tioga 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday's (Men). 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday's (Women)
    2. Steps Recovery Solutions, Pineville – every 4th Friday monthly
    3. Edgefield Treatment Cheneyville – every 2nd Friday monthly
  - Number of Correction Facilities and Locations
  - none
- **Total size of Central Area Fellowship:** approximately 50+/-
- **H & I Activity/plans:**
  - H&I Learning Day- a potential plan is in the works for an H&I learning day/orientation sometime this year.
  - H&I is planning to coordinate with P.R. to start a monthly meeting at one of our correctional facilities.
- **PR Activity/plans:**
  - P.R. contacted one of our local T.V. stations to have them broadcast our newly formed PSA and will continue to contact more stations in our local area.
  - P.R. is in the planning stages of doing our annual poster drive and they continue to keep our local meetings schedules updated in the data base and distribute them to some of our local facilities where H&I does not have panel meetings and other community areas that will allow us to distribute them.
- **Other community activities:** None planned right now.
- **Major accomplishments:** Our Area Activities committee continues to host events in our area, and we invite our local treatment centers to attend. We have combined our sub-committee's due to the small size of our fellowship in our Area and our subcommittee meetings are well attended and the work of these combined committees are being accomplished. We have also started a Women's Meeting on Mondays at 7pm.
- **Specific problems or situations:** We have been informed that federal and state policies that affect our local treatment centers, drug courts and other recovery related programs are not allowed to mandate a 12 step fellowship during and after treatment due to the fellowship using the word God which they consider religious affiliation under their policy of best practices. This is discouraging to the staff at these facilities because they understand the importance of a 12 step program and recommending that to their clients during and upon discharge from treatment. This is one of the reasons why our meeting attendance in our Area has dropped. We are trying to counter this by inviting the treatment center clients to volunteer to attend our functions and meetings and consistently doing H&I & P.R. work there. We also had some members from our local sober living houses such as Oxford and similar affiliations tell us that these places are trying to force and or discourage their residence/clients from attending N.A. meetings.
- **Area plans for upcoming year:** Our Area plans on bidding for the 2024 Convention and we plan on holding our 2023 Convention Fundraiser in late April to early May.
- **Region Donation:** Central Area is donating \$90.00 to LARNA for this Quarter

In Service: Trevis J Central Area H&I Chair/Treasurer

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#### 4. Greater Baton Rouge Area – Roy M. – Absent – No Report Submitted

#### 5. Lake Area – Julien B. – Report Submitted

Hello everyone. I represent the Lake Area. We currently have 7 groups and 39 meetings per week. Attendance has been up and down all year. We have had many groups drop the amount of meetings they have per week while others have changed meeting times. This year we have had many group events in an effort to show unity in our area. Our groups have celebrated multiple decades even centuries of clean time on birthday nights. The groups in our area have been hosting some absolutely captivating speaker meetings. The Spirit of the Bayou Group just hosted their annual New Years' Eve Party with an amazing turnout from the whole area. There are many more events in the making. More will be revealed!

In H&I, we visit two facilities. We go to New Beginnings every wednesday at 8pm and we go to Oddysey House every sunday at 6:30pm. Nothing much has changed in H&I. It's been consistent with almost the same people that show up.

In our ASC meetings, we have been doing our best at filling service positions with trusted servants. We have started an Area Budget and Guidelines Committee to assist with updating our budgets and guidelines. Why update the area budget and guidelines? I'm glad you asked. The reason being that our guidelines haven't been revised since 2007. We're also having a CAR workshop on January 14<sup>th</sup> at the Agape Group at 1:30pm.

We are feeling hopeful and looking forward to this year as we see new members keep coming back. We are working on making sure the next generation of addicts can serve NA without being thrown into service positions without fully understanding what it may entail.

In Loving Service, Julian B.

6. New Orleans Area – Pam F. – Absent - Report Submitted Read by Don B.

NOANA ASR REPORT JAN 8, 23  
by Pamela F.

New Orleans Area ( NOANA)  
Met Dec 18th 22, 2pm at 3101 Erato Street.  
Next Area meeting is Jan 15th.

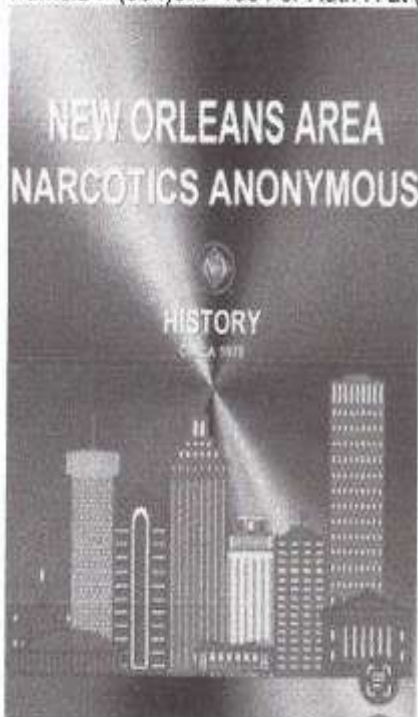
Phoneline: 504-899-6262  
Website: [www.NOANA.org](http://www.NOANA.org)

New Orleans Area ELECTIONS  
ALL POSITIONS ARE UP FOR ELECTIONS -  
- Nominations to be accepted Jan 15th  
- Elections to be held at the February meetings

H&I meetings 5 active meetings.

New Orleans Area  
45 ANNIVERSARY celebration will be held Saturday Feb 15th at 4pm to 8pm.

NOANA History book has 20 remaining in inventory. The cost to purchase the book is \$35.00 you can contact:  
Pamela F (504)577-1334 or Ruth H at (504) 813-1791.



NOANA Convention date is:  
July 6-9, 2022  
link to register is:  
<http://noacna.org>



I love you Don so much!  
Love each other or perish - Audin

### 7. North Area – Ruthie C. – Report Submitted

Hello All!!! We in the North Area are doing well. We recently held elections of new officers. There are as follows:

Chair Paul B

Vice Chair Joey W

Secretary Adam M

Treasurer Micah C

ASR Ruthie C

ASR Alt Dani K

Policy Faith F

Activities Jamie L

yeaH&I Sheldon E

FD Jennifer J

Literature Brandi W

We currently have 12 meetings a week with 6 homegroups in the Shreveport/Bossier Area. H&I commitments we currently have are Uprising Sundays at 4pm and CADA Tuesdays at 7 pm. Our activities chair will as always be planning our annual campout Camp Recovery for November. At this time we do not currently have anything going on or planned.

We currently have about 25-30 addicts active in our Area. FD is in the process of being trained on websites.

ILS

Ruthie C

**8. Northshore Area – Ronnie P. (Alt) – Report Submitted**

Hello,

The Northshore area has 12 groups in our area with 31 meetings through out the week. We have two H&I meetings a week. With the exception of the meetings in Slidel, our attendance at our meetings remain low. We held elections for area positions in Dec, and Trent H was elected as ASR alt. We still have two positions vacant. We have two events planned: CAR workshop Feb. 21st at the Rising Star meeting location 45418 Durbin Rd, Hammond, LA 70401, and The Mardi Gras Ball Feb 25th at the Abita Springs Town Hall, 22161 Level St, Abita Springs, La 70420. The flyers are on the area website: NSANA.ORG. We are making a donation to region of \$512.

ASR yearly report:

- 1: there are 12 groups in Northshore area, 2 H&I meetings a week, 31 regular meeting a week four of which are Hybrid, and 1 womens meeting.
- 2: Some meetings have an average attendance 20-25, and most have an average attendance between 4-15.
- 3: We have H&I meetings in two treatment centers.
- 4: We are bring meeting list and NA literature to recovery related facilities. We have an area NA phone line.
- 5: We have set up booths at a couple of Overdose awareness events.
- 6: None
- 7: We have lost a lot of members that either stop coming to NA meeting altogether or started going to newer Recovery type meeting such as Rise Up and C.R.
- 8: unknown
- 9: In talking with other older members, we think that NA in our area started around 1983 or 1984. In 1987 there was only six meeting in the Northshore Area. Although the area continously grew it disolved around 1988-89. In 1992 the Welcome home area of NA was formed in the Hammond area. Then around 1994 the Welcome Home area and the Northshore area join together forming the Northshore Area of NA we have today.
- 10: Grow the area by doing PSA's. We still do not known how to effectively address the issue that most treatment centers in our area still push thier clients towards AA, newcomers still believe that AA and NA programs are basically the same except AA is larger and has more members/meetings.

In Loving Service,

Ronnie P.



### 9. Serenity Area – Neil P. – Report Submitted

Hello everyone,

I would like to thank everybody at this time for accepting out petition for the Serenity Area to become a part of Region. It is an honor and privilege to be of service, once again.

We currently have 5 groups in the area – Springhill, Homer, Ruston, Farmerville, Monroe and Columbia, LA – with 10 meetings per week. We currently have 2 H&I commitments, carrying the message to Lincoln Nova Treatment Center in Ruston and the Care Unit in Homer.

We hope to have some upcoming events in the future where we can grow and spread the message of recovery.

In Loving Service,  
Greg W.

### 10. Unity Area – Amy G – Report submitted.

Unity Area just hosted Louisiana Region this past weekend with regional business meetings Sat. & Sun., with a Speak & Eat & Dance on Saturday Night. For the people who attended Unity is grateful for your support. But, from the attendance you can tell how much our area is struggling. Weekend Fliers with itinerary was posted on Unity & N.O. FB page multiple times and emailed to all Unity Area GSR's to print an announce to their groups. Sat. Morning NA Meeting had 2 extra NA members show up and none on Sunday. Saturday Speak & Eat had a total of 24 people attend. Unity Area donated 200.00 to LARNA.

Now to answer the questions asked by World.

1. Unity Area has 16 meetings, with majority in Jefferson parish East Bank & West Bank, we have a few in Orleans Parish as well.
2. Small to X Small 50-75 members estimated
3. 1 H&I meeting with no H&I Chair
4. No PI Chair but do have Facebook, Unity Area website, meeting list & phone line.
5. We finally have an A&F chair and are looking forward to planing something for easter. We are also in process of planing a CAR Report workshop to host with N.O. Area.
6. We combined our phone line & meeting list with the Regional Phone Number. That way people can call one number & speak to someone in the area they are in and have access to meeting list for the area they are looking for.
7. Getting people involved in service work. Covid hurt our Area, but to be honest we were having these problems before Covid. Getting Unity Area & N.O. Area to support each other. I personally feel there is a large racial division amongst members on both sides. N.O. has lots of crime and many members or uncomfortable going into the City for personal safety concerns. Unity Area split off of the New Orleans area in early 1990's think it was 1992. Members felt they could accomplish more NA business in a more timely manner with less disruption. N.O. area meetings would last 4 to 6 hours. The oldest meeting in Unity Area did not belong to any area until 1998 then it joined Unity Area. The meeting was formed in 1985 and has been meeting at same original location & time since it began in 1985.
8. This last question is tough for me to answer because it would be my personal opinion and not of my Areas. Because they answered a few of the questions and told me to fill in the rest.

In Loving Service  
Amy G.

- VII. Lunch Break
  - A. Start 12:00pm
  - B. Returned 1:00pm

VIII. Elections: - NONE

- A. Open Position:
  - 1. Vice Chairperson
  - 2. A & F Chairperson
  - 3. RD Alt. Elect

IX. Old Business (Unfinished Business):

- A. Motions Sent Back to Areas: None

X. New Business:

A. Motions:

- 1. Motion #2023-01-01, Maker Richard T. (Fellowship Development),  
2<sup>nd</sup> By: Ronnie P. (Northshore Area)

Motion: Reimburse Richard T. \$246.65 for Facebook PSA billed last quarter of 2022.  
This money was already approved in the PR Budget.

Intent: To be fully self-supporting.

For: 7                      Against: 0                      Abstention: 0

**Motion Passed**

- 2. Motion #2023-01-02, Maker: Admin Committee, 2<sup>nd</sup>. By: Anthony L. (Acadiana)

Motion: Reimburse \$318.26 for Hotel and Parking on Friday Night 1-6-2023 for Doug F. (\$118.26) and Trevis J. (\$200.00). They need to travel to complete all banking requirements for the Region Bank Account.

Intent: To Be fully self-supporting.

For: 7                      Against: 0                      Abstention: 0

**Motion Passed**

3. Motion# 2023-01-03, Maker: Pamela F. (New Orleans Area)  
2<sup>nd</sup> By: Anthony L. (Acadiana Area)

**Motion:** To require the Board of Directors to provide no profit status document to this body at the next regional meeting.

**Intent:** This information would help ASR's to understand the exact status of the non-profit.

For: 7      Against: 0      Abstention: 0

***Motion Passed***

4. Motion #2023-01-04, Maker: Pamela F. (New Orleans Area)  
2<sup>nd</sup> By: Anthony L. (Acadiana Area)

**Motion:** To require the Board of Directors to submit Treasurer's Report at each Regional Meeting.

**Intent:** To allow for transparency of expenditures and income. This request was presented in a previous RSC meeting but was not adhered too.

For: 7      Against: 7      Abstention: 0

***Motion Passed***

- B. Host Area For January RSC: Unity Area  
Give Seed Money of \$600.00 returned \$216.25, so Weekend Cost \$383.75

***Thank You Unity Area for Hosting a Wonderful Weekend***

XI. Treasurer's Report – Trevis J. - Closing Treasury Report - October 2, 2022

LA Regional Service Committee Treasurer's Report		Date:	January 8, 2023		
<b>Income: Group Donations</b>		<b>Encumbered Funds or Budgets</b>			
Acadiana Area	\$ 33.00	Prudent Reserve	\$ 7,500.00		
Bayou Recovery Area		Public Relations Budget	\$ 4,077.86		
Central Area	\$ 90.00	Hospitals & Institutions Budget	\$ -		
Greater Baton Rouge Area		Literature H&I Prison	\$ 1,366.75		
Lake Area	\$ 50.00				
New Orleans Area	\$ 438.86				
North Area					
Northshore Area	\$ 512.00	<b>Total Encumbered Funds</b>	<b>\$ 12,944.61</b>		
Unity Area	\$ 200.00				
Hardcore Group	\$ 25.00				
Open Mind Group	\$ 75.00				
New Orleans Area	\$ 426.99				
<b>Total Group Donation:</b>	<b>\$ 1,850.85</b>				
<b>Income: Other Funds Received</b>		<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Checks</b>	<b>Ck#</b>	<b>Cash</b>
Red River Bank Deposit	\$ 50.00	Red River New Checks			\$ 18.54
Lost SZF ck# 1797	\$ 161.32	Trevis J Bank Deposit	\$ 50.00	101	
Partial Return Seed Money	\$ 216.25	Trevis J Friday Expense	\$ 200.00	102	
		Doug F Friday Expense	\$ 118.26	103	
		Richard T Travel	\$ 154.75	104	
		Doug F Travel	\$ 134.95	105	
		Trevis J Travel	\$ 199.00	106	
		SZF Replacement Check July	\$ 161.32	107	
		Richard T P.R. Expense	\$ 249.65	108	
		adjustment to match bank			\$ 67.01
<b>Total Other Funds Received:</b>	<b>\$ 427.57</b>	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 1,353.48</b>		
<b>Total Funds Received: \$ 2,278.42</b>		<b>Ending Report Totals Information</b>			
<b>Notes:</b>		<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>\$ 17,568.53</b>		
		Income: Funds Received	\$ 2,278.42		
		Debit: Expenditures	\$ 1,353.48		
		Debit: Encumbered funds	\$ 12,944.61		
		<b>Unencumbered Funds</b>	<b>\$ 5,548.86</b>		
		10% Donations Naws	ck# 109	\$ 554.89	
		3% Donations SZF	ck# 110	\$ 166.47	
		<b>Unencumbered Funds - Donations</b>	<b>\$ 4,827.51</b>		
		<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 17,772.12</b>		

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**XII. Motion To Close Meeting:** Maker: Anthony L. (Acadiana Area), 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Ruthie (North Area)

**A. Closing Serenity Prayer – Doug F,**

**B. Meeting Adjourned**

**Regional Rotation**

**April 1 – 2 Lake Area**

**June 24 – 25 Northshore Area**

**October 7 – 8 Acadiana Area**

**Greater Baton Rouge Area**

**New Orleans Area**

**Bayou Recovery**

**Central Area**

**North Area**

**Serenity Area**

**Unity Area**

Louisiana Region of Narcotics Anonymous  
RSC Motion Form

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Motion No. 2023-01-01

Maker Richard T.

Second [Signature]

Type:  Simple Majority

Policy Change \_\_\_\_\_

Two-thirds

MOTION: Reimburse Richard T \$249<sup>65</sup> for Facebook PSA billed last week of 2022. This money was already approved in the PR Budget 2022.

INTENT: To be fully self supporting

PRO \_\_\_\_\_

CON \_\_\_\_\_

*receipt?*

Final Vote: For 7 Against 0 Abstention 0

Passed  Failed \_\_\_\_\_

Motion Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Areas \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Move to postpone \_\_\_\_\_ When \_\_\_\_\_

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Louisiana Region of Narcotics Anonymous  
RSC Motion Form

Motion No. <sup>AST</sup> 2023-01-02

Maker DOUGLAS FERRON Second Anthony Lewis

Type:  Simple Majority

Policy Change \_\_\_\_\_  Two-thirds

MOTION: Get reimbursed hotel + parking to get  
the banking (regional) straight on  
Friday. (1-6-23)  
DOUG F - \$118.26  
Tress J - \$200.00

total \$318.26

INTENT: Be self supporting

PRO \_\_\_\_\_

CON \_\_\_\_\_

Final Vote: For 7 Against 0 Abstention 0

Passed \_\_\_\_\_ Failed \_\_\_\_\_

Motion Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Areas \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Move to postpone \_\_\_\_\_ When \_\_\_\_\_

NOTES \_\_\_\_\_

Louisiana Region of Narcotics Anonymous  
RSC Motion Form

Motion No. 2023-01-03

Maker New Orleans Second Anthony L.

Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Simple Majority

Policy Change \_\_\_\_\_ Two-thirds

MOTION: To require the BOD to provide non profit STATUT documents to this Body at the next Regional meeting.

INTENT: This info would help ASK's to understand the exact ~~statute~~ statute of the non profit

PRO 1

CON \_\_\_\_\_

Final Vote: For 7 Against 0 Abstention 0

Passed \_\_\_\_\_ Failed \_\_\_\_\_

Motion Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Areas \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Move to postpone \_\_\_\_\_ When \_\_\_\_\_

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Louisiana Region of Narcotics Anonymous  
RSC Motion Form

Motion No. 2023-01-04

Maker New Orleans Second Anthony L.

Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Simple Majority

Policy Change \_\_\_\_\_ Two-thirds

MOTION: Motion to require the BOD  
To submit Treasurer report at  
each Regional Meeting.

INTENT: To allow for transparency  
of expenditures and income.  
This request was presented in a  
previous Region and was not adhered too.

PRO \_\_\_\_\_

CON \_\_\_\_\_

Final Vote: For 7 Against 0 Abstention 0

Passed \_\_\_\_\_ Failed \_\_\_\_\_

Motion Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Areas \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Move to postpone \_\_\_\_\_ When \_\_\_\_\_

NOTES \_\_\_\_\_  
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