

## Serenity Coast Area Minutes

[groups.google.com/group/serenitycoast](https://groups.google.com/group/serenitycoast)

Held @ – Mandarin Presbyterian Church 2501 Loretto Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32223. Quad portable building 2.

### Call to Order

- A. Serenity prayer (all)
- B. 12 concepts (12 concepts only) TJ read
- C. Approval of last month's minutes
  - Bob had question about layout. Accepted

### Group Reports / Rollcall

- Another Day Clean- A
- Carrying the Message- P All is well
- Courage to Change- A
- Ultimate Weapon- P Good on the home front. Member has been banned from facilities. Done by church. No na involvement.
- Any new groups?
- D. Admin officers' reports
  - Chairperson (Suze) Has letter for RCM. Sent to serenity coast google group.
  - Vice Chairperson (Derek) All is well
  - Secretary (Mike) All is well
  - Treasurer (Spencer) Absent- Bob F has returned 135.80 to the area from the previous treasurer. TJ will hold money and receipt.
  - RCM (Bob) See attached report. Brought bill for hotel. 154.00
- E. Committee Reports
  - Activities Kate- After speaking with coquina and first coast areas it is suggested that September is the best time to hold Dinosaur days event. Working on setting up Facebook group/event. Working on flyers and date. Does the area approve a FB group for activities?
  - Web servant Chris- Chris spoke of keeping online info on website. Spoke of soliciting the groups and ASCs to use the site and consolidate info all into one place. Adding simplicity into the process. Bob spoke of checking links for other areas linking to calendar and adding the "in the middle" to site. Hosting is up for renew 19<sup>th</sup> of June. Going to get cost of different variations of hosting packages. Email is up for renew in September. Possibly pay extra to moving to a secure site.
- F. Issues, concerns, questions, etc. about any reports given or pertaining to specific committees?

### Old Business

- A. Anything we need to retouch from past areas? Deb says all literature is ordered and paid up.

### **New Business**

- A. Format for area meeting sent by Suze. Does Derek want to stay as admin to form. Yes.
- B. Bob- Asked if we have an open forum portion of the meeting. Suze says she kindof combined into reports. Chris says its his favorite part and spoke of its importance. He also spoke of sponsors advising their sponsees to get involved in service. Tj suggests to include open forum in in area meeting.
- C. Suze asked where we put it in the meeting. Tj second putting it at the beginning of the meeting After previous minutes
- D. Bob-ecc formation meeting has flyer can be sent. 6/2 3pm old Moultrie rd center for spiritual living meets.

### **Announcements**

**Motion to close 1141am**

## SCASC RCM Report – May 2024 Regional Service Committee

Bob F. attended the May 2024 Saturday Fellowship Development and Sunday RSC meeting.

Saturday FD – Area topics discussed included 1. Having Narcan available at meetings 2. When taking meetings into treatment centers, clients ask if they are clean while on MAT / DRT or medical marijuana. 3. Are most area retreats a part of the Area and how does fund flow work? Forest Area doesn't take or return funds to the Area. Gainesville does take funds and returns funds. Discussion ensued about the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition and fund flow. 4. H&I- wants to relax requirements in the Forest Area. Other fellowships allow members to give phone numbers to and sponsor people in treatment. Do's and don'ts came from the experience of members who had bad (some life-costing) experiences. 5. A member who is on DRT (medical marijuana) is chairing an H&I meeting. Bulletin #29 was discussed. Anyone is an NA member who says they are. However, members who are on MAT or DRT should not be of service in positions that represent NA, such as a meeting chair or H&I presentation. 6. CBDM vs Roberts Rules – we use a hybrid of both. 7. Does any addict have a voice during all of Area? Different forums have different rules. During FD any voice is heard. During RSC-only positions on the floor have voices unless the chair dictates looking for experience opens the floor on a one-by-one basis.

Sunday RSC meeting – Admin reported all is well.

RD/AD team had a few questions/topics.

1. March business topics – How can we execute the CAR and CAT in 2025?
2. Insurance for Areas – Colin H. - Discussion on insurance costs; area vs regional?
3. Florida Service Symposium- The Symposium has been held by the Florida Region for years, since 2005. It is a gathering of many Areas, Regions, and Southeast Zone service bodies that discuss issues regarding our Fellowship. I attended in March. It's getting more expensive. And takes a lot of time. 25 hours a week x 4 people x 6 weeks of planning time. A normal RSC weekend cost is about \$8,000. So, it is an additional cost of approximately \$28,000, once every two years. A proposal was made – the RD and AD want to propose that we possibly give this to the SE Zonal Forum so that the costs and benefits are borne by all the Regions involved.

Discussion - Is it worth giving up the FSS and having other Regions in the Zone also host it? Will the Areas in the Florida Region still participate? Will it be better served at Zone? It will lessen our cost and time and efforts, but will it also lessen our service efforts to our Areas? Will FL Areas still attend? Can we cut costs and hold on to it? Are we holding on to something bigger than ourselves?

Treasurer report – we have some unpaid bills coming due, so we will not send all the money over our prudent reserve to NAWS. We will be sending \$20,000.00 this month and be holding the other \$7000 until we pay our bills. Any overage will be dealt with during the July RSC.

I am submitting the hotel bill for \$153.39 for one room night. The next two RSC's are already available to book rooms.

Please contact me with any questions, and thank you for allowing me to serve –

Bob F.

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