

Minutes from Tampa, Fl.
Florida Regional Service Conference
July 16, 2000

The RSC meeting opened at 9:00 am at the Guest Suites hotel with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer and the reading of the twelve traditions, twelve concepts, and the purpose of the RSC.

Open Forum: (summarized)

Sandy S. – Concerns about Handicap Accessibilities

Charlie M. – Concerns about using 7th Tradition to pay for meeting room space because we aren't accepting appropriate bids.

Mary H. – Again concerns about Handicap Accessibilities.

Bob K. - Also spoke about paying for room space

Gaila R., Ellie and Greg S. - Additional Needs

Ricardo J. - Spoke about Handicap Accessibilities and Activities working in conjunction with FRC

Jordan K. –Quarterly RSC's?

Gaila willing to chair an Ad-Hoc on Accessibilities

Roll Call: 16 of 16 areas present.

Reports:

Secretary:

Treasurer: attachment 1

Web Page:

Thank you all for putting up with me this past year. I have been involved with this web page since it's starts in '96 and have loved every minute of it, Thank you for the opportunity to serve. I have brought the web page box and archives with me to turn over. Per yesterdays web page meeting I gave Mike the information to log into the website and make updates. I believe it may already have been started. I am available for guidance if need by. Congratulations Mike P. In Loving Service, John R.

Area RCM: attachment 2

RD/AD: attachment 3

Subcommittee: attachment 4

Boards: attachment 4

Old Business: (Quorum = 9 Majority = 9 2/3 Majority = 11 2/3 Majority (policy) = 11)

Motion #14 (1/00): (Orlando/Serenity) To create a contingency account for FRCNA 2002/2003 funding (\$8,000).

Intent: *Ensure pre-convention plan funding for the years 2002/2003 in light of WSC change of dates.*

MOTION PASSED

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- I.) All persons handling funds must have at least 3 years clean.
- J.) A reconciliation of the cash box will be made daily.
- K.) Start up funds in cash box will be \$50.00 daily.

Intent: *Concepts 5, 11.*

(Motion to Table to Areas, Motion to waive Policy and deal with immediately (failed))

TABLED TO AREAS

Motion #41 (5/00): (H & I / Palm Coast) To dissolve and desist all “Penpal” activities starting now, and send letters of notice to all participants, informing them of this change of policy. To remove the position of “Penpal Coordinator” from our Policy and all reference to “Penpal Project” or “ Penpal Coordinator”.

Intent: *To avoid doing further harm and to keep with World practices.*

(Motion to table to Area’s, motion to waive policy and vote on immediately)

MOTION PASSED

Motion #44 (5/00): (River Coast / RSO) To direct P.I. and the FRSO to plan and implement a Florida regional meeting directory.

Intent: *To further carry the message of recovery to the addict who still suffers.*

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Motion #45 (5/00): (Tampa Fun / Suncoast) Change in Regional Guidelines (p.16) Miscellaneous #5 the wording – from: “one RCM from each area...” to: “RCM’s from each area.” And add (p.17) Miscellaneous #9) RCM’s from each area are to receive an annual copy of FRSC Policy, Guidelines, By-Laws, and all pertinent addendums.

Intent: *Allow all RCM’s the ability to be informed and updated concerning FI region as per Concepts 3, 7, &9 (responsibility in decision making process).*

(Motion to table to Areas, motion to waive Policy and deal with immediately)

MOTION PASSED

Elections:

Motion E01: To nominate and elect Mike P. as Web Page Coordinator	PASSED
Motion E02: To nominate and elect Gary as RSC Vice-chair	PASSED
Motion E03: To nominate and elect C.J. as RSC vice-chair	FAILED
Motion E04: To nominate and elect Kristi F. as RSC secretary	PASSED
Motion E05: To nominate and elect Jana L. as RSC Alt. Secretary	PASSED
Motion E06: To nominate and elect Ricardo J. as Activities Chair	PASSED
Motion E07: To nominate and elect Hillary R. as A.W. Chair	PASSED
Motion E08: To nominate and elect Sandy S. as Helpline Chair	PASSED
Motion E09: To nominate and elect Terry C. as H&I Chair	PASSED
Motion E10: To nominate and elect Greg M. as Literature Chair	PASSED
Motion E11: To nominate and elect Sam B. as Policy Chair	PASSED
Motion E12: To nominate and elect Kristy S. as P.I. Chair	PASSED
Motion E13: To nominate and elect Bill W., Jordan K., Greg S., Jim L. to RSO BD.	PASSED
Motion W01: To waive Policy Re. One year Reg. Service for Augie	FAILED
Motion E14: To nominate and elect Earl B., Carl N., Gary T., Charlie M. to FRC Bd.	PASSED
Motion E15: To nominate Bob K., Gaila R., Dave W. as RCM to Policy	PASSED
Motion W02: To waive the order of the day and return to elections	PASSED
Motion E16: To nominate and elect Joe P. as RSC Alt. Treasurer	PASSED

Motion to waive paper ballot was made for all elections except RSC Chair , FRC Board positions, RCM to Policy positions and RSO board positions.

Open Positions:

New Business:

Motion #46 (Ad-hoc on Web Page/ Vice-chair) To change Web Page Coordinator from Admin. Position to a subcommittee. **TABLED TO AREAS**

Motion #47 (Ad-hoc on Web Page/Vice-chair) Housekeeping changes to Sub-committee.
Page 11-Change coordinator to sub-committee.

Page 11-Qualifications- Insert chair

Item 1- delete "The Web Coordinator will have" add item 7 "Internet connection with E-mail"

Add- Vice-chair

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Motion #48 (Awareness Wknd./Helpline)

To amend A.W. policy as stated on attached sheet.

Intent - To ensure that the policy is in line with the actual operation of the subcommittee's function.

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(See Attachment 5)

Motion #49 (RSC vice-chair/F.R.C.)

On page 18 Delete "Procedure for rotation of RSC Meetings" and replace with "Procedure for securing RSC meeting sites.

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Intent-Single Point of Accountability

TABLED TO POLICY

Motion #50 (A.D./ Helpline)

That the Florida Region approve proposed South Eastern Zonal Guidelines.

Intent-To be consistent with Tradition 5 and fellowship-approved description of a zone.

TABLED TO AREAS

Motion #51 (Heartland/Orlando)

To fund RSC members that wish to attend the November Zonal forum. 4 people to a room. Male and Female rooms provided.

Intent-Concepts #7,8,and 9

MOTION PASSED

Motion #52(Tampa Funcoast/Suncoast)

To add to FRSC guidelines, Section FRC, Inc. Subsection Duties of Subcommittee, Program Committee, Page 60 under item 2 the following...

- a. The Program Committee should consider scheduling and locations of meetings with regard to additional needs that attendees may have such as handicaps, illnesses, or other factors that might present barriers to their participation. When possible meetings that are frequented by persons in these categories should be scheduled during reasonable times and in locations that are easily accessible.

Intent: To help all members of Narcotics Anonymous fully participate in our conventions.

TABLED TO FRC INC.

Motion #53(RSO Pres./FRC Pres.)

Under "Elections" in FRSO Guidelines page 81, name the first sentence Item #1, 2nd paragraph Item #2, 3rd sentence Item #3, 4th sentence Item #4 and add a fifth item to read " BOD members filling open positions created by vacancies complete the term of office remaining."

Intent: To provide clarity in FRSO Guidelines

MOTION PASSES

Motion #54(R.S.O. Pres./F.R.C. Pres.)

To change FRSO By-Laws Item 7.01 page 95 to read "The Fiscal Year of the Corporation shall be from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31."

Intent: To simplify coalition of materials for corporate annual reports, yearly reports, Annual BOD reports, and annual Budgets.

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Motion #55 (Public Information/Policy)

The FRSC PI Committee receive funding for 2 rooms 2 nights at the upcoming Zonal Forum in November.

Intent: To ensure a PI Presence at the Zonal Forum.

MOTION FAILED

Motion #56 (FRC Inc./Vice-chair)

To hold the May RSC at Innisbrook for 2001 and one RSC in 2002 and 2003 at Innisbrook.

Intent: Utilize this great opportunity.

MOTION PASSES

Motion #57 (A.D./Uncoast)

November and January Regional Meetings to be held in Gainesville

Motion to table fails

MOTION PASSES

Host Bids:

The next RSC will be September 15th, 16th and 17th at the University Center Hotel 1535 SW Archer Road Gainesville, FL 32608 Phone number 1-800-824-5637

RSC closed with the Serenity Prayer.

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