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**Area – Business Meeting – Medicine Hat, AB
Date: July 15**

Attendees: Luca P, Dan P, Rebekah O, Linc I, Annemarie R-F, Gillian R, Roy R, Devin R-F, Mich B, Danielle T, Rob O, Candice I, Will

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1. Roll Call	- Introductions	
2. Established Quorum	- Quorum of 9 established. 13 members present	
3. Review/Approval of Previous Minutes	- Previous meeting minutes read by Luca P. 3.1 Motion to accept previous minutes as read.	3.1 Motion passed unanimously
4. Elections	- The Third World Service Delegate position remains open. - Vice Chairperson position will be open for election in September.	
5. Structure, Bylaws and Standing Rules	- Votes were held in regard to area meeting schedule and rotation of area meeting location. 5.1 Motion for the SABA business meeting to be held in a static location. 5.2 Motion for the SABA business meeting to be held in Calgary	5.1 Motion passed with substantial unanimity 5.2 Motion passed
10 Minute Coffee Break	10 Minute Coffee Break	10 Minute Coffee Break
6. Reports		
6.1 Treasurer Ruth	Southern Alberta Area Cocaine Anonymous Treasurer's Report as of July 12, 2017. As I am not able to be there this time, the following is my report. At the last Area Meeting in Red Deer on May 27, 2017, there were 6 cheques written.	



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	<p>Chq #8 to Cameron [REDACTED] for the amount of \$100.00 for Website Recreation. Chq #9 to Alano Club Society from the Emergency Reserve fund the the Medicine Hat CA Meeting for June and July rent for the amount of \$160.00. As of June 15, the chq had not cleared. Chq #10 to Gillian [REDACTED] from the Emergency Reserve Fund for the Medicine Hat CA Meeting for rent for May 2017. To cover out of pocket money. Chq was in amount of \$80.00. As of June 15, chq has not cleared. Chq #11 to Deven [REDACTED] for the amount of \$69.30 for the Area Agenda Printing. As of June 15, chq has not cleared. Chq #12 to Annemarie [REDACTED] for the amount of \$12.60 for SACA 1st Edition Newsletter. As of June 15, chq has not cleared. Chq #13 to Anemarie [REDACTED] for the amt of \$93.60 for H & I donation of pamphlets to Medicine Hat CA. As of June 15, chq had not cleared. Chq #14 to Danielle [REDACTED] for the amt of \$100.00 for H & I Calgary.</p> <p>ATB Financial</p> <p>Balance forward May 15, 2017 \$4,472.36</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>June 1 Chq #8</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$100.00</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">4,372.36</td> </tr> <tr> <td>June 7 Chq #14</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>100.00</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">4,272.36</td> </tr> </table> <p>June 15, 2017 - Closing Balance \$4,272.36</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td></td> <td>Chq #9</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>160.00</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">4,112.36</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Chq #10</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>80.00</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">4,032.36</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Chq #11</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	June 1 Chq #8			\$100.00		4,372.36	June 7 Chq #14			100.00		4,272.36		Chq #9		160.00		4,112.36		Chq #10		80.00		4,032.36		Chq #11		
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	<p>69.30 3,963.06 Chq #12 12.60 3,950.46 Chq #13 93.60 3,856.86</p> <p>By my calculations, our balance is \$3,856.86. Yours in service, Ruth W.</p>																					
<p>6.2 Chips & Lit Annemarie</p>	<table border="1" data-bbox="613 646 1770 836"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Staring Balance</th> <th>Sales</th> <th>Purchases</th> <th>Ending Balance</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Merchandise</td> <td>\$1,772.40</td> <td>-\$254.60</td> <td>+\$819.25</td> <td>\$2,388.05</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cash</td> <td>\$ 466.55</td> <td>+\$254.60</td> <td>-\$772.74</td> <td>\$ -51.59</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>\$2,238.95</td> <td>\$ 0.00</td> <td>\$46.51</td> <td>\$2,336.46</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The Chips and Literature order form is now available for download on the website as a .pdf under the Area Services tab.</p>		Staring Balance	Sales	Purchases	Ending Balance	Merchandise	\$1,772.40	-\$254.60	+\$819.25	\$2,388.05	Cash	\$ 466.55	+\$254.60	-\$772.74	\$ -51.59	Total	\$2,238.95	\$ 0.00	\$46.51	\$2,336.46	
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<p>6.3 H&I Danielle</p>	<p>Hospitals and Institutions chair will be stepping down.</p>																					
<p>6.4 PI/IT Annemarie</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Website: I have been sending our webmaster updates on a regular basis as requests have been coming in. I have also been responding to email inquiries (there have not been many). The webpage statistics indicate that our website is getting a lot of traffic, in particular people searching for meetings. Great news! I would like to propose the following items be published on the website under “Area Services”: the Area Structure and Bylaws, Area business meeting minutes. 2) Newsletter: I have received one article submission for our next newsletter as well as birthday announcements from Lethbridge District. I am hoping to hear from our other Districts soon or they will not have their 	<p>6.4a Motion passed with substantial unanimity</p>																				



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	<p>announcements included in the Newsletter.</p> <p>3) Outreach: - I am currently compiling 25 Public Information packages which will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. a form letter (still waiting for our Regional Trustee’s approval of the letter I composed based on the form letters in the PI Handbook) b. an Area meeting list c. “Anonymity” pamphlet d. “C.A. Self-Test” pamphlet e. “Guide to the 12 Steps” pamphlet f. “What is C.A.?” pamphlet g. “...And all other mind altering substances” pamphlet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The cost associated with these is below the committee’s quarterly allotment. - As “Recovery Day” in our Districts approaches I ask that each District contact me to ensure a consistent Public Information message across our area – as well as to allow me to support each District in whichever ways they need. <p><i>Humbly in service; Annemarie</i></p> <p>6.4a Motion for area meeting minutes as well as Structure, Bylaws and Standing Rules document to be uploaded to SABA website.</p>	
<p>6.5 Entertainment/Unity</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Linc</p>	<p>Hello everyone. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the area campout in August. That's all I have to report today, but the best is yet to come.</p> <p>In Loving Service ~ Linc I.</p>	
<p>6.6 Archives</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Trevor</p>	<p>Absent without report.</p>	
<p>6.7 DSR Reports</p>		
<p>a. Lethbridge</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Linc</p>	<p>Lethbridge meetings are doing really well and we have some birthdays:</p>	



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	<p>* Patty A is celebrating 2 years on August 5th.</p> <p>* Frank R is celebrating 2 years August 13th.</p> <p>*Heather L is celebrating 3 years August 31st.</p> <p>The Claresholm campout went well and the Claresholm group has decided to make the campout an annual event at the same campground, on the same weekend in July.</p> <p>I have fundraiser T-Shirts for the Claresholm convention in September. The shirts are \$25.00 and convention tickets are \$20.00.</p> <p>The Claresholm group is having a potluck/bottle drive July 22nd at 6:00pm.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Yours In Loving Service ~ Linc I</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lethbridge District business meetings are held the last Thursday of each month at 20:30</p>	
<p>b. Calgary Rob</p>	<p>Groups:</p> <p>-GWI- Monday is strong with an average attendance of 70 for the past month with one meeting having over 100 people.</p> <p>Tues no report</p> <p>Wednesday –Dark side of the spoon- 7 to 15 in attendance. Filled some of their service positions and is asking for financial support</p> <p>Thursday- Helping hands- 30 to 40 in attendance. Running smoothly.</p> <p>Friday – No Report seems to be staying afloat.</p> <p>Saturday- 7 to 20 people in attendance. Helping Wednesday with use of literature and Supplies.</p> <p>Sunday-10 to 20 in attendance. Building service structure and has changed its format.</p>	



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	<p>Our Sub committees are meeting Regularly and are seeing slow but steady growth in participation from members. The District has been able to fill all but one position. With an average of 10 to 17 people in attendance. Most groups are represented there. We are not getting a lot in donations and are trying to build a 750.00 fund for chips and literature. We also have a 150.00 entertainment fund which is empty right now. Ed S is now been elected as Alt DSR for the district. So as for the district we would like any financial support the area could give in PI, H&I, Literature. Also Wednesday is night is looking for a 100.00 donation</p> <p>Calgary District business meetings are held the first Monday of each month at 18:45</p>	
<p>c. Red Deer Mich</p>	<p>Red Deer Keep it Simple Group-report for the July 15th area meeting:</p> <p>I am pleased to report things are going well in Red Deer, attendance is staying healthy in spite of the warm weather, we've had quite a few new comers coming up from Safe Harbor/detox.</p> <p>We switched up our Friday night meeting to a big book study format and even though it's mostly comprised of those with a year plus of recovery time and only a couple of new comers, we've been having fun researching the "correct" answers to the study guide questions...God shots are a wonderful thing!</p> <p>We have also voted to have a booth again this year at the Red Deer Recovery Day event on September 9th.</p> <p>Wishing each and all an amazing summer. Yours kindly in service-Mich B</p> <p>Red Deer District business meetings are held the second Tuesday of each</p>	



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	month at 20:45	
d. Drumheller	Absent without report	
e. Medicine Hat Roy	<p>Still plugging along with two people as the major contributor and attendees. Our H & I C hair has been to 8 different recovery centres dishing out literature and posters.</p> <p>We have had people com to the meeting saying they heard about our meeting from their councillors at treatment.</p> <p>We have no current plans to hold a round up or district event till our membership grows.</p> <p>90 birthday - Gen C.</p> <p>Request help with Rent for September and October equalling \$160.00</p> <p>We will use our 7th traditions collected so far to pay rent in August.</p> <p>Yours in Service Roy R.</p>	
7. 2017 SABA Convention Dan	<p>Everything is still on track, 3 speakers confirmed, one more to book. Entertainment Ideas will be similar to last year but likely with more activities on top. New fundraising shirts are available. Tickets should be available soon. We will be having a special meeting soon to finalize the program for the weekend. Next meeting is Friday the 21st</p> <p>\ at Calgary's Friday meeting location starting at 9:30. All positions currently filled but we can still use all the help we can get on sub committees.</p>	
8. Great Canadian Convention	<p>I have been in touch with the treasurer of this year's convention and they are in the process of delivering the convention seed money to me. I am scheduling the first meeting to occur in the coming month and will announce the date and location in the next Newsletter.</p>	
9. Alternete World Service Delegate #1 Gillian	<p>Attended Claresholm Campout in Fort Macleod at the Fish and Game Campground. Fun was had by all who attended. Deposit of \$50.00 was</p>	



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	<p>refunded and immediately placed down as a deposit for next year. They have booked the same week in July 2018.</p> <p>Awesome campground!! Lots of power sights whether you in a tent or trailer you can have power for 5\$ extra. In the group kitchen there is power and a fridge. The sight has a great playground and non potable well water.</p> <p>I will be attending the Area Campout being held at Wyndham Carsland Group site C</p> <p>We are continuing to announce all Area and District activities at the Medicine Hat district to help communicate and draw in newcomers to how we can have fun in sobriety.</p> <p>I continue to support Area Functions and duties.</p>	
<p>10. Alternate World Service Delegate #2 Rebekah</p>	<p>No report yet submitted.</p>	
<p>11. World Service Delegate #1 Devin</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">World Service Delegate Report May 2017</p> <p>1. I unfortunately was unable to attend the World Convention in Seattle as I was deemed inadmissible at the United States border and banned from entry. I at this time, due to the short period prior to convention now, will be unable to secure a waiver for entry to the United States and will be unable to attend the 2017 World Service Conference. I am working on securing a waiver and given the amount of time until next years conference I hope to be able to attend the 2018 conference as your delegate. I have been in contact with a lawyer regarding this process. I will keep this body informed in the coming months of the progress and should it appear that I will not be able to secure a waiver for entry into the United States I will step down from this position at that time.</p>	



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	<p>2. The Service Workshop “Coffee For Crackheads” on June 03 2017 in the Calgary District was a great success with approximately 20 people attending.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a. Currently working on a second version that we are tentatively planning to host on Aug 12 2017</p> <p>3. I have been continuing to foster service work and carry the C.A. message with passion and enthusiasm</p> <p>Delegate Log:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Attended one Calgary District business meeting in the month of May - Attended 6 groups business meetings in the Calgary District - Attended two convention committee meetings in June and July - Continuing to chair the new “Dark Side of the Spoon” group in the Calgary District - Hosted two convention committee fundraising sub-committee meetings - Advised on traditions issues regarding 3 separate issues in our Area - Continued to foster new members into service within our fellowship - Attempted to attend the World Convention in Seattle <p>Yours in Service, Devin R-F</p>	
<p>12. World Service Delegate #2 Dan</p>	<p>I have been attending less meetings than usual in the past few months but have still been around roping people into service and teaching the traditions. I'm registered for the convention but I still need to book the hotel and flight down to LA. I've looked through the sr14 mailing as well as information for the conference and I am prepared! Please bring any questions or concerns to me regarding our area, the conference, or CA as a whole.</p>	
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		Coffee Break
13.SR 14	Standing Rule 14 Mailout was reviewed prior to World Service Conference	
14.Old Business	None	
15.New Business	<p>15.1 Motion for Medicine Hat District to receive \$160 from SABA for Stairway to Heaven meeting.</p> <p>15.2 Motion to donate \$100 from SABA to the Dark Side of the Spoon meeting.</p> <p>15.3 Standing Rules. Motion to ratify item #2 to state that the SABA business meeting will be held in Calgary.</p>	<p>15.1 Motion passed with substantial unanimity</p> <p>15.2 Motion failed with substantial abstentions</p> <p>15.3 Motion passed with substantial unanimity.</p>
16.Adjournment	<p>Meeting adjourned at 15:30 with the Serenity Prayer.</p> <p>NEXT BUSINESS MEETING: 13:00 September 23 in Calgary at 10690 Elbow Drive SW</p>	