

**LRCNA 2026  
MEETING MINUTES  
MEETING EIGHT  
DECEMBER 13, 2025 ONLINE (ZOOM)**

**I. ROLL CALL**

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**II. Approval of Minutes from 11/01 (Meeting #7)**

- CLAIRE MAKES A MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES. RUSTY SECONDS. VOTED IN UNANIMOUSLY. MOTION PASSED.

### III. Committee Reports

#### - CHAIR REPORT

Good afternoon,

Welcome to our eighth meeting. Registrations and hotel sales are up. I missed several subcommittee meetings while on vacation and look forward to your updates. Please ensure committees meet at least monthly.

- ★ Motions via GroupMe: None
- ★ Committee Positions:

Aubrey resigned as Merchandise Chair; we need to fill both chairs for Merchandise and Serenity Keepers.

- ★ Memorial Wall:

Let's discuss displaying a Memorial Wall during the candlelight meeting. I'm drafting a flyer for this.

- ★ Banquet Tickets:

150 Banquet Tickets have been printed and flyers are available.

- ★ Banquet (Entertainment):

Dorreen quoted \$3,600 for two hours of entertainment, which is over budget. I proposed \$1,800 for less time; awaiting reply.

- ★ Upcoming Events:

Region Function, Lafayette Area: Saturday, January 10, 2026, 6:30 PM

- ★ Fundraisers:

- New Year, New Light: Wednesday, December 31, 2025, Time 7:30pm to 12:30am (help needed)
- Northshore Mardi Gras Ball

Contact me if you need anything.

In Loving Service,

Don

#### - VICE CHAIR REPORT

- ★ This month I attended Merchandise, Arts and Graphics, Entertainment, and Registration Subcommittee meetings. I hope to be able to attend each subcommittee meeting this month.

- ★ I am currently functioning as a merchandise chair. There are typos on the pre-convention shirts and we don't know if we can get it fixed. I am working with Imprintnow.com on getting this rectified. I will keep the HCC up to date on Groupme.
- ★ The pre-Christmas night of fun was a great success. They raised \$3,080 for the Convention.
- ★ I have to make a correction for last month's ticket sales. I added them up incorrectly. We have sold. We have sold a total of 106 tickets = \$2120.
- ★ Northshore is holding a Mardi Gras Ball on 2/21. I will be speaking.

In Loving Service,

Steven H.

- TREASURER'S REPORT (RIC PROVIDED NUMBERS)

- ★ CHECKBOOK BALANCE: \$14,571.22
- ★ Income and expenses detailed below. We are currently in a surplus.  
(SEE THREE ATTACHED PHOTOS).



Total Projected 37,650.00

INCOME ENTER AS (+)			Income Distribution											REFERENCE
			Projected 12,000.00	Projected 8,000.00	Projected 4,050.00	Projected 600.00	Projected 800.00	Projected 1,100.00	Projected 1,200.00	Projected 4,000.00	Projected 900.00	Projected 5,000.00	Processing Fees	
Date	Deposit or Type	Amount	Registration	Merchandise	\$0/\$0, Live & Silent Auctions, Hospitality	Bayou Recovery Area	CENLA	Lake Area	Northshore Area	Pra Christmas	New Orleans Area	Raffle (Special Fundraising)	Balanced?	
5/16/2025	Check # 1094												Yes	
5/27/2025	Square	\$863.26	850.00									40.00	\$ (26.74)	
5/28/2025	Convention XLI	\$160.00										160.00	Yes	
5/28/2025	Convention XLI	\$250.00	250.00										Yes	
7/5/2025	Check #1092		0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Yes	
7/14/2025	Square Regional	\$48.25		50.00									\$ (1.75)	
7/24/2025	Cash Deposit	\$385.00		185.00								200.00	Yes	
7/29/2025	Cash Deposit	\$130.00		10.00								120.00	Yes	
7/29/2025	Square	\$203.79		220.00									\$ (16.21)	
8/2/2025	Check # 1093												Yes	
8/25/2025	PayPal	\$532.57	460.00									100.00	-27.43	
9/2/2025	Square	\$19.33										20.00	-0.67	
9/2/2025	Square	\$9.59		10.00									-0.41	
9/9/2025	Cash Deposit	\$25.00		25.00									Yes	
9/9/2025	Cash Deposit	\$200.00										200.00	Yes	
9/6/1906	Check # 1095												Yes	
9/6/2025	Check # 1096												Yes	
9/6/2025	Check # 1097												Yes	
9/29/2025	Quinton Checkoff	\$44.35		26.00								20.00	1.65	
10/6/2025	Zelie-S Hernandez												Yes	
10/6/2025	Zelie- Don Buwe												Yes	
10/6/2025	Check # 1098												Yes	
10/20/2025	Square	\$38.66		40.00									-1.34	
10/9/2025	Zelie-S Hernandez												Yes	
10/20/2025	Cash Deposit	\$172.00		172.00									Yes	
10/22/2025	PayPal	\$577.52	565.00									40.00	-27.48	
10/20/2025	Don Buwe												Yes	
11/3/2025	Square	\$198.62		205.00									-6.38	
11/3/2025	Cash Deposit	\$1,418.00									818.00		0.00	
12/8/2025	Square	\$575.63		595.00									-19.37	
12/10/2025	Cash Deposit	\$4,580.00								3,080.00			0.00	
12/11/2025	Cash Deposit	\$111.00		36.00	75.00								Yes	
12/11/2025	Cash Deposit	\$182.00		35.00	127.00							20.00	Yes	
12/11/2025	Cash Deposit	\$155.00			155.00								Yes	
1/0/1900		0											#VALUE!	
1/0/1900		0											#VALUE!	
1/0/1900		0											#VALUE!	
Total Income Per Category			0.00	2,196.00	1,895.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,080.00	818.00	920.00	\$ (73.21)	
Total Income			8,909.00											
Projected Income			37,650.00											
Current shortfall			(28,741.00)											

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- SECRETARY REPORT

- ★ Reminder for every committee to send in a WRITTEN report BEFORE the meeting. PLEASE SEND TO [official.contact.katie.rose@gmail.com](mailto:official.contact.katie.rose@gmail.com)
- ★ HARD DEADLINE IS ONE WEEK AFTER HCC. NOVEMBER 20TH IS THE DEADLINE FOR THIS MONTH. DECEMBER 10TH FOR NEXT. Minutes will be sent out without your committee report after one week.
- ★ Go over google drive access in person for people - Please reach out if you need assistance accessing the minutes.

- HOTEL LIAISON REPORT

- ★ Hello ALL!
- ★ As of November 24, 2025, we have 143 nights out of our required 200-night room block booked. I e-mail the group sales coordinator, Michael Enamorado, this week for an updated list but he hasn't gotten back to me yet. They are sending a manifest of names as I requested but still leaving out the charge per room. I will address that when he gets back to me.
- ★ I canceled the premises tour with Rony Espinal on the voted upon Sunday 7th due to the fact that some committee members couldn't make it. Rony is still willing to accommodate us the best way he can, including weekend dates. I let him know that we will get back to him after our meeting today. He would like to know ahead of time if we

have any specific questions other than general location and size of spaces, so if you have any please let me know.

Thank you for letting me be of service!

Kaycee

- REGISTRATION REPORT

★ NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES (11/7)

Attendees: Claire C., Steven H.

Report:

- Can put stickers on goodies/can order some with logo already on it - depends on pricing
- Companies and price matching - websites refreshed, lost everything but deals are constantly changing anyways. Numbers are looking pretty good though. Looking at Shien, Temu, Imprint, and ImprintNow
  - Pens looking at \$161. Lots of 10%/discounts on bulk orders + free shipping
    - Dynamic Ballpoint Pens SKU# DB\_PENS1. [Imprint.com](http://Imprint.com)
  - Mini hands sanitizer 1oz custom Triangle Bottle SKU#HS1T [Imprint.com](http://Imprint.com)
  - Tote bag + Makeup Bag Shein sh25090835340363246 16pcs 10.47
- Will have 3x Swag Bag options next HCC “A,B,C”
- Will attend Programming and Arts & Graphics Mtgs this month 12/17 @7pm & 8pm
- 4 donated registrations
- Current Numbers -
  - a. Amount of people registered: 94
  - b. Registration Dollar Amount: \$2705.00
  - c. Newcomer Donation Total: \$30.00

★ GET RECEPITS FOR EVERYTHING!

★ EVERYTHING GOES THROUGH SQUARE APP!!

★ MEETINGS WILL BE LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH AT 5PM

★ Next Mtg: 12/26 @5pm

- ARTS AND GRAPHICS REPORT

**Date of Report:** 12/12/2025 **Month/Year Covered:** November 2025 **Submitted By:** Ruebin B.

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### 1. Executive Summary

A brief, one-paragraph overview of the committee's major accomplishments, progress, and any key decisions made this month.

- *Developed branding guidelines, color scheme, font, logo etc. Organized file sharing and graphic design projects. Listed all design assets for the upcoming convention.*
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### 2. Meeting Information

- **Date of Last Meeting:** November 19th 7pm
  - **Members in Attendance:** Steven
  - **Date of Next Meeting:** December 17th 7pm
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### 3. Progress on Active Projects

- **Project 1: Convention Coin Design**
    - **Status:** In Progress
    - **Details:** Token with logo design for convention
  - **Project 2: Convention Banner Design**
    - **Status:** In Progress
    - **Details:** Banner For Convention
  - **Project 3: Convention Logo Design**
    - **Status:** In Progress
    - **Details:** Main Convention Logo
  - **Project 4: Program Pamphlet**
    - Print and digital pamphlet for convention
  - **Project 5: Registration Tote Bag Items**
    - **Details:** Need to meet with Claire for details
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### 4. Financial Report

- **Budget for the Month:** \$0

- **Expenses This Month:** \$0
  - **Total Expenses:** \$0
- **Remaining Budget:** \$0
- **Anticipated Expenses for Next Month:** NA

**6. Goals for Next Month:**

- Meet with Claire to figure out what registration needs for designs and graphics for tote bag items.
- Hand-drawn version of LRCNA Logo Design. Meet with Seven.

**In Loving Service,**

Ruebin B. LRCNA Arts & Graphics Chair

- ★ The meeting will be on the **fourth Wednesday of every month at 7PM on zoom.**  
(DECEMBER 17TH)

- PROGRAMMING REPORT

- ★ **Date:** November 26, 2025 at 7:00 pm on Zoom

★ **Chairperson:** Patty H

★ **Co-Chairperson:** Don

★ **Attendees:** Patricia C                      Dottie D                      Shawn

★ Meeting opened at 7:00 pm

★ **HCC Report:** Don reported that the walk through of the hotel was cancelled and moved to later in December or early January. The banquet was moved to Friday night with a meet and greet at 6:00 PM and some type of live entertainment. The cost will be \$50 per person. Patty H expressed concern that attendance will be affected by moving it to Friday because people will be coming from work on Friday. Other entertainment being discussed is Family Feud on Friday night and a second line carnival on Saturday. Don assured the committee that any entertainment will not interfere with current programming.

★ **Speak Submissions:** Patty H reported that we continue to receive speaker emails. We currently have 17 speakers to evaluate. We need 3 main speakers and can use others for workshops. Evaluating the speakers in the google drive needs to be a top priority for all committee members. Don reviewed the process of how to evaluate speakers and were to find the submissions on the google drive.

★ **Volunteer List:** Patty H has begun to work on the volunteer list and has reached out to quite a few people willing to volunteer. The Anonymous podcaster group have all agreed

to volunteer and have a contact that can help with the “history of NA” workshop. We have not received any emails from the volunteer link online yet.

- ★ **Topics:** Patty C created a google form to vote on the list of topics so that we can start eliminating topics. It was posted in the group chat but no one has submitted responses yet. Patty C to re-post the link in the group chat and email it to Patty H.
- ★ **Memorial Meeting:** There was discussion about a possible format for this meeting. It can be either short 2-minute shares about people who have passed, or a speaker to share on grief in recovery.
- ★ **Next Meeting:** The scheduled meeting falls on Christmas eve so the meeting has been moved up to December 17<sup>th</sup> at a later time - 8:00 pm on Zoom.

#### MERCHANDISE REPORT

- ★ Merchandise Subcommittee monthly meeting will be held on the **FIRST Wednesday of the month at 7pm on Zoom. THIS MONTH JAN 7TH.**
- ★ Sales to report:
  - PRE-CHRISTMAS: \$817
- ★ **MERCHANDISE CHAIR RESIGNED - PLEASE LOOK FOR SOMEONE!**

#### - ENTERTAINMENT REPORT

- ★ **Here are some circus-themed event name ideas that would fit the spirit of a Narcotics Anonymous convention in New Orleans—keeping it fun, uplifting, and recovery-centered:**
- ★ • “The Big Top of Hope”
- ★ • “One Day at a Time Under the Big Tent”
- ★ • “The Recovery Circus: Miracles in the Making”
- ★ • “Carnival of Freedom”
- ★ • “The Greatest Show of Recovery”
- ★ • “Cirque de Serenity”
- ★ • “Rings of Recovery”
- ★ • “Step Right Up to a New Way of Life”
- ★ • “Under the Recovery Big Top”
- ★ • “A Mardi Gras of Miracles” (blending circus + New Orleans spirit)
  
- ★ Here’s a full idea for a **Carnival Event** at a Narcotics Anonymous Convention in New Orleans that ties in the joy of carnival, the spirit of the city, and the principles of recovery:
- ★ 🎪 **Carnival of Recovery: Freedom Under the Mask(Suggested Title)**
- ★ **Theme:** “*Desire: The Road Starts Here*”

★ **Event Concept:**

A joyful, carnival-style celebration that blends New Orleans culture with the spirit of NA recovery. Guests enter under a colorful archway of beads, masks, and lights—symbolizing stepping into a new way of life.

★ Sell Carnival tickets \$1 per ticket. Charge 1-2 tickets per activity \$20 wristband unlimited activities

★ Prizes: 1 type of prize per game

- Wooden Tokens
- Stuffed Animals
- NA related Items(Literature)
- Discount Coupon

★ **Features:**

• 🎵 **Live Brass Band / Jazz Parade:** Kick off with a second line parade inside the convention space (umbrellas, handkerchiefs, and dancing). Use entertainment to lead the 2<sup>nd</sup> line.

• 🎨 **Face Painting Station:** Create recovery-themed Mardi Gras masks with inspirational slogans or NA symbols.

• Tarot Card Reader

★ 🎮 **Recovery Game Booths:**

• “*Ring of Recovery*” (ring toss).

• “*One Day at a Time Balloon Pop.*”

• “*Step Right Up: The 12 Steps Challenge*” (fun trivia/quiz wheel).

★ 🍷 **Carnival Treats:** Beignets, cotton candy, snowballs (New Orleans style sno-cones), and chicory coffee. Charge for snacks.

★ ✨ **Lighting & Décor:** Purple, green, and gold streamers with NA symbols worked into the decorations.

★ **Types of Entertainment:**

- Stilt Walkers
- Animal Act
- Clowns
- Jugglers
- Gymnast
- Aerialist (Lollipop Lyra)
- Magician
- Contortionist
- Street Performers (Tap Dancers)

★ 🎭 **Carnival of Recovery: Freedom Under the Mask**

★ **Theme:** “*Desire: The Road Starts Here*”

**Hosted at:** Louisiana Regional Convention of NA – New Orleans, LA

★ 📄 **Flyer/Announcement Blurb**

## 🎉🌟 Step Right Up! 🌟🎉

Join us at the **Louisiana Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous XLII** in New Orleans for a special evening:

### ★ 🌟 Carnival of Recovery: Freedom Under the Mask 🌟

A joyful celebration with:

- 🎵 Live Jazz Parade & Second Line
- 🎭 Mask-Making & Recovery Carnival Games
- 🍩 Beignets, Cotton Candy & Snowballs
- 🎟 Serenity Raffle & Recovery Prizes
- 💖 Fellowship, Fun, and Unity

### ★ **Because no addict, anywhere, need ever die from the horrors of addiction.**

#### - HOSPITALITY REPORT

★ Nothing to report.

★ Mainly will be working after Jan 1, 2026 to assign members to man the hospitality room in shifts.

#### - SERENITY KEEPER/HUGS REPORT

★ VACANT (Nothing to report.)

### III. ELECTIONS

- No Hugs or Merchandise this month.

★ **KEEP LOOKING, ANNOUNCING, AND ASKING PEOPLE!**

### IV. OLD BUSINESS

★ **Banquet** – We did vote to have a Banquet with Murder Mystery Entertainment (Some Entertainment)

★ **Pre-Convention Merchandise** – Items have come in, and we are actively selling them.

★ **Fundraising** – The following fundraiser has been approved The Category Is Recovery – New Years Eve Fundraiser

### V. NEW BUSINESS

#### ★ **Memorial Wall**

- Don proposes a memorial wall for NA members who have passed.
- Anyone is welcome to submit a photo with the first name only of a member who they want to remember.
- This is a digital wall/slideshow.
- This will be further discussed at the programming committee.

#### ★ **Hotel Visit**

- SATURDAY JAN 3 AT 2:00 BEFORE HCC MEETING - Kaycee ask to book a room

#### ★ **Fundraising Approvals**

- Steven requests \$1000 for Category is Recovery New Years Eve Fundraiser
- MOTION: Steven makes a motion to give \$1000 (total) seed money to Category for NYE. Seconded by Seven. (VOTED IN UNANIMOUSLY - PASSES!)

★ **Approve any Committee Request - NONE.**

★ **Important Deadlines**

- FINALIZE SUBCOMMITTEE INFO AND BRING TO HCC FOR APPROVAL ASAP  
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★ **Banquet**

- Tickets have been printed! If you want to sell physical tickets, contact Donnie.
- People can also buy tickets online - not listed yet. (PIXIE??? Has been contacted - waiting for her to complete the task.)
- FRIDAY AT 5:45-7:45

**Next Meeting – Saturday January 3rd 2pm to 6:30pm**

- IMPORTANT DEADLINES

- ★ DEC REPORTS DEADLINE IS **DECEMBER 20TH**
- ★ JAN REPORTS DEADLINE IS **JANUARY 10TH**
- ★ NEXT HCC MEETING IS **JANUARY 3RD** AT 2PM AT THE DOUBLE TREE HOTEL.

MOTION TO CLOSE BY KAYCEE/ SECONDED BY CLAIRE