

Back 2 Basics Area Service Committee



December 10, 2011

Fairmont, MN

Chair Called the Meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

Moment of Silence followed with Serenity Prayer

Reading of the 12 Concepts: Trish

Reading of Service Workers Prayer: Joel

Introductions – 8 GSR's in attendance, 20 people total

Announcements

Monday's in Mankato at the Fillin' Station at 6 p.m. – discussion of new GSU forming in Mankato/St. Peter. Please attend and help to make this effort successful!

Newsletter – please make sure you are announcing that we need submissions for the newsletter sent to b2bareanewsletter@yahoo.com or via mail to PO Box 84, Mankato, MN 56002

Upcoming Events:

December:

- 11: Life In Recovery Skating Event, St. Cloud Skating Place
- 31: Rocken Eve: University Lutheran Church/P.E.A.S.E. Academy
- 31: New Year's Eve, Albert Lea
- 31: A New Year's You CAN Remember, Marshall

January

- 14: Volleyball Tournament, Hutchinson Rec. Center
- 14: Holiday Ball 2012, Calvary Episcopal Church, Rochester
- 14: SW Minnesota GSU meeting, Slayton

April

- 13-15: MNNAC, Grand Kahler Hotel, Rochester

May

- 18: Speaker Jam, Winona

June

- 20: PIG 28, Apple River Family Campground

FOR MORE INFO go to www.naminnnesota.org click on calendar

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mike M., 2nd by Al J., Unanimously approved

Officer Reports

Chair

I met with Jan Ellanson, programming director for KEYC Mankato on November 29 and she dubbed all 4 PSA spots that I brought in and put them in the rotation. The computer randomly chooses PSA spots to air when they need to fill time. She said it will probably air most on Fox, but would also be shown on CBS. I paid the PO Box for a year. I spoke with Caleb our Regional delegate about coming to area in January and doing a workshop on the most recent CAR and CAT. I also booked the Holy Rosary School in Mankato for Area in January. I received an email late last night from Gordy resigning as SMARB chair so at this point I am requesting that the treasurer from last year's committee write the area a check for the balance of their account and we cancel the event for the coming year. Thank you for letting me be of service.

Jeremy A.

RCM – absent but submitted the following report via email

Hello B2B ASC, sorry that I am unable to attend today's meeting. I felt as your RCM my responsibility was to attend the RSC which is being held via webinar today from 11:30-4:00pm. As the region has not met since my last report there is not much to report today. I would like to remind people that there are many opportunities to be of service at the regional level. Co-Chair is an open position as well as several fellowship services team member positions. Hope everyone has a great day, thanks for letting me be of service.

Jay S.

Treasurer – Jeff

DECEMBER 2011 B2B AREA TREASURERS REPORT

Balance on 11/19/2011	<u>\$4503.75</u>
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CHECKS WRITTEN

Check#1021(Al Johnson activities/building rental)	<u>-\$225.00</u>
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Check# 1022(Al Johnson H&I) -\$300.00

Check# 1023(USPS po box) -\$48.00

Check# 1024(Fairmont photo press) -\$331.50

Total amount of checks written -\$904.50

Balance +\$3599.25

DEPOSITS

Nov 2011 Group donations +\$101.45

New Balance \$3700.70

Grateful To Be Of Service
Jeffrey McDowell

Subcommittee Reports

H&I: Al J. – the H&I committee is meeting after the ASC today. Again, I didn't get a written report of what happened, so if you would like information about this please contact Al. If you need his contact information let me know.

SMARB: Gordon resigned from his position due to lack of communication in the transition effort from the previous SMARB committee. More will be discussed in the open forum section.

Hopefest: Mike – Flyer's are out. Please take some and bring to your groups. We are selling merchandise today if you're interested. Hoodies are \$30, thermals \$25 and t-shirts are \$15. Get into the holiday spirit with a nice red hoodie. That is all.

R-N-R Campout: Shantele – purchased our first order of merchandise (t-shirts, sweatshirts). Sales are going very well. Ordering bracelets again and should be in soon. T New Years Eve fundraiser planned. We are looking at purchasing hot/cold travel mugs. Working on logo to put on them hoping to have this done this week and ordered.

Ad-hoc Committee: JJ stated that he will have more motions to come in January at the ASC regarding the direction we are going from here with the new service structure.

GSR Reports

Marshall, 5 groups – Eli R., GSR

Newcomers: 4

Avg. Attendance: 6, 5, 30, 30 respectively

Donation: 0

Updates: we have moved to a new location, 711 North Bruce Street, Marshall, MN

Clean and Serene, Granite Falls – Joel D., GSR

Newcomers: 1

Avg. Attendance: 10

No donation this month

Notes: The treatment center in Granite Falls has, for whatever reason, stopped sending their clients to this meeting. The treatment center made up a good majority of our attendance, so our numbers this month are lower. We have quite a bit of support from outside of town and more addicts attending from in town than we've seen in quite a while. With the lack of NA attendance in the treatment center, the GSU is looking at offering an H&I panel instead.

Crossroads, Mankato – Adler, GSR

Meets Thursdays at 7:30 at 150 Stadium Court, Mankato

Average Attendance 20-30, 2-4 newcomers/week

Donation: \$10

High Hopes, Mankato – Mike L., GSR

Meets Mondays at 6:00 at the SMRC at the corner of Broad and Main St., Mankato

Average attendance 7, newcomers 3

No donation

Gotta do something, St. Peter – Mike M., GSR

Average attendance 10 to 20

Newcomers: yes

Donation of \$19.50

Ties That Bind, True 2 Ourselves, Wonders of Recovery – Verna/Chad, GSR-A

Avg. Attendance: 10-14

Newcomers: 3-5

Donation: 0

Updates: the new meeting room is done!!!

Salvation at the Salvation – Jeremy P., GSRA

Ave. Attendance: 20-30

Number of newcomers: 1-2

Donation: \$0

Super Mantastic Recovery Fantastic, Mankato - absent

Gift of Life, Faribault - absent

7th Day Junkies, Mankato - absent

Hopeless to Dopeless – Al J., GSR

Attendance: 20

Newcomers: 2

No donation at this time

Quorum Call:

Groups

Friday Night, Gotta Do Something, St. Peter (Mike M.)	Present
Hopeless to Dopeless, Fairmont (Al)	Present
Salvation at the Salvation, Tuesday, Mankato (Jeremy P.)	Present
Gift of Life, Faribault (Arthur)	Absent
More Out of Life, Marshall (Eli)	Present
Crossroads, Thursday, Mankato (Adler)	Present
Ties That Bind, True 2 Ourselves, Wonders of Recovery (Chad/Verna)	Present
Clean and Serene, Granite Falls (Joel)	Present
High Hopes, Monday, Mankato (Mike L.)	Present
Super Mantastic Recovery Fantastic, Thursday, Mankato (Logan)	Absent
7 th Day Junkies, Sunday, Mankato (Tracy D.)	Absent

8/11 73%

Officers

Chair	Present
Treasurer	Present

Subcommittee Chairs

H&I	Present
Hopefest	Present
RNR	Present
Ad-hoc	Present

6/6 100%

Quorum is achieved

Open Forum

SMARB

JJ stated that: it's a sad situation that it might not happen next year and that he is frustrated at the lack of service people to fill all the open positions at the area level. According to our literature: If the pain of change is less than that of staying the same, then nothing will change.

Jeff stated that he is not sure how much longer we can put this aside in order to get this going. It may even be too late to still secure the campground for the normal dates in June. He sent a text to the treasurer, Anthony, to have him bring all pertinent information later at the Holiday Rocks event. It seems as though the same people are stepping up every year and he feels that there needs to be a decision made today.

Mike stated that according to previous minutes, since there isn't a chair we are no longer going to have the campout this year as verbally discussed and agreed upon at the ASC in Fairmont in August.

Old Business

It was suggested that we forego any nominations or volunteers for open service positions pending a possible change in policy at the January ASC.

New Business

Motion #1

Maker of the motion: J.J.

2nd by: Mike M.

Motion: to suspend SMARB for 2012

Intent: lack of committee

Motion passed 18-0-0

Motion #2

Maker of the motion: J.J.

2nd by: Mike M.

Motion: to host a PR event in Mankato inviting treatment centers, probation, social workers and drug courts. We would include lunch. Budget \$650.00 (lunch, literature, venue, invitations).

Intent: to expose Mankato area to let them know NA is here and a viable program of recovery.

Motion passed 19-0-0

Motion #3

Maker of the motion: J.J.

2nd by: Mike M.

Motion: to purchase 15 CAR's @ \$13.00 each for the majority of the B2B groups. Total cost of \$195.

Intent: Since the size of the CAR is prohibitive to print, and B2B wants to engage all groups to participate in NA's decision making process (Traditions 6, 7, 8 and 9)

Motion passed 18-0-0

Motion to close at 3:30 p.m. by Mike M., 2nd by Al J.

Unanimous

Meeting closed

Additional Notes:

We are hoping to have Caleb B., our Regional delegate, come to area in Mankato in January to workshop the CAR. I ordered all the CAR's to be sent out to all pertinent addresses the day after area, December 11, 2012, so I'm hoping you all receive them and get a chance to browse them over prior to the ASC in January. This is subject to Caleb's availability and time constraints in presenting the information.