

CMASC Minutes
August 19, 2012
Next ASC September 16, 2012

Moment of silence; Serenity prayer; 12 Traditions; 12 Concepts; Service Prayer; Read Concept 8

Introductions: Jerry, Freida, Lisa, Dave, Randy, Joan, Paul, Mike, Dexter, Crystal, Jess, John, Debbie O, Bo, Jordon, John, Mike, Caleb, Lucy, Debbie M, Vern, Tommy, Phil, Dennis, Josh, Jackie, Sam, Avery

Establish quorum: Yes

Approval of minutes: Randy motion to approve, Sam second July minutes were approved.

Recognition of new members: Dave, Crystal, Jordon

Executive Reports:

Chair; Jerry G. Good Morning ASC. At first I was very hesitant about submitting this report, but this is a program of honesty. First I am going to make mistakes in this position as I am far from perfect and still in a learning process. I hope to learn more each month that I am in this position. I will also remain open to suggestions but keep in mind that sometimes it's not what you say but how you say it.

Last month I suggested to a GSR to find out more information concerning the 11th Tradition, I was wrong with that suggestion. Our Guidelines states it is the duty of the RCM to be the ASC source of information or guidance in matters concerning the Traditions.

It was also brought to my attention that I was not practicing Spiritual Principles IE patience and tolerance in dealing with NA members. I will do better. It is my duty to keep the meeting running smoothly which means there will be times that when people are being repetitive I will have to cut them short. Also we at the ASC should hold each other accountable based on principles not friendship. Lastly for all those reporting during the ASC meeting, please share the positives as well as the negatives. Again, thank you for allowing me to serve this body.

Co-Chair; Tabi Z. Absent

Secretary; Joan S. Greetings AREA, Please bear with me, I do have a lot of information to pass on today.

I am grateful to be of service to this body, I do pray that we are able to practice principles before personalities today. Last AREA was very emotional for many of us because we are so passionate about Narcotics Anonymous.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind ALL groups or previous ASC servants that I am will not remove any names listed as GSR on my own. If there is somebody listed that is no longer a representative of your meeting, take a group conscious and get me that information. Once I send out minutes by e-mail or snail mail and you find discrepancies during approval of minutes at AREA is a great place to bring that information. I don't mind if you call me or e-mail me with the information or changes you or your group feel needs to be changes. But please don't attack me personally, I am providing service to Narcotics Anonymous and do the best I can. I would also like to request the side talk be held to a minimum, taking notes for the minutes is not an easy task with all the distractions.

I received an e-mail from the MNNAC XX Program Committee with this request:

DATE: July 22, 2012

TO: Area Committees

FROM: MNNAC XX Program Committee

SUBJECT: MNNAC XX Announcements

The MNNAC XX Program Committee has set a fantastic goal to recruit one NA member from each Area of the Minnesota Region to lead one of the workshops at MNNAC XX.

We thought the best way to accomplish this would be to ask each area service committee to recommend an NA member from their Area.

We hope to hear from you no later than November 1. Please call Robin at 715-392-4626 with the member's name, mailing address, phone number, email, and clean date.

The addict you recommend should have at least one year clean, carry a clear NA message and base their recovery on powerlessness over addiction, identify himself or herself as an addict, attend NA meetings on a regular basis, and live their life the NA way. The best speakers seem to be those who address recovery as if their lives, as well as the lives of their audience depend on it.

We are also hoping to reach those NA members who attended the first MNNAC convention. Please make this announcement and ask those who respond to contact Robin at 715-392-4626.

To celebrate this 20th convention we are setting up a "MNNAC through the Years" display. We are soliciting items from our NA members for the display. Please make this announcement at your meetings. Bring the items with you to the convention, labeled with your name and phone number. We will return all items on Sunday morning.

I'm passing around a Volunteer roster from the Region, if you know of any changes that need to be made please let me know.

Neighborhood poster campaign, we have the ability to e-mail information to the Region and they will create a poster for your group. If anybody needs more information please contact me. I did forward the e-mail to the contact list. Region was contacted by Theresa E-mail theresa3621@yahoo.com requesting speakers: Hi. I am the speaker coordinator for Vinland National Center in Loretto. We are in need of speakers from NA. Many of our clients have asked to have NA here. Could you please get ahold of me via e-mail or by phone [612-735-5169](tel:612-735-5169). You can leave a message and I will return your call. I look forward to hearing from you.

I will put all above contact information on the board. That's all I got, In service Joan

Treasurer; Jackie K

Old Balance:	6067.34	Expenses:	
Income:		# 2124 Randy Pung (outreach)	20.00
Donations:		#2125 Joan Schneider (copies/postage)	23.37
Recovery on the Rocks	20.00	#2126 Region (Donation)	774.47
Fri Just for today	25.00	#2132 UMSO (literature)	816.57
Albany	20.00	Bank fee check imaging	1.95
Rockville	20.00		
Mon Focus on Recovery	25.00	Total expenses	1634.41
Area service awareness	16.22		
Payback for bounced check	15.00		
Literature:	571.08		
Total income:	712.30		
Current Balance:	5143.28		

NAWS newsletter is on the back counter. Reaching out publication was given to Jerry to hand out to facilities. Lisa S. was given the donated registration from MNNAC XX. Area audit, I am happy to say was a smooth audit. We were perfectly on down to the penny. With that said we are able to make a Region donation, in service Jackie K.

RCM; Lucy K No written report handed in

RCM-A; Paul No written report handed in, verbal report discussed at Region the use of pictures in the newsletter and was told it is Tradition violation, absolutely no use of pictures.

Activities; Lisa S. Last Sunday's group was small, need support as always. Working on Fall Ball, need ideas for possible places to host it, catering options etc. We completed guidelines within our committee. The next meeting will be 2nd Sun of the month and 1 hour before AREA.

During Lisa's report there was a question about the completion of the Activity guidelines. These will be brought back to AREA next month, a few grammar changes needed to be made.

Lit; Dexter S. Need support held annual audit sent in 201.73 Thurs owe .66 cents. Will remove old IP #24 for new ones and if any group wants the old ones will give away.

PI; Sam M; Still looking for subcommittee members. Preparing to make contact by mail purchased ink for printer.

H&I; Delbert S; Absent

Outreach; Randy P; New co-chair Jason W is fast learning the ropes and is a great asset to the outreach Subcommittee. Next meeting 1 hour before AREA and roadtrip prior to ASC.

Policy; Open Position

Newsletter; Was reported the Newsletter Chair Krist has stepped down, this position is open for nominations.

Group reports:

Albany; Life in Recovery; Holly GSR, Tommy O GSR-A monthly attendance 12 no donation

Big Lake; Refuge in Recovery; Absent

Brainard; It Works N.A. Absent

Clearwater; Clean in Clearwater; Paul, monthly attendance 30, no donation

Cold Spring; Recovery in the Sticks; Caleb B, no written report handed in

Foley; No BS; Connie GSR-pro tem Joan appointed by group- weekly attendance 8-10 no donation. Strong core of members, good recovery, come see us.

Little Falls; Recovery in Progress; Absent

Long Prairie; Road to Recovery; Absent

Milaca; Milaca NA; Aaron GSR Absent

Onamia; It Takes Two Addicts Loren W, Absent

Princeton; Serenity Sun NA, Tues "Rum River Recovery" and Fri "Lost Dreams Awaken"

Rockville; Recovery on the Rocks; Vern 30-40 monthly average attendance and no donation

Sauk Centre; NA Lengths Margaret O, absent

Sauk Rapids; Home Fires NA; Avery W, 40 monthly attendance, no donation

Sauk Rapids; Productive Members of Society; Steve Absent

Sauk Rapids; We Do Recover; Keri GSR-A Absent

St. Cloud:

Monday:

Focus on Recovery; Erin Absent

Tuesday:

It Works NA; *Speaker meeting on first Tuesday of the month.* John W, monthly attendance 175 no donation. We have a speaker from outside of the group on the 1st Tues of every month

Salvation Army Attitude Adjustment Hour; David C GSR nothing reported

Wednesday

Recovery in the Daytime; Janice S, Group attendance 10-12 weekly we have moved from Higher Ground to the Library Wed 12:30-2PM We are kid friendly, still in need of support. Thanks Clearwater for donations to our group. No donation

You're Not Alone; Debbie O. monthly attendance 175 no donation

Thursday

Homeward Bound NA; Mike B. GSR Josh L GSR-A 40-60 per week, no donation Sept 20th Becky R will be speaking

Women's "No Excuses"; Debbie M, weekly attendance 15 no donation, children are welcome. Group is doing well.

Hope to see lot of faces at our Annual Picnic Aug 25th

Friday

Just for Today; Philip W. GSR, 200 monthly, no donation

"How and Why" Rob GSR 40 monthly attendance. Men's How & Why We had 16 in attendance; we have no donation at this time. Our group voted to have Outreach come in to our meeting in the future. .

Upper Mississippi Shakedown John P GSR monthly attendance 100, no donation

Old Business:

1. **Vote Newsletter Chair:** Position is open for nominations.
2. **Literature Chair:** This position is closed for nominations, Q&A Dexter next month
3. **Policy Chair:** Nominations are closed, will Q&A Jess J next month
4. **Vote motion 72212-1:** Passes For 18 Opposed 0 abstained 1
5. **Tradition 11 Violation in Newsletter:** Reported by RCM during reports, No pictures to be used without blurring the image.

New Business:

1. **Regional Donation:** After audit was completed a donation of \$774.47 was donated.
2. **Motion 81912-1** Meeting and report expedition. After discussion motion was tabled to gather more information by Sam.
3. **MNNAC XX:** The MNNAC XX Program Committee would like a member from each AREA to lead a workshop. We have till Nov 1 to contact Robin at 715-392-4626 with the member's name, mailing address, phone number, email, and clean date. Also trying to reach NA members who attended the first MNNAC convention. Please make this announcement and ask those who respond to contact Robin at 715-392-4626
4. **Positions announce for nominations next month Treasure and Activity Chair.**

Open Forum:

1. **Bid for Creating our Common Welfare:** Region is looking for an AREA to host this even next year. We would need to find a room, provide lunch and dinner. Region will provide \$750 towards cost and the agenda. This body took a vote of approve to form a adhoc committee 14 for, 0 opposed, and 2 abstained. Chair formed an adhoc committee to move forward with this. Names were gathered and first meeting will be Sept 2nd at the Park Diner at 5PM.
2. **Outdated IP's:** During the annual audit of Literature we came across 214 outdated IP # 24 "Hey What's the Basket For:" The information has been changed wanted conscious from this body to dispose of these. Group conscious is; anybody that wants to take any is more the welcome and what is left over, Dexter will dispose of and take out of inventory.
3. **Outreach going to Sat Men's meeting:** This group is requesting that Outreach put them on their schedule, not as an emergency just on the next schedule. They are willing to be open for any females that do come the day of the outreach trip. Mike and Randy will discuss a date and time to get on the calendar.

Next month topics:

Q&A Literature Chair nomination (Dexter)

Q&A Policy Chair nomination (Jess J)

RCM-nominations (Close)

RCM-A nominations (close)

Motion 81912-1

Nominations for Treasure and Activity Chair

OPEN AREA Positions for nominations:

Outreach Chair

Newsletter Chair

RCM

RCM-A

Upcoming events & requests:

Annual Speaker Jam August 25th Women's "No Excuses" at Wilson Park

Sept 20th Becky R speaking at Homeward Bound Thurs @ Salem Lutheran Church

H&I subcommittee meets each 2nd Thursday of the month 5:30 PM at Caribou Coffee @ Crossroad's Mall (outside store)

Activities every 2nd Sunday at downtown Perkins at 2PM and 1 hour before AREA

PI Subcommittee 2nd Wed of the month 2:30 at St Cloud Library

1st MNNAC attendee's contact Robin@ 715-392-4626

Speakers at Vinland National Center in Loretto

Position	Announces	Closes	Election Held
Chair	February	April	May
Co-Chair	February	April	May
RCM	July	September	October
RCMA	July	September	October
Activities Chair	September	November	December
PI Chair	December	February	March
Secretary	January	March	April
H&I Chair	December	February	March
Treasurer	September	November	December
Literature Chair	March	May	June
Policy Chair	November	January	February
Outreach Chair	May	July	August
Newsletter Chair	May	July	August