

CMASC Minutes
September 16, 2012
Next ASC October 21, 2012

Moment of silence; Serenity prayer; 12 Traditions; 12 Concepts; Service Prayer; Read Concept 9

Introductions: Jerry, Tabi, Connie, Freida, Randy, Mat, Joan, Paul, Dexter, Jason, Tom, Lisa, Chad, Beau, Vern, Laura, Jess, Mindy, Debbie O, John, Mike, Dave, Debbie M, Lucy, Kayla, Mike B, Tommy, Philip, Justin, Steve O, Josh

Establish quorum: Yes

Approval of minutes: Corrections to be made: read Concept 8 not 7, remove vote on motion 72212-1, newsletter subcommittee meeting date and time, and HI meets at 5:30pm not 6pm. Randy motion to approve, Mike B second August minutes were approved with corrections.

Recognition of new members: Mindy, Beau, Tom, Justin, Jason (welcome)

Executive Reports:

Chair; Jerry G. Good morning ASC. I don't have much to say this month as things for the most part are going well. Just a reminder of how important donations to the AREA are. We need support from the groups to help AREA survive. Also whatever is put on Facebook has no connection to NA as a whole. It is social media for individuals and we as a group cannot control what is put on it. I would love to see our fellowshipping after meetings to increase and as always invite everyone not just your friends. Again thank you for allowing me to serve you, Jerry G.

Co-Chair; Tabi Z. No written report given

Secretary; Joan S. Good morning AREA, My apologies for the mistakes in the minutes, which we already have covered during approval. I'll make those and post to the Region's site.

First off I hope we can move through business in a timely manner today. I am still working on getting the e-mail sites all taken care of I have not had any success with talking with Gary J. I called his wife and spoke with her, sent another e-mail and we still wait. I wonder if we can just create a new e-mail account for Literature, if the old ones are NOT published no one will be using them anyway. I have also been in contact with Krista to obtain the password for the newsletter e-mail. At this time that e-mail account is not being monitored so please send correspondence to cmascsecretary@gmail.com I have a sheet I'm passing around for the ability to sign up to volunteer at MNNAC XX I'll pass this every month through March when I need to return to Robin. We still have a couple months to find a workshop speaker.

Just a reminder that Facebook is a media social outlet and we as an AREA are not responsible for what is posted and NA should not be affiliated. I do understand that FB is a great social connection, however if we are members of NA, does what you post reflect on NA as a whole?

We need to be each other's eyes and ears for this AREA and if you hear of something that say our PI committee might have interest in attending please contact the chair or our AREA chair. Just a phone call, doesn't take much time out of your day to do that.

When at the AREA business meeting there should be NO outside business taking place. I understand that a letter of political basis was being passed around last month. This is not OK we have Traditions in place to protect us; we need to follow them to the best of our ability.

Please remember to send flyers to cmascsecretary@gmail.com and they will be placed on the Region's calendar. Last month somebody took \$20 worth of blank GSR/Subcommittee forms. Please only take what you place there after the meeting. Phone/e-mail list is going around, please make sure it get returned to me after the meeting, I was not able to update last month cause it never made it back to me. If you prefer to receive minutes by snail mail please put that info on the back. In service, Joan S.

Treasurer; Jackie K Absent This position is open for nominations, Tabi will be taking \$ and give hand written receipts.

Old Balance:	5143.28	Expenses:	
Income:			
Donations:			
		Total expenses	
Literature:			
Total income:			
Current Balance:			

RCM; Lucy K Dear NA family, they are doing region on the computer and tele and you can use cell phone in Dec like they did last year. Taking bids to hold the Common wealth assembly in March. I need to know what project you want our money to go to in the region. They are working on communication improve working on a tradition workbook back to are for a project in Minnesota.org and new book it is getting published in Oct. Going to be out in Oct. Bridge Gap is doing good but the helpline they are missing calls up to 20% missed. You cannot use pictures in the Newsletter. Webinars, some members NA World Service (NAWS) had been hosting on line Regional Services more recently for step writing committees as part of behind the walls. The Webinars discuss solutions for common issues NAWS is looking to expand

Webinars to cover convention, area and region HI committee and public relation PI for this send name information to region as well idea discussion to speaker for convention at Duluth 5 years clean, talk about bridge the Gap.

This body would like to recognize Lucy for her service in this position.

RCM-A; Paul Brings forth a notion that if our AREA would like to hold a Webinar or call line service help taining or orientation. Set a date or event and we will take it to Region and we will see if we can set it up within our AREA. This position remains open for nominations.

Activities; Lisa S. Need help planning the Fall Ball. Have a great group of people on my committee. Thanks everyone for helping make these functions great. Average attendance has been 10. Next meeting 2nd Sun downtown Perkins 2PM Lisa accepted nomination for this position.

Lit; Dexter S. We need support will work with all without drama. Total orders for the month Aug-Sept 327.39 with 2 orders H&I 44.02 and PI 39.25 being paid by committee. 244.12 Check & MO on hand 83.27 committee orders total 327.39.

H&I; Delbert S; Absent

PI; Sam M; Appointed co-chair and Sec, typed letters and mailed out to 8 contacts so far. Also developing an archives to insure continuity within subcommittee. Oct 6th Hwy Cleanup leaving at 10 AM meets at Caribou Coffee outside mall in parking lot.

Policy; Open Position

Outreach; Randy P; Will work with Co-chair and secretary on new 6 month road trip schedule, hope to have printed copies at Oct ASC. Average attendance 6-8

Newsletter; Open Position

Creating our Common Welfare Ahoc: We have not met but have had conversations with Kit and Monty at Region. Monty is creating a project list, is willing to help locate a venue. Sam has researched a couple places and well as Joan has. This is also Holy Saturday so most churches are not going to be available. If anybody has any community meeting place in their area please let us know. This does not have to be in St Cloud can be any place in our AREA Princeton, Clearwater, or Albany etc. Next meeting is Sept 25th 6 PM downtown Perkins.

Group reports:

Albany; Life in Recovery; Tommy O GSR-A monthly attendance 12 with a \$20 donation. 2nd annual Skate Party for Life in Recovery meeting. Sunday Oct 21st 5-8PM Skates are \$5 Blades are \$7. Contact Lauren S (320)249-3505

Big Lake; Refuge in Recovery; Absent

Brainard; It Works N.A. Absent

Clearwater; Clean in Clearwater; Paul GSR, monthly attendance 40-45, \$30 donation speaker meeting Sept 26th Kathy U

Cold Spring; Recovery in the Sticks; Kayla T, 15 per week no donation

Foley; No BS; Connie GSR-8-12 per week attendance. No donation, we have a consistent core group at our meeting and sometimes new comers. We have a great meeting, come join us, thanks

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 GSR 40-50 monthly average attendance and no donation

Sauk Centre; NA Lengths Margaret O, absent

Sauk Rapids; Home Fires NA; Phillip W, 70 monthly attendance no donation

Sauk Rapids; Productive Members of Society; Steve O GSR, 35-40 monthly attendance no donation The group is in the process of moving inside for the winter. Meeting will move to 8PM at the Bridge Community Church. This still needs to be approved by the church which is (currently pending) I will confirm this location and time with Joan to be changed on meeting list. Tentative day is Oct 3rd

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 GSR, weekly attendance 30 no donation. We have a speaker from outside of the group on the 1st Tues of every month

Salvation Army Attitude Adjustment Hour; David D GSR, 50 plus average monthly attendance no donation

Wednesday

Recovery in the Daytime; Janice S GSR,

You're Not Alone; Melinda W GSR, monthly attendance 140 no donation. Groups have been really inspiring.

Thursday

Homeward Bound NA; Mike B. GSR Josh L GSR-A 100 monthly attendance \$20 donation, Sept 20th Becky R will be speaking

Women's "No Excuses"; Debbie M GSR, monthly attendance 50-60 \$50 donation. Group is doing well, good recovery!! Our picnic was a big success. We are having a Halloween "Monster Jam" on Oct 27th. Flyers are out \$25 best costume. It will be posted on the web site.

Friday

Just for Today; Justin T GSR, 200 monthly, \$16.90 donation

"How and Why" Beau P GSR 55 monthly attendance. Men's How & Why no donation

Upper Mississippi Shakedown John P GSR 35 average weekly attendance, no donation

Old Business:

1. **Q&A Policy Chair nomination Jess J.** What is your clean date, do you have a sponsor and have working knowledge of 12 steps and 12 concepts of service? 10-6-2008 I do have a sponsor work the steps to the best of my ability and understand the 12 concepts of service. In 05 acting Co-chair of Policy been through the process before, other service work, GSR and AREA off and on last 10 years. 06 relapsed but made it back. Served on H&I and MNNAC 11 & 13. Helped to establish Newsletter in 2004/2005 (not sure of year).
Do you have the willingness? I know that policy is not a fun job, I want AREA to run smoothly it is important. I hear people at meetings say oh AREA I don't want to go there. I think Roberts Rules are outdated would like to implement to a consensus based or other style of decision making process.
2. **Q&A Literature Dexter.** Are you willing to implement the on line Google document? I am willing to implement and work to make a motion to have that in guidelines. Do you have a sponsor and work the steps? I had a sponsor we are trying to re-connect. I have a temporary sponsor; I work the steps to the best of my ability. Do you consider the VA meeting your only meeting or do you attend other meetings? I attend other meetings in St Cloud. Are you going to have time for this position? I have made time for this position.
3. **Q&A RCM Paul.** As you know in the past couple months we have had some discussion about the 12 Traditions. Do you have knowledge of these? I have gone through groups to gain knowledge of the 12 Traditions. Do you feel you have what you need to take this position? Yes
You have to use your own vehicle to get to Region, is that going to work for you? I have been driving now and get reimbursed by AREA through the service body. In the absence of the Chair and Co-Chair you would be the one to run this meeting are you able to do that? How hard can it be, I can do that.
4. **RCM-A** Will remain open, no nominations made at this time.
5. **Motion 81912-1** Sam did not have time to review or clarify this motion. Vote to table till next month in favor and 1 opposed.
6. **Nomination Treasure** no nominations at this time
7. **Nomination Activity Chair** During Activity report Lisa accepted the nomination still taking nominations.
8. **MNNAC XX Workshop speaker** not for this body to nominate one person the MNNAC XX programming chair will review submitted names. Contact Robin @ 715-392-4626 with your information

New Business:

1. **Outreach Nomination Jason D:** Jason does not meet the AREA service requirements which needs to be waived by this body. Jason introduced himself to this AREA body: Been in the St Cloud AREA for 5 years clean 3 years 7 months. Started doing H&I for 1 ½ years going to Wilmar. Moved away and just came back. My goal is to come to AREA and reach out to other groups. I have been involved with Outreach the last couple of months. Tommy stated he has seen Jason around and spoke to his character. 26 in favor to wave AREA service of 6 months, 0 against and 0 abstained Randy nominated Jason he accepted the nomination and Josh 2nd Vote in November this body voted 19 for, 0 opposed and 0 abstained. Jason submitted Service Resume to Secretary Q&A next month.
2. **Newsletter Calender:** Since there is no acting Newsletter committee at this time Steve O is willing to continue working on the calendar. The information needs to get out to the addicts in our AREA. This body is okay with the calendar being printed for the next AREA and being put at the end of the minutes. Joan will make the copies and put in minutes.
3. **Google Doc presentation:** Connie C presented the Google document that she has created for inventory of Literature and for the AREA treasure.

Open Forum:

1. **Setting a time and date for Helpline orientation:** Paul wanted to know if this body would like to do this. The body agreed it was a good idea. Paul will work with Region to find a time and date.

Next month topics:

Google Document presentation (Connie)
Vote Literature Chair (Dexter)
Vote Policy Chair (Jess J)
Vote RCM (Paul)
Motion 81912-1
Nominations for Treasure and Activity Chair
MNNAC XX workshop speaker
Q&A nomination for Outreach Chair (Jason)
OPEN AREA Positions for nominations:

Outreach Chair
Newsletter Chair
RCM-A

Upcoming events & requests:

Sept 20th Becky R speaking at Homeward Bound Thurs @ Salem Lutheran Church
Sept 23 Activity Subcommittee Fall Ball planning 2PM downtown Perkins
Sept 24th Outreach Sauk Centre Meet @ 5:45 pm Caribou
Sept 26th Creating our Common Welfare Adhoc meeting 6PM downtown Perkins
Sept 26th Kathy U Clean in Clearwater United Methodist Church 7PM
Oct 6th Hwy Cleanup leaving at 10 AM Caribou Coffee parking lot
Oct 9th Outreach Milaca Meet @ 6PM
Literature subcommittee Oct 19 @ 6PM St Cloud Library
Sunday Oct 21st, 2nd annual Skate Party for Life in Recovery meeting 5-8PM
Oct 27th Halloween "Monster Jam" hosted by Women's No Excuses
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 of the month 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

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

Narcotics Anonymous

Service Resume

(Please print legibly in black ink.)

Name Jason D
Date: Sept - 16

Clean Date 3/6/9
Phone Number 326-249-7370

Position under consideration: Outreach Chair

Please list all service positions you've held that you consider relevant to the position you are considering. Please include positions within the past three years and approximate dates of service for each position.

Outreach Co Chair
Involved in Hand I
Speaking in Passages and Wilmer treatment center

If you have not completed a term or have been removed from a service position in the last three years, please explain:

What resources do you believe you can bring to the position you are considering?

Got a car, phone and am willing to make the effort to
make contact with others meetings to see what
is needed for help in these meetings

What life experiences (such as school, work, volunteer, etc.) have you had that you believe will help you serve in the position that you are considering?

I have been reaching out to other meetings for my
whole clean time

Please include any other information that you consider relevant.

I have a spouse and work the steps, I am religious
and like to spread the message and help the groups
that need help