

October 05, 2013

Northern Lights Area of Narcotics Anonymous Area Service Committee (NLANA ASC)

Meeting called to order at 12:30 PM, Zoey H, Vice Chair presiding.

Meeting location:

Peace Church
1111 East 11th Street
Duluth, Minnesota

Members present:

1. Zoey H. - Vice Chair
2. Sheila F. - Treasurer
3. Val D. - Webmaster
4. Tracy P. - RCMA
5. Sue J. - Vermillion Chair
6. Matthew W. - Rompin' Stompin' GSR
7. Shelby J. - Rompin' Stompin' GSR
8. Lindsay H. - Step Towards Recovery Acting GSR
9. Belinda W. - New Horizons GSR
10. Caitlin M. - It Works GSR
11. Sara Jean P. Strength in Numbers GSR
12. Helen G. - Living Clean GSR
13. Austin M. - TGIF GSR
14. Alex - Member
15. Bryan J. - Member
16. John H. - Member
17. Robin E. - Member
18. Yvonne R. - Member

Groups not present:

- Cloquet Sunday NA
- Hope Not Dope
- Candlelight Group
- NA Safe Harbor
- Friday Cloquet NA

Reading of the 12 Traditions, Caitlin M, and the 12 Concepts, Matthew W.

Agenda review.

08/03/2013 minutes review.

Motion made by Sheila F. and seconded by Helen G. to approve the minutes. Motion accepted.

Presentation:

- Concept 2 "The final responsibility and authority for NA services rests with NA groups." read by Lindsey H. Discussed by present members.

Open Forum Non-Voting Issues:

- Is there a specific format or structure and a meeting should be followed? Discussed. How do members address disruptive behavior? Discussion. Tabled until after New Business.

Elections:

- Secretary:
 - Lindsey H. nominated Austin M. Austin M. declined. No person elected. GSR's to announce open position at meetings. Caitlin M. is to continue as secretary interim.
- Chair:
 - Austin M. nominated by Sue J. and elected by a majority of all members present to the position of chair.

Group Reports:

- Rompin' Stompin'
 - GSR: Matthew W. - present
 - GSRA: Shelby J. - present
 - \$5 donation
 - Picnic was great and had big attendance; hoping to reserve pavilion next year
- Cloquet Sunday NA
 - GSR: None
 - No donation
 - No report
- Step Toward Recovery
 - GSR: None - Lindsay H. - Acting GSR, present
 - No donation
 - Everything is going well; average 30 people each week
- New Horizon
 - GSR: Belinda W. – new, present
 - No donation
 - Only doing birthday celebrations on the last Tuesday of each month; GSR request GSR packet
- It Works
 - GSR: Caitlin M. - present
 - \$30 donation
 - Attendance assistance; had voted to close meeting September 2nd, 2013 due to attendance; following each week voted to run trial until December 4th, 2013 with five members committed to regular attendance
- Strength in Numbers
 - GSR: Sara Jean P. - new, present
 - Secretary: Misty R. - not present
 - \$10 donation
 - Request more information on prison outreach and panel; average 15 to 20 people weekly attendance
- Hope Not Dope
 - GSR: None
 - No donation
 - No report
- Candlelight NA
 - GSR: Kenny D. - not present
 - No donation
 - Sent in report; no information or events
- NA Safe Harbor
 - GSR: Eric L. - not present
 - GSRA: Keith V. - not present
 - No notation
 - No report
- Friday Cloquet NA
 - GSR: none
 - No donation
 - No report
- Living Clean
 - GSR: Helen G. - present
 - Treasure: Marvella D. - not present
 - No donation
 - Requests GSR packet; asked about starting a Saturday night meeting
- TGIF
 - GSR: Austin M. - present
 - \$20 donation
 - Going great; new record of 107 addicts at one meeting; GSR position will be open since Austin M. is stepping down due to new position as ASC Chair, GSRs to announce at meetings

Executive Committee Reports:

- Treasurer: Sheila F. - present
 - Current balance of \$13,095.73
 - Budget to be discussed December 7th, 2013 at ASC
 - Sheila F. to email bank statement

- RCM: Marvella D. - not present
 - Sent report with RCMA, Tracy P., to follow
- Vermilion: Sue J. - present
 - Trac R., our 2013 Vermilion Chair, sent final report, see attachments
 - Next meeting December 7th, 2013 at 11 a.m.
 - Open positions: Co-Chair ; Secretary; Banner Chair; Merchandise Chair; Programming Chair; Adult Games Chair; Kids' Games Chair; Kids' Craft Chair; Facilities Chair; Kitchen Chair
- Newspaper/Meeting List Coordinator: Sue J. - present
 - New meeting lists were not present, Sue J. to distribute to each meeting
- Webmaster: Val D. - present
 - Read report, see attachment

Project Reports:

- Radio PSA: no current Manager
 - Shelby J. nominated by Sheila F. and seconded by Robin E. to be Manager. Accepted .
- Carrying the Message: Rachel D. - not present
 - No report
- Outreach: no manager
 - No report
- Capture the Flag: no manager
 - No report

Old Business:

- Motion made by Val D. and seconded by Sheila F.
 - Reads: Put on a Halloween gig with DJ and food
 - Intent: To serve members of NA with a safe, clean event for Halloween
 - Financial Impact on Area: \$475
 - Status: Pass
- Motion made by Matthew W and seconded by Lindsey H
 - Reads: Workshop to coach members of our area through the process of their Fourth Step. It would need money for supplies coffee and rent space.
 - Intent: To assist members of our area and working through their Fourth Step and by the end of six weeks having scheduled are completed their Fifth Step.
 - Financial Impact on Area: \$710
 - Status: Tabled
 - Motion for Tabled by Robin E. and seconded by Caitlin M., Passed. Requests Matthew W. to get a sign up going; too large amount of money without evidence of presence of members

New Business:

- Request discussion by Robin E. at December 7th, 2013 ASC to amend guidelines on the process when a current project loses its manager
- John H wants to host a laser tag event will come to next area with information
- Motion made by Sheila F and seconded by Tracy P.
 - Reads: To rent a larger 10' x 15' storage unit for our ASC belongings. if we pay for a year in advance we will get one month free. \$75 per month
 - Intent: To have room for all of our belongings
 - Financial Impact on Area: \$125.00
 - Status: Pass
- Motion made by Caitlin M. seconded by Sue J.
 - Reads: To give a presentation on Building A Strong Home Group using WSA Fellowship Issue Discussions topics: Building Strong Home Groups, Who Is Missing and Why?, and Our Service System, 2008-2010 Edition
 - Intent: Hold 1-hour discussion at next five ASC. Agenda: How to build a strong home group. Followed by: Getting ideas on communicating to NA members by GSR's to encourage participation in service
 - Financial Impact on Our Area: \$200
 - Status: Pass
- Discussion of behavior in meetings and on media by all present members.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Caitlin M., Interim Secretary

NLANA Vermilion Final Report
11 a.m. Saturday, October 5, 2013
Peace Church, Duluth, MN

We had a total of 180 registrations at the event. Our final profit was \$2,715.06. We did not have an official Kitchen Chair. Our Facilities Chair didn't show up after taking on the position and the Kid's Crafts chair stepped down prior to the event. The committee hopes to have people step up for all positions next year (and follow through). Several people did double-duty and more and we are grateful! We thanks everyone who supported the event and helped to make it a success!

Revenue

Registration	\$10,016.01
Merchandise	\$5,208.49
(Pop, auction, raffle)	
	\$15,224.50

Expenses

Adult Games	\$0.00
Banner	\$100.00
Kids Games	\$50.00
Kids Crafts	\$0.00
Kitchen	\$3,291.31
Merchandise	\$3,857.21
Programming	\$479.00
Camp Fees	\$4,344.00
Reg Expenses	\$256.22
Chair/Treas.	\$36.36
Newcomer Exp	\$0.00
Travel Exp	\$50.00
Misc. Exp	\$45.34
	\$12,509.44

Net profit

\$2,715.06

Suggestions from the committee:

Registration - Continue online registrations. Adjust process so once (electric camping, Bakk House, ect...) are full, others cannot register for those spots.

Kitchen- Increase the \$50 travel expense that is currently allotted. We ordered for 250 and so there were extras at the end of event. Some of this will be used for upcoming ASC events.

Programming - Extra workshop Friday afternoon that was successful. List what the workshops are about. Clean-time count-down used a drum. The process for raffle and auction went well.

Merchandise – Order larger sizes for merchandise. The blankets sold out right away. Special embroidered auction items were a hit. G2 sold out, could have sold another case.

Join us at our next meeting with Sue J, the 2014 Chair!

In service,

Trac R.
2013 Vermilion Chair

Web Publisher Report 10-5-13

Greetings Northern lights ASC. I don't have much to report. I have been uploading documents to our website as I receive them. I added our Halloween dance to the calendar and a link to flyer on our homepage. At some point I would like members of the ASC to review the content on our homepage of the regional website and let me know of any suggestions to be made that could improve the quality or provide more information to addicts in our area and elsewhere. Thank you for trust in allowing me to serve our ASC as your Webmistress.

In loving service,

Val D.