

12/05/2015

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

Meeting called to order at 12:37 PM, Lindsey H, Chair presiding.
Meeting location: 820 Belknap St Superior WI

Members present:

1. Lindsey H. - Chair/Meeting List Manager
2. Caitlin M. - Co-Chair
3. Rochelle B. - Secretary
4. Matthew W - RCM
5. Sue J- RCMA
6. Dean- Vermillion Chair
7. Megan M- Rompin' Stompin' GSRA
8. Charles C - Step Towards Recovery GSR
9. Neldon- New Horizon
10. Marvella- Strength in Numbers
11. Aaron- Candlelight Group
12. David - NA Time of Day GSR
13. Tracy P- Drug Court
14. Robin- Carry the Message/HSC
15. Bobby- Member
16. John - Member
17. JP- Member
18. Megan M- Member
19. Andy-Member/Regional Delegate

Groups not represented:

- Cloquet Group
- Living Clean
- Language to Recovery

Reading of the 12 Traditions, Dean, and the 12 Concepts, Caitlin

Agenda review.

10/03/15 minutes review. Changes add Drug Court Tracy P, elections of web publisher and treasurer. Motion made by Marvella and seconded by Caitlin to approve the minutes as amended.. Motion accepted.

Open Forum

- Group discussion about how we are being self-supporting and carrying the message through extra fund raising.

Presentation

Andy MN Regional Delegate (see naminnnesota.org for survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YWVYM7N>)

Group Reports:

- Rompin' Stompin'
 - o GSR: Megan M- present
 - o \$20 donation
 - o GRSA
- Step Toward Recovery
 - o Acting GSR: Charles C - present
 - o \$15 donation
 - o Needs GSR
- New Horizons
 - o GSR: Neldon H -present
 - o \$18 donation
 - o Carry over leftover donations for Vermillion campout towards 2016 Vermillion campout(newcomers)
- Strength in Numbers

- o GSR: Marvella D - present
 - o \$60 donation
 - o Nothing to report
- Hope Not Dope
 - o Acting GSR: Charles C - present
 - o No donation
 - o Nothing to Report
- Candlelight NA
 - o GSR: Aaron F - present
 - o \$25 donation
 - o Doing well, trying to spread the message
- NA Time of Day
 - o GSRA: David C - present
 - o No Donation
 - o Nothing to Report
- Living Clean
 - o GSR - not present
 - o \$40 donation
 - o We want our Vermillion \$ back to buy books.
- T.G.I.F.
 - o GSR - not present
 - o \$80 donation
 - o Nothing to Report
- Saturday Night NA
 - o GSR: None
 - o No Donation
 - o Nothing to Report

Motion made by Sheila F. and seconded by Sue J. to approve the Group Report. Motion accepted.

Executive Committee Reports:

- Treasurer: Sheila F. - Not present
 - o Current balance of approx. \$9100
- RCMA: Matthew W - present
 - o See Attached Report
- Vermilion: Dean. - present
 - o No report
- Webmaster: None. - Not present
 - o No report

Motion made by Sue J. and seconded by Sheila F to approve the Executive Reports but treasurer report. Motion accepted.

Project Reports:

- Meeting List Coordinator: Open
 - o Robin, Sue and Val
- Radio PSA: Neldon H.
 - o Need to get and submit letter and CD/MP3 to Radios stations
- Capture the Banner: Daniel D. Manager - not present
 - o Reminder that the incentive runs from April to October
- Carrying the Message: Robin- present
 - o Robin resigned from carry the message so it's open again
- SLC Human Service Conference - Robin/Marvella Managers - present
 - o See attachment
- Bimonthly CADT Meeting - Charles C Manager - present
 - o No report
- Douglas County Jail H&I Panel- Mathew W.
 - o See Report
- Drug Court- Tracy P.
 - o No Report

Old Business:

- No Time

New Business:

- Motion made by Robin E and seconded by Marvella D.
 - o Motion reads: Area send a letter of apology for the mix up at the Incline Station and a check in the amount to cover the cost of five pizzas.
 - o Intent: To maintain positive relations with the community
 - o Financial impact: None
 - Motion passed.
- Motion made by Robin E and seconded by Marvella D.
 - o Motion reads: To postpone audit report and budget expense and continue to incur expenses as noted on at the ASC or as a normal recurring or up dating expense thru February 2016 at which time a new budget proposal will be presented along with audit results.
 - o Intent: To prepare an accurate audit and budget for approval in February.
 - Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Rochelle B., Secretary

To: MN Region Service Committee

CC: Northern Lights Area Service Committee

From: Robin Evanson & Marvella Davis

Date: 10/29/2015

Re: St. Louis County Health & Human Services Conference Public Info Booth

The 33rd annual St. Louis County Health & Human Services Conference was held October 15-16, 2015, at the Duluth Entertainment & Convention Center (DECC). The conference draws together 2,500+ health and human service practitioners and 150 exhibitors from the public and private sectors for two days of training and networking.

The Northern Lights Area Service Committee with the financial support of the MN Regional Service Committee registered for an exhibition booth to carry the message of Narcotics Anonymous to professional.

The Area was approached by NARANON to share the space work together. Motion was made and carried to make this possible.

Robin organized the schedule and supplies and Marvella was able to attend the booth for both days. Other NA members attended the booth for one hour increments giving Marvella some company and needed break. Plan to man the booth from 7:30am to 3pm day one and 7:30pm to 1pm on day two.

Marvella offers the following observation: Yes it was worthwhile and I would do it again. I was able to walk around and

give the treatment center our business card and for Bridging the Gap. Not sure of how many people I had heard there was 2500 people registered which does not include the vendors. Which there was at least 80 vendors across Minnesota and North Dakota treatment center. I have no idea how many business cards or Bridging Gap cards we gave I know that I went around gave out at least 40 of them to the different treatment centers. We have 2 1/2 pages for newsletter that will come down with Matthew at the next region on the 14th of November. I believe there is one in the box that I have Matthew of all the vendors.

Expenses

Exhibition Booth fee 250.00

Naranon share of booth fee(100.00)

500 NA: A Resource in Your Comm .37 ea185.00

250 MN State meeting lists.08 ea20.00

600 NLA meeting lists.05 ea30.00

Candy 35.00

TOTAL COST420.00\$

Other supplies donated or pd by RSC

Bridging the Gap Business Cards

Helpline Business Cards

Newsletter Sign-up sheets

Pens

Candy bowl

Information Table Guidelines

NA@ Douglas County Report

Dear NL Area,

The Douglas Co. meeting is going well. Charles C, John, Jay, and Matthew are regularly bringing in a Sunday meeting. Participation has been constant and many inmates report that they look forward to the Sunday H&I meeting to get through the week. They would like books however we need to speak to coordinator Leslie Walker about how to proceed. She has mentioned that they would really like to start a women's meeting.

I would like the GSR's to announce the need for male volunteers to apply to join us. I still haven't made flies and apologize. Requirements are

- 9 months clean
- 2 years off paper

They may contact Matthew W. 715-909-8293

We will get fliers to meetings. Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

RCM Report NLA 12/5/12

Hello to the Northern Lights Area of NA. on Nov. 14th. I headed down with Joe M to the MN Regional meeting. Region was well attended and there was much to discuss, here is my report to keep everyone updated. In loving service
Matthew W.

Open Forum

- There is a small area in WI that wants to break away from WI and join MN Region. It was suggested they stay in WI but participate in MN if they like.
- We need to update our list of service positions in NLA and send to Jay for updating.
- \$1500 was spent going to Western State Learning Days. Jeff, Andy, Sarah Lynn and another addict attended. They are curious about how MN Region accomplishes service so well.
- How do we get lit. to addicts in prisons? Send Basic Texts or intro materials like the little white booklet? Inmates can write for a free Basic Text.
- COCN will be at Trinity Lutheran in St. Cloud on Feb. 13th 2016. 2163 Mayhew Lake Rd.
- CAR and how should our delegates vote?
- Volunteers Needed
 - Newcomer orientations
 - Bridging the Gap 200-300 inmates wanting to utilize program
 - Help line. Register on NAMinnesota.org HELP WANTED
- MNNAC donating 2 full registrations for bridging the gap contest Volunteer Drive. MN is first to do BTG.
- 5 metro areas to create Metro Service Board to discuss collaboration in metro areas.
- CONTEST most registered based on avg. You can re-register so info is updated. Sheets at meetings and then give to Marvella!
- Update new meetings for mid-month meeting list.
 - Suggest we all make a trip to COCW
- No longer participating in midwest zonal forum. Seen as a waste of time and energy.
- We do however appreciate the Multi Zonal Service Symposium for all the work it accomplishes. It is a convention and will be in Milwaukee next year.
- What does NLA want included in open forum next time?

Projects

- Volunteers, especially men needed for sponsorship behind the walls.
- MN may combine with another region to go to world to save a seat as world limits the number of regions about to go.
- PLEASE check out NA MN Facebook page and like a lot of things and/or share. Make us visible to addicts who need us.
- MNNAC 23 is on track for convention. MNNAC 24 in Mankato(B2B)
- Trial period for Traditions book is over.
- Helpline
 - 526 calls since last region. TC and NLA is rockin volunteers

- 50%_of calls went unanswered. More volunteers needed!
- Multiple people per shift answer phones.

Old Business

- All motions passed. See sheet(including budget)
- \$10,000 Donations to NAWS from treasury. Report online.
- FST will meet to discuss how \$1000 donations in lit should be used to go to prisons.
- BIG Thank you to all participating in transition fairs and professional events. Robin and Marvella, you rock!
- Willow River MCF min security prison request NLA to bring H&I into Moose lake.
- Speakers needed for speaker directory. Groups can find speakers that way!

Side Note: Region encourages as much participation as possible from other recovering addicts

Total spent- \$67.69