

## **Southwestern Minnesota Area ASC (July 29, 2017)**

The Area meeting was called to order at 5:15 PM by Joel D.

Moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

12 Concepts of service read by Jim S.

Service Prayer read by Brian E.

Introductions: 6 people in attendance

### **Announcements**

(Joel D.)

Speaker Jam Potluck August 5 @ 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm Salem Lutheran Church, 90 Riverside Drive SE St. Cloud, MN 56304

ICUCNA Speaker Jam August 5 @ 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm Centennial Park, 6301 Shingle Creek Parkway Brooklyn Center, MN 55430

Inland Gig 2017 August 11 @ 12:00 pm - August 13 @ 12:00 pm Parley Lake Group Campground, 8100 Grimm Road Minnetrista, MN 55375

Area of Hope Annual Picnic August 13 @ 11:00 am - 6:00 pm Mounds Park, 10 Mounds Blvd St. Paul, MN 55106

Hopefest 13 August 18 @ 2:00 pm - August 20 @ 12:00 pm Land of Memories Park, 100 Amos Owen Ln Mankato, MN 56001

Area t-shirts for sale \$15 each

(Al J.) Sherburn meeting has closed due to lack of attendance.

### **ROLL CALL**

Acting Chair - Joel D. present/ no report

Co chair – open

Secretary Cheri F. absent/ no report

Assistant Secretary – open

Joel D. asked for volunteer to act as secretary/note taker for the meeting. Rachel F. from Worthington volunteered and was appointed.

Treasurer Joel D.

Previous checking account balance \$88.84. No expenditures and two deposits made since last area. The first deposit was in the amount of \$185.00 and the second was in the amount of \$40.00. Both deposits were from group donations. This brings the current balance to \$313.84.

Co treasurer Brian E. – Present/no report

Committee Reports:

Activities chair Al J.

Not much to report Recovery Rocks camp out for next year in the planning stages we could use help if anyone is interested in getting involved.

H&I Jim S.

Efforts;

New Life treatment in Woodstock, Project Turnabout treatment in Granite Falls, Adolescent Treatment Center in Winnebago, Project Turnabout halfway house in Marshall, Lyon County Jail in Marshall. We need speakers for all H&I efforts if interested contact Jim.

Recovery rocks (Activities Sub-committee) – absent-no report

### **GSR Reports:**

**Marshall** – Meets on 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of Month 15-30 people in attendance. Stable group. Has about \$100 in their bank.

**Granite Falls** – Meets on last Wednesday of the Month. All men must have at least 1 year clean time to speak. Must have completed all step work.

**Worthington** – Brian indicated no report at this time

**Winnebago** – (\$40.00 donation) They are looking for men and women to come and speak at the Winnebago Adolescent Treatment Center on the 1<sup>st</sup> and Third Sunday of the month. On the average they see 10 to 25 people. Attendance is steady.

**Luverne** – Mike indicated that there was up to 10 people in attendance regularly. He has no financial report. He indicated that he is in need of literature. Al J. indicated that Sherburn closing caused for excess material and they could discuss it at the end of the meeting.

### **GROUPS**

Brian (Worthington)

Al J (Winnebago)

Jim - Clean and Serene (Marshall)

Joel - More out of Life (Marshall)

Made Quorum

Minutes from May 20, 2017 were read by Joel and he asked for a motion to approve them at written. Jim S. made motion to accept minutes as read, Al J. seconded. All in favor, unanimous (6). Minutes accepted.

### **TREASURY**

Previous balance \$88.84  
Group Donation of \$185.00  
Winnebago donated \$40.00  
Balance \$313.84

### **SECRETARY REPORT** – Absent

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT**

Absent

### **ACTIVITIES**

No report

### **RCM** – No report

### **CO TREASURER** – No Report

Open Forum:

Al J. Recommended we put together a list of contact information for groups. List was passed around.

Jim S. would also like to put together a list of people willing to be speakers.

>**BREAK**<

Joel called meeting back into order at 5:50 pm

### **SECOND ROLL CALL** – All present

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Camp out funds – previous chair was unable to make it to area this month but should be here in September. Several people expressed concern as policy states that a report should have been made available to ASC within 45 days of completion the camp out.

Changing banks and adding signatories for ASC checking account – Joel D. and Brian E. were not able to get this done due to a unexpected conflict with Brian's work schedule on the day they had planned to do this. They will try to have this done by September's ASC.

Ad-hoc Policy Committee - several changes were proposed in the current policy. All GSR's are asked to bring this information back to your group's to share. We will discuss any concerns and suggestions or amendments at next area and resubmit to the groups or bring forward a motion to accept amendments.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Joel D. Written motion from "Friends in Recovery" group in Montevideo MN – A written motion was made to keep clean time requirements in written policy at three years for the treasurer position and two years for the Co-treasurer position. Joel asked if there was anyone present at the ASC who would motion to put this to a vote. [\*A motion was made to vote on the proposal and was 2<sup>nd</sup>, but no notes exist of who they are. Motion was passed unanimously.]

Joel D. - Are there any volunteers or nominations for open positions? Joel D. nominated Al J. for Chair position 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim S. Al was asked if he was aware he would need to step down as activities chair and said he was. A written ballot was taken to elect Al as new chair. Election resulted in a "yes" in favor decision to accept Al as Chair. Al then asked if we would like him to speak to his willingness after the fact. The ASC in humor responded that it wasn't necessary because he had no choice. No additional volunteers or nominations were made.

Joel D- is there a motion where to hold Area in September?

A motion was made by Al J. to hold the next ASC on Saturday September 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 in Winnebago, MN. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim S. (motion passed). [After the meeting it was decided that the Area meeting on September 16<sup>th</sup> in Winnebago will be in direct conflict with the FMJ Soberfest at that same time. It was discussed to move to the Blue Earth Fairgrounds as the FMJ Soberfest at 5:00 p.m. for Area and 4:00 p.m. for campout activity] A new flier is being passed along with these minutes.

Joel D. If there is no other business do we have a motion to adjourn?

Brian E. made a motion to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim S. (motion passed)

Before everyone had departed Joel D remembered one last piece of business. Brian E. had discussed making a motion to be reimbursed for the cost of the shelter rental used to hold the ASC today. Brian stated that he would be willing to accept two t-shirts to put on the raffle as payment. Joel asked if there were any objections by anyone to do this. There were no objections. 2 T- Shirts were donated from Area.

- SWMNNA Area Phone and Address List

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