



Southwest Minnesota Area of Narcotics Anonymous
Area Service Committee Meeting and Activities Committee Minutes
April 19th, 2020

1. Activities Committee Agenda:

- i. Steps Workshop March 14th in Worthington
 - 1. Speakers:
 - a. How did it go?
 - i. No attendance
 - ii. Should we reschedule or do via Zoom?
 - 1. Table for now push to fall or maybe winter.
 - 2. Tie it in to the Campout.
 - b. What should we do differently?
- ii. Officers and GSRs Workshop May 9th in Worthington
 - 1. Should we do via Zoom?
 - a. Yes
 - b.
 - 2. Louise will cover using the website and dropbox systems and squid hub
 - 3. Al will cover
 - a. We will work it out somehow.
 - 4. Joel will cover
 - a.
- iii. Cannonball Run: On Hold for Now pertinent to the governor's recommendation.
 - 1. Tentatively July 25th
 - 2. Garvin Park
 - 3. Camping from the 24th to the 26th
- iv. Burning Desires Campout: August 14-16: On Hold for now..... pertinent to the governor's recommendation
 - 1. Need a Flyer
 - 2. Traditions Workshop:
 - a. Traditions 1-2
 - b. Traditions 3-4
 - c. Traditions 5-6
 - d. Traditions 7-8
 - e. Traditions 9-10
 - f. Traditions 11-12
 - 3. HI Workshop:
 - a. Note, if you want to speak at a treatment center, jail or other institution, attendance at this Workshop is strongly suggested.
 - 4. Sponsorship Workshop:
 - a. Speakers Needed
- v. Halloween Dance: On hold pertinent to the governor's recommendation.
 - 1. Flyer





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2. Date: Tentatively set for October 31st
3. Food:
4. Music:
5. Costume Contest?
6. Speaker
- vi. Valentine's Dance: February 13th 2021 Not even on the table yet.

2. HI PI Meeting

a. Setting up Zoom meetings; Trying to reach out to the drug court.

i. Email sent out from Region for HI.

1. Joel will forward it to Jess

b. Out Reach:

i. Visiting Schedule for the month

- i. Do via Zoom Meetings?
- ii. Louise will email Jess the online meeting list.
- iii. Also Virtual-NA.org link.

I. ASC Meeting

i. Call to Order: 12:33 PM

ii. Service Prayer:

1. "God, grant us knowledge that we may act according to your Divine precepts, instill in us a sense of your purpose, make us a bond of selflessness, that this may truly be your work, not ours, in order that no addict anywhere need die from the horrors of addiction."

iii. Twelve Traditions read by: Al J and Joel Twelve Concepts read by: _____

iv. Roll Call

1. Officers Present:

- a. Chair -Al Yep
- b. Co-Chair – Joel Yep
- c. Treasurer -Matt M Yep
- d. Co-Treasurer- Chad Yep
- e. RCM – Not elected Yep
- f. Alt RCM- Not Elected See old Business
- g. Secretary – Louise B Yep
- h. Co-Secretary Tami Y Yep

2. Subcommittee Chairs Present

- a. HI- Jess Yep
- b. PI – Craig Nope





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- c. Activities – Chad Yep
- d. Webservant – Louise Yep

3. Groups Present

- a. Blue Earth- Acting for Blue Earth Chad
- b. Lakefield – Yep
- c. Montevideo- Nope
- d. Pipestone – Nope
- e. Redwood Falls- Nope
- f. Windom - Yep
- g. Winnebago – Nope
- h. Woodstock - Nope
- i. Worthington - Nope
- j. Worthington Brunch – Yep
- k. Visiting Groups? - Fairmont

v. # of Groups. 4 Quorum established? Yes

II. Minutes of Previous ASC Meeting: Emailed to Officers and GSR's in March of 2020

- 1. Motion to accept Joel 2nd Joe Pass- Yep

Reports: Please turn in written reports to the Secretary or Co-Secretary per pages 9 and 16 of the Policy.

ii. Officers

1. Chair/CoChair –

- a. Al – Hope that everybody can come together doing this while this shit show is going on, we have to do the best we can with what we've got.

2. Treasurer –

- a. Matt- Starting 510.32 ending 510.32
- b. Check being returned from MNNAC scholarship.

3. RCM/RCMA- Acting Joel:

- a. If you want the full minutes from region, contact Joel, he will forward to you.
- b. Report attached to the bottom of the minutes, and is available via squidhub.





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4. Secretary/Co Secretary: Facilitated Zoom meetings, reached out to GSR's of Pipestone, Windom, Slayton and Worthington. Worked with Fairmont NA. Set up Agenda with Officers, and worked on reports.

iii. Subcommittee Chairs

1. Activities
 - a. All activities are postponed ftf until further until quarantine is lifted
 - b. Jess is getting a printer so that will make it easier.
2. HI:
 - a. Trying to get zoom meetings started
 - b. Got an email from joel and trying to get it to the treatment centers. Don't know which treatment centers are closed or open.
 - c. Can't really go anywhere so just trying to do it via email at the moment.
3. PI:
4. Webservant: The Region website, which is where our site comes from has moved to a new host. Helped get the site up and running, worked with Region Digital Project Team to fix our site. Tundra is where announcements are. Haven't done much with Twitter. Purchased a Zoom account for Saturday Brunch Crew and Sat Brunch Crew is donating meeting space to area meeting.

iv. Groups Reports:

1. Blue Earth – Don't believe that there are any needs at this time.
2. Lakefield: -50.00 donation check from March along with the reimbursement check. Currently doing zoom, and there 3-5 members doing zoom. Using facebook page.
3. Montevideo- Not here
4. Pipestone: - Not here
5. Redwood Falls -Not here
6. Windom: - Windom is full right now. Having issues with getting zoom to work the week before last, no one showed up last week. It's up in the air right now. Keeping the zoom meeting running. 223-775-7880 no password Host key 254454
7. Winnebago – Not here
8. Woodstock – Not here
9. Worthington – Not here





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10. Round Lake Brunch: Voted to exclusively via zoom as our GSR is going to college in Fall.. Moved the physical location to Round Lake.

Break

III. Old Business: Please note, per policy page 13, section A, only GSRs may vote on old business.

- i. Elections: → The exception to the GSR's vote only on old business is for elections.
 - a. Assistant or Co-Secretary Page 5-6 C 4 –
 - i. Nominations: Louise nominates Tami Y Chad 2nd
 - ii. Elected: Yeppers! Welcome to the crew.
 - b. Regional Committee Member Page 7-8 C 7
 - i. Nominations: PJ – not in attendance at this time.
 - 1. Please give his contact details to the secretary.
 - ii. Elected
 - c. Regional Committee Member Alternate Page 8 C 8 -
 - i. Nominated
 - ii. Elected

IV. Open Floor –

- a. Chad- when this is done, we should do an area picnic get together thing. Spontaneous thing. Just to reunite once this is done.
- b. Al- Fundraiser T-shirts.... If you have anybody in your meetings that want t-shirts, will bring the suitcase with t-shirts, wrist bands. We can deliver them one way or another.
 - i. Post pictures and prices and send them to Louise and she can put them on our website.
- c. Joel-
 - i. 1st... Regional webpage about the link to the governor's message
 - 1. Was for informational purposes only.
 - 2. Recovery meetings not exempted from stay in place order
 - 3. People didn't like that it was a governor's statement
 - 4. If groups really want that, we can overturn it as groups.





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5. What they did decide to do in the meantime was put up a statement.
6. Other option was to have nothing up there at all.
 - a. Al – I'd like to have an open meeting, if the alano club allows. I don't mind this. We can do this, and do this meeting and how you say can do it in a couple of shifts maybe. Have the statement be in our own words.
 - b. Eventually be able to have ftf meetings. Right now the discussion is on the governor's statement.
 - c. Put the statement in our own words so that we are not affiliated with the governor.
 - d. Not an endorsement, but that we agree with the statement at this time.
 - e.
- ii. 2nd motion at Region for having the ability to host the MNRSC
 - a. This would be a good thing, you could only host one region per year. If we were having an event or whatever, we could host region. We'd have to make sure to have a good location, good set ups. There are some needs we'd have to be able to meet. You could also host it and hold it at their current location as well.
 - b. It would be cool to have it at the campout after this whole ordeal is done.
- iii. 3rd putting in a bid to host COCW
 - a. Creating Our Common Welfare- GSR Assembly.
 - i. All are welcome to attend. Want GSR's to represent their groups. Groups and areas get together bringing their say to Region and NA as a whole.
 - ii. A 2 day event with entertainment, food and the like with a budget.
 - iii. Like a mini-MNNAC. Have a hotel, catering and the like.
 - iv. A pre-curser to having MNNAC as they Say.





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- v. Fairmont Holiday Inn would and the Big Red Building by the Interstate in Worthington.
- vi. Would be nice to have it within our area.
- vii. → Louise will get the packet from Region for the bid for possibly 2022.

v. **New Business:** According to Policy page 13, Section B, all elected trusted servants including GSR's vote on these motions.

- 1. 2 MNNAC 2021 Scholarships.
 - a. For giving away at Cannonball Run and in December
 - b. 90\$ Early bird pricing until May 23rd.
 - i. Motion to purchase Chad, 2nd Joel → Passed
 - 1. Matt will order both tickets under SWMN NA
- 2. May ASC Meeting
 - a. Should we just schedule to have it via Zoom?
 - i. Motion Chad, 2nd Joel Passed
 - b. One request was made to have all area meetings via Zoom.
 - i. Once per quarter ftf, 4 time per year. Then the rest of the year via Zoom.
 - 1. Motion Joel, 2nd Tami -Passed
 - 2. Area Inventory done in October,
 - a. July, October, January and April be the FTF meetings.
- c. Inclement Weather Policy.
 - i. Currently set that the Secretary sends a message to the ASC by 10:00 AM the day of.
 - ii. With the add on of Zoom, can we set the policy to change to instead of cancelling the meeting, have it via Zoom.
 - 1. Motion Chad, 2nd- Tami --Passed
- d. Add so that People who can't physically attend, attend via zoom. This is to encourage officers and GSRs who can not physically make it, be able to make the meeting via zoom.
 - i. Would able to get more attendance.
 - ii. Motion Chad, 2nd Matt – Passed
- e. Set up a Donation system for Area:
 - i. To make it easier for individual addicts or groups to donate to the Area. There are some groups who may want to do it monthly.





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- ii. Research what fees are attached to paypal.
- iii. Bring to next area.

3. Bring back to the groups:

- i. We are interested in copies of your tag talk and whatever chants your groups do in your readings. Please bring a list of your ideas to the next area meetings so maybe we can do a local tag talk or local chants unique to our area. Suggested by AI.

4. Announcements:

- 1. Agenda and minutes are available in the Drop Box, as well as our archives
 - a. New officers and GSR's need to email swmnaascsecretary@gmail.com for a copy.
- 2. If the ASC meeting is going to be cancelled due to weather, you will be sent a text message by 10 AM the day of the ASC meeting. Please be safe on our roads.
- 3. MNNAC 28- They are working on MNNAC for next year.
- 4. Please encourage your members to volunteer. The links are below. The goal is to have two volunteers per group in our area for Bridging the gap one male, one female.
 - a. Volunteer opportunities with Region
 - i. Bridging the Gap
 - 1. <https://www.naminnesota.us/community/groups/bridging-the-gap-2012397073/>
 - ii. Phone Line
 - 1. <https://www.naminnesota.us/community/groups/helpline/>
 - ii. HI
 - 1. <https://www.naminnesota.us/community/groups/hospitals-institutions/>
 - ii. PI
 - 1. <https://www.naminnesota.us/community/groups/public-relations/>
- b.
 - 2. Please in your group conscience, consider donating to area.
 - 3. Currently speaking engagements to treatment centers are closed due to the Outbreak.
 - 4. According to IP 29 page 6,
 - a. "We strongly discourage any harassment, threats, or disturbing behavior before, during, and after our meetings. This includes unwelcome sexual, romantic, financial, and religious solicitation. Our meetings are for sharing NA





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recovery. If you feel harassed or threatened, share your concerns with the meeting leader or a trusted servant."

b. Closed at: 2:14 PM Chad 2nd Joel





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***Committees Meet at 12 PM, the Area
meeting is at 1 PM All Meetings are at 920 Diagonal Road, Worthington
unless otherwise noted.***

ASC Meeting Calendar for 2020

April 19th

May 17th-

June 28th –

July 19th —

August 16th at the Campout

September 20th –

October 19th

November 15th –

December 20th- Area Inventory

ASC Meeting Calendar for 2021

January 17th

February 21st

March 21st

April 18th

May 16th

June 27th

July 18th

August 15th At the Campout

September 19th

October 17th

November 21st

December 19th

