

South Suburban Fireside Area Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2009

Meeting opened at 7:00pm with Serenity Prayer by H&I Subcommittee Chair, Brent, with 12 addicts in attendance. Minutes of the February meeting were read and approved. Matt read the 12 Concepts of NA service. Collected 7th tradition of \$15.00 which was given to the church as rent.

Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee

Chad read the H&I Dos and Don'ts.
Literature: (Garrett reported) We have plenty of literature.

Panel leader reports:

- Avalon: (Panel leader Vern reported) He wasn't there this month, but Brent reported that 5 addicts shared and it went well. They have literature.
- Cochran Recovery Center: (Will reported). Commitment is going well, good turnout. He will talk with them about possibility of a literature rack and to see if they need books. Chad asked what the process is; if they approve it, we would buy one. Commitment is 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm in Hastings.
- Lino Lakes: (Panel leader Dan reported) Going same/well. Have one person who needs to go to orientation. The person in charge of orientation is willing to set up a special orientation for us; if people are interested, the requirements are 1 yr. clean time and 1 yr. off paper. Commitment is 3rd Thursday of the month.
- Hastings Detox: (Panel leader Chris reported) 4th Thursday of month at 7pm. Going well, had 5 or 6 people last time. Women always welcome. Looking for a new panel leader; Matt K. volunteered and discussed his willingness, Chad volunteered to be co-leader.
- Brent mentioned that Vern has been panel leader for Avalon for a significant time; Matt T. volunteered to be co-panel leader for that.
- Haven in Woodbury: (Panel leader Garrett reported) Next commitment for the adult group is Thursday, May 7 (same night as ASC meeting). Remaining commitments this year are: Thurs. Aug. 27 & Thurs. Dec. 17. Chris reported that the adolescent commitment is going well. Lisa and Candice indicated willingness to go or find younger women to do so. Adolescent commitment is 3rd Thursday of each month.

Old business:

- none

New business:

- Brent reported that this is his last meeting as H&I chair (he has been doing it for 2 years). Chris will agree to be chair, Will expressed willingness for being co-chair.

Outreach:

- Meetings of Month: Woodbury Freebirds is meeting of the month for March (Sunday, 3/15). For April, the Tuesday Morning Recovery Group expressed interest, they are ok with men coming and supporting them. Discussed and voted to do so; date will be April 21.
- Still need a new chair.

Public Relations

- Goodhue Co. Jail: on hold until we have a new chair.
- Chris distributed the printed list of the area treatment centers at area meeting.
- Area inventory: Kevin has approx. 6. Questions seemed too specific for the groups to answer. Will mentioned that the common thread for the 3 groups he attended discussing the inventories was that the lack of PR is the

area's most pressing issue. Dan mentioned that a positive thing is that area has different people in all of the positions. Tabled further discussion to a future meeting.

- Please consider donating 5th edition basic texts to take to treatment centers or jails. We have a letter from an addict in the Stillwater minimum security prison that the facility could use literature. If people have them to donate, please have GSRs bring them to area; Brent volunteered to collect them. Dan mentioned that the 5th edition is no longer NA approved literature; Brent mentioned that first 103 pp. are still the same.

Activities

1. Service Learning Day:
 - a. Will be held Saturday March 28 from noon-6pm (with the learning day running 1-5pm) at First Presbyterian Church (535 20th Ave N, S St Paul). Flyer is online.
 - b. Speakers – have several speakers set up (PR - 2 from Iowa, Outreach – 1 from RIF and 1 from Back to Basics; H&I, 1 from Iowa and 1 from Northern Lights). Plan is to have each speaker talk for approx. 20 minutes followed by a 20 minute roundtable discussion with a moderator for each. Brent (will do first one, PR), Chris, and Matt K. volunteered.
 - c. Setup – need to have people there at 12, Kevin will coordinate.
 - d. Food & beverages – Chad will coordinate -- hot dogs, chips, water/pop
 - e. Cleanup – Matt T. will coordinate.
 - f. 7th tradition should cover rent
2. Need a chair. Will read the description from the area bylaws.

Kevin reported that TC H&I committee had H&I Learning Day planning on their agenda this month. Chris will contact them.

Motion to close by Will, second by Chad, meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

South Suburban Fireside Area H&I Committee Agenda April 9, 2009

1. Opening
2. Introductions
3. Approval of minutes
4. 12 Concepts of NA Service
5. 7th Tradition
6. Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee
 - a. H&I Introduction/Dos and Don'ts
 - b. Literature Report
 - c. Panel Leader Reports
 - i. Avalon
 - ii. Cochran Recover Center
 - iii. Lino Lakes
 - iv. Dakota Co. Detox
 - v. Haven (Woodbury)
 - d. Old Business
 - e. New Business
7. Outreach Subcommittee
8. Activities Subcommittee
9. Public Relations Subcommittee
10. Adjournment