

South Suburban Fireside Area Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2010

Meeting opened at 7:00pm with Serenity Prayer by Outreach Co-Chair, James, with 10 addicts in attendance. Moved by Chad, seconded by Sage to approve the February minutes, passed. Kevin read the 12 Concepts of NA service. Collected 7th tradition of \$7.00 which was given to the church as rent.

Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee

Sage read the H&I Dos and Don'ts.

Literature: (Garrett reported) We have plenty.

Panel leader reports:

- Avalon: (Vern reported) Commitment is going well, have plenty of literature. Please keep announcing at meetings and see if we can get some other people sharing.
- Cochran Recovery Center: (Matt) Doing well. Matt will have some schedule changes this summer, would like to have someone else to help starting in May.
- Lino Lakes: No report.
- Hastings Detox: (Chad reported) Chad wasn't there due to family events. Brent reported the commitment went well, 4-5 addicts sharing. They need literature. Need a new panel leader since Chad is now area PR chair.
- Haven in Woodbury (adult group): (Garrett reported) Have not gotten ahold of the counselor.
- Haven in Woodbury (adolescent group): (Sage reported) Had people who hadn't attended before, had some issues with carrying a clear NA message; Sage asked for advice. Brent suggested talking to people ahead of time; if anything happens, approach the person afterwards. Vern suggested giving people the CD first and having them listen to it before they come out. Sage also reported that Brad C. stepped up to being panel leader, but Sage didn't mention to him about coming to the subcommittee meeting.

Other H&I business:

- Brent expressed willingness to be H&I Chair again, depending on having approval from ASC and James being willing to move up to Outreach Chair. James expressed willingness to become Outreach Chair based on his experience as co-chair.
- Dakota Co. Jail (Brent) Have gone to the jail 3 times, they had 40 people the first time and 4 the second. Commitment is Saturdays at 1pm, takes about an hour and a half. Need more people to get approved to keep it going. Requirement to get approved is not having been in Dakota Co. jail within past year, and disclosure of full name, birthdate, and phone. Matt, Vern, and Sage expressed willingness.
- Area of Hope is planning an H&I Learning Day on May 22; it will be held at First Presbyterian, followed by a MNNAC fundraiser/dance. They have asked for our support.
- Folders and new H&I meeting formats have been distributed to panel leaders.
- Need H&I meeting lists; decided on 50. Kevin will work on it.
- Vern asked about signing court cards at an H&I meeting (he had someone request that). Brent said he would do some research in the H&I handbook and get back. Chad will ask on an online PI group to see what other areas do.

Outreach Subcommittee

- Meetings of Month: Keep It Simple in Cottage Grove on Friday, Feb. 19, had a very good turnout. For March, Never Alone in Lakeville on Sunday March 21 at 7pm. For April, decided on Clear Eyes on Saturday, April 17 at 9:30am.
- Only 1 item has been turned in for the newsletter so far; please continue asking at meetings, would like to keep putting it out quarterly.

Activities Subcommittee

- CAR report workshop at Old Langdon on Saturday, March 20 at noon; will have pizza.
- Sage plans to have a scavenger hunt/picnic in June, will plan on having clues in the next area newsletter. He can use help.
- Sage would also like to have another event at Old Langdon; the house committee there encourages recovery events there.
- Sage got a call from the AOH activities chair looking for help with MNNAC fundraisers, he will get more info.

Public Relations Subcommittee

- Chad has 11 basic texts that need to be delivered, Matt has 2 additional (1 hardcover, 1 softcover). Chad suggested splitting them between Dakota & Goodhue Co. jails.
- Matt spoke on the issues with the Twin Cities phone line. Brent gave the discussion from the area – ASC would like more information on how it works as there may be other/cheaper options. How can people from our area volunteer to help? Chad will get the info and bring it back to area.
- Chad has been trading messages with someone from Goodhue Co. Jail on bringing PR presentation there. He contacted Dakota Co., the person he spoke to wasn't very enthusiastic. Chad will try other avenues. Brent suggested contacting Dakota Co's drug court.

Other Business

None.

Motion to close by Matt., seconded by Sage, meeting adjourned at 8:05pm, and was followed by a discussion of the 5th Concept of NA Service.

South Suburban Fireside Area Subcommittee Meeting Agenda April 8, 2010

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) – adult and adolescent
 - d. Other H&I items
7. Outreach Subcommittee
8. Activities Subcommittee
9. Public Relations Subcommittee
10. Other old/new business
11. Adjournment
12. Discussion of 6th Concept of NA Service