

South Suburban Fireside Area Subcommittee Meeting Minutes August 10, 2011

Meeting opened at 7:00pm with Serenity Prayer by H&I Chair Lisa F., with 12 addicts in attendance. Minutes from the June meeting were distributed. (There were no minutes from the July meeting; all of the discussion was about the Dakota Co. Jail H&I commitment.) Todd read the 9 Concepts of NA service. Collected 7th tradition of \$9.00, which was given to the church as rent.

Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee

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

Literature Report (Garrett reported): We have literature, but need 2 sets of readings and non-contact meeting lists.

Panel leader reports:

- Detox (Donnie reported): Had 4 addicts attend, and about 6-7 clients attended, it went very well this time.
- Haven in Woodbury, adult group (Garrett reported): Commitment held last week of June; had 5 addicts speak and 15 clients attend, it went well.
- Haven in Woodbury, adolescent group: Need to contact counselor for status.
- Haven in Shakopee, morning (Brian reported): Going well; need to check literature.
- Haven in Shakopee, evening (Lisa reported): 3 people participated; brought meeting lists & rack, went well.
- Journey Treatment Center (Todd reported): Went well, have seen some of their clients at meetings. Going back in September.
- Cochran Recover Center (Brent reported): Had 4 addicts attend, went well but could use participation from females. Brent asked if his commitment is up as panel; Matt volunteered to take the position.
- Dakota Co. Jail – deferred until after other committee reports.

Other H&I business:

- None.

Outreach Subcommittee

- Meeting of Month: Meeting of the month for July was Serenity Seekers; had several people show up to support the meeting. August: Midweek NA on Wednesday, August 17, 7pm at Old Langdon. Meetings that we haven't visited recently: Step By Step, Tuesday Morning Women's Recovery Group, TNT, Peace of Mind, NA Day, Keep It Simple. Lisa suggested NA Day; group conscience was to go with that – Friday, September 16, 7:30pm.
- Newsletter needs submissions; please get them in by next month.
- James' term is up as Outreach Chair; Todd is a month shy of the suggested clean time, will discuss it at area.

Activities Subcommittee

- Chair not present.

Public Relations Subcommittee

- Kevin will fix the tear-off for the day of one of the meetings.
- Kevin asked for ideas; Lisa suggested sending the tear-off lists to treatment centers instead of sending lots of regular meeting lists.
- James asked when the next resource fair will be at the Dakota Co. Jail; Lisa will check with Jeff.

Other Business

- Dakota Co. Jail: James reported that we were not able to go 2 weeks in a row, but went last week. Discussed focusing on one unit – the motivated to change unit – to help them get their own meeting started; suggestion is

to do this for the next couple weeks. A change occurred with personnel at the jail, which caused the delay. Jeff was told we have 3 months to "get things rolling again", in that time we should try to get the meeting going in the unit. The jail wants a consistent basis as to doing 1, 2 or 3 units. Jail says we have 22 people cleared on the list (everyone who has been cleared since day one), so they don't see why we cannot get 6 people attending every week (where, in reality, we have about 10). James is concerned about miscommunication between our commitment and the jail. Lisa suggested talking with Jeff and requesting a direct line of communication between the jail our panel leader for the commitment. Lisa suggested that James call Jeff and let him know he is contacting the jail directly, then he will do so. Brent suggested going this week, as we already made the commitment, then call Jeff and the jail next week, and only keeping going each week if progress is made towards addressing our concerns. Group conscience is to do so.

Meeting closed at 8:15pm.

South Suburban Fireside Area Subcommittee Meeting Agenda September 8, 2010

- Opening
- Introductions
- Approval of minutes
- Reading of 12 Concepts of NA Service
- 7th Tradition
- Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee
 - H&I Introduction/Dos and Don'ts
 - Literature Report
 - Panel Leader Reports
 - Dakota Co. Jail
 - Dakota Co. Detox
 - Haven (Woodbury) – adult and adolescent
 - Haven (Shakopee) – morning and evening
 - Journey Treatment Center
 - Cochran Recovery Center
 - Other H&I items
- Outreach Subcommittee
- Activities Subcommittee
- Public Relations Subcommittee
- Other old/new business
- Adjournment
- Discussion of 11th Concept of NA Service