

South Suburban Fireside Area Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2011

Meeting opened at 7:00pm with Serenity Prayer by H&I Chair Lisa F., with 15 addicts in attendance. Moved by Brian, seconded by Donnie to approve the April minutes, passed. James read the 12 Concepts of NA service. Collected 7th tradition of \$9.00, which was given to the church as rent.

Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee

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

Literature Report: (Garrett reported) We're low on literature, will get more at the next ASC meeting.

Panel leader reports:

Avalon: (Panel leader Todd reported) Went Tuesday, 5 addicts (with 2 new speakers) and 10 clients were there, went well.

Dakota Co. Jail (Lisa reported): Not having a consistent turnout. James volunteered to be panel leader, he will contact people on the list.

Haven in Woodbury (adult group): (Garrett reported) Next commitment hasn't been scheduled yet.

Haven in Woodbury (adolescent group): No report.

Haven in Shakopee (Brian reported): 2 addicts went and shared, it went well. Did a short "welcome to NA" and then an open forum.

Detox: (Donnie reported) Had 5 addicts attend, about 3 clients attended, he's going to make sure people sharing are talking about their experience, strength and hope and less about their history.

Haven (Shakopee, evening), Lisa reported: Has been going well.

Journey Treatment Center (James reported): Discussed changing up the format somewhat to give people a better idea of what an NA meeting is like. James talked to the head counselor at the facility yesterday, who is going to discuss the situation with the evening counselor. There will not be a meeting this month due to Memorial Day, so next commitment is July 25. James asked for feedback. Brent suggested that we should probably stick with what we think works best; Brian shared that for the last Haven at Shakopee meeting they held an open forum. James stated that he looked at the counselor's comment as a suggestion. Lisa suggested meeting face-to-face with the head counselor and deciding on where to go. Lisa mentioned that we should look for a new panel leader for Journey since James has accepted panel leader position for Dakota Co. jail.

Cochran Recover Center (Brent reported): Had 5 people attend, it went well. Would be good to get people from outside Hastings attend, since that meeting goes to the Hastings meetings.

Other H&I business:

Donnie: Suggested that we should be taking Twin Cities or region meeting lists to H&I commitments, since many of the residents go to other areas when they leave. Brent mentioned that our meeting lists do show the statewide helpline number, we should make sure to announce it.

Lisa: H&I Learning Day plans are progressing well. Brian has been in contact with various people to get donations and assistance; Jeanie said she is willing to help, along with Gary from RIH.

Outreach Subcommittee

Meeting of Month: For May, NA 101 on Saturday May 21 at 7pm. For June: Todd suggested Hudson Hillside (formerly Young People in Recovery) on June, 17 at 7pm at Prospect Park in Hudson. For July, considering Serenity Seekers on Thursday, July 14 as an "early" PIG event.

Lisa suggested that people bring submissions for the newsletter next month.

We have 1 submission for the newsletter, could use more; please consider writing a submission.

Activities Subcommittee

Tim: Horseback Riding on May 21 (please be there by 11am), followed by an event at Club SOS, \$7/person.

BBQ Comedy and Dancing, with a surprise speaker on Saturday June 11, \$8, food provided.

June 25, Water tubing and kayaking, \$9/person.

Public Relations Subcommittee

Kevin: Working on meeting lists with “tear off” phone line number that could be put up around the community. Brent suggested providing them to meetings and let meetings decide where to put them up.

Other Business

Brent: Asked if we would consider having another Service Learning Day in the fall (he had people from Iowa ask who are interested in participating). Brent would be willing to be part of a committee to set one up, let's think about topics for next month.

Mark suggested working with other areas (like AOH) to pool resources and get some people going to different H&I commitments. AOH H&I meeting is next Thursday if anyone would like to talk further.

Lisa: Suggest that all panel leaders read the “Do's and Don'ts” before going in; also, when announcing H&I commitments, please suggest that people contact the panel leader if they want to attend.

Brian – For H&I Learning Day, only have a single \$50 donation; Mark will bring it up at the AOH ASC meeting.

James suggested that we should have a meeting to “fine tune” planning for H&I Learning Day; Lisa suggested a meeting this coming Wednesday (5/18).

Meeting closed at 8:10pm.

South Suburban Fireside Area Subcommittee Meeting Agenda June 9, 2010

Opening

Introductions

Approval of minutes

12 Concepts of NA Service

7th Tradition

Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee

H&I Introduction/Dos and Don'ts

Literature Report

Panel Leader Reports

Avalon

Dakota Co. Jail

Dakota Co. Detox

Haven (Woodbury) – adult and adolescent

Haven (Shakopee)

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