

South Suburban Fireside Area Subcommittee Meeting Minutes December 11, 2014

Meeting opened at 7:05pm with Serenity Prayer by Area Vice-Chair Angie M. with 7 addicts in attendance.

Steve - MOM for December changed to 12/30.

Motion by Steve P., seconded by Brian F., to approve the minutes from the November meeting as corrected.

Vote: Supported - 4 Opposed - 0, Abstained - 2, passed.

Brian F. read the 12 Concepts of NA service.

Collected 7th tradition of \$5.00, which was given to the church as rent.

Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee

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

Literature Report: James – not present.

Panel leader reports:

Dakota Co. Jail: (Mike S. not present due to car problems – Garrett reported): Going well, working on getting more people working approved to participate, will be taking in the books donated by area this Saturday. Steve said he has gone twice this month, have had about 20 inmates attending each week; it's been really cool to see them sharing on a topic, it was really a good meeting last Saturday.

Detox (Steve P. reported): Overall it has been going pretty well. Did have an issue with 2 people from another fellowship show up and present themselves as N.A.; he didn't realize this until the end of the commitment. Brian said the same thing has happened previous years. Otherwise, had a new addict share who gave a strong message; there were 8 clients with the holidays.

Haven in Shakopee, morning (Nate reported for Raven): Went really well, had 17 clients present with 3 addicts sharing. Met the new counselor there who is excited to have us.

Cochran Recovery Center (Nate reported): Went well, 3 addicts sharing (including one woman). There were 20-25 clients in attendance.

Other H&I business:

Brian F. – We only have one commitment agreement on file, and that is for a commitment that no longer exists. We need to get the form re-created.

Outreach Subcommittee (Chair Steve P. reported)

- MOM for December: Addicts in Recovery on Tuesday, December 30 at 7pm.
- MOM for January: No-Name NA on January 22 at 7pm in Prior Lake.
- Announcing commitments 2 months in advance has been seen as a good idea.
- Donated the \$50 Outreach monthly allowance for books to donate to the Dakota Co. Jail.
- Ties That Bind Us has had some serious issues and could use support; decided to go earlier in the month due to the issues, so decided on Monday, Feb. 9th, 7pm in Hastings.

Activities Subcommittee (Chair Alya not present; Co-Chair Melissa reported)

- Turkey dinner had a turnout of about 31; it might have been a better meeting event than an area event. The fact that it was in Lakeville and at the end of a holiday weekend probably also affected turnout. Steve said that for a first time event he thought it went well (considers it a success) and it is a good idea to try some events in other parts of the area.
- Activities surveys have been returned; will try to plan an activities calendar in advance to avoid conflicts with activities at other areas.
- Waiting to see if we have made contact with the MNNAC about the game show date and get it scheduled. The subcommittee suggested that Melissa go ahead and make the contact to set up the date so that we can get a venue scheduled.

Public Relations Subcommittee (Chair – Brandon H.)

- Contacted the director of Cochran House and left a voicemail message on Monday about the harassment issue. He has not heard anything back.
- Let Brandon know if you have any ideas of things to do for next year.

Other Old/New Business

Brian – SSFA has not put on a Learning Day in almost a year, and the turnout last year wasn't good. Any ideas for helping get more participation is welcome – especially those with less clean time. One idea is to think of a name other than "Learning Day" to help make it more attractive to newcomers (and some old-timers).

Next month – PIG will meet after the subcommittee meeting.

Meeting closed at 8:05pm. Motion to close made by Brian, seconded by Brandon.

South Suburban Fireside Area Subcommittee Meeting Agenda January 8, 2015

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 (Shakopee) – morning

Cochran Recovery Center

Other H&I items

Outreach Subcommittee

Activities Subcommittee

Public Relations Subcommittee

Other old/new business

Adjournment