

South Suburban Fireside Area Subcommittee Meeting Minutes September 10, 2015

Meeting opened at 7:05pm with Serenity Prayer by H&I Chair Jules L. with 6 addicts in attendance.

Jason C. read the 12 Concepts of NA service.

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

Collected 7th tradition of \$11.00, which was given to the church as rent.

Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee (Chair: Jules)

Jules wants to make sure everyone knows her new phone number is 651-404-3689.

Literature Report: Literature stock is low.

Panel leader reports:

Dakota Co. Jail: (Jason C. reported): Have been running 8100 one week and 7100 the other; 8100 has been trusted to run their own meeting (which has been going very well) on the weeks we go to 7100. Jason starts reading from the Basic Text and after a couple paragraphs that gets the discussion going; once started the discussion usually runs for the full hour.

Every time we go to 7100 the materials are not ready, and have had to follow a guard around the whole jail in order to get out. Would like to get a set of readings & books for both so we do not have to have things moved between the units, just need 3 books and 2 How It Works readings for that to work. That will need to be coordinated with our contact to get it to the programming staff. Had a discussion about our relationship with the jail volunteer contact and the programming staff. Garrett and James discussed some of the past experiences with the jail and our contact there; we do the best we can, and do our part, and accept the outcome. James suggested just leaving a set of readings in the programs room for use in 7100 and leaving the existing set in 8100 as-is. We need to make sure to know the protocols and not try to be informal so the guards do not consider us to be a problem.

Detox (Steve P. not present): No report.

Haven in Shakopee, morning (No panel leader): No report. James reported that Steve and John M. have been holding up the commitment.

Cochran Recovery Center (Nate reported): Going ok.

Outreach Subcommittee (No chair)

- MOM for October: Tuesday Night Serenity on October 13 at 7pm in Northfield.
- MOM for November: ideas presented are NA 101 or Midweek NA. NA 101 was last MOM in June, Midweek NA in April. Decided on Midweek NA on Wednesday, November 18 at 7pm in Cottage Grove.

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

- Alya has been e-mailing back and forth with John about the church he had suggested; the church wants to have church volunteers available "for people who want to reach out spiritually", which Alya and others are not comfortable with. Alya read some of the e-mails, which made everyone uncomfortable. Melissa suggested at the same church where we hold the subcommittee meeting, which all agreed was a good idea. Alya suggested having the space from 4pm-11pm with the event at 5pm. Thinking about charging \$5-\$8 but with kids under 13 free and no addict turned away. Food, thinking about turkeys (3 or 4), an NA speaker, and a dance with a DJ or a band.
- Melissa has a conflict on Thursdays due to a class this semester but is still working as co-chair.

Public Relations Subcommittee (Chair – Brandon H.-not present)

- No report.

Other Old/New Business

James M. – If we get literature for the jail, it has to go through Jeff to get into the jail; we can't just bring it in ourselves.

Meeting closed at 8:10pm. Motion to close made by James, seconded by Don.

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- 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