



South Suburban Fireside Area Service Minutes

March 6th, 2008

Meeting opened at 7:05 PM by Scooter
25 members in attendance.

Introductions:

12 Steps read by Mike.
12 Traditions read by Kevin M
12 Concepts read by Skip

Call for quorum: 16 voting members
February minutes accepted.
Passed 7th Tradition, collected \$ 23.00

GSR reports:

Woodbury Freebirds: 6:00 PM Sunday

GSR Scooter: present, with \$15.00 ASC donation
Average newcomers: 1 Average Attendance: 8-12
H&I Activities: announce H&I meeting
Pig Fundraisers: none
Concerns: need support, low attendance

Step by Step: 7:00 PM Sunday

GSR Tim B.: present
Average newcomers: 2 Average Attendance: 20
H&I Activities: none listed
Pig Fundraisers: none listed
Concerns: Pig Chair is also Area Chair & is not being held accountable for some expenditures as PIG chair.

Never Alone: 7:00 PM Sunday

GSR Yvette B: not present, no report
Average newcomers: 1 Average Attendance: 3-5
H&I Activities: announce H&I, activities, & outreach
Pig fundraisers: none listed
Concerns: needs support, low attendance

Monday Night in the Grove: 7:00 PM Monday

GSR Kevin S.: present,
Average newcomers: 2 Average Attendance: 14
H&I activities: none listed
Pig Fundraisers: none listed
Concerns: none listed

Monday Night Round Robin: 7:00 – 8:30 PM

GSR Skip H. : present with \$14.06 donation to ASC

Average newcomers: 1-2 Average Attendance: 12-15

H&I activities: announce H&I meeting

Pig Fundraisers: considering a speaker jam for a fundraiser

Concerns: Dual chair positions, Where is NA Way magazine?

Ties That Bind Us: 7:00 PM Monday

GSR Dennis: present with \$50.00 ASC donation

Average newcomers: 2 Average Attendance: 30

H&I activities: announced

Pig fundraisers: none listed

Concerns: none listed

Tuesday Morning Recovery Group: 10:00 AM

GSR Alyssa M: not present no report given

Average newcomers: Average Attendance:

H&I Activities:

Pig fundraisers:

Concerns:

Tuesday Nights Together 7:00 PM Tuesday

GSR James M.: present

Average newcomers : 1 Average Attendance: 8-10

H&I Activities: announce activities

Pig Fundraisers: none listed

Concerns: none listed

Addicts In Recovery: 7:00 PM Tuesday

GSR (vacant): present , report by alternate with \$25.00 ASC donation

Average newcomers: 2 Average Attendance: 12

H&I Activities: none listed

Pig Fundraisers: none listed

Concerns: need GSR

Northfield NA: 7:00 PM Wednesday

GSR ?: not present, no report

Average newcomers: Average Attendance:

H&I Activities:

Pig Fundraisers:

Concerns:

Midweek NA: 7:00 PM

GSR Jenna: not present, alternate Mikel present with report

Average newcomers:2-3 Average Attendance: 25

H&I Activities: none listed

Pig Fundraisers: pass around the piggy

Concerns: none listed

Too Damn Early: 9:00 AM Thursday

GSR (open) : not present report given by Kevin M.
Average newcomers: 1 Average Attendance: 6
H&I Activities: meeting announced
Pig Fundraisers: Pig announced
Concerns: need trusted servants

Young People in Recovery: 7:00 PM Friday

GSR ? : not present, no report
Average newcomers: 1-2 Average Attendance: 15
H&I Activities:
Pig Fundraisers:
Concerns:

Peace of Mind: 7:00 PM Friday

GSR Mary M.: present
Average newcomers : 2-3 Average Attendance: 25-30
H&I Activities: announced
Pig Fundraisers: pass the piggy
Concerns: none listed

NA Day: 7:30 PM Friday

GSR Vern B.: present
Average newcomers: 3 Average Attendance: 20
H&I Activities: make announcements
Pig Fundraisers: Chili Feed was held Feb 23rd
Concerns: PIG chair and conflict of interest

Still Waters Run Deep: 7:00 PM Saturday

GSR ? : not present no report
Average newcomers: 3-4 Average Attendance: 30+
H&I Activities:
Pig Fundraisers:
Concerns:

Lakeville Basic Text Study: 9:00 PM Saturday

GSR (open) : report given by Geoff
Average newcomers: 2 Average Attendance: 6
H&I Activities: none listed
Pig Fundraisers: none listed
Concerns: need support and trusted servants, GSR, Treasurer,

Basic Texts on Hastings NA: 7:00 PM Saturday

GSR Chris C.(temp): present
Average newcomers: 1-2 Average Attendance: 7-8
H&I Activities: announce sub-committee meetings
Pig Fundraisers: none listed
Concerns: needs support, need trusted servants

Committee Reports:

Public Relations: Monica present. Scheduled meeting is at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Faith Methodist Church, 1530 Oakdale Ave., W. St. Paul, MN. At present working on typing up a letter to send out to treatment centers along with a copy of the meeting list. Need help with what else needs to be done. Need a co-chair and support. Need more addicts to step up and help out.

RCM: (Kevin): Region had a conflict of interest problem arising from the fact that the MNAC treasurer & the Banquet treasurer were the same person. The banquet was forced to borrow funds from MNAC at the last minute to secure the hall for the Banquet. If the funds were not borrowed the Banquet would not have been able to secure the Hall and the Banquet would have had to postpone or cancel. The funds were immediately returned after Banquet was completed. The Region decided that there was no other option available at the time and that the treasurer acted in good faith and for the best for all. Region minutes at end of report.

Hospitals & Institutions: (Brent F.) Meeting at 7:00 PM, 2nd Thursday at Faith Methodist Church, 1530 Oakdale Ave., W. St. Paul, MN

Holding a H&I learning day along with the Twin Cities Area and the Area of Hope. This will be held on May 4th.

There will be a MNNAC workshop with a H&I panel on April 14th, 2008

Concerns: We need addicts able to go into the jails & prisons (2 years off paper).

We may have a new meeting starting at the Dakota Co. Jail. No given time as yet, anyone interested will need to fill out form & turn it in. Get the form from Phil Dratzkowski 651-438-4812. Also, if you are approached about carrying the message to hospitals or institutions please refer to H&I or PI committees rather than taking on a commitment. We also need addicts to help carry the message. Red Wing Juvenile Facility?

Current commitments as follows:

2nd Tuesday of the month: Avalon, 6-7 PM Panel Leader: Vern

3rd Thursday of the month : Lino Lakes Prison, Panel Leader: Dan
2 person presentation

4th Thursday of the month : Hastings Detox : 7 PM. Panel Leader: Chad O
2 people share story

1st Wednesday every 3 months: 6:00 The Haven, Woodbury

Outreach: Geoff D.

Scheduled committee activities are the newsletter and select the meeting of the month.

Put out February news letter, please contact me at 612-309-6304 or rollermasterg@msn.com to add personal stories or monthly step contributions. GSR's please encourage your group members to submit contributions to the newsletter. We need submissions on the steps & traditions for the upcoming month and personal stories. Anything recovery related would be of help.

NEED volunteers to help write

Meeting of the month for this month is "Never Alone" at the Hope Community Church in Lakeville.

Activities: (Open): We need an activities chair person, 1 year clean time requirement

PIG: (Scooter): present, Meeting 1st Thursday each month before ASC. We need trusted servants. See last page for open positions. There will be an April "Clean up day" at the POW WOW campgrounds, further details to come, will need volunteers for this though. More discussion on nonprofit incorporation was held. Pig treasury report: old balance \$3271.83, cash out \$50.00, cash in 367.00, New balance: \$3588.83

Old business:

Motion made by Steve M to force the PIG committee to meet the 2nd Thursday of each month with the other ASC sub committees. 2nd by James. Vote 5 pro, 5 against, 2 abstentions. Revote was 5 for, 6 against with 1 abstention. PIG committee will continue to meet the 1st Thursday prior to ASC.

We still need an Activities Chair.

New business:

Where is the NA Way Magazine? This turns out to be an address change problem and as magazines are not forwarded, we need to wait until the address change catches up at world.

Motion to create a bid packet. The Circle of Sisters (COS) would like the areas permission to submit a bid for COS convention for 2010, or 2011 if unable to get the bid in in-time. They would like our area to support it as it did a few years ago. What they need from us is a letter of support from the area, a letter from the proposed hotel, information about transportation from the airport to the hotel, names, clean dates, and service resumes' of NA members that will serve on the committee if the bid is approved by COS, and a description of why the ASC would like to host a COS convention. After some discussion it was decided that the GSR's needed to bring this back to their prospective groups and bring back an answer next month.

Conflict of Interest/ dual hat positions:

The PIG chair found out about a Board of Directors meeting for the park in Gaylord where we hold PIG. This information came after the last meeting and before the next without enough time to inform the PIG committee. As there were issues concerning the lack of electrical facilities he went to their BOD to address these issues. This was brought up at the BODF and they agreed to pay for the electrical upgrades if we would provide the labor. They also brought up the fact that their annual park cleanup was coming up in April and invited us to participate. Our PIG chair agreed to bring both of these proposals home to the PIG committee to find out if the committee or the area would be interested in this proposal. They agreed to be in touch with our PIG chair as the time for the cleanup approached to let us know what day exactly it would be.

When the PIG committee met this information was given to them and the chair asked if the committee would consider reimbursement for fuel costs to drive down to Gaylord. The committee so moved and the motion passed unanimously.

This information was then made available at the area meeting and the issue was raised that because the area chair person and the PIG chairperson were the same person that there was a conflict of interest because he went to Gaylord on his own initiative to look out for the PIG interests and to ask for fuel cost reimbursement.

It was then brought up that one person is also holding the PIG co-chair and area co-chair positions, and that there could possibly be issues of conflict of interest for next year. (This was not true as Kyle M is the co-chair of PIG and Kevin M. is co-chair of area) It was also brought out that of the 25 members at the meeting, there were only 6 that were not wearing multiple hats at this time and that the area knew of this when these people were elected to these positions.

The NA Day GSR then stated that the funds raised by them from the Chili Feed for PIG would not be disbursed to PIG until the conflict of interest issue was sorted out and then left the meeting.

After much discussion and an offer from the Area chair to step down from that position it was determined that as we already knew about the multiple hats we were all wearing and to invite the GSR's to bring in more volunteers to fill more positions. There was a call for interest in the clean-up day and volunteers said that they would try to make it once the actual date was given.

Afternote: NA day didn't want to give the money to pig because they were going on a rumor that Pig was going to outright give the campground pig funds. NA day will turn over the funds at the next ASC.

Treasurer's Report

Performed an audit of finances and found new balance to be \$1020.63 not \$1018.63 as reported last month.

New checks are now in use.

Old account is no longer in use and will be closed as soon as we can get former treasurer (Bob S.) to do so.

We have a 5% charge for depositing coins.

Beginning Balance: **\$1020.63**

Cash in:	ASC	PIG
7 th Tradition	23.00	
Group ASC Donations		
Round Robin	14.06	
Ties That Bind	50.00	
Woodbury Freebirds	15.00	
Addicts in Recovery	25.00	

Total cash in: **127.06**

Total Balance: **\$1147.69**

Cash out:		
Rent: 1 st Presbyterian Church:		30.00
TCASC- Phone-line:		50.00
Copies: (Kevin M.)		3.20

Total cash out: **\$ 83.20**

Ending Balance: **\$1064.49**

Announcements:

South Suburban Fireside Area's website is at:

www.ssfa.naminnnesota.org

You can have your group or committee function's & flyers put on this site by attaching them to an e-mail and sending them to: kevinmoy@comcast.net Acceptable formats include, Microsoft word, works, publisher, or excel, Adobe illustrator or acrobat (.pdf files) windows text files (.txt or .rtf) , or Word Perfect (word process only)

Motion to close at 8:37 PM

PIG ROAST 2008 COMMITTEE POSITIONS

CHAIR	Scooter	651-308-0890
CO-CHAIR	Kyle M.	651-263-8223
TREASURER	Laurah S.	612-207-8702
TREAS CO-CHAIR	Dan W.	651-278-8833
SECRETARY	Betsey W.	651-271-5294
PRE-REG CHAIR	Laurah S.	612-207-8702
RADIO CHAIR	Laurah S.	612-207-8702
RADIO CO-CHAIR	Kim T.	952-457-8609
SECURITY	Cory	
SECURITY CO-CHAIR		
SECURITY CO-CHAIR		
MERCH	John P.	952-431-2029
MERCH CO-CHAIR		
COFFEE	Beth C.	651-436-5346
COFFEE CO-CHAIR		
FOOD CHAIR	Thomas	801-227-4489
FOOD CO-CHAIR		
BREAKFAST		
BREAKFAST CO-CHAIR		
ACTIVITIES CHAIR	Monica B.	952-454-0781
ACTIVITIES CO-CHAIR		
KIDS ACTIVITIES CHAIR		
KIDS ACTIVITIES CO-CHAIR		
GATE CHAIR	Leo	
GATE CO-CHAIR	Mary M.	612-849-5241
GATE CO-CHAIR		
CONCESSIONS CHAIR		
CONCESSIONS CO-CHAIR		
OUTREACH CHAIR	Kevin M.	651-263-2508
OUTREACH CO-CHAIR	Jayson G.	612-221-5307
VOLUNTEER CORDNATOR	Laurah S.	612-207-8702
CLEAN UP CHAIR		
HUG UP MEETING CHAIR	Geoff D.	612-309-6304

IF YOU ARE INTRESTED IN ANY OF THE OPEN POSITIONS
PLEASE ATTEND THE NEXT PIG MEETING TO BE VOTED IN 1st
THURS OF THE MONTH AT 6 PM BEFORE AREA MEETING

Minnesota Regional Service Conference of February 2008
South Suburban Fireside RCM report

Chair – John S

- Presided over meeting.

Vice Chair – Amy N.

Treasurer – Jeff S.

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ELECTIONS:

UMSO Reps (4) – Elected One

Nominations/Volunteers: Chris Barrs from Elgin, MN – 507-421-0741

Elected by Acclamation

Literature Chair

Nominations/Volunteers: None

Policy Chair

Nominations/Volunteers: None

MNNAC Regional Rep (1)

Nominations/Volunteers: None

Outreach Chair

Nominations/Volunteers: None

Secretary

Nomination: Monte Jarvis from Minneapolis, MN – 763-439-6043

Elected by Acclamation

Submitted (by RCM)

Area: South Suburban Fireside

PO BOX 565, South Saint Paul, MN 55075-0507

RCM: Scooter S. – 651-308-0890

RCMA: Kevin M – 651-263-2508 kevinmoy@comcast.net

Participants at Area: 12

Financially Stable: Yes

Meetings: 18

Donation: None

Active Subcommittees: All but Policy

Functions: PIG July 18 – 20 in Gaylord



MINNESOTA

Regional Assembly

March 29, 2008

12:00 PM to 6:00 PM

285 N. Dale St., Saint Paul, MN

**Lutheran Church of the Redeemer
(Corner of Dale St. and Iglehart Ave.)**

- ◆ Participate in the World-wide Fellowship
- ◆ Vote on Motions in the Conference Agenda Report
- ◆ Discuss: Our Service System
- ◆ Discuss: Who is Missing from Our Meetings
- ◆ Discuss: How to Build Strong Home Groups

Join the Twin Cities Area's

"Big Thaw" Recovery Celebration

Following the Regional Assembly at the same location.

NA Speaker, Dance, and Food Available for Purchase

FFI regarding the Regional Assembly Contact: JJ at 507.382.2584

GSR's & All NA Members Welcome!

Income and Expenses

8/1/2007 through 2/9/2008

Net worth

As of 2/9/2008

	August	October	December	February	YTD
Income					
Donations					
AOH			300.00		300.00
B2B		325.00	388.98	387.88	1,101.86
CM		510.79			510.79
Group				150.00	150.00
RITH	427.99			1,023.98	1,451.97
SSF		249.61	250.00		499.61
Winona	100.00	100.00	100.00	250.00	550.00
Total Donations	527.99	1,185.40	1,038.98	1,811.86	4,564.23
Interest	8.09	11.04	3.25	1.64	24.02
Total Income	536.08	1,196.44	1,042.23	1,813.50	4,588.25
Expenses					
Executive					
Copies	19.81	19.28			39.09
Rent				360.00	360.00
Web Services				500.00	500.00
Travel		1,000.00	-120.00		880.00
Total Executive	19.81	1,019.28	-120.00	860.00	1,779.09
Phoneline					
Answering Service	103.05	168.60	188.85		460.50
Telephone	168.04	197.11	358.66	309.96	1,033.77
Yellow Pages	45.27	48.27	0.00		93.54
Total Phoneline	316.36	413.98	547.51	309.96	1,587.81
Public Information					
CD Conference		969.30			969.30
Regional Meeting Lists	64.28	166.06	64.29	64.29	358.92
Total Public Information	64.28	1,135.36	64.29	64.29	1,328.22
RD					
CAR			329.00		329.00
Travel		135.70	354.56		490.26
Total RD		135.70	683.56	0.00	819.26
Total Expenses	400.45	2,704.32	1,175.36	1,234.25	5,514.38
Income less Expenses	135.63	-1,507.88	-133.13	579.25	-926.13

Account	Total
Bank and Cash Accounts	
Wells Fargo Checking	2,001.73
Wells Fargo Savings	10,000.03
Total Bank Accounts	12,001.76
Prepaid Expenses	3,037.71
Total Assets	15,039.47