



Area Service Minutes
April 2, 2009

Meeting opened at 7:14 PM by Chris

1 newcomer: Angie

26 members in attendance.

Introductions:

12 Steps read by Will

12 Traditions read by Catie

12 Concepts read by James

Call for quorum: 17 voting members

March minutes accepted. Motion by Mark, 2nd by Catie

Passed 7th Tradition, collected \$18

GSR reports:

Woodbury Freebirds: 6:00 PM Sunday

GSR (Garrett L.): present

Average newcomers: 1

Average Attendance: 12

H&I Activities: announce H&I meeting

ASC Donation:

Step by Step: 7:00 PM Sunday

GSR (Jocelyn): present

Average newcomers: 2

Average Attendance: 20

H&I Activities: announce H&I, activities, & outreach

ASC Donation:

Never Alone: 7:00 PM Sunday

GSR (Lisa.):

Average newcomers: 20

Average Attendance: 5

H&I Activities: announced

Concerns: Need people with clean time to take service positions.

ASC Donation:

Monday Night in the Grove: 7:00 PM Monday

GSR (Kevin S.): not present

Average newcomers:

Average Attendance:

H&I activities:

Concerns:

ASC Donation:

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

GSR (Tim B.): present

Average newcomers: 2

Average Attendance: 15

H&I activities: announce

Concerns:

ASC Donation: \$20.00

Ties That Bind Us: 7:00 PM Monday

GSR (Chad.): present

Average newcomers: 3

Average Attendance: 30

H&I activities: Announced, Members attend commitments

Concerns:

ASC Donation

Tuesday Morning Women's Recovery Group: 10:00 AM

GSR (Pat W.): present

Average newcomers: 5

Average Attendance: 1

H&I Activities:

Pig Fund Raisers: Pass the Pig

Concerns: is Meeting of the MONTH.

Pig Donation:

ASC Donation:

T-N-T; Tuesday Nights Together 7:00 PM Tuesday

GSR (James M.): present

Average newcomers : 2

Average Attendance: 15

H&I Activities: announce activities

Concerns:

ASC Donation: \$25

Addicts In Recovery: 7:00 PM Tuesday

GSR (Catie O.): present

Average newcomers: 4

Attendance: 15

H&I Activities: announce activities

Concerns: Need support, Sponsors needed

ASC Donation:

Never On time: 8:00p Tuesday

To be added to the meeting list

GSR (Mark.): present

Average newcomers: 4

Attendance: 15

H&I Activities:

Concerns:

ASC Donation:

Northfield NA: 7:00 PM Wednesday

GSR (?): not present, no report

Average newcomers:

Average Attendance:

H&I Activities:

Concerns:

ASC Donation:

Midweek NA: 7:00 PM

GSR (Sage): present

Average newcomers:5

Average Attendance: 45

H&I Activities:Announced

Pig Fund Donation:

Concerns: Need more sponsors, clean time

ASC Donation: \$68 PIG: \$230.27

Too Damn Early: 9:00 AM Thursday

GSR (Mark M.) : not present

Average newcomers:

Average Attendance:

H&I Activities:Announced

Concerns:

ASC Donation

Young People in Recovery: 7:00 PM Friday

GSR (?) : not present

Average newcomers: 0

Average Attendance: 6

Concerns:

ASC Donation:

Peace of Mind: 7:30 PM Friday

GSR (Paul B.): present

Average newcomers : 2-4

Average Attendance: 25-30

H&I Activities: announced

Pig Fund Raisers: Pass the piggy, talking about setting up a fund raiser.

Concerns: Female sponsorship

Pig Donation:

ASC Donation:\$10.00

NA Day: 7:30 PM Friday

GSR (Cecilie): not present

Average newcomers: 1-2

Average Attendance: 20-25

H&I Activities: make announcements

Pig Fund Raisers: Chili feed for Pig Fund Raiser successful

Concerns: none

Pig Donation:

ASC Donation: \$5.27

Still Waters Run Deep: 7:00 PM Saturday

GSR: Patty (not present)

Average newcomers: 10

Average Attendance: 30

Concerns: may be closing and reforming in New Richmond

ASC Donation:

Lakeville Basic Text Study: 9:00 PM Saturday

GSR (Lisa F.) : present

Average newcomers: 2

Average Attendance: 20

H&I Activities: Taking mtg. lists to treatment centers.

Concern:

ASC Donation: 5

Your Basic Text Meeting in Hastings: 7:00 PM Saturday

GSR.(Matthew T.): present

Average newcomers: 2

Average Attendance: 15

H&I Activities: announced

Pig Fund Raisers: announced

Concerns: note:

ASC Donation: \$20.00

Clear Eyes: 9:30 AM Saturday

GSR.(Chris C.): present

Average newcomers: 1

Average Attendance: 7

H&I Activities: announced

Concerns:

Pig Donation:

ASC Donation:\$20

Committee Reports: Scheduled meetings are at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Faith Methodist Church, 1530 Oakdale Ave., W. St. Paul, MN
Sub-committee's are merging responsibilities to cover what is needed in our Area.

RCM: (Skip H.): **Come January 1st of 2009** the UMSO **will not** ship orders out. You must go to the UMSO to pick up your orders at the Sabathani Center. It has been suggested that meetings get together and put in an order to save on time and gas. Buying in bulk is not a bad idea. The UMSO did not make this decision lightly. Due to lowering sales they must do this to keep the UMSO **open** to us. Also, as of January 1st we will have a new web master for our Region, Jamie of the Northern Lights Area.

Also the UMSO may not be open on the day you need your literature, if there is no one to staff the office, so you may want to call ahead of time to make sure they are open before you go to pick up your literature. They need volunteers for 2 hour shifts once a month. Please consider this service work. We would like to keep our Service Office open. We also need volunteers for the phone line, so the suffering addict can reach out to us. Again, this is a short shift and greatly needed. Clean time requirements for volunteers 1 year. The UMSO is NOT open on Wednesday's.

Will be looking at the Emergency Room Project and the Library Project. Also, there are other project's that need addressing, in particular the phone line, helpline and MNNAC. We need project leader's, volunteers for projects. We also need Fellowship Service Committee members positions filled. Elections this April.

New Area will be introduced soon. By Northern Lights

Activities) Area Service Learning Day Was very successful. Maybe another one?

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

Concerns: We need addicts able to go into the jails & prisons (2 years off paper & 6 months to share).

4th Monday of the month: Red Wing Juvenile Facility: Buddy K., young people to carry the message.

Brent steps down. (THANK YOU BRENT)

Chris is the new Chair of H&I

Current commitments as follows:

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

3rd Wednesday of the month: Cochran, Hastings 7 PM, Panel Leader: Lee Ann J.

3rd Thursday of the month: Lino Lakes Prison 7PM, Panel Leader: Dan W.

2 person presentation

4th Thursday of the month: Hastings Detox : 7 PM. Panel Leader: Chris C.

2 people share story

Every 3rd Month starting in January, The Haven, Woodbury 6 PM. Panel Leader: Garrett L.

Outreach: (open) Need a new chair and co-chair. Scheduled committee activities are the newsletter and select the meeting of the month.

Put out newsletter, please contact Jocelyn 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 will be: Tuesday Morning Women's Recovery Group: 10:00 AM

PIG: (Kyle M.): We still need volunteers. Meeting 1st Thursday each month before ASC.

We also need all those that have held PIG positions in the past to please write a description of the position held so we can set up bylaws. Thank you.

The PIG committee needs support. The following positions are open:

Co-treasurer

Co-Gate chairs (1)

Food chair

Co- Food chair

Co-Breakfast chair
Co-Merchandise chair
Activities chair
Co-Activities chair (1)
Kids Activities chair
Co-Kids Activities chair
Co-Concessions chair
Co-Outreach chair
Clean-up Chair

Message from the Pig Chair: I want my Pig Committee member's to be more accountable for all money coming in and going out. Charting in progress.

Concerns: below prudent reserve.

Public Relations (open): Chris Has a list of treatments that need meeting lists to be taken to them. Chris gives specific meetings suggestions of what meetings would best be suited by size and locality. Group inventories were passed out to be filled out by each group and turned in as soon as possible

Old business:

Discussed Groups taking meeting lists once every 3 months to facilities in their area. There are groups interested and we need more...**please** ask your groups to volunteer to help the still suffering addict by taking literature to facilities in your area. Packets now available through H&I. List of facilities is being compiled to help with the process.

New business:

Motion \$50 to: the Never On Time: Pass
Motion \$10 for: Outreach Book: Pass
Motion Pig \$107.60: Pass

(Brent) Chris C. as H&I chair: Passes
(Chris) Brent F. as PR Chair: Declined
(Kyle) Bob G. as PIG co-chair: Passes

New meeting will be added to meeting list.

Never On Time 8:00p / Tuesday
526 Marshall Rd.
New Richmond, WI

Skip tells of an e-mail from Kit about Chaska recovery event (Recovery in the Park) for students.

Brent suggests against it, being we have no PR chair.
Skip will forward the e-mail from Brent to RITH.

Katie tells of Police Stations that want meeting lists.
Brent suggests meetings to go ahead and bring them.

Kyle asks if a specific person may hold two Pig positions.
 Group seems most comfortable with holding off on this.
 (Steve) Motion: To table this discussion of multiple Pig commitments: pass

Other Business:

Function's and Fundraisers! Recovery can be **FUN!** Let's have some fellowship! Talk to other groups and combine activities possibly with Speakers.

Presently our web address is: www.ssfa.namminnesota.org

Treasurer's Report

BEGINNING BALANCE			\$1142.82
Cash in (+)	ASC	PIG	
7 th Tradition	\$ 18.00	\$ 0	
Peace of Mind	\$ 20.00	\$ 0	
Round Robin	\$ 20.00	\$ 0	
T.N.T.	\$ 25.00	\$ 0	
Freebirds	\$ 20.00	\$ 0	
Area Learning Day (refund)	\$ 33.00	\$ 0	
NA Day	\$ 25.57	\$ 0	
Lakeville Basic Text	\$ 5.00	\$ 0	
Midweek NA	\$ 48.00	\$230.27	
Clear Eyes	\$ 20.00	\$ 0	
Hastings Basic Text	\$ 20.00	\$ 0	
TOTAL DONATIONS:	\$244.90	\$230.27	\$ 475.17

Cash out (-)			
Rent - First Presbyterian	\$ 30.00		
TCASC - Phone line	\$ 50.00		
SSFA Pig Committee	\$475.17		
Never On Time (new group)	\$ 50.00		
Area Learning Day (copies)	\$ 16.12		
Copies	\$ 16.02		
Meeting List (copies)	\$ 9.61		
Post Office Box	\$108.00		
CASH OUT TOTAL:	\$608.01		\$ 608.01
ENDING BALANCE:			\$1010.00

Announcements:

South Suburban Fireside Area's website is at: www.ssfa.namminnesota.org

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Motion to close by Steve, 2nd by Will