



Area Service Committee Meeting Minutes October 4, 2012

Meeting opened at 7:04 PM by Area Chair, Garrett.

Introductions: 21 members in attendance, with no newcomers.

Readings: 12 Steps read by Erica; 12 Traditions read by Mary; 12 Concepts read by James.

Call for quorum: 8 voting members present (minimum for quorum is 7). With 8 voting members present, motions at this meeting require 6 votes in support to pass.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mike to approve the September 2012 ASC minutes; seconded by Shane. Vote: Support – 7; Opposed – 0; Abstentions – 1; motion carried.

7th Tradition: collected: (see Treasurer's Report)

Subcommittee Reports

Meetings for the Activities, Hospitals & Institutions, Outreach, and Public Relations Subcommittees are held at 7:00pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Faith Methodist Church, 1530 Oakdale Ave., West St. Paul, MN.

Vice-Chair: (Erica)

- At the subcommittee meeting last month we've decided to put together a learning day on January 12th from 11am - 5pm at First Presbyterian in South Saint Paul. Aiming it around responsibilities of PR to get people interested in the position. We are hoping to get speakers from surrounding areas.

Region: (RCM: Catie)

- Regional Minutes will be sent with Area Minutes
- We had discussion at open forum about struggling with an activities committee chair spending money. They needed help on achieving a better understanding of handling money.
- The percentage of missed calls went up to 20% for the helpline. How can we help lower that number, maybe get more volunteers. There is a helpline orientation conference call coming up soon.
- Region wants to set up NA service lab - having other service bodies have core competency for other regions reach out to the MN region to find help and advice, walk them through projects, and other various topics.
- Still need more volunteers for Bridging the Gap, temporary contacts to meet new members at meetings.
- Region chair report needs: They want to create and upload email, respond to meeting list requests, someone to schedule helpline volunteers, someone to respond to questions, update meeting lists, someone to email meetings lists to subscribers.
- Communication is the #1 challenge, the 8th concept, and we a straight line of communication and we need more members to step up and communicate to the groups and back. There is a lot of things we

need to look at as an Area to better serve the region. What are some ideas on how we can better communicate to them, opinions and support would be greatly appreciated. They want to change the line of communication so we can bring more stuff back to them. MNRSC project ideas are talking about long term trustworthy ideas. They would develop a brief summary....

- Sunday November 11th will be a Helpline conference call/webinar from 6 - 7:30...
- MNNAC passed on money to the Region, they made a total of around \$20k
- UMSO is stating their credit remaining at the WSO is down to \$5200. They are putting together another order and will be able to pay it off in time.
- \$7182.11 in the Regions balance, before the MNNAC donation.

Activities: (Chair: Rick)

- We have flyers to take back to your meetings - MNNAC Fundraiser will be a Taco Feed on Nov 10th from 11am - 6pm, from 2-5 we will have speakers, one of them will be from Duluth, we need donations for raffle items - NA or not. Would like to be reimbursed \$32.14 for flyers.

Public Relations: (Chair: Open)

- January 12th Public Relations Learning Day from 11am - 5pm at the First Presbyterian Church located at 535 20th Avenue North, South Saint Paul

Hospitals & Institutions: (Chair: Brian F)

- PI Learning Day on January 12th
- Commitments flyers were passed out, please bring them to your meetings
- Current H&I commitments:

Every Saturday: Dakota Co. Jail 1:00pm (Need pre-approval to participate, call contact for info.) Contact: James M. 612-716-4449
1st Monday of every month: Haven Treatment (Shakopee) 10:00am Contact: Brian F. 612-209-6358
1st Thursday of every month: Cochran Recovery Program (Hastings) 7:00pm Contact: Matt 651-304-0304
4th Monday of every month: Haven Treatment (Shakopee) 6:00pm Contact: Lisa F. 952-451-1161
4th Thursday of every month: Dakota County Detox. 7:00pm Contact: Beth 612-807-8637
Last Wednesday of every even month: Journey Treatment (Farmington), 7:00pm Contact: Todd V. 651-285-1789
Every 3 months: Haven Treatment (Woodbury) – adult program (Please call contact for exact date and time) Contact: Garrett L. 763-360-8151

Outreach: (Chair: Todd V.)

- Meeting of the Month: Sunday November 18th in Lakeville, Never Alone at 7:00
- Meetings that need support are Friday KIS, Monday Night in the Grove, Never Alone on Sundays
- Thanks to everyone who showed up at the Monday Night in the Grove meeting - good turnout.

PIG: (Chair: Brad)

- \$2696.78 current balance.
- We are going to add a fundraiser on Feb 9th - tentively a spaghetti dinner in either Hastings, Apple Valley or West Saint Paul, more information will be coming
- Bylaw changes will be submitted next month
- Nick P. was voted in as PIG Co-Chair

PIG MONTHLY TREASURY REPORT				
Date:	10/06/12	Merchandies Income:	\$	50.00
Treasurer:	Melissa C.	Income:	\$	-
Old Balance:	\$ 2,646.78	Income:	\$	-
Plus Total Income:	\$ 50.00	Income:	\$	-
Subtotal:	\$ 2,696.78	Equals Total Income:	\$	50.00
Minus Total Expenses:	\$ -	Expense:	\$	-
Equals New Balance:	\$ 2,696.78	Expense:	\$	-
		Expense:	\$	-
		Expense:		
		Equals Total Expenses:	\$	-
Notes: Merchandise Income from 2012 PIG Event				

Literature (Chair: Heather J.)

- This is her last official day as Chair. Thank you for putting up with her emotions.
- Melissa needs to have the UMSO add Mike S name as an authorized purchaser for the SSFA credit line.

Group Concerns & Announcements

[Note: written GSR reports are now at the end of the ASC minutes.]

1. Never Alone (Sunday) - attendance unusually low.
2. Monday Night in the Grove - attendance unusually low
3. Addicts in Recovery (Tuesday) - need a GSR & a treasurer
4. TNT:Tuesday Nights Together - need a GSR
5. Midweek NA (Wednesday) - need a GSR
6. Keep It Simple (Friday) - need a GSR

Open Forum

1. Rick was questioned about our area possibly hosting a comedy jam. It was a big success and it was fun, not kid friendly. Melissa was curious how much it would cost and Rick didn't ask questions from the inquirer because he wanted to get a feel from us first. It was suggested we do the haunted hay ride again. Rick also taked with Tim about how many tacos he went through last time (180) - Rick is going to try and pull off hard & soft shell tacos this year. James and Rick are working the numbers, around 350. Erica asked what the \$5 donation was for since we are already charging for tacos. They are planning on sending the door donations to the MNNAC committee.
2. Garrett stated that we are due to do an area inventory per the bylaws by next springs bylaws revision. Melissa wanted to know what the inventory consists of - ask the groups the following questions... how well is the area serving the groups, how can the area better serve the groups. In the past we've had a committee put together the questions and submit them to the groups. This doesn't have to be a huge deal, just something we should do. Brad said the TC ASC sent out a basic questionnaire to the groups with three questions. Shane asked if we should bring these two questions to our groups and then come back with some feedback and go from there.

3. Melissa shared that the UMSO will be moving at the end of this month. They will be closed for business on the Monday and Thursday of that week, open again on that Saturday.
4. Melissa stated that the helpline does need to have more follow up with their existing volunteers. Catie stated that they are considering having a lunch for the existing volunteers to get suggestions.

Elections

- Literature Chair - Erica nominated Mike S., Shane seconded the nomination.
Vote: Support – 9; Opposed – 0; Abstentions – 0; Nomination passes.
- PR Chair - Mike nominated Nick P, tabled for now.
- PIG Co-Chair – Brad nominated Nick P., Shane seconded the nomination.
Vote: Support – 8; Opposed – 1; Abstentions – 0; Nomination passes.

Open Positions: RCMA, Co-Secretary, H&I Subcommittee Co-Chair, Public Relations Subcommittee Chair, Public Relations Subcommittee Co-Chair, Outreach Co-Chair, Literature Co-Chair

Old Business

1. No Old Business

New Business

1. Motion by James to give him \$20 for a literature rack for the Dakota Co. Jail, Betsy seconded. Vote: Support - 9; Opposed - 0; Abstentions - 0. Motion passed.
2. Noted for next time - subcommittees do not need to submit motions to get part of their monthly allowance.

Motion to adjourn made by Todd, seconded by Shane. Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm.

Treasurer's Report

10/04/2012

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$2436.71	
Cash in (+)	ASC	OTHER
7th Tradition	\$8.00	\$ 0
Literature Sales (UMSO)	\$333.81	\$ 0
Sat. Night Basic Text	\$38.00	\$ 0
Step By Step	\$53.00	\$ 0
TOTAL DONATIONS:	\$432.81	\$ 0

Cash out (-)	
Rent – 1 st Presbyterian Ch.	-\$30.00
UMSO - literature	-\$188.17
Copies (Garrett)	-\$8.76
Activities (Rick)	-\$32.15
H&I (James)	-\$28.75
CASH OUT TOTAL:	-\$287.83

ENDING BALANCE:	\$2581.69
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GSR Reports

Woodbury Freebirds	6:00pm Sunday	Stable
GSR	: Betsy B. PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	: 15 – 20	
Avg. Newcomers	: 2	
H&I Activities	: announced	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	: announced	
Other	:	

Step by Step	7:00pm Sunday	Stable
GSR	: Kris B. PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	: 20 – 25	
Avg. Newcomers	: 1 – 2	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

Never Alone	7:00pm Sunday	Stable
GSR	: Nick P. PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	: 8	
Avg. Newcomers	: 2	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	: meeting attendance unusually low	

Monday Night in The Grove	7:00pm Monday	Stable
GSR	: Joe C. PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	: 5	
Avg. Newcomers	: 0	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	: low attendance	

Monday Night Round Robin	7:00pm Monday	Stable
GSR	: NOT PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	:	
Avg. Newcomers	:	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

<i>Ties That Bind Us</i>		<i>7:00pm Monday</i>	<i>Stable</i>
GSR	:	Candis	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	30	
Avg. Newcomers	:	2	
H&I Activities	:	announced	
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:	announced	
Other	:		

<i>Tues. Morning Women's Rec.</i>		<i>10:00am Tuesday</i>	<i>Stable</i>
GSR	:	NOT PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	:		
Avg. Newcomers	:		
H&I Activities	:		
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:		
Other	:		

<i>TNT: Tues. Nights Together</i>		<i>7:00pm Tuesday</i>	<i>Stable</i>
GSR	:	NOT PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	:		
Avg. Newcomers	:		
H&I Activities	:		
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:		
Other	:		

<i>Addicts in Recovery</i>		<i>7:00pm Tuesday</i>	<i>Stable</i>
GSR	:	Mike S.	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	12	
Avg. Newcomers	:	2	
H&I Activities	:		
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:		
Other	:	need GSR & treasurer needed	

<i>Midweek NA</i>		<i>7:00pm Wednesday</i>	<i>Stable</i>
GSR	:	NOT PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	:		
Avg. Newcomers	:		
H&I Activities	:		
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:		
Other	:		

Gaylord Serenity Seekers	7:00pm Thursday	Stable
GSR	:	NOT PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	
Avg. Newcomers	:	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

Hudson Hillside N.A.	7:00pm Friday	Stable
GSR	:	NOT PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	
Avg. Newcomers	:	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

Peace of Mind	7:30pm Friday	Stable
GSR	:	NOT PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	
Avg. Newcomers	:	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

NA Day	7:30pm Friday	Stable
GSR	:	Ecik J. PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	15 – 20
Avg. Newcomers	:	2
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	\$53.00
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

Keep It Simple	9:00pm Friday	Stable
GSR	:	NOT PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	
Avg. Newcomers	:	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

NA 101		7:00pm Saturday	Stable
GSR	:	Shane K.	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	10 – 20	
Avg. Newcomers	:	1 – 4	
H&I Activities	:	announced	
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:	announced	
Other	:		

Lakeville Basic Text Study		9:00pm Saturday	Stable
GSR	:	Beth N.	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	20 – 25	
Avg. Newcomers	:	1 – 5	
H&I Activities	:	announced	
ASC Donation	:	\$38.00	
Scheduled Activities	:	announced	
Other	:		