



Area Service Committee Meeting Minutes August 1, 2013

Meeting opened at 7:04 PM by Area Chair, Erica

Introductions: 19 members in attendance, with no newcomers.

Readings: 12 Steps read by Heather; 12 Traditions read by Garrett L.; 12 Concepts read by Josh.

Call for quorum: 13 voting members present (minimum for quorum is 7). With 13 voting members present, motions at this meeting require 9 votes in support to pass.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mike to approve the July 2013 ASC minutes; seconded by Kris. Vote: Support – 13, Opposed – 0, Abstentions – 0, motion passed.

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: (Open)

Region: (RCM: John S.: reported)

- Helpline Orientation: 8/15/13 at 7:30pm; call 213-416-1560, code = 011527432#; optional webinar at <http://www.anymeeting.com/MNRSC1>
- MARRCH needs a Project Manager; this is a conference for professionals working in addiction treatment - will be held at Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul Oct. 29-31, 2013. If interested, visit <http://naminnesota.org/helpwanted>
- Other regional service opportunities: Phoneline, Behind the Walls, Bridging the Gap, MNNAC Board member, 2 Fellowship Service Team positions (use above web link).
- Region is offering the ability to submit ASC service reports through the region website.
- Tech Workshop: August 10, 2013 at approx. 3:15pm (following RSC meeting).
- New versions of Public Service Announcement are available.
- Concerns/Needs:
 - Need an RCM-A for the August 10 RSC meeting.
 - New motions (see New Business):
 - Region wants to know if we support participation in a proposed Multi-Zonal Service Symposium.
 - TCA would like support from Region to donate 50 Basic Texts to the Hennepin County Jail; cost would be approx. \$600.

Activities: (Chair: Rick: reported)

- Tubing event went well.
- Sept. 2 (Labor Day): NA BBQ & Kickball (flyers distributed).
- Concerns/Needs:
 - \$100 for BBQ/Kickball event supplies (see New Business).

Public Relations: (Chair: Open)

Hospitals & Institutions: (Chair: Brian F)

- Upcoming commitment at Haven – Woodbury adult program on a Monday this month (either 8/12 or 8/26) at 6pm; contact Brian if interested in participating. They are looking for us to come every 4 to 6 weeks. [Secretary's note: announced at Sept. ASC mtg that this is now every other month, see below.]
- **Current H&I commitments:**

Every Saturday: Dakota Co. Jail 1:00pm (Need pre-approval to participate, call contact for info.) Contact: Mike S. 612-860-0274
1 st Monday of every month: Haven Treatment (Shakopee) 10:00am Contact: Lisa F. 952-451-1161
2 nd Monday - even numbered months: Haven Treatment (Woodbury) – adult pgm. Contact: Brian F. 612-209-6358
3 rd Thursday of every month: Cochran Recovery Program (Hastings) 7:00pm Contact: Matt 651-304-0304
4 th Monday of every month: Haven Treatment (Shakopee) 6:00pm Contact: Brian F. 612-209-6358
4 th Thursday of every month: Dakota County Detox. 7:00pm Contact: Beth 612-807-8637
Last Monday of every month: Journey Treatment (Farmington), 7:00pm Contact: Todd V. 651-285-1789

Outreach: (Chair: Todd V.)

- Meeting of the Month: Keep It Simple, Friday, Aug. 16 @ 9pm, Old Langdon Schoolhouse in Cottage Grove. GSRs, please announce at your meetings.

PIG: (Chair: Brad S.)

- Final balance for PIG 29 was \$2826.50; PIG made a donation of \$326.50 to SSFA – the first time in 7 years that PIG has given a donation back to the area!
- PIG 30 starts with \$2500 seed money from PIG 29, plus a \$100 donation, for a total starting balance of \$2600.00.
- Concerns/Needs:
 - Need new people to help with setting up the committee for PIG 30! Many of the “old timers” are stepping down due to bylaws limits or need for “something different”.

Literature (Chair: Mike S.)

- Please text your orders to Mike prior to the last Saturday of the month (if possible).

Ad-Hoc – Area Inventory

- See Old Business.

Group Concerns & Announcements

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

1. Monday Night Round Robin – group has had very low attendance and is in danger of closing. **Please support!**
2. Friday Night Freedom is staying open, but also needs support/attendance.

Open Forum

1. Mary M.: Peace of Mind is holding their fall “Adopt a Highway” roadside cleanup on Saturday, Sept. 14 at 9am; call Mary for details.

Elections

Open Positions: Area Vice Chair, RCMA, Co-Secretary, H&I Subcommittee Co-Chair, Public Relations Subcommittee Chair, Public Relations Subcommittee Co-Chair, Literature Co-Chair, Outreach Co-Chair, Co-Treasurer, PIG subcommittee positions.

Brad S. nominated Nick P. as chair for PIG 30; seconded by Josh. Nick stated that he has over 4 years clean and is willing to take on the position. Vote: Support – 12, opposed – 0, abstentions – 1, passed.

Brad S. nominated Mike S. as PIG treasurer for PIG 30; seconded by Richard. Mike stated that he has 9 years clean, has been group treasurer multiple times, and is willing to take on the position. Vote: Support – 12, Opposed – 0, Abstentions – 0, passed.

Old Business

1. Brad brought the Area Inventory sheets filled out by the groups last fall. Josh volunteered to compile them and bring the results back for the September ASC meeting.

New Business

1. Activities – Tubing Shortage: Mary M. made a motion to reimburse Activities Chair (Rick) for the excess he spent last month over the \$30 given by ASC last month. The extra amount spent was \$33.63. Motion seconded by Kris B. Vote: Support – 11, Opposed – 0, Abstentions – 1. Passed.
2. Activities – Area of Hope participation game show event. Rick made a motion to allow Area of Hope to be a co-sponsor of our planned Game Show; this motion was made at AOH’s request. There was no

second to this motion. Kris B. stated that AOH should have come to our meeting if they wanted to co-sponsor the event. Motion failed.

3. Activities – BBQ/Kickball event: Motion by Rick for \$100 to purchase supplies for the Labor Day BBQ & Kickball event (hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, water, charcoal & lighter fluid). Intent: Attract newcomers to the NA program. Motion seconded by Garrett L. Vote: Support – 12, Opposed – 0, Abstentions – 0. Passed.
4. MNNAC Ad-Hoc Committee: Brad S. made a motion to establish a committee to look into SSFA to submit a bid to sponsor MNNAC in 2016. Motion seconded by Chrissy E.
Discussion: Brad is willing to head up the ad-hoc committee. SSFA has never sponsored MNNAC. Chrissy volunteered that she has a lot of years experience working on MNNAC. Kris B. expressed a concern that there isn't an appropriate venue with the SSFA area; Brad stated that he has checked into this and it isn't a concern, we don't have to hold it with the actual geographic area of SSFA.
Vote: Support – 9, Opposed – 0, Abstentions – 3. Passed.
5. Region – Multi-Zonal Service Symposium: John S. made a motion for SSFA to indicate willingness for MNRSC to explore planning for participating in the proposed Multi-Zonal Service Symposium in Sept. or Oct. of 2014. The financial impact at this time is less than \$100. Motion seconded by Garrett L.
Vote: Support – 10, Opposed – 0, Abstentions – 2. Passed.
6. Region – \$600 donation to TCA: John S. made a motion for SSFA to support RSC donating 50 Basic Texts to the Twin Cities Area to use for donation to the Hennepin Co. Dept. of Corrections. The financial impact is approx. \$600. Motion seconded by Garrett L.
Discussion: Nick stated he thinks it's a good idea for RSC to pay for the books. Mary asked what we do; Brian stated that SSFA has donated Basic Texts to jails. Kris said "Let's do it!"
Vote: Support – 12, Opposed – 0, Abstentions – 0. Passed.

Motion to adjourn made by Brad, seconded by Shane. Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Treasurer's Report

8/01/13

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$952.02	
Cash in (+)	ASC	OTHER
7th Tradition	\$12.00	\$ 0
Literature Sales (UMSO)	\$332.87	\$ 0
Peace of Mind	\$20.00	\$ 0
NA 101	\$26.30	\$ 0
Addicts in Recovery	\$15.67	\$ 0
Ties That Bind Us	\$23.10	\$ 0
TNT	\$25.13	\$ 0
SSFA PIG Committee	\$326.50	\$ 0
TOTAL DONATIONS:	\$781.57	\$ 0

Cash out (-)	
Rent – 1 st Presbyterian Church	-\$30.00
UMSO - literature	-\$458.85
Activities:	-\$183.63
Copies (Garrett, May-Aug)	-\$33.45
CASH OUT TOTAL:	-\$705.93

ENDING BALANCE:	\$1027.66
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GSR Reports

Woodbury Freebirds	6:00pm Sunday	Stable
GSR	: Richard M. PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	: 25	
Avg. Newcomers	: 7-10	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	: All is good	

Step by Step	7:00pm Sunday	Stable
GSR	: Kris B. PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	: 10-15	
Avg. Newcomers	: 2	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

Never Alone	7:00pm Sunday	Stable
GSR	: NOT PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	:	
Avg. Newcomers	:	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

Monday Night In The Grove	7:00pm Monday	Unstable
GSR	: Eric S. PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	: 8	
Avg. Newcomers	: 1	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

Ties That Bind Us	7:00pm Monday	Stable
GSR	: Shane K. PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	: 20-30	
Avg. Newcomers	: 1-4	
H&I Activities	: announced	
ASC Donation	: \$23.10	
Scheduled Activities	: announced	
Other	:	

Monday Night Round Robin		7:00pm Monday	Unstable
GSR	:	Tim B.	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	2	
Avg. Newcomers	:	0	
H&I Activities	:	none	
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:	none	
Other	:	Meeting needs support or it will close!	

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

Addicts in Recovery		7:00pm Tuesday	Stable
GSR	:	Brad (alt)	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	10	
Avg. Newcomers	:	1	
H&I Activities	:	announced	
ASC Donation	:	\$15.67	
Scheduled Activities	:		
Other	:		

TNT: Tues. Nights Together		7:00pm Tuesday	Stable
GSR	:	Steve P.	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	18	
Avg. Newcomers	:	2	
H&I Activities	:	announced	
ASC Donation	:	\$25.13	
Scheduled Activities	:		
Other	:		

NA Door To Freedom		7:00pm Tuesday	Stable
GSR	:	Josh M.	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	10	
Avg. Newcomers	:	2	
H&I Activities	:		
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:	8/2/13: Camping; 8/3/13 BBQ Both at Twin Lakes in Montgomery	
Other	:	No concerns.	

Midweek NA		7:00pm Wednesday	Unstable
GSR	:	NOT PRESENT	
Avg. Attendance	:		
Avg. Newcomers	:		
H&I Activities	:		
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:		
Other	:		

Rock Solid NA		8:00pm Wednesday	Stable
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	:		

Friday Night Freedom		7:00pm Friday	Unstable
GSR	:	Heather	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	4	
Avg. Newcomers	:	1	
H&I Activities	:		
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:		
Other	:	We saw a couple of newcomers this month but still need regular attendees; holding out on closing.	

Peace of Mind		7:30pm Friday	Stable
GSR	:	Mary M.	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	28	
Avg. Newcomers	:	3	
H&I Activities	:	announced	
ASC Donation	:	\$20.00	
Scheduled Activities	:	9/14 Roadside Cleanup	
Other	:	Piggy Passing	

NA Day	7:30pm Friday	Stable
GSR	:	Chrissy E. (alt) PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	30-35
Avg. Newcomers	:	15
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	Chili Feed in March 2014
Other	:	Donating literature to Cochran House, as they don't have any NA literature.

Keep It Simple	9:00pm Friday	Unstable
GSR	:	Garrett L. (alt) PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	5
Avg. Newcomers	:	0-1
H&I Activities	:	announced
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	More addicts always welcome!

NA 101	7:00pm Saturday	Stable
GSR	:	NOT PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	
Avg. Newcomers	:	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

Lakeville Basic Text Study	9:00pm Saturday	Stable
GSR	:	John M. PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	20
Avg. Newcomers	:	1
H&I Activities	:	Shakopee Haven 1 st Monday; Dakota Co. Jail every Sat.
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	