



Area Service Committee Meeting Minutes March 5, 2015

Meeting opened at 7:02 PM by Area Chair Chrissy E.

Introductions: 26 members in attendance, with 1 newcomer.

7th Tradition: Collected (see Treasurer's Report).

Readings: 12 Steps read by Todd V.; 12 Traditions read by Mike S.; 12 Concepts read by Brandon H.

Call for quorum: 12 voting members present (minimum for quorum is 7). With 12 voting members present, motions require 8 votes to pass.

Approval of Minutes: Tim N. moved to approve the minutes of the February ASC meeting; seconded by Todd V. Vote: Support – 10, Opposed – 0, Abstentions – 2, passed.

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: (Angie M – present)

The February subcommittee meeting went well.

Region: (RCM: Nick P. – present)

Nick attended Creating Our Common Welfare, lots of new ideas presented there.

Activities: (Chair Alya. reported)

- Saturday March 14th is the NA Family Game Show and Game Night: This is a MNNAC Awareness event. Starts at 5pm, and dinner will be served.
- Looking to have an Easter Egg Hunt in April; possibly in Apple Valley; more details coming. Possible activities include: egg hunt, giant bubbles, sidewalk chalk, etc. Need location, date, and time.

Public Relations: (Chair Brandon H – reported)

- Committee is active, not much new this month.
- **Concerns/Needs:** Could use a co-chair!

Web: (Webmaster John S. – reported)

- Need pdf for the NA Game Show event please.
- GSR's please visit the interactive meeting map at naminnesota.org to verify it properly shows where your meeting is at.
- Is anybody able to convert the current LibreOffice Draw version of the SSFA Meeting list backside into a Word Doc?
- Direct any SSFA web questions or changes to info.ssf@naminnesota.org.

Hospitals & Institutions: (Chair Brian F. – present)

- Need more support – come to the subcommittee meeting!
- **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: Raven A. 612-607-3416
3rd Thursday of every month: Cochran Recovery Program (Hastings) 7:00pm Contact: Nate 507-276-3788
4th Thursday of every month: Dakota County Detox. 7:00pm Contact: Steve P. 651-493-3537

Outreach: (Chair: Steve P. reported)

- Meeting of the Month for April: Step by Step on Sunday, April 19.
- Question from Kristi: Do we have any information about Rock Solid NA and NA Door to Freedom? A: Rock Solid is up but has had some turmoil; NA Door to Freedom is working with a different area.

PIG: (Chair: Nick P. not present; Co-Chair Brian F. reported)

- Shirts bought for PIG (major expense this month).
- Pre-registration is \$5 off at the Chili Feed – PIG shirts will also be available at a discount!

PIG MONTHLY TREASURY REPORT			
Date:	03/05/15	Group Donation	\$ 43.33
Treasurer	Mike S.	Group Donations:	\$ -
Starting Balance	\$ 1,991.32	Pre Registration Income:	\$ -
Plus Total Income:	\$ 43.33	Other Income:	\$ -
Subtotal:	\$ 2,034.65	Equals Total Income:	\$ 43.33
Minus Total Expenses:	\$ 1,652.50	T-Shirts @ ColdSide	\$ 1,652.50
Equals New Balance:	\$ 382.15	Expense:	\$ -
		Expense:	\$ -
		Expense:	\$ -
		Equals Total Expenses:	\$ 1,652.50

Literature (Chair: Liz C. reported)

- Made a payment to UMSO for \$19.20; purchased \$408.47 in literature/supplies from UMSO.
- IP#29 has been published – An Introduction to N.A. Meetings; cost is \$0.30 each.

Group Concerns & Announcements

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

- 1) Woodbury Freebirds – Group is doing a little better. Group is Meeting of the Month in March; please come

support us.

- 2) Never Alone - Need more people with clean time.
- 3) Monday Night Round Robin – Discussed closing the meeting at their last business meeting. Group is hanging on by a thread (attendance-wise, only having 3-4 in attendance). Please come support the meeting.
- 4) Addicts in Recovery – Needs more sponsors (male & female).
- 5) Midweek NA – Group could use more support.
- 6) Peace of Mind – Could use sponsors.

Open Forum

- 1) Chrissy – Would be having an egg hunt be considered religious, not spiritual? Jimmy – it's anything but. Alya – the roots of the practice are around the celebration of spring & fertility; also would like to have other springtime activities – we can present it as such. It will not be on Easter Sunday. Chrissy – also need to be mindful of other activities in April and expenses. Alya would like to host it by/with a meeting to cut down on rental; will keep the cost as low as possible. Steve – if it's an egg hunt, might be best not to have it at a church to avoid a religious attachment. Chrissy suggested "Spring into Recovery" as a name. John S. – please consider planning events a while in advance so we have a calendar 3-6 months out that people can look at; also have budgeting in place for the events so we know what we can expect. Alya will work with committee on maybe moving the event to May.
- 2) Melissa – A suggestion from a GSR to have a form for GSRs to have for making notes while at the ASC meeting – having the format laid out and having a guide for new GSRs so they understand what is happening. She will put one together.
- 3) John S. – We have several people holding multiple positions at the area level; we may need to consider spreading these out. Steve reminded everyone that the Outreach Chair position is available (his term is up).

Elections

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

Old Business

- 1) Support 5 Area Olympics Motion made by Brandon H, Seconded by Melissa E

Intent: To better serve the addicts attending the meeting.

Financial impact: \$500

Motion tabled in February for GSRs to take back to groups.

Discussion: Tim: It was presented as a one-day event; but it needs help from others. Chrissy said it would be more than that for the liasons. John S. – the \$500 is a suggestion, but the committee would accept anything from an area; the amount returned would be proportional. Danielle – Friday night meeting suggested donating \$100/month for 5 months instead of \$100 at once. Tim S.: How are they looking to get money back? Chrissy – it isn't meant to be a money-making event; they would be charging money for food & beverages, and any left would be distributed proportionally back to the areas. John S. – another major consideration is that it is meant to attract newcomers; all of the halfway houses & treatment centers would be invited – that would be part of the "investment". Tim S. – another concern is that this is a public venue, and some addicts still have behavior issues; a concern is that as we are interacting with the public, not all people would be on their best behavior. Chrissy said that there is consideration for this with "serenity keepers". David H. – group is in favor of the event, but concerned about the money investment. Brandon H. presented an amendment that the financial impact be spread over 5 months at \$100/month. Chrissy asked if those who expressed willingness to be a liason to the event committee; all 3 were. Vote: Support - 10, Opposed - 2, Abstentions - 0, motion passed.

- 2) Motion by John S, Seconded by David H. To change subcommittee meeting to conference call

Intent: To bring the area together.

Financial impact: \$ minimal if any

Discussion: Todd: Many groups have business meetings within a week of the ASC meeting; would that be enough time? What about groups without the ability to submit them online?

Angie: The subcommittee discussed the idea; the proposal would make the subcommittee very impersonal, which could very much discourage newcomers. Steve – Also discussions of anonymity concerns about who might be listening at any participant's house, and that not everyone would necessarily be paying full attention. Lizzie: Ties That Bind Us had similar concerns. John S. – This is how region holds meetings; all of these are concerns there, but it has worked well. Melissa W. – When we come to an area meeting, we're all close enough that it is not a hardship to travel – which is a different thing than region. The convenience of online submission is great, but there shouldn't be pressure to do so. Alya – some of us are forgetful, it's a great thing to be able to submit them at the meeting.

Vote: Support - 0, Opposed - 8, Abstentions - 3, motion not passed.

New Business

None.

Motion to close made by Todd V, seconded by Steve; meeting closed with the Gratitude Statement at 8:15pm.

Treasurer's Report

3/5/15

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$1275.05	
Cash in (+)	ASC	OTHER
7th Tradition	\$7.75	\$ 0
Literature Sales	\$241.50	\$ 0
Addicts in Recovery	\$5.87	\$ 0
Ties That Bind Us	\$27.97	\$ 0
Step By Step	\$51.67	\$ 0
Round Robin	\$20.00	\$ 0
TNT	\$39.00	\$ 0
Peace Of Mind	\$20.00	\$ 0
Apple Valley Basic Text Study	\$36.40	\$ 0
TOTAL DONATIONS:	\$450.16	\$ 0

Cash out (-)	
Rent – 1 st Presbyterian Ch.	-\$30.00
Literature Payment (UMSO)	-\$408.47
Activities	-\$5.18
Copies & postage (Garrett)	-\$31.71
CASH OUT TOTAL:	-\$475.36

ENDING BALANCE:	\$1249.85
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GSR Reports

Woodbury Freebirds	6:00pm Sunday	Stable
GSR	:	Garrett L _(act) PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	8
Avg. Newcomers	:	1-2
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	MOM Sunday 3/15 @ 6pm
Other	:	

Step by Step	7:00pm Sunday	Stable
GSR	:	Brian F PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	15
Avg. Newcomers	:	2
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	\$51.67
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

Never Alone	7:00pm Sunday	Unstable
GSR	:	Alya PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	12-15
Avg. Newcomers	:	1-2
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

Ties That Bind Us	7:00pm Monday	Stable
GSR	:	Lizzy K. PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	35-50
Avg. Newcomers	:	5
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	\$27.97
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

Monday Night Round Robin	7:00pm Monday	Stable
GSR	:	Jimmy N. PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	6
Avg. Newcomers	:	1
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	\$20.00
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

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	:	David H. PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	19-20
Avg. Newcomers	:	2-3
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	\$5.87
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

TNT: Tues. Nights Together	7:00pm Tuesday	Stable
GSR	:	Beth N. PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	25-30
Avg. Newcomers	:	1-5
H&I Activities	:	Announced
ASC Donation	:	\$39.00
Scheduled Activities	:	Announced
Other	:	

NA Door To Freedom	7:00pm Tuesday	Stable
GSR	:	NOT PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	
Avg. Newcomers	:	
H&I Activities	:	
ASC Donation	:	
Scheduled Activities	:	
Other	:	

Midweek NA	7:00pm Wednesday	Stable
GSR	:	Melissa E. PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	3-5
Avg. Newcomers	:	0-1
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	:		

No Name NA		7:00pm Thursday	Stable
GSR	:	Albert S.	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	13	
Avg. Newcomers	:	2	
H&I Activities	:		
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:		
Other	:		

Peace of Mind		7:30pm Friday	Stable
GSR	:	Tim N.	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	10-12	
Avg. Newcomers	:	1-2	
H&I Activities	:		
ASC Donation	:	\$20.00	
Scheduled Activities	:		
Other	:		

NA Day		7:30pm Friday	Stable
GSR	:	Danielle W.	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	20-25	
Avg. Newcomers	:	5	
H&I Activities	:		
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:	3/7/15 Chili Feed	
Other	:	Group suggests SSFA support 5 area Olympics @\$100/month for 5 months	

From Darkness Into Light NA		6:30pm Saturday	Stable
GSR	:	Todd V.	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	10-12	
Avg. Newcomers	:	1-2	
H&I Activities	:	Announced	
ASC Donation	:		
Scheduled Activities	:	Announced	
Other	:	More support with attendance	

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

Apple Valley Basic Text Study 9:00pm Saturday			Stable
GSR	:	Steve P.	PRESENT
Avg. Attendance	:	10	
Avg. Newcomers	:	1	
H&I Activities	:	Announced	
ASC Donation	:	\$36.40	
Scheduled Activities	:		
Other	:		

South Suburban Fireside Literature Inventory

Month:	TNT	Chrted	No NAME	125 Text BND	Woodward Feedback	NA DAY	Reviews Light.	addicts Recovery	Peace of MIND		Cost
NA Basic Text Hardcover			1	1							12.50
How it Works Hardcover			1			1					10.00
Just for Today Revised			1								10.00
NA Step Guide			1			3					9.50
Living Clean Book											11.00
Sponsorship Book											8.00
Little White Book			10		10						0.85
White Welcome Key tag	7		3		10			15			0.60
Orange 30 Days Key tag			4				3				0.60
Green 60 Days Key tag			4		5						0.60
Red 90 Days Key tag			2		5						0.60
Blue 6 Months Key tag			2	3			2				0.60
Yellow 9 Months Key tag							4				0.60
Moon Glow 1 Year Key tag					5						0.60
Grey 18 Months Key tag				2							0.60
Black Multiple Years Key tag			2	2	5			2			0.60
#1 Who, What, How & Why											0.30
#2 The Group IP											0.35
#5 Another Look											0.30
#6 Recovery & Relapse			2								0.30
#7 Am I an Addict ?											0.30
#8 Just for Today			1					1			0.30
#9 Living the Program						7					0.30
#11 Sponsorship IP, Revised											0.30
#12 The Triangle of Self-Obsession						10					0.30
#13 By Young Addicts, for Young Addicts											0.35
#14 One Addicts Experience with ...											0.30
#15 PI & the NA Member											0.30
#16 For The Newcomer											0.30
#17 For Those In Treatment											0.35
#19 Self-Acceptance											0.30
#20 H & I Service and the NA Member											0.30
#21 The Loner Staying Clean in Isolation											0.35
#22 Welcome To NA											0.30
#23 Staying Clean on the Outside											0.30
#24 Self support in NA											0.60
#26 Accessibility, Additional needs											0.30
#27 For the parents of young addicts											0.35
#28 Funding NA Services											0.50
2011 Membership Survey											0.35
Behind the Walls											1.05
Group Readings Wallet Cards (set of 15)								1			3.50
In Times of Illness											3.50
Information about NA											0.40
Introductory Guide to NA											2.25
NA: A Resource in Your Community											0.45
Public Relations Folder											1.00
Public Relations Handbook											10.75
Set of Seven Readings											5.00
The Group Booklet, revised											1.00
Twelve Concepts for NA Service											2.25
Working Step Four in Narcotics Anonymous											0.85
Page One Subtotals:	420	—	161.60	16.70	26.50	26.60	5.20	30.50	0.		

Month:	TNT	Chris	Mo Name NA	Tas That BIND	Abel B. M. Feasbirds	NA DAY	DAENISE INTO Light	Addicts Recovery	Placy Spring	Cost
A Guide to Local Services in NA										8.00
H&I handbook with audio cd										10.00
Group Treasurer's Workbook										3.00
Group Treasurer's Record Pad										2.50
Group Treasurer's Handbook										3.00
Bookcover: L. Clean, B. Text, It Works										15.00
Bookcover: Mini Basic, Mini JFT										14.00
Bookcover: Step Working Guide										30.00
Double Bookcover										25.00
Bracelet: Surrender to Win										2.00
Gift Edition: Basic Text										30.00
Gift Edition: It Works, & JFT										20.00
Gift Edition: Sponsorship										25.00
Limited Edition: L. Clean, JFT, It Works										25.00
Journal: Brown & Black, B. Text Blue										20.00
Metal Keytags										7.00
Mini Books: Basic Text 6th Edition										12.00
Mini Books: JFT & It Works										10.00
Mugs										20.00
Recovery Button										2.00
Recovery Cards										2.00
Recovery Scarve										7.00
Recovery Stone										5.00
Specialty Keytags: 25/30yr, Dec/Dec's										2.00
1 Yr Bronze Medallion	1									3.50
18 Mo Bronze Medallion										3.50
2 Yr Bronze Medallion										3.50
3 Yr Bronze Medallion				1		2				3.50
4 Yr Bronze Medallion										3.50
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20 Yr Bronze Medallion	3	1								3.50
21 Yr Bronze Medallion										3.50
22 Yr Bronze Medallion										3.50
25 Yr / 26 Yr / 27 Yr / 28 Yr / 29 Yr										3.50
30 Yr / 31 Yr / 32 Yr / 33 Yr / 34 Yr										3.50
35 Yr / 36 Yr / 37 Yr / 38 Yr / 39 Yr						42.50				3.50
Subtotal	7.70	3.50	61.00	23.70	26.50	54.50	5.40	36.50	7.00	
Tax Added 7.7%	60	.27	4.75	1.82	2.04	3.28	42			
Donation Area	.70							1.01		
Total Sales	9.00	3.77	66.35	25.52	28.54	54.50	5.82	40.00	8.00	

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