

# **Saginaw Bay Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous**

## **Business Meeting Minutes**

**April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**Freeland, MI**

**Opening:** Meeting opened at 2:15 PM, by Brandon K, with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

### **Readings:**

Twelve Traditions – Riley D

Twelve Concepts - Chris

Purpose, Function, and Responsibilities of ASC – Danny D

NA World's Service Vision – Karen A

**Acceptance of Minutes:** N/A

**Nominations and Elections:** co-treasurer, co-secretary are both open; Bryce nominated and elected co-chair **Congratulations Bryce!!!!**

### **Group Reports:**

**Date:** 4/9/17

**Group:** A Gathering of Men and Women

**Next Business Meeting:** TBA

**Correspondence:** We have begun to study the Traditions through the use of the Guiding Principles book. Meeting attendance continues to be steady and all is well.

**Date:** 4/5/17

**Group Name:** Just for Tuesday

**Next Business Meeting:** May 2, 2017

**Correspondence:** No problems. Attendance growing. 1016 Treatment Center attending.

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**Date:** 4/9/17

**Group Name:** Conscious Contact

**Next Business Meeting:** 5/14/17

**Correspondence:** Meeting attendance remains low. Group donation of \$20; \$10 from last month, \$10 from this month = \$20 total. There are currently 4 home group members.

\$20

**Date:** 4/9/17

**Group Name:** Acceptance is Freedom & Serenity

**Next Business Meeting:** Thurs, May 18, 2017

**Correspondence:** Good afternoon family, our home group has decided to have an open speaker meeting the last Tuesday of every month. We have 10 home group members and would love more as we have a big house! Literature will be restocked on Thursday. Asking anyone with the willingness to share their ESH for May, please get with Liz or Susan. ILS, Susan Svetcos

\$34

**Date:** 4/9/17

**Group Name:** Common Welfare

**Next Business Meeting:**

**Correspondence:** Meeting is healthy, \$5 donation.

\$5

**Date:** 4/9/17

**Group Name:** Common Desires

**Next Business Meeting:** Thursday before next Area

**Correspondence:** Sat night Guiding Principles study answer & question format.

\$10

**Date:** 4/9/17

**Group Name:** Unity

**Next Business Meeting:** 5/15/17

**Correspondence:** Change of format mediation meeting once a month. Last Monday, separate men's and women's meetings.

**Date:** 4/9/17

**Group Name:** In the Solution

**Next Business Meeting:**

**Correspondence:** None

**Date:** 4/19/17

**Group Name:** Never Alone

**Next Business Meeting:** 5/17/17

**Correspondence:** All is alive & well w/Never Alone. Our attendance is staying near 30 people both Wednesday and Sunday. Dave N was voted into Secretary. Leroy H is our treasurer. I remain as GSR (Levon). Thank you for allowing us to be of service, NA!

\$10

### **Trusted Servant Reports:**

- *Chair* – P&A date May 6<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 PM, St Alban's, Bay City
- *RCM* – No report at this time
- *Secretary* - No minutes again this past month, because co-secretary and I have not been able to get paperwork together to get minutes out. Co-secretary has stepped down for now, to help simplify the process. I'll get minutes out quickly for this month and backfill the previous months' records, as quickly as possible. What will help me immensely is if every trusted servant and committee chair gets in touch with me as soon as they know they won't be at area, or contact me if they have information that we need at area, rather than waiting until the day of area. Also, I'm posting documents for review, and information as it becomes available, using slack. This gives everyone a chance to review documents and ideas before the ASC meeting. This month's minutes will be incomplete; I won't have a treasurer's report yet when I post and I'm in the process of rebuilding the roll call sheet (this month only will be complete in this document). I'm also working on updating the area contact list, to be distributed to trusted servants and committee chairs in the near future.
- *Treasurer* – To be posted at a later date

## **Subcommittee Reports**

**Date:** 4/9/17

**Sub-Committee Name:** H&I

**Next Business Meeting:** After Area

**Correspondence:** We had to cancel 1 weeks' worth of meetings due to lack of volunteers. Men and women still needed for Mon or Thurs. Other days available as well. No expenses this month. Meeting held after Area, as needed.

**Date:** 4/5/17

**Sub-Committee Name:** Activities

**Next Business Meeting:** Undetermined at this time.

**Correspondence:** Due to the absence of the committee chair and some committee members, there will not be any activities for the month of April. Committee has looked at the month of May and with Retreat scheduled and other activities at this time, events are undetermined.

Committee will announce next meeting date when chair comes back from vacation and business trip.

Thank you,

Kelly D

**Date:** 4/9/17

**Sub-Committee Name:** Literature

**Next Business Meeting:** 4/14/17

**Correspondence:** I have found interested members on the subject of Violent and Disruptive Behavior in Meetings and we are discussing the subject for now.

**Date:** 4/9/17

**Sub-Committee Name:** Public Relations

**Next Business Meeting:** 5/9/17

**Correspondence:** Greetings family,

Been keeping busy with requests of various types, most of which are outside our scope of service.

On March 28<sup>th</sup>, the SBASCNA Info Table to the APATH event at SVSU. Unfortunately, recently, another event was started by the school which drew away most vendors, therefore the event was not a busy one. However, our table was in the entry so we were very visible by all traffic that day and did have a few stops to say hello. I would like to thank Susan S and Lupe L for their service that day.

I am requesting a reimbursement to the prudent reserve in 194.78; this included the March 28<sup>th</sup> event, PR table supplies, and the meeting lists that are here today (which we saved \$20 on thanks to an Office Depot coupon)

Supplies for PR Table (MSO): 63.27

PMT to SSWO for table: 20.00

Lists for PR table: 23.32

Lists for Area (with coupon): 88.19

In Loving Service,

Karen A

**Date:** 4/9/17

**Sub-Committee Name:** Networking ad-hoc

**Next Business Meeting:** 4/21/17

**Correspondence: Date:** 4/9/17

**Sub-Committee Name:** Public Relations

**Next Business Meeting:** 5/9/17

**Correspondence:** Please sign up for slack, if you are a trusted servant or a committee chair, it's a far better way to stay in touch on area level business than an assortment of emails and text messages. If you have a report or some other type of document, you can post it in the appropriate channel or send it directly to me. This will go a long way toward getting everyone on the same page and allowing input from other chairs and trusted servants to happen on an ongoing basis.

**Date:** 4/9/17

**Subcommittee Name:** Website

**Next Committee Meeting:** As needed, Mondays at 8pm at Aldersgate Methodist Church, 2206 Airfield Lane (corner of Dawn and Airfield), Midland

## Report

The following actions were made by the web servant;

Updated the date and time for the April ASC meeting on the Events page. Since last ASC meeting we have added a Sunday afternoon "Open" meeting of the Meeting in a Bag group (Mt. Pleasant), and changed the format of the Thursday night Just Stay it's Easier group (Midland) meeting to a Closed format. Also corrected the name of the Meeting in a Bag group. Updated the meeting list (multiple times) and NAWS database with the information. Updated the ASC website with better maps for locating our meetings, and added a disclaimer (copied from the Capitol area webpage) regarding the use of third party maps.

The current version of the SBASCNA meeting list is April 3, 2017. Please check the date on any printed meeting lists that your group may have.

ILS,

Bryan H.

**Date:** 11/9/17

**Sub-Committee Name:** Outreach

**Next Business Meeting:** 5/1/17, 6PM at Trinity Episcopal in Bay City

**Correspondence:** All is well and looking forward to making a day for our campout meeting.

ILS, Tom

**Date:** April 9, 2017

**Subcommittee Name:** Retreat Committee

**Next Committee Meeting** (day, time, place): April 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Report** (Report should include minutes of committee meetings, plans, ideas, motions for initiation, finalization, or implementation and a financial report or request.)

The deadline for Financial Impaired registration was March 31<sup>st</sup>. We received more registrations than we had funds. We were able to send 35 people under Financial Impaired and 3 people were randomly drawn to have to pay the full registration. If the committee receives any donations prior to the retreat, we will work to help these people attend. The committee is working on the topics for the retreat and also the list of speakers. At the last meeting we had a total of 71 registrations. There is still room for 63 people so spread the word. If a home group needs flyers, they are on the area website. The deadline for regular registration is April 28<sup>th</sup>.

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In loving service. Cathy H.

**Old Business:** co-treasurer nominations - none, P&A, Slack sign ups ongoing

**New Business:** Common Welfare proposes Inappropriate Behavior workshop, co-treasurer and co-secretary open

## Open Floor:

### Disturbing and Behavior Workshop

Who will run this?

Workshop, are we drafting literature? –**Bryan**

It only falls to the Literature Committee if we are drafting literature

Suggests *ad-hoc* subcommittee

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Proposal, **Bryan H**; Inappropriate and aggressive behavior workshop *ad-hoc*

**Mark** – disagrees, groups should be doing this

**Bryan** – we provide services to the groups, this is something we will not mandate but provide as a service, we need to handle business at an area level; groups are for meetings, groups are only autonomous in group matters, not in matters that effect other groups or NA as a whole

**Matt** – The point in the workshop is to help us all, dealing with extreme emotions and people who are having trouble with expressing themselves, behaving in inappropriate or disruptive ways.

**Mike** – Second’s motion

***Brooke** is stepping down from co-chair position, uncomfortable not having a voice in area level matters and is already involved in committee positions on the area level.*

Vote taken

Motion dies

**Co-treasurer**

**Bryce** has willingness but doesn’t have the clean time, he has 1 year

**Matt** – groups have already voted on the guidelines, the clean time requirement being ignored could cause problems

**Co-chair**

**Bryce** nominated and elected co-chair

**Co-secretary**

Dear ASC members,

It is with regret that I have to step away from service at this level. Apologies for my lack of finishing what I signed on for. My hope is that in the future I will be better able to balance life on life’s terms.

Peace and love,

Liz from Gladwin

## Roll Call

Trusted Servant Groups	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
C h a i r			P	P								
C o - C h a i r			P	P								
S e c r e t a r y			P	P								



Co-Secretary			P	O								
Treasurer				P								
Co-Treasurer			O	O								
R C M				P								
Alt - R C M			P	A								
TS Attendance												
Sub-Committees	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Outreach				R								
Activities				P								
H & I				P								
Literature				P								
P R				P								
Retreat				P								
Web				P								
Ad-Hoc Networking				P								
SC Attendance												
Home Groups	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
12 Steps to Freedom												
A Gathering of Men and Women				P								
Acceptance is Freedom & Serenity			P	P								
Attitude of Gratitude												
Clare meeting												
Clean and Serene												
Common Desires			P	R								
Common Ground												
Common Welfare			R	P								

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New Way of Living												
N o F e a r			P									
No Matter What												
Primary Purpose												
Recovery Zone			P	P								
Serenity Now												
Sunday at a Time			P									
Sunday Serenity												
Surrender our Lives												
S u r v i v a l			P	P								
The Next Episode			P									
Together We Can Do It				P								
U n i t y			P	P								
Vision Close to Our Heart												
We Are Not Unique			P									
Whatever it Takes												
Willing to Make the Effort												
GSR Attendance												

## Next Area Service Committee Business Meeting

**5/21/17**

[Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 545 7th Street, Freeland](#)

**Adjourn and Close**