

SBASCNA MEETING MINUTES

August 19, 2018

Freeland MI

OPENING: Meeting opened at 2:15pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

NEWCOMERS to AREA:

READINGS:

Twelve Traditions-

Twelve Concepts-

Purpose, Functions, and Responsibilities of ASC-

NA World Service Vision-

ACCEPTANCE of MINUTES: Unknown

NOMINATION and ELECTIONS: Elections will be in August.

OPEN POSITIONS: Co-Secretary, Treasurer, Co-Treasurer, Alt-RCM, Literature, Outreach, and Retreat. All Subcommittees are open for nominations and voted on in the month of August; Retreat, Activities, Hospitals and Institutions, Literature, Outreach, Public Relations, Web Servant.

TRUSTED SERVICE REPORTS: Chair: Absent. Secretary: I apologize for the tortoise pace of the minutes. I apologize for not being there, as I was out of town. I did resend the July Minutes. If you did not get them, PLEASE PLEASE write down your name, email, and HG name. Our contact list got erased and I lost all my contact information. If you would all email your reports to me that would be awesome as well. In loving service, Susan.

RCM: Hi everyone, this has been quite a learning experience. I attended the June Regional meeting in Battle Creek. I asked the one question you all wanted to know about the Regions website. This sparked much discussion. First, our regional web servant, Sheldon has stepped down. Discussed; should we open a coweb servant position, along with webservant position, or form a committee to get website update, up-to-date. We even discussed possibly hiring someone to work on the website. It was decided we would open a coweb servant position. Patti K. was elected as our new regional webservant. If anyone has the willingness, come to the next Regional meeting, which will be held September 9th in the Capital Area. We also elected a new RD and RDA. Marty our previous RDA was elected RD, and Sally S. was elected as our new RDA. The co-secretary position was still open, and Jennah expressed the willingness, there were no objections, and Jennah is our new Regional co-secretary. The region will be donating basic text to area libraries. 41 for Northwest area, 46 for Southwest, and 25 for Mid-Michigan area. We are continuing to work on updating the Michigan Regional Guidelines. The MSO is

continuing to work on their ongoing problems. NAWWS will be increasing literature pricing on July 1st 2018 by 5% on basic text, and 6% on all other literature. Our Regional PR chair, Johnny attended the Michigan Association of Treatment Court Professionals in Grand Rapids on March 13th and 14th. The event was a huge success. Johnny will also be attending the Michigan School counselor Association conference in Lansing in October. The Thumb area is continuing to struggle. They are having their annual picnic August 25th. The Region will be paying their balance of their phone bill to help them. Our RD and RDA attended WSC 2018. They shared with us their experience. I will note some of the highlights in this report (see the CAR report included for details). The June Regional Minutes had the full RD and RDA reports. We were able to watch PSA's from a few different countries. There were participants from 39 countries attending. Out of 118 seated regions, 114 RD's were participating. Iran and New Zealand were able to participate in the WSC via Zoom and with motion 25 passing they were able to participate with full voting rights. Jane spoke at the WSC about PR efforts going on around the world. We can send Jane pictures of our community PR efforts to help get ideas from each other. They are continuing to work on the new Daily Meditation book from the Living Clean Book, as well as the Mental Health/Illness IP

Thanks for letting me serve

Lynn B.

Treasurer: **PLEASE CASH YOUR CHECKS IN A TIMELY MANNER.**

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

H&I: We are currently waiting on final approval of a new volunteer for the Bay County Jail, and have been told that a schedule for re-starting meetings in the Midland County Jail will be finalized in September. Support for the H&I meeting at Tri-Cap is also ongoing.

This will be my final report as H&I chair as I have fulfilled the term and responsibilities of this position.

I have no willingness to be any part of the **current** Saginaw Bay Area "service" Committee, and will bear no responsibility for its actions (or lack of action).

The H&I prudent reserve of \$200 has been mailed to the ASC post office box, and I will work with any new H&I chair and give the remaining supplies to them before their term begins in September.

Good luck,
Bryan H.

Web Servant: Meeting list and website have been updated to reflect closed Gladwin meeting. Have not received any flyers this month. If anybody would like flyers, events, or meeting changes added to the website please email at litwi1rm@gmail.com with the details. I would prefer flyers to be in PDF format and is suggested that the group hosting the event be listed on the flyer. ILS

GROUP REPORTS:

A Gathering of Men and Women: Next HG Business Mtg: Group Donation: \$20. Working out of the 12 Step Guide, Step 2. 8-12 people in attendance.

Attitude of Gratitude: Next HG Business Mtg: 9-13-18. Group Donation: \$0. Meetings are going well with regular attendance and a strong HG presence. This month we had members the celebrated 2, 5, and 17 yrs clean. Our group continues the practice at our Thursday night meetings of giving away a book to the person with the least amount of clean time. Currently we average 5-6 books a month. The 3rd Saturday of each month we have an open Speaker Meeting.

Keep It Simple: Group Donation: \$20. Meeting attendance has been down last couple months. Has been picking up last couple weeks. Keep It Simple has voted new Trusted Servants into positions: Secretary- Ben M 810-471-1191, GSR- Greg V 989-721-8430, Treasurer- Jeff S. Thanks, Jeff S.

Surrender Our Lives: Speaker Mgt 9-17-18 Jennifer W, 8-15-18 Pat B

OLD BUSINESS: 2 Starter Kits were made and one was given to Serenity is Now, the other was given to the Chair.

NEW BUSINESS: 1. Proposed that Area time and place be moved. Area service meeting to be moved to Saturday following the 11 am meeting at St Albans. Area would start immediately after (12:30) and end when business is completed. It will change to the first or the last Saturday of the month- this will be determined once it is voted on. Please vote yes or no
2. It is proposed that \$800 of Area funds be used to purchase basic texts. These basic texts will then be evenly distributed to any home group that wishes to have them. There will be a date and time set for pick up with notification well in advance. These books are for donation to people who need them only, not for resale. Any extra books will be kept with area literature. Please vote yes or no.

Please allow our group conscience to determine the answers to the proposals. Feel free to forward this email to any other GSR's I missed. Hope to see you at the Area Picnic on September 16th!

OPEN FLOOR:

CLOSE:

**NEXT SBSCNA MEETING: September 16, 2018 in Freeland at 2:15pm
Picnic at 1:00pm**