

# SBASCNA MEETING MINUTES

October 15, 2023

Freeland, MI

**OPENING:** Opened at 2:00 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer

**NEWCOMERS to AREA:** Tracy M, Terry M, Chip D

**READINGS:**

Purpose, Functions, and Responsibilities of ASC - Terry M

NA World Service Vision – Tracy M

The 12 Concepts of NA Service: Janell K

**ROLL CALL:** groups represented

(See attached SBASCNA ATTENDANCE RECORD)

**ACCEPTANCE of MINUTES:** APPROVED

**NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS:**

**OPEN POSITIONS-PLEASE ANNOUNCE AT YOUR HOMEGROUPS: Co-Chair, Co-Treasurer, Activities**

**TRUSTED SERVANTS' REPORTS:**

**CHAIRPERSON/POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION:**

See below

**SECRETARY:** The report is in the minutes. Thank you for letting me be of service, Amanda M

**TREASURER:** September SBASCNA Treasurer Report

From October Meeting

Available Funds \$5764.26

Group Donations \$145.00

Literature Sales \$253.70

Total Credits \$398.70

Expenses In June \$1548.50

Of this was a one time ha-hoc charge of \$1500.00

Grateful to Serve

Roy O.

**RCM & RCM-ALT:** RCM and Alt RCM were in attendance. Facilitator resigned, we now need a new alternate. Treasurer resigned, moving, need alternate. Alternate secretary resigned. Need new alternate. Midwest Zonai forum meeting this weekend. Patti attending and will report. (Webservant) Patti K is new Zonai contact alternate. Marti O is now co facilitator for MZF. Numerous budgets were tabled until December 3rd. Gas/travel per diem rate changes submitted were tabled at present only 1 signer on region bank account. 2 alternates were voted on and accepted. Budget balance \$7233.14. AdHoc committee

reviewing Regional guidelines and bylaws. Meeting every 4th Sunday. RCM and Alt RCM are on this committee. We will meet for regional meeting Dec 3rd and will need RCM and Alt RCM prudent reserves. In loving service, Don M and Peg M

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**H&I:** Absent/No report

**POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION:** No P&A this month.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Open

**RETREAT:** Committee has been working on Halloween dance. It will be held on October 28th at 6:00. The dance will be held at North Euclid Church of God in Bay City. There will be a costume contest, 50/50, gift basket raffle and food to purchase. The theme for the Retreat is Unity is Our Strength. The committee is working on the logo and registration form. Two additional fund raisers will be planned. More details to follow - tentatively a karaoke contest on January 20th and St Patrick's dance on March 16th. See you at the Halloween dance. In loving service, Cathy H

**ACTIVITIES:** No report, Open position

## **LITERATURE:**

**AD HOC:** Hello family,

We want to thank you for putting your trust in us to be a big part of putting this Newcomers Event on. It was a big success. People have already asked last night if Area was going to put this on every year. What a blessing of all the people that showed up and shared their experience strength and hope to the newcomers. The topic speakers were so much fun with happiness, joy and freedom from active addiction. I felt their pain and their bouts with trials and tribulation. Not using no matter what. I cried with joy and happiness as they spoke of their stories. Then unfortunately, I missed the first speaker because I was doing service work with the topic speakers. Everything went as planned with times of everything. The food was an awesome idea. Food was left over and we donated all leftovers and water to the open door. I enjoyed handing the chips out for everyone. This gave me a chance to meet everyone that was in the room. I saw people that was coming back from a terrible relapse and was there to be a part of.

I want to thank Peggy and Don for chairing the Marathon meeting. From the sounds of Peggy, they had strugglers came in through the whole event and touched a few people. Thanks, we appreciate your service in helping with the event. I am glad Don came out and got something to eat.

My soul is full today of love, happiness and freedom from addiction. Last night was full of it and grateful that Amanda M, Will V, and I had a hand in putting this Newcomer Event on.

114 people that we have tickets for, some people walked in without checking in. 48 of that 107 were people with under 6 months clean. The most clean time recorded were 3 people had 35yrs and one person with 34yrs. The least clean time was 2 days clean. This person was not even with the treatment centers. The treatment centers that were there was DOT, Ten 16, Saginaw psychological, sober living and Emmaus house. A group from the open door were also there. 48 of that count had under 6 months clean. After 4 o'clock we did not have anyone at the tables as you walked in so none of them got counted.

Out of fifteen hundred which was our budget we are giving back monies. Who would have thought that area gets money back. We can always save it for next year's Event Hint! Hint!

I have all the receipts for the event.

Meijers name tags: 10.47

permanent makers

Party city: name tags 10.00

Kroger's: Plastic wear: 4.85

Party city: Balloons, Table cloths: 275.00

Costco: Water, potato chips, peanut butter and jelly: 125.75

Dollar General: centerpieces for the tables: 47.70

Kroger's: Bread: 14.32

Subway: Sandwiches: 450.00

they gave us 144 free variety of cookies- They owe me some because I didn't get one

2 speedway gift cards: 2 @ 20.00: 40.00

All together the Event cost: 1323.30

With 176.70 to be given back to the area!!!!

Not bad!

Last but not least. I want to thank all the volunteers that helped with setting up and tearing down. We couldn't have started on time or ended on time without you.

In Loving service,

Amanda M, Will V, Lou H

## **GROUP REPORTS**

**A GATHERING OF MEN AND WOMEN:** Both Monday and Saturday meetings have good attendance. More people are joining our home group and doing service.

**HOW IT WORKS:** Still meeting in person and on ZOOM Mondays and Wednesdays.

**RECOVERY NATION:** Saturday brunch is going well, increase in newcomers with increase in members volunteering to fill service. Group donation of \$25

**BARE FOOTING NA:** Attendance is steady at 3-5 persons per meeting. Group donation of \$20

**COMMON GROUND:** Attendance has been good at 8-12 in attendance at meeting. Step study prior to meeting starting step 12 next week. Group donation of \$25

**COMMON WELFARE:** The meeting has made some format changes, we are still a 12 step and 12 tradition meeting but we are now reading out of the It Works How and Why. Attendance is healthy.

**HOW:** Meeting attendance average 10 addicts. New GSR as previous resigned. Group donation of \$10

**SHERI'S DINER GROUP:** Here to announce meeting on Monday's at noon and 7pm at Sheri's Family Diner. 316 Park St, Harrison, MI 48625

**SURVIVAL:** All is good. Group donation of \$25

**NA LIFE IN RECOVERY:** Here to announce our new meeting on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7pm at Harrison District Library. 125 Beech St, Harrison, MI 48625

**DOWN WITH DISEASE:** Group donated "Newcomer Packets" to the Newcomer Event held in Midland. Continue to average 15-20 members in attendance, 10 active homegroup members.

**ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE:** Things are going well, we have 2 meetings now Thurs 7pm and Sat 7pm. Both meetings are going well with regular attendance.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:** Lisa G and Chip D informed Area that they would like to form an AdHoc committee to bring MRCNA to Saginaw Bay Area for Year 2025 and 2026. Lisa G submitted this report: As most of you

probably know, a group of us have been looking into the possibility of holding MRCNA in our area in 2026 and 2027. We've found a couple of potential places and would like to move forward. According to MRCNA guidelines, an ad-hoc committee should be formed to pursue bids. We're requesting that an ad-hoc committee be formed for this purpose. The committee suggests that the current members, along with any others who may be interested, be appointed with Lisa G. as the Chair.

In Service, Brenda B. Chip D. Lisa G. Gloria H. George S. Will V.

If area votes to form an ad-hoc MRCNA bid committee, I have the willingness to be the chair. I have been involved from the start and am familiar with all the information we've gathered so far. I'm on the current MRCNA committee which meets the same day as area, but I can attend area through Zoom.

In Service, Lisa G.

No objections were formally made about this Ad Hoc committee. MRCNA Ad Hoc will continue. Lisa encourages others who are interested in joining the committee to reach out to her or other Ad Hoc members listed above.

Amanda M made a motion to form a new subcommittee to put on a Newcomer Event each year. This subcommittee would like to put on fundraisers throughout the year to raise funds for this event. Motion was made to take this back to the groups to discuss and vote next month.

**NOMINATIONS:** Louise H was nominated and voted in as Co-Chair. Co-Treasurer remains open. Activities chair remains open. Bryan H was nominated and elected as Public Relations chair.

**OPEN POSITIONS-PLEASE ANNOUNCE AT YOUR HOMEGROUPS: Co-Chair, Co-Treasurer, Activities Chair**

**OPEN FLOOR:** None

**FLYERS & MEETINGS:** If any committees have flyers or meetings, they would like posted to the SBASCNA Website send to **SaginawBayArea@Michigan-NA.org** (PDF FORMAT)

**LITERATURE ORDERS:** The official email address for literature ordering and general use by the Literature Subcommittee is **SaginawLit@gmail.com**

## Home Group Announcements

**NEXT Policy & Administration Meeting**

11/19/2023 @ 1pm

**NEXT SBASCNA Meeting**

11/19/2023 @ 2pm

