

# SBASCNA MEETING MINUTES

February 18, 2024

Freeland, MI

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

**NEWCOMERS to AREA:** Lucas C.

**READINGS:**

Purpose, Functions, and Responsibilities of ASC - Chip

NA World Service Vision - Karen B.

The 12 Concepts of NA Service - Gina H.

**ROLL CALL:** groups represented (*See attached SBASCNA ATTENDANCE RECORD*)

**ACCEPTANCE of MINUTES:** APPROVED

**NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS:** None

**OPEN POSITIONS-PLEASE ANNOUNCE AT YOUR HOMEGROUPS:**

Co-Chair      Co-Secretary      Co-Treasurer

## TRUSTED SERVANTS' REPORTS

**CHAIRPERSON/POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION:** Greetings Family, in our Policy and Administration meeting we APPOINTED KIM P as the ZOOM MEETING CONTACT AND COORDINATOR. We currently have four subcommittees that use the ZOOM MEETING ON A REGULAR BASES. IF YOU NEED TO USE THE ZOOM MEETING FOR A SUB COMMITTEE OR HOMEGROUP MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT KIM P WITH THE DATES AND TIMES TO DO SO. THE ZOOM MEETING WILL NOT BE USED FOR PERSONAL USE. P&A meeting will not be held in the month of MARCH. LOU H Policy and Administration.

All Trusted Servant Positions Open (Co-Chair, Co-Secretary, Co-Treasurer).

OLD BUSINESS: PLEASE TAKE BACK TO YOUR HOMEGROUPS: All Trusted Servant Positions Open (Co-Chair, Co-Secretary, Co-Treasurer).

Should "Chair" be changed to "Facilitator" person. Their will be no change to the "Chair" name.

NEW BUSINESS: None

Thank you in Loving service,

LOU H

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

**TREASURER:**

Available Funds	\$5,452.02
Groups Donations	\$ 245.50
Literature Sales	\$ 635.70
Total Credits	\$ 880.70

Expenses in December      \$ 11.56

Outstanding Checks      \$ 307.54

Grateful to Serve

Roy O.

**RCM & RCM-ALT:** SBASCNA RCM Report 2/18/2024

RCM and RCM Alt attended Michigan Regional Service Committee February 4th, 2024, via zoom.

RCM and RCM Alt attended Ad Hoc Committee February 11th, 2024, via zoom. Nominations & Elections

Co-Facilitator- No nominations.

Co-Treasurer- No nominations.

Secretary Karah B. Nominated and elected.

Co-Secretary- No nominations.

As of February 1st, our total available balance is \$9,189.60.

Total expenses for December were \$1,828.01. This paid for the rooms in Muskegon, mileage, and the phone line. Total regional income was \$1,414.84. Our total expenses for January were \$3,047.56. \$3,000 was transferred to the MRCNA account for their down payment to the hotel and the phone line and bank fees.

1. Budget Proposals: Budgets for travel to the next regional meeting in Livingston on April 7, 2024, have been approved by the regional body and board of directors due to being time sensitive

Areas to be vote on and send results back to the next Regional meeting.

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1AixwqpyyGvGpSRst2ihCkGFuJUBD5O\\_REBKj3S0pxG-c/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1AixwqpyyGvGpSRst2ihCkGFuJUBD5O_REBKj3S0pxG-c/edit?usp=sharing)

2. Meals Per Diem Proposal: Members of MRSCNA Administrative team (Including RD, AD, Web servant and PR chair, along with others at the discretion of the Board of Directors) may receive reimbursement of expenses as the Board of Directors determines to be just and reasonable. Expenses for reimbursement include travel and lodging, along with \$15/meal for service commitments exceeding 24 hours as needed.

3. Proposed amendment to the Michigan Regional Service Committee by-laws: Three changes are proposed to the by-laws, which were last amended and adopted in 2019–

We discussed these proposals at the regional meeting February 4, 2024/ a. Purpose: Change the definition of Regional Delegate Alternate (RDA) to Alternate Delegate (AD).

Intent: This reflects the current common language as published in the Guide to Local Services in NA (GLSNA) and the Guide to World Services in NA (GWSNA).

b. Purpose: Change the terms for the RD and AD from two 2-year terms (4 years) to one World Service Conference cycle.

Intent: At WSC 2023, the conference approved a three-year World Service Conference cycle on a trial basis following WSC 2023 through WSC 2029. Following 2029, the WSC cycle would return to two years, unless another

decision is made. This language is consistent with GLSNA and GWSNA. The work cycle of the World Service Conference is significantly changed over the last two conference cycles and relies on regularly scheduled virtual meetings and an interim virtual conference for decisions that are legally necessary and those that conference participants choose to address. Alignment of election of the delegates to the beginning of the conference cycle are important to ensure continuity of service

through the conference cycle. Rotation emphasizes that our efforts to help carry the message through service

involvement is just one way of practicing our Twelfth Step, no more or less special or praiseworthy than any other. The practice of rotation is founded on this fellowship's belief that service is more important than the servant, an extension of our tradition of spiritual anonymity. In the spirit of rotation, term limits may not be extended. Because the AD has spent a conference cycle becoming familiar with the WSC, the AD should be affirmed by the committee to replace the outgoing RD. In loving service,

Don M RCM

Peg M RCM Alt.

## SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

**H&I:** We have members going into Pathways and members are still going into Ten16 and tri-cap. Thank you In Loving Service Kim S.

Next subcommittee Meeting

Hospital and Institution hybrid meeting 02/26/24

At 7:45 after

Surrender Our Lives

Messiah Lutheran Church

4640 N. Michigan, Saginaw, MI, 48604

MEETS VIRTUALLY

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81481235718?pwd=MmFKKzZ0VEFhVWJxYktjUHY0ejJmUT09>

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### **PUBLIC RELATIONS:**

Date: 2/17/24

Subcommittee Name: Public Relations

Next Committee Meeting: Wednesday February 21st, Midland following the How it Works group meeting (~7:50pm) 2808 Waldo Ave, Midland also on Zoom using the How it Works group meeting code (236328539)

Report

Nobody else attended the last PR subcommittee meeting on February 12th, in person or through Zoom. I've changed the time and day of the PR meeting in the hopes of getting some participation. The new schedule is the Wednesday following each month's ASC meeting.

I received a text message late Tuesday announcing "Opioid Awareness Night" at the Saginaw Spirit hockey game on the 21 st of this month. This event conflicts with the PR subcommittee meeting, and will most likely not be attended due to the short notice received. I will contact the facilities manager for the Saginaw Spirit tomorrow to learn more about the event and to request that the SBASCNA website and name be added to the list of community resources linked on their webpage.

Our website and contact list are up to date as of this past week. Please email event flyers and changes to meeting times to myself or the webservant.

The Public Relations subcommittee needs members to have a committee. I have maintained contact with the regional PR chair and hope to work together on a couple of planned PR events.

ILS,

Bryan H.

NAJFT@mudboy.net

**RETREAT:** Next business meeting 3-19-2024 at 6pm prior to Survival meeting. Retreat committee held the second fundraiser and made \$364.24 for the scholarship fund. (Report attached) The next fundraiser is

March 16th in Bay City. There are currently 10 registrations so please promote retreat at meetings. We currently have almost 20 scholarships available. The current bank balance is \$3,755.64. The treasurer report for Feb. is included Please promote retreat and dance. In loving Service, Cathy H.

**Karaoke & Game Night**

**1/20/2024**

**Fundraiser for 2024 Scholarship Beds**

**Revenue**

Door Donations	\$352.00
Profit from Raffle Basket	\$77.00
50/50 Raffle	\$48.00
Pop & Water	\$47.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$524.00</b>

**Expenses**

Rent for Church	\$80.00
Pop & Water	\$79.76
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$159.76</b>

**Revenue \$524.00**

**Expenses - \$159.76**

**Total Profit \$364.24**

**NOTES:**

Approximately 70 people attended.

Pop & Water left over will be used at our next fundraiser 3-16-24 Items in both Raffle basket & Door Prize basket were donated.

**2024 Retreat Treasury Report - February 2024**

**2024 Retreat Starter Funds**

DNR Deposit for 2024 \$1,759.30  
 Memorial Fund 2024 \$54.14  
 6% Tax for 2024(if needed) \$1,220.00  
 Scholarship Balance Forwarded to 2024 \$969.49  
 Prudent Reserve for 2024 \$500.00  
 Pictures for 2024 \$100.00

**Beginning Balance 2024 Retreat \$4,602.93**

**2024 Retreat Scholarship Funds**

Scholarship Beginning Balance (\$ 969.49)  
 Janet Collier Memorial Donation (\$ 185.00)  
 Halloween Dance (\$ 153.44)  
 Karaoke Fundraiser (\$ 364.24)  
 St. Patrick's Day Dance  
**Current Balance (\$ 1,672.17)**

**Current Cumulative**

Starting Balance (\$ 3,775.64) (\$ 4,602.93)

DNR (\$ (1,698.00))

Petty Cash (Seed Money) (\$ (100.00)  
Fundraser Supplies (\$ (247.82)  
Church/Facility Donation (\$ (230.00)  
Donation to Area (\$ (100.00)  
Merchant Fees (\$ (14.97)  
Scholarship Donations (\$ 185.00)  
Halloween Dance (\$ 471.50)  
Karaoke Fundraiser (\$ 524.00)  
Registrations (\$ 340.00)  
Shirt Orders (\$ 23.00)  
Ending Balance (\$ 3,775.64) (\$ 3,755.64)  
Bank Balance (\$ 3,391.40)  
Checks Outstanding  
#531 (\$ (80.00)  
#532 (\$ (79.76)  
Cash Deposit Oustanding (\$ 524.00)  
(\$ 3,755.64)

**ACTIVITIES:** No report at this time due to illness. Send love and kindness Pete's way.

**LITERATURE:** Report was given verbally.

**AD HOC:** *(Not active at this time)*

**NEWCOMER EVENT:** Our first fundraiser for the 2nd annual newcomer event went great. We made a profit of \$384. We were pleased to see that the majority of the people who attended were primarily members of Peer 360 and were not very familiar with Narcotics Anonymous. If not for the curiosity for these attendees, it would have been a very small event. We are now planning our second fundraiser for the beginning of April. We would like to hold this event in Bay City or Saginaw, but have not been able to find an affordable church to hold a fundraising event. More will be revealed, and a flyer for this fundraiser will be released soon after our next committee meeting. Our next committee meeting is February 23, directly following the Down with Disease meeting in Midland around 7:15 pm. Our main event will be October 12, 2024 at Messiah Lutheran Church. Messiah is excited to have us back this year. I would like to continue to encourage homegroups to set aside a donation basket for the 2nd annual newcomer event.  
ILS, Amanda M

## GROUP REPORTS

**A GATHERING OF MEN AND WOMEN:** Group Donation \$15. We meet at 1509 Mackinaw on Sunday mornings at 9am and could use support.

**BY NA MEANS NECESSARY:** Next Business meeting 3-10-24. As discussed at our last business meeting. We do not use the zoom account and we do not view the NA area over zoom. So we abstain from voting as it does not affect us one way or the other if the area pays for zoom and we do not have any nominations for a person to be a single point of contact. When it comes to changing the title of Area "Chair" to Area "Facilitator" we vote to keep it as "Chair".

**COMMON GROUND:** Group Donation \$25. Group is doing good 8-10 people in attendance. Book study Basic Text meets at 6pm prior to regular meeting 5-6 people in attendance. Thank you, Duane M.

**DOWN WITH DISEASE:** Next Home Group meeting March 9th, 2024.

**H.O.W.:** Group Donation \$40. Group meets at the Dream Center in Bay City Tuesday night at 7pm Living Clean book study. Monday and Friday at 12:30 10 minute meditation before meetings. Allie had a year clean. Always in need of support 2-12 addicts H.O.W. is an open meeting.

**HOW IT WORKS:** Business meeting is the week before area. All good, could use support.

**HUGS NOT DRUGS:** Group Donation \$25 Nothing to report at this time. We are open every Friday at 7:00 (exception of weather but will announce on Tri City Fellows).

### **JUST FOR TUESDAY:**

Greetings family,

Just For Tuesday is going very well! We meet at Aldersgate Church in Midland every Tuesday at 7 and have successfully implemented a 7 minute meditation before sharing time. A clear Narcotics Anonymous message is consistently shared.

Our group voted that the ASC should continue to financially support our groups by paying for Zoom unless a better platform is found.

We also voted that the title of Chair should NOT be changed.

In loving service,

Will V

**MORLEY BY THE DAMN:** New meeting at the Morley Community Center 151 7th Street Morley, MI 49336 Thursdays at 7pm Closed meeting. A new meeting kit has been requested. Business meetings will be held on the last Thursday of the month.

**RECOVERY NATION (West Branch):** Continues to do well and we are still serving brunch. We have opened another meeting on Mondays at noon. Thanks Glen M.

**WILLING TO MAKE THE EFFORT:** Group Donation \$50. Next business meeting 3-14-24 at 7pm. Voted to not changing chairman to facilitator.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The three items that were taken to home groups.

- Should we change the title of area "Chair" to "Facilitator" to seem less intimidating? (*Take to homegroups*)
  - **Decision** - No
- Ask your groups for anyone with the willingness to be the single point of contact for the area zoom account. You would need to log on and start the zoom meeting for each hybrid/zoom group. You wouldn't need to participate in each meeting just start it and hand off the host function.
  - **Decision** - Kim P. Will be the point of contact. Please reach out to him to get your subcommittee meetings scheduled.
- Vote: should the area continue to pay for zoom?
  - **Decision** - Yes.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

New meeting "Morley by the Damn" located at the Morley Community Center 151 7th Street Morley, MI 49336 They meet Thursdays at 7pm Closed meeting. Contact person Tom B. They are requesting a new meeting starter kit and there were no objections.

- Should this meeting be a part of the Grand Rapids area?

- Tom B. Tried to reach out to the Grand Rapids Area with no response.

**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:** SaginawLit@gmail.com

Your orders need to be submitted prior to each area for orders to be filled.

## Take to the Home Groups

- Consider passing around a second basket for the Newcomer Event donations.
  - Promote the retreat and the dance.
- We need nominations for Co-Chair, Co-Treasurer, & Co-Secretary.

### **NEXT Policy & Administration Meeting**

**There will not be a March meeting unless something comes up and there is a need for one.**

### **NEXT SBASCNA Meeting**

03/17/2024 @ 2pm