

SBASCNA MEETING MINUTES

April 21, 2024

Freeland, MI

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

NEWCOMERS to AREA: Tim T., LaVern D., Drea D.

READINGS:

Purpose, Functions, and Responsibilities of ASC - Lori

NA World Service Vision - Will V.

The 12 Concepts of NA Service - Duane

ROLL CALL: groups represented *(See attached SBASCNA attendance sheet)*

ACCEPTANCE of MINUTES: APPROVED

NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS: None

OPEN POSITIONS-PLEASE ANNOUNCE AT YOUR HOMEGROUPS:

Co-Secretary Co-Treasurer

TRUSTED SERVANTS' REPORTS

CHAIRPERSON/POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION: No P&A meeting today. Nothing new to report. Printer is up and running. There will be P&A meeting next month to cover

ILS, Lou H.

SECRETARY: The report is the minutes. If you want to be added to the email list please send me your email. I would like to get everyone's reports by the end of the area meeting so that I may get minutes sent in a timely manner. Thank you for letting me be of service, Janell K. (secretarysaginawbay@gmail.com)

TREASURER:

April SBASCNA Treasurer Report

Available Funds \$ 5927.30

Group Donations \$ 255.00

Literature Sales \$ 345.00

Total Credits \$ 600.00

Outstanding Checks **\$1810.65**

Grateful to Serve, Cathy H.

RCM & RCM-ALT: Our region's total balance is \$4,923.31. This includes outstanding checks. For the month of March our income was \$305.40 and our expenses were \$3,750.16. RD reports from World Service Conference Participant meeting on 3/1 They discussed collaborating on creating motions, full WSC involvement, collaborative prioritization. In the upcoming WSC cycle issues that will be looking at are: Gender-Neutral and Inclusive Language in NA Literature, dealing with disruptive and predatory behavior, DRT/MAT as it relates to NA: Helping members take root., reimagining and revitalizing NA service

committees. Ad Hoc committee continues to review regional guidelines. If you wish to participate, please use the link below. RCM and RCM Alt are actively a part of this committee. Our next meeting will be May 12th, 2024 at 10 am via zoom. ID:812 5592 1195 PW: MAF1987 Open Positions: Co-facilitator, co-treasurer, co-secretary. A member brought up questions and concerns regarding financing, travel/meal reimbursement and regional funds. We discussed it. RDA is now AD (alternate delegate) Budgets are to be resubmitted, brought back to areas, and voted on in June. We were one of the groups forced to abstain in April because we did not present a group consensus.

1. Budget proposals: Budgets for committee members have been resubmitted and need to be approved.

2. The regional PR Chair would like to get the word out for PR week in June. If any areas are interested in putting on an event and would like extra resources, please contact the Regional PR Chair. Doug D. dougdna911@comcast.net I was asked by the Regional PR Chair to ask why our prudent reserve is set so high? I expressed that I would bring it to are and get a consensus. Our next in-person Michigan Regional meeting will be held Sunday, August 4th at 9am. The hosting area is the Northwest area. This date falls on the same weekend as the NWACNA retreat, which is held at Pat's campground. If you wish to camp, you should book your campsite asap. If you choose to stay in the hotel more details will be available soon.

[2023/2024 Budget](#)

In Loving Service, Don M. RCM Peg M. RCM Alt

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

H&I: Last committee meeting was 03.25.24 Next meeting is H&I meeting 04.22.24 at the Messiah Lutheran Church - 4640 N Michigan Saginaw, MI 48604 Pathways is going on Wednesday. Tricap is still going very well. Trying to get in the Bay County Jail waiting on some background checks. Just not enough willingness to be of service! In Loving Service Kim S.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Wednesday April 24 th , 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:

We had no other members attend the March PR meeting. I was unable to attend the PR event in Frankenmuth (with the Regional PR chair) due to a family emergency. Tomorrow we will have a PR table at Delta College for their Mental Health fair. I will be asking for some PR IPs and a bunch of current meeting lists today for that event (and others).

We requested that the web address for our portion of the regional website be shortened to /Saginaw from /Saginaw-bay-area, and the regional web servant set up forwarding for us. The intent is to shorten the verbal or printed address. This request was largely in response to the discovery that the regional telephone line simply directs all callers to find meeting information via the regional website, making the phone line an unnecessary intermediate step between the addict and finding meeting information. Our future PR effort will focus on directing humans to our website for information.

On the 18 th of April I attended a NAW\$ facilitated Public Relations webinar where many ideas for Public Relations effort were exchanged. Billboards and virtual PR presentations were two of the most exciting (and useful IMO). One area/region presents a Newcomer Workgroup every Monday virtually on Zoom at 7pm (Eastern) ZOOM 819 5172 0212 password 1212.

The web servant has updated our meeting list with the new ASC mailing address.

Please remember that NAW\$ is no longer updating in-person meeting information, and instead is relying on local/regional websites (like ours) to communicate current and accurate meeting information.

Please email all changes to meeting times and/or locations (as well as event flyers) to myself or the webservant. If you have an event flyer, please attach an original electronic document (not simply a picture of it).

Bryan H.
NAJFT@mudboy.net

RETREAT: Next Committee Meeting April 30th 6pm before the survival meeting. The current checking account balance is \$12,102. We currently have 82 registrations for retreat. We provided scholarships for 32 people. That is a record! We are working on finalizing the program and making final arrangements. We will still need registrations to hit our required minimum of 100. Please announce at meetings. Looking forward to a successful/spiritual retreat in May. Treasury report included below.. ILS, Cathy H.

2024 Retreat Treasury Report - March 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	\$ 683.00
Donations	\$ 239.00
Beds Assigned - 16	\$ (1,360.00)
Current Balance	\$ 1,234.17

	Current	Cumulative
Starting Balance	\$ 4,750.98	\$ 4,602.93
DNR		\$ (1,698.00)
Petty Cash (Seed Money)	\$ 100.00	\$ -
Fundraiser Supplies	\$ (142.06)	\$ (389.88)
DJ Expenses	\$ (150.00)	\$ (150.00)
Church/Facility Donation		\$ (230.00)
Donation to Area		\$ (100.00)
Merchant Fees	\$ (62.50)	\$ (84.63)
Scholarship Donations	\$ 209.00	\$ 424.00
Halloween Dance		\$ 471.50
Karaoke Fundraiser		\$ 524.00
St. Patrick's Day Dance	\$ 1,075.06	\$ 1,075.06
Registrations	\$ 5,525.00	\$ 6,800.00
Friday Dinners	\$ 225.00	\$ 255.00
Shirt Orders	\$ 502.00	\$ 524.00
CC Fees Collected	\$ 70.50	\$ 79.00
Ending Balance	\$12,102.98	\$ 12,102.98
Bank Balance	\$ 11,741.42	
Checks Outstanding	\$ -	
CC Deposits Outstanding	\$ 176.50	
Cash Deposits Outstanding	\$ 185.06	
	\$12,102.98	

ACTIVITIES: Good afternoon fam.

Again please forgive my absence as I have started a new job. My schedule is week long stretches and I'm the new

guy so I'm not really able to adjust anything at the moment.

Last night's event was a relatively good time, however it was lowly attended. I believe there are many factors involved here, and the ones that we can address we will. I want to thank everyone who came and set up and helped to cook and stayed after and cleaned up last night. We have a good group of people who are dedicated to helping and carry the message.

Last night's event cost \$336.77 and from raffles and door collection, we received \$286.00. Melina from the MRCNA committee provided one basket for raffle. We will be working on getting her the funds and proceeds from this event on my days off coming this weekend.

Bob, who's last initial escapes me at this moment, was on hand to do registrations for MRCNA as well.

As before if you have questions, please feel free to contact me directly. The committee is also very open to suggestions on how to help plan future events that may excite people to want to attend.

Lastly, I want to again recognize those who have been helping with our events from spreading the word, to set ups and tear downs. They're truly expressing the unity of our traditions through service.

In loving service,

Peter S.

LITERATURE: I placed an order with word services this month in the amount of \$855.20. Of that money \$17.55 was spent out of pocket on shipping costs. The order was received, checked for accuracy and the invoice forwarded to our area treasurer. I appreciate everyone's patience these last couple of months in waiting for any materials we didn't have in stock. As a reminder, the literature order form can be found online at Michigan-na.org, filled out and sent to saginawlit@gmail.com for pick up at the monthly area meeting. Please send your order form via email before noon the day of area if you would like to pick it up that month. Also, any larger orders should expect a delay of a month unless that order is given to me before I've already sent an order to world that month. I try to keep shipping costs down as much as possible by combining orders, because that is money paid out of pocket by area. If you have any questions, feel free to approach me to send an email.

In loving service,
Shane H.

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

NEWCOMER EVENT: Our last fundraiser on April 13th went well with about 35 members in attendance. We made a profit of \$229 which brings our account to \$1,016. We plan to have one more fundraiser this summer, likely in the middle/end of July. More will be revealed.

The 2nd Annual Newcomer Event will be October 12th, 2024 from 12-7ish. We have our speaker panel topics picked out and we are now working on recruiting speakers for the main event and finalizing our plans for food.

We do not have the date of our next committee meeting planned yet, we will let Public Relations chair Bryan H know when this is scheduled so it can be posted on the website.

Thank you for letting me be of service,
Amanda M

GROUP REPORTS

A GATHERING OF MEN AND WOMEN: (Saginaw) Group donation \$10. This group could use support. Meets at the Saginaw Recovery house 1506 Mackinaw st. Sundays at 9:30am - Spiritual Principal a Day. ILS Linda

AUGRES: Next group business meeting Wednesday 05.01.24 Group meets Wednesdays at 7pm United Methodist Church, 3322 E. Huron Ave. ILS LaVern D.

BY NA MEANS NECESSARY: (Midland) The next business meeting will be 05.18.24. The group discussed passing a separate basket for the newcomer event and we may do that closer to October. We discussed contributing to the MRCNA fundraiser basket. We do not currently have a contribution. Our homegroup is growing and we have purchased IP's about group service positions. Attendance is steady. ILS, Janell K.

COMMON DESIRES: (Essexville) Nest business meeting 05.18.24 Group Donation \$15. Nothing to report, we are steady open with an average of about 6 people, would love to see more out there. I.L.S. Tom C.

COMMON GROUND: (West Branch) Business meetings are the Tuesday before area. Group Donation \$25. Meeting is going well with attendance of 6-10 people regularly. We still have basic book study prior to the regular meeting with 5-6 people in attendance. ILS, Duane

COMMON WELFARE: (Bay City) Next business meeting 05.16.24. The common welfare group is doing well as far as attendance. We are struggling with seventh tradition as they have been low. We do not have a donation for area this month. ILS Josh D.

DOWN WITH DISEASE: (Midland) Next business meeting 05-18-24 - Karen B.

H.O.W.: (Bay City) Meeting is the same as usual. We could use some support. Chip

HOW IT WORKS: (Midland) Next business meeting 05.15.24 We continue to meet twice weekly (Mondays and Wednesdays) both in-person and on zoom.

HUGS NOT DRUGS: (St Helen) Group donation \$20, next business meeting 04.19.24. Nothing new to report. ILS Gloria H.

JUST FOR TUESDAY: (Midland) Greeting family,

Our meeting is going great! We meet every Tuesday night in Midland at Aldersgate Church at 7 pm. For anyone looking for a welcoming and relaxing environment in which to have a meditation meeting, please come check us out! For anyone else, please come check us out anyway!

We have been steadily gaining in dedicated homegroup members and are averaging between 10-15 members in attendance each week. A strong message of recovery and a spirit of honest sharing are always present in our meeting.

In loving service,
Will V

NO MATTER WHAT (Mount Pleasant) Next business meeting 05.19.24. We find ourselves trying to get our message out to the people that come to our meetings from rehab. We talked about making changes to our format but aren't sure what to add. If anyone has any suggestions please contact Ed H. 810-730-1203.

RECOVERY NATION: (West Branch) Group Donation \$40. Next business meeting is the 3rd Saturday in May. First eating meeting and open talk went well (Thanks Don M.) Next open talk will be May 11th Eating at noon speaker at 1pm. Donations for basket brought to area meeting. (handmade walleye lures) 04.27.24 breakfast pizza Saturday prior to meeting 11:30 am!

SURRENDER OUR LIVES: (Saginaw) The next business meeting is the first Monday of every month. Group donation \$70. Saturday June 29th @ 10:30 am, picnic, Stoker Park in Carrollton. Meeting meets Mondays @ 6:30 pm and Saturdays @ 10:30 am. ILS, Kim S.

SURVIVAL:(Saginaw) Next business meeting 04.23.24 Group donation \$20.The group is sending a person to area. Roy O.

OLD BUSINESS

Open positions for Co-treasurer and Co-Secretary

NEW BUSINESS

- New meeting Thursdays 7pm (Just For Today) Harrisville Methodist Church 217 North State St. Harrisville, MI 48740. Will receive a new meeting packet.
- New meeting Tuesdays 7pm (No Name) Midland Missionary Church 479 S. 11 mile Rd Midland, MI 48640. Will receive a new meeting packet.

OPEN FLOOR:

- Bank account for the new comer event and activities.
- The reason we keep our prudent reserve where we have it. Area prudent reserve needs to cover our obligations such as PO Box \$240 per year, rent \$35 a month, zoom yearly and prudent reserves for the sub committees.
- We should have an P&A meeting next month to discuss guidelines.

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.
- We need nominations for Co-Treasurer, & Co-Secretary.

NEXT Policy & Administration Meeting
05.19.24 @ 1pm

NEXT SBASCNA Meeting

05.19.24 @ 2pm