

# SBASCNA MEETING MINUTES

December 15th, 2024

Freeland, MI

**OPENING:** Opened at 2:08 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

## **READINGS:**

The 12 Concepts of NA Service - Chip D.

Purpose, Functions, and Responsibilities of ASC - Josh D.

NA World Service Vision - John

**NEWCOMERS to AREA:** John, Pete, Herbert

**ROLL CALL:** 13 groups represented +1 report sent(See attached SBASCNA ATTENDANCE RECORD)

**ACCEPTANCE of MINUTES:** Approved Chip D./Josh D.

**NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS:** None

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

All trusted servant positions are up for nominations and elections every January.

**Chair, Co-Chair, Secretary, Co-Secretary, Treasurer, and Co-Treasurer**

## **TRUSTED SERVANTS' REPORTS**

### **CHAIRPERSON/POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION:**

- New Literature order form on the website.
- The Retreat Committee is struggling with their bank allowing them to switch people on the account they may explore other banks.
- The guidelines posted on the web do not reflect the changes that were made about sub-committees ordering from area. The secretary is going to connect with the web servant to get the updated minutes on the web site.
- Group and subcommittee forms have been updated. The PO BOX was removed from the bottom of the page and replaced with the secretary's email.

**SECRETARY:** My report is the minutes if you or anyone in your home group are not receiving the minutes and would like to please email: [secretarysaginawbay@gmail.com](mailto:secretarysaginawbay@gmail.com)

### **TREASURER:** December SBASCNA Treasurer Report

Available Funds \$ 3,404.05

Group Donations \$ 274.85

Literature Sales \$ 741.22

Total Credits \$ 1,526.94

Monthly Expenses \$ 940.71

Outstanding Checks \$ 83.00

In Loving Service,

Cathy H.

**RCM:** Treasurer reported that for the month of November our income was \$126.29, and our expenses were \$609.99. As of 11/26/2024 our total available balance is \$7,191.91

World rep reported that the Interim Conference Agenda Report / Conference Approval Track (CAR/CAT) was released on November 21. Delegates will receive a presentation from the World Board on December 7. The goal is to workshop this out to the areas and collect tally forms using both virtual and in-person presentations at the 13 area service committees in the Michigan Region, regardless of active participation at the regional service committee.

The Midwest Zonal Forum met virtually on November 23, 2024. An Interim CAR workshop will be scheduled during the holidays. MZF has an in-person meeting planned for February 22-23 in Livonia hosted by Metro Detroit Region.

MRCNA committee has filled all positions.

1. A Vision of NA Service

[https://na.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Vision\\_23-26.pdf](https://na.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Vision_23-26.pdf)

2. CAR/CAT (see attached presentation).

3. Please announce in all home groups that Region is looking for volunteers from areas to be a part of the phone lines. Please reach out to Doug D. or Ann Marie if you are interested or have the willingness

Recourses Link to google drive:

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1BKheInQRveRNzvB7wLjCPiH4Ui22e9iX?usp=drive\\_link](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1BKheInQRveRNzvB7wLjCPiH4Ui22e9iX?usp=drive_link) Link to

RCM information:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SwxOnXyiofO4P7tQlxMJJaJTl7Vunns6zfgdNzcBCt\\_s/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SwxOnXyiofO4P7tQlxMJJaJTl7Vunns6zfgdNzcBCt_s/edit?usp=sharing) Link to contact list:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1YUM9BmS\\_v8c6z4VsFbGDmJFVllIASFYU5\\_zYFqHtZPc/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1YUM9BmS_v8c6z4VsFbGDmJFVllIASFYU5_zYFqHtZPc/edit?usp=sharing)

Region will be Virtual FEBRUARY 2, 2025 @ 9:00 am @

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83201875742?pwd=WWtrSkNXYmNNcVhJWEszRGxFbnFvUT0>

ID: 83201875742

Password: MZF1987

In loving service Don M

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ACTIVITIES:** A short meeting will be held at my house before we start preparing the food for the Sanity Bash on 12-27-24. The Sanity Bash which will be held on 12-28-24 is getting underway. It will be here soon and me and my team are looking forward to seeing everyone there and having a good time!

In Loving Service Linda & her team Chip, Tanya, Dana, Char, Kim K. Kim S. Stephen, Amy B. & Tina.

## **HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS:**

Hello, family this is the H&I Subcommittee report for the month of December 2024. Things seem to be going smoothly over all, attendance is steady at most of the Facilities and the attendees are participating. To start, Tricap is going smoothly. Attendance is good. The women have asked for more literature (IP's) and I have brought literature with me to give to them. I will be purchasing some clean time cards this month to replenish what has been used. I will bring receipts at the next area.

The Bay County Jail has had strong attendance and the attendees keep asking for us to come in weekly and I have talked to members that have shown interest in going into the jail on alternate weeks more will be revealed. The

attendees were very grateful for the introductory Guide to NA books. We were unable to go into the jail on Tuesday December 10 as they were having a Union Meeting that night. We are scheduled to go on Tuesday December 24th Christmas eve.

DOT has had some issues. They seem to have been surprised every month by the women coming in. I have called Jeffery Williams as well as his son Jeffery Williams jr. and have not been able to talk to either of them directly. I did make it clear that I had women available to go in to the facility on the second Thursday of every month and the men going in on the third Thursday of every month the men have had no issues since we started.

Pathways (Healthsource) has had considerable issues with attendance. They have not been able to have a meeting in quite sometime and we have recently had a member notify me that they were stepping down and I thanked him for his service.

Ten16 has been doing very well with lots of positive feedback from the facility and the clients and I'd like to say that the facility is still encouraging members from the community to come out and support the clients. We are still actively looking for facilities in the northern part of our area with no luck as of yet. I have asked some of our members from the northern part of our area if they would be interested in going into any of the other facilities and they have shown willingness but transportation is an issue and I have told them I will continue to look in the northern part of our area.

The H&I Subcommittee meeting was held Monday December 2nd 2024 at the Alice & Jack Wirt Public library on 500 center ave. Bay City MI, at 3 pm in room 1. The meeting was well attended with 5 in attendance. They gave me contact information and I thanked them. The next Subcommittee meeting will be Monday January 6th at the Alice & Jack Wirt Public library 500 Center ave. Bay City MI, 3 pm room 1. You can also attend the meeting via Zoom.

Zoom ID 81481235718      Password: na  
ILS Josh D.

**LITERATURE:** Order placed this month was \$858.13 but to my defense the cupboards were lacking a few necessities. Our total Cabinet worth is \$2,689.90 roughly including this order. I will not be placing an order for the next several months. Special orders I can't fulfill I'll make small exceptions where needed. We have added lined basic texts to inventory. I sold \$741.22. My expenses were \$160.17 which means I needed many medallions, a few books, many key tags. I have sale totals - H&I which still depletes stock.

September \$499.23 order total \$551.49

October \$641.59 order total \$603.95

November \$741.22 order total \$866.86

So as you can see I ordered then depleted something, so this month I got this figured out. And sales are way down. I sold 1 lined book, basic text. That's it so I won't be placing another order for a while. Except for special orders like Bryan has made. But after some sales we have \$2,644.40 in stock. ILS, Peg M.

**NEWCOMER EVENT:** Our last meeting was on 12-04-24 First fundraiser scheduled on Saturday March 29th, 2025 at New Life Vineyard in Midland. Chili Cook-off. Bring your best chili to compete for bragging rights. Possible dance as well. Not sure. We will discuss final plans at our next meeting on Wednesday January 8th, 2025 after the How it Works meeting in Midland. I also confirmed the location/date of the event with Bridget from Messiah Lutheran Church. Oct 11th, 2025. She predicted a \$200 fee to rent the space. Need to follow up with Renee for coffee costs. We are planning three fundraisers, one in March, one in May, and one in August. More will be revealed. In Loving Service Dana S.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Next Committee Meeting Monday January 13th, Midland following the How it Works group meeting (~7:50pm) also on Zoom using the How it Works group meeting code (236328539)

The website and meeting list are current to the best of our information. This past month we updated the list of Saginaw Bay Area volunteers for the phone line. Three inactive numbers were removed, my telephone number was

added, and my contact information replaced the previous PR chair information for email and text notifications of activity.

This month we added the Literature subcommittee's new Literature Order form to the website. We are planning two changes to our area website. We plan to add temporary meeting information to a section to be added at the top of our "Meetings" page. The purpose of this will be to inform members of temporary changes (location, limited time closures, etc) in a location that will not appear on the printed meeting lists. Printed meeting lists typically long outlast these temporary changes, and the addition of side-notes also compete for page space with critical information on the printed list (meeting time, meeting location, meeting format, room number or building entry information). We strive to keep the meeting list to two pages for double-sided printing on a single sheet of paper. The second change will be to add an option for members to sign up for changes and updates to be sent to them by email. The email messages will be blind carbon copied (BCC) to each participant, which will conceal the email addresses of other participants and prevent users from "replying to all" other participants. We are also setting up a functional email address on the website for Public Relations and Website use (we are currently using personal email addresses). The functional email address is SBANAweb@outlook.com. When posting fellowship information and announcements on Facebook, such as events, please remember that the group "Saginaw Bay Area of Narcotics Anonymous" is a public group and one of the only groups that can be read by all members of the NA fellowship as well as any interested member of the public. The group "Tri-city Fellows" and the retreat group are both private groups and not all members of the fellowship can view posts in these groups at will (members of these groups must be granted access prior to reading the groups).

Area group or subcommittee events and meeting updates/change information should be emailed to the Public Relations chair for posting on our website. Other proposed website changes may be brought to the Area Service Committee meeting. If you have a document for posting on our website please attach the electronic document file to the email (not simply a picture/screenshot of it). All documents must have the name of the home group or subcommittee which is sponsoring the event or responsible for that information printed on the flyer or other document.

Bryan H.

NAJFT@mudboy.net

**RETREAT:** The next Committee meeting January 7th 6pm before Survival. The DNR Contract has been signed and the down payment made for the 2025 retreat. The Cost for Retreat will be \$175 cash and \$183 Credit Card Scholarship \$87.50 Cash \$91.50 Credit Card. The committee determined the food choices and will begin working on the registration form. The logo has been finalized. The theme is Seeking Balance for a new way of life. The committee is working on the merchandise selection. The committee worked on the Fund Raising event for January. Flyers are available for the Euchre Party to be held on January 11 th . The committee is working on the next two fund raisers scheduled for

February 1 st – N Euclid – Recovery Quiz Bowl – Sean will work on putting together the questions

March 15 th – St. Albans – St Patrick's Dance

In loving service,

Tim S.

## GROUP REPORTS

**A GATHERING OF MEN AND WOMEN: (Saginaw)** Group Donation \$20. ILS Linda

**ACCEPTANCE IS FREEDOM & SERENITY: (Gladwin)** Next business meeting January 13th, 2025. ILS, Jodi

**CLARE'S NA BASIC TEXT (Clare):** Last couple of meetings we had 7-8 people so I'm hopeful it's just going to get bigger. ILS Jessica

**COMMON WELFARE (Bay City):** Next Business meeting 01.16.25. Common welfare is doing well. Attendance is up. We have no donation for area this month thank you. ILS Josh D.

**DOWN WITH DISEASE (Midland):** Group Donation \$40. Business meetings are the second Saturday of the month following the 10am meeting. Attendance is going well. At times the Friday night meeting has been reaching 30+ people, when this happens we split the meeting and half go down stairs and have a "Just for Today" topic discussion. ILS, Janell K.

**HUGS NOT DRUGS (St Helen):** Next business meeting January 10th, 2025. Group Donation \$20. Hugs Not Drugs is happy to report everything is going smoothly. ILS, Gloria H.

**JUST FOR TUESDAY (Midland):** Next business meeting January 7th, 2025. We WILL meet X-Mas & New Years Eve. Kurt S. celebrated 39 years on 12/10, Dana S. 9 years on 12/12 ILS 9 years.

**NEVER ALONE (Bay City):** Next business meeting January 12th, 2025 after the meeting. We will be holding a meeting on Christmas at 7 - 8:15pm. (Our normal meeting time) ILS Amanda H.

**SHERI'S DINER GROUP (Gladwin):** Business meetings are held the 1st Monday of the month. 01.06.25. 1st Monday of each month is "game/movie night" starts at 6pm.

**SURRENDER OUR LIVES (Saginaw):** Next business meeting January 6th, 2025. Every third Monday of the month we try to have an open speaker. ILS, Kim S.

### OLD BUSINESS:

- The consensus based attachment for our guidelines on the NA website that does not seem to have anything to do with Roberts Rules of Order. After discussion it was decided even though it's a long document it does reflect our values and explains how to best dissolve internal conflicts.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- Nominations and elections take place every January!!! Our next Area meeting is the end of term for our trusted servants Chair, Co-Chair, Secretary, Co-Secretary, Treasurer, and Co-Treasurer.
- There is a new literature order form on the website [SBASCNA Literature Order Fillable Excell112924.xlsx](#) Please review and discuss with home groups and we will discuss it more at January's meeting.

**OPEN FLOOR:** None

**FLYERS & MEETINGS:** If any committees have flyers or meetings, they would like posted to the SBASCNA Website send to [royo1958@gmail.com](mailto:royo1958@gmail.com) (PDF FORMAT)

**LITERATURE ORDERS:** [SaginawLit@gmail.com](mailto:SaginawLit@gmail.com) **Your orders need to be submitted prior to each area for orders to be filled.** [SBASCNA Website](#) *click here to locate the online order forms.*

# Sub-Committee Meetings

**Want to get involved in a committee? Show up! No experience required.**

**Activities:** December 27th, 2024 Brief meeting at Linda house before preparing the food for the Sanity Bash the following day. Call Linda for address 989-577-1494

**Hospitals & Institutions:** January 6th, 2025 3 pm Alice and Jack Wirt Public Library Room #1 500 Center Avenue Bay city, MI 48708 Also meets virtually on zoom +1 929 205 6099 US (New York) Zoom ID 81481235718 Password: na <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81481235718?pwd=MmFKKzZ0VEFxVWJxYktjUHY0ejJmUT09>

**Literature:** Sunday January 19th, 2025 immediately following Area.

**Newcomer Event:** Wednesday, January 8th, 2025 following the How it Works meeting in Midland.

**Policy & Administration:** January 19th, 2025 1pm Zion Lutheran Church 545 7th Street, Freeland, MI 48623

**Public Relations:** Monday, January 13th, 2025 Midland following the How it Works group meeting (~7:50pm) also on Zoom using the How it Works group meeting code (236328539)

**Retreat:** January 7th, 2025 at 6pm prior to Survival Meeting in Saginaw.

**Next Area Meeting:** Saginaw Bay Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous - Third Sunday of every month January 19th, 2025 - 2pm - Zion Lutheran Church 545 7th Street, Freeland, MI 48623

## Announce at Home Groups!!!

**Open positions:**

**Every January nominations and elections will take place for all trusted servants.  
Chair, Co-Chair, Treasurer, Co-Treasurer, Secretary, Co-Secretary, and  
Alt-RCM**