

# SBASCNA MEETING MINUTES

March 16th, 2025

Freeland, MI

**OPENING:** Opened at 2:00 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 - Elliot

NA World Service Vision - Duane

**NEWCOMERS to AREA:** None

**ROLL CALL:** 17 groups represented plus 1 that sent a report

**ACCEPTANCE of MINUTES:** Approved Karen A./ Josh D

**NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS:** None

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

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

## **TRUSTED SERVANTS' REPORTS**

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

- Apriels area meeting will be held the second Sunday of the month April 13th instead of on Easter Sunday
- The Treasurer has been working with the former Activities chair to gather the missing funds. She has recently received a \$200 payment.

**SECRETARY:** My report is the minutes if you or any member of NA would like to receive the minutes please email: [secretarysaginawbay@gmail.com](mailto:secretarysaginawbay@gmail.com) Attached to the minutes you will find the 2025 Attendance Record.

**RCM:** Last meeting was February 2nd

To reiterate from my last report:

In the month of December our Regional income was \$1,720.89

Our expenses were \$23.15

Our total balance in our account is \$8,142.49.

Grant H. had resigned as the MSO Rep due to health reasons and there are no current nominations.

Ad Hoc Subcommittee (Guidelines): The process is as follows:

The Ad Hoc committee has sent the guidelines to all RCM's. Once questions and concerns are addressed, the RCM's will take that information back to their Areas to review and vote upon. Once the Areas have reviewed the guidelines they will be sent back to the Region to be voted on by RCMs. I have been a part of this committee since its inception if anyone has any questions.

If anyone in our area is planning on doing a MRCNA fundraiser please let me know. We also would like to inquire if our area is planning a bid for MRCNA 42/43. Planning is going well for a successful MRCNA this year, but we need your help in announcing this in your groups and at our events.

Michigan Region Helpline is still seeking volunteers. Bay and Saginaw areas are well represented but they did mention a need for outlying areas, especially up north.

Regional Positions

Facilitator- Drae R. nominated and elected.

Co-Facilitator- OPEN  
Treasurer- Jeff C. nominated and elected.  
Co-Treasurer- Casey G. nominated and elected.  
Secretary- Lisa M. nominated and elected.  
Co-Secretary- Erin nominated and elected.  
Webservant- June election  
PR Chair- June election  
MSO Representative- OPEN, no nominations  
AS A REMINDER

- The Co-Facilitator position is open.
- 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)
- Please remember to announce that the Region is looking for volunteers from areas to be a part of the phone lines. RCM can reach out to Doug D. or Ann Marie if any of you are interested or have the willingness.
- All groups have been provided copies of the proposed Regional guidelines revisions for review, and we need to have all suggested changes/edits submitted to the ad hoc committee no later than midnight, Friday, March 28, 2025.

Below is the link to the Guideline Revision Tracker where submissions can be made:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1EsNTzFp3Ouv6Rw6rg\\_r8n6lDX8P1ZPMr8MvSPSbTwP0/edit?gid=0#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1EsNTzFp3Ouv6Rw6rg_r8n6lDX8P1ZPMr8MvSPSbTwP0/edit?gid=0#gid=0)

- RCMs were encouraged to carefully review the MSO Representative position section in the revised guidelines draft with the GSRs in their Area. Discussions were held regarding the possibility of removing this position from region

We received the following message from the Michigan Regional Secretary

Hi Family,

Thank you for being patient while we navigate through the process of deciding the best way to convene for our April Regional meeting. At our February meeting, the consensus of the group was to meet in person, which is consistent with our guidelines, as well as with our overall mission to show support for our smaller, outlier Areas. However, since our last meeting, several events have transpired, and new information has come to light:

1. The number of administrative body/RCMs that have indicated they will not be attending in-person in April is significantly great.
2. There isn't the NA presence in the Gaylord Area as we originally thought, no NA meeting on Saturday evening, no active ASC, etc., therefore, our intention of showing support by bringing the Regional meeting to Gaylord would be less meaningful than we originally believed.

Several members of the Regional committee have indicated they are either neutral on the issue, or favor us meeting virtually for our April MRSCNA meeting. So virtual it is! Below is the Zoom information:

**Region will be held Virtually, Sunday, April 6, 2025 @ 9:00 am @**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83201875742?pwd=WWtrSkNXYmNNcVhJWEszRGxUbnFvUT0>**

**ID: 83201875742**

**Password: MZF1987**

In Loving Service  
Don M  
SBASCNA RCM

**TREASURER:**

March 2025 SBASCNA Treasurer Report:

Available Funds \$ 3,342.96  
 Group Donations \$ 178.59  
 Literature Sales \$ 315.05  
 Total Credits \$ 493.64  
 Monthly Expenses \$ 1,007.33

Outstanding Checks \$ 170.92  
 In Loving Service, Cathy H.

Prudent Reserve	\$ 500.00
Halloween Dance	\$ 278.12
October Balance	\$ 778.12
Supplies for Activities	\$ (404.20)
Second Prudent Reserve	\$ 433.00
Balance	\$ 806.92
Returned to Area	\$ (278.12)
Balance	\$ 528.80
Gratitude Dinner	\$ 232.75
Balance	\$ 761.55
Returned To Area	\$ (232.75)
Balance	\$ 528.80
Sanity Bash	\$ 383.00
Balance	\$ 911.80
Return To Area	\$ (383.00)
Balance	\$ 528.80
Valentines Dance	\$ (119.79)
Current Balance	\$ 409.01

**HALLOWEEN DANCE**

	Revenue	Expense	Profit
<b>SEED MONEY: 100</b>			
Facility Rental		\$100.00	
Kids		\$5.60	
Kids		\$7.18	
Candy		\$16.17	
Sloppy Joes		\$76.75	
DJ		\$150.00	
NA Mugs		\$20.40	
Gift Card and Prizes		\$61.78	
Door	\$700.00		
Pop Sold	\$16.00		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$716.00</b>	<b>\$437.88</b>	<b>\$278.12</b>

**Valentine Dance**

	Revenue	Expense	Profit
<b>SEED MONEY:</b>			
Facility Rental		\$100.00	
DJ		\$150.00	
Food and Decorations			
Raffle Basket		\$25.00	
Pop and Water		\$56.95	
Candy and Cookies		\$60.80	
Supplies		\$77.04	
50/50	\$44.00		
Raffle	\$52.00		
Pop and Water	\$42.00		
Silent Auction	\$50.00		
Door	\$162.00		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$350.00</b>	<b>\$469.79</b>	<b>-\$119.79</b>

**GRATITUDE DINNER**

	Revenue	Expense	Profit
<b>SEED MONEY:</b>			
Facility Rental		\$80.00	
Table Clothes		\$10.60	
Center Pieces		\$53.00	
Batteries		\$2.65	
Martha		\$25.00	
Turkey		\$37.50	
Ham		\$36.25	
Water		\$3.49	
Silverware		\$15.53	
Door	\$496.77		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$496.77</b>	<b>\$264.02</b>	<b>\$232.75</b>

**SANITY BASH**

	Revenue	Expense	Profit
<b>SEED MONEY:</b>			
Facility Rental		\$80.00	
DJ		\$150.00	
Food and Decorations		\$453.00	
Batteries			
Martha			
Turkey			
Ham			
Water			
Silverware			
Door	\$1,066.00		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$1,066.00</b>	<b>\$683.00</b>	<b>\$383.00</b>

## SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

**ACTIVITIES:** Next Committee Meeting Tuesday 03.18.25 at 6pm at the Dream Center, 700 Lafayette in Bay City. We took a loss of \$91 from the Valentines Day Dance. The next event will be the Spring Fling with Karaoke/Game night on April 12th, 2025. Flyers are out. Possible Bingo night in May. More will be revealed. ILS Linda.

**HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS:** Good afternoon family, this is the H&I subcommittee report for the month of March. Our subcommittee meeting was held March 3rd , 3pm at the Alice & Jack Wirt public library room 1. There were 5 of us in attendance. I was told things are going well in the Roscommon County jail attendance is low so far I gave them some introductory booklets to distribute and told them that I had been in contact with the Gladwin county jail. The Gladwin county jail said they would consider allowing us to come in but asked for credentials and references, if anyone has any input it would be appreciated. Tricap is steady but attendance has lowered the last few weeks and the women have asked for clean time cards which I ordered and have with me. The ladies at DOT have asked for readings because theirs came up missing. I spoke with the men at DOT to get a copy of their format for the women. I'm hoping they got InTouch with each other. It's been a couple months since I spoke with Pathways (Healthsource) on hospital rd. in Saginaw so I am not sure if they need services again. The speakers at 1016 have been doing well. I am grateful for the service members that have stepped up. The Bay county Jail is running smoothly but attendance was low at the last meeting. And I am still awaiting correspondence from The Saginaw Correctional Facility. I was unable to attend the H&I Webinar this weekend that was sent to me via email if anyone attended please let me know how it went. I have receipts for the materials I had printed and i'm here to pick up the remainder of my order for the H&I subcommittee from last month im sure I may have left something out of this report if so let me know the next H&I Subcommittee Meeting is Monday April 7th at the Alice & Jack Wirt Public Library room 1, 3pm 500 Center ave. Bay City Mi, 48708 this is a hybrid meeting the zoom id. Is 814 8123 5718 password: na  
ILS Josh D

**LITERATURE:** I've sold \$315.05 last month. I placed an order to replenish a few medallions I found we had zero of, and a special order of a few things that were pre-paid. We have two survival kits available. The cost is \$20 each. We have 2 lined basic texts available. \$13.60 each. Those are the only items in stock that are not normal. My order for February was \$639.56. I had a discount of \$40.83. I have sales of already of \$167.70 & \$33. Several envelopes for retreat came to PO Box. I also gave Treasurer Cathy receipt for PO Box payment.

**NEWCOMER EVENT:** Hi my name is Dana, I'm an addict. Our last subcommittee meeting was on 03.05.25. We discussed the chili cook off fundraiser final details. This included projected costs for rent, coffee, pop, etc. Shane W. and I will go shopping on 03.28.25 for these items. Subcommittee will meet at New Life Vineyard Church at 4pm on 03.29.25 to set up. Richard is still set to speak, with Dana S. as back up. Depending on how much is raised, will dictate whether we have one or two more fundraisers. Down with Disease donated \$100 an 03.16.25. Bringing our balance to \$681. As far as providing a receipt for using New life Vineyard, the committee decided two people will drop the money and write a hand written receipt. Next meeting is on 04.02.25. Also, moving forward, area has requested we do not put 50/50 on flyers. Hope to see you all at the event. ILS, Dana S.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Wednesday April 9th, 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. We have been asked to participate again in the Mental Health Fair held at Delta College on April 15 and 16. We are scheduled for the morning of the 15<sup>th</sup>.

The Public Relations subcommittee has been discussing how to encourage the groups and subcommittees of our area to send event flyers and other information directly to the PR subcommittee or web-servant for posting on our website. The SBASCNA website is a service to all of our groups and area subcommittees, and is accessible to ALL addicts as well as potential members of the fellowship. Most of the social media groups where event information is frequently posted are PRIVATE groups and do not reach all addicts (or potential addicts).

It was recently brought to my attention that the State of Michigan has requirements for obtaining a permit to hold a 50/50 raffle. I suggest that the ASC discuss this requirement in new business today, specifically as it applies to our subcommittees having raffles and advertising these raffles on flyers on our website. We currently have one such flyer on our website.

Flyers for events that are hosted by Saginaw Bay Area groups or subcommittees may be emailed to the web servant [SBANAweb@outlook.com](mailto:SBANAweb@outlook.com) or myself for posting on our website. Best quality will be achieved by sending a copy of the flyer instead of a picture of a flyer. **All documents must have the name of the home group or subcommittee which is sponsoring the event printed on the flyer.** It is the policy of the PR subcommittee to post on our website events or announcements from Saginaw Bay area groups or subcommittees only, as events which are hosted or sponsored by groups or subcommittees outside of our area can post their events/announcements on their own portion of the Michigan-na.org website. This allows that information to be easily posted, undated, corrected or deleted by the group or subcommittee which is sponsoring the event.

Please send all meeting changes to myself ([radio883@yahoo.com](mailto:radio883@yahoo.com)) with Meeting Information in the subject line (to help keep it out of my SPAM folder).

Bryan H.

**RETREAT:**

Next Committee meeting will be held April 1st at 6pm before Survival. The final fundraiser was held last night. We will provide the full report at the next meeting. The committee is working on the speakers and topics for the agenda. There will be meditation and yoga this year. Please take registration and merchandise forms to home groups. ILS Tim S.

**2025 Retreat Treasury Report - February 2025**

2025 Retreat Starter Funds	
DNR Deposit	\$ 1,759.46
Memorial Fund	\$ 54.14
6% Tax (if needed)	\$ 1,220.00
Scholarship Balance From 2024	\$ 772.92
Prudent Reserve	\$ 500.00
Pictures	\$ 100.00
Prepaid Registration	\$ 180.00
Beginning Balance 2025 Retreat	\$ 4,586.52

2025 Retreat Scholarship Funds		
Scholarship Beginning Balance	\$ 772.92	
Euchre Tournament	\$ 114.87	
St. Patrick's Day Dance		
Fund Raiser #3		
Donations (From Registrations)		
Donations (Retreat Cash)		
Beds Assigned	\$ -	0 Assigned
Current Balance	\$ 887.79	10 Left
		10 Total

	Current	Cumulative
Starting Balance	\$ 2,814.39	\$ 4,586.52
DNR		\$ (1,698.00)
PO Box Refund		\$ 10.00
Petty Cash (Seed Money)		
Fundraiser Supplies	\$ (41.34)	\$ (136.47)
DJ Expenses		
Church/Facility Donation		\$ (180.00)
Donation to Area		
Photographer		
Merchant Fees (CC)		\$ (99.00)
Merchandise Invoice		
Retreat Supplies		
Refunds		
Scholarship Donations		
Euchre Tournament		\$ 290.00
St. Patrick's Day Dance		
Fundraiser #3		
Registrations		
Friday Dinners		
Shirt Orders		
CC Fees Collected		
Ending Balance	\$ 2,773.05	\$ 2,773.05

Registration Numbers	
Full Registrations	1
Scholarship Beds	
<b>Total Registrations</b>	<b>1</b>
Friday Night Dinners	

Number of Credit Card Transactions	
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Account Reconciliation	
Bank Balance	\$ 2,491.05
Checks Outstanding	
Merch Fees Outstanding	\$ -
CC Deposits Outstanding	\$ -
Cash/Check Deposits Outstanding	\$ 282.00
	\$ 2,773.05

Notes:

One registration was prepaid by Area during the 2024 Retreat accounting period.  
Payment was made to Sandlot Sports

## GROUP REPORTS

**ACCEPTANCE IS SERENITY & FREEDOM(Gladwin):** Next business meeting 04.17.25. Group donation \$3.70. Free Methodist Gladwin we meet here Tuesdaysat 6:30pm and are adding Thursdays 6:30-7:45 closed meeting. ILS, Jodi

**ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE (Saginaw):** Next business meeting 03.27.25. Things are going well with good attendance on Thursday and Saturday although Saturday could use some support. We have also reopened our Friday meeting at noon and request it be added to the meeting list In Loving Service Karen A.

**BRIDGING THE GAP (Midland):** Group is doing well, sweet treats provided most meetings. Meets Tuesdays at 7pm at Midland Missionary Church. ILS Janell

**COMMON GROUND (West Branch):** Group Donation \$20. Attendance has been down this month but meetings are still going. ILS, Duane

**COMMON WELFARE (Bay City):** Next business meeting 04.10.25. All is well family. Attendance is steady no donation for Area this month. TYFYS ILS Josh D.

**DOWN WITH DISEASE (Midland):** Next business meeting April 12th after the Saturday 10am meeting. Group donation \$42, Newcomer Event donation \$100, and a literature order is placed this month. We have a strong homegroup and great attendance. We welcome all new faces and visitors from out of town. ILS, Janell K.

**HUGS NOT DRUGS (St. Helen):** \$20 Group Donation Meeting is the same: 7:00/Friday/Community Baptist Church/1494 North St.Helen Road/St.Helen ILS, Gloria H.

**JUST FOR TUESDAY (Midland):** Next business meeting 03.25.25. ILS Dana S.

**POSITIVE VIBES (Saginaw):** Next business meeting 04.13.25. Group donation \$20. Just a heads up, June 1st, 2025 at 9am Positive Vibes will be moving back to Harvey Wickes Randall Park on McCarty for the summer months. ILS, Linda.

**RECOVERY NATION (West Branch):** Group Donation \$10 Next business meeting 4-2025. Small meetings but still plugging along! Chip is doing the open talk April 12th, lunch provided (lasagna) eating at noon, talk at 1pm. ILS, Glen

**SURRENDER OUR LIVES (Saginaw):** Next business meeting 04.07.25. Group donation \$50. Nothing to report at this time. ILS, Kim S.

### OLD BUSINESS:

- Cathy H. has been in contact with the former Activities Chair and has been collecting payments.
- The April area meeting will be held April 13th the second Sunday due to Easter.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- 50/50 raffles in Michigan require a special license to hold one. Moving forward we should not be printing this on our event flyers.
  - Are we going to continue doing 50/50 raffles and leave them off of the flyers? Or are we going to apply for the 50/50 raffle license?
  - Anything to do with gaming: bingo, 50/50 and money or gift type games can fall under this rule.

## OPEN FLOOR:

- Public Relations would like for groups and committees to send their information and event flyers to the website?
- Bad Axe has two NA meetings and are not able to get on the meeting list because they have not been to an area meeting. It is suggested that they attend the area meeting on zoom or send their group report to the secretary.
- A new area in Michigan, NA has formed called Northern Mid-Michigan.. Please refer to the [NA Website](#) for more details.

**Meeting end promptly at 2:50pm**

**FLYERS & MEETINGS:** Send to [royo1958@gmail.com](mailto:royo1958@gmail.com) (PDF FORMAT)

**LITERATURE ORDERS:** [SaginawLit@gmail.com](mailto:SaginawLit@gmail.com) [Fillable Excel Order Form](#)

## Sub-Committee Meetings

(March 2025)

**Activities:** Next Committee Meeting Tuesday 03.18.25 at 6pm at the Dream Center, 700 Lafayette in Bay City.

**Hospitals & Institutions:** Monday April 7th 3pm 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=MmFKKzZ0VEFhVWJxYktjUHhY0ejJmUT09>

**Literature:** Sunday April 13th, 2025 - immediately following Area.

**Newcomer Event:** Wednesday, April 2nd, 2025 following the How it Works meeting in Midland.

**Policy & Administration:** April 13th, 2025 1pm - before Area

**Public Relations:** Wednesday April 9th, Midland following the How it Works group meeting (~7:50pm)  
also on Zoom using the How it Works group meeting code (236328539)

**Retreat:** April 1st, 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. April 13th, 2025 - 2pm - Zion Lutheran Church 545 7th Street, Freeland, MI 48623

## Announce at Home Groups!!!

If you would like to serve in an area position please review the guidelines for these open position requirements.

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

**April's Area meeting will be held April 13th the second Sunday of the month due to Easter.**