

SBASCNA MEETING MINUTES

June 15th, 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 - Linda

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

NA World Service Vision - Amanda H

NEWCOMERS to AREA: None

ROLL CALL: 15 groups represented plus 3 that sent reports .

ACCEPTANCE OF LAST MONTHS MINUTES: Approved Chip D./ Joshua D.

NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS: None

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

TRUSTED SERVANTS' REPORTS

CHAIRPERSON/POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION:

- The Non-profit Committee has not met yet, more will be revealed.
- The Financial Responsibility Committee has had a meeting and will update area in new business.
- Area event flyers are not being sent to the webservant and are being found on facebook and in private groups. There will be an event flyer announcement made at each area moving forward. This will ensure that we all stay on the same page.
- Former Activities chair have worked out a weekly payment plan for the misappropriated funds of \$500.

SECRETARY: My report is the minutes if you or any member of NA would like to receive the minutes please email: secretarysaginawbay@gmail.com Attached to the minutes you will find the 2025 Attendance Record. ILS Janell K.

RCM: The June 1st Regional Service Committee was held virtually only. There were 9 area representatives participating, including two from new areas. All administrative members participated. There was no facilitator report. As of 5/31/25 the treasury balance for the Regional Service Committee was \$10,031. The treasurer reported that they changed the type of bank account to avoid a \$25 monthly fee that was being charged to the previous account. The treasurer also reported that since he has been treasurer ("a few years ago") the region has not been making donations to NAW\$ due to the treasury balance being below the \$3000 prudent reserve. Guidelines state that 12% of 7 th tradition should be sent to NAW\$ after each meeting, and 10% of MRCNA profit should be sent annually. More discussion followed in new business. The co-treasurer is working on the audit that was requested previously. The Regional Delegate reported that the World Convention lost \$956,129 at the last convention, and as a result there will be no World Convention in 2027. NAW\$ is reporting that the prices for metal and plastic goods will be affected by tariffs. The Conference Agenda Report (CAR) will be published 11/25, the Conference Approval Track (CAT) on 2/26, and the World Service Conference 5/26. The April Regional meeting was moved to April 12, 2026 to avoid conflict with Easter. The Midwest Zonal Forum tax exempt status was revoked due to not filing a Form 990 for three consecutive years. The MZF treasurer has set aside \$1k to have it reinstated.

The Webservant has been working on adding website information for the two new areas that joined the Michigan Region (Northern Mid-Michigan and Huron County/Bad Axe) Public Relations reported that many jails in Michigan had tablets available for inmates, and requested that area H&I groups let the facilities know that NA Literature is free to access electronically. Prisons in Ohio are reported to have Zoom meetings available for inmates. MRCNA reported 300 registrations, and that they lowered the cost of the banquet (to \$25) attempting to reduce financial losses. Last year a committee member charged \$10k on their personal credit card to pay for the hotel. In response to that the MRCNA subcommittee obtained a no-interest credit card to avoid a repeat of this. This issue was discussed in new business, and the card was ultimately cancelled. Under Old Business we were asked to vote on a Regional Service Committee schedule which suddenly had 7 choices. RCMs as well as Admin committee were all asked to vote. The result of the "vote" was that the Regional meeting will be virtual only in December and February, and in-person for April, June, August, October. Trusted servants (not RCMs) who handle money were asked to print and sign a Memorandum of Financial Responsibility. A Procedure for Orienting RCMs to the regional subcommittee was presented and discussed, and it was agreed upon as a useful tool. Under New Business a P&A ad-hoc was formed to regularly review and update MRSCNA guidelines. New MRCNA guidelines were presented to be sent back to Areas for approval. I will send the new and present guidelines to the secretary for sending to GSRs. There will be a virtual CAR workshop on Saturday January 31, 2026. A CAR amendment and CAT workshop will be held on April 11, 2026. A discussion of the Regional Minutes being posted on the website took place, only approved minutes are posted with no personal information. ILS, Bryan H.

TREASURER: June 2025 SBASCNA Treasurer Report

Available Funds \$ 3,758.22

Group Donations \$ 325.47

Literature Sales \$ 422.77

Total Credits \$ 1,090.24

Outstanding Checks \$232.72 (Regional Donations)

Grateful to Serve Cathy H.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

ACTIVITIES: August 19th at 6pm at The Dream Center, 700 Lafayette in Bay City is the Next Committee Meeting. We will be having the "Hot Summer Nights Dance" on June 21st at 6pm at the North Euclid Church of God in Bay City. Also the Annual Canoe/kayak trip is Scheduled for August 3rd, 2025 at Penrod's in Grayling, MI. ILS Linda and Her Team.

HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS: Good afternoon, everyone. The H&I subcommittee has many things to report; we have had two committee meetings since the last ASC meeting and have been making plans for a Learning Day. The committee has assembled a panel of speakers, researched a location and food cost. We also considered that it would be a good opportunity to raise funds to buy basic texts and give them to members when they leave the facilities. Our literature is one of the most powerful ways we can carry the message and I have been asked repeatedly for books from the members in these facilities. The location we are considering is The Harvey Randall Wicks Park on hospital rd. in Saginaw. We considered doing hamburgers and hotdogs for the food and ask members to bring a dish to pass suggested donation at the door \$5 no addict turned away, have games to play, with food cost at \$74.75 pavilion from \$50-\$65 the estimated cost would be \$125-\$135 I would only need money from the H&I Subcommittee prudent reserve to accomplish this. We have had some complications with tri-cap, they have been shuffling the men that

have been coming in, into different rooms that have been too small to hold the amount of people that have been attending the meeting. Aside from that I've been told that the members have continued to have very positive feedback and participation from the attendees. The women as well have had lots of participation and they did a speaker panel for the attendees last week. I also gave the women four basic texts that were donated to give to the women in tri-cap.

Ten16 is doing well as usual, I'm glad things are going smoothly. I have speakers booked for the rest of the month, get with me if you are interested in speaking. The Roscommon County jail meeting is operating smoothly; attendance is consistently full. There is some interest in getting a woman's meeting going and I have been in touch with both

the facility and members in the community nothing is solidified yet I will keep the ASC posted. The Bay County jail has been up and down as far as attendance but participation has been good and the attendees have continued to ask for books. DOT meetings seem to be running smoothly. I did receive a phone call from the facility to bring meetings in, I informed them of what we were already providing and said that if there was anything more, I could help them with, to not hesitate to ask. I made an order for literature totaling \$92. Last month I forgot to send a receipt to area for white paper key tags and I had to order blue paper key tags this month so I have two receipts for area this month that I am asking for reimbursement for. The next H&I subcommittee Group conscious is Monday July 7 th 3 pm, room 1 at the Alice & Jack Wirt public library 500 Center Ave. Bay City MI, 48708 ILS Josh D.

LITERATURE: We the committee did an inventory this past month.

\$3,262.47 Literature Committee Inventory Order (06.12.25)

NA Basic Text Hard Cover (6)

NA Basic Text Line Numbered (2)

NA Basic Text Soft Cover (1)

Spiritual Principal A Day (8)

JFT Book Soft Cover (9)

It Works How and Why Hard Cover (4)

Living Clean Hard Cover (9)

Living Clean Soft Cover (3)

Guiding Principals Hard Cover (11)

Guiding Principals Soft Cover (4)

NA Step Working Guide (4)

NA Survival Kit (1)

Twelve Concepts of NA (13)

An Introductory Guide to NA (24)

NA White Booklet (90)

The Group Booklet Revised (14)

Behind the Walls (11)

Behind the Walls No Staples (3)

NA: A Resource for your Community (10)

IP#10 Fourth Step Guide (15), IP#1(92), IP#2(41), IP#5(214), IP#6(176), IP#7(59), IP#8(103), IP#9(164), IP#11(153), IP#12(169), IP#13(169), IP#15(44), IP#16(195), IP#17(54), IP#19(130), IP#20(5), IP#21(124), IP#22(180), IP#23(20), IP#27(19), IP#29(67), IP#30(27)

H&I Basics (15)

Public Relations Handbook 3 hole punch (1)

Group Treasurer Workbook (2)

Treasurers Handbook Revised (4)
Group Treasurers Record Pad (1)
Outreach Resource Information (2)
Institutional Group Guide (1)
Group Business Meeting (2)
Group Trusted Servants : Roles and Responsibilities (2)
Disruptive and Violent Behavior (25)
NA Groups and Medication (34)
Principals & Leadership in NA Service (3)
NA & Persons receiving Treatment (10)
NAWS Group Starter Kit (2)
Group Readings Cards (3)
Literature Rack 16 pocket (1)
Keytags White (52) Orange (100) Green (73) Red (88) Blue (91) Yellow (113) Moonglow (95) Grey (38) Black (134)
(280) Bronze Medallions
I filled an H&I order for \$83.60. Last month sales were \$422.77. I did not place an order last month. I will this month!
I am out of several items and dangerously low on several items as well. ILS Peg M.

NEWCOMER EVENT: Hi, my name is Dana, I'm an addict. Our most recent subcommittee meeting was on June 6th. Fundraiser discussed, committee will meet at Emerson Park at 2:15pm to set up and begin grilling. Potluck at 3pm. Harris and Amy will speak at 4:30pm. Topic: "Why fellowshipping within NA is an important part of an addict's program." We have 4 people willing to participate in the pie in the face raffle. We also discussed time slots and panel topics for the event. We also assigned members to look for speakers. We also discussed possible main speakers and are waiting to confirm if they will be available. Panel topics include: sponsorship, service, steps, spirituality, and why the slogans & reservations. We voted to have pizza, salad, drinks, and cookies for the meal. As of now, we have enough funds to cover: church rental, coffee and meal. Anything more will go to purchase NA literature to give away after the clean time countdown. Our next meeting will be on Friday, July 11th (to accommodate the July 4th holiday) after the Down with Disease meeting. ILS, Dana S.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Monday July 14th , Midland following the How it Works group meeting (~7:50pm) also on Zoom using the How it Works group meeting code (236328539)

I received an email this morning asking to remove the Clare Basic Text Study group from the meeting list, and it should be removed today before the ASC meeting. With that in mind, the meeting list is current to the best of our information. The "Event Flyer" template is posted on our website (on the "Area Forms" portion of the "Area Resources" page), for use by groups and subcommittees as a starting point for creating event flyers that contain all of the information requested for advertising events on our website (date, time, location address and city, name of group/subcommittee, name or type of event, etc). We continue to have problems with subcommittees not emailing a copy of event fliers to myself or the webservant, forcing us to get flyers from private social media groups. If your group or subcommittee is hosting an event PLEASE email a copy of the event flyer to us for publication on our website for ALL addicts to view. Flyers for events that are hosted by Saginaw Bay Area groups or subcommittees may be emailed to the web servant SBANAw@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.

Please send all meeting changes to myself (radio883@yahoo.com) with Meeting Information in the subject line

(to help keep it out of my SPAM folder). Bryan H.

RETREAT: The next subcommittee meeting is TBD, waiting on the final invoice from DNR. Nothing new to report. Still working out billing details with the DNR. Final report will be presented when invoice is received and paid. In loving service, Tim S.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: Four members of the fellowship attended the first meeting on 6/11/25 at a member's house. We reached a consensus on our mission statement:

- 1) Help addicts to not get sick by not unnecessarily tempting them
- 2) To encourage members to place their own recovery first and inventory their own financial history
- 3) To take care to not pressure members into Area Service Committee (ASC) service
- 4) Encourage potential trusted servants to discuss any service position with their sponsor before accepting a nomination.
- 5) To improve the financial stability of Narcotics Anonymous

And goals:

- 1) Establish a consistent vetting process for trusted servant nominees
- 2) Improve ASC financial disbursement practices to foster accountability
- 3) To ensure that NA funds are used responsibly.

More will be revealed. Thanks for letting me serve. ILS, Bryan H.

AREA NONPROFIT: Has not had their first meeting yet. If you would like to be a part of this committee please reach out to Cathy H.

GROUP REPORTS

ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE (Saginaw): Next business meeting 06.27.25. Things are going well, we currently have 3 meetings (Thursdays 7pm, Fridays 12pm, and Saturdays 7pm). All are experiencing regular attendance however Friday and Saturday could use support. We are also holding a step discussion using the It Works How and Why Book on alternate Saturdays at 5:30pm before the meeting. The past couple of months we have celebrated a lot of clean time within the home group. In Loving Service Karen A.

BAREFOOT MEETING (West Branch): Next business meeting 07.17.25. Group Donation \$7. Attendance of 6-8 people per meeting. ILS, Jeremy W.

BRIDGING THE GAP (Midland): Meeting is doing well, could use some support. ILS, Janell K.

CLARE'S NA BASIC TEXT (Clare): This meeting is no longer happening due to no attendance; it has been removed from the meeting list.

COMMON GROUND (West Branch): Business meetings are the Tuesday before Area. Group Donation \$20. Meetings are going well 8-10 people in attendance on Tuesdays and 4-6 on Fridays. ILS, Duane

COMMON WELFARE (Bay City): Attendance is steady, No, on purchasing old (used) literature at Area. ILS, Josh D.

DOWN WITH DISEASE (Midland): Next business meeting 07.12.25. Our group voted on two things 1. MRCNA fundraiser, we voted no, we feel that MRCNA should be putting on their own fundraisers. 2. Selling used books at area, we voted yes to selling used NA literature at area from one home group to another. We voted no to selling books or merchandise that is not NA approved. We feel that repurposing used books from one group to another is a good idea and area is not meant to make a profit off of the literature. ILS, Janell K.

HOW IT WORKS (Midland): June 16th and June 23rd meetings will be at Eagle Ridge Church of God due to Aldersgate Church being unavailable. We are still on zoom and in-person for both Monday and Wednesday meetings.

NEVER ALONE (Bay City): Next business meeting July 13th, 2025. Picnic July 20th Pondside Park Essexville. Home group providing taco bar. Bring a dish to pass. 12:00 - 4:30pm No Fee. ILS Amanda H.

POSITIVE VIBES (Saginaw): Next Business Meeting 07.20.25. The Positive Vibes Meeting which meets on Sundays at 9am is now meeting at Harvey Randall Wickes Park on McCarty Road in Saginaw for the Summer months. ILS Linda

RECOVERY NATION (West Branch): Next business meeting 06.19.25. Group Donation \$10. Meetings are going well with 5-6 people regularly. Second Saturday of each month an open speaker meeting. We also feed people on Saturdays. ILS Glen J.

SURRENDER OUR LIVES (Saginaw): Next business meeting 07.07.25. The Monday evening and Saturday morning meeting at Messiah Lutheran Church on N. Michigan in Carrollton will hold their meeting outside during the summer months weather permitting. Please bring a chair. ILS Kim S.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Former Activities chair have worked out a weekly payment plan for the misappropriated funds of \$500.
- It was taken back to homegroups to vote on selling outside merchandise and used literature at the Area meeting?
 - The church has verbally told Peg M. (Literature Chair) that we can sell books here from this church during the designated time that Area rents this church.
 - This is a non-issue and does not require a vote. People who would like to sell or swap used literature or NA merchandise before or after the area is a private matter.
- It was taken back to homegroups a vote on: Can we use funds from the "Hot Summer Nights Dance Party" towards MRCNA. We will table this until next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Area committee is supposed to have Area on zoom. The last two or three Area meetings have not been put on zoom. If we are not going to do it we need to take it out of the guidelines. No one has logged on recently.

OPEN FLOOR:

- Speakers: when you are searching for speakers lets make sure they are familiar with the NA traditions. They should not be specifically naming other recovery organizations or wearing merchandise advertising other programs. Lets keep NA - NA.
- Zoom: We need a person with the willingness to connect the zoom meeting at Area or we need to take out of the guidelines that Area is Hybrid.

- New Trusted Servants: The vote is coming up in August.

Meeting ends at 3:21 pm

FLYERS & MEETINGS: Send to SBANAweb@outlook.com (PDF FORMAT)

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

Announce at Home Groups

Open Service Positions: Co-Chair & Co-Treasurer

In August there will be nominations and elections for the Sub-Committees.

Sub-Committee Meetings

Activities: August 19th, 2025, 6pm The Dream Center 700 Lafayette St in Bay City

Hospitals & Institutions: Monday July 7th, 2025 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=MmFKKzZ0VEFhVWJxYktjUHY0ejJmUT09>

Literature: Sunday July 20th, 2025 - immediately following Area.

Newcomer Event: July 11th, 2025 Friday 7:15 pm at Midland Reformed Church 1100 N. Saginaw Road after the Down with Disease meeting.

Policy & Administration: July 20th, 2025 1pm - before Area

Public Relations: Monday July 14th, 2025, Midland following the How it Works group meeting (~7:50pm)
also on Zoom using the How it Works group meeting code (236328539)

Retreat: To be determined (TBD)

Next Area Meeting: - June 20th, 2025 - 2pm - Zion Lutheran Church 545 7th Street, Freeland, MI 48623

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

Zoom ID 81481235718

Password: na