Greater Grand Rapids Area Service Committee Minutes
April 24, 2019

- Opening: A moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.
- Reading of the Twelve Traditions
- Reading of the Twelve Concepts
- A Vision of NA Service
- Welcome anyone new to Area

Quorum 1:
Met

Quorum 2:

ASC ROLL CALL
ADMINISTRATIVE:
Chairperson (Reggie) - Present
Co-Chairperson (Vacant) -
Secretary (Carlee W) - Present
Co-Secretary (Linda R-D) - Present
Treasurer (Bill S) - Present
Co-Treasurer (Dave W) - Present
RCM (Aaron M) - Present
Alt-RCM (Ian K.)- unexcused

SUB-COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON(S):
Public Relations Chair (Kaitlyn M.) – Present
Public Relations Co-Chair (Linda R) – Present
Activities Chair (Gabe) - Present
Campout Chair (Travis) - Present

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*If your group is not on this list…please let the secretary know! Thanks!*

**Chair**-
I feel better. I have nothing more to report.

**Co Chair- (vacant)**

**Secretary-**  
Thanks for letting me serve.

**Co-secretary-**

I am the GSR or Juntos Pedemos an I have not been successful at having people show up to the meetings, and I was going to close it, but we are on the new meeting list, so I am going to keep it open for the next 2 months and hopefully we can get more Hispanic or non-hispanic members to come. We will be open. Please spread the word.

**Treasurer:**

See attached for spreadsheets.  
Please pick up receipts before you leave.  
We spent $816, paid post office box, made a MRCNA Donation. Balance of 1880. It’s time to make world and regional donations. Region still hasn’t cashed check from last quarter. Please mention at next region (to RCM). 10% of 7th traditions about $120 each, but we have $1800 which is well above the prudent reserve. I was trying to figure out why we have so much money, and I realized we did not have to pay for the RCM to go to Region because it was here and usually that is at least $300. If we send the RCM to the conference we discussed last month it will probably be at least 600. We should keep that stuff in mind when we think about how much to give world and region.

Comment from floor:  
We are about to do a literature order for PR and we will also be asking for some money from our rotating budget for an orientation/learning thing and that will be about 300 altogether.

Comment from floor: Double the donations to region and world  
Motion made: passed unanimously to donate 240 to each
Co Treasurer:

RCM and Alternate RCM:

Next regional June 2nd greater Muskegon area. Still waiting for more info on that as well as more info on the Zonal Conference.

Public Relations:

Written report:
Thinking about getting turning point to make men’s and women’s meeting on the same day in different rooms, on Thursday. This is only a proposed change at this point.

Chair (Kaitlyn M.):Hello everyone! Thank you to everyone who has sent in reports for this month. Dave started a new job at Pine Rest so I decided to take over the opportunity to talk to them and get meetings into their detox center. I have the contact information and I just need to reach out to them. I picked up the meeting lists and will save half of them for next month. If you see any changes that need to be made please come to me and Bill Z so we can fix them. Thank you for all of your service!
ILS Kaitlyn

Co-Chair (Linda.):I apologize for the late response I’ve been ill. The only thing I have to report is that it's with great sadness that the Juntos Podemos Spanish NA will no longer be meeting due to 0 attendance. I've tried to keep the doors open but have not had anyone show up at all. I have flyers throughout the Spanish community but to no avail no one has showed up after meeting for 6 weeks and 0 attendance it has been decided to close the doors. Maybe in the near future we can try once again.

In loving service Linda R-D

Secretary (Karmen):

Correctional Facilities Coordinator (Adam G.):Hello family!
Currently for female side of KCCF-Jail we go in 2nd and fourth Tuesdays. Our Second Tuesday team is/was Alicia S. and Brooke B. . They are no longer able to go in on 2nd Tuesday but have expressed willingness to go in on a Thursday. I am in the process of looking into whether that is a possibility. Our 4th Tuesday leader is our very own Linda D. and after talking to her she is extremely flexible and willing to either pick up the other Tuesday or switch to Thursdays. THANK YOU SO MUCH LINDA!!!!
Aaron M. (Marshall) and I have been talking about the event that would act as a meet and greet/orientation/refresher of the rules and we have a tentative date of June 8th and we are looking into N Club as a possible meet spot. If not we have the other as a possible backup. More will be revealed.

Updated list of names and meeting schedule in the works yet. Possible by meeting this week.

Thank you for all you do!

In loving service,

Adam G.

**Treatment Center Coordinator (Aaron M):**

**Fellowship Development Coordinator (David O.):**

**Phoneline/Meeting List (Jeff K.):** Jeff sent the meeting lists to the printer and I picked them up, he is excused.

**Webservent (Bill Z.):** Web-servent Report for March 2019

The website is current with the exception of the latest meeting list from Jeff K. There is nothing new to report.

**Community Outreach Coordinator (Jim N):** Not much to report. I have been busy at work. Thank you for the help with Pine Rest. I realize with this position I could use some help. One thing I will need is some literature. I will talk to Adam about that. Thanks for allowing me to serve.

**Activities Report:**

Written Report:

Hi family,

We don't have much to report this month. We had a light month for attendance by subcommittee members and are still in the process of visiting homegroups and drumming up interest for hosting events. We have visited a couple of groups so far. NAWS is coming out with a new Spiritual Principle a Day book, and they're in the Review and Input stage right now. We'd love it if a group in our Area is interested in hosting a workshop for this book as an event. If anyone is interested or thinks their home group might be interested, please let us know. We are still waiting on a full report from Keeping the Dream Alive for the Double Decade Dinner Dance; we'll pass it along to Area once we have it.

ILS,
Gabe B.

Still have lots of positions open on the committee for anyone who would like to serve.

**Campout Subcommittee Report:**

Campout Subcommittee meetings occur on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 at Life Stream Free Methodist Church, 800 Maryland NE, prior to Natural Life meeting of NA.

Finished the guidelines

Working on a flyer.

Working on a fundraiser soon. Would like to ask for $100 for candy bar fundraiser, which we will pay back.

Motion made for that $100
No opposition. Motion passed.

Q: Do you have a price on the campout yet?
A: no we are getting ahold of the campground. It will all be on the flyer soon.

Q: Do you have a projected income on the candy bar sales?
A: We should make at least double.

**Old Business:**

Open co-chair position. Please take that back to your home group. We have elections coming up in May for all positions.

**New Business:**

Next month is elections, please announce at your home groups! All positions are open except RCM!

**Other new business:**

Chair: It would be great to do a Mother’s Day event and Father’s day as well. We should think about something to do with our families in NA events. The weather is getting nice. We have the money. Even monthly milestone celebrations. Ice Cream truck. Plenty of good things to do. I wanna see us do something different. I have seen us start to come together in unity and I don’t want to see us start to separate that. Anything is possible.
Lets do some things that people say we can’t do. I would also like to do a painting class without the sipping part (cookies and canvas maybe).

**Other new business:**

In time of Illness group (Double Trouble) Have three meetings going on. Go to 1st and 3rd Friday at No Name and meet weekly at our own location. A lot of members haven’t been able to come down and support, so we came up with this mug donation to collect dimes nicks etc. and you can buy a mug for $3. We can use that toward keeping the group going. It is the homeless shelter area and finances are real low. Please support.

Please announce you can park at Rover’s across the street from the meeting, they gave us permission. The time is updated on the meetings list now.

**Other new business:**

Men of Character group was talking about having a Mother’s Day dinner for the women on May 18th. We did it last year and had good results. There is a video of it on Youtube to see how great it was. We were going to ask for seed money of like $250 and see how that turns out and of course pay the money back. We want to get some flyers out and hopefully will have those out this week and get them to home groups.

Motion: To give Men of Character the $250 seed money from the Activities Subcommittee rolling budget.

Comment: Please send flyer to webmaster.

Comment: Activities is there to help with a flyer too. Do you want that help?
Comment from Activities SC: Activities meeting is on May 2nd and so we need to do this faster. We can meet after this meeting.

Treasurer comment: Everyone keep your receipts and bring them in, please, in case we get audited or something. We really need those.

**Treasurer:** Donations today was $345 and will be deposited today. See written report.

**GROUP REPORTS:**

**Action Group**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant:
Report:
**High You Cannot Buy**
7th Tradition Collected: $30
Donation to Area: $6
Trusted Servant: Dale C, Terry D
Report: “New meeting in Caledonia Sunday @ 6pm. Meeting needs some support.”
Attendees: avg. 5/meeting, total 20

**In Times of Illness**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant: Terry J
Report: “Our meeting is Just coming to the area and is needing the support of the area at the location of 5 Division (?). We are most needed to NA present. We did start a coin drive and receive a starter kit from Area of $60. Love and Serves, Terry J.”
Attendees:

**It Works How and Why**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant: Lisa M.
Attendees: avg. 6/meeting, total 25

**Juntos Pedemos**
7th Tradition Collected: 0
Donation to Area: 0
Trusted Servant: Linda R-D
Report: “0 attendance. Will try to keep doors open for 2 more months, then close.”
Attendees:

**Just For Today**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant:
Report:

**Just Hope**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant:
Report:
Attendees: total 48, avg. 12/mtg

**Keep Coming Back**
7th Tradition Collected
Donation to Area: $5
Trusted Servant: Julie T.
Report:
Attendees:

**Keeping the Dream Alive**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant:
Report:

**Men of Character**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area: $10
Trusted Servant:
Report: “The men of character group is growing and doing well. We had 4 anniversaries last month, 3 this month. We average 20 members a meeting. We have $10 in area donation. In loving service, Men of Character group.”
Attendees: total, avg. 20/mtg

**Natural Life**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area: $50
Trusted Servant:
Report:

**Never Alone**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant:
Report:

**New Beginnings**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area: $13
Trusted Servant:
Report: “Still get the Wedgewood kids once in a while”
Attendees: total, avg. 12-20/mtg

**No Name**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant:
Report:
Attendees:

**Open to Change**
7th Tradition Collected: $22
Donation to Area: 0
Trusted Servant:
Report:
Attendees: total 80, average 20-30

**Path Begins the Journey**
7th Tradition Collected: $20
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant:
Report: “Need more home group members.”
Attendees:

**Principles Before Personalities**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant:
Report:
Attendees:

**Saturday Night Candlelight**
7th Tradition Collected:$62
Donation to Area: -
Trusted Servant:
Report: “Paid rent for 6 mts $150. Lit order $50”
Attendees: total 26, avg. 5/mtg

**Sister of Serenity**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area: $6
Trusted Servant:
Report: (turned in form without a report)
Attendees:

**Staying in the Solution**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant:
Report: “group continues lit studies. 0 newcomers. 1 2 year tag, 1 27 year tag.”
Attendees: total 22, avg. 4.5/mtg

**Sunrise to Sunset**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area: $6
Trusted Servant:
Attendees: total 90, avg. 12/mtg

**Surrender to Win**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant:
Report:
Attendees:

**TGIF**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area: $100
Trusted Servant:
Report: “We have been averaging anywhere from 40-80 people weekly, depending on if we get several treatment centers.”

**Welcome Back**
7th Tradition Collected: $25
Donation to Area: 0
Trusted Servant:
Report:
Attendees: total 25, average 5

**We Qualify**
7th Tradition Collected: $101.99
Donation to Area: $70
Trusted Servant:
Report: Business meeting 3rd Wed. after meeting
Attendees: total 55, avg. 13/mtg

**Young in Recovery**
7th Tradition Collected:
Donation to Area:
Trusted Servant:
Report:
Attendees: