NORTHEASTERN MICHIGAN AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES FOR MARCH 15, 2020


ATTENDANCE: Jen S., Rick V., Casey J., Krystal C., Dylan W., Katy G., Amanda C., James K., Rich P., Tim C., Megan S., Melissa W., Dave T., Mark H., Pete M., Darick F., Zach W., Justin C., Lindsay, Jae S., Larry L., Chris E.

OPEN POSITIONS: Co-Treasurer and Co-Secretary. Jae S. was nominated for the position of Co-Secretary and elected to same.

TRUSTED SERVANTS REPORTS
Secretary: Jen S.
Area Minutes were completed and posted to the Area website. Thank you to Mark H.

Treasurer: Dave T.
Hello family,

Well Jen V. has come to the rescue and balanced the books! I wish to nominate Jen V. for the position of Treasurer pro tem which I think means forever. That’s what I mean anyway.

The discrepancy did not make itself clear but, after double checking the numbers for the last six months everything came out balanced. YAY! The total balance on our account is $3,530.52.

The Area starts this month with a balance of $1,043.31 after income of $195.69 and expenses of $1,005.89 last month. Activities has a starting balance of $344.13

Retreat has a starting balance of $1,518.45

Literature has a starting balance of $264.63

We will continue to trudge along doing our collective best to keep track of the fellowships finances.

Stay healthy, stay safe, and stay six feet away from me LMAO

ILS Dave T

RCM: James K.
Hey peeps!

Region was great. The dance went well and the CAT/CAR workshop went great, it was put on by the RD and RDA. One of the issues that was put on topic was the MSO, which the MSO submitted a letter on some things and I have brought the info back to Area. The issue has been left on the table. We have a new outlook from the MSO and I think it would be good if we
continue to have some talks on it. I will read it during new business and I emailed it to Jen. I brought back a shitload of flyers that I can get to the webservent about different events coming up. I set them on the back counter, please take pics of them to share. We are bringing back the $5 we didn’t use. The hotel was $101 and gas was $34, we have the receipts. The regional PR position is open and will be up for election at the next Region. Bob from Washtenaw Area presented a bid for holding MRCNA 38/39 and it was voted in, no other areas had a bid. I have the info he presented if anyone would like to see it. I do really thank everyone for letting me serve.

James K.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS
Activities: Krystal C. (Proxy for Adam N.)  Average Attendance: Not reported.
All Positions Filled? No.  Open? Chair.
Hi I’m an addict named Adam.

As far as this month’s activity goes, due to the growing coronavirus concerns and the group consensus, Activities Committee decided to postpone the 80s Dance at the Church of The Nazarene until May 9th. Decorations were already made and/or purchased and all ready for event. Thank you to everyone who assisted.

Activities Committee will be bringing our final draft of our revised and updated Guidelines to Area next month. Thank you Mike B. for your help with this.

And finally, due to changing obligations and circumstances with my family, I will be stepping down as Activities Chair effective immediately. I appreciate everyone’s support in receiving this honor to begin with. However, with my situation, I can no longer fulfill my obligations to the best of my abilities. I have no problem assisting in the transition if need be. Thank you for the opportunity and best wishes to Activities Committee moving forward.

Literature: Pete M.  Average Attendance: 1
All Positions Filled? No  Open? Yes

Beginning Balance: $264.63
Expenses: $0
Income: $271.60
End Balance: $536.23

Public Relations: Dylan W.  Average Attendance: 15
All Positions Filled? No  Open? Co-Secretary, Co-Web Servant
Hi family, I'm an addict, I'm Dylan.

We decided to hold the meeting for professionals that we talked about last month at the college instead of the library. It’s scheduled for June 9th but not confirmed due to the college currently being closed. More will be revealed next month. The pancake and poster drive is scheduled for April 18th at the Church of the Nazarene as long as they are ok with it by then. Also, the jail in
Missaukee County has requested a new meeting being sent in there so we are starting the process of figuring out getting enough volunteers to set that up. That's all I have to report. Thanks for letting me serve. Budget request will be reported in budget request time.

**Retreat:** Chris E.  
**Average Attendance:** Not reported.  
**All Positions Filled?** Yes  
**Open Positions:** N/A

I am happy to report that the Retreat Committee is tearing it up. Welcome aboard Melissa W. - our new programming director.

I have been in contact with Pat’s Place Campground. A cabin has been rented for our out of town speaker. As I paid for this, I will need to be reimbursed. Thank you.

We have a Pancake Breakfast in the works. March 28, 2020? 5/O news is as follows: there is a new meeting there as of the first of the year from 8:15 to 9:30 a.m. every Saturday. AA and yoga upstairs from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. upstairs. Keep that in mind for future events there. WE will update the breakfast plans soon.

Garage sale in the works. Rummage through your stuff and get ready to donate. Also, car wash in the works. Come get your wash on.

We will be selling NWACNA 24 Get S’more bracelets soon. Keep your eyes open for some cool swag including /we will be designing and printing hats, shirts, and zipperred hoodies soon.

Campsites remain the same at $30/$15 per night.

Some new and exciting things are in the works also. Stay tuned.

Thanks for letting me serve, Chris E.

**GROUP REPORTS**

**Boardman:** Casey D.  
**Average Attendance:** 45  
**Donation:** $0

**All Positions Filled?** Not reported  
**Open:** Not reported

The group is running smoothly. We will be closed for two weeks due to the corona virus.

**Clean & Serene (Manistee):** Amanda C.  
**Average Attendance:** 10  
**Donation:** $0

**All Positions Filled?** No  
**Open:** All

**Freedom Group:** Dylan W.  
**Average Attendance:** 30  
**Donation:** $0

**All Positions Filled?** Yes  
**Open:** None

The meeting is going well.

**Just for Today (Irons):** Rick V.  
**Average Attendance:** 6  
**Donation:** $0

**All Positions Filled?** No  
**Open:** All

The group is going good.
JFTBTB: Tim C.  
**Average Attendance:** 37/12  
**Donation:** $90.00  
All Positions Filled? No.  
Open? GSR, Alternate GSR, Co-Secretary  
The group is still meeting. We usually have a lot of newcomers. Need support from people with clean time. The group is okay with having a MSO Board Member (or not). The group discussed buying disinfectant spray to spray down the tables and having hand sanitizer on hand if we can find some.

**Lean on Me (Cadillac):** Justin (Proxy)  
**Average Attendance:** 15-20  
**Donation:** $0  
All Positions Filled? Yes.  
Open? N/A.  
The group is going great.

**Living Clean:** Dave T.  
**Average Attendance:** 8  
**Donation:** $29.00  
All Positions Filled? No.  
Open? All except chair.  
The group is going ok.

**Never Alone:** Mark H. (Proxy for Judy L.)  
**Average Attendance:** 15  
**Donation:** $0  
All Positions Filled? Yes  
Open? N/A.  
The group was doing well. Because of corona virus, the church we have meetings in (Church of Christ, 3250 Rennie Street, Traverse City) has suspended all services and activities until further notice. The group has mentioned this on the webpage and on Fellows. The Area contact list will come in handy.

**New Attitudes (Manistee):** James K.  
**Average Attendance:** 12  
**Donation:** $0  
All Positions Filled? Yes  
Open? None  
The group is going great.

**New Directions (Lake City):** Rich P.  
**Average Attendance:** 12-15  
**Donation:** $0  
All Positions Filled? Yes  
Open: N/A.  

**New Freedom (Cadillac):** Justin  
**Average Attendance:** 10-20  
**Donation:** $40  
All Positions Filled? Yes.  
Open: N/A.  
The group is going great. We have a question about adding something about marijuana use to our readings.

**Living Clean in the Valley (Rapid City):** Jen S. (Proxy for KT R.)  
**Average Attendance:** 4  
**Donation:** $0  
All Positions Filled? Yes.  
Open? Not Reported.  
We can always use help with co positions. We are doing good and using precautions at this time. We are doing “air” high fives and keeping distance when circling up at the end of our meeting. With a couple of older members, they have asked us to take extra precautions since they are at a higher risk and we are respecting their opinions on the situation.

**Recovery @ 5/0:** Darick F.  
**Average Attendance:** 25  
**Donation:** $0  
All Positions Filled? Yes  
Open? N/A  
The group is going great.
Recovery First: Justin A.  Average Attendance: 58 on Tuesdays; 9-15 on Mondays & Thursdays  Donation: $18.00  All Positions Filled? No  Open: Co-Secretary, Co-Treasurer, Co-Secretary.
We have good attendance. The church has asked that we sanitize after each meeting or do not use the facility.

Rise and Recover: Pete M.  Average Attendance: 15  Donation: $45.00  All Positions Filled? No  Open? Not reported.
The group is going well.

The group is going good.

Women in Recovery: Jen S.  Average Attendance: 30  Donation: $21.00  All Positions Filled? Yes  Open? None.
The group is going well.

BUDGET REQUESTS: PR is requesting $540.00¹. This request was approved.

Retreat is requesting Chris E. be reimbursed $159.00 from their funds for cabin rental. This was approved.

OLD BUSINESS

1.  MSO. New information was presented at Region about this issue and James felt it was prudent to present this new information to our Area before voting. Please take this information back to your homegroups for a vote. The new information is attached to these Minutes.

2.  CAR/CAT Workshop. This has been postponed. We do not have a new date yet. We are waiting on World at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

1.  Activities Chair. There is a vacancy since Adam stepped down. The co-chair Casey D. has willingness to serve as the Chair. After a vote, Casey D. was elected as the chair of the Activities Committee.

¹ $365.00 for Literature (15 Basic Texts, 500 IPs, and 50 White Booklets) and $175.00 for the Pancake and Poster Drive event.
2. **Baskets for MRCNA.** Amanda C. reminded everyone that each home group is to donate a “northern Michigan foodie item” for our Area’s basket to be raffled at Area. Please get your items in soon so we can see what we have.

3. **Election Format.** It was suggested that open Chair positions should be “posted” for a month and announced before a vote was taken. This would require an amendment to the Area Guidelines.

4. **Quick Way to Contact All.** Given the current situation with the corona virus, Larry L. suggested that this body needs to have a way to quickly contact people to make decisions and notify people of decisions.

5. **Zoom.** This Area has zoom meetings. This is a great option during this time when we cannot meet in person. Need more info? Contact Sally S.

OPEN SHARE

CLOSE

NEXT MEETING WILL BE SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2020, 4:00 P.M.
INFORMATION TO TAKE BACK TO YOUR HOME GROUPS:

1. Please announce that Area has the following positions open: Co-Treasurer.

2. If there are any meetings in outlying areas (not Traverse City) that have the willingness and desire to host Area. Please let us know.

3. Upcoming Events (see attached flyers):
   
   April 18 - Pancakes and Poster Drive
   May 9 - 80s Dance/MRCNA Fundraiser
   June 9 - Library Presentation to Professionals
   June 13 - Fun Run/Picnic

4. Please be considerate and get to Literature earlier rather than later. If we all show up at 3:55, it becomes impossible for them to shut down and get to Area on time.

5. Willingness is needed to take meetings into jails and prisons. If you are willing, contact Yon.

6. The Just for Today Group in Irons could use support!

7. The Retreat Committee could use support. They meet the fourth Sunday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at the Cowell Cancer Center.
Service Prayer

God, grant us the knowledge that we may act
according to your divine precepts.
Instil in us a sense of your purpose,
make us servants of your will and
grant us a bond of selflessness that this
may truly be your work, not ours,
so that no addict, anywhere,
need die from the horrors of addiction.
Michigan Service Office representative report  
March 2020  

Good morning, Michigan Region. The Board of Directors of the Michigan Service Office meets monthly on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm at the MSO.

There are currently 11 board members seated out of 18 available seats. Detroit West, Detroit Tri-City, and Monroe Areas are not currently represented. Doug H. was nominated and elected chairperson at the December meeting. Bob J. continues as co-chairperson and Bill C. continues as treasurer. At the February meeting, Tony G. was seated as an at-large member and was appointed co-treasurer. He is an experienced accountant.

We once again have 45-day terms with NAWS so we have been able to restock all of the essentials: books, IPs, keytags, and medallions. We are increasing our order volume to meet demand. Bills are being paid in a timely manner. We are current on rent and keeping up on our other financial obligations. We ended 2019 with a $20,000 balance on a credit card account. This account is now closed and we are operating strictly out of the checking account.

The board agreed to charge 5% service fees on credit card orders, and increase the in-store service fee from 4% to 10%. We were reluctant to increase the price of literature to our members, but it was necessary to cover credit card processing fees and freight charges we pay when books are shipped from NAWS to the MSO.

If you have particular issues or feedback about literature cost, please bring it to my attention and I will take it up with the board.

In loving service,
Bob J.
Michigan Regional Service Committee reporting representative
Michigan Service Office Board of Directors
Hi Family, my name's Doug and I'm an addict,

First off, to the facilitators, the members, and the visitors, I apologize for not contacting you in advance and requesting a spot on the agenda.

Some of you know me and some of you don't, I'm here on behalf of the Michigan Service Office. In the spirit of transparency my intention is to give you an idea what position the office is in, let you know that we are not going away, and answer any questions I can.

I was elected in December and I'm still learning all the processes. When we started off the year we had been without meeting lists for 2 months. We had no basic texts and we were short on medallions and much of our literature. The office had very little merchandise for sale, but we had paid off our debt to NAWS. This enabled us to again get our literature on credit, the normal process. So, moving forward, our first order Dec. 26th we restocked our IP's, medallions, and most of our books. The first order included 9 cases of basic texts. Our 2nd order included 12 cases, our 3rd order, 19 cases, and 26 cases on our last order (delivery in about a week). Along with these orders we included IP's, medallions, workbooks, book covers, and any other books to bring our stock up to a manageable inventory. After our first order we started the process of ordering meeting lists and are preparing to place our 2nd order shortly. We have 3 designs going to the printer for t-shirts. We are not out of the woods yet but we are moving in the right direction.

All our bills are current with the exception of taxes from 2015, 2018, and 2019. Our NAWS bill is on "net 45" days and most likely will always be behind but still current. As for financials, we are still trying to get a handle on our accounting system. 2 weeks ago we were fortunate enough to get a certified CPA volunteer as our co-treasurer. They're working on our taxes and getting our QuickBooks software in order.

We're aware of some issues with our website and have contacted our developer and hope to get it resolved asap. More will be revealed.

And, to the MRCNA committee, I don't believe we've been in contact about your convention. I'm not sure if it's too late for this year but if so, we would like to open conversations for next year.

As always, grateful to be of service,  
Doug H.  
Michigan Service Office
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