

## July 16, 2023 Area Minutes

Time: 4 PM

Location: Jacob's Well

Website: [www.upnorthna.org](http://www.upnorthna.org) for meeting schedules and posting of activities.

**Next Area meeting held, August 20th, at 4:00 o'clock at Jacob's Well**

Moment of Silence - \*

Serenity Prayer - \*

12 Traditions - \*

12 Concepts - \*

Service Prayer - \*

Open Area Positions - Co-Secretary

Attendees:

Hannah B., John Y., David C., Tim C., Rich P., Pete M., Dean A., Travis D., Dave M., Megan S.

**Welcome New Groups:**

**Secretary Report:**

**Budget Requests:**

\$107.58 to Calcutta - passed

\$200 for basket poor - passed

**Old Business:**

- Schedule area on the third Wednesday of the month to free the weekend - unapproved
- \$200 for shelves - unapproved
- Removing the cabinet/Recovery 1<sup>st</sup> has decided to do this, during their last GP.

**New Business:**

- Wonderful Campout \$156?
- Web Servant
- Discussion guidelines for GP chat posts.

## **Treasurer Report.: Hannah B.**

Hello fellows:

- The area has a starting balance of \$2558.27, income of \$377, expenses of \$294.48 with the ending balance of \$2640.79.
- Activities have a starting balance of \$400, expenses of \$225.00, with the ending balance of \$175.
- Retreat has a starting balance of \$2222.59, income of \$96, income from Venmo \$325, expenses of \$834, with an ending balance of \$1809.59.
- Literature had a starting balance of \$260.90, income of \$526.14, expenses of \$576.31, and ending balance of \$210.73.

## **RCM Report: Zach W.**

No Report

## **Activities Report: Mike B.**

Submitting support via email.

## **Public Relations: Rich P.**

- We need a treatment facility coordinator, a Co secretary, and a Co web servant.
- We made a \$12 donation to Area.

## **Retreat Subcommittee Megan S.**

May 21, 2023

Retreat Chair Area Report

Area Service Committee

4:00pm

Jacob's Well

Grateful recovering addict named Megan.

We have a current retreat balance of \$1809.59. We have transferred a total of \$325.00 from Venmo to Area from our Talent Show event which is reflected in this balance. We are coming with a cash total of \$1142.00 from our Talent Show event and an additional \$110.00 in cash for the payment of a NWACNA campsite. Bringing our total cash amount today of \$1252.00 to be deposited in the Retreat funds Area account. A total of \$480.00 from Venmo was transferred today but will be reflected in next month's total. We had a very successful Talent Show event this year, congratulations to our winners Bean, Jacob S., and Scott S.! We also had two wonderful out of town speakers that

shared their ESH! We had a great night filled with laughs, tears, a wonderful atmosphere of hope and the great example that fun in recovery is possible! We used the entire amount of funds requested at last month from Area and Jen S. has brought receipts with her for accountability at the Area level.

We now have a graphic for NWACNA 26's theme and have made and begun to disperse the NWACNA Retreat registration flyer. I have sent it to the copy shop and will be bringing a stack to Junes Area for further dispersal. We will also be working as a subcommittee on hand delivering those flyers to meetings throughout the month as well. Spread the word: NWACNA REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Our HOPE merch has been selling really well and we are considering reordering another batch as we are almost completely out. We will continue to sell them at any Area events! If your group or subcommittee is hosting an event and wouldn't mind us selling merch at it please let me know!

We are looking forward to and working hard on our next event: the NA Garage Sale! The flyers were dispersed, and many addicts have been stopping by to donate items in the last month. Please continue to announce this event at meetings so we continue to get items donated and people remember to stop by and shop on June 3<sup>rd</sup> between 9am-5pm! This event is a lot of work so we are always looking for fellows to come serve the Friday night before with set up, during the event, as well as to help tear down. If you're interested and have willingness to come help let me know! No clean time requirement to help!

Our subcommittee is currently abstaining from the Area Inventory unless more time is given to complete it. Because we had one of our largest events of the year coming up we were unable to complete the Inventory. If more time is provided, we will carve additional time to complete it. Please let us know what is decided and how you would like us to proceed. May 21, 2023.

Jacob's Well

I think that's all I got this month folks, let me know if you have any questions or would like to get involved in Retreat! We will be meeting every month on the fourth Sunday of the month at Jacob's Well at 5pm!

ILS,

Megan S.

### **Literature subcommittee: John Y.**

#### **Report:**

May ending balance - \$540.73

Order - \$513.38

Lit sales - \$411.65

Ending balance - \$439

## **Ad Hoc Subcommittee:**

### **Northwest Area of Narcotics Anonymous**

#### **Inventory Ad hoc Committee Report**

June 25, 2023

Hi Family, I hope this report finds you all healthy, happy, and prospering in your recovery. I apologize for my absence today; I am not able to make area due to work obligations.

Your Ad hoc Committee wasn't unable to meet this month due to scheduling conflicts and sheer absent mindedness, however I did review the inventory sheets that were submitted last month and want to thank each of you and the groups that participated. I was very impressed with the time and effort that each group and or individual put forth completing them. Especially the Woman's Recovery Group, wow they rock! Many of the questions were unable to be answered and or left blank without reasons. A few of the sheets made comments or asked questions about some of the bullet points that were on page two in reference to the "Larger Community" and what does that imply. My first thought was "hell if I know?" However, I believe that larger community is that community outside of our NA community, that would have direct interaction with addicts, like the courts, or treatment and counseling professions. The other notable differences to many of the questions was those groups in Traverse City compared to the meetings in more outlying towns or cities with fewer meetings. I will go further into detail the more we collect more information. If anyone or groups here today has completed sheets, please turn them into Pete and I will get them either at the next ad hoc or area meeting. If it's at all possible, I would like to schedule the next Ad hoc meeting at Jacobs Well at 6:00 for July 11<sup>th</sup>.and then the next face to face meeting will be just prior to area on July 16 at 3:00 during the Lit Meeting....if John is still okay with it. My hope is if I have enough participation at the July 11 meeting, we can bring up the idea of scheduling future meetings via zoom in-between any of our needed face-to-face meetings. Just by reviewing the current sheets I really don't think it will take long to make a few recommendations for us to consider. I would like to say for the record, so you all understand, that a few of my biggest obstacles from me scheduling more ad hoc meetings is the distance, cost, and life/work schedules for me to drive to TC every week from my home. That's why I mentioned the zoom meeting idea was so I can keep more time devoted to workshopping the inventory than driving. That's all I have today.

Yours in Fellowship and Service

Jim C.

### **Group - Recovery First**

GSR - Dave M.

Average Attendance 30/35

Donation - 0

Open Positions - Co-Secretary?

**Chair Report:**

Doing well.

### **Group - Women in Recovery**

GSR - Megan S.

Average Attendance - 15

Donation - \$37

Open Positions - none

**Chair Report:**

Everything is going well. We're looking forward to our Women's Campout at the Air Foundation on July 21st to 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Group - Just for Today by the Bay**

GSR - Tim C

Average Attendance - 11

Donation - \$80 for May and June

Open Positions - GSR alternative and chairperson.

**Chair Report:**

The group is doing well but attendance has dropped lately lead speakers have been awesome come and check it out!

**Group - Rise and Recover**

GSR - Pete M.

Average Attendance - 12

Donation - \$35

Open Positions - Yes, but everything is covered.

**Chair Report: Yeah on your way out my love good luck**

The group is doing well.

**Group - New Attitudes Manistee**

GSR - Proxy - S. Meg

Average attendance - 7

Donation - \$10

Open Positions - 0

**Chair Report:**

Going well! We have decided to have our annual beach potluck on August 18th at the 1st St. beach in Manistee. I will send Katie a flyer to post on the web. We hope you will all come for a great time.

**Group - Back to Basics Group**

GSR - Adam N.

Average Attendance - 7

Donation - \$5

Open Positions - Every position

**Chair Report:**

The group is doing fine. We need more people with a year or more to regularly attend due to the amount of newcome.

**Group - Boardman**

GSR - Dean A.

Average Attendance - 15 to 30

Donation - \$47.00

Open Positions - there is always service positions available.

**Chair Report:**

We just had our annual picnic. 69 people were present. Alright great

**Group - Living in Harmony, Kalkaska**

GSR - Rich P.

Average Attendance - 0

Donation - 0

Open Positions - all positions are open.

**Chair Report:**

Rough start, but I think we will get a chairperson.

**Group - Rock in Recovery, in Kingsley**

GSR - Travis D.

Average Attendance - 11

Donation - \$30

Open Positions - none

**Chair Report:**

Things are going great. May's potluck and Speaker Jam was the most fun, there were around 30 people. Seems like everyone had a good time.

**Currently Active Area Groups:**

Anonymous - Bryan

New Attitudes. Manistee, Jim C.

Back to the Basics - Adam N.

Recovery First, Jared G.

Boardman - Dean A.

Recovery at 5/0

Living In Harmony. Kalkaska Rich P.

Rise and Recover, Pete M.

Just For Today by the Bay, Tim C.

Women in Recovery, Megan S.

Kingley Rock in Recovery, Travis D.

Home groups that are currently inactive in Area's Business Meetings. Groups will be added to the active list as they attend the meeting or submit a report to my email address. **Be Counted in our fellowship!**

- We asked that all groups who are still meeting, send contact information to Dave M's email: [davieji.dm@gmail.com](mailto:davieji.dm@gmail.com). I asked that you send Home Group name, city, GSR name, GSR phone number, and ae-mail address. We are attempting to make a new contact list for all area participants. If you are uncomfortable with parts of this information, send what you can.
- You can participate by sending me a group report to my email. We share Attendance averages, Area donations, 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition, positions open, and a summary Of how your group is doing.

Freedom group  
Hey, We Can Can't Buy  
Just for Today. Iron  
Sunday NA  
Zoom Up North NA  
Living Clean in the Valley. Rapid City  
New Directions. Lake City  
Step Study Group, Brethren

Growth Through Recovery  
Lean on Me, Cadillac  
Living Clean. Ludington  
Search for Serenity. Ludington  
Cleaning the County. Benzonia  
Never Alone  
New Freedom. Cadillac