

**NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES FOR September 20, 2020**

OPENING: Zach W. opened with the Serenity Prayer. Pete M. read the 12 Traditions. Hannah B. read the 12 Concepts. Jae S. read the Service Prayer.

ATTENDANCE: Amanda K., Pete M., , Zach W., Hannah B., Dana S., James K., Jae S., Casey J., Casey D., Rich B., Mark H., Katy G., Krystal C., Trish S., Chris E.

WELCOME NEW GROUPS: N/A

OPEN POSITIONS: Co-Treasurer., Co facilitator., And co Secretary

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REPORTS

Secretary: JaeS.

Minutes are complete and have been emailed to everyone and posted to the website. Thank you, Mark! Please email or text me your reports for today since I can't collect paperwork. Thank you for letting me serve.

Treasurer: Amanda K

Hey Family!

Area- 9-20-2020

Well good news! I was able to reconcile the numbers for the month of September! I met with Dave and we went over what my position entails and he passed on all the necessary papers and such. I do have the PO box key. I will have to figure out a way to check that. I am thinking once a month I will come up to check the PO box, I could also make deposits at that time unless we get something else figured out for that. I know Pete was asking me if I had any ideas for deposits yet. I would like to make sure we talk about that in new business.

Area started with a balance of 1,031.73, it had an income of \$206 and expenses of \$393. There were four groups that said they had a donation but have not been received. Just for today by the bay - \$50, Never alone - \$30, Recovery @ 5/O-\$100 and Recovery First -\$30. As for now I just did not include them in the income, what should I do about these? Any suggestions? Our new area balance is \$844.73. Activities has a start balance of \$485.13. Retreat has a start balance of \$850.00. For retreat \$150 was sent to Suttons Bay Township and \$200 to Chris E.. Literature has a start balance of \$402 and I have already sent the check to the WSO for the latest order of \$286.55.

This month I will need to send \$10 for literature storage and will need to pay \$138 for our storage unit. I also purchased checks for \$27.61. I will need to get stamps soon as well.

This leaves us with \$660.12 available for budget requests.

Thanks for letting me serve,

Amanda K.

RCM: James K.

Hey peeps,

everything has been good. region donated \$1,000 to world. Also IP #30 passed, the mental health IP. We did vote in an RD and RDA which is Marty and Bob J. We also filled the PR chair which is now Jennah. Still a few other motions passed. I need to read through the minutes and will have more info next time. Thank you,
James K.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities: Trish S

Average Attendance: Not reported.

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

We are looking into an indoor/outdoor venue for the halloween dance this year in potentially non traditional locations. We have also set up a fundraiser that will be held at two different locations consisting of a bake sale, 50/50 raffle, and a silent auction.

Literature: Pete M.

Average Attendance: 1

All Positions Filled? No

Open? Yes

Beginning Balance: \$402.00

Income: \$583.00

Expenses: (\$668.25)

End Balance: \$478.67

We have a lot of literature available for purchase!

Public Relations: Casey J. **Average Attendance:** Not reported.
All Positions Filled? No. **Open?** Community outreach

Hey family I'm an addict name Casey.

At PR is our purpose is to inform the public that NA exists, and that we offer recovery from active addiction. We do this by creating, distributing, and managing all communications regarding NA throughout the NW Michigan area, in accordance with the twelve traditions and twelve concepts of narcotics anonymous as well as the NA guide to public information.

Our elections went really well, we were only left with one open position which is community outreach and there is interest, so that is encouraging. Right now we are mostly focusing on the transitioning of each position and making sure that each person has the tools to do what they signed up to do. The primary thing to report is that the treatment centers and Detox meetings that are happening weekly are going phenomenal. We will print updated schedules as groups finalize where they will be, there have been changes almost every day in the last week. The website is updated daily, please reach out to Mark Hunter or Megan S with event flyers or schedule changes or anything that an addict might need to find. Also, the region PR chair seat has been filled recently and I've been in contact with her and she's creating a Google drive which is such an amazing tool to have so I'm really excited about that. She will be putting on a Michigan region public relations zoom meeting the fourth Sunday of each month at 7 PM. That is primarily public relations and H and I chairs from each area but anyone is welcome to attend and I strongly encourage anyone who serves on our PR committee to attend, I'd be more than happy to give you the info and a friendly reminder. On behalf of the public relations subcommittee of Northwest Michigan PR, we are really excited to come into this year with creativity and curiosity and open mindedness and we're excited to hit the drawing board and try to reach some addicts! Please contact me with any questions or concerns!

Retreat: Chris E. **Average Attendance:** Not reported.
All Positions Filled? No. **Open?** Treasury

Fall funday is scheduled for September 26. The retreat this year will be held at ranch rudolph in

GROUP REPORTS

Boardman: Casey D **Average Attendance:** 44. **Donation:** n
All Positions Filled? Not reported **Open:** Not reported.

We are starting in person meetings Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. at F&M Park. Social distancing applies. Please wear a mask. Bring your own chair. Sanitizer will be provided. We are looking for a new venue and are in talks with a few potential places as the first United Methodist Church will no longer be an option

Clean & Serene (Manistee): Amanda K. **Average Attendance:** 0 **Donation:** \$0
All Positions Filled? No **Open:** All

Still not meeting. Group has been disbanded as of September 20.

JFTBTB: Tim C. **Average Attendance:** Not reported **Donation:** \$0

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

We are meeting via Zoom on Fridays from 7:00 to 8:30. We are okay with Region keeping a position on the MSO board. Should we be buying literature from the MSO now?

New Attitudes (Manistee): Amanda K. **Average Attendance:** Not reported

Donation: \$100 **All Positions Filled?** Not reported **Open?** Not reported

New Attitudes, Has started back at the church

Recovery @ 5/0: Hannah B. **Average Attendance:** 27 **Donation:** N/A

All Positions Filled? Yes **Open?** N/A

We have moved back to the church hold meetings five times a week – Wednesday at 12:00 p.m., Wednesday at 7:00p.m., Friday at 6:00p.m., Saturdays at 7:00 p.m., and Sundays at 7:00p.m.

Rise and Recover: Pete M. **Average Attendance:** 17 **Donation:** \$106.00

All Positions Filled? Yes. **Open?** N/A

We are meeting via Zoom on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings and they are going well. We support Region keeping a seat on the MSO Board.

Women in Recovery: Jen S. **Average Attendance:** Not reported **Donation:** \$13

I'm an addict named Jen. Women in Recovery continues to meet as a hybrid meeting. Our average attendance is 14 - split pretty equally between in person and zoom. We have a \$13 donation to Area today. We also have a \$20 rent payment to Activities for use of their zoom account for August and September. Please let me know how to get the money to Amanda. Thanks!

Never alone: Mark H. **Average Attendance:** 6 **Donation:** \$50.00

All Positions Filled? No. **Open?** Co-chair

How is group going: Ok

Subjects presented to group: none

BUDGET REQUESTS: \$325.00 for Public Relations – approved.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Activities guidelines: guidelines have been sent to Trish S. To be looked over and redrawn. Then, resubmitted to Area next month to be approved
2. Paypal account: Amanda K is looking into the viability of a Area exclusive PayPal account and will come back to let us know what our options are.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **In person Meetings for Area.** We will discuss starting to meet in person again for Area .
2. **Co-Treasurer:** we will look to see if anyone has the willingness and required clean time to serve and help Amanda K as the co treasurer

OPEN SHARE

CLOSE

NEXT MEETING WILL BE OCTOBER 18, 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.

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.