

**NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 20, 2019**

**OPENING:** Melissa W. opened with the Serenity Prayer. Krystal C. read the 12 Traditions. Eric O. read the 12 Concepts. Casey D. read the Service Prayer.

**ATTENDANCE:** Melissa W., Jen S., Ashley A., Judy L., Jacob T., Casey D., Krystal C., Dylan W., Amanda C., Lindsay H., Darick F., Katy G., Jason N., Lindsay C., Justin C., Eric O., Melissa N., and Chris E.

**WELCOME NEW GROUPS:** A High We Can't Buy – meets Thursdays, 7:00 p.m., 1010 Garfield, Avenue, Traverse City.

**OPEN POSITIONS:** Treasurer and Co-Treasurer.

**TRUSTED SERVANTS REPORTS**

**Secretary:** Jen S.

September Minutes are complete and have been emailed to everyone and posted to the website. Thank you, Mark! Thank you for letting me serve.

**Treasurer:** Melissa W.

Area's starting balance last month was \$1,694.36. Our income last month was \$228.07. We also had additional income of \$35.98 from the Activities subcommittee. Our total expenses were \$590.00. So, our new balance is \$1,368.41. Bills we need to pay this month are \$40.00 at Munson and \$10.00 at 5/O. So, after the bills are paid, we have a balance of \$1,318.41.

Activities had a start balance of \$172.00, income of \$263.98, expenses of \$335.98, leaving a new balance of \$100.00.

Retreat had a start balance of \$70.00 with no income or expenses, so their balance remains \$700.00.

Literature had a start balance of \$156.74 with income of \$263.50 and no expenses, so their balance is \$420.24.

**RCM:** Amanda C.

Hi Family!

I am excited that we will be hosting region this quarter! We have a block of rooms at the Park Shore Resort, we will also be using their conference room for our Regional meeting on Sunday December 1<sup>st</sup>. Activities is planning on having the Friendsgiving event the Saturday before, November 30<sup>th</sup>. We were able to get a sponsor & sponsee to speak at that event from a different area! Since we are the hosting Area, we have choice in if there is a recovery meeting before the business meeting. The recovery meeting would then be at 8am. They made this a choice since it is typically low in attendance. What would you all like to do? I will be getting flyer out with details on the regional meeting. I will pass around the regional treasure report for anyone interested. Lora V., Chair for the MRCNA Entertainment and Fundraising committee asked if we will be doing any fundraisers this year?! I have passed on Adam's contact info to her. James K brought up gift baskets for MRCNA last meeting and I just want to be sure that everyone is keeping

it in mind. The MRSLDNA weekend was awesome! Is there anything in particular that the area would like more info on?! I don't even know where to start with relaying all of the info, but I would love to be involved in different workshops that the area is interested in! It was an amazing experience that I would like to share with you all, thanks for making it possible! MSO is doing well, bills are kept up and only 2 payments left to NAWS! Woo! Great to see them come together to get through this tough time! Please remember to send flyers to our regional webservant as well...Is Mark forwarding on flyers to Patti? Does anyone know? Our regional secretary is keeping an easy access calendar of all of the events over the whole region as well! We can pass flyers on to her to be put on that calendar, she will not go through each individual area website to get the info. Alright well I think that is enough for today, I don't want to overwhelm you all with so much info!

In loving service,  
Amanda C.

### **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Activities:** Casey D. **Average Attendance:** 8  
**All Positions Filled?** Yes. **Open?** None.

We are turning in \$188.00 today from fundraising and requesting a total of \$288.00 to cover expenses for the Halloween party.

15 pizzas - \$90.00  
Drinks (2 cases of Monster, 2 cases soda, 1 case water) - \$80.00  
Prizes - \$20.00  
Coffee and Supplies - \$20.00  
Decorations - \$50.00  
DJ - \$50.00 (Can pay after out of door charges)

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

**Beginning Balance:** \$156.74  
**Income:** \$263.50  
**Expenses:** \$0  
**End Balance:** \$420.74

We have an opening on this committee. If you are interested in serving, please contact Pete M.

**Public Relations:** Dylan W. **Average Attendance:** 15-20  
**All Positions Filled?** Yes. **Open?** None.

Hello all, I'm an addict. My name is Dylan.

Apologies for not being here last month I was out of town and there was miscommunication with getting a proxy.

October's meeting went very well. Since, elections we have spent a lot of time getting people adjusted to their new positions. I believe the transition is going smoothly.

Since, PR last reported, we have held tables at 3 events. All of which, were reported successful by the members who managed the tables.

In ways of actively doing things besides those events, most of what we have done is discuss what we can do moving forward.

Some ideas that were discussed in October's meeting were and idt based on "being of service" and looking into possibly getting the public service announcements up and running like other areas have been using and have access to. We also talked about holding an event geared toward newcomers to help make them feel more welcome.

As PR chair, I really believe in what we do and if anyone has any ideas or thoughts I strongly encourage you to attend PR!

One last thing, as always jails and the prison meeting could greatly use support. Please announce and have people contact Yon if any interest is shown.

In loving service,  
Dylan W.

**Retreat:** Chris E. **Average Attendance:** Not reported.  
**All Positions Filled?** No. **Open?** Treasurer and Co-Chair  
We sold \$259.00 worth of shirts and hoodies at the Speaker Jam. We are currently planning the Retreat for next year. There will be a Taco Bar/Game Night Fundraiser on November 9<sup>th</sup> at the Church of the Nazarene. More stuff to come.

We have tentatively reserved Pat's RV Park for the Retreat, but I am in the process of looking into other options.

Thank you for letting me serve.

### **GROUP REPORTS**

**A High We Can't Buy:** Lindsay H. **Average Attendance:** 12 **Donation:** \$3.00

**All Positions Filled?** No. **Open?** Not reported.

This is a new meeting. The first meeting went well. Great support. Good vibes.

**Boardman:** Casey D. **Average Attendance:** 50 **Donation:** \$0

**All Positions Filled?** No **Open:** Co-Treasurer and Co-Secretary

Attendance is steady. Good energy.

**Clean & Serene (Manistee):** Amanda C. **Average Attendance:** 6 **Donation:** \$0

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

The group is going alright.

**Freedom Group:** Dylan W. **Average Attendance:** 40 **Donation:** \$0  
**All Positions Filled?** Yes **Open:** None

The group is going well, but we need more home group members.

**Just for Today (Irons):** Amanda C. (Proxy for Rick V.) **Average Attendance:** 3  
**Donation:** \$0 **All Positions Filled?** No **Open:** Not reported

The group needs support!

**JFTBTB:** Lindsay H. (Proxy for Mindy L.) **Average Attendance:** 35 **Donation:** \$30.00  
**All Positions Filled?** No. **Open?** Co-GSR

The group is good, but we need support and lead speakers. My (Mindy) schedule at work has finally changed. I will no longer be able to attend Area, but my group still would like me to be GSR so someone can hopefully proxy for me. Thank you for letting me serve.

**Never Alone:** Judy L. **Average Attendance:** 16-18 **Donation:** \$14.00  
**All Positions Filled?** Yes **Open?** None

We are very low on members. Our meetings are great, just not a lot of members.

**New Attitudes (Manistee):** Amanda C. (Proxy for James K.) **Average Attendance:** 12  
**Donation:** \$0 **All Positions Filled?** Yes **Open?** None

The group is going very good!

**New Freedom (Cadillac):** Justin C. **Average Attendance:** 10-12 **Donation:** \$30.00  
**All Positions Filled?** Yes **Open:** None

The group is going good. We just started meetings on two more nights a week so we are meeting Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

**Recovery @ 5/0:** Darick F. **Average Attendance:** 25ish **Donation:** \$30.00  
**All Positions Filled?** No **Open?** Co-Chair Positions

The Speaker Jam was such an amazing thing to be a part of.

**Recovery First:** Lindsay H. **Average Attendance:** 50 on Tuesdays; 8-12 on Mondays & Thursdays **Donation:** \$47.00 **All Positions Filled?** No **Open:** Co-Secretary, Chair for the Monday meeting, Co-Chair positions for the Monday and Thursday meetings.

The group is going well. See Sally S. for all things Christmas party. Need supplies from Activities: coffee, plates, silverware, cups, napkins, water, soda (all donations, no sales).

**Rise and Recover:** Pete M. **Average Attendance:** 12 **Donation:** \$53.00  
**All Positions Filled?** Yes **Open?** No

The group is going great. We would like some insight from other groups on bank accounts.

**Step Study Group (Brethern):** Amanda C. (Proxy for Rick V.) **Average Attendance:** 6  
**Donation:** \$0 **All Positions Filled?** No **Open:** Not reported.

The group is going good.

**Sunday NA:** Krystal C.      **Average Attendance:** 65      **Donation:** \$5.00  
**All Positions Filled?** No      **Open:** All  
The group is going great.

**Women in Recovery:** Jen S. **Average Attendance:** 14      **Donation:** \$5.00  
**All Positions Filled?** Yes      **Open?** None  
The group is going great.

**BUDGET REQUESTS:**      PR is requesting \$385.00<sup>1</sup>. This request was approved.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1.      **Recovery First Christmas Party.** They will bring a list next month of what they need home groups to help with.
2.      **Hosting Region.** Our Area is hosting Region on December 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Park Shore Resort. Chris E. volunteered to handle the recovery meeting at 8:00 a.m. Amanda C. will have a budget request for next month for coffee and snacks for the meeting.
3.      **MRCNA Gift Basket.** MRCNA would like each Area to put together a gift basket to be raffled at MRCNA in 2020. It was decided that we will do a Northern Michigan Foodie Basket. We will reach out to John W. for more info so we can coordinate the timing of the donation of the items for the basket.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1.      **A High We Can't Buy.** This is a new group. It is a closed meeting on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. It meets at The Porch, 1010 Garfield Avenue, Traverse City. They do not need any items at this time.
2.      **Bank Accounts for Home Groups.** Rise and Recover asked for guidance on having a bank account for their home group. Many other groups shared that they do not have a bank account due to fees and it not being large amount to deal with on a regular basis.

### **OPEN SHARE**

### **CLOSE**

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2019, 4:00 P.M. AT THE  
COWELL CANCER CENTER IN TRAVERSE CITY ACROSS FROM MUNSON  
MEDICAL CENTER**

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<sup>1</sup> \$40.00 to reimburse the Literature Committee for the 3 tables at past events  
\$85.00 for ER packets for Traverse City and Manistee  
\$50.00 for IPs for jails  
\$200.00 for books for jails  
\$10.00 for meeting supplies

**INFORMATION TO TAKE BACK TO YOUR HOME GROUPS:**

1. Please announce that Area has the following positions open: Treasurer and 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:  
  
October 26 – Halloween Party at The Circuit – see attached flyer  
November 9 – Taco Bar and Game Night – see attached flyer
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. Recovery First will be hosting its annual Christmas Party again this year. Look for more information to come on this, including requests for donations of time and food items.
6. Willingness is needed to take meetings into jails and prisons. If you are willing, contact Yon.
7. The Just for Today Group in Irons could use support!

## 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.

**NorthWest Michigan Area of Narcotics Anonymous**

**Treasurer's Report**

Date October 2019

<b>Income</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>CK #</b>
Boardman Group	54.82	Rent - Friends of the Light	30	1205
Clean & Serene (Manistee)		- Munson Foundation	80	1206
Freedom Group		Region Donation	300	1203
Frontside		Region Phoneline	10	
Growth through Recovery		RCM	32	1202
Just for Today (Irons)		PO Box		
Just for Today by the Bay	20-	Storage Unit	138	1207
Lean on Me (Cadillac)		Liability Insurance		
Living Clean		Activities	300	1208
Never Alone	13-	Public Relations		
New Attitudes (Manistee)		Transfer: Circle One Literature Activity Retreat		
New Direction (Lake City)				
New Freedom (Cadillac)				
Rapid City Recovery				
Recovery @ 5/0		<b>Activities Committee</b>		
Recovery First	45-	Start balance	172	
Rise & Recover	13-	Income	263.98	
Step Study (Brethren)		Expenses	335.98	35.98 to Area 300 ck 1208
Sunday NA	29.25	New balance	100-	
Women in Recovery	4-			
Rise & Recover	49-	<b>Retreat Committee</b>		
		Start balance	700	
Activities	35.98	Income	-	
Public Relations		Expenses	-	
Retreat Committee		New balance	700	
		<b>Literature Committee</b>		
<b>Area Account</b>		Start balance	156.74	
Starting balance	1694.36	Income: Cash/Check	263.50	
Total Income <sup>222.07</sup> <sub>35.98 Act.</sub>	264.05	Income: Transfer	-	
Total Expenses	590-	Expenses	-	
New balance	1368.41	New balance	420.24	
Prudent Reserve (Savings acc't)	200			



**Bank Statement Reconciliation Form**  
**Northwest Michigan Area Service Committee**  
**of Narcotics Anonymous**

Checking account reconciliation for the month ending Oct 2019

- **A) Bank statement balance**..... 2588.65
- **B) Subtract Activities ending balance**..... 100
- **C) Subtract Retreat ending balance**..... 700
- **D) Subtract Literature ending balance**..... 420.24
- **E) Subtract "outstanding checks"**..... 0  
 (Total of all checks written that have not yet cleared the bank.)
- **F) Ending balance**..... 1368.41  
 (This should equal the balance of Area)

If those figures don't match exactly, one of the following mistakes may have occurred:

1. A mathematical error somewhere in the treasurer's report form.
2. A mistake in entering (or failure to enter) a check or deposit in the treasurer's report form.
3. A math error in steps A through F above.
4. Entering the wrong figure in step A above.
5. Failure to subtract service charges or add interest in your treasurer's report form.



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Checking : Totally Free Business Checking



**Balance : \$2,588.65**

**Account Nickname :** Totally Free Business Checking  
**Account Name :** Totally Free Business Checking  
**Account Number :** 3008823200  
**Balance :** \$2,588.65  
**Avail Balance :** \$2,588.65

**Total Check Holds :** \$0.00  
**Total Card Holds :** \$0.00  
**Total Management Holds :** \$0.00

**Date Range :** 09/03/2019 to 10/19/2019

Date	Description	Flags	Category	Amount	Balance
10/8/2019	Check #1203		None	(\$310.00)	\$2,588.65
10/1/2019	Check #1202		None	(\$32.00)	\$2,898.65
9/27/2019	Check #1201		None	(\$410.00)	\$2,930.65
9/24/2019	Check #1205		None	(\$30.00)	\$3,340.65
9/24/2019	Check #1208		None	(\$300.00)	\$3,370.65
9/23/2019	Check #1206		None	(\$80.00)	\$3,670.65
9/19/2019	Check #1207		None	(\$138.00)	\$3,750.65
9/17/2019	Check #1200		None	(\$538.43)	\$3,888.65
9/16/2019	Night Drop/Mail Deposit - Area		None	\$228.07	\$4,427.08
9/16/2019	Night Drop/Mail Deposit - Literature		None	\$263.50	\$4,423.08
9/16/2019	Night Drop/Mail Deposit - Activities		None	\$263.98	\$4,159.58
9/3/2019	Check #1190		None	(\$228.00)	\$3,671.53





# HALLOWEEN DANCE

SATURDAY OCT 26<sup>TH</sup> @630PM

225 W FOURTEENTH ST. TRAVERSE CITY

IT'S THAT TIME ONCE AGAIN! THE NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS HALLOWEEN DANCE. DOORS OPEN AT 630. SPEAKERS AT 7PM FOLLOWED BY FELLOWSHIP AND DANCE. THIS IS A FUNDRAISER. WE WILL BE SELLING PIZZA, POP AND ENERGY DRINKS. WE ARE ASKING FOR A \$10 ENTRANCE FEE HOWEVER NO ADDICT WILL BE TURNED AWAY. AND LIKE ALWAYS. WE WILL BE HAVING A COSTUME CONTEST!

QUESTIONS CALL ADAM N 517-402-5709



**NWACNA FUNDRAISER**

# TACO BAR AND GAME NIGHT



**November 9th @  
Church of the Nazarene  
1023 S Division St.  
5:30pm-10pm  
speaker at 7pm**

**Come to vote  
for the next retreat  
theme!**

Any questions call  
Chris E. (231) 564-3058

