

10/17/21 4:00 PM

Fifth and Oak

Northwest Area Service Committee Meeting

Attendees; Zach W, Katy G, Tim C, Anna B, Hannah B, Mike B, Dave T, Pete M, Adam N, Jeff B, John Y, Libby O.

Moment of Silence

Serenity Prayer

12 Traditions

12 Concepts of Service

Service Prayer

Reports

Secretary; Katy G

Minutes were finished and posted to the website, thanks to our web servant Megan S. Thank you for letting me serve.

Treasurer; Hannah B

I revised my minutes from last month. It was brought to my attention there was an error in my report. I put the revised treasurer reports with last month's records. Everything added up correctly, I just wrote down the wrong thing while typing up my report in the retreat section. I apologize. I'm still getting used to my new position.

Area had a starting Balance of \$1,150.70, an income of \$456, \$180 back from the RCM, and expenses of \$ 295.94. \$50 dollars for Rent, \$138.55 to our storage unit, \$15.89 to PR zoom, and \$91.50 to the Copy Shop. The last area Living Clean in the valley said they had an area donation of \$16 dollars it was not in the PayPal account, so I didn't add it to the income. Leaving Area's Ending Balance at \$1491.76

Activities had a start balance of \$400, income of \$38, expenses of \$235, leaving the end balance of \$203. Retreat had a starting balance of \$2498.78, expenses of \$17.91 with an end balance of \$2,480.87

Literature had a starting balance of \$541.03, income of \$353, expenses of \$529.83 with an ending balance of \$364.20.

Our monthly expenses are \$50 to Friends of the light for rent and 15.89 for PR zoom. Leaving areas available balance of \$1,424.87

Thank you for letting me be of service

RCM; James K

Nothing to reports, under the weather, could not attend.

Activities; Mike B

Average Attendance; 7

Open Positions; Co Treasurer, Secretary, and Co secretary.

Halloween dance set to go. Paid for the church. Casey D and I are competing in the dunce dance. Also planning a variation of pie in the face. We are also holding a Thanksgiving Day after leftover potluck and a euchre tournament. 5\$ suggested buy in. Trophy to winner. Thanks for letting me serve.

Public Relations; Casey J

Hey Family, I'm an addict named Casey!

If you are new to area, welcome! We are glad you're here! This is where we discuss business and further our primary purpose. It's the healthiest of organisms when group representatives and position holders attend. The idea is that we take in information and bring it back to our groups in the spirit of curiosity, cooperation, and unity.

Public relations meets the first Sunday of the month at 5:00pm in the basement of fifth and oak. Our purpose is to inform the public that Narcotics Anonymous 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. Diversity is our strength, and we are looking for all perspectives at PR. Often the newer members experience shared sheds a much-needed light on the topics we discuss there.

We would like to give a warm welcome to our new community outreach coordinator, Jeff L! We are looking forward to cooking up some ideas in this area of our subcommittee!

Phoenix is temporarily closed and has remained on zoom, it's going well. Dakoske is back in person and is going phenomenal. Detox is back in person, and we are also pleased with that situation.

We have received news that they may be allowing volunteers back into Manistee Prison soon. We have slight hints that they will be accepting non-ministry volunteers at the Grand Traverse County Jail in the future, which is better than a future with no light sneaking through at all. If you would like to get involved in this type of service, please contact Yon.

The website is up to date. If you have something you would like on the website, please contact Megan S or Mike C.

Schedules are up to date. Please contact me if you need some. If you have any schedule changes to report, please contact Jen S.

Fellowship Development attended Benzie and Cadillac this month. If you would like support, please contact me or Mike C.

Phone Line has received less calls since the switchover to statewide this spring. It's maintained.

If you have any questions or concerns or you would like to talk PR, please contact myself or Katy G, she's my wonderful co-chair. We will have more exciting details next month on a community outreach project we are hoping to accomplish!

In Loving Service,

Casey J & The PR Subcommittee

Literature – Adam N

Average Attn – 2

Open positions? Co Chair

Information to report; 6 homegroups purchased literature today. We are out of stepworking guides. Many are even out once we receive our next order. Please be patient with me. I'll contact homegroup GSRs owed them. As Women in Recovery notified me, I can accommodate HG's needing multiple copies of books for lit studies with advanced notice.

Starting balance-894.03, orders placed-529.83, income-637.00, total 1001.20.

Retreat Subcommittee; Dave T

Hello Family. We had our wrap up for NWACNA 24 and elections for NWACNA 25. We show a final balance of 2480.87. We are requesting that the Area body raise our seed money from 1200\$ to 1500\$ due to limited fund raising from Covid, and the added expenses of porta-johns and the big tent. If we get the 1500\$ we would be donating 980.87 to Area. The Results from the elections are Megan S is co-chair, Melissa W is programming, and Anna B is merchandise. Open positions are secretary, co sec, treasurer, co treasurer, and hospitality. We are looking forward to a fantastic 25th retreat next year. We are already booked with the Ranch for August 26th. 27th, and 28th 2022. Name the retreat boxes will be arriving at home groups soon.

In loving service. Dave T.

PS I also have 320.00 from Boardman Group and 30\$ I found from bracelet sales.

GSR Reports

Name of Group: Just for Today by the Bay

GSR: Tim C

Average Attn: 5 in person, 10 on zoom

Donation: 50.00

Open positions: All positions are open

How is the group going: This group needs support. We are struggling to find speakers for 15 minutes. Any volunteers? The meeting will continue to be there in person and on zoom.

Name of Group: Boardman

GSR: Dave T

Average Attn: 20-30

Donation: \$280

Open positions: GSRA

How is the group going: Well attended, good 7th, service structure is growing, we have a 320\$ donation to retreat from our anniversary picnic.

Decisions on Subjects brought back to groups: In favor of executive zoom account. Not in favor of region meeting bi-monthly.

Dave found 61\$ of 7th tradition from closed living clean group, donated to area.

Name of Group: Recovery First

GSR-Alt : Adam N

Average Attn: 3-8 noon meetings, 30-35 Tuesday night meeting.

Donation: 100.00\$

Open positions: Monday noon chair.

How is the group going: Just dandy. If you're a homegroup member please come fill out a new updated index card. As we disposed of most of the old cards. Christmas party; is that still an area activity or is it the responsibility of Recovery First again? Recovery first is responsible.

Name of Group: Recovery @ 5/O

GSR: Hannah B

Average Attn: Nooner – 5 Night – 20

Donation: 50\$

Open positions: Co-Treasurer

How is the group going: Really well, started the Saturday noon meeting again.

Name of Group: Rise and Recover

GSR: Pete M

Average Attn: 17

Donation: 114.00\$

Open positions: yes

How is the group going: Really well!

Decisions brought back to groups: Support area maintaining zoom account.

Name of Group: Women in Recovery

GSR: Anna B

Average Attn: 20

Donation: 30\$

Open positions: No

How is the group going: Great! Going to read guiding principles next.

Name of Group: Boardman Group

GSR: Dave T

Average Attn: 20-30

Donation: 280.00

Open positions: GSRA

How is the group going: Well attended. Good 7th. Service structure is growing. We have a 320.00 donation to retreat from our anniversary picnic.

Group Decisions: In favor of executive zoom. Not in favor of region meeting bi monthly.

Take back to group.

Would your homegroups be okay with area changing the guidelines for retreat to change their seed money from \$1200 to \$1500 due to a tough time fundraising because of covid? Also because of more expenditures such as porta potties, big tent, etc?

Old Business

When it comes to region meeting bi-monthly instead of quarterly, and we said no unless they decided every other month would be completely virtual to be cost saving.

We decided to reinstate PR zoom for H & I.

Most groups reported yes to upgrading to executive zoom once pricing is in front of us.

New Business

Print and laminate the traditions, concepts, and service prayer to hand out. Katy will be making sure agendas get brought to area for easier following during the service committee meeting.

Christmas party. If Recovery First is in a position to make sure the marathon meeting is held this year, just waiting on communication. Activities will help.

Can we please look into upgrading our storage unit from a 5 x 5 into possibly a 10 x 10?

Open Positions;

Facilitator

Co Facilitator

Open Share

Moment of Silence

3rd step prayer

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