

**Northwest Michigan Area  
Public Relations Subcommittee Minutes  
November 3, 2019**

**Members Present:** Dylan W, Krystal C, Alicia M, Yon K, Josh W, Haven J, Justin G, Mark H, Hannah B, Katy G, Sophie, Tim C, Nick L, Gwinn L, Sally S, Jordan H, KT R, Jeremy, Keith, Tyler P, Jeff L, Ashley P, Rich B, Megan B, Steven P, Jason N

**Opening:**

Recognize New Committee Members: Jordan H, Sophie, Nick L, KT R

The meeting was opened with a moment of silence and serenity prayer at 5:29pm

Readings: Twelve Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous: Yon K.

Twelve Concepts of Service: Tim C.

**Open Positions:** Schedule Line Coordinator- Justin G. got voted in as new Schedule Line Coordinator. Phone line Coordinator- Connor B. stepped down. Sally S. was revoted into the position as the Phone Line Coordinator

There are currently no open positions.

**Reports**

*Chair –Dylan W. –*

Hi everyone. I'm an addict, my name is Dylan. Thanks everyone for coming. This month has been great. We have a few things to talk about from last month so I don't want to take up too much time, but I do want to mention one thing. I would like to start getting ahead on my literature order, so to the coordinators that commonly need literature I ask that we work towards this instead of getting behind. Literature committee is only one person with a lot to deal with and it would make it easier if I had our budget request in advance so things could be picked up at the meeting instead of after. This is part of the reason we don't have last months request yet and would help speed up the process. Thank you for letting me serve and I hope everyone has a great meeting!

Dylan w.

*Co-Chair – Krystal C.-*

Learning the new position. Nothing new to report.

*Correctional Facility Coordinator – Yon K. –*

GTC: All seems to be going well at this facility. There has been a request by the volunteers as well as the Pastor for literature and the order has been placed, so we are just waiting for it to arrive.

KCJ: The attendance from the inmates has picked up a little bit. The scheduling and consistent adherence of the volunteers to this schedule has been more consistent.

OAKS: We've been having trouble getting consistent volunteer commitment. We are doing the best we can and are in the process of getting another fellow cleared. Hopefully we can accomplish this soon with the hopes that will remedy the situation.

WCJ: The folks down there are doing a good job of reaching a lot of addicts. Lewis has told me of several inmates he has seen on the outside at the area meetings. I am curious as to PR's official stance on whether the volunteers at this facility should be cleared through PR or if we have a pre-established precedent allowing them to clear their own people. Perhaps we can discuss this and clarify.

Thanks for the rewarding privilege of service.

*Treatment Facility Coordinator – Casey J. –*

Thanks for understanding my absence tonight. I had a wonderful fulfilling weekend with other women in recovery and am happy to be home with my family and give my dad a break .Everything is going great with Dakoske, Phoenix, and detox. Thank you so much to everyone who contributes to carrying the message in these facilities. I love hearing heart wrenching stories, answering questions, or just listening. So please feel free to contact me anytime regarding this position or public relations!!!

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In loving service!!!!

Casey J!!!!

*Web Servant – Mark H. –*

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October 6th PR minutes are posted on the website under Area Resources/PR Minutes. All upcoming events (flyers, etc) that are posted on the front page area also on the upcoming events calendar. Our RCM in October area minutes asked if I was sending our flyers to region website to be posted and the answer is no. I got ahold of Patti K. (Regional Webservant) and she directed me to Jennah R. our (Regional Secretary) She added a flyer section to the bottom of Regions homepage <https://michigan-na.org/michigan-region/>. I sent Jennah a couple of flyers. Some of our flyers are now listed. This will get more figured out December 1st. Right now for our Northwest Area Website we have a Taco Bar and game night, which is also a NWACNA fundraiser, Friendsgiving and Holiday Party which is a recovery marathon during Christmas and also the next regional meeting being on Dec 1st in Traverse City at the Parkshore Resort is posted. For anyone that would like to pick up extra info outside of our

area, go to <https://michigan-na.org/michigan-region/> and just browse around. In fact, we have 14 areas in our MI Region of NA, and 10 areas in Metro Detroit Region of NA. That's right, MI has 2 regions of NA. It's all listed in the top taskbar of our website.

IT'S OK TO BE CLEAN!

*Schedule Coordinator* – Adam N. –

No new meeting schedule changes to report this month. Please have all meeting schedule changes NOT needing Area approval in to me by Saturday the 9th. This is to ensure our printing of this next quarter's meeting schedules happens in a timely manner. Also, if Justin G is present and still has willingness to step in, I nominate him for this position.

Thank you for allowing me to serve!

Adam N.

Justin G was voted in as new Schedule Coordinator

*Phone Line Coordinator* – Connor B. stepped down from the position and Sally S was voted back into the position with discussion of training someone else, possible Krystal C.– No calls this month.

*Community Outreach Coordinator* – Tiffany C.-

I've been working on getting information on creating additional ER packets for Munson. A member of narcotics anonymous is employed in the ER department and has committed to help us distribute those again.

I also wanted to ask if the group feels that we should get these packets together for Munson NICU - there's a significant number of women with babies in the NICU due to drug dependence. These women are given information on MAT, but after giving birth are not given any information on 12 step programs. I will elaborate during the meeting.

We have a new contact at ATS and I have made contact and introduced myself.

Thanks!

Manistee- Michelle C.-

We met at Pizza Hut in Manistee on October 20. There was three of us and we discussed getting a meeting in Manistee, Mason, and Benzie jails but at this point we don't have enough people to do this. We also discussed holding an event. So we have been asking at meetings for ideas of what type of events everyone would enjoy participating in. We will discuss this further at our November meeting in Brethren at Zeppis. Thanks for letting me serve! Michelle C.

*Fellowship Development Coordinator – Haven J –*

Hey there. Traverse City has a new meeting. A high you can't buy group at ats. Things are going well. Going to Ludington has come up this month. Also they are looking for support in Irons and many other meetings not in tc.

Thank you

Haven

### **Old Business**

1. *Being of Service IDT (Casey J Adhoc?)*– Tim C, Krystal C, and Justin G volunteered to discuss with Casey and revisit at next meeting
2. *IG Page*:– Table for next month
3. *Getting More PSAs out in the area* – Tiffany has started getting packets ready for Munson. Revisit discussion on bringing more for NICU mothers that are drug dependant
4. *Planning a new fun event for the newcomer* – will revisit and discuss more ideas
5. Table Cloth-

### **New Business**

6. *Irons meeting (Fellowship Development or Volunteers)* – Jeff L volunteered to drive
7. PR Table at event Nov. 30th
8. New meeting time for PR will be 5pm the first Sunday of the month moving forward

The meeting closed at 7 pm with a moment of silence and the gratitude slogan.

Next PR meeting held on Sunday December 1, 2019 @5:00pm