SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 24, 2024

AGENDA

1. Moment of Silence: Uriah
2. Service Prayer: Jake
3. Traditions: Derek
4. Concepts: Danielle
5. Roll Call: Emily

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| **Position** | **Name** | **Present/Absent** | **Position** | **Name** | **Present/Absent** |
| **CHAIR:** | Uriah C. | P | RCM | Brian C. | A |
| CO-CHAIR: | Derek | P | RCMA: | OPEN | NA |
| SECRETARY: | Emily N. | P | PR | Kim G. | P |
| CO-SECRETARY: | Kristina P. | P | CO-PR | Gretchen | P |
| TREASURER: | Stacey R. | P | OUTREACH: | David H. | P |
| CO-TREASURER: | Angleline S. | P | ACTIVITIES: | OPEN | NA |
| LITERATURE: | Patti K. | P | H&I | Dameion G. | P |
| CO-LITERATURE: | OPEN | NA | CO-H&I | Steve-o L. | P |
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| **Attendees present that are not GSR or Officers:** |  |  | Jake, Joe, Jewel, Missy, Antonio, Rebecca - Welcome!!!! |  |  |
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| **Present Home groups:** |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Group Name** | **GSR/GSRA** | **Present or Absent** |  |  |  |
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| **2nd Chances** | **Eric** |  |  |  |  |
| **911** | **Brian C.** |  |  |  |  |
| **A New Way** | **David H.** |  |  |  |  |
| **Acceptance** | **Kim G.** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **Against All odds** | **Stacey** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **Any Lengths** | **Patti K.** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **Believers** | **Scott C.** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **Buchanan Fellowship** | **Todd L.** |  |  |  |  |
| **Choices** | **Mike** |  |  |  |  |
| **Daughters of Hope** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Dinosaurs** | **LeRoy** |  |  |  |  |
| **Early Birds** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Feel the Love** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Keep Coming Back** | **Craig** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **Let's Stay Together** | **Donald** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **More will be Revealed** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Never Again** | **Rick** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **New Beginnings** | **Danielle** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **New Hope** | **LeRoy** |  |  |  |  |
| **New Life** | **Joe** |  |  |  |  |
| **Night Owls** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **North Side** | **Susan** |  |  |  |  |
| **Nothing to Fear** | **Emily N.** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **Pathfinders** | **Kristina** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **Peace of Mind** | **Neil** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **Recovery in the Vine** | **Matt** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **Similarities** | **Steve-o L.** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **Solutions** | **Derek** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **South Side Group** | **Tarsha** |  |  |  |  |
| **Step Sisters** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Steppin' Up** | **Darren C.** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **Subject to Change** | **Kevin H.** |  |  |  |  |
| **Unconditional Love** | **Dameion G.** | **P** |  |  |  |
| **Unity** | **Andy** |  |  |  |  |
| **You’re Not Alone** | **Vic K.** |  |  |  |  |
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1. Open Sharing Session: The Comstock Community Center is available for the Area Meetings in July, August and September for a cost of $50/month.
2. Approval of Prior Month’s Minutes: Approved
3. Chair Report: Uriah: None
4. Secretary Report: Emily: 600 meeting lists will continue to be ordered as long as they are needed by the Home Groups attending the Area Meetings. The Area Secretary can always be reached at the secretary email address: [SWMANASecretary@gmail.com](mailto:SWMANASecretary@gmail.com) between Area meetings if needed.
5. Treasurer Report: Stacey:

 MARCH TREASURER REPORT

BALANCE ON 2/23/2024                                                                            2890.30

DEPOSITS/CREDITS

NORTHSIDE GROUP                                7TH                                                   25.00

SOLUTIONS GROUP                                7TH                                                   30.00

DINOSAURS                                             7TH                                                     4.00

NEW HOPE                                              7TH                                                      4.00

AGAINST ALL ODDS                               7TH                                                     69.50

NEW BEGININNGS                                7TH                                                      53.05

ACCEPTANCE GROUP                           7TH                                                      40.00

STEPPIN UP                                           7TH                                                     100.00

NOTHING TO FEAR                                7TH                                                      40.00

INTEREST FOR FEB                                                                                              .13

TOTAL DEPOSITS                                                                                           365.68

PAYMENTS/DEBITS

CHECK#1313    D&D PRINTING (MEETING LISTS)                                                                       66.00

CHECK#1314    SWMALCNA (H&I)                                                                                       345.50

CHECK#1315    SWMALCNA (STARTER KIT)                                                                                  17.50

CHECK#1316    D&D PRINTING (MEETING LISTS)                                                                        66.00

CHECK#1317    US POSTAL SERVICE (PO BOX)                                                                            100.00

TRANSFER FOR FEES                                                                                                                  2.00

TOTAL SPENT                                                                                                                597.00

BALANCE ON 3/21/2024                                                                                                           2658.98

PRUDENT RESERVE                                                                                                          400.00

ACTIVITIES RESERVE                                                                                                             500.00

RESERVE REGION 7TH  (NOV,DEC,JAN,FEB)                                                                                    163.94

ACTUAL FUNDS AVAILABLE                                                                                                           1595.04

Not included in this report is PR(1000.00) and H&I (1400.00) yearly budgets. H&I has 1054.50, and PR 1000.00 left of these budgets.

In Loving Service,

Stacey R.

1. Regional Committee Member: RCM: Brian C.: None
2. SUB-COMMITTEES
3. Public Relations: PR: Kim: None
4. Hospitals and Institutions: H&I: Dameion: There are new requirements for H&I Service as well as some new coordinators and a new facility that are not on the “Current Requirements for H&I Service” Sheet. The “Current Requirements for H&I Service” Sheet is found in Hospitals and Institutions Basics folder that every Home Group should have a copy of. The secretary will be working with Dameion and Steve-O to get new sheets typed up and printed so that each Home Group can replace the “Current Requirements for H&I Service” Sheet in the Hospitals and Institutions Basics folder. This will ensure that the most up to date information is available to those looking to perform H&I service.
5. Literature: Patti:

S.W.M.A.S.C.N.A

Southwest Michigan Area Service Committee Of Narcotics Anonymous

Literature Report

Meeting Location: Paw Paw

Committee Meeting Day / Time: 3/24/2024 3:00PM

CONTACT INFORMATION

CHAIR: Patti K PHONE: 269-806-3142

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Last month’s sales equaled: $1065.57

Literature Purchased last month: $1835

MSO/WRSO $730.70

Shipping $76.61

MSO discount $38.96

Total Order $768.35

Bank $834.29

Cash Box $425.00

Total Money: $1259.29

Literature Value $4127.92

Hello Family: Happy Sunday to you all. Clearly this whole me not bringing everything will be a trial and error. I missed one order and didn’t fully fill another. I have come up with some organizational tools to make this easier. Also I am requesting 23.50 for a new comer starter kit and JFT for the new Keep Coming back group in Eu Claire. I have H n I and Outreach orders here. And will need reimbursement. I would like to suggest that Outreach be given additional $3.90 to complete his order which is $153.90.

Money is high because the 2 payments to MSO and WRSO have not cleared yet. And I sold a lot of literature in the last couple of weeks and figured I would hit the bank after area. MSO you ask? Well I started thinking that if we have to pay shipping why pay as much. Shipping from California is more that in state. Ok then why WRSO… Well the cool part of about MSO is they show how many they have of items in stock. I noticed that they had zero white tags and they don’t do starter kits. So I reached out and ordered from WRSO. So Far this seems to be working. I encourage everyone to order ahead of time. Preferred way is text message.. you can take a pic of the order form and send pics. IN other news the step survival kit bundle is now set to be out at the World Convention in September.

I think that is all. Thank you all for your service .. and thanks for letting me serve ILS Patti K

1. Outreach: David:

-Picked up the Outreach supplies from Area today  
    -going to link up with Literature to get missing key tags  
-$153.90 got approved by Area for Outreach this quarter  
-New Meeting in Eau Claire "Keep Coming Back" Wednesdays Open Meeting @ 6:30pm at the public library  
-Donald and Antonio representing Benton Harbor  
-will be planning and visiting Eau Claire meeting and others and managing inventory until next meeting  
  
David :)

1. Activities: \*\*Position Remains Open\*\* I have posted the general requirements for Area service as well as the requirements for the Activities position below. Please bring this back to your home groups and try to get this important position filled!!!

These are the qualifications and duties, as well as a description of the position of Activities Chairperson at Area. These are guidelines and we may be able to work with someone who is willing to take on the position but doesn't meet every one of the requirements. The following General Qualifications apply to all elected Area trusted servants.

1. Have previous service experience in NA, as well as a working knowledge of the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions. Have an understanding or a willingness to learn, the 12 Concepts and the service structure.

2. The willingness to give the time and resources necessary for the position.

3. Meet the clean time for the requirement.

Activities Subcommittee Description:

The primary purpose of this subcommittee is to carry the message of recovery by sponsoring activities that provide a greater sense of community for the local NA fellowship. The secondary purpose of the subcommittee is to raise additional funds for the Southwest Michigan Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous (SWMASCNA) = Area. Seed money and any income from an activity will be turned over to the area treasurer within seven days from the time an activity is held.

Activities Chairperson Qualifications:

1. General qualifications and three years clean.

2. Minimum of one-year experience at SWMASCNA.

\*\* I'm not positive and I may be completely incorrect but these may be negotiable if you find someone excited about and willing to fill this position.

Activities Chairperson Duties:

3. To facilitate meetings of the Activities subcommittee.

4. To provide a report of subcommittee business at every Area Service Committee (ASC) = Area meeting,

5. To submit a proposed budget for the coming year at the November ASC meeting for submission to the homegroups for review and approval by the ASC in December for the budget year starting in January.

6. To account for all funds distributed and collected, and to ensure that all funds collected are turned in to the Area Treasurer within 7 days of receipt.

7. To plan and coordinate the following area Activities every year:

a. ASC meetings and shall be based on current events/issues/topics/new literature etc. (see NA Guide to Local Services for guidance). Will work with RCM to identify topics and coordinate activities.

b. Plan additional activities based on subcommittee interests and budgetary allowance (be creative).

c. Be available for coordinating co-sponsored events with homegroups or other subcommittees.

1. Old Business
2. Gretchen was approved by a majority group conscience vote to the Co-Public Relations (Co-PR) position. Congratulations Gretchen!!
3. The Outreach budget of $150.00 has been approved at this time. The budget will be revisited when additional funds are requested/required.
4. Area Meetings for the next quarter which will be held on April 28, 2024 – May 19, 2024 – June 23, 2024 will be at a new location. We will be moving to: \*\*202 Center St. – Dowagiac, MI – 49047\*\*
5. The Public Relations (PR) budget of $1000 has been approved.
6. New Business
7. Through a group conscience it was decided that just the NA logo would be put on the new canopy. Our Area location (Southwest Michigan) will not be screen printed on the canopy.
8. Home Group Reports
9. New Home Group!!

Name: Keep Coming Back

Location: 6528 E. Main Street

Eau Claire, MI 49111

Eau Claire District Library – Community Room

Day/Time: Wednesday 6:30pm-8:00pm

This is an Open meeting so all are welcome to attend.

1. Close with a moment of silence & the we version of the Serenity Prayer.