

## MINUTES

### TWIN CITIES AREA SERVICE CONFERENCE OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

December 20, 2003

Sabathani, 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl, Rm. J

## OPENING

Dick opened Meeting with the Serenity Prayer at 11 am. Readings: 12 Concepts: Seth, 12 Traditions: Dan, 12 Steps: Fredrick.

## INTRODUCTIONS

Attendance: All officers present, except Co-Chair.

Welcome newcomers..

12 GSRs present. Quorum [10] is met. [Avg. of last 3 mos. (15, 14, 16) was  $15 \times .67 = 10$  minimum needed for quorum.]

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November minutes approved.

## CORRESPONDENCE

None.

## OFFICER REPORTS

### CHAIR

Dick: no report.

### CO-CHAIR

Lynn: excused absence.

### SECRETARY

Charlie: I prepared and delivered the unapproved November minutes via email. My term as secretary ends next month. At this time I do not plan to seek re-election.

### CO-SECRETARY

Daniel: The unapproved minutes for November were sent out via USPS. I created documentation for the internet mailing of the minutes? I am willing to step up to the secretary.

### TREASURER

Ryan: Balance 1650.14, Bank statement said, 23, outstanding checks for 600+.

Do we pass money on and if we do not why.

### CO-TREASURER

Mark: The books are open, please see me to register your attendance and/or donations.

## RCMs

Dan:

1. The Conference Agenda Report (CAR) is out. Of particular interest to our region is that the World Board has come out against the two amendments concerning Resolution A, arguing that Resolution A is now outdated. Our regional delegates were at the zonal forum in Chicago last weekend but their response to the CAR's conclusion on Resolution A was handed out at the RSC and will be posted on the NA Region's website. (<http://www.naminnnesota.org/regional/regional.htm>).
2. Our region's delegation will be traveling to MARLCNA (Mid-Atlantic Regional Learning Conference-NA) in February to answer questions and to lobby for Resolution A implementation. At this time our region plans only to send two representatives, significantly reducing the original plan of sending six.
3. Seth M., our H&I chair, will be communicating our service commitments to Donnie, the region's H&I chair, so that Donnie can compile a master list for his successor at the region when he steps down.

Rufus: Guidleline for website access, to help equal opportunity to post and have done in a timely manner. How much do we have to donate. CAR workshop. Need to set a date. January.

The regional assembly will be the second Saturday on March.

Motion #110. That the TCASC purchase the 29 remaining (\$7) copies of the CAR to GSRs for a total cost of \$203.00. ¶ Money will come from rebate account. ¶ Groups should pay for their own copies.

Vote: 14 for, 2 against, 1 abstain. Passes.

## ELECTIONS

Banquet Chair: (tabled in November) nominations or volunteers: Barb declines.

Helpline Chair: Nominations: (tabled in November) nominations or volunteers: Amy declines. Rick D. declines. Fredrick gives description of duties. Amy accepts. Amy speaks to her willingness: I have been of service at the area level. Willing, would like to see more women on the helpline. Requirements and Duties are read. Amy K. is elected.

Old Business

## 2004 Budget Approval

Fund flow, usually only \$500 of NA money out at any one time. Not a drain on TCASC financial resources. New Years party is supposed to make money. Usually

Ability to serve on a big project is a good opportunity for service.

As the TCASC budget has decreased (from 25,000/year to 15,000/year) why has the Banquet budget has not changed?

Concern about \$20 a plate for a nice dinner. Time to make motion.

Motion #111

That the Banquet budget be reduced from \$5,000 to \$4,000 for 2004.

2 Pro - 2 con.

Con: That my group voted on the proposed budget and we are in favor of approving the budget.

Pro: We are spending too much money in general. Pro: We have not taken any action yet to have the Banquet (no banquet chair). NA needs to plan on making a profit. Con: This is not the banquet budget. The Banquet chair delivers the Banquet budget in February. The numbers.

Vote: 10 for, 6 against, 3 abstain. Motion Passes.

Motion #112 Approve the current budget. No dissention. Budget is approved.

Break 12:25-12:45 p.m.

Ryan announces that he will close the books.

## NEW BUSINESS

Set a CAR workshop date. January 24, 12-4 here at Sabathani

## SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

### ACTIVITIES

Marie: Written report.

UMSO: email any printing you need to Penny. umso@naminnesota.org

### BANQUET

Vacant:

### HELPLINE

Vacant: Amy elected to position this month.

### LITERATURE REVIEW

Dan: CAR is out. Many motions related to NA literature. Did you review the sponsorship material? Yes, the Lit Review committed approves the literature, we really like it.

### H&I

Seth M.

Written Report

Q: List of openings. Yes I am working on it.

### OUTREACH

Ed Z.

Greetings to all in attendance,

Work responsibilities require my presence elsewhere today. The past month has delivered me to several more 1st time meeting experiences in our area.

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One in particular I wish to share about is Thursday night ( Self Preservation Addicts in Recovery). I would like to encourage experienced members to see an opportunity in making this meeting. There are many members attending this meeting who are not only new to N. A. 12 step recovery, but are young as well. The need for our loving and caring guidance as experienced members is a real and vital one. Please consider this a must in your near future. I continue to have fruitful dialogue with many addicts. I pray every day for the strength and fortitude of a steady effort as I progress in this opportunity to serve our fellowship. Hope to see you at a meeting real soon,  
ed z.

P.s. Charlie , If you could read this at the meeting I'd appreciate it.  
Happy Holidays.  
thanks,  
ed z.

Chris speaking for Ed. .

Ask groups about their participation and fund flow.

Does this body believe it may be beneficial to poll its member groups as to their ability to make financial donations to the TCASC?

Direct correlation between group donations and decline in the TCASC budget.

Steady decline starting in 2001.

Our regional donation is kind of slim.

Second Saturday dances brought in money. Table further discussion until open forum.

PI

Seth: emailed the report.

Current meeting format

Not Approved

#### OPEN FORUM & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Since I have been participating at this body it appears that the majority of our time is occupied discussing parties and events, and not as much time is spent discussing H&I or PI. We appear to be more concerned about spending money than carrying the message.

We do a lot of things to carry the message and they cannot be overlooked because we have dances.

Perhaps what we are focusing on may be a deterrent to groups participating at the TCASC.

Chair. By bring this up we are prolonging the discussion on events.

Why are meetings are not donating money?

There are 50 meetings in this area that enjoy the benefits that the TCASC provides. For example, the meeting list and help line. I appreciate that every month there is a meeting list and a help line. It takes money to supply these services.

There is not much involvement.

New meeting in the Elk River area, A lot of need for youth addicts. The Northern suburbs need support, help and guidance.

Is there a clean time requirement to participate on subcommittees? No, except help line.

Does the body care about researching participation and funding from the groups in this area? Yes we do. Chris will ask Ed to look into this in the Outreach committee.

If someone came around asking why don't you donate in would increase the bad feelings toward the area. We need to increase unity within the fellowship, and then funds will follow.

There will be a GSR orientation next month at 10:00am.

There is a PC in the service office available to members to type and email reports to the Secretary. In order for the reports to be included in the minutes they need to be received via email. Hand written reports will be filed but will NOT be included in the minutes.

Adjourned at 1:58 p. m.

TCASC MONTHLY 7<sup>TH</sup> TRADITION DONATIONS & ATTENDANCE RECORD FOR DECEMBER 2003.

<b>TCASC - Group Attendance and Donation</b>				
<b>Group</b>	<b>Donation</b>	<b>Group Represented</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>
A Vision of Hope			Friday	11:00 PM
A Gift Called Life			Friday	12:00 PM
Addicts for Life	\$93.00	Yes	Friday	8:00 PM
Addicts in the Garden	\$50.00	Yes	Thursday	7:30 PM
Afternoon Serenity			Wednesday	1:00 PM
All A's			Monday	7:00 PM
Barking Buffalo	\$30.00	Yes	Friday	8:00 PM
Camden Recovery			Sunday	7:00 PM
Candlelight Bakery			Wednesday	7:30 PM
Clean and Serene NA	\$40.95	Yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
Clear Atmosphere		Yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
Coast to Coast	\$1.00	Yes	Friday	7:30 PM
East Lake NA	\$115.00	Yes	Wednesday	8:00 PM
Eat Your Way to Recovery			Monday	12:00 PM
Freedom From Addiction			Sunday	7:30 PM
Fresh Start	\$46.00	Yes	Tuesday	8:00 PM
G.L.B.T and Friends NA			Saturday	8:00 PM
Hope in Eden Prayer-EE			Wednesday	7:00 PM
In-sanity NA		Yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
Journey of Recovery			Monday	11:00 AM
Keep it Simple			Tuesday	7:00 PM
Lakers NA			Saturday	6:30 PM
Late Night With NA			Saturday	10:00 PM
Latinos en NA			Friday	6:30 PM
Lesbian and Gay NA		Yes	Sunday	11:00 AM
Men Of Hope			Saturday	9:00 AM
Minneapolis By Candlelight		Yes	Monday	8:00 PM
Miracles in Motion			Tuesday	11:00 AM
Monday Nite Wave			Monday	8:00 PM
Mora NA			Tuesday	8:00 PM
Never Enough			Tuesday	7:30 PM
North Side NA			Monday	7:00 PM
North Suburban NA			Thursday	7:30 PM
N.E.N.A. NA	\$19.00	Yes	Friday	7:30 PM
Northwest NA	\$43.58	Yes	Saturday	7:00 PM
Nuts About the New comer	\$10.00	yes	Saturday	7:00 PM
Pleasant NA			Sunday	7:30 PM
Recovering Addicts of NA			Monday	7:00 PM
Recovering Ladies of the Lakes			Saturday	10:00 AM
Recovering Soldiers			Thursday	8:00 PM
River Falls NA			Mon. Wed. Fri	8:00 PM
Riverside NA	\$42.00	Yes	Thursday	8:00 PM
Saturday Morning NA		Yes	Saturday	9:00 AM
Saving Our Lives		Yes	Thursday	7:00 PM
Serenity Sunday		Yes	Sunday	6:00 PM
Siren NA			Sunday	6:00 PM
Sisters in Recovery			Thursday	7:00 PM
Stepping on Traditions	\$7.27	Yes	Saturday	10:00 AM
Sunday Morning NA		Yes	Sunday	10:30 AM
Live for Today NA	\$20.00	Yes	Wednesday	7:00 PM
Young People in Recovery			Friday	7:00 PM
Seven Eleven			Wednesday	8:00 PM
Seeking Serenity	\$40.00	Yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
Just for Today North Branch	\$60.00	Yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
We are Not Saints			Thursday	7:00 PM
<b>Total Donations</b>	<b>\$617.80</b>			
<b>Total GSR's Present at Meetin</b>	<b>23</b>			

December 2003 Budget Tracking Report

TCASC 2003	TARGET	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR TO DATE
<b>EXCESS 2002</b>	<b><u>\$1,000.00</u></b>													
<b>PROCEEDS</b>														
GROUPS	\$10,500.00	\$690.18	\$276.32	\$681.92	\$779.94	\$564.40	\$859.84	\$659.91	\$434.04	\$448.25	\$424.25	\$578.35		\$6,397.40
OTHER	\$800.00	\$10.00		\$215.59		\$100.00	\$75.00	\$100.00		\$50.00		\$150.00		\$700.59
ACTIVITIES	\$2,700.00	\$1,338.10		\$395.81								\$1,049.27		\$2,783.18
BANQUET	\$6,000.00				\$270.00	\$709.79	\$512.00	\$823.16	\$64.00	\$256.00	\$1,885.00	\$60.00		\$4,579.95
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>20,000.00</u></b>	<b><u>2,038.28</u></b>	<b><u>276.32</u></b>	<b><u>1,293.32</u></b>	<b><u>1,049.94</u></b>	<b><u>1,374.19</u></b>	<b><u>1,446.84</u></b>	<b><u>1,583.07</u></b>	<b><u>498.04</u></b>	<b><u>754.25</u></b>	<b><u>2,309.25</u></b>	<b><u>1,837.62</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>14,461.12</u></b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>														
<b>EXEC CMTE</b>														
MNRSC	\$3,750.00													\$0.00
UMSO	\$200.00									\$6.75	\$58.40			\$65.15
MNNAC	\$1,000.00													\$0.00
TREASURER	\$100.00													\$0.00
SECRETARY	\$500.00	\$38.80	\$49.40	\$53.52	\$30.00	\$25.00	\$20.00	\$25.00			\$59.18	\$20.18		\$321.08
MISC.	\$100.00		\$33.22						\$19.60					\$52.82
OUTREACH	\$100.00													\$0.00
LITERATURE	\$50.00													\$53.50
P.I.	\$2,000.00	\$52.19	\$44.73	\$52.19	\$67.10	\$149.19	\$386.05	\$1,052.19	\$68.19	\$53.50	\$109.38	\$44.73		\$2,020.94
H & I	\$1,500.00	\$135.25	\$295.10			\$115.77	\$47.25	\$101.86			\$184.60	\$84.90		\$964.73
HELPLINE	\$3,500.00	\$499.50	\$499.50	\$308.69	\$500.69	\$306.13	\$316.69	\$274.39		\$487.19	\$285.03	\$569.84		\$3,548.15
BANQUET	\$5,000.00			\$750.00	\$312.08	\$650.00	\$221.29	\$1,000.00		\$600.00	\$1,044.00			\$4,577.37
ACTIVITIES	\$2,200.00		\$550.00			\$650.00					\$939.64	\$750.57		\$2,890.21
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$20,000.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$226.24</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,471.95</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,164.40</u></b>	<b><u>\$909.87</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,896.09</u></b>	<b><u>\$991.28</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,453.44</u></b>	<b><u>\$87.79</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,147.44</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,675.23</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,470.22</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$14,493.95</u></b>
<b>PROPOSED BUDGET</b>														
TCASC 2004	TARGET	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR TO DATE
<b>EXCESS 2002</b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>													
<b>PROCEEDS</b>														
GROUPS	\$7,000.00													\$0.00
OTHER	\$500.00													\$0.00
ACTIVITIES	\$2,000.00													\$0.00
BANQUET	\$6,000.00													\$0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>15,500.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>														
<b>EXEC CMTE</b>														
MNRSC	\$1,500.00													\$0.00
TREASURER	\$50.00													\$0.00
SECRETARY	\$450.00													\$0.00
MISC.	\$50.00													\$0.00
OUTREACH	\$50.00													\$0.00
LITERATURE	\$50.00													\$0.00
P.I.	\$2,300.00													\$0.00
H & I	\$1,000.00													\$0.00
HELPLINE	\$3,500.00													\$0.00
BANQUET	\$5,000.00													\$0.00
ACTIVITIES	\$1,500.00													\$0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$15,550.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>

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