

MINUTES

TWIN CITIES AREA SERVICE CONFERENCE OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

March 19th, 2005

Sabathani, 3rd Fl, Rm.J

OPENING

Lynn opened Meeting with the Serenity Prayer at 11:00am. Readings

- 12 Steps: Heidi
- 12 Traditions: Jeff
- 12 Concepts: Steven

INTRODUCTIONS

Welcome newcomers.

15 GSRs present. Quorum [10] is met. [Avg. of last 3 mos. (17, 12 and 15) was 16 x .67 = **10** minimum needed for quorum.]

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Change the banquet budget. TCASC did approve after the change.

CORRESPONDENCE: Regional Assembly Flier

OFFICER REPORTS

CHAIR

Lynn: Dear All, I have spent allot of time over the last month, thinking, praying and discussing what happened last month at the area. To be honest my first instinct is to flee. Forget this, it's to hard. But being in recovery I know that running away isn't the answer. I admittedly could have handled many things better, especially last month and offer a public and personal apology to Irwin for my offhand dismissal of him it was uncalled for. So with that said.

Have done research re: amendments, agendas and committee reports.

1st: Our agenda needs to have its order changed. Sub-committee reports should follow officer reports and new business should come just before the open forum.

2nd: If there are no recommendations made during a chairs report we should be just moving on, because a question answer or suggestion should be made at the sub-committee meeting.

3rd: Moving open forum to earlier on the agenda would be improper. However it was pointed out to me that in the past you only needed to bring open forum topics to the Secretary to have them added to the agenda. I appreciate this reminder and suggest that we adopt it. Please keep in mind that they still need to be brought up in a timely manner so that all topics can be given equal time, if possible.

This is a business meeting, I realize that our business is recovery so it really makes sense that H&I, PI, helpline etc. is our first priority. I believe that the last two points should help free up more time for open forum. Which is important even though it's not our first priority.

Balancing business and recovery is difficult for me. I need to keep my H.P. ever present to prevent me from acting on self will. I would encourage everyone to do the same. Yours in service, Lynn

CO-CHAIR

Rick B: Dear TCASC, I am sorry I will have to leave today as I am rather ill. Thank you.

SECRETARY

Melissa: Hello TCASC. Just want to remind all committee members that your reports need to be in writing or sent via e-mail.

CO-SECRETARY

Theresa P.: No report at this time.

Treasurer

Ryan: See attached.

CO-TREASURER

Mark: (Ed Z. filling in for Mark this month) Please come up and check in if you are GSR even if you do not have a donation for the area.

RCM's

Tim M: No written report.

Tony M: No written report.

OLD BUSINESS

Elections: Activities, no nominations or volunteers. Co-secretary, Heidi was nominated and declined. Theresa was elected as Co-secretary. PI, Rufus B. gratefully declined.
 Motion 123 is postponed at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Appoint an Ad-hoc Policy Committee Chair. Todd S. has volunteered to do this.

12:00 PM BREAK

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

ACTIVITIES:

SHERRI C. WAS VOTED IN, NOTHING TO REPORT THIS MONTH.

BANQUET

Dick N:

Fundraiser 2

Description	Cost	Proceeds	
Food	\$93.00	At door	\$512.00
D.J.	\$200.00	Food	\$233.00
Calvery	\$100.00	Total	\$745.00
Total	\$393.00	Total Profit	\$352.00

Banquet Budget 2005

Food	\$2,000.00
Up Front Event Center	\$810.00
Decorations	\$150.00
DJ	\$400.00
Fundraisers	\$150.00
Total	\$3,510.00

Projected Proceeds

Fundraiser 1	\$350.00
Fundraiser 2	\$350.00
Fundraiser 3	\$350.00
Fundraiser 4	\$350.00
Fundraiser 5	\$350.00
Fundraiser 6	\$350.00
Ticket sales 220 @ \$15.00 ea.	\$3,300.00
Banquet Dance	\$600.00
Total	\$6,000.00

HELPLINE

Brandon: Not here, unexcused. Report was e-mailed. Hello, all sorry I missed area as I was out of town. All slots are filled. Still waiting for call reports (will have for next month). I Will be in contact with Ryan to resolve billing issue. Recording for meetings is up to date.

H&I

Justin:

The Learning Day which took place on February 26th was a big success. Approximately 50 or more people showed up and contributed to a informative, educational, and inspirational experience. The following is the expense report for the Learning Day;

Expenditures:
 - Coffee Cups: (minus) \$3.39
 - Ice:
 (minus) \$4.36

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\$3.58	- Spoons:		(minus)
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\$6.87	- Plates:		(minus)
	- Soda:		
	(minus) \$13.17		
	- Sloppy Joe Mix:	(minus) \$22.80	
	- Buns:		
	(minus) \$12.43		
	- Ground Beef:	(minus) \$40.36	
\$4.50	- Water:		(minus)
	- Chips:		
	(minus) \$8.36		
	- Sales Tax:		(minus) \$2.08
	- Facility Rental:	(minus) \$35.00	
Total Expenditures: \$160.48			
Receivables:			
	- Donations and Soda Sales:	(plus) \$46.01	
Total Receivables: \$46.01			
Net Expense of Learning Day: \$114.47			
Moneys Returned to TCASC Treasury: \$35.53			

The Learning Day also increased our attendance at the H&I subcommittee meeting the following Tuesday, and as a result of this attendance we elected two people to the position of Panel Coordinator: Seth M. and Amina W. Also, five members took on the task the following week of calling all the contact numbers on the TCASC meeting list in order to have them announce the H&I subcommittee date, time and place at the meeting which they are the contact for.

Terry F. has finished his term as the H&I committee Secretary. Although he has said he will continue working on the H&I committee, we thanked him for his dedicated service. At the meeting there was no one elected to replace Terry as the Secretary. So, in addition to the open Co-Chairperson position, the Secretary position is now open as well. Please bring the news of these open positions to your groups.

Three new Panel Leaders were elected to three new commitments in our Area:

- Justin P.: Hazelden Youth
- Willie P.: West Metro Recovery
- Brandon S.: Dakota County Jail

These new commitments will need additional Panel Members in the future. So, there are definite opportunities to get involved if you are willing to get involved or introduced to H&I service work.

All in all, the state of the H&I committee is growing stronger, and we are beginning to build an essential infrastructure which can be passed on to new volunteers. To all those who are volunteering their time, we say thank you.

Also, I have included an updated list of the H&I meetings/presentations to be included in the TCASC minutes. This list does not include phone numbers for either the Facilities or the Panel Leaders. This new, updated list has also been placed on the H&I website.

Literature

Brian S: Hello Twin Cities, In the past month there have been exciting new developments in the Literature world. By exciting I mean that 3 addicts showed up to the monthly lit committee meeting. This is the largest crowd since September. I think the reason for the record attendance was the Spanish translation of my report last month. So once again my report will be translated into Spanish. Now, I don't want to get my hopes up too high, but I think I may have an actual committee on my hands. So, to celebrate this, we are in the process of planning a "Write Your Own Story Day."

This will be a workshop where addicts will come together and write their stories and then we will submit them to NAWs for the 6th edition of the basic text. At the time of writing this report we do not have an exact date or location secured, but there is a possibility that I might have this information for you at this weeks ASC. I will, however, have a poster for the event at MNNAC so watch for it there. Because this is such an exciting time in the Literature world, I am offering free membership to the Literature subcommittee in hopes of gaining more recruits. So, I am going to need your help in announcing that the next LITERATURE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING will be: SUNDAY APRIL 10TH 5:00 PM at 517 4TH AVE SE #2 call Brian for questions or directions 612.331.2931 Thanks, Brian S. Literature Chair

Saludos,

Si quieres ayudar con el proceso modificación de Libro Dos de Basic Text, entonces por favor asistes el reunion de Literatura en: Domingo, 10 de Abril a las 5:00 en la tarde a 517 4th Ave SE #2 llama Brian para los dirrecciones a 612.331.2931

Outreach

Steve K: No report was sent in.

PI

No chair at this time.

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Ad-Hoc:

Tony M: no report.

USMO

Buddy K. No report.

OPEN FORUM & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We began our talk with the idea of an “Area Learning Day” There were lots of suggestions, like we could appoint an ad-hoc committee chair. The whole executive committee will be involved. Irwin T. has volunteered to be the chair. There will be a committee meeting time and place yet to be determined.

The other topic was moving open forum to before new business and there were many thoughts on this subject. The reason is to generate ideas; some thought this was a good idea. But there can be no voting on new motions till the GSR’s have brought them back to their groups.

The last topic was should we combined activities and banquet to be one position. There was not enough time to discuss this and will be brought up in next months open forum. Meeting adjourned at 2pm.

TCASC - Group Attendance and Donation

Group	Donation	Group Represented	Day	Time
A Vision of Hope			Friday	11:00 PM
A Gift Called Life			Friday	12:00 PM
Addicts for Life	\$82.00	Yes	Friday	8:00 PM
Recovery in the Garden	\$14.30	Yes	Thursday	7:30 PM
Afternoon Serenity			Wednesday	1:00 PM
All A's			Monday	7:00 PM
Barking Buffalo		Yes	Friday	8:00 PM
Camden Recovery			Sunday	7:00 PM
Candlelight Bakery	\$109.81	Yes	Wednesday	7:30 PM
Clean and Serene NA		Yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
Clear Atmosphere		Yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
Coast to Coast			Friday	7:30 PM
East Lake NA			Wednesday	8:00 PM
Eat Your Way to Recovery			Monday	12:00 PM
Freedom From Addiction			Sunday	7:30 PM
Fresh Start	\$28.44	Yes	Tuesday	8:00 PM
G.L.B.T and Friends NA		Yes	Saturday	8:00 PM
Hope in Eden Prayer-EE			Wednesday	7:00 PM
In-sanity NA			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	\$25.00	Yes	Sunday	11:00 AM
Men Of Hope			Saturday	9:00 AM
Minneapolis By Candlelight	\$49.25	Yes	Monday	8:00 PM
Miracles in Motion			Tuesday	11:00 AM
Monday Nite Wave	\$10.25	Yes	Monday	8:00 PM
Mora NA			Tuesday	8:00 PM
Never Enough			Tuesday	7:30 PM
North Side NA	\$43.17	Yes	Monday	7:00 PM
North Suburban NA	\$200.00	Yes	Thursday	7:30 PM
N.E.N.A. NA			Friday	7:30 PM
Northwest NA	\$104.79	Yes	Saturday	7:00 PM
Nuts About the Newcomer		Yes	Saturday	7:00 PM
Pleasant NA			Sunday	7:30 PM
Recovering Addicts of NA		Yes	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		Yes	Thursday	8:00 PM
Saturday Morning NA			Saturday	9:00 AM
Saving Our Lives			Thursday	7:00 PM
Serenity Sunday			Sunday	6:00 PM
Siren NA			Sunday	6:00 PM
Sisters in Recovery			Thursday	7:00 PM
Stepping on Traditions		Yes	Saturday	10:00 AM
Sunday Morning NA			Sunday	10:30 AM
Self Preservation		Yes	Thursday	7:00PM
Young People in Recovery			Friday	7:00 PM
Seven Eleven		Yes	Wednesday	8:00 PM
Seeking Serenity	\$80.00	Yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
It's About Time NA			Tuesday	7:00 PM
Elk River NA			Monday	7:30PM
Coon Creek NA				

Total Donations \$747.01

total GSR's Present at Meetin: 21

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TREASURER'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2005

REPORT DATE : 03/19/2005		LAST MONTHS' ENDING BALANCE →		\$ 2,234.34
ENDING BALANCE FROM BANK STATEMENT		→		\$ 3,100.25
MINUS TOTAL OF OUTSTANDING CHECKS, FEES & EARLY DEPOSITS		→		\$ 865.91
EQUALS THE RECONCILED BANK BALANCE		→		\$ 2,234.34
DISCREPANCY SHOULD EQUAL ZERO		→		\$ -
BEGINNING BALANCE (ALWAYS THE RECONCILED BANK BALANCE)		→		\$ 2,234.34
PROCEEDS				
GROUP DONATION (FROM ATTENDANCE SHEET)		→		\$ 746.91 *
OTHER PROCEEDS TOTAL (LIST NAME & AMOUNT INDIVIDUALLY)		→		\$ 387.53
Banquet Fundraiser #2		\$	352.00	
H&I Learning Day Donations		\$	35.53	
		\$	-	
TOTAL PROCEEDS		→		\$ 1,134.44
SUBTOTAL (BEGINNING BALANCE PLUS PROCEEDS)		→		\$ 3,368.78
EXPENSES (ALWAYS CHECKS WRITTEN)				
	Check #	\$ AMOUNT		
Qwest (Help Line)	2876	\$	117.59	
Answer America (Help Line)	2877	\$	490.38	
UMSO (PI) \$117.70	2978			
UMSO (H&I) \$74.90	2878			
UMSO (H&I) \$199.16	2878			
UMSO (Executive Committee) \$75.97	2878			
Total for Check # 2878	2878	\$	467.73	
Dick Nystrom (3rd Banquet Fundraiser)	2879	\$	150.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	→		\$ 1,225.70	
ENDING BALANCE (SUBTOTAL MINUS EXPENSES)		→		\$ 2,143.08
DEPOSITS				
	DATE	AMOUNT		
CHECKING DEPOSIT DATE & AMOUNT	3/19/05	\$	1,134.44	
CHECKING DEPOSIT DATE & AMOUNT		\$	-	
CHECKING DEPOSIT DATE & AMOUNT		\$	-	
TOTAL DEPOSITS (SHOULD EQUAL TOTAL PROCEEDS)	→		\$ 1,134.44	

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TCASC 2004	TARGET	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR TO DATE
EXCESS 2003														
PROCEEDS														
GROUPS	\$7,000.00	\$621.03	\$427.09	\$978.17	\$589.19	\$379.50	\$397.74	\$391.23	\$889.02	\$436.82	\$552.23	\$998.20	\$649.91	\$7,310.13
OTHER	\$500.00	\$141.90	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$0.75			\$150.00		\$50.00			\$100.00	\$692.65
ACTIVITIES	\$2,000.00	\$1,762.33		\$817.00										\$2,579.33
BANQUET	\$6,000.00					\$999.60	\$338.00	\$637.96	\$947.00	\$1,274.00	\$782.00			\$4,978.56
TOTAL	15,500.00	2,525.26	527.09	1,945.17	589.94	1,379.10	735.74	1,179.19	1,836.02	1,760.82	1,334.23	998.20	749.91	15,560.67
EXPENSES														
EXEC CMTE	\$100.00												\$18.00	
MNRSC	\$1,500.00			\$500.00				\$500.00					\$500.00	\$1,500.00
UMSO									\$4.50					\$4.50
MNNAC														\$0.00
TREASURER	\$50.00							\$17.59						\$17.59
SECRETARY	\$450.00	\$14.36			\$12.17		\$12.03							\$38.56
MISC.	\$50.00						\$34.00				\$35.78			\$69.78
OUTREACH	\$50.00										\$15.00	\$12.50		\$27.50
LITERATURE	\$50.00									\$1.50				\$1.50
P.I.	\$2,300.00		\$52.00			\$62.92		\$9.26	\$80.00	\$1,000.00	\$85.00		\$9.75	\$1,298.93
H & I	\$1,500.00	\$146.30	\$216.44	\$24.72	\$214.10		\$15.46	\$232.33	\$176.53	\$58.00	\$113.74	\$418.58		\$1,616.20
HELPLINE	\$3,500.00	\$276.55	\$24.23	\$221.84	\$279.72	\$232.04	\$436.72	\$641.98	\$3.50	\$235.69	\$506.83	\$488.58	\$277.18	\$3,624.86
BANQUET	\$4,000.00			\$525.00	\$842.50		\$325.00			\$3,787.41				\$5,479.91
ACTIVITIES	\$1,500.00		\$510.00								\$532.13	\$10.00		\$1,052.13
TOTAL	14,950.00	437.21	802.67	1,271.56	1,348.49	294.96	823.21	1,401.16	264.53	5,082.60	1,288.48	929.66	786.93	14,731.46
EXCESS 2003														
TCASC 2004	TARGET	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR TO DATE
EXCESS 2003	-													
PROCEEDS														
GROUPS	\$7,000.00	\$313.46	\$840.35	\$747.01										\$1,900.82
OTHER	\$500.00		\$500.00	\$35.53										\$535.53
ACTIVITIES	\$2,000.00													\$0.00
BANQUET	\$6,000.00		\$357.50	\$352.00										\$709.50
TOTAL	15,500.00					0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EXPENSES														
EXEC CMTE	\$100.00			\$75.97										
MNRSC														\$0.00
UMSO			\$300.00											\$300.00
MNNAC														\$0.00
TREASURER	\$50.00													\$0.00
SECRETARY	\$200.00													\$0.00
MISC.	\$50.00		\$1.28											\$1.28
OUTREACH	\$50.00													\$0.00
LITERATURE	\$50.00													\$0.00
P.I.	\$2,500.00	\$107.79	\$117.70	\$117.70										\$343.19
H & I	\$3,500.00		\$192.60	\$274.06										\$466.66
HELPLINE	\$3,500.00	\$568.74	\$373.83	\$607.97										\$1,550.54
BANQUET	\$4,000.00	\$450.00	\$10.70	\$150.00										\$610.70
ACTIVITIES	\$1,600.00													\$0.00
TOTAL	15,500.00	1,126.53	996.11	1,149.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,272.37