

MINUTES

TWIN CITIES AREA SERVICE CONFERENCE OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

October 15th, 2005

Sabathani, 3rd Fl, Rm.J

OPENING

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

- 12 Steps: Jackie
- 12 Traditions: Melissa
- 12 Concepts: Tony

INTRODUCTIONS

Welcome newcomers.

17GSRs present. Quorum [8] is met. [Avg. of last 3 mos. (13, 12 and 12) x .67 =8 minimum needed for quorum.]

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September minutes: Approved

CORRESPONDENCE: NA Way.

OFFICER REPORTS

CHAIR

Lynn L.: Dear All,

I have supplied you with the area inventory report. Thanks to Melissa and Theresa for their effort in helping me take notes, and to Melissa for helping me compile them. I would also like to thank those who took the time to attend the inventory your input is appreciated. Please take some time to look them over. I would like to begin discussion in open forum today as to what this body would like to do with the suggestions made. Because I would like to see this area inventory through to the end I have reconsidered my decision and will be running for the Chair position today. I have learned a great deal in this last year and would look forward to the opportunity to do so again in the next.

In Grateful Service, Lynn L.

Co-CHAIR

Rick B.: No report sent in.

SECRETARY

Melissa: I apologize for the minutes not getting sent out for my e-mail is not working. This should be fixed by the end of today. I will also be posting all archive minutes on the web including September's if they get approved today. Please continue to send me your reports. Thank you.

Co-SECRETARY

Theresa P: Not here, excused.

TREASURER

Seth L.: See attached

Co-TREASURER

Trisha: If you did not make a donation or check in as a group please step up.

POLICY

This position is postponed till the position requirements are defined.

RCM's

Tony M.: Report given by Steve K.

Steve K.:

"Good afternoon Twin Cities Area of Narcotics Anonymous."

My Name Is Steve K the RCMA of the area and to Start the report I would like to say that I pray and hope that everyone is clean and Serene and Good spirits. The activities at the region were very inspiring and quite a learning experience for me> I am glad to announce that it was my second Region as your RCMA. I want to report that Tony M the RCM expresses his deepest apologies for not being able to make it and helped me with the Regional report and looks forward to being in attendance at the Region in December. The first order at the Business was getting a receipt for the money in August donated from the area to the Region, the total was \$517.77 and I have the receipt and also have the Franklin Bank Statement for the month of September and the Area's Balance was 4,094.82 the Regions Balance to is 20, 200 And the estimated total donation at this month's Region were 7,600. The news at the Region is as follows the Area of Hope is in need for position to fill at the Area, and also the Lakes Area is putting on a Learning Day in there Area. For more info contact Jenny S 218-855-1296. The news I found that was disturbing was that in the We are Here Area, the treasury position is vacant and the former doesn't and the area is struggling in getting the money back from the person/member etc. Also the Open Door area got support from the region for getting a Webpage setup for their Area. Motion 162 (elected Rcms from selected areas of the MN areas and any elected member of the MN Region are entitled to one vote. The Motion failed. I would like thank the former Rd Steven T for asking me did I vote yes or no and I acknowledged him and told the Chair of the Region that the Twin Cities voted yes and thanked Steven T for pulling me up. I also really appreciate that and it took me to the fifth concept for each responsibility assigned to the service structure, a single point of decision and accountability should be clearly defined. When it says we want to be up to date on each responsibility we've and if so thing goes wrong, we can take part in making it right and like it says the results are worth the effort. Tcasc I am glad that I had an opportunity in making it right. In other the Central Minnesota area have won the Bid to Host Mnnac 14. Also motion 168 failed to remove Tony M as RD of the Region. Steven T stepped down as Rd of the Region and was voted in as PI Chair of the region and Laurie was voted in as Secretary of the Region. The HNI and helpline positions are still vacant because nobody volunteered or stepped up. In open forum their was discussion of the removing Na from some of the yellow pages and yellow pages and a motion was passed to do a baseline to get a breakdown of where these services are being used and which area, are these services are greatly needed. The last order of the business was changes to the guidelines 3a, 3b,3 Sec 5 and 5a 1, 5 a 3, 7, 7 sec 5 and these were called no brainers and a host of other to still to be voted on or should I say officially finished at next months region, because we were out of time. My name is Steve K and Remember one day at a time and Na rocks and the Sky is the Limit.

Na 4 Life

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

ACTIVITIES:

Sherri C.: Not here, excused. Tony (co-chair) gave report in her place. No written report sent in.

BANQUET

Dick N: Not here, unexcused.

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Re: Banquet Report.

Dear Committee members.

Well, the banquet has come and gone; it almost seems like a surreal experience. I would like to take this opportunity to apologize for my anger the night of the banquet and also for running out of food. I made a few miscalculations but for the most part a lot of people had a lot of fun. Therefore, I will consider the whole thing a successful and learning experience.

I have turned in all the money to the treasure and don't even know what the financial results are; Seth will inform you of that.

Best regards, Dick N

Ps I had so much work to do because of all the storms, I had to attend to business, and I am really not hiding.

HELPLINE

Brandon S.: Helpline received 103 calls during the month of September according to Answer America. Which I found somewhat suspicious because they said we had 498 last month (August) . Anyhow they assure me this is accurate. Furthermore all phone slots are full and I will be changing the recording this weekend. In closing this is my last month as our Area Helpline Chairperson. This has been a wonderful chance to grow in my recovery. I hope that another will see the opportunity to serve. I will do all I can to help ransition the new person. Thank You for this opportunity serve. Brandon S.

H&I

Justin P.: TCASC:

The state of the H&I Subcommittee has taken an immediate turn for the better now that you're receiving an officer report after a three month hiatus. Hopefully this is the beginning of the resurgence of our H&I Subcommittee.

The Subcommittee would like to try a few new things to better coordinate getting the people who are interested in H&I work into the H&I commitments that are available. We would like the GSR's present to distribute a flyer which answers some simple questions about H&I as well as providing the contact information of the members of the Subcommittee. And in addition to the flyer we would like to distribute lists where members write their name, phone number, and clean time down. The idea is that we can call people when the commitments become available.

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I would like to bring to the Area's attention the lack of access I have had with our Region's website. While I could take care of this issue myself, I have also noticed our Secretary has not been able to post the minutes on the website as well. I believe this is something at least the TCASC Executive Committee should address.

Thank You,
Justin P

LITERATURE

Todd S.: Hey All, This will be two reports submitted together; the first is from the September ASC that I did not attend. We had our first meeting at the end of August. 2 of us showed up--Seth M. and myself. Seth is now my co-chair. We discussed the activities of the outgoing chair and the success of the first "Write Your Story Workshop" and how could put together the second workshop based on that theme. Many ideas were discussed. Scheduled our next meeting for Tuesday, Sept., 27--7pm at the Sabathani Ctr. Room "E".

Todd S

Hey All, This is the report for the October ASC. We had our next meeting only our venue changed to meet at the UMSO office due to my lack of communicating to the person who schedules and reserves our meeting rooms for us. We have decided to generate a flyer for circulation throughout the area to inspire more interest to write and submit you story. We had more discussion on next workshop and decide to hold on Sunday, Nov., 13th, 2005. We are looking at several types of workshops from a list of possible formats that the World puts out. We will most likely have the same kind of workshop we had the first time--pizza, pop, water and coffee. We are also trying to get the same location as it was very conducive to writing. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 25th, 7pm Sabathani Ctr. Room "E". Just a reminder--the world will only be accepting story submissions until Dec 1st, 2005. After this date the selection and editing process will begin.

OUTREACH

Bryon B.: Presented oral report no written report sent in.

PI

Ryan: No report sent in.

OLD BUSINESS

There will be chair and co-chair elections. Lynn volunteered for the Chair position. Rick B. was nominated and declined because he would like to learn more as the co-chair. Steven T. was nominated and declined says he has other interests at this time.

Lynn spoke to her willingness: I believe that I need to see this area inventory all the way through. Lynn was voted in for a second term as the Chair.

Rick B. was nominated for the Co-chair position and accepted it. Dan P. was nominated and declined. Rick B. was voted in for a second term as Co-chair.

Motion #128 reads as: To amend TCASC By-laws by creating paragraph 10.15. Requirements 1.) A minimum of two years of abstinence from all drugs. 2.) Minimum of one year service at the area level. 3.) Must have working knowledge of TCASC By-laws, twelve steps, twelve traditions, twelve concepts and Roberts Rules of Order.

Duties 1.) Responsible for updating and revising old policy to current status. 2.) Responsible to define and clarify policy during the ASC using the By-laws of the TCASC. 3.) Provide an updated version of the By-laws yearly in January, including all policy motions voted on in the prior year. 4.) Submit monthly reports. 5.) Author clear and comprehensive policy when necessary to be voted on by the TCASC as a whole. 6.) For the position description page. Policy Chair: Develop and help implement procedures and guidelines that help the TCASC and its subcommittees to conduct business in a timely and orderly way, allowing for continuity of service. Help interpret questions during the TCASC. See section _____ in the TCASC guidelines. The intent reads as: To define the duties and requirements of the Policy Chair. This motion was made by Melissa T. and seconded by Rick B.

This motion was moved to table. This motion is still too vague and left open, the policy position needs more clarification.

12:06 PM BREAK

OPEN FORUM & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- o Discussion on how to hand out the new regional phone list booklets because they are only updated every 6 months. Many agree that H&I and PI should get the majority and the rest past out to the groups.
- o Conduct of trusted servants: Some of the language in the meetings not appropriate. Do we have rules set in place to remove them from there position? Yes I you have a concern bring before the executive boby next month at 10:30.
- o Funds and putting on functions: all committee members could get together to do the banquet and during this process find a way to put it on effectively. Maybe we could make it mandatory to sit in on the banquet committee if you are a TCASC committee member.
- o Starting meeting at Aleno clubs, can they do this? This is a bad suggestion it could conflict with the 6th tradition. There are many meeting s that are held in churches and that does not mean we affiliate with them.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion # 129 reads as: To form an Ad-hoc committee with a purpose of putting together a proposal for an N.A. clubhouse in the Twin Cities Area. The intent reads as: To create a space where we can come together in support and celebration of our recovery community. This motion was made by Ed Z. and seconded by Brandon S.

This motion was moved to be discussed at the executive committee meeting next month. This is at 10:30 am before the main meeting.

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Meeting adjourned at 2pm.

TCASC - Group Attendance and Donation

Group	Donation	Group Represented	Day	Time
A New Way To Live		yes	Thurs.	7:30 PM
Addicts for Life	\$10.02	Yes	Friday	8:00 PM
Afternoon Serenity		yes	Wednesday	1:00 PM
Barking Buffaloes			Friday	8:00 PM
Camden Recovery			Sunday	7:00 PM
Candlelight Bakery	\$47.33	Yes	Wednesday	7:30 PM
Clean and Serene NA	\$28.00	yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
Clear Atmosphere		yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
Coast to Coast	\$8.00	yes	Friday	7:30 PM
East Lake NA			Wednesday	8:00 PM
Fresh Start	\$106.13	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
It's About Time NA	\$40.00	yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
It Works on Fridays		yes	Friday	11:00 AM
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			Sunday	11:00 AM
Meeting Makers			Thursday	7:00 PM
Men Of Hope			Saturday	9:00 AM
Minneapolis By Candlelight			Monday	8:00 PM
Miracles in Motion			Tuesday	11:00 AM
Monday Nite Wave		yes	Monday	8:00 PM
NA At The Alliance			Wednesday	7:00 PM
North Side NA	\$67.48	yes	Monday	7:00 PM
North Suburban NA			Thursday	7:30 PM
N.E.N.A. NA	\$134.00	yes	Friday	7:30 PM
Northwest NA	\$98.40	yes	Saturday	7:00 PM
Nuts About the Newcomer			Saturday	7:00 PM
Pleasant NA		yes	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
Recovery in the Garden			Thurs.	7:30 PM
River Falls NA			Mon. Wed. Fri	8:00 PM
Riverside NA		yes	Thursday	8:00 PM
Saving Our Lives	\$21.43	yes	Thursday	7:00 PM
Seeking Serenity	\$42.00	yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
Self Preservation			Thursday	7:00 PM
Serenity Sunday		yes	Sunday	6:00 PM
Seven Eleven			Wednesday	8:00 PM
Stepping on Traditions		yes	Saturday	10:00 AM
Sunday Morning NA	\$70.00	yes	Sunday	10:30 AM
Two Rivers to Recovery	\$50.00	yes	Tuesday	8:00PM

Total Donations	\$722.79
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total GSR's Present at Meeting	20
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TREASURER'S REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2005

REPORT DATE : 9/21/2005		LAST MONTHS' ENDING BALANCE →		\$4,610.29
ENDING BALANCE FROM BANK STATEMENT →		\$	5,858.06	
MINUS TOTAL OF OUTSTANDING CHECKS, FEES & EARLY DEPOSITS →		\$	1,247.77	
EQUALS THE RECONCILED BANK BALANCE →		\$	1,247.71	
DISCREPANCY SHOULD EQUAL ZERO →		\$	0.06	
BEGINNING BALANCE (ALWAYS THE RECONCILED BANK BALANCE) →		\$	4,610.35	
PROCEEDS				
GROUP DONATION (FROM ATTENDANCE SHEET) →		\$	749.68	
OTHER PROCEEDS TOTAL (LIST NAME & AMOUNT INDIVIDUALLY) →		\$	3,309.25	
Banquet Tickets sold	\$	1,112.00		
Activities Fundraiser	\$	270.00		
Banquet proceeds	\$	1,137.25		
Credit from cancelled check #2900	\$	55.00		
Banquet proceeds	\$	735.00		
TOTAL PROCEEDS →	\$	4,058.93		
SUBTOTAL (BEGINNING BALANCE PLUS PROCEEDS) →		\$	8,669.28	
EXPENSES (ALWAYS CHECKS WRITTEN)				
	Check #	\$ AMOUNT		
Upfront Event Center (Banquet)	2913	\$	360.00	
Lynn Levitt (Banquet)	2914	\$	250.00	
Dick Nystrom (Banquet)	2915	\$	765.00	
void	2916 & 2917		-	
Dick Nystrom (Banquet)	2918	\$	250.00	
Answer America (Helpline)	2919	\$	525.28	
Qwest (Helpline)	2920	\$	37.00	
Lynn Levitt (Banquet)	2921	\$	111.40	
UMSO	2922	\$	561.76	
Famous Daves (Banquet)	2923	\$	1,901.73	
Calvary Church (Activities)	2924	\$	100.00	
DJ for Activities Dance (Activities)	2925	\$	75.00	
Sherri Moton (Activities)	2926	\$	100.00	
Walter Banks (Banquet DJ)	2927	\$	325.00	
Returned Check (Banquet)	-	\$	30.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES →		\$	5,392.17	
ENDING BALANCE (SUBTOTAL MINUS EXPENSES) →		\$	3,277.11	
DEPOSITS				
	DATE	AMOUNT		
CHECKING DEPOSIT DATE & AMOUNT	8/29/05	\$	735.00	
CHECKING DEPOSIT DATE & AMOUNT	9/17/05	\$	2,131.68	
CHECKING DEPOSIT DATE & AMOUNT	9/20/05	\$	1,137.25	
TOTAL DEPOSITS (SHOULD EQUAL TOTAL PROCEEDS) →		\$	4,058.93	

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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 2005	TARGET	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR TO DATE
EXCESS 2004	-													
PROCEEDS														
GROUPS	\$7,000.00	\$313.46	\$840.35	\$747.01	\$897.67	\$813.20	\$766.50	\$648.61	\$647.06	\$749.68				\$6,423.54
OTHER	\$500.00		\$500.00	\$35.53	\$865.91	\$190.00	\$2,176.05	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$55.00				\$4,072.49
ACTIVITIES	\$2,000.00									\$270.00				\$270.00
BANQUET	\$6,000.00		\$357.50	\$352.00	\$320.00	\$531.95	\$590.00	\$675.00	\$1,375.00	\$2,984.25				\$7,185.70
TOTAL	15,500.00					1,535.15	3,532.55	1,473.61	2,122.06	4,058.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,722.30
EXPENSES														
EXEC CMTE	\$100.00			\$75.97										
MNRSC						\$388.10	\$544.73	\$550.78	\$517.77					\$2,001.38
UMSO			\$300.00											\$300.00
MNNAC														\$0.00
TREASURER	\$50.00				\$7.05									\$7.05
SECRETARY	\$200.00				\$38.58			\$80.00						\$118.58
MISC.	\$50.00		\$1.28			\$3.21				\$2.57				\$7.06
OUTREACH	\$50.00													\$0.00
LITERATURE	\$50.00				\$202.14	\$6.95								\$209.09
P.I.	\$2,500.00	\$107.79	\$117.70	\$117.70	\$176.55		\$69.55	\$291.91	\$1,000.00	\$238.06				\$2,119.26
H & I	\$3,500.00		\$192.60	\$274.06		\$237.61	\$336.51			\$321.13				\$1,361.91
HELPLINE	\$3,500.00	\$568.74	\$373.83	\$607.97	\$404.27	\$376.18	\$4.28	\$535.53	\$260.49	\$562.28				\$3,693.57
BANQUET	\$4,000.00	\$450.00	\$10.70	\$150.00	\$160.70	\$150.00	\$475.56		\$475.00	\$3,993.13				\$5,865.09
ACTIVITIES	\$1,600.00					\$300.00	\$353.21		\$275.00	\$275.00				\$1,203.21
TOTAL	15,500.00	1,126.53	996.11	1,149.73	989.29	1,073.95	1,783.84	1,458.22	2,528.26	5,392.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,498.10