

**Southwest Iowa Narcotics Anonymous**

**Minutes for October 8th, 2017**

**Sharing Session:** 2:33 pm with Glenda C. facilitating.

Deposit timeliness concerns were addressed. Montgomery Co. Jail stated they would drop clean time requirements to 6 months. ASC guidelines state 2 year cleantime requirement. New proposal discussed. Modifications to motion discussed. Current policy reviewed—temporary motion to pass prior to next area. Take back motion to change policy.

Close sharing at 2:45 pm.

1. **Opening:** The meeting was called to order @ 2:45pm.m. by Glenda C. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.
2. **Readings:** requested the following be read:
  - “The Twelve Traditions”, read by Gary R.
  - “The Twelve Concepts”, read by Gary R.
  - “The Service Motivation”, read by Stacy J.

**3. Roll Call/Visitors:**

**Executive Committee:**

**Facilitator:** Glenda C.

**Co-Facilitator:** OPEN

**Recorder:** OPEN

**Treasurer:** George R.

**RCM:** Dave R.

**RCM Alt:** Barry B. (mentor)

**Sub Committee:**

**Literature Chairperson:** Absent

**Activities Chairperson:** Laura W.

**Co-Chair(Activities):** Casey W.

**PR Committee:**

**Facilitator:** Stacy J. **H&I:** Alisa M. **PI/Phoneline:** OPEN **Webservant:** Dave R.

**Groups:**

**Harlan GSF:** Stacy J.

**Straight Edge:** Alisa M.

**Discovery Group:** Dave R.

**Just for Today:** Alisa M.

**Living Clean:** Casey W.

**Recharge Group:** Mike VP

**New Way:** Kenny S.

**Visions of Hope:** Bart W.

**Straight Friends:** Laura W.

**ACW:** Absent

**Atlantic Meeting:** Gary R.

**Let It Be:** Absent

**New Freedom:** Absent

**Simple Serenity:** Absent

**Visitors:** Holly G. Kevin G. Evan

There were 9 out of 14 voting groups at area.

**4. Correction & Approval of Minutes:** Proposal to approve Sept minutes unanimous approved. (Noted: No Aug mins available.)

## **5. Reports**

### **Executive Committee:**

**Facilitator:** Verbal report

**Co-Facilitator:** OPEN

**Recorder:** OPEN

**Treasurer:** Greetings SWINA, Bal. forward \$1854.42 after deposit of \$1636.55 on 9-30-17 I am still working on the audit and should be completed pending receipt of missing bank statements. The online account access will be set up soon. As my computer has had issues as well as my internet connection through the local provider.

ILS, George R.

**RCM:** Region coming up Nov 3 weekend. Booked a room for 1 night at \$159

**RCM Alternate:** Verbal report

### **Sub-Committees:**

**Literature Committee:** Absent no report

**Activities Chairperson:** Greetings Area, It's a new year under way! Excited for the upcoming holidays. Activities is discussing turkeys and hams today (3 each) and are excepting bids for the New Year's event. I do have the DJ set for Gratitude Dance however he does ask for a little extra fee due to gas and driving to CB. Also there are group level Halloween events happening so please have fun with those since Activities is

bowing out on this holiday. It has also come to my attention that the creator of the artwork for the shirts was not to pay for his shirt so a check for \$15 for reimbursement Sorry Matthew I forgot. I am also prepared for the yearly audit and will be handing over all paper & receipts to the responsible person in charge of this tedious task and thank you for your service in advance. I'm not the best record keeper so this may be challenging for you. It has also been brought to my attention that the expense for the additional portapotties at our SWINA event is getting to be expensive. Creston Group has always paid for these out of their group funds and has now asked that we put it on the list of discussions for SWINA next year for assistance on donating Activity funds toward this cost. So I am now asking that we at least discuss it for next year. We do use these very much at SWINA and find them necessary for our venue. I believe this is the end of my report. I appreciate everyone for all the roles that are done here. Until next month— ILS, Laura W.

**Co-Activities Chair:** Dear ASC, It is a beautiful day to be clean. My report is short this area. I did relay what we talked about last area back to Laura.

ILS, Casey W.

**PR Sub-Committees: (H&I, PI/Phone Line Liaison, Web-Servant)**

**PR Facilitator:** Greetings Area, PI is going good. I realized October is flier month for Pull Tabs. I do not have them ready yet but if I can get your name and addresses for your group I will send them out asap still this month. Any questions or comments please let me know. Your web servant Dave R. reports all is and appears well with the web. If there are any omissions or problems please let me know. As always this is your website. H&I from Alisa M. reports everything is going fine. Alisa will be presenting a proposal at Area to ask for lower clean time from our guidelines in the jail for Montgomery County so that we can have the woman power to be able to go in with more than 3 of us. George reports he will be needing 25 more intro guide to NA booklets for Pott County men meetings have been pretty full. This last meeting they had 11 addicts in attendance. Lonna reports we need willing women with the clean time to go into the jail for women. Only 2 women going in at the moment. They go in every Sunday for 1 hour due to the big increase in women. Sari M. from Harlan has nothing really to report. There was no women or men wanting a meeting in the Shelby County jail so a meeting was not taken in. They could use 5 more packets for the jail to hand out. Also would like to ask this area for \$40 so I can get the pull tab fliers ready and copied. Also need books for George is \$58.50. With 25 intro books and 10 packets the total comes to \$76.00

ILS, Stacy J.

**Group Reports:**

**Discovery Group:** Things are going well. Having 10-12 attendance. We have a \$100 donation.

**Just for Today:** Doing good. Attendance is 10-14. Meeting is going well no problems. We do have women in our meetings with 6 months to 1 year that could go into jail meetings. ILS, Alisa M.

**Living Clean:** Dear ASC, We are still going good. We have had an average of 7-12 members per meetings. We have handed out 3 white key tags. 5-30 key tags. And 2-60 day key tags. ILS, Casey W.

**Harlan GSF:** Hello from Harlan GSF Recorder, This past Thursday we had 11 members in attendance for our GSF meeting. Monday Never Alone group reports that they have had about 10 addicts in attendance weekly, they have a \$32.27 lit order and no area donation. Thursday Nobody's group reports that they have had an average of 16-18 in attendance weekly, they \$26.21 lit order and a \$25 area donation today. Wednesday Anybody's group is attendance has been low again, so we are monitoring that closely. For now, we came to consensus that Saturday Serenity and Wednesday share funds and supplies as they are in the same building anyway. This worked well in the past when Wednesday was first getting started. Saturday Serenity group has had an average of 7 addicts in attendance, has no area donation or lit order.

Service updates are as follows:

1. Glenda C. will remain the Harlan GSF Facilitator.
2. Shelby Co jail had no women or men requesting a meeting for the month of September.
3. Saturday GSR is changing from Melissa S. to Kevin G.

For business that was brought back to Harlan from last area:

1. We were needing clarification on rationale for biannual auditing. Was it a work load issue, and auditing different things at different times, or auditing everything twice a year. If for everything twice a year, we do not see the need for that; but if for workload then we are in agreement if that.
2. Sari M. said that she helped with the last auditing of the Area guidelines and is pretty sure she has a copy of that file on her computer.

Harlan is going to be having some bowling nights this winter. We brought a couple copies of the flier. If anyone is needing more flier, I can email you a copy if you let Stacy J. know your email address and I will get that out to you.

ILS, Gaylen P.

**New Way:** Verbal report not received

**Straight Friends:** Greetings Area, Straight Friends is doing great. We are looking forward to our Predecessor Celebration at the end of October. You're welcome to come last Monday of October. Bring a dish and dress up. Celebrating 4 very significant clean times this month. Tim & Laura 16 years, Pat 13 years, and Al 26 years. Straight

Friends will also donate a turkey for the Gratitude Dance and look forward to seeing all there. ILS, Laura W.

**New Freedom:** Absent

**Visions of Hope:** September meeting doing well Attendance of 174 with 10 newcomers. 10-14 addicts per meeting. ILS, Bart W.

**Simple Serenity:** Absent

**Recharge Group:** Verbal report no email was received

**Straight Edge GSF:** Doing well. Attendance between 8-12 on Tuesday and 5-8 Sundays. Good message of recovery going on in Clarinda. Will be sending a lit order this week to Mary. We have a \$10 donation to Area. ILS, Alisa M.

**ACW:** Absent

**Let It Be:** Absent

**Atlantic Meeting:** Dear Area, We are doing well with 3 recent newcomers. We have a \$50 donation and no lit order. ILS, Gary R.

**6. Financial Requests:** \$40 PR budget expense for flyers total \$76.75 which is \$1.75 over budget for H&I –Unanimous.

**7. Unfinished Services:**

**A)** Open positions- Co-Facilitator- OPEN, RCM Alt- Barry B. staying on to help mentor, PI/phoneline-OPEN Recorder-OPEN No new nominations at this time.

**B)** Audit Update- Received Activities information. Gary R. will complete by next ASC.

**C)** Audit proposal: Clarification on why 2x year-- Keeps it in order and completion quicker. More routine becomes easier process later.

**D)** Format for Subcommittees: everyone facilitates their own committee. 8-green 1-yellow (lack of understanding) consensus: pass no changes to policy. Process decision.

**E)** Attendance Sheet: To include in minutes. Barry will email a copy to Glenda. Everyone agrees good idea.

**F)** Area Guidelines Update: last copy October 2015 Barry will review guidelines and bring back up to date copy.

**8. Current Services:**

- A)** Gratitude Dance—2 turkeys/1 ham needed. DJ concerns were addressed.
- B)** Pull tabs flyer day Stacy will mail groups their flyers to get handed out.
- C)** Motion: Bypass guidelines proposal consensus 9 green unanimous. (copy of proposal in minutes)
- D)** Capture the Flag- take back to groups
- E)** New years eve bids- No bids, no events. Obtain flyers and support surrounding Areas events.

**Announcements & Flood Meeting:** None.

**Closed meeting 3:55pm 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition- ??**

**PROPOSAL:** I propose we temp. bypass guidelines until next area due to needing to take back to groups. About taking out the last line in A. in panel member. H&I guidelines.

Alisa M.