

Southwest Iowa Narcotics Anonymous

Minutes for November 12th, 2017

Sharing Session: 2:30 pm with Glenda C facilitating.

Stacy Discussion PR literature stockpile because its not sufficient for our Area. Laura Gratitude Dance is set up. Need raffle items. Gary group donated 15\$ to Activities. Holiday Bash needs ideas for activities & gifts for kids and adults. No New Years dance. Literature is getting the stockpile built up and is able to get larger orders filled. Stacy sent PR inventory for Home Groups. Need speakers for the Holiday Bash. Suggestions go through Laura first. Michelle – have a questionnaire flyer to find new and existing groups.

Close sharing at 3:00 pm. Break until 3:10 pm

1. **Opening:** The meeting was called to order @ 3:05p.m. by Mike VP with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.
2. **Readings:** requested the following be read:
 - “The Twelve Traditions”, read by Stacy J.
 - “The Twelve Concepts”, read by Mary R..
 - “The Service Motivation”, read by Holly M.

3. **Roll Call/Visitors:**

Executive Committee:

Facilitator: Genda C

Co-Facilitator: OPEN

Recorder: OPEN

Treasurer: George R.

RCM: Dave R.

RCM Alt: Barry B. (mentor)

Sub Committee:

Literature Chairperson: Mary R. **PR Facilitator:** Stacy J

Activities Chairperson: Laura **Co-Chair(Activities):** absent.

H & I: absent

Groups:

Harlan GSF: Kevin.

Straight Edge: Absent

Discovery Group: Dave R.

Just for Today: Aaron A

Living Clean: absent.

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 M., Debbie A, Brent S, Michelle B.

There were 8 out of 14 voting groups at area.

4. Correction & Approval of Minutes: Consensus with amends.

5. Reports

Executive Committee:

Facilitator: Verbal by Glenda C is moving out of Area for personal reasons, but will uphold commitment. Thank you Glenda.

Co-Facilitator: OPEN

Recorder: OPEN.

Treasurer: My regrets that I am not going to be able to make the area meeting today. I have begun the audit, the deposits have been made for last month. I am going to be working 7 days a week for the foreseeable future as life has become a little difficult for now. I will do my best to keep everyone informed of all things pertaining to the audit and the asc account. This doesn't mean that I will not make it to the asc next month. I must take life as it happens.. ILS, George R.

RCM: Greetings area.

Region will be this next weekend. I have booked a room in Coralville Saturday. I will drive up Saturday morning. I will miss the morning session, but will be there for subcommittees in the afternoon. Rooms were 150.00\$ a night, so I only got one night.

ILS Dave R

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RCM Alternate:

ILS, Barry B.

Sub-Committees:

Literature Committee: Verbal by Mary R.

Activities Chairperson: Written report submitted by Laura. Gary did the audit for Activities. Thank you Gary

ILS, Laura W.

Co-Activities Chair: absent.

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

PR Facilitator: Written report submitted by Stacy

Group Reports:

Discovery Group: Discovery Group is doing well. Have about 10 to 15 addicts per meeting. Many new comers and passerbys. We need to pay our rent for the year so, regrettably, we have no donation at this time. ILS Dave R.

Just for Today: Absent

Living Clean: Dear Area, I am happy to announce that I am the new GSR for the Living Clean meeting in Shenandoah. We have an average of 10-12 people per meeting. We have handed out 2-white tags, 2-30 day tags, 3-60 day tags, 2-90 day tags, 2-6 month tags, and 1-9 month tag. We picked up a lit order at the campout for \$72 and we have another lit order for tags for \$30 today. ILS, Amber H.

Harlan GSF: Hello from the Harlan GSF Recorder, Discussions went well at our recent GSF meeting this past Thursday night, June 8th. Groups report that all meetings continue to share a strong message of recovery. Monday night Never Alone was changed to a "stick" topic format and this seems to be working well. Otherwise Monday Never Alone has no area donation, but does have a \$23.01 lit order. Thursday Nobody's Group continues to be well attended. They have a \$22.93 lit order and no area donation. Saturday Serenity and Wednesday Anybody's Group has not lit order or area donation. Meeting attendance for Saturday was down a bit this last month and Wednesday remains the same. Harlan H&I was able to take a meeting into 2 men at the Shelby Co. Jail, however, no women inmates requested a meeting for June. Reminder again that Harlan groups are having a combined anniversary celebration on Saturday 6/24/17 at Potters Park in Harlan. There will be games starting at 4pm with a 5pm meeting and potluck meal to follow. Sloppy Joes and cake will be provided so please come and join in celebrating with us if you are able. Some concerns were expressed at our GSF that we would like to pass onto Area. First, a member that was able to attend the Memorial Day campout was disappointed in the lack of presence and direction for activities and meetings from the SWINA leadership. It appeared to this member that there was no point of accountability for the SWINA hosted event. Second concern is regarding SWINA workshops. At Region, a large list of workshop topics was presented. According the Area guidelines the activities subcommittee is to work on planning event activities and workshops and the present those to ASC for approval. The hope is that these list of topics will be utilized in planning of SWINA workshops and submitted to ASC for approval. The last item is less of a concern, and just a reminder that was brought up during Harlan GSF. ASC needs to come to a consensus on the final draft of the Insurance Guidelines so that the RCM can take back the vote to Region in August. Apparently, there was an initial earlier draft was supposed to be presented to ASC for approval and we are told this was not done. Thank you and ILS, Gaylen P. (Stacy J.)

New Way: Greetings Area, Attendance for the New Way Group of NA in CB has been between 14-25 addicts for the month of May. New Way welcomed 3 newcomers and celebrated 1-30 day and 1-32 year. The total income was \$54.25. Total expenses \$75.59 and Ending balance \$13.74. Unfortunately, New Way will not be able to contribute towards the Area donation. ILS, Kenny S.

Straight Friends: Absent

New Freedom: Absent

Visions of Hope: Visions of Hope meetings are going strong. Thursday Living Clean Study average 20. Wednesday is a discussion meeting and is averaging 6 people. Tuesday is a Basic Text Study and averaging 10-15. Monday is a It Works Study and is 6-10 people in attendance. Attendance is up. We did not have a business meeting.

ILS, Barry B.

Simple Serenity: Absent

Recharge Group: Greetings Area, Attendance for the Recharge Group in Carter Lake has been between 15-21 addicts for the month of May. During this month, we welcomed 6 newcomers and celebrated 1-30 day, 1-60 day, 1-90 day, 1-6 month, 1-9 month, 1-1 year, 1-6 year, and 1-7 year. Unfortunately, this month we will not be contributing to the Are donation. The Group total income was \$36.38, total expenses were \$58.71, and ending balance of \$13.37. ILS, Howie M.

Straight Edge GSF: Absent

ACW: Absent

Let It Be: Absent

Atlantic Meeting: All is well. Gary R.

6. Financial Requests: Barry B. for June Region w/receipts \$184.46 also George R. for 20 intro books for Pott. Co. Jail total \$46.80 passed 6 green 1 white.

7. Unfinished Services:

A) Open positions-Facilitator filled by Glenda C. (7 green), Co-Facilitator- OPEN, RCM Alt- Barry B. staying on to help mentor, PI/phoneline-OPEN

B) Area Audit- still in the process of completion. Does have access to bank statements now. Has found a difference of \$86.32 in our favor but George R. will still keep getting this done.

C) Area Inventory- taking off web and possible use for workshops at some of our functions.

D) July ASC- Consensus to change July Area to July 16th because IRCNA is the same weekend as Area. 7 Green pass Gary R. will contact church of change of date.

E) Literature for Jails-Needs more pkts. Pott. Co. feels when ask for more lit for jail they continue to get shutdown. Proposal for 10 Basic Texts (\$135.12) take back to groups and bring group conscience to next area this will come from general funds and not PR budget. A concern about packets not being handed out at the jail when we provided them with some. George R. will be looking into this concern.

8. Current Services:

A) Activities-a) Luau is July 22nd See activity report for update. SWINA- consensus for \$348 to be held onto for SWINA needs. Meeting at 2:00 July 16th for putting together SWINA details. Please be there so we can have your input.

B) Harlan GSF concerns- First, a member that was able to attend the Memorial Day campout was disappointed in the lack of presence and direction for activities and meetings from the SWINA leadership. It appeared to this member that there was no point of accountability for the SWINA hosted event. Second concern is regarding SWINA workshops. At Region a large list of workshop topics was presented. According the Area guidelines the activities subcommittee is to work on planning event activities and workshops and the present those to ASC for approval. The hope is that those list of topics will be utilized in planning of SWINA workshops and submitted to ASC for approval. The last item is less of a concern, and just a reminder that was brought up during Harlan GSF. ASC needs to come to a consensus on the final draft of the Insurance Guidelines so that the RCM can take back the vote to Region in August. Apparently there was an initial earlier draft was supposed to be presented to ASC for approval and we are told this was not done. These are being addressed.

C) Up the literature stockpile to \$500- Take back to groups and bring to next area.

D) Hospitality @ IRCNA- consensus to pass this year for hosting.

Announcements & Flood Meeting: IDT-about social media. Check emails for ins. Guidelines to take back to groups. Luau is July 22.

July ASC is going to be July 16th in Griswold Subcommittees @2:00 Sharing session will begin at 2:30 Reports will be at 2:45 and Business portion will be at 3:00

Closed meeting 4:40pm 7th Tradition- \$17.00