

**Southwest Iowa Narcotics Anonymous**

**Minutes for August 14th, 2016**

**I. Opening:**

The meeting was called to order @ 2:03 p.m. by Mike VP with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

**II. Readings:** requested the following be read:

“The Twelve Traditions”, read by Rick H.

“The Twelve Concepts”, read by Kevin W.

“The Service Motivation”, read by Stacy J.

**III. Roll Call/Visitors:**

**Executive Committee:**

Facilitator: Mike VP.

Co-Facilitator: Dave D.

Recorder: Glenda C.

Treasurer: George R.

RCM: Dave R.

RCM Alt.: **Open**

**Sub-Committees:**

Literature Chairperson: Mary R.

Activities Chairperson: Absent

Co-Chair: Laura W.

**PR Sub-Committees:**

Facilitator: Stacy J.

H&I: Rick H.

PI/Phoneline Liaison: OPEN

Web-Servant: Dave R.

**Groups:**

Harlan GSF: Gary M.

Straight Edge: Absent

Discovery Group: Dave R.

Just for Today: Aaron A.

Living Clean: Kevin W.

Let It Be: Steve H. (no voting)

Recharge Group: Absent w/report

New Way: Absent w/report

New Freedom: Absent

Visions of Hope: Barry B. (no voting)

ACW: Absent

Simple Serenity: Absent

Straight Friends: Laura W.

There were 5 out of 13 voting groups at area. **Visitors:** Missy

III. **Correction & Approval of Minutes:** Approval of minutes made and passed w/ 1 correction under current service of July minutes B) should be Mike VP not Mike R.

IV. **Reports**

**Executive Committee:**

**Facilitator:** Verbal Report not received

**Co-Facilitator:** No report

**Recorder:** Verbal Report

**Treasurer:** Greetings SWINA, Balance forward of \$429.10. The Audit is still pending due to not receiving any bank statements to date. I have contacted US Bank and they said they would forward all from Jan 2015 to present. I have a medical procedure on Aug 17 and will be down for a little while after that. The audit will be completed by Sept ASC. Have a pending deposit of \$39.18 that should post this week.

ILS, George R.

**RCM:** Last Region was in May. This was my 1<sup>st</sup> experience at Region. It was exciting and informative. I went to the Fellowship Development group. There was a lot of talk about getting H&I into jails. Other areas are having great success getting out there. We need more people in this effort to make it work.

Barry and Kathy put on their Regional Delegate to World report. They spoke at length about the trademark and copy right problems WSO is having at large. There appears to be a lot of counterfeiting of books, IPO's, workbooks of WSO material. Some of it is completely off the mark. We need to be on the lookout for this type of activity and make sure we are using only approved literature. This includes electronic material. Respect the copyright.

There were many other guideline changes made at World that I didn't get down.

Very inspiring power point and video material.

I did not take good enough notes and apologize for that.

Many thanks to Nate and Sari for their help and guidance and Shane and Jess for providing a place for us to stay overnight. With that said, an alternate would be VERY helpful, as there is a lot going on at once, and they have their own Regional duties.

ILS. Dave.

**RCM Alternate:** OPEN

**Sub-Committees:**

**Literature Committee:** All is well with Literature. New IPs and a tradition workbook is out. Asking the Area for money to stock our stock pile with the new literature. Asked for \$116.98. Mary R.

**Activities Chairperson:** Absent

**Activities Treasure Report:** Greetings Area, We are in the black !! The account has \$518.49 so that \$118.49 above the prudent reserve. Yay! The deposit after the Luau makings and deduction was \$271.90. We are mostly ready for SWINA! The shirts are on order w/Mary's hookup guy due to after review he was saving us @ \$200. We are still needing to purchase pop and meat but other than that- we are on our way~! I did purchase a surprise gift for SWINA area functions and its debut will be at the camp!! (This was my idea and funds as a donation) Hope to see yall there!!

ILS, Laura W.

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

**PR Facilitator:** Hello AREA, From your PR Facilitator. Right now everything is running smoothly. I have been so blessed to be able to hold this position. Thank you again for giving me the chance to spread my wings in this fellowship. Again if I ever forget anything please let me know at any time. I welcome any suggestions. PI is going well also. There is only one thing I believe that needs to be touched on and that is the October pull tabs for the NA and the groups. I plan on getting everything ready and copies made for each individual group in September and have them ready and brought back to Area in October. Please let your groups know so they can set up there times and dates to distribute them in your areas. Thank you. At this time I would like to ask this area for some funding of \$40.00 to make the necessary copies up front with the flyers and big envelopes I will need. If this area is okay with this then whatever I don't use of the funds I will bring back in October again Thank you . H&I is going well. Rick H. reports not much has happened this month. We did hold one training session for H&I in Harlan on Thursday Aug 11<sup>th</sup> before our meeting started. Your web servant reports things are going well also. I am still having some problems getting things posted. Barry thinks he knows what I'm doing wrong to fix it. Please send me any corrections you see. Please be specific on meeting times and places. Thanks Dave R.

ILS, Stacy J.

**Group Reports:**

**Discovery Group:** Things are going alright. Very small but good group. Having from usually 4 to 8 addicts at meetings. Soldiering on. More will be revealed.

ILS. Dave.

**Just for Today:** Verbal Report

**Living Clean:** Greetings Area from the group Living Clean in Shenandoah. All is well our attendance is up to an average of 5 now. One more than the previous month. Our group is seeing a lot of progress in sponsorships. And we are looking forward to SWINA. Thanks for having us at the Laua. ILS, Kevin W.

**Harlan GSF:** Greetings Area from Harlan GSF recorder, We had an okay turn out for our recent GSF, with 2 out of our 4 GSRs present to report and 8 total members present. We are continuing to take our group inventory and discussions are going well. Overall meetings are going well - Monday night reports 13-16 addicts in attendance each week over the last month; however, Wednesday is still struggling with attendance. No report from Thursday or Saturday due to GSRs not in attendance for GSF meeting. Monday has a \$40.37 literature order placed and \$50 donation to the SWINA newcomer fund. We continue to struggle to take meetings in the Shelby Co. Jail meetings. Consensus was brought to continue the meetings once a month for now. We are going to try a scheduled rotation of trained members, so we will see how this goes for the rest of the year. We tentatively have St. Michael's church in Harlan booked for November 26<sup>th</sup> (Saturday following Thanksgiving) for the Gratitude Dance. The fee is \$75. See flier from Sari M. In Loving Service, Gaylen P. ( Gary M. at Area to represent)

**New Way:** Absent

**Straight Friends:** Villisca is running strong! Lots of recovery Birthdays coming up and summer is here! (almost gone too!) Looking forward to SWINA and we have lots of willing volunteers to help wherever needed and that's awesome. Thanks to all!

ILS, Laura W.

**New Freedom:** Absent

**Visions of Hope:** Greetings from Visions of Hope. Our Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday meetings are averaging 5 to 10 addicts. Our Thursday meeting is averaging 13 to 18 addicts. Our Monday meeting is a Literature study and has done all the IP's and now is on the stories in the White Book. The Thursday meeting is a Living Clean Study that just completed The spiritual chapter and is starting on the Physical Self. We will be sending a \$400 donation to the Iowa Region this month. We will reevaluate our donations at our next business meeting.

Hugs, Barry

**Simple Serenity:** Absent

**Recharge Group:** Absent

**Straight Edge GSF:** Absent

**ACW:** Absent

**One Life to Live:** Absent

**Let It Be:** No Report

**Financial Requests:** All operating expenses passed. Mary R. \$116.98 stock the stock pile with the new literature that's out, Dave R. \$139.00 for Region, Stacy J. \$40.00 help with copies of pull tabs and envelopes. Passed

**Sharing Session:** Turned over to Dave D. at 2:45 pm

Rick H.- Start meeting at prison Dave D. its on going. Steve- SWINA amends for walking away but feels he has grown in recovery. Mary R.- Stock pile will be there. Tradition workbook order ahead and bring money next month. Barry- suggestion for an AREA inventory. Do people know if their meeting is insured. Mary R.- things not getting back to the groups. Picking up flyers of functions All as an area. George R.- Mailings of the flyers?? The money is there to have this done. Getting our functions in our area out to the other areas. Glenda C. volunteered to go on website will print out different functions coming up and have copies at area so GSRs can take back to your groups to get the word out. We are just looking for solutions.. Steve- states functions all over are low on attendance. Make it to where people want to be there. Make it FUN!! Dave R.—More enthusiasm of what we are doing. Dave D. no flyers at area. Kevin W.- printing flyers off the website can run into a finance means for some.

Close sharing at 3:10 pm. Break/Resume 3:25 pm

**Unfinished Services:**

**A)** Pott Co. Jail- George R. states no change so this will be taken off the agenda until there is a change. Sending a formal letter to the jail.

**B)** Outreach- Atlantic no change. George suggest getting as many as possible together at SWINA to do an inventory. No outreach until our own house is clean.

**C)** Activities- SWINA seems all in order. Amanda J. stays in as a cofacilitator on workshop. Halloween tabled.

**D)** ASC account audit will be completed for September AREA as stated in George R. report.

**E)** Phonenumber and RCM Alt. –Take back to your groups.

**F)** Activities CoFacilitator/Treasure-Take back to your groups.

**Current Services:**

**A)** Area Unity (ADHOC)- SWINA get together for an AREA inventory process.

**B)** Gratitude Dance Bid- Harlan Nov 26 flyers will be out.

**Announcements & Flood Meeting:** SWINA September 2-5, NRCNA Sept 23-25  
Omaha Ramada

Motion to close meeting at 3:58pm 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition- \$20.00