

Southwest Iowa Narcotics Anonymous

Minutes for May 7, 2017

Sharing Session: 2:25 pm with Mike VP facilitating.

Stacy J. has informed the area of the arrest and pending charges against her. She is not able to do jail meetings at this time until the matter is cleared up and asks the Area if its okay with her holding the position that she has. All was okayed with the Area.

Lonna C. has apps and requirements for women to go into Pott. Co. jail if anyone is interested.

Barry B. was disgusted at last Area and come back this Area to be heard. There is new book/pamphlet being done that groups could help write. Area is lacking the communication coming to them from Region. Barry B. willing to step up as RCM Alt. and help mentor Dave R. at this time. Stepping up to help with positions is needed. Anyone with questions should ask if any questions or concerns. Anyone can go to Region.

Close sharing at 2:50 pm.

1. **Opening:** The meeting was called to order @ 2:59 p.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 Casey W.
 - “The Service Motivation”, read by Gary M.

3. Roll Call/Visitors:

Executive Committee:

Facilitator: Mike VP.

Co-Facilitator: **OPEN**

Recorder: Glenda C.

Treasurer: George R.

RCM: Absent

Groups:

Harlan GSF: Stacy J.

Straight Edge: Alisa M.

Discovery Group: Absent

Just for Today: Alisa M.

Living Clean: Casey W.

RCM Alt.: **Open**

Let It Be: Absent

Sub-Committees:

Recharge Group: Absent

Literature Chairperson: Mary R.

New Way: Kenny S.

Activities Chairperson: Absent

New Freedom: Absent

Co-Chair: Casey W.

Visions of Hope: Barry B.

PR Sub-Committees:

ACW: Lonna C.

Facilitator: Stacy J.

Simple Serenity: Absent

H&I: Alisa M.

Straight Friends: Absent

PI/Phoneline Liaison: **OPEN**

Atlantic Meeting: Gary R.

Web-Servant: Absent

Visitors: Hyner O., Gary M., Amber H.

There were 7 out of 14 voting groups at area.

4. Correction & Approval of Minutes: Approval of minutes made and passed.

5. Reports

Executive Committee:

Facilitator: Greetings from your facilitator. I wanted to First apologize for the loss of composure at last area. I will take steps in the future to not let this happen again. To explain in the essence of time I scan the gallery to gage whether we have arrived at a consensus. I'm not wholly inclined to count because the point is we're not voting we are generating a consensus. If the time has come to measure the support for a proposal and I see no red, Orange, or yellow cards I take that as License to move forward. If you take umbrage with any part of the process please feel free to cordially stop us with the appropriate color card and politely air your concerns. If we are taken back to discussion it's somewhat obligatory to have viable solutions to bring to the matter or at least salient points to justify the opposition. I was made aware recently that Dennis "Goldy" Golden has passed. I was a little unclear as to what he provided our campouts or if it is possible that another party might take over for him in time for SWINA. More will be revealed. I have July 9th ASC on the agenda because that Sunday is the same weekend as IRCNA. Just wanted everyone to have a heads up that this may be changing. I am looking forward to the Anniversary Dance which is being hosted by the Council Bluffs Groups. Also the continuation of our summer events. See you all there. ILS, Mike VP

Co-Facilitator: OPEN

Recorder: No report

Treasurer: Greetings Area, Balance from bank statement is \$550.97 with a pending deposit of \$204.85 Yes you heard correctly I did receive my first bank statement. Only 10 months into my term as treasure. I am still expecting a box of checks at any time. I will access the acct. online to retrieve prior bank statements to complete the ASC audit.

ILS, George R.

RCM: Absent

RCM Alternate: OPEN

Sub-Committees:

Literature Committee: Sorry I'm not at area today didn't know they changed it until last week. Head already have plans for today, but had to change them also. Home in bed not doing well this week. Was in hospital the first 3 days this week and just been up to go to dialysis and my home group yesterday morning because I needed a meeting. I have everyone literature and will bring it to the anniversary dance on Saturday. If any group want to order eternity medallions please let me know so I can get them order. The cost is \$3.74 each.

Activities Chairperson: Greetings Area, All is set and ready for the Anniversary Dance on Saturday please be sure to come and join us for the festivities and cake...and I hear there MAY be food!? And don't forget, a raffle item and your boogie shoes!! I did happen to get savvy make some fliers and get them sent to the SWINA website for the Memorial Day Campout for May 26-29 at Pioneer Park, and there a few to pass out today as well. Kudos for my co-chair, Casey W, for stepping up to fill in at area for me... I've had a change in my work schedule which doesn't allow me to have some freedom on

Sundays for a while, so he will be doing this for me often in the near future... I will continue to be Activities Chair no worries. I'll be serving from a far!! I would like to throw the idea of starting some committees up for SWINA. So volunteers please and the some ideas I already have will be discussed hopefully next ASC. (with the new committees??) hope to see you all at the dance!!

ILS, Laura WW

Co-Activities Chair: Casey read Laura's report in her absence.

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

PR Facilitator: Greetings Area. Your webservant Dave R. reports that the Area inventory is on the website. I've been preparing to switch to a different program soon. I am hoping to coordinate with Barry B. to make it as painless as he is working with the same program on the regional site. I hope the site is being adequate for you, as it is your

website. Comments and concerns are greatly appreciated. PI is going well also. This month I do have new meeting lists copied and available. So please take some back for your groups. H&I is doing great. The Red Oak Jail is doing good at its meetings and rotation is going well also, As of this time I am unable to go into both Shelby and Montgomery Jails due to some pending charges in Shelby county. I will explain fully to the Area. I did not do anything as per the charges but there is always a lesson to be learned in everything. Th Shelby county jail is doing good. I have asked Sari M. to check on if we can take packets into the jail to give to inmates as they leave the jail. The jail loved the idea and are aboard with this. The last month I asked Area if I could order 10 packets for each jail every couple months. This Area said it was okay but no concensus to follow so I ask again for a consensus to please be made in this discussion. Thank You. I also paid \$55.64 for the meeting lists. Area gave me a check last month for \$50. So I am asking for the remaining balance of \$5.64 out of pocket. Also in October I believe Hotline Drug Fliers. At that time I asked for the list from the groups letting me know what businesses they hung the fliers up at. I only have Harlan's list back. I would like to ask the groups again for their lists please. I did talk to Mary about the jail packets and if approved by the Area, I would like to order them. The cost would be \$58.96 for all 30 packets. ILS, Stacy J.

Group Reports:

Discovery Group: Absent

Just for Today: Greetings Area, Just For Today is doing well. Averaging 5-10 addicts. No lit or area donation at this time. ILS, Alisa M.

Living Clean: Dear Area, I apologize for my absence of the last two Areas. Our meeting attendance has been awesome. We have a couple new members. We've had about 10-12 people per meeting this last month. We've also handed out 2-newcomer tags, 1-30 day tag, 1-60 day tag, 2-90 day tag, and 1-9 month tag. ILS, Casey W.

Harlan GSF: Hello from the Harlan GSF Recorder, discussions went well at our recent GSF meeting this past Thursday night. Groups report that all meetings continue to share a strong message of recovery. We are considering changing our Monday night Never Alone group to a "stick" to the topic meeting just to try something different. Attendance has been a bit lower at that meeting over the last couple months so it was felt that it would be a good meeting to try a new format on. Otherwise Monday Never Alone has a \$30 area donation and no lit order. Thursday Nobody's Group has been very well attended. They have a \$9.95 lit order and no area donation. Saturday Serenity has a \$25.20 lit order and a \$25 area donation. Wednesday has no lit order or area donation this month. Harlan groups are still offering the Shelby Co Jail H&I meeting monthly and taking them in when a meeting is accepted. Last month there were no inmates wanting a meeting so one was not taken in for either men or women. 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. ILS, Gaylen P.

New Way: Greetings SWINA Our average attendance for April was 14-25 addicts. We gave out 5- Newcomers, 2-thirty day, 1-sixty day, 3-ninety day, 1-six month, 1-nine month Keytags, 1-five year, and 1-sixteen year celebration. Our beginning balance was \$26.32, income of \$81.17, expenses of \$72.41, and ending balance of \$35.08. We have a lit order of \$45.59 and an ASC donation of \$5.00. We are starting Step One in The Step Working Guide. The recovery journey continues at New Way. Come join us.
In Loving Service, Kenny S

Straight Friends: Absent no report

New Freedom: Absent

Visions of Hope: Meetings are going good. We have an average of 10-20 on Tuesday and Thursday. 5-10 on Monday and Wednesday continues to go up and down and needs support. We have Literature study Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday.

ILS, Barry B.

Simple Serenity: Absent

Recharge Group: Greetings SWINA Our average attendance for April 17 was 12-22 addicts. We welcomed 3 Newcomers. We celebrated 1-60 day, 1-1 year, and 1-18 month clean. Our beginning balance was \$41.50, income of \$29.20 expenses of \$35.00 and ending balance of \$35.70. We have a no lit order and a \$25.00 area donation. The recovery journey continues at Recharge. Come join us.

In Loving Service, Howie M.

Straight Edge GSF: Greetings Area, Straight Edge is doing well. Tues averaging 5-10 addicts. Sunday night was only 2 or 3 but this last Sunday we had 10 addicts. Lit order of \$17.43 and no Area donation. ILS, Alisa M.

ACW: Verbal not received

Let It Be: Absent

Atlantic Meeting: Hello Area, The Atlantic Group is doing well. We could seat more but we are grateful that we had 12 members last week. Area donation \$20 and no lit order.

ILS, Gary R.

6. Financial Requests: Stacy J. for \$5.64 balance of meeting lists and \$58.96 for 30 pkts to go into jails.

7. Unfinished Services:

A) Noms- a) Facilitator (Mike VP will stand in until filled), Co-Facilitator-NA, RCM Alt-(Barry B. will stand in for next Region in June), Phoneline-NA.

B) Area Audit-George will be able to go online to receive prior statements to complete report.

C) Area Inventory is on the web (swina.org) need to indicate whether doing as a group or individual.

8. Current Services:

A) July ASC- change because IRCNA is the same as Area. Asking for July 2.

B) Literature-Books for Pott. Co. Library jail. George R. will get more info for the little books intro guides to go in. 20 total- 10 men/10 women. Concensus (6 green)

C) ACW- Wed come to SWINA not ENNA asking for keytags, treasure book... \$20. Tabled.

Announcements & Flood Meeting: Memorial Campout

June ASC is going to be June 11th 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 4:10 pm 7th Tradition- \$7.00