

Southwest Iowa Narcotics Anonymous

Minutes for June 11th, 2017

Sharing Session: 2:37 pm with Mike VP facilitating.

Discussion was on needing to raise the literature stockpile because its not sufficient for our Area. Ex: Step Guide 11 order but only 5 in stock. Mary R. paid for some overage out her own pocket. Things are needing to be changed. Carry the message with literature but can't if not there. Request for 50 white books \$2.00 each for \$100.00 and George was going to talk to the jail for support of literature coming into the jail. Put on the agenda to up the stockpile \$500 taking back to your groups. Pott Co. needs more women to go into the Jail. Contact Lonna C. for more info.

Close sharing at 2:52 pm. Break until 3:05 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 Glenda C.
 - “The Service Motivation”, read by Holly M.
3. **Roll Call/Visitors:**

Executive Committee:

Facilitator: Mike VP

Co-Facilitator: OPEN

Recorder: Glenda C.

Treasurer: George R.

RCM: Dave R.

RCM Alt: Barry B. (mentor)

Sub Committee:

Literature Chairperson: Mary R.

Activities Chairperson: Absent

Co-Chair(Activities): Casey W.

Groups:

Harlan GSF: Stacy J.

Straight Edge: Absent

Discovery Group: Dave R.

Just for Today: Absent

Living Clean: Amber H.

Recharge Group: Howie M.

New Way: Kenny S.

Visions of Hope: Barry B.

Straight Friends: Absent

ACW: Absent

Atlantic Meeting: Gary R.

Let It Be: Absent

New Freedom: Absent

Simple Serenity: Absent

Visitors: Holly M., Gary M., Bart W., Michelle B.

There were 7 out of 14 voting groups at area.

4. Correction & Approval of Minutes: Amendment made to Discovery Group Report in May Area minutes to Verbal Report by George R. Consensus with amends.

5. Reports

Executive Committee:

Facilitator: Verbal by Mike VP

Co-Facilitator: OPEN

Recorder: Verbal by Glenda C.

Treasurer: Greetings SWINA, I am currently working on the audit of our account. I have come across a difference of \$86.32 from the last 2 bank statements and the check book ledger. The difference is in our favor but I will be proceeding with caution until I find out why there is a difference. Bank statement balance is \$897.97 Ledger is \$811.65. It is my recommendation that this body proceed with the lower amount as our balance forward at this time. The bank is currently charging \$5.35 per month for paper statements. ILS, George R.

RCM: Verbal by Dave R.

RCM Alternate: Greetings in recovery, Greetings in recovery, I went the Iowa Regional Service Conference in Waterloo, Iowa on June 3, & 4th. Dave had a family commitment so I was not able to mentor, just represent. Attendance was a little off but all but one area was in attendance on Sunday am. In PR there was much discussion on the Mental Health Conference this year, with a decision to not go but with the possibility to provide literature. More will be revealed in August. The phone continues to answer calls with a lot going to voice mail again. They are going to contact Phone.com to look in to this. The awareness workgroup is looking for contact information for database of TV and radio stations. I believe we already have his. H&I database is done; we now need to maintain it. The other workgroups meet (Web, Insurance, Fellowship Development, and Archival) nothing new was presented expect

Insurance that had a guideline that we need to vote on. It was presented at last region. We were one of 4 areas that had not taken this back. So this was tabled until August. IRCNA 34 planning continues with the Convention right around the corner. It is July 7, 8, 9, 2017 in Sioux Center. There were some issues with some contracts. The contract of one vendor excluded some items the WRSO has. This being the case the WRSO chooses not to go. WRSO has always been at most of our conventions. The standing committee is going to address this. IRCNA 35 planning in the Quad Cities continues. IRCNA 34 asked if would like to host a time slot. (We did a straw poll. We declined.) Our Alternate Delegate again reminded us of the current IDT's. (Applying Principles to Social Media; Atmosphere of Recovery in Service; and Guiding Principles: Putting Our New Traditions Workbook to Work). There is a list of workshops that we have pre-made. The Multi Zonal Service Symposium is in ENNA in 2018. I have a survey here for what workshop we would like to see. The Sponsorship behind the walls project continues to come close to starting. To go back to the groups is the Insurance Guidelines. We will need to vote on these at the August Area. If you have questions you can ask at the July Area. The Region formed a workgroup to look at holding region on College Campus and Campgrounds with Lodges. Nominations open in August for Regional Co-Treasurer, & Regional Recorder, & IRCNA Facilitator. All Workgroup Coordinators will also open up for Nominations. You can see the attached Flyers for more detail. They include the Delegate Handout, Sponsorship behind the Walls, MZSSNA, and Workshop Survey for MZSSNA, & the Insurance Guidelines.

ILS, Barry B.

Sub-Committees:

Literature Committee: Verbal by Mary R.

Activities Chairperson: Greetings Area, Hope you all are well! I wish to start my report off by thanking all of the addicts who attended the Anniversary Dance. It was a huge success and lots of fun! Also the ACW group who hosted the event, I felt very welcomed and you did a great job with all the set up and serving and clean-up. The food was well worth the trip alone. You all did a wonderful job and Thank you!! \$659.45 was made that night! \$50 was left out for the cash box so (drum roll please! \$609.45 was the deposit into the bank! After all of the expenses (rent, food, DJ, Ice and More Mt. Dew) = \$315.45 was profit which gives a total of \$898.54 as a balance in the Acct! I am prepared to issue a check to Area for \$348.54 which leaves \$150 in account for check to the DJ to clear + \$400 prudent reserve. Unless otherwise decided upon. I do believe we are set to go on the Luau! I have contacted Charly with Pioneer Park and have the top shelter reserved for the entire day/night for Saturday July 22- the pigs are reserved and I have cooks for those lined up. But all helpers are welcome to assist with the "digging of the hole" which I believe happens Friday morning?! And I also have the DJ set for Saturday evening as well. I will need some volunteers to help set up for the Luau dinner and pop sales and clean-up of course. Remember this is a potluck dinner, so food items are appreciated as well as for raffle items. I do have fliers available and on the website. I do feel I need some of the extra money in the account to prepare for the Luau. I could use some more pop, plates, and plastic ware-decorations and lei's are left over

from last year. So now I leave the decision in Area's hands as to what amount you would like the check to be? I can certainly leave it all in there to allow for prep on SWINA campout too. Up to you! Speaking of SWINA..I will have fliers and signup sheets next Area and I'm needing artwork for shirts and logos and will be forming committees to get things rolling volunteers please! I will be attending July Area to be sure to get things in order! Please be thinking of meat/dinner ideas and I will be asking each group of the Area to be responsible for a salad to serve at SWINA! Ex.-Villisca-pasta salad and Red Oak-potato salad. So GSRs, take it back and get some ideas of willingness please! Thanks in advance for all of your help and support to make this SWINA awesome! P.S. I do already have Pioneer Park/Shelters reserved for Labor Day weekend as well!

ILS, Laura W.

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, From your PR Facilitator. Everything right now in all areas is going good. your web servant Dave R reports that the inventory results are up and we as an area can look at the inventory at any time. we should decide on a time limit. Dave also reports he is still having problems posting on his machine. Please let him know of any concerns or problems of any kind Thank you. Alisa m with H&I reports things are going well on her end right now. The Montgomery county jail is still up and going. The ladies are taking in two meetings a month and have a strong message of recovery. Harlan reports the NA meeting that they take in the jail is going good. Last month the woman did not take a NA meeting in due to no one wanting a meeting but, the men carried a meeting in with two addicts in attendance. PI is going well also. As of right now I am working on PSAs. Since I am new to doing this I have asked Sari M for some direction on what I need to be doing. I need some help since this is still all new to me. ILS, Stacy J

Group Reports:

Discovery Group: We're been having about 10 addicts per meeting. Recovery and sharing has been very good. We have a 100 dollars donation. I don't have a check book, but will give to George when we get back to town. 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