

Southwest Iowa Narcotics Anonymous

Minutes for October 9, 2011

I. Opening:

The meeting was called to order @ 2:32 p.m. by Mike R. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

II. Readings: Mike R. requested the following be read:

“The Twelve Traditions”, read by Kim P.

“The Twelve Concepts”, read by Mike D.

“The Service Motivation”, read by Brandon S.

III. Roll Call/Visitors:

Executive Committee:

Chairperson: absent

Vice-Chairperson: Mike R.

Secretary: absent (Laura W. sub)

Treasurer: Mike VP.

RCM: absent

RCM Alt.: Brandon S.

Sub-Committees:

Literature Chairperson: Angel N.

Activities Chairperson: absent

IRCNA: Kim P.

PR Sub-Committees:

H&I: Paul S.

PI: absent

Phone Line Liaison: open

Web-Servant: absent

Groups:

Let It Be: Barry B.

Groups:

Clean & Free: Angel N.

Runnin N Gunnin: absent

Discovery Group: absent

Just for Today: Kim P.

Living Clean: Brandon S.

Never Alone: absent

Nobody’s Group: absent

New Way: Mike VP.

Reaching Out: absent

Saturday Serenity: absent

Stairway to Freedom: Sheila H.

Straight Friends: Laura W.

New Freedom: Paul S.

Visions of Hope: Mike D.

Simple Serenity: Mike R.

Recharge Group: Tamra B.

Straight N Grateful: absent

Carrying the Message: Scott G.

There were 12 out of 19 groups at area this month. (10 voting groups)

Visitors: none

IV. Correction & Approval of Minutes:

Two new groups have been welcomed. Correction for Straight N Grateful phone numbers: Gary 312-320-4794 and Mark 402-348-9785. Brandon S. moved to approve, 2nd by Paul S., passed with 10 votes.

V. Reports

Executive Committee:

Chairperson:

Absent, no report

Vice-Chairperson:

No report

Secretary:

Absent, no report

Treasurer:

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Donations:

Recharge Group Carter Lake	\$15.00
Visions of Hope Council Bluffs	\$44.00
Just For Today Red Oak	\$20.00
Clean And Free Council Bluffs	\$90.00
Let It Be Council Bluffs	\$30.00

Expenses:

1128 Griswold UMC-Facility use Donation	\$15.00
1129 Mary R.-Print Meeting Lists and ASC Mins	\$94.59
1130 Brandon S.-USFA Travel	\$250.00

Beginning Balance \$1207.33

Total Donations \$199.00

Total Expenses \$359.59

Ending Balance \$1046.74

RCM:

Absent, no report

RCM Alternate:

Region is November 19 and 20 in Okoboji. I will not be able to make it to the Phone line workshop in Cedar Rapids on November 12. It is my hope that members of this committee would be able to attend. Because of my job I am unable to take more time off for NA services in November. Thank you for this opportunity to serve.

ILS,

Brandon S.

PS I have a financial request for \$250 for our trip to Tulsa for the USSC.

Sub-Committees:

Literature Committee:

Greetings from your literature chair. Everything we took in we spent to replenish. I will order 20-year medallions. Sorry for the mistake. I gave everyone the phone #402-651-6592.

In Loving Service,

Angel N.

Activities Chairperson:

Absent, no report

IRCNA:

Our next meeting is November 6th at The Red Coach Inn. We are looking for someone to fill the Hospitality Position. Please pass this and registration on to your groups. You can call any one on the committee. Things are moving along, we have a main speaker from California and all our entertainment is taken care of. We are looking for Sunday and Friday night. Again, please contact a committee member. More will be revealed on web, iowana.org

ILS,

Kim P.

If you need registration forms we have them and we also would like groups to donate a set of books for the newcomers at the convention.

PR Sub-Committees:

H&I:

Hello Area,

Sorry for missing last month, work called. We had a request for books to be donated for the Eldora detention Center. I pass in the information to that's Area H&I Jeff from Marshalltown. Also got a hold of Clarinda Prison Library and they do not need book for Library. But got a hold of the Drug Administrators and waiting to hear back. I ordered 3 basic texts ; 2 for Zion and 1 for Clarinda Library.

ILS,

Paul S.

PI:

Absent, no report

Phone Line Liaison:

Open, no report

Web-Servant:

Absent, no report

Group Reports:

Clean & Free:

Greetings from Clean and Free, (Friday nights at Mercy Hospital at 7pm). The meeting is going well. We are still small attendance. We have had about 5 to 12 in attendance. We do not have a literature order at this time. We do have a \$90.000 donation to Area.

In Loving Service,

Angel N.

Runnin N Gunnin:

Absent, no report

Discovery Group:

Absent, no report

Just for Today:

Things are fine, nothing new to report. We have a \$20.00 donation to Area and a \$12.90 literature order.

ILS,

Kim P.

Living Clean:

Greetings Area,

Living Clean Group is doing great! Recovery is strong, our numbers are steady, and we are welcoming newcomers just about every week. No donations at this time. A member has requested a Just For Today book and our group hopes to make a literature order for key tags next month. Thanks you SWINA.

ILS,

Brandon S.

PS Our group has voted yes to all 3 proposals from the USSC.

Never Alone:

Absent, no report

Nobody's Group:

Absent, no report

New Way:

Greetings ASC,

We are on Step Seven in the Step Working Guide. The doors are open, the coffee is hot, and the message continues to get carried at New Way. We have no lit order or ASC donation this month. Our attendance averages between six and twelve addicts. NA continues to grow. It is definitely an exciting time to be a part of. Thanks for allowing me to serve.

ILS,

Mike VP

Reaching Out:

Absent, no report

Saturday Serenity:

Hello Area from Saturday Serenity,

Meetings have fluctuated from only a couple people to 9 addicts in attendance. It has been difficult for me to attend this meeting as I have had work and family commitments. I do not see that changing but between the GSR alternate and me, we hope to serve this meeting to the best of our abilities. We have completed our ballot vote for the USSC and have mailed it in. Our vote was yes on all three proposals. I also want to report that our flyer day was a success. We had 2 addicts participate (that doubled from last time), and we had 25 flyers. All 25 flyers are hung and we already have some pull-tabs missing. I have submitted my list to Charlotte. We have no literature order or area donation at this time. We are gearing up for the Potluck/Hayrack ride and Bonfire on October 15th. We hope you will come fellowship with us. Lastly, we noticed that the date for the Gratitude Dance is incorrect on the flyer. My error, we will get it corrected and the new one submitted. Sorry for the mistake. Hope to see you all in October!

ILS,

Sari M.

Stairway to Freedom:

Hi! The meetings are doing OK. We have been getting more people at each meeting and newcomers.

Love,

Sheila

Straight Friends:

Greetings Area! All is good in Villisca today. Recovery is strong and we had a member celebrate 7 years last week and will have a couple more celebrations upcoming; 2 for 10 years and 1 for 20 years. Congratulations to Al, Tim, myself, and Pat! Look forward to the upcoming Hayrack Ride and Halloween Party!

ILS,

Laura W.

New Freedom:

Meetings are going well. We have anywhere from 14 to 18 addicts with a lot of good recovery being shared. We gave 3 six-month key tags and 1 two-year medallion. No donation or literature order at this time.

ILS,

Paul S.

Visions of Hope:

Greetings Area,

We at Visions of Hope are doing OK. Same as usual stuff with lots of halfway house people and little clean time, which is OK. There is a season and time for everything. I stepped down from chairing Wednesday meetings so I can pursue other areas in my own life and pass the chair to a friend of ours that has been clean 18 months and wanted to step up. We have a \$44.00 Area donation and we have a literature order.

Thanks,

Mike D.

Simple Serenity:

Absent, no report

Recharge Group:

Hello SWINA,

How exciting for us at the Recharge Group to be listed in our Area Meeting list. We are excited and recovering! We will continue to live and carry the message to any and all addicts. We have a literature order of \$1.36 and an Area donation of \$15.00.

ILS,

Tamra B.

Straight N Grateful:

Hey Howdy Area,

Meetings are slow, hopefully because of the time of year. The seventh have been very slow, so hopefully we will be able to make a donation soon. Thanks for welcoming us back into the swing of area, once again. We're glad to be back and our meeting is excited about being back. One of the most exciting things for my group to happen in a while! The group says hi! No donations at this time, thanks and a literature order of \$2.40.

In Loving Service,

Craig

Let It Be:

No report

Carrying the Message:

No report

VI. Financial Requests:

Brandon S. - \$50.00 for trip to USSC

Mary R. - \$10.59 for printing minutes and \$84.00 for printing meeting lists

VII. Sharing Session:

Run by Brandon S. at 3:03 pm

- A. Barry wanted to know if Area knew that RD and ALT were approved with expenses to go to USSC.
- B. Brandon S. – Phone Line workshop – he will not be able to attend and would encourage others to go to gather 800# information for our area.
- C. Mary R. – encourages “executive committee” members to attend Region once in a while. Mary said, “I will shut my mouth”, after being reminded that this is why we have RCM and ALT for!
- D. Discussion of attendance of Halfway House/RCF members being not allowed to go to meeting – is this something that H&I and PI can make sure communications are open with administrations?

VIII. Unfinished Services:

- A. Phone bill paid? As per Mary R. – volunteers to go to ENNA to find out how much this bill is and will get that taken care of by contacting treasurer to pay up.

IX. Current Services:

- A. Website – forming Adhoc to assist Barry B. with upgrades and suggestions. Changing website to BMLT (Basic Meeting List Tool). Added a tool that will bring up the location of a meeting with a home address. Also showed a little added features of the website and encourages everyone to visit swina.org to check it out and as always. Suggestions are always welcomed and new information for locations and/or addresses are encouraged upon knowledge of such changes! To see the example of the new website, go to: bearhead-test.net In the future, any corrections to meeting list, etc., the PI chair would make the corrections to the website!

X. Announcements & Flood Meeting:

- A. No announcements
- B. Brandon S. moved to close, 2nd by Craig, passed with 10 votes.

XI. November ASC to be held on the 13th in Griswold, IA.