

Southwest Iowa Narcotics Anonymous

Minutes for April 12th, 2015

I. Opening:

The meeting was called to order @ 2:05 p.m. by Bill D. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

II. Readings: requested the following be read:

“The Twelve Traditions”, read by Glenda C.

“The Twelve Concepts”, read by Mary R.

“The Service Motivation”, read by Mary R.

III. Roll Call/Visitors:

Executive Committee:

Facilitator: Absent

Co-Facilitator: Bill D.

Recorder: Glenda C.

Treasurer: Absent

RCM: Absent

RCM Alt.: OPEN

Sub-Committees:

Literature Chairperson: Mary R.

Activities Chairperson: Mike R.

Co-Chair: Absent

PR Sub-Committees:

H&I: OPEN

PI/Phoneline Liaison: OPEN

Web-Servant: Dave R.

Adhoc Archives- Dave R.

Adhoc Guidelines- Mary R. (Going over before area 1-2)

There were 8 out of 14 voting groups at area.

Groups:

Harlan GSF: Diane H.

Straight Edge: Absent

Discovery Group: Dave R.

Just for Today: Absent

Living Clean: Mike R.

One Life to Live: Absent

Recharge Group: Mike VP

New Way: Tim L.

Reaching Out: Absent

Visions of Hope: Absent

Simple Serenity: Mike R.

Straight Friends: Laura W.

New Freedom: Absent

ACW: Mary R.

Visitors: Rick H., Holly G., Steph H.

III. **Correction & Approval of Minutes:** Approval of minutes made and passed.

IV. **Reports**

Executive Committee:

Facilitator: No report received

Co-Facilitator: Greetings area, I don't have much to report this month. We have a lot of business to get thru today with elections. I encourage everyone to put principles before personalities today. ILS, Bill D.

Recorder: Greetings Area, Grateful to be clean. And just in case nobody read the email, I'm declining the nomination for Co-Facilitator. And praying the recorder position gets filled. Thanks for letting me serve and be a part of area for the last 2 years. I have a financial request of \$4.30 for copies of minutes and agenda.

ILS, Glenda C.

Treasurer: No report received

RCM: No report received

RCM Alternate: OPEN

Sub-Committees:

Literature Committee: Verbal Report but not received

Activities Chairperson: SWINA logos are due today to be voted on next month. We need bids for SWINA T-shirts next month. We have the Anniversary Dance and Memorial Day Campout next month. Be sure to come out and have some fun. And while you're at it, bring a newcomer. Bids are due today for the Basic Dance in August. Be sure to consider a speaker and if food will be served. When creating a flyer for an event, make sure to include city, state, cost, activities (speaker, dance, meeting...) and the NA logo. Once completed, email the original document (not pdf) to the event facilitator so it can be verified and posted on websites. The SWINA event committee will be meeting at 1:00 before each Area meeting thru September. Please come and help out. It would be greatly appreciated. ILAS, Mike R.

PR Sub-Committees:

H&I: OPEN

PI/Phone Line Liaison: OPEN

Web-Servant: Verbal Report but not received

ADHOC Guidelines: Verbal Report Meeting 1-2 pm before area.

ADHOC Archives: Verbal Report but not received

Group Reports:

Discovery Group: Verbal Report but not received

Just for Today: Absent.

Living Clean: Our meeting attendance ranges between 4-10 during the week and 12-20 on Saturday. Good sharing and recovery. The Saturday night meeting has also gone smoke free due to attendance and in consideration of children at the meeting.

ILAS, Mike R.

Harlan GSF: Greetings area from the Harlan GSU. Meetings continue to be strong with attendance from a small group to 15. We have a total area donation of \$150 and a Lit order for \$20.94.

Last month before a Saturday Serenity meeting, Paul S conducted H&I training with 15 in attendance. Afterward there was bowling and 19 people attended! The Monday Never Alone meeting will be coming up on its anniversary June 15th. This special celebration will consist of a speaker meeting followed by cake and ice cream. Flyers will be coming soon if they aren't already on the web. Rick H has offered his place again this year for bon fire meetings following the Sat Serenity meetings – this will most likely start June 13th – flyer to come. Also coming soon will be details on Thursday's Nobody's Group celebration which will tentatively be held July 25th.

The Harlan GSF would like to see the SWINA Anniversary Dance permanently moved from June back to May going forward. Since SWINA was formed in the month of May, we feel strongly that it should be celebrated in May. We would also like to see the Memorial Day Campout changed to a SWINA sanctioned event. There is no cost to SWINA unless they want to provide coffee. But since the coffee is always on at someone's camping spot, there shouldn't be any incurred expense.

As is every year at this time we are looking forward to SWINA as well as all the spring and summer activities SWINA has!

Happy Spring everyone!

God Bless and In Loving Service,
Mel O GSF Secretary

New Way: Hello SWINA Area, Things are going good at the New Way Group. We been having about 10-15 people that show up each week. We will be finishing up Step 4 tonight. ILS, Tim L.

Reaching Out: Absent no report

Straight Friends: Greetings Area, It's been a while!! Good to see everyone! Straight Friends has been running strong averaging 20-25 addicts a week. And recovery is great! We have a lit order of \$59.43 and no donation today! ILS, Laura W.

New Freedom: Absent No Report

Visions of Hope: Absent No Report

Simple Serenity: Our core group has grown to 6 and meeting vary from 4-10. Same place, same time. 26.98 lit order. ILAS, Mike R.

Recharge Group: Verbal Report but not received

Straight Edge GSF: Absent No Report

ACW: Verbal Report but not received

One Life to Live: Absent no report

Financial Requests: All operating expenses passed.

Sharing Session: Turned over to Mary R. at 2:40 pm

Question was raised about the Nominations for Area not here today. Answer was as long as resumes are here let it happen. Voting takes place. Laura W. just wanted to let everyone know that the attendance at the Chili Cook Off was very much appreciated!!!

Close sharing at 2:43 pm. Break 10 mins and resumed at 2:51pm. Moment of silence followed by serenity prayer.

Unfinished Services:

A) Pott. Co. Jail update- Going Good. Approved 4 more to go into the jail. There is now 7 women and 5 guys that have been approved. Order for 15 Basic Text from Visions of Hope for the jail. There is 32 total books in the jail. They are very happy for the donations. Suggested to or the Intro to NA @ \$2.75 order for the jail. Discuss at next area.

B) Nominations/Elections- **Facilitator**-Bill D. gave a written resume. Vote is unanimous. **Co-Facilitator**- OPEN (Glenda C. declined nomination) **Recorder**- OPEN (Glenda C. will set in) **Treasure**-Brandon S. stays unanimous. **RCM**- Nate M. unanimous. **RCM ALT.**-OPEN **Literature Chair**- Mary Jo resume given verbally by Mary R. unanimous. **H&I**- OPEN (George O. declined nomination) **Phoneline/PI**- Sari M. unanimous. **Webservant**- Dave R. verbal resume. 7 votes 1 against.

C) Basic Dance Bids- Straight Edge in Clarinda is our host on August 15, 2015. Held at the Wibholm Hall @fairgrounds with doors opening at 6:00 finger foods provided listening to the speaker Al C. at 7:00 pm with DJ Mike for the dance.

D) Memorial Campout an Area event or not?- Unanimous to have it as a SWINA event.

E) Anniversary Dance May or June?- Keeping it on events and keeping it held in May.

F) Stay not fundraising or change- We are self-supporting not fundraising 7 but 1 abstained.

G) Logos and decide how many and what color shirts (bids for shirts due next month)- 1 bid from Harlan. 2 colors but not decided what 2 colors. Shirt color is Gray. Mary is sending out info for the shirt sizes.

Extend Area for 5 mins 4:00 pm

Current Services:

A) Moved Area next month to Sunday May 3.

B) Luau Date will be July 18th.

Announcements & Flood Meeting: Get to a Meeting!!

Motion to close meeting at 4:05 pm passed 7th Tradition for Area was \$7.00