

## SWINA ASC MINUTES July 15, 2018

### 1. Sharing Session

Sari – questions the absence of timeline for activities and then suggested the implementation of a timeline for bids. Clarification of guidelines that are already established. Dave has one to add to the documents online. Discussion of guidelines regarding this ensued.

Stacy J - The pull tab fliers are ready, - do the GSRs want them now or wait.? There is no set timeline for handing them. Decision was made to distribute the pull tab fliers at the ASC meeting to return to the groups.

Dave R. questioned how long to maintain minutes? 2 years was the duration clarified after further discussion.

Barry B: Council Bluffs is now in its 40<sup>th</sup> year of having a N.A. presence in town. He will be coordinating a meeting with the Council Bluffs groups to determine interest and planning of a celebratory activity. Verbal interest was expressed by ASC members from C.B at the time.

### 2. Open – Bart W.

### 3. Readings

- a. Twelve Traditions – Barry B.
- b. Twelve Concepts – Aaron A.
- c. Service Motivation – Holly M.

### 4. Roll Call

#### Executive Committee

Facilitator – Bart W. Co-Facilitator Bill

Recorder Stacy	Treasurer Gary
RCM Dave	RCM ALT - Open

#### Sub Committees:

Lit Holly	PR Sari
H&I George	PI Stacy J.
Activities Laura	Activities Co Casey

#### Groups

Discovery Group Dave	Just For Today Aaron
Living Clean Tiffany	Recharge MikeVP
New Way Kenny	Visions Of Hope Barry
Straight Friends Laura	Harlan GSF Kevin
Atlantic Meeting Mark	Let It Be Holly
New Freedom Anne	Straight Edge ABS

Visitors Carol

Total attendance 11  
To pass to block

## 5. Reports:

Facilitator – Bart W. Had to redo the cards for consensus – no further update

Co-Facilitator: Account now has his signature of file.

Recorder: no report

Treasurer: Ledger balance is \$2423.96 bank balance is \$2423.96. Asked for a determination of how long to keep old financial records.

RCM: Regional website is updated and running.

RCM ALT - Open

Sub Committees:

Lit:

I am in the hospital getting a new PICC line and port put in for Dialysis in the morning. It was badly infected from all the treatments. Holly and I will meet at the Luau and she is getting all the literature and any literature order for today she will have there and then I'm done with literature but I still will show her what to do and how to do it. Please pay for all orders you have today so she can start off with a whole inventory of literature. Thanks for allowing me to serve in this area.

In Love and Service,

Mary R.

PR: verbal report given

H&I:

Greetings SWINA from your H&I chair,

I am currently working on contacting the facilities we have meetings in to check the status of the meetings as well as making sure that their needs are met.

I have also been in contact with the jail in Pott. County as to the change of the meeting time from 8:00 PM into 7:30 PM on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month. The mens and womens meetings are both in need of volunteers as well as the womens meeting needing a panel leader. The jail will be buying lit from the Area as soon as I can get them an order form and contact information to proceed.

ILS,

George R.

PI Stacy J.

Activities:

Greetings Area,

Activities is busy, busy, busy. I have made progress on my savviness, however "remembering" everything is getting worse by the day. I do have "some" hoodie order sheets and other paperwork created, however I do not have a lot to hand out.

I do have hoodie order forms to give out – SWINA flier is on the web.

Registration forms need approval and agenda needs approval – porta potty needs approval and I have tentative speakers for SWINA but before area approval I would like confirmations and as far as the meal...we are checking into local caterers for prices and menu (this would free up a lot of my sign up sheet too for services of food).

I have 2 shirt companies I've been speaking with and I have 1 bid and the second one we are still discussing the art work but I am having a hard time getting a dollar amount from him because our schedules are conflicting, so I can keep trying, but, I do know that my one bid will "front" the cost of shirts until after the event, not sure of this other company willing to "front"!

We are however ready for the Luau! Pig – Pinata – all we need are people!

ILS,

Laura W.

Activities Co Chair:

Dear ASC,

We are close to the Luau which is next Weekend. Everything is ready. Brian V. and I are going to dig the hole Friday morning, starting around 6AM. Brian is

cutting up the last of the wood today. Brian is picking up the hog sometime Friday. Hope to see you all there!

ILS,  
Casey W.

## Groups

### Discovery Group – verbal report

#### Just For Today:

Greetings Area,

The Red Oak meetings are alive and well. We had between 3-11 addicts in attendance. We celebrated 1 – 90 day, 1 – 2 year, and 1 JFT. Rent will be paid at the end of July in the amount of \$60.00. Our total for the month was \$64.12 with no lit order and no area donations.

In Loving Service,  
Aaron A.

#### Living Clean: Greetings ASC,

The Living Clean meeting is alive and well. Our Saturday meetings are picking back up. We are averaging anywhere from 2 to 10 members a meeting. We have celebrated 2 newcomers, 2 – 30 days, 1 – 60 day, 1 – 90 day, 1 – 9 month, and 1 – 18 month. We have no area donation.

ILS,  
Tiffany W.

#### Recharge:

Recharge Group Report given July 15th 2018 Greetings SWINA from the Recharge Group Carter Lake, Our average attendance for June 2018 was 5-9 addicts. We celebrated 1 Sixty Days Clean. Our beginning balance was \$23.00 income of \$20.00 expenses of \$15.00 and ending balance of \$28.00 We have a \$11.00 lit order and a \$10.00 area donation. The recovery journey continues at Recharge. Come join us. In Loving Service, Mike VP, Recharge Group

#### New Way:

New way Group Report given July 15th 2018 Greetings SWINA from the New Way Group Council luffs Our average attendance for June was 1-19 addicts. We welcomed Newcomers and celebrated 1-Thirty Days Clean. Our beginning

balance was \$21.00, income of \$5.99 expenses of \$3.99, and ending balance of \$39.00. We have a \$30.00 lit order and a \$5.00 dollar area donation. We are looking forward to The Luau. We are currently in Step Twelve in The Step Working Guide. The coffee is hot and the hugs are warm at New Way. Come see us. LIR, Kenny S. New Way Group

Visions Of Hope:

Greeting Area,

Visions of Hope served 172 addicts last month. We celebrated 3 newcomers, 1 – 30 day, and 1 – 60 day birthday. We have introduced speaker meetings on Thursday nights. Please feel welcome to stop by. ILS, Barry

Straight Friends:

Greetings Area,

Straight Friends is doing well. Anticipating the upcoming events and enjoying the summer! We do have a lit order today and had a few clean time celebrations as well!

ILS,

Laura W.

Harlan GSF:

Harlan has a total of \$11.81 in lit orders. \$40 area donation. Wednesdays Anybodies Group continues to struggle to be self supporting and carry the message. Due to this we decided to close the meeting effective immediately. The group consensus is for Carol H. to take the RCM Alt. position.

ILS,

Kevin G.

Atlantic Meeting:

Meetings are going well. We continue to keep the doors open and sharing has been good. We have 3 – 8 addicts in attendance and 4 newcomers. We have 0 lit order or area donation.

ILS,

Mark C.

Let It Be:

Greetings Area,

The Let It Be group of Narcotics Anonymous has had an attendance of 256 addicts this month. We welcomed 6 newcomers & celebrated 8 other birthdays.

Our group discussed the goals put forth from area and our group wonders if PR/PI would consider using bus advertisements as a public service announcement. Our group will continue to order our own literature independently rather than through our area. We have no area donation at this time.

In Loving Service,  
Holly M.

New Freedom:  
Greetings Area,

The New Freedom Group had the first annual pot luck summer picnic last night with great food and fellowship and about 25 in attendance. The meetings are still going strong with The Monday & Wednesday meetings averaging 7 – 15 people and Friday meetings 10 – 20. We handed out 4 newcomer tags, and had 4 birthdays. 1 – 30 day, 1 – 60 day, 1 – 90 day, and 1 year. Our GSR and group voted Rachelle and I in as GSR and Alternate GSR and we are excited to start this new journey in our recovery. We do have an area donation of \$50.00 at this time. We do have another lit order as we are trying to replenish our NA lit for the meeting hall. This lit order for today is \$52.65.

Please note the address change for the meetings to 407 West Clark Steet  
Creston, IA 50801

In Loving Service, Ann

Straight Edge ABS

6. Correction and Approval of Minutes – request made to change the wording of area service update to area service guidelines. 11 green – motion passed.
7. Financial Request and 7<sup>th</sup> tradition

Dave R. requested reimbursement of \$174.00 for 2 night lodging for regional  
Stacy J. requested operating expenses of \$74.90 for pull tabs printing and postage.

Stacy J. is requesting \$300 for the upfront expense for postcards and stamps to contact businesses /schools/offices, etc. 10 green 1 white – motion passed.  
Activities committee requested approval for porta potty rental for the SWINA campout. Dons John's have been used historically. Cost is \$85 per potty.  
Requesting approval for 3-5 pottys. Consensus sought for 4. 10 green 1 yellow.  
Motion passed.

8. Old Service

- a. Area guidelines update – Verbal report Next Zoom meeting 7/16 at 2030
- b. Anniversary dance update – motions passed to strike from service and defer to guidelines committee

c. Elections

a. RCM-ALT

Carol H. Service resume:

I have been in recovery off and on. I have been clean since December 10<sup>th</sup> 2013. I have been GSR of meetings in Clarinda for 7 years and at Creston New Hope for the last 12 years. I have sponsored women in NA for many years. I started Narcotics Anonymous in 1990 in Clarinda's Straight Edge. I've had years clean and unfortunately I've had a few relapses. But God has continued to bring me back home immediately after a relapse. I have a burning desire to continue my recovery and come back to ASC to serve. I've had so many wonderful things happen in my life all due to N.A. I have volunteered to try Alt. R.C.M. position and help others in Narcotics Anonymous.

Thank you,

ILS,

Carol H.

I have had a sponsor and have and continue to work the 12 steps and 12 traditions daily 😊

Election was held, and Carol was voted into the position with unanimous consensus.

- d. SWINA registration form – form received by the ASC. 11 green – motion approved
- e. Goals for next year: To be sent to the committees
  - a. New Year's Eve event – activities committee
  - b. Goal for the Web Servant to keep the site updated – for review
  - c. Goal request for more participation at other group events – take to the groups. Discussion followed about expanding the event communication to nearby areas by sending to region and different areas. Suggestion to add to the Facebook pages.

- d. Goal to get church and school email contacts for an email blast – PR is generating a professional letter. Still gathering emails. Requested that GSR's assist with getting local emails and return that information to the committees.
- e. Goal to have the meeting lists updated quarterly - currently in action.
- f. Goal to contact current facilities to ensure that their needs are being met – H&I
- g. Fellowship development has ad hoc area reps collaborating to look at PSA's and fellowship development – discussion and clarification followed regarding that PSA is external and worked on by PI. Fellowship development is internal. Request made regarding this to continue to reach out to groups to determine need. Suggestion made to designate the new meeting in Missouri Valley for the month of August. Motion passed 10 green 1 white. Meeting is Thursdays at 7:30PM. Address is 119 N. 4<sup>th</sup> street. Discussion followed the sharing of this information
- f. Literature concerns – were addressed. Request made to please call Holly is lit is needed at an event, She would prefer to have lit at her home. Discussion ensued. Clarification made that she will have lit available at Area as well as events.
- g. SWINA registration form – form received by the ASC. 11 green – motion approved
- h. Key Holders for the PO box number 1134 – Clarification made that Mike VP and Stacy H. both have access to the mailbox. Box l=will be checked prior to each ASC meeting.

#### 9. New service

#### 10. Announcements

Visions Of Hope is now offering speaker meeting on Thursdays. First 4 speakers have already been arranged.

#### 11. Next ASC meeting August 12, 2018

