

March AREA Minutes

3/13/11

Call To Order 12:02 pm

Serenity Prayer

Concept 3

Old Business – none

Open Forum

- Policy? Voting page 2 or P&P manual, quorum changes. Minimum of half, can still vote. (Chuck)
- T-shirt activities (Chad)
- Meeting list updates. Printed, website, regional, quarterly updates (Ren)
- Phone Line issues. April 9th subcommittee meeting at Michelangelo's. Need to elect a new phone line chair (Lenora nominated and elected)

Quorum 15

GSR REPORTS

Breakfast Club – \$54.25 lit order, \$48 area donation, 18-24 in attendance. Steady flow of newcomers with good clean time and participation. No issues at this time. We will be doing 'Eat A Good Breakfast' twice a year. This will take place in late May/early June. This was decided at the last business meeting. Dates will follow.

Peace of Mind – \$39.25 lit order, no area donation. We have a steady attendance of 7 to 8 people. Our monthly high was 10 and a low of 5. We can see some more future growth. Our business meeting is held on the same Sunday as area. Bonnie G. is the moderator for this group and John H. is the back up.

Traditions – no report

By Young Addicts For Young Addicts – \$26 lit order, \$15 area donation, about 12 in attendance. No issues.

Stoughton – no report

Westside Hope – no report

Why Not Monday/Wednesday – \$107 lit order, \$37 area donation, 20-30 in attendance on Mon and 5-20 on Wed. 7th tradition for Jan and Feb \$204.07. Rent to St. John's \$20 for Jan and \$20 for Feb. Prudent reserve of \$20.07. We voted Mistin in as our new secretary. Karen N. is still treasurer and now is the temporary GSRA as well. We have a sign up for chairing the meetings.

Janesville Willingness – \$291.40 lit order, no area donation. Monday night 7pm /We have good attendance. Our high attendance for the month was 22 our low was 17 averaging at about 18. This meeting is supposed to be a discussion every other week with a basic text read on the alternate weeks. First step and relapse always take precedent over discussion/basic text study. The attendance is steady at this time. Wednesday night 7:30pm/For a new meeting we have a good showing at the meeting. It is an open meeting that goes from 7:30 to 8:30pm. It is based on the book It Works How and Why. The moderators for this meeting are Byron M. and Mike S. It's low attendance is 7 to a high of 16, averaging about 10. This meeting has a great group of core people. Thursday night 7pm/We have good attendance at this meeting. Our high attendance for the month was 34. The average in this meeting is 27. Attendance changes depending on when the rehabs send their people, the local rehab is sending their people to these meetings at times. Friday noon/Our top attendance this month was 10, the average 6 to 7. Attendance is low at this time but the subject content of this meeting is very good. We printed local flyers on this meeting and attendance went up. Our next business meeting subjects are to discuss a local event once area puts out the calendar for the year so there are no conflicts.

Let It Out – \$97 lit order, 41.28 area donation. Meeting attendance has been strong and growing. This month we had the largest meeting to date on Tuesday we had 26 people. There have been 6 newcomers this month. We had a collection of \$183.07 and paid \$50 in rent.

Women In Recovery – lit order \$12.80, \$26.92 area donation, average of 8 in attendance per week and 24 monthly. 1. Our group purchased a basic text for first step meetings for the newcomer. 2. Our (Thursday meeting) group decided to close the Thurs night 5:30pm sister meeting. We took a show pole and it was unanimous, the web needs to take note of this. 3. Our format has changed to include securing a safe place for meetings. We will include, "This meeting is a safe place. Any member who shares in a drug specific or disruptive manner will be asked to stop sharing by the chairperson after being signaled by a home group member. Question is 10% taken from group donations or off the top of BASC donations?"

Back To Life – \$25 lit order, \$95 area donation, 6-12 in attendance. Open topic meeting. We would like to see more support for this meeting, we do get newcomers from the VA on a regular basis.

Life On Life's Terms – \$62.75 lit order, no area donation. We have had steady and slowly growing attendance of 5-7 people with several newcomers.

Hope Haven – \$11.35 lit order, \$13 area donation. Attendance has been steady at about 30 people. That includes program clients and outside support. Please take this back to your groups, show the program works, attend this meeting!!!

Surrender At Recovery Ridge – \$75 lit order, no area donation. We have a 30-40 plus at the meetings, a steady group of newcomers. No issues at this time.

It Can Happen – \$54.50 lit order, \$55.50 area donation. A rent payment was made to the church for \$20. Meeting attendance is strong. No issues at this time.

Show Up To Grow Up – no lit order, \$22.88 area donation. Attendance 3-5 people, needs support! Meeting changed from Friday to Thursday 5-6:30pm. I was giving \$10 for rent.

Experience, Strength, and Hope – no lit order, \$20 area donation, 20-35 in attendance.

Grateful In Green County – no report

When At The End Of The Road – no report

Here's How – no lit order, no area donation, 15-20 in attendance. Good meeting, good location. Open meeting, topic discussion.

Evansville Saturday Night – no lit order, \$20 area donation, 3-5 in attendance. First Saturday of the month is always open speaker meeting 10-20. Needs support.

Show Up To Grow Up Saturday – 4 to 8 in attendance, \$3 and \$5 donations. No issues. Need to know how to donate to Myra D. Have money on hand, unsure how to donate.

BREAK 12:57-1:11pm

RCM – no report

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Relations – We attended the recovery community organization project. It was a very interesting day. This will be a peer run facility by recovering addicts. We also have a road trip coming up, our first of the year. March 28th (Tuesday) Life on life's terms Whitewater. Working on Critical Mass for Janesville end of April. Also we're working on the up coming WAAODA conference youth peer support forum. Talked about our Primary Purpose, looking for more volunteers. Looking also toward the others events, possibly doing a fundraiser.

Phone Line – I was handed the phone line March 13, 2011 by Pat k. We have a subcommittee meeting scheduled for April 9, 2011 @ 1 pm @ Michelangelo's coffee house 114 State St Madison WI. When I took over the phone line there was missed calls and 1 of the calls was

from a woman who had relapsed and needed information about a meeting she also needed a ride.

The calls that I received this weekend were mostly from people inquiring about NA for a spouse, lover or a family member. I also received a call about MAICO in Baraboo which is AA and I looked the number up and gave it to them.

We thought that it would be nice to have a script to answer our phone line for professionalism so we came up with.

Hello thank you for calling the Badgerland Area of Narcotics Anonymous How may I help you?

In Loving Service Lenora R.

Hospitals and Institutions – Hello All! First off I would like to apologize for not being there today. I have ALWAYS wanted to be in a parade since I was a little kid, I get that chance to do that today. The things we get to do when we are living sober...

I emailed the Lady Lisa from Jefferson County who has expressed interest in NA. They currently have AA at their jail and are wanting volunteers to come and do NA. I asked her some questions about the logistics and hopefully she will be getting back to me soon.

We will be having a sub-committee meeting at 6:00 pm before the Sunday night traditions meeting on Sunday, March 20. Please bring this information back to your groups. We do not only need help in the jails, we need help with the function this summer and with hospitals. I would like to get volunteers for Jefferson county as well. So please inform people that we need their help and would love for them to give service in sharing the message for those who cannot get it easily.

I am wanting feedback and input about Hope Haven. It is my understanding that these individuals are not allowed to leave to go to outside meetings. I feel then it is our duty to support this meeting and bring it on as one of our meetings. I spoke with the director and he has confirmed that unless the clients, on an individual basis, are clinically proven to be able to go to a meeting, they have to remain in the facility for thirty days. The only NA meeting they have is the one that is currently there but not funded under the actual H and I for Badgerland. I am also interested in volunteers and feedback about other areas that may be needing assistance so please come to and share the information about this subcommittees meeting.

The current Schedule I have is:

Monday Women's CCB – every other week

Tuesday Men's CCB – every other week

Wednesday Women's PSB – every week

Thursday Men's PSB – every other week opposite of the Tuesday Men's at CCB

Monday Men's Oak Hill Prison – every week.

Please let me know if there are any changes in this.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service and I hope to see you all at the Sunday night H and I committee meeting.

Yours in Service: Tanya L.

Policy and Procedure – Not too much activity. Any groups that didn't get new policy manuals in Feb will have to get them April due to my printer not working. Will be sending copy of manual and financial report form will be to Webmaster to go on Badgerland website. Decided to keep committee at 11 am second Sunday Meriter Hospital back of cafeteria.

Literature – Breakfast Club, \$48.25/Evansville, \$44.25/Experience Strength Hope, \$30.50/Grateful in Green Co, \$9/Hope Haven, \$9.25/It Can Happen, \$57.75/Show up to grow up, \$25/Surrender at Recovery Ridge, \$76.50/When at the end of the road, \$7.50/Women in Recovery, \$13.75/Young Addicts, \$10.50/New Visions, \$38 (new meeting donation)/H&I, \$224.50/Assorted Members, \$28.65/Sunday Night Goodman, \$104.75/Subtotal(+), \$465.65/Subcommittee total(-), \$262.50/Total All Groups, \$728.15.

Activities – Activities met at Denny's on Broadway at 9 pm on 3/9/11. In attendance were about 7 addicts. We discussed the Luau picnic and Pig Roast. Also, we discussed new T shirts and have a motion for funds to purchase T shirts. We decided to bring this matter to area for feedback and opinions. Also, we obtained speakers for Hug a Fool and leads for memorabilia auction. Also, we talked about hats but will discuss this further at a later date. I am getting good support but could always use more especially in reference to volunteers to help set-up and clean-up. This would be greatly appreciated.

Hello all of the Badgerland area. I am very pleased to report that hearts and hugs in my opinion was a huge success. Thanks to everyone who attended and volunteered to help. Special thanks to Sean T. for cooking, Ren and John for musical contributions, and Chuck and Tanya for a great NA talk. The function ended up costing the area \$343.92 of a projected \$370.00 budget. This entails a return check from funds received of \$26.08. The event raised a total amount of \$499.08 and one T- shirt sold for \$15.00. The total I have already deposited into the Badgerland account was \$488.00 on 2/22/2011 with Pat K. In conclusion the total deposited on the 22nd plus my personal check to area today the grand total of funds is \$514.08. When I subtract money spent from money generated I come up with a total of \$ 170.16. This seems like a successful outcome. I am very pleased to serve the addicts of the Badgerland area and look forward to the next activity. Thank you for letting me be of maximum service.

Additions Needs – All lit was taken to Multicultural Center. Need more lit, the meeting that was going to take place is at a stand still, we will be working to get a Spanish meeting going. Will keep trying to set up a meeting real soon. Will get lit from Mark, and get flyers printed to hand out.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair – no report

Vice Chair – As your vice chairperson, this month I assisted with our phonenumber, and conferring with other area addicts to further our primary purpose. Also, I was involved in the completion of our treasury report, making deposits, and emailing the report to the webservants. Thanks for letting me be of service.

Treasurer – see report

Vice Treasurer – vacant

Secretary – see report

RCM – no report

RCMA – Next week is the regional meeting at the next BASC meeting I will report on the activities of that meeting and will submit a reimbursement request for mileage and room.

Approval of Last Months Minutes, approved as amended 11-0-1

Treasurer's Report and Approval, table until next month

Vacancies/Nominations/Elections –

- Lenora nominated elected for Phonenumber Chair 10-0-0
- Myra, Mark N, and John S 2 nominated for treasurer

New Business

Suspend policy so w can give Activities and Outreach money

8-2-4

Motions

Maker, Chad G./Seconder, John C.

Motion - To give Activities \$400 for printing T shirts.

Intent - To get T shirts printed in order to start selling them to generate funds for area.

Amendment – Chad G will get estimates and be allowed to get T shirts up to \$400. Will bring estimates to Chuck and Pat.

Passed as amended 13-0-0

Maker, Dennis C./Seconder, Chad G.

Motion - Funds of \$40 for Spanish literature

Intent – To have Spanish literature for Multicultural Center

Amendment – To bring receipt and then reimburse.

Passed as amended 13-0-0

Adjourn and Close 13-0-0 3 06 PM

