

April BASC Minutes
4/10/11

Call To Order 12:00pm

Service Prayer

Concept 4

Quorum – 15

Old Business – Approval of Treasurer's Report

Open Forum:

- World raising literature prices 5% and shipping fees 7%, new lit order forms
- Motion to remove reading of concepts at area, withdrawn
- Motion, announce time (30 min) for open forum
- Motion, limit questions and discussion on reports to what they are reporting on

GSR Reports

Breakfast Club – \$41 lit order, \$47.45 area donation, 20-30 in attendance. Eat a good breakfast will still be in June and we will be discussing a definite date at the next business meeting. Lots of newcomers in attendance, as well as many with substantial clean time.

Peace of Mind – no lit order or area donation, 7-8 in attendance. 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 backup.

Traditions – \$88 lit order, \$70 area donation, 18-20 in attendance. \$42 is the remaining balance of funds on hand. We expect to make a rent donation to the Goodman Center in the next few weeks, hence the holdover of \$42.

By Young Addicts for Young Addicts – \$26.50 lit order, \$13.50 area donation, 10-12 in attendance. Average donation \$5-7, no issues.

Stoughton – no report

Westside Hope – \$46.30 lit order, \$30 area donation, an average of 7 in attendance. We will be permanent at Good Shepard, Raymond Rd and Whitney Way. Several new members.

Why Not Monday/Wednesday – We collected \$93.37 and are buying \$49 in literature. We have a prudent reserve of \$20, paid rent of \$20 and we will be meeting at an alternate location on the Monday after Easter, probably Immanuel Lutheran. I will post a flyer to the door with directions. Lenora has been nominated and accepted as treasurer, Karen N. is now Secretary and GSR, Ray is GSRA and Edwina has agreed to be co-secretary. Attendance for Monday is 25-30 and Wednesday is 10-20. Jim is presently acting as chairperson. We are not making an area donation this month.

Janesville Willingness – Monday 7pm/We have good attendance. Our high attendance for the month was 23 our low was 16 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 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 8:30. It is based on the book It Works How and Why. The moderators for this meeting are Byron M. and Mike S. Its low attendance is 7 to a high of 16, averaging about 10. This meeting has a great group of core people. Thursday 7pm/We have good attendance at this meeting. Our high attendance for the month was 36. The average in this meeting is 31. Attendance changes depending on when the rehabs send their people. The local rehab is sending their people to this meeting at times. Friday noon/Our top attendance this month was 10. The average is 6 to 7. Attendance is low at this time but the subject content of this meeting is very good. No lit order or area donation.

Let It Out – Meeting is steady and strong. Average of 15 people and top attendance is 25. We had a total collection of \$177.25, paid \$60 for rent, we have a lit order of \$72, and are giving the remaining \$45.25 to area leaving a balance of \$0. We have also talked about using some of the collection to donate literature to the Hope Haven meeting, but we're told that H&I was doing that and we're wondering if we should still think about doing that or if it was all taken care of by H&I.

Women In Recovery – Meetings are going very well. Two newcomers this past month. Meetings are recovery focused with emphasis on the steps, traditions, and spiritual principals. We are donating \$45.20 to area this month, and purchasing \$10.75 of literature. Average attendance is 10.

Back to Life – \$20 lit order, no area donation, 5-6 people every week. Open topic meeting. We need support please.

Life on Life's Terms – First we would like to thank the Badgerland Outreach Subcommittee for their road trip down to Whitewater last Tuesday March 29th. The Life on Life's Term meeting continues to have small and steady attendance of 7 -10 addicts, some regular, some returning and some new. We have sufficient literature and supplies for our meeting. We do not have a literature order or Area donation this month. We are considering amending the meeting format to have occasional speaker meetings and are working on getting our local service positions filled.

Hope Haven – The Hope Haven meeting of Narcotics Anonymous is now with budget! [applause] Thanks to the H&I Committee, and Chair.

However, this meeting is still collecting donations to purchase key tags, which we will be acquiring today, and to pay rent to the facility. We will contribute an area donation whenever possible. Today, we have a donation in the amount of \$7.75.

The meeting has had a strong outside support, along with its regular client attendance, for an average of 30 people per meeting, and for that we are grateful. Please continue to

advocate to your groups that Hope Haven is in need of the experience, strength, and hope of others. Come and show how the program is working in your life.
Sincerely, your humble servant, Pat K.

Surrender at Recovery Ridge – The meeting has held 40+ in attendance each week. We are ordering \$101.50 in literature. Our group is giving away 4 basic texts and 1 step working guide at our next meeting. We hold our groups business meeting the Wed before area after our meeting closes. Many newcomers this month.

It Can Happen – \$65.75 lit order, \$45.42 area donation, \$20 rent. Attendance remains strong (between 25-40 people). No issues at this time, speaker meeting on April 28th.

Show Up to Grow Up – Meeting still going, changed from Friday to Thursday at St. John's 5-6 30pm. Need support. Bought \$1 literature, donated \$10 to area.

Experience, Strength, and Hope – \$45.40 lit order, \$20 area donation. Meeting going great. Attendance 20-30.

Grateful in Green County – no report

When at the End of the Road – no report

Show Up to Grow Up Saturday – Needs support!! 5-8 addicts in attendance per week. Needs secretary, Myra D. \$20 donation.

Here's How – We have a literature order of \$26, we paid \$20 for May rent, no area donation. There are between 15-30 in attendance. On April 23rd and 30th we cant have the meeting at Immanuel. We are working on finding an alternate place.

Evansville Saturday Night – \$20 area donation, no lit order. John C. speaking on May 7th. Need support, 3-5 people weekly except during speaker meetings. Lenora R. is speaking June 4th. I'm the only one from Evansville usually, what can I do? Any ideas?

Nameless Monday – New open meeting. First held 3/28/11/ Total attendance of 3. New GSR, new to the Badgerland ASC, so assume I know nothing (though I have read the ASC policy online). No donation today. I have a few flyers announcing the meeting, though not enough for everyone (where I hail from, copies are made by the ASC) but I can also email copies to anyone interested. Our format encourages writing, meditation, and discussion. The group's representation at BASC may be sporadic while I am the sole trusted servant, though I'm happy to send a report each month via mail or email if that's an option.

Break 1 16-1 33pm

Sub-committee Reports

Public Relations – Hey Badgerland ASC, Mark C. here, sorry I can't be there today, but I'm there in spirit! We have accomplished a lot in the last month. Our first road trip went well except for the attendance. Two newcomers showed up at Caribou Coffee that really needed a meeting. One newcomer had 5 hours clean, the other back from a relapse, so I believe this still served our primary purpose. The next road trip is going to be on May 11th, we are going to Janesville to "It works how and why group". We will be meeting at Caribou Coffee at 6 and leaving at about 6 30 or 6 45. Please come and share your experience, strength, and hope. Our mailing is almost ready to go out, and it will be mailed out this month, it's going to include two IP's meeting list, cover letter, literature order form, and a reply card. I hope we got all the corrections, deletions, and additions correct on the meeting list and phone lists, if we missed a meeting or somebody on the list we apologize. We were going to do a critical mass in Janesville at the end of the month, but since Show Up to Grow Up is doing a function in Madison we decided to support that function and help with technical, and financial support to further our primary purpose. I will be asking for the regular advance budget amount for this upcoming month. We are already planning another road trip in June to Evansville, more will be revealed next month. The Waaoda conference is coming up and a couple of our sub-committee members will be speaking at the youth track. I also personally attend the WIRCO monthly meeting, and the efforts are still moving forward to develop a recovery community organization in the state of Wisconsin, VERY EARLY STAGES OF DEVELOPMENT, and MORE WILL BE REVEALED! Please give the advance check to Wes. Thanks for letting me have a opportunity to serve the addicts of Badgerland. Mark C.

Phone Line – no report

Hospitals and Institutions – We had our first sub committee meeting the third Sunday in March. Approximately 13 people showed up. We discussed the distribution of books and voted on how the money area gives us is distributed to each group. We decided that we cannot have a specific protocol for how each of the 5 jail/prison meetings gives out there books. Some groups value things differently than others and it was people's concern that books were being given out too frequently and without much accountability. It was determined that everyone within our groups are trusted servants and how they choose to give out THEIR books is up to them, however we did decide that each group should have a cap and the budgeted amount of money be split between all the groups and they can make their own literature orders for what they need. These orders are to be given to the chair by area and she will order for all the groups and distribute as well as possible. We also decided as a group to provide literature to Hope Haven. Now it has been brought to my attention after the fact that we need to discuss the donations Hope Haven receives, although the meeting reportedly struggles on literature, it is my understanding that they still have rent to pay and need key tags. As it stands right now each of the 5 Jail/Prison groups and the 1

Institution-Hope Haven gets \$37.50 to spend how they want on literature. The next subcommittee meeting will be the 3rd Sunday of the every month at 5:30 at the Goodman Center. The next one is on the 17th. Also, we had 5 new applicants for jail access. Lori Prieur will be getting back to me so hopefully we can get them into the orientation on the 20th of April. Also I emailed the Jefferson County jail with names and information about individuals interested in starting a mens and a women's NA meeting in their jail. The Sargent has not gotten back to me about these people. I will email her again and see how things are going. It is my recommendation that the minimal amount of money from Hope Haven go to their rent and the rest come to area. Their key tags and literature will be carried by us. We will discuss the logistics at next subcommittee meeting. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Tanya L.

Policy and Procedure – Had trouble getting policy manual sent to website. I will make another attempt this month. Other than that let's remember what policies are made for. They are there to follow and make our process more efficient. So let's be mindful of that.

Literature – Back To Life/\$25, Breakfast Club/\$55.55, Hope Haven/\$11.35, It Can Happen/\$54.50, Janesville/\$313.60, Let It Out/\$97, Life On Life's Terms/\$60.25, Show Up To Grow Up/\$56.25, Surrender At Recovery Ridge/\$58.50, Why Not Monday and Wednesday/\$107, Willingness Group/\$12.50, Women In Recovery/\$15, Young Addicts/\$26, PI/\$76, H&I/\$224.50, Assorted Members/\$29, **Subtotal(+)**/\$921.50, **Subcommittee Total(-)**/\$300.50, **Total All Groups**/\$1222

Activities – no report

Additional Needs – no report

Administrative Committee Reports

Chair – Been in contact with various sub-committees.

Vice Chair – This month I have been working closely with several Committee Chairs to better ensure the effectiveness and efficiency of the Badgerland Area. I attended this months H&I meeting, where we established an equally divided budget to each facility under the umbrella of the H&I committee, adding Hope Haven to that list. (see H&I report) I did not attend our Bowling For Newcomers event, however, I did attend and participate in the Hug-A-Fool Dance function, where, I believe, many addicts truly enjoyed themselves, especially our Fool and Chair, Chuck, who was literally there with bells on. (see Activities report) I have also been working with our Phone Line chair to help establish a better functioning area phone line. In an effort to better serve the still suffering addicts, we have been discussing the distribution of responsibility of answering the calls to numerous qualified addicts, so that, not only our callers are being well

handled, but, also our addicts who take calls can still have their own personal recovery needs met; step work, sponsorship, meetings, etc.

Lastly, to the best of my ability, I have handled the responsibility of Treasurer. Please don't make me do this again, as it makes me want to hurt people. [joke]

Sincerely, your humble servant, Pat K.

Treasurer – see report

Vice Treasurer – vacant

Secretary – see report

RCM – no report

RCMA – Per a conversation with Gene we are behind 2 cycles in our literature payments something the area of \$1000.00. He will email the Trusted Servants link with the full amount owed.

12 of 14 areas present at roll call.

RD report, US Fellowship Conference, next one is in Oct., They will be sending a 26 page document to the areas on this as this group wants to become the US Fellowship. World is asking items for the CAR be submitted as proposals instead of motions and then move to a consensus.

WRSO report, basic text price from NAWS will not go up. Prices will be changing July 1st from Region.

Area reports:

BASIC is possibly going to put in a bid for 2013 WSNAC. Recovery and Relapse IP “We Do Recover” has left out some words that are in the Basic Text.

Big Rivers is having problems and are going to bimonthly area meetings to help attendance. There have been problems with the lit. chair using the funds for personal use and some of their bills have not been paid.

Chippewa Valley has added two new groups, they will be hosting.

Inland Lakes has decided to withhold donations to NAWS.

Kettle Moraine has a number of activities upcoming.

Milw. No report.

North Central up and running, 10 groups in the area.

Northeast has three new meetings, looking for information on a Traditions working/study guide, this is in the system at NAWS.

Rock River wants to know how other area distribute their lit.

Southeast Family is having problems with a lack of interest at the area level 9 of 24 groups in attendance.

Upper Peninsula distributed fliers for events in there area.

WOCA Relationship retreat, still not on the website yet.

Question, Should WRSC even be a part of MZF, seems to be a waste of resources? Request to take back to groups with the questions, 1) Do we stop going to Zonal altogether and stop sending funds, or 2) Only go when needed and only then send funds?

Round Table discussion: How and to what purpose does region carry the message of recovery to the addict. The amount of time on the Facebook issue with no resolution reached. Should we get back to the Primary Purpose, improve our communications, the RCM's are responsible for controlling the discussion. Bring back to area.

PR: Region has paid for the WAAODA conference, required an extra \$61.00 above prudent reserve, motion passed.

Elections:

Policy: John H. would have been up for a third term, policy was not set aside, therefore Harold L. was elected.

Literature: open

Co-Secretary: open

Activities: Elaine E.

Vice-Treasurer: open

Outreach: open

WSNAC Pool: open

WRSO Pool: Harold L.

WSNAC Rep. Odd: Des W.

Public Relations: open

USSC (United States Service Conference) report: Info booklet will be distributed at May Region.

Website: <http://www.USSCNAformingcommittee.org>

Midwest Zonal Forum: Is WRSC getting it's money's worth from being a part of the MZF? Straw poll taken indicated that WRSC no longer wishes keep sending delegates to the MZF. Take back to groups; 1) That we no longer continue to attend the MZF. 2) That we no longer fund the MZF.

3) Send delegates on an as needed basis. 4) Amend the financial suport amount to the MZF.

WSNAC awareness flier date is incorrect should be May 14th and WRSC will be May 14th-15th. The BOD has since corrected the date with the hotel otherwise region would have had to change the dates it would have met. The Activities chair wants announced that she would like to meet area activities chairs.

I am submitting a request to be reimbursed for \$155.40 for two night stay and 212 miles round trip to and from.

Approval of Last Months Minutes – 9-0-1 approved

Treasurer's Report and Approval – Table until next month

Vacancies/Nomination/Elections – Treasurer/Vice-Treasurer

New Business –

Motions

- Approval of the revised literature prices on order form, 4-4-2 approved
- Purchase egg timer to keep better track of time, 0-10-0 not approved
- For area to make a donation of sponsorship IP's and two basic text's to the 'Hanging Out With The Newcomer' event for April 30th. Withdrawn.
- Limit questions or concerns after each sub-committee chair reports to only what is in their report. Take back to groups.

Adjourn and Close 9-0-0, 3 14pm