Marietta Area Service Committee of NA Minutes March 25th, 2017 Next Meeting April 29th, 2017 @ 2:00 PM Ridgeview Conference Center

P.R. Subcommittee meeting is held @ 1:00 PM

WSR Subcommittee meeting is held @ 1:00 PM

H & I subcommittee meeting is held @ 12:00 PM

Quorum calculated to be 18 groups Quorum met @ 2:13 PM

The purpose of area was read by Chris

The 12 traditions were read by Jonathan

The 12 concepts were read by Austin

Motion to accept February minutes: Joe

Motion Seconded by: Amy

The previous month's minutes were moved to acclimation by Chris

<u>Group</u>	<u>GSR</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Comments</u>
A new way of life	Sid	Present	
Addicts in the attic	Asa	X	
Another chance	Amy	Present	
Architects of adversity	Steve	Present	
AMNA	Erin	Present	
Back to the basics	Jerry	Present	
Easy does it	Scott	Present	
End of the road	Chris	Present	
Dopeless hope fiends	Marco	X	
Just for Sunday	Michael	X	
Life is Good	Mark	X	
Living the program	Evan	X	
Mimosa	Geoff	X	
Na at noon	Reg	Present	
On the right track	Jocho	Present	
Life is Good	<mark>Mark</mark>	XX	
Rose group	Brian	Present	
Serenity on the square	Jake	Present	
Sky's the limit	John	Present	
Spiritual Awakenings	Dennis	X	
Staying Alive	Leonard	X	
Surrender on Sunday	Joe	Present	
We group	Jodi	Present	
The Lie is Dead	John	Present	
We recover together	Tim	Present	
Warriors Recovery	Brian	Present	
Whitlock	<mark>John</mark>	XX	
Yana	James	Present	

^{*}Came in Late Doesn't Count towards total. **First meeting back, does not count towards quorum.

Homegroups Removed:

 The following groups were removed due to 2 consecutive absences, they will need to be reached out to by our PR Committee: Whitlock, Life is Good

Homegroups Added:

 The following groups will be counted towards Quorum with one more consecutive meeting: NONE

MASC Admin & Subcommittee Roll Call

Position	Name	Attendance	Report
Chair	Chris	Present	N/A
Vice Chair	Jody	Present	N/A
Treasurer	Katey	Present	
Alt. treasurer	Melody	X	N/A
Secretary	Austin	Present	N/A
Alt. secretary	Vacant	Vacant	N/A
RCM	Rodney	X	Attached
RCMA	Jonathan	Present	N/A
Policy	Tim	X	N/A
parliamentarian			
Lit distribution	Jan	Present	
Alt. lit	Mary	X	N/A
distribution			
Activities chair	Clint	Present	Written
H&I chair	Josh	Present	Written
PR chair	Stephanie	Present	Written
WSR	Becky	Present	Written
24hr room chair	Vacant	Vacant	

Open Forum: 2:16-2:40

- John: Our group is dealing with a disuptive individual. Alot of people have stopped coming to our group out of fear and it concerns me. This person doesnt always fall into this disruptive behaviour, but when he does it concerns me because we have alot of newcomers. This individual is not going to change and we are just letting him win and have control over what happens.
- Stephanie: Have you thought about making it a speaker meeting?
- John: No we do have 3 meetings a week but did begin reading a disclaimer before the meeting now to make sure he is aware that what he is doing is not allowed.
- Sid: We have had issues with people crosstalking and using their phones and it is distracting. I would like to be able to do something about it but do not know if there is a policy or any suggestions towards this.
- Katey: There is an IP that covers this topic, and kind of gives some suggestions and guidelines on how to handle this. I have heard of homegroups banning members who are disruptive and violent.
- Jodi: He has been banned from several meetings in this area.

- Jan: As well as the 24 hour room.
- Katey: So there is a precendence for this situation and a process that other groups have taken.
- Jan: Our primary purpose is to carry the message and foster an atmosphere of recovery. If this individual is making it impossible to create an atmosphere of recovery then we have a duty as members to make a necessary change.
- Becky: The chair can step in to maintain order and set boundaries, even if its in the middle of the person sharing, or if they see people on their cell phones or crosstalking.
- John: That has been done and tried.
- Steve: In Florida, when someone was continually disruptive in a meeting and made it unable for us to conduct a meeting and maintain an atmosphere of recovery. Like in Narcotics Anonymous we dont tell people theyre not welcome, but you could go to the meeting place and see if they would ban the individual from the property. Also, as a homegroup you are autonomous, except in matters effecting NA as a whole, so you have the right to do what you guys deem best for your homegroup.
- John: Thanks guys, our next force of action is to ban him. My concern is that it is frightening people and alot of these newcomers are being scared away from attending a meeting that could save their life.
- Chris: The 4th tradition allows you to handle this as a group, so outside of suggestions I am not sure if there is anything that the area can do. If there is something that this area can do to help your homegroup then let us know.
- Mindi: I have been apart of three meetings where this individual had the outburst. It is no joke. One night he followed me halfway home. Its beyond being scared in a meeting, it is causing serious problems.
- Chris: Individually as recovering addicts, we have the law on our side. If for any reason you feel threatened by this individual you have a right to reach out and handle this legally. But as an area, there is not alot that we can do, it is really up to the individual homegroups. If there is something that you can think of that this area can do, please bring it back and we will do everything we can to help. I hope you have heard some suggestions, but please let us know and keep us up to date and this situation moves forward.
- Austin: Basically as an area we serve the groups, so we as an area cannot ban him from all area meetings, because each individual meeting is automous and we are only here to support those meetings, not control them. The area is controlled by the groups, not the groups by the area.
- Brian: Just ban him and eliminate the issue. Just ban him.

- **Becky:** When are elections? and when do the new officials take over?
- Chris: Nominations go up in may, they are voted on in june and they take over starting during the new business portion of the june ASC meeting.
- John: I went to the "All the Way Up" meeting, and what happens is that it is ran by individuals who are participating in the drug court program. They got seriously off topic and it didnt follow our format or traditions. What happened is the person in charge of the facility closed the meeting, so it no longer exists.
- Erin: AM NA is starting an additional meeting at 9am on saturdays in the same location of the wednesday 7am meeting.
- Jan: Thinking of last months discussion of moving area for GRCNA, the way I was taught is that if you make a service committment, you show up. The only reason area is moved is for a federal holiday. The intent is not because people would not be able to make it. It was made so that if the facility was closed, as most are on federal holidays, we could meet the next weekend to still have our area business meeting. The only reason we should be moving an area meeting is if the facility is closed. Arent we supposed to all honor our committments as recovering addicts? Are we co-signing this by changing dates to help more people make it?
- Jodi: You're kind of preaching to the choir here Jan. We are all here. The area voted to not move area, so I do not think this area is co-signing that type of behavior.
- Jan: Well, are we sure that Ridgeview is closed the Sunday of Labor Day weekend, or the Sunday before memorial day? If they are open, then we are moving the ASC meeting to a different weekend for no reason.
- Chris: Jan this is more of a policy issue. I would suggest to you that if your homegroup would like to, you could bring this up as a motion to change policy.
- Jan: Who should reach out to Ridgeview to find out?
- Jodi: Is the intent you described stated in policy?
- Jan: No, but it was the original intent.
- Chris: It would be a good idea for you to reach out to Ridgeview for there schedule and see if they are open, then bring that information back to your homegroup.
- Katey: Also, we take attendance. If someone is running for a position in the future, this is something we could ask them and consider before voting on them.
- Robert: I have been here 8 years and it has been the same. We can try to pass it if we want to, but then we will have to see who shows up to conduct business.
- o **John:** Easy Does It has a new meeting starting next Tuesday at 7pm, it

- will be a Basic Text study meeting.
- Chris: Anyone else? That concludes the open forum portion of this area business meeting

• Subcommittee Reports: 2:40-3:10

- Treasurer's Report Katie:
 - Report Attached
- <u>Literature Report Jan:</u>
 - Will forward when I receive it
- RCM Report Rodney:
 - Report Attached
- Activities Report Clint:
 - Hike went well. 11 in attendance including 1 newcomer. No one needed to be covered so we will be returning all \$50 to area.
 - We will be returning \$80 for our beach house deposit, bringing the total to \$130 going back to area.
 - We are requesting \$455 from the ASC today.
 - \$55 for scavenger hunt prizes.
 - \$400 for campout t-shirts.
 - Scavenger hunt will be April 8th in downtown Woodstock at 2:00PM
 - Spring campout will be 2nd weekend in May. (11th-13th)
- H&I Report Josh:
 - Flyer Attached
 - 9 members in attendance. WE NEED SUPPORT FOR ALL POSITIONS AND FACILITIES!
 - Addicts going to discuss bringing a meeting to Cottage D at Ridgeview.
 - Get orientated before going to an H&I meeting! Required annually and it is required before attending any H&I Meetings.
 - No contact from women's jail from Bartow County. Women from H&I have left 5 messages to the jail.
 - Treasurer was out today, so no financial report will be going out.
 - Meetings:
 - Cobb Stabilization-Fridays 8pm (3mo cleantime requirement)
 - Ridgeview-Fridays 8pm (3mo cleantime requirement)
 - Cherokee Jail-Wednesdays 1-2pm (Men and Women)
 - 6mo cleantime requirement
 - Fingerprints and application to jail required
 - Time can vary

- Cobb Wellstar-Tuesdays 8pm (6mo cleantime requirement)
 - Application online (immunization, orientation, ID card)
- Bartow Jail- (Men and Women)
 - o 6mo cleantime requirement
 - Background Check

-Thanks.

Josh

• PR Report - Stephanie: PR@mariettana.org

- 5 people in attendance.
- Looking into submitting flyer to area schools also included in flyer drive efforts that will continue over the next few months.
- Received poster from regional PR committee.
- May 12th learning day in Jesup, GA
- April 2-5 SE Zonal Forum will fund a booth at Prescription Drug Abuse and Heroin summit.
- Still working on setting budget requirements for PR in order to promote transparency.
- Regional positions rotate in June.
 - Joe C voted in as Webchair.
 - Needs secretary.
- Handing out metro service panel schedules.
- Phone line option:
 - Region could supply an automated phoneline/helpline service that has upgraded services at no cost to the Marietta Area. We will monitor how it goes with participating areas over the next few months. It would save about \$240 for this month alone.
- Metro PR Notes:
 - Why metro and not area? This was asked at our ASC meeting last month. Metro has a close geographic overlap that region has difficulty maintaining over the 3 month break.
 - Topics Discussed: Recruitment, Goals of metro panel, how to improve communication between participants, opportunities to bring people into service, how to make service "attractive", how to share the service experience with newer members.
 - Training goals consistency, making sure people are knowledgeable in what is required to fulfill service

commitment.

- How to collect inventory of services at areas, possibly use the inventory survey from NA.org
- How to best create training modules in order to have a more unified message and share information.
- Collaboration of areas
 - Identifying needs, communication options, sharing service areas, using models/contacting 2 existing metro panels (Kansas City and Australia)
- Creating Private FB page. Posting electronic versions of signup sheets for H&I and PR on area website.

Thanks - Stephanie

• WSR Report - Becky:

- 5 people in attendance.
- WSR needs support! Vice Chair and assistant postal facilitator are open! Also, need step guides. 2yr cleantime requirement and worked a 9th step.
- Postal Facilitator Report:
 - 31 letters received: 13 new, 7 workbooks ordered
 - Expenses:
 - \$21.74-Postage & Supplies
- WSR to create flyers requesting support. These will outline requirements and needs of step guides.
 - Considering reaching out to other areas in the region/ allowing people who are not in the area to step in as step guides.
- Still working so that step guides will be permitted to send letters to inmates in Fulton County Jail, instead of only postcards.

In loving service,

Becky B - WSR Chair

24 Hour Room Report - Robert (Acting Representative):

We met March 3rd. We discussed out first fundraiser. We discussed our t-shirts. There will be two. One for fundraisers and one for the event. We elected Will K. as our Alternate Secretary. Our next meeting will be Mon 26th at 7pm at Stevie B's pizza on Barrett Parkway.

In loving Service,

Robert B

Old Business:

NONE

Elections/Nominations:

o **24 Hour Room Chair-** Robert B

Nominator: Dennis P

■ 2nd: Lyz F■ PRO: 14■ CON:0■ ABS:3

PASSED/ELECTED!

These positions have no nominees and will need to be filled

1. Alternate Secretary

New Business:

NONE

Group Announcements and Celebrations:

- o A New Way of Life: Angela H 1yr
- AM NA: Adding an additional meeting day. Saturdays at 9AM.
- o Crossroads: Need outside support.
- Another Chance: Jody T 5yrs on 4/10
- Easy Does It: Josh H 4yrs on 4/29, We will be starting a Basic Text Book Study starting April 3rd. It will be Tuesdays at 7pm.
- End of the Road: Marley J 1yr on 4/13
- Living the Program: Joshua M. 14yrs on 4/12
- On the Right Track: Big Bob 34yrs in May, John F 11yrs on 4/24, Melissa F - 3yrs on 4/30.
- Rose Group: Moving locations to a new facility. The day and time of the meeting will remain the same. We will know for sure by 3/29. We will inform the area of the new location and address at the next area.
 Tentative start day would be May 2nd.
- Serenity on the Square: Brian W. 22yrs on 5/2, Adam W 4yrs on 5/16, Myra - 5yrs on 5/9
- Sky's the Limit: We went back to our old format on Thursday night. We tried splitting the group and people felt it was awkward. Also the group is

- dealing with a disruptive member. Due to this, several people have stopped coming to the meeting out of fear.
- Spiritual Awakenings: Ashleigh P 2yrs on 4/2, Lina S 7yrs on 4/2, Erika D - 10yrs on 4/2, Dennis P 31yrs on 4/2
- Surrender on Sunday: Louie 18yrs on 4/15
- Warriors in Recovery: Need support!
- We Group: Tim T 11yrs on 4/19
- We Recover Together: James M 2 yrs on 4/11, Armando A 3 yrs on 4/21

Motion to Close: Joe B

Seconded by: Amy

Closed at 3:20PM

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED:

SUNDAY April 29th, 2018 at 2:00PM

<u>Items to be voted on in the April ASC meeting:</u>

NONE

Passed	
Did NOT Pass	
Back to Groups	П

TO BE FILLED OUT BY PERSO	MAKING THE NOMINATION
Position:	DAGILITATOR.
Nominee:	Hogh a.
Nomination made by: (Group/Individual)	NEGANA

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NA Fellowship Service Experience

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