Marietta Area Service Committee of NA Meeting Minutes January 27th, 2019

Next Meeting Sunday, February 24th, 2019 @ 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 14 groups - Quorum met @ 2:10PM The Purpose of the Area was read by Abigail F. The 12 Traditions were read by Scott L. The 12 Concepts were read by Scott L. The 12 Concepts were read by Robyn G. Motion to accept September minutes: Tim T. Motion Seconded: Chuck M. Previous month's minutes were moved to acclimation: Jodi M.

Group	GSR	Attendance	<u>Comments</u>
Addicts in the Attic	David	X	
AMNA	Erin	Present	
Another Chance	Chuck	Present	
Architects of Adversity	Lyz	Present	
Back to the Basics	Jerry	Present	
Dopeless Hope Fiends	Marco	Present	
Easy Does It	Scott	Present	
End of the Road	Chris	Present	
Journey Forward	Wayne	X	
Just for Sunday	Chris	Present	
Ladies Night	Julie	Present*	
The Lie is Dead	Big John	Present	
Living the Program	Amanda	Present	
Lost Dreams Awaken	Tim	Present**	
Mimosa	Brandon	Present	
NA at Noon	Reggie	X	
A New Way of Life	Sid	Present	
On the Right Track	Jocho	Present	
The Rose Group	Sheila	Present	
Serenity on the Square	Mark	XX	
Sky's the Limit	John	Present	
Spiritual Awakenings	Bill	Present	
Surrender on Sunday	Austin	Present	
Unity Group	Mike	Present*	
Warriors in Recovery	Brian	Present	
We Group	Jodi	Present	
We Recover Together	Alex	Present	
YANA	James	Present	

*Came in Late, does not count towards total. **First meeting back, does not count towards quorum.

Homegroups Removed:

- The following groups will be removed from the Attendance/Quorum list due to two consecutive absences:
 - Serenity on the Square

Homegroups Added:

- The following groups will be counted towards Quorum with one more consecutive meeting:
 - Lost Dreams Awaken

Position	Name	Attendance	Report
Chair	Jody	Present	N/A
Vice Chair	Katey	Present	N/A
Treasurer	Dez	Present	Attached
Alt. Treasurer	Zach	Present	N/A
Secretary	Susan	Present	N/A
Alt. Secretary	Chris	Present	N/A
RCM	Vacant	N/A	N/A
RCMA	Stephen	Present	Attached
Policy	Tony	Present	N/A
Parliamentarian			
Lit Distribution	Mary	Present	Written
Alt. Lit Distribution	Robyn	Present	N/A
Activities Chair	Vacant	N/A	Written
H&I Chair	Geoff	Present	Written
PR Chair	Billie	Present	Written
WSR	Nicole	Present	Written
24hr Room Chair	Robert	Absent with Notice	Written

MASC Admin & Subcommittee Roll Call

• <u>Open Forum:</u> 2:13pm - 2:22pm

Jan L: Grateful recovering addict named Jan. Just brief, in the area policy, it states for suspend the rules, it says used to suspend policy, should only be used in dire circumstances. It circumvents the will of the groups by ignoring their approved policy. I would argue that both times last month when we suspended the rules, neither of those times came even close to being dire circumstances. So, I've been taught we honor the homegroups by following policy, and you know, I know sometimes we have to suspend the rules, but I've been taught like it says, to only do that in dire circumstances. So, I kind of feel that we as a body significantly failed last month, so I would ask let's all try to do better, moving forward.

Austin B: Name's Austin, I'm an addict. In our business meeting for my homegroup, I couldn't give an answer so I thought I'd bring it here and ask for clarification in policy, but uh, for RCM and RCMA, someone had said, and I couldn't download the policy to look at it, but someone said that like if the RCM can't fulfill his duties, then the RCM is supposed to fill into that position. So, is that the case or is it, does the RCMA stay the RCMA. You know what I'm saying, it was a little murky and I couldn't give an answer so I figured I'd come an ask you guys.

Stephen R: I'm Stephen, I'm an addict. Like Tony said, it has to be voted in, I can't just be slipped into that role. So yeah, I'm still RCMA.

Austin B: So you just have to fill in for RCM?

Stephen R: Kind of.

TIm: I'm an addict, problem's Tim. It's very simple, it's kind of like how our homegroups have a GSR and a GSRA, you know, our GSRA is there to step in when our GSR can't make it and if the GSRA or the GSR goes an tests the waters, then depending on the homegroup, like for instance our homegroup would have to vote that in. So it's kind of the same principle here when it comes to this [position].

Jody T: Alright, sorry guys, Austin to field your question, what it actually says in policy is the duties for the RCMA is that they attend all RSC meetings, assist the RCM in carrying out the RCM's responsibilities, and knows/learns basic parliamentary procedure of the RSC and ASC policy guidelines. So it doesn't specifically say he has to fill in, that's how our policy is written.

Tony M: Well, it says the RCM and RCMA represent the area at the RSC, so the implied thing is that both the RCM and the RCMA represent the area at region, so if the RCM is not there then the RCMA represents the area at region. At least that's the implied... it doesn't specifically state that but it says the RCM and the RCMA represent the area at the RSC.

Austin B: So, basically, if no one steps up, Stephen's going to be in a four year commitment as RCM?

Tony M: Well, he'd still have to get voted in as RCM, but if he wanted to do RCM at the end of this term then he could apply for it, yeah, even though it's vacant right now, so he could technically put his hat in to be the RCM.

Amanda S: I'm an addict, name's Amanda, I've got three different things that came up during group conscience at Living the Program. One is our flyers that come through the area, can we please be sure that the Narcotics Anonymous name or symbol is on the flyers before they go out to the homegroups, just so we're aware that they are Narcotics Anonymous activities. Also, at a couple different times lit and the treasurer have asked for donations for supplies for organization or being able to get the literature in, is that something that can be worked into the budgets on a yearly basis, where replacement for items needed for either one of them can be considered. And then, as far as PR we had a discussion about approaching PR in the church to see if a PR presentation is something that they are interested in.

Jody T: Can you say that last part?

Amanda S: Public relations. We considered as a homegroup, we had a discussion about approaching PR in the church to see if a PR presentation is something they would be interested in.

Chuck M: For what? What are you trying to get to?

Amanda S: Community outreach. Public relations efforts.

Jody T: I mean, that is what PR does.

Amanda S: Just, brought it up in open forum.

Billie R: My name's Billie and I'm an addict, help me out Amanda, I'm just not good at understanding stuff like this, so would you clarify for me.

Amanda S: Sure, one of our members attended a convention, and one of the activities that went on at the convention was a workshop on public relations, and one of the things that was covered was outreach to some of the facilities that we're members of, or already have meetings in, and that's something that our homegroup is interested in doing and it's something we'll be approaching PR for some help with.

Billie R: Great.

Chris T: Um, just to clarify, Stephen are you voting on behalf of the Marietta Area? **Stephen R:** Yes, when I go to region, I am representing our area.

Chris T: Okay, great.

Mary: Can I respond to what they were talking about with lit? My name's Mary, I'm an addict. The reason why I ask for donations and stuff, like if anybody has the stuff at home is so I don't use any money. I don't know what my budget is, it's never been told to me, I think Katey told me one time that I had like \$20 so I'm not sure, but \$20 does not cover any of what I need so the reason I asked at area, I asked for a hand truck, I got a hand truck donated, I asked for totes, I got totes donated. I like to see if we can come together and do donations before I use money, so I don't know if I'm against policy or whatever, but I'm one of those people that I believe that if you ask, thou shalt receive. Thanks for letting me share.

John: Yes, I'm an addict named John, I'm just letting everybody know Sky's the Limit will be moving to 168 N. Johnson Street Suite 102 Dallas, GA.

• <u>Subcommittee Reports:</u> 2:22pm - 2:45pm

• <u>Treasurer's Report - Dez J:</u>

- Report attached
- WSR, H&I and Activities budget were submitted and will be sent out with this month's report. PR is not submitting a new budget.
- Literature Report Mary W.: marietta.literature@gmail.com
 - Brought in \$1000.00
 - Ordered \$1089.71
 - Lit order form on website is not printing
- RCM Report Stephen R:
 - Report attached

• Activities Report - Katey G:

- Ice Skating 7 people in attendance, 2 newcomers (Spent \$26 in newcomer funds), 1 fell
- Wildlife Action Renewed requesting \$40
- Requesting \$100 for food and supplies for dance
- Budget submitted for 2019 Thank you, we had a great meeting around that and are working on a great year for area!
- Sending Susan and Scott Scavenger Hunt flyer.
- Dance February 16th Masquerade theme, the flyer went out last area see Katey G. if you need more info. Also, hadn't put on there that if people want to bring food they are more than welcome to do so. Also, there is a \$10 suggested donation, but no addict will be turned away.
- Next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 6th at the Vinings Starbucks at 6:30

• <u>H&I Report - Geoff C:</u>

- We had 9 people in attendance today.
- We spent \$227.55 (Will have exact total when I receive order) on literature, and received \$50 from JFS, meaning we spent \$177.50 this month and YTD, out of a budget of \$2755.00.
- Due to the increasing number of facility meetings and subsequent increase in demand for literature and books, especially in the jails, we are requesting a budget increase of \$845 to better provide literature to inmates and patients. This is approximately \$300/month or \$3600/year, and the additional funds will go directly to literature purchases for these meetings.
- Meetings are going well, but we can always use more support. See attached flyer.
- We discussed having a fundraiser to raise more money for literature.
- Robyn G. was nominated and voted in as secretary.
- In loving service, Geoff C.

• PR Report - Billie: PR@mariettana.org

- Will be switching phone lines this month
- Reaching out to homeless shelter in Rockmart
- The Mosaic in Cedartown we will be contacting them to see if they want a presentation

• WSR Report - Nicole A:

- 6 Members in Attendance
- Postal Facilitator Report:
 - Total Letters Received: 9
 - Total Workbooks Ordered: 0
- January Expenses:
 - Supplies: \$1.50
 - Postage: \$0
 - Workbooks: \$0
 - Total January Expenses: \$1.50
 - Year to Date Expense Total: \$1.50 out of \$1380.00.
 - Budget Remaining through December 2019: \$1378.50
- Our WSR vice chair attended North Atlanta's AREA meeting back in October to ask if they will partner with us to provide additional guides willing to guide writers from prisons and jails. They had to take this back to groups for a vote and our vice chair will follow up with North Atlanta AREA to understand if the vote passed or failed.
- We are continuing to update our policy and should be finished with this in February's subcommittee meeting.
- I sent an email out to all stepguides last week and invited them to our annual step guide check-in meeting, which will occur at our February WSR Subcommittee meeting (2/24/19). 9 out of 29 stepguides have responded. I'll send a follow up email next week.
- Dez and I talked about November's workbook invoices that are showing unpaid by NAWS. They sent her the check back and she's planning on providing invoice numbers with the check to them. This should resolve this issue. Moving forward, she will send a copy of the invoices along with the checks for future payments on workbooks.
- Next Subcommittee Meeting: 2/24/18 @ 1:00pm 2:00pm @ Ridgeview Pro North
- Our WSR 2019 Itemized Budget sent to Treasurer:
 - Total Projected Budget for Writing Steps in Recovery
 - \$975.00 Step Working Guides
 - \$200.00 Postage
 - \$000.00 Copies
 - \$120.00 Supplies
 - \$60.00 Pizza for annual step-guide check-in meeting
 - \$85.00 Post Office Box
 - \$1,380.00 Total

- 24 Hour Room Report Jan L:
 - No committee meetings since last ASC meeting.
 - Next committee is 2/9 @ 2 PM at The Zone
 - All positions are open for nominations
 - T-shirt designs for the fundraisers t-shirt are welcome!
 - (Non binding) Poll for input on fundraiser activities will be placed on 24 Hour Room Facebook page shortly
- Old Business:
 - None
- Elections:
 - RCM: Rodney W
 - Service Resume
 - Attached
 - Elected: 19/1/1
- New Business:
 - None
- Trusted Servant Nominations:
 - None
- Group Announcements and Celebrations:
 - AM NA Will also be changing location no later than February 15th to 168
 N. Johnson Street Suite 102 Dallas, GA 30132
 - Another Chance Megan S. 1 yr. on 2/12
 - Architects of Adversity Sean S. 16 yrs. on February 5th; Chip A. 36 yrs. on 2/15
 - **Dopeless Hope Fiends** Needs cleantime support. Marco 9yrs on 2/9
 - Easy Does It Randy R. 1 yr. and Gigi R. -1 yr. both on 2/24
 - End of the Road J.T. 15 yrs. on 2/22
 - Just for Sunday Philip H. 9 yrs. on 1/30; Rhianon 12 yrs. on 3/3
 - **The Lie is Dead** The Lie is Dead group is celebrating its 5 year anniversary on March 2nd @ 5:00, there will be a speaker and a potluck.
 - Living the Program Ryan 9 yrs. on 2/14; Karen 24 yrs. on 3/7; Kevin 30 yrs. in March (Date TBD)
 - Lost Dreams Awaken New Meeting at Milford Baptist Church!; Billie R. -3 yrs. on 2/2

- **Mimosa** Geoff C. 9 yrs. on 1/27; Brandon H. 1 yr. on 2/17
- **On the Right Track** Matt B 1yr on 2/9
- The Rose Group Sarah Q. 10 yrs. on 2/9 Will be held at Community Room, Bridgemill Fire Station, 6p-9p (Eating Meeting) 9550 Bells Ferry Road, Canton 30141
- Sky's the Limit New Location 168 N. Johnson Street Suite 102 Dallas, GA 30132
- Spiritual Awakenings Mike W. 3 yrs. and Bill G. 13 yrs. both on 2/18
- Surrender on Sunday Austin B. 7 yrs. on 1/27; Joe B. 14 yrs. on 2/17
- Warriors in Recovery Needs more support.
- We Recover Together Katey G. 5 yrs. on 2/13; Alex B. 5 yrs. on 2/23

Motion to Close: Bailey

Seconded by: Chris E

Motion to acclamation: Chuck M

Second: Jodi M

Closed at 3:01pm

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED:

Sunday, February 24th at 2:00PM

BACK TO GROUPS (See Below)

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Motions to be voted on in the February ASC Meeting:

• 2019 Budgets

- H&I, Activities & WSR
 - Budget Proposals are at the bottom of the Minutes email
 - Voting will occur at the February ASC Meeting
- PR & Administrative
 - No proposed changes; budgets will roll-over from 2018

Regional Business:

- Region Trusted Servant Nominations
 - Nominees & Resumes listed in RCM Report
 - Attached to Minutes Email
 - GRCNA CPP Chair, Vice-Chair & Treasurer
 - Voting will occur at the February ASC Meeting

Available Area Trusted Servant Positions:

- No Nominations for Following Positions:
 - Chair Activities Committee

Refer to MASCNA Policy for cleantime/service requirements and duties for each position. Policy can be found at MariettaNA.org