

**Marietta Area Service Committee of NA
Meeting Minutes
January 5th, 2019**

Next Meeting Sunday, January 27th, 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 @ 2:13PM

The Purpose of the Area was read by Susan O.

The 12 Traditions were read by Jodi M.

The 12 Concepts were read by Jerry.

Motion to accept September minutes: Chuck M.

Motion Seconded: Jodi M.

Previous month's minutes were moved to acclimation: Chuck M.

Group	GSR	Attendance	Comments
Addicts in the Attic	David	Present	
AMNA	Erin	Present	
Another Chance	Chuck	Present	
Architects of Adversity	Lyz	Present	
Back to the Basics	Jerry	Present	
Dopeless Hope Fiends	Max	Present	
Easy Does It	Scott	Present	
End of the Road	Jan	Present	
It's Never Too Late	Saleem	Present**	
Journey Forward	Wayne	Present	
Just for Sunday	Ant	Present	
Ladies Night	Julie	Present	
The Lie is Dead	Big John	Present	
Living the Program	Amanda	Present	
Mimosa	Bailey	Present	
NA at Noon	Reggie	Present	
A New Way of Life	Sid	Present	
On the Right Track	Jocho	Present	
The Rose Group	Marcia	Present	
Serenity on the Square	Mark	X	
Sky's the Limit	John	Present	
Spiritual Awakenings	Rachel	Present	
Surrender on Sunday	Joe	Present	
Unity Group	Samantha	Present**	
Warriors in Recovery	Brian	X	
We Group	Jodi	Present	
We Recover Together	Christian	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:
 - None

Homegroups Added:

- The following groups will be counted towards Quorum with one more consecutive meeting:
 - Unity Group
 - It's Never Too Late

MASC Admin & Subcommittee Roll Call

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

- Open Forum: 2:15pm - 2:55pm

Erin: I'm Erin and I'm an addict. I have noticed that we are still paying the phone bill, even though we made... we agreed to move to the region phone lines a couple months ago, so I'm just wondering if anybody was aware of who needs to cut those off.

Jody T: That's a PR issue, I believe.

Billie: My name's Billie and I'm an addict. We have not yet made the switch, but we're about to, so.

Lyz F: Addict named Lyz. Hi. After this last month and group conscience, I just kind of wanted to remind our area and the homegroups' GSR's that our area is structured in service and not government, and that there are certain things in the previous couple months lately that haven't been brought up in policy. Like, so our GSR's, especially if you're a new GSR to area, like we're completely misinformed so we're basing decisions out of misinformation instead of like what actually is going on in the sense of motions and voting and so I just wanted to like, bring that up. That at a homegroup level we do not serve our ASC, our ASC serves us. Our subcommittees serve us. Our homegroups.

That's why we come here and that's why we vote and that's why we talk about things. A lot of that was brought up from some members at my homegroup who, like when I read them the motions and had told them about things that were going on at Area, they had some opinions about it that I'll leave out of this, but I just wanted everyone to be aware of that. This is supposed to be of service and not of government, we're not here to tell people what to do or how to run their meetings or what they can or cannot do based on autonomy and our common welfare should come first. Like unity works better when we can all get on the same page that carrying the message is like why we're here. We're not here to dictate what people do or how they run their meetings. And this is like specific around a certain motion that was brought up about the whole meeting schedule thing and somebody had said to me like, "If one of our chairs or our Area service chairs doesn't show up twice, we don't take away their ability to do their job we voted them in as trusted servants," you know?

Jody T: Yes we do. (**Point of Information:** "Lack of attendance at ASC meetings: This is a specific aspect of failure to perform duties for which specific conditions are set. If a trusted servant has missed two consecutive ASC meetings, without notifying the Chair and submitting a monthly report, they will immediately and automatically be impeached. If the RCM or RCMA has missed a RSC meeting without notifying the ASC Chair, and if necessary, attempting to get any needed information from the RSC, or missed two consecutive RSC meetings, the Chair will also bring this before the ASC." - **MASCNA Policy, Article 5**)

Lyz F: And so, I just wanted to bring it up, that as homegroups, as GSRs, like we have a responsibility to our group and then together collectively as an area to make informed decisions. So, I just wanted to put that out there.

Billie: I wasn't sure when to bring this up, but there is a new homegroup starting tonight at 7:30 at the Milford Baptist Church called Lost Dreams Awaken and we're requesting a packet, a new group packet, so I didn't know when to bring this up.

Jocho B: You've gotta make a motion.

Lyz F: You've gotta make a motion. Are you the GSR?

Billie: No, our first meeting is tonight.

Jocho B: When Lyz and I did it we had to fill out a motion form to get that packet.

Lyz F: Okay, and also what Ladies' Night did was we had a group conscience prior to area, so we could kind of like decide who was going to participate in the homegroup and who would be willing to be the GSR, so I would suggest maybe talking to the group that's starting and maybe not making the motion this area, but next area, to say "Hey," and have a group conscience to say "Hey, who's going to represent us at area," to make that request.

Billie: Okay, yeah, if I need to do it that way, I mean I don't know, I've never done this before.

Susan O: I'm an addict named Susan. Billie, a GSR just came and picked up a motion form, so I think there's a GSR that's going to put in a motion form for you to get that

packet, so I'm assuming that GSR will discuss it with you and it'll come up in new business.

Billie: Thank you.

Susan O: Okay, addict named Susan. So my homegroup and our GSR will be putting in a motion today, but I wanted to just bring it to the body before our motion goes in, in case anybody has any feedback so we discussed in our group conscience this month that there seems to be a recurring issue of wrong meeting information on the NA World website. Um, it's been an issue as long as I've been clean, um, and it seems to be a recurring thing where we hear new people come in and say "Hey, I tried to go to this meeting and it wasn't there," or... and it seems to be, as far as I know, a recurring issue. So I went and checked out the NA [World] website and there was a lot of incorrect information there about our Area, so I looked into it and found that they have a person, uh they have a position who is able to interface with an Area trusted servant through, I think it's like a, I think they have an excel form that they will send to a representative from an area that the area has basically said "This is the trusted servant we want you to work with," and they can basically send a whole area's worth of meeting information and then somebody at [NAWS] will update all of the meetings indicated rather than the current process right now is like, you have to submit them one by one to [NAWS] for changes. So, our homegroup would like to put in a motion that somebody from the area take on that responsibility and coordinate with that person at World Services so that we can make sure that, at least for our area, the meeting information is correct on the World website. Um, what we thought of was to put it under PR subcommittee policy because PR does the meeting schedule, so it seemed to us like PR would basically then just, whenever they have a change, they would then send an update to that person at [NAWS] as well. But we haven't written the motion yet, because we wanted to, you know, if we needed to adjust the wording, if it needs to be in another place in policy or whatever we just wanted to basically have the motion be as, hopefully, oriented with the area conscience as possible before we submit it. So, thanks.

Scott L: I can volunteer to do that.

Jody T: I'm sorry, speak up?

Scott L: I said I can volunteer to do that since I'm already doing the meeting list.

Susan O: Thank you Scott, so then, since Scott is offering to do that for PR, our motion will say, like, to add to PR subcommittee policy something about interfacing with the person at World Services to send updated meeting information. Okay, so we'll submit that motion in new business, alright, thanks guys.

Robert B: Can I ask a question? What exactly, so the [NAWS Website]'s not updated?

Susan O: No, it's got all kinds of very outdated information.

Robert B: Okay, because I thought we had a member that was here that created a site that pulls from all the recent ones. And they're all updated.

Jody T: Right, but that's not the [NAWS]'s website, that's kind of its own rogue thing right now.

Robert B: Okay, that's all I wanted to know.

Scott L: Basic Meeting List Toolbox is what a lot of the areas are using, the majority of the region uses it, we use it, our meeting list, I enter it into the Basic Meeting List Toolbox, it automatically goes to the area, to the region so their stuff is automatically updated whenever, you know, the areas updated their lists. More and more areas are starting to use it and I guess [NAWS] has yet to catch up to that and when they do it'll be instantaneously updated but as everything else with [NAWS] they don't move very quickly.

Susan O: Well, you know what Scott, maybe when we, I can send you the information and maybe when we reach out to that person, maybe they'll have... maybe that will be a point of discussion.

Max: Yeah, I'm Max, I'm an addict. I don't have anything to say on that, so if anybody has anything to say they can go first. Alright well my homegroup Dopeless Hope Fiends, we need support, I'm not sure if this is necessarily the right time to bring this up but we only have about 3 or 4 active homegroup members and we're having more and more people come from various halfway houses and recovery centers, so our meeting is large with a lot of newcomers right now, and we could really use support from people in the area, and we also plan on reaching out to some meetings in the North Atlanta area but if anybody could come, it's on Saturday nights at 7:00 p.m. and give us some support we would really appreciate that. Thank you.

Robert B: You can come tonight, Max is celebrating a year.

Christian J: My name's Christian, I'm an addict. Um, the first thing I want to say is, I want to give a thank you to all the committee members of the 24 Hour Room, I don't know, I just think it went really well, and I just wanted to say thank you guys. I heard a lot of good things. But um, one thing my homegroup wanted me to bring up was in light of the... one of the things we voted on was the meeting schedule and the qualifications. We did want to bring up to PR that if PR could reach out to the meetings on our current meeting schedule who have not attended 2 consecutive ASC meetings. And I missed a lot of what she said, I don't know what the narrative is. They just wanted me to bring that up right now.

Lyz F: I'm an addict named Lyz, it's currently in our policy... this is where, this is an issue my homegroup had also and I was trying to talk to Tony to see, talk to the person that made the motion to amend it or to withdraw it for the meeting schedule for motion 11-3 because there's a run around. We were misinformed, there are two separate issues in that motion, one being letting anybody walk in here and getting on our meeting schedule, the other being, well "What if the meeting doesn't exist?" or "How do we dictate or govern what goes on in that meeting?", "How do we know if they meet the six points?", yadda yadda. Totally separate issue from the motion that was made. It says in our policy currently that, and PR has been catching a lot of heat from this over the past, the couple past areas and this is clearly what it says. "Groups will be added to the meeting schedule by request at the Area Service Committee if they meet the

membership qualifications outlined in Article 2.” That is what the motion wanted to change. “After 2 consecutive unnotified ASC absences, the PR Chair will contact a trusted servant of that group, encourage ASC attendance and report back to the Area Service Committee. The Area Service Committee will then determine whether to keep that group on the meeting schedule. A notified absence is defined as a GSR or a GSRA contacting a member of the administrative subcommittee to report their absence.” So basically what that’s saying is that a homegroup doesn’t show up here twice, PR has their signature, PR should have a contact information because we sign the sheets to get the meeting schedules, the PR Chair says “Hey, why don’t you guys come to area? Can you make it area? Do you need support? Do you need somebody to come out there?”. Same thing that Max is doing, at an area level. “Hey guys, my homegroup needs support. My homegroup needs support.” So we go out to that homegroup to support the homegroup in our area or it folds. That’s what happens. And so, as an area, as homegroup members, as GSRs we do that collectively in a unified fashion, we don’t leave it up to PR to go out there and be like “Hey, what are you doing in your meeting? Why are you not getting good attendance?” That’s not that says. And so then when the person’s like “Hey, we just can’t make it out to area,” then the PR Chair comes to this area where we all vote and they say “Hey guys, so-and-so told me that they can’t make it to area,” and then collectively as GSRs of homegroups in our area, we decide “Hey, should we keep them on the meeting schedule or not?” It’s not up to PR, it’s not up to our Chair or Vice-Chair, it’s not up to them, it’s up to us, the GSRs of the area. We have a responsibility to that. The subcommittees, all the subcommittees of the area help serve us at a homegroup level. We don’t report back to them. So, some of the unity issues that I mentioned before, like the government issue, this has nothing to do, because some of the pros and cons in that motion were saying “Well, what if they’re not meeting the six points,” and “What if they’re not doing that?” That’s not what the motion stated. The motion stated that anybody could come in here and say “Hey I’m starting a meeting, I would like to be on your meeting schedule,” so that they could reach a newcomer who that may be the only meeting that they could go to that night. But we want to dictate and govern, “No, you have to show up here twice and show us your accountability.” We’re not accountable to area, area’s accountable to us. The subcommittees are accountable to us, the autonomy of our area. That’s what makes this meeting.

Jody T: Okay, I’m going to interject. The purpose of PR contacting them is just to make sure the group is still meeting, we don’t want to... That’s PR’s responsibility in a sense so we know that the group is still meeting. There was a group here that didn’t show up for a long time.

Lyz F: That’s not what our policy says

Jody T: That is...

Chuck M: That is exactly what it says.

Lyz F: It doesn’t, it says to reach out to them and encourage them to come to area.

Jody T: That's the encouragement.

Lyz F: Right

Jody T: That doesn't mean it's necessary. That's just "Hey, we'd love to have you involved." The entire purpose, I've done this, I've gone to meetings before because they were on our schedule and it turns out they weren't meeting, and our contact information that we had for any trusted servant wasn't there. Like that's the... it's not so PR can dictate or control, it's just so we know they exist. That's the purpose of that section.

Lyz F: Right, that's nothing that I didn't just say, I'm just saying in the motion to let people on the meeting schedule or not, it's like could you imagine if you were a newcomer and you came here and they were like "Sorry, you've got to show up twice before we believe that you're serious about recovery."

Danielle: That's not the motion.

Lyz F: Yeah, but some of the pros and cons tiptoed around that, "Well what if they stop meeting?" or "How do we know if they meet the six points," "Well PR should be involved. PR should go there and see," and that's not anything that had to do with the motion which is what I mean. Like, my homegroup was very, they felt like they were very in the dark, like what you just read has nothing to do with what the motion is stating.

Danielle: Some kind of answer to your statement is that the area policy is made by the groups and if it's not clear or it needs to be changed, the groups can change it. So policy, another organization, another part of NA, area isn't doing anything other than following policy that we, that we created. So if there's some clarity about policy that needs to be cleaned up, that should be addressed by us.

Lyz F: Right that's what I'm addressing, I'm addressing the clarity of the policy. I'm addressing, because for the last, like I was stating before, for the last few areas we've been really harping on PR that "Well, you need to go and make sure these meetings are meeting. You need to go and make sure these meetings are following the six points. Who's going to be responsible for this?" It's not PR's responsibility, our policy states that if a meeting, if a member of a homegroup, a GSR hasn't shown up here twice, in order for them to be taken off the meeting sheet we collectively have to vote on that. Not PR.

Danielle: Okay. So whatever somebody's saying is irrelevant because it's, policy says something different and that should be brought up by, the GSRs should have policy with them so they can understand, "Hey, that's not policy."

Lyz F: Right, that's what I'm bringing up.

Danielle: So something's coming up that has to do with policy, correct? A motion. If it wasn't clear enough then...

Chris B: I'm Chris, I'm an addict. Um, so I don't think anything you're saying is wrong, like this motion was written to like eliminate the barriers to entry to like, the meeting schedule, right? What we saw was like, you and Unity Group and these other groups were like, having to jump through hoops to be put on the meeting schedule, right? I put this motion forward in my homegroup because it seemed only fair like, if we're going to

make you guys jump through hoops then like, we have to hold everyone accountable, because like, basically the way this is written is, if you don't participate in the ASC, you can still meet right, it's not like a governing overtone, it's more like if you want to participate in the ASC and be put on the meeting schedule, then you have to like, come to the ASC and participate. I mean personally, I don't think that's like, a lot to ask, but that being said, it wasn't, the motion wasn't written to like, you know to, to make it seem like we were trying to govern anyone.

Lyz F: No, my homegroup didn't have an issue with the motion and they didn't say the motion was governing, some of the pros and cons that were brought up were around the fact that well, if we just let so-and-so come in here and say, "Hi my name's Susie Q and my group is whatever-whatever and I'd like to be on your meeting schedule," and then we put them on the meeting schedule and the pros and cons list that was brought up was "How do we keep them accountable, that they don't come here twice to vote?" That has nothing to do with, what the motion says. That was all that they brought up, was that it was a little... it was a little runaround because one thing had nothing to do with the other. We have a policy as to what happens if they don't show up.

Jody T: Alright guys, I'm sorry, there's a policy that's going to be voted on. Correct? John I'm sorry, you had your hand up, I'm going to say my piece after you do.

John: I'm an addict named John. You know, I don't know if you're talking about the policy to remove the group if they don't show up or what but, we have groups here in this area who only have like maybe 2 homegroup members. And they cannot get in here. And they're still on that meeting list. You know, as a matter of fact I just picked up meeting lists for that one homegroup. You know, so, is that the issue or...? I mean this is getting confusing because we're talking about one thing and then we're talking about something else.

Jody T: Alright sorry guys, I'm going to interject. We have a motion on the floor. The discussion that we're talking about is the motion that's going to be voted on that was already discussed last month's area, am I correct? That's what we're discussing.

Christian J: It's not.

Jody T: We already have, you guys all already have your group consciences, right? Like there's already a vote that's going to happen, I don't see the need to keep discussing this unless we want to make a motion to change it or something like that but I'm not hearing any of that coming up.

Christian J: Alright, so my name's Christian, I'm a addict. So I brought this forward, and it wasn't talking about the motion that's already been voted on from before. All we were talking about was we wanted to reach out to PR and have PR reach out, as in policy, to the groups who have not attended, and it wasn't, it wasn't saying take them off the list it was just saying like, do the due diligence. Like go to the places that haven't shown up for the last two areas and see what's going on.

Billie: I'm Billie and I'm an addict. I've done that, I've gotten in touch with GSRs who have not been attending area and, you know, discussed the situation with them, but as

PR there's only a few of us so, for all of us to go to the group, and sit in the meeting and talk to them, that's really difficult for us to do because there's just a few of us, you know, but I get the contacting them, because I've done that by phone call and by email. That PR can do, but all this "Go the meeting," and "Check out and see how their meeting's going and whether they meet the six points," and whatnot, that's, that part... We would like to see if maybe the GSRs of the groups nearest those groups would like to go and visit them, I mean it's no problem for me to contact the group's GSR, and ask them, you know, "What's up? Why aren't you coming?" I can do that. Going to, that's our issue. Going to the meeting.

Katey G: I'm Katey and I'm an addict. Isn't it in our policy that groups have to meet the six points to be on the schedule?

Multiple: Yes

Katey G: So we do have some, the GSRs have decided there is some "discernment" over who goes on the schedule. So I mean there is some, like meeting the six points, not using outside literature, so we do have some follow up. But the groups then, but the groups vote to take them off the meeting schedule.

Bailey: I'm an addict named Bailey. The thing we discussed before this motion was even put back to the groups, and the thing we collectively agreed upon was that nobody in ASC decides whether or not a group is meeting. If a group comes to us or if a group representative says "Hey, I'm from X homegroup at Mimosa, and we meet these six points," what are you going to do, tell them they're a liar? No, we decided as an area that if someone comes in and says "We meet the six points, we want to be on the meeting list," we're going to take them at their word. Now, where the rub comes in is if we find out that they are using other literature or they're using non-NA formats and or you know, mixing meetings, or any of the things where they stop meeting the six points, and at that point, that's when, you know, like somebody needs to actually go out, but there groups that meet that just don't come to area that are strong NA meetings, they just don't have somebody to show up here.

Jerry: I'm an addict, my name is Jerry, hey family. I would like to introduce a NA member from the Rome area that, their homegroup would like to see if they could join our area and his name is Seline, from the Never Too Late Group of Narcotics Anonymous.

Tony: It's just like any other meeting that wants to try to become a part of..., you just say "Hey I want to be on the meeting schedule," like we were just talking about, six points, we just said right there, basically the way the current policy is right now is if you show up right now, and you make it back, providing this motion doesn't change [policy], next area, you guys are on the meeting schedule. It's that simple.

Bailey: Yeah if the motion passes, and as long as he says they're an NA meeting that meets the six points and if the motion on our floor passes today then they would go on the schedule, but it would require two more attendances before they could then be a voting member of this area.

Chuck M: Chuck Addict, Just to satisfy my curiosity on this, does geography play a part?

Multiple: No

Chuck M: Geography never plays a part? So somebody from South Atlanta, south of me..., okay, I was just curious. I had no idea, thank you.

Tony M: Just so you guys know, I don't know how many people know, about a couple years ago, the meetings that were out from Paulding County, Pope County, we looked at Douglas County, we looked at forming an ad-hoc, an ad-hoc subcommittee which is basically like to see whether or not they wanted to start a new area, a West Georgia area, um and, they didn't at the time, and this was about 5 years ago, all the homegroups that were out there, Douglasville, Villa Rica, some Acworth, some Dallas, Hiram and a bunch of meetings got together and started holding meetings to see whether or not they were feasibly doing that, because geographically you start growing that, so that might be something that the GSRs want to go back to your homegroups and reconsider again whether or not you wanted to participate. Because in our Guide to Local Service it talks about how to deal with geographically dispersed places, it shows you how to form an ad-hoc to potentially possibly form a new area, or being a part of this area but as an ad-hoc to it. It's laid out really good in here how to do it so if you guys wanted to know more about it, it's in a Guide to Local Service, just an idea, you know, for the groups that are out that way.

Scott L: I have an issue that I wanted to bring up and I'm not sure if it's an issue or not. There's an event being planned for March that is not an official NA event as far as I can tell, but on the website for it it's saying it's being sponsored by a homegroup from this area and I'm not sure if that's real appropriate to be on a website.

Jody T: What event is that, can I ask?

Scott L: The NA Super Speaker Fest.

Jody T: Wait, why is that not an NA event?

Scott L: Well it's not being put on by the area.

Jody T: That doesn't make it not an NA event, though. If a homegroup is putting on an event it's...

Scott L: Is the homegroup actually doing it or are you just lending your name to it? I was just kind of curious how it was working.

Jody T: Which homegroup are you talking about Scott?

Scott L: On The Right Track.

Jody T: Is that you Jocho?

Scott L: On the website it says "Sponsored by On the Right Track" so I wasn't sure if that skirts the 11th Tradition or not as far as anonymity.

Jody T: Jocho, your homegroup is putting on? I'm sorry this is the first I've heard.

Jocho B: No we're not. There has been, correct me if I'm wrong Tony, but there is some NA members that have come together to put on this Super Speaker Fest and it has been asked to On the Right Track to help sponsor this event and what this means is

basically we are going to help keep them accountable in the things that they do through transparency. Tony am I missing anything?

Tony M: No that's basically it. There's a couple members of On the Right Track that's involved with it, and what it is is that the planning committee that's involved in doing it is, their accountability is that their minutes and everything that happens during that is read to the On the Right Track group, as far as, that's where the sponsorship, as far as that portion of it goes onto. As far as, you were talking about the 11th Tradition goes, it's not individual members, things like that, there's cleanup, it's an evolving thing but it is... For the 7th Tradition, right, any of the money and all of the proceeds it's going to is whether or not they're going to do a second one. That money will go to the seed for it, just like any other convention and the rest of the money would go to On the Right Track to their 7th Tradition and they would decide how they want to do for that kind of stuff like that. It's being discussed, every time we meet, I'm actually on the planning committee for this thing. Every time they meet, once month at the homegroup, at On the Right Track we give them the minutes, what's going on to have a level of accountability. So that's where, basically where we stand at. That make sense?

Jody T: So is this an NA event?

Tony M: Yes, it is an NA event, all the people that are coming there are NA speakers, it's an NA event, it's all gone through, it's already been put up on World's website, it is an NA event.

Lonnie: I got a question. I know they're wanting to sponsor you, but me and you already had a conversation about it and it could be, it could involve a lot of money and, you know, I know that's not the primary purpose but the reality is, eventually, you're going to be dealing with a lot of money. So I didn't know... my question to you is do you think you should get the Marietta Area involved or stay with just one homegroup as you're reporting all your income and all your logistics.

Tony M: Well, a few months ago when On the Right Track brought this up to the area we let every group in this area know what we were doing. So there was a transparency, let everyone know what was going, if they wanted to participate and get involved in it, they still can. As far as what, the financial, you know right now this has gone as minimal cost. There's like no, very little overhead at all. This is going on really totally above cost. Whatever happens out of this, that's, that's to be determined. It was transparent so if the Marietta Area decides "Hey look, we want to be a part of this," there's nobody saying no. So if other groups wanted to be a part of it, there's nobody saying no.

Lonnie: I guess my question would be, say after the event and you're sitting on, say thousands of dollars, are you going to just take that and give it to On the Right Track, are you taking it and sending it to the World, or?

Tony M: Well, right now, the consensus on the panel, the planning panel is that whatever's left over will go to the group, and then the group can decide through their group conscience how they want to do with the money. So if other people and other groups want to know, that's kind of how we're looking at doing it, because we don't want

to be involved with all the... And you're right, it could come back a couple thousand dollars and, I mean... go ahead Jocho.

Jocho B: I personally don't understand why is money always the issue?

Jody T: Because money's a big issue.

Jocho B: It is, but this is not why we're doing it. We're doing it, we're doing it to carry the message. We're trying to practice another way of life today, and just because whether it's \$400 or \$4000, it's still going to be handled the same way. Whether or not the money comes back to the group, to On the Right Track and we decide to donate $\frac{3}{4}$ of it to area, or to World or to Region, or if we decide "Hey we need to put this money back into this Super Speaker Fest, it was awesome and we're going to have it next year."

Jody T: The reason money comes up is because we have the Traditions to protect us from ourselves and there's nothing wrong with somebody asking questions to contribute to the transparency of the event.

Jocho B: I'm not saying nothing's wrong, I'm just saying I hate that I hear it a lot. Money's the first thing that comes up.

Tony M: Does that answer your question, Lonnie?

Lonnie: Yeah.

Danielle: I'm Danielle, I'm an addict. I'll be real quick. There's no accountability to the area, which is fine, there's only financial accountability to your group. Correct?

Tony M: Correct. At this point.

Jocho B: It was brought up to area that anybody else could have gotten involved.

Danielle: Yeah but you didn't go through any of the... like get it through area and get area support. You haven't asked for money from area in order to do this thing. You know, but I want to be clear. Financial responsibility ends at your group. That's just basically it.

Tony M: Basically, right now, yeah.

Rachel T: I was mostly just curious why it wasn't, why you guys chose to make it not like an activities committee thing.

Tony M: Well, because this involves more than just the Marietta Area, and at the time it was more of a... For instance 24 Hour Room is an example of something that started before this area and it started with a couple people who decided they wanted to do it and it had become an event and that particular event decided it's becoming more and more effective and Marietta took it on. So it wasn't... there wasn't any reason we felt like, you know to, I mean initially we were just planning it, trying to make it go, maybe see if it could happen, get interest. Contacted a whole bunch of speakers, people with over 30 years clean, and see if they'd be willing to talk about it, so we're getting it... We've got the ball going, it's moving in that direction and if gets bigger then one group is not going to be able to sponsor it.

Jody T: Alright, we have any other questions related to this?

Robert: Where can I find this flyer? Or whatever it is.

Christian J: My name's Christian, I'm an addict. So I've got one more thing my group wants to talk about. So we've got a motion here, I wanted to bring it up on open forum to talk about it and like, I know this is going to be an incomplete motion but my group wanted me to talk about it with you guys today. Um, we want to make a motion that the 24 Hour Room take a portion of their profits and donate it to GRCNA and purchase newcomer packets for the 2019 GRCNA.

Jody T: We have a policy very specifically related with what happens to 24 Hour Room funds, I believe. So I believe that would have to be a policy change or a waive in policy. We'd have to have a motion to specifically go against policy for that.

Christian J: Do you know what the policy is?

Chris B: Yeah.

Jody T: Yeah, let's see if we can pull it up here

Chris B: No, no, no, not me. I was just agreeing with his question. I was saying like do we know there's policy, or do we think there's policy?

Jan: Marietta Area policy states that apart from what the committee is allowed to keep, which as of yet is \$750 for seed money for next year, and then prudent reserve which this year also totals \$750, that anything above that, any money at the end of the event above that is donated to the Marietta Area at the February ASC. I don't know why it is the February ASC because that's 2 months from now but that's what policy says.

Jody T: It's to give you guys time.

Katey G: I mean, if you have it, it could come in now, I mean I'm sure it's by the February ASC.

Jody T: Yeah, but it's just to give you guys time.

Jan: No, I mean, policy says at the February ASC.

Jody T: So essentially, you would have to make a motion that the Marietta Area, I mean the easiest way to do it would be make a motion for the Marietta Area to donate a certain amount of money to GRCNA.

Christian J: Okay, then I will take that back to my homegroup.

Jody T: Yeah, it'll either be to change what's already established with what we do, so the 24 Hour Room can't be asked to donate funds on their own, that money is accounted for and accountable to the area so it'd be either to change policy to change what 24 Hour Room does with the funds or make a motion that the Marietta Area donate funds.

Stephen R: Stephen, addict. In relation to what he's talking about, we weren't exactly like, petitioning for the 24 Hour Room itself to make the donation, like we were well aware that the money went to area, we were just saying what to do with the money once the money was donated to the area, not like telling 24 Hour Room to do it.

Tony M: Just so you know actually, the policy actually says they will donate the money at February, it doesn't... that's all it says that they will donate the money at February. It doesn't mean you can't do it before then, it just says that, you know semantics.

Katey G: They donated at like 3 different areas last year, after they figured stuff out.

Robert B: What's stopping him from making the motion today?

Tony M: Nothing.

Robert B: Okay, just asking a question, he said he's got to take it back to his group, his group sent something up here already, if he still wanted to make a motion.

Christian J: Um, another thing we didn't really know what the profit would look like. So this is an incomplete motion, we really just wanted to talk about it, I guess.

Lyz F: Well, they would put that in their subcommittee report.

Robert B: I'll say this and I don't think it's going to happen this year, but usually the money that we give back pays all the bills for this place, because usually around this time of year, I don't know why but, monies donated to groups are low. It didn't look that low because I counted some of them, but last year I know that if it wasn't for the 24 Hour Room, we'd have been behind on a lot of our bills.

Katey G: That was because I messed up the Region donation. It was, it was because we messed up region like twice in like a four year period.

Christian J: Alright so I will take everything, and I will talk to some certain people after, and I'll give that information back to my homegroup.

- Subcommittee Reports: 2:56pm - 3:37pm

- Treasurer's Report - Katey G:

- Report attached

Jan: Is there any update on the bank account shenanigans?

Katey: We didn't get there, sorry.

Jan: That's OK, just following up.

- Literature Report - Mary W.: marietta.literature@gmail.com

- Took in \$1217.15
- Ordered \$1284.53
- Totals include shipping

- RCM Report - Stephen R:

- Region minutes & treasurer report attached
 - Includes region nominees
 - GSR/Group votes are not needed until the February ASC
- No formal RCM report this month

- **Activities Report - Katey G:**
 - Ice skating will be held on Saturday, January 26th from 3-5 pm. See flyer for more info.
 - Dance will be held on February 16th from 6-10 pm. Will have a “Masquerade” theme. Open to others bringing food, see an activities member to coordinate.
 - Requesting \$330 for dance venue and newcomer funds for ice skating
 - The committee will be meeting on January 20th to plan budget and yearly activities, the time and location is being decided but please see an activities member and come.

- **H&I Report - Christian:**
 - 3 people in attendance
 - Orientated one new member

- **PR Report - Billie:** PR@mariettana.org
 - Asking groups for 2019 Events they are doing, and if so, how PR can help.
 - Asks that groups recommend that PR not be the first contact for reaching out to the GSR of a meeting/visiting a meeting that has not attended the ASC meeting twice consecutively, and that the first contact rather be the GSR of the homegroup closest to the meeting, due to the limited resources of PR at this time.

- **WSR Report - Nicole A:**
 - 4 Members in Attendance
 - **Postal Facilitator Report:**
 - Total Letters Received: 13
 - Total Workbooks Ordered: 2
 - **December Expenses:**
 - Supplies: \$0
 - Postage: \$0
 - Workbooks: \$30.00
 - Total December Expenses: \$30.00
 - Year to Date Expense Total: \$708.43 out of \$1380.00.
 - Budget Remaining through December 2018: \$502.71

- 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 we are waiting to hear back from North Atlanta AREA.
 - We will work on reviewing and updating our policy and Correspondence Agreement as a subcommittee at our January Subcommittee meeting.
 - I plan to send an email out to all stepguides next week to invite them to an annual step guide meeting. At our February WSR Subcommittee meeting (2/24/19), the WSR subcommittee will hold this 30 minute meeting at 1pm in the Pro North building. For step-guides unable to attend physically, we will include a conference call option. The purpose of this meeting will be to hold an orientation for members and to check in with existing step-guides to provide guidance and answer questions and concerns.
 - November's workbook invoices are showing unpaid by NAWS. Checked with the stand in treasurer and she recommended emailing the treasurer to ask them to contact NAWS to follow up, because she does show a 60.00 check was written for the workbooks.
 - We have \$502.71 left in our 2018 budget. Asked AREA if it rolls over or if we need to anything. Per AREA this remains in the AREA's budget and WSR budget restarts at 1380.00 in January.
 - Next Subcommittee Meeting: 1/27/18 @ 1:00pm - 2:00pm @ Ridgeview Pro North
- **24 Hour Room Report - Robert B:**
- The 24 Hour Room was a great success. We want to thank all the participants, homegroups, committees, sponsorship families and volunteers for their support and help. We met at 1:00 pm on January 5th to wrap up the final details of this past year, and start planning for next year. We are putting in a motion to pay the facility (Milford Baptist Church) \$240 for storage throughout the year.
 - Thank you, In loving service, The 24 Hour Room Committee

- Old Business:

- **MOTION** - Un-table Motion 11-1
 - Maker: Jocho, GSR On the Right Track
 - Second: Christian, GSRA We Recover Together
 - Move to acclimation: Chuck, GSR Another Chance
- **MOTION 11-1** - For the Literature Chair of the Area to begin carrying the Metro Meeting Schedule at current cost for home groups to purchase at Area.
 - Maker: Jocho, GSR On the Right Track
 - Second: Chris E, GSR End of the Road
 - Intent: Easier access for home groups to get schedules encompassing a wider reach for addicts.
 - Point of Information: \$0.25/schedule
 - 8/12/1 - Failed
- **MOTION 11-3** - Changing wording of Area Policy:
 - Remove the following from PR Subcommittee Policy:
 - “Groups will be added to the meeting schedule by request at the ASC if they meet the qualifications outlined in Article Two.”
 - Replace with the following:
 - “New groups conforming to the six points may also request to be added to the meeting schedule by providing their meeting details to the PR subcommittee at the ASC meeting. New groups are not required to meet voting requirements to be on the meeting list.”
 - Maker: Bailey, GSR Mimosa
 - Second: Chris E, GSR End of the Road
 - Intent: To make it easier for new groups to be added to the meeting list
 - Point of information: Voting requirements are to attend two consecutive Areas. This would change policy so that groups to not have to attend two consecutive Areas to be added to the meeting list.
 - 12/6/2 - Passed

- Elections:

- **Literature Distribution Alternate:** Robyn A **Elected**
 - Service resume attached

MOTION - Suspend the rules of the day

Maker: Chuck M - GSR Another Chance

Second: Jodi M - GSR We Group

Move to acclimation: Rachel GSR Spiritual Awakenings

18/0/1 - Passed

MOTION - Return to the rules of the day

Maker: Chuck M - GSR Another Chance

Second: Jodi M - GSR We Group

Move to acclimation: Julie N GSR Ladies Night

(No opposition)

- New Business:

- **MOTION 12-1** - To pay Milford Baptist Church \$240 for a year's worth of storage
 - Motion withdrawn
- **MOTION 12-2** - Provide Lost Dreams Awaken group with a new meeting package
 - Maker: Jan L - GSRA End of the Road
 - Second:
 - 20/0/1
- **MOTION 12-3** - Add to PR Subcommittee policy in Section B-2: "PR will interface with the designated contact at NA World Services to submit the latest meeting schedule whenever changes are made to the schedule."
 - Ruled out of order - Already in policy
- **MOTION 12-4** - To postpone the presentation of 2019 budgets until the January ASC, to allow subcommittee chairs an additional two weeks to finalize their budgets and submit to the Area Treasurer.
 - Maker: Katey G - ASC Vice Chair
 - Second: Max - GSR Dopeless Hope Fiends

MOTION - Suspend the rules of the day (to vote on Motion 12-4 without sending back to groups)

Maker: Chuck M - GSR Another Chance

Second: Jodi M - GSR We Group

Move to acclimation: Rachel GSR Spiritual Awakenings

10/4/6 - Passed

- Vote on MOTION 12-4

■ 12/4/5

MOTION - Return to the rules of the day

Maker: Chuck M - GSR Another Chance

Second: Jodi M - GSR We Group

Move to acclimation: Marcia L GSR Rose Group

- Trusted Servants Nominations:
 - None
- Group Announcements and Celebrations:
 - **Architects of Adversity** - Steve C. - 14 yrs. on 1/25
 - **Another Chance** - Erin H. - 1 yrs. on 1/12; Chuck M. - 13 yrs on 1/19
 - **Dopeless Hope Fiends** - Support needed, low attendance; Max C. - 1 yrs. on Jan. 5; Shelly H. 2 yrs. - 1/26; Marco J. - 9 yrs. on 2/9
 - **Easy Does It** - Geoff B. - 1 yr. on 1/18; Sarah Q. - 10 yrs. on 2/9 (Eating Meeting)
 - **End of the Road** - Allen - 9 yrs., Travis - 3 yrs., Annie - 7 yrs. ALL on 1/25
 - **Journey Forward** - Will meet on Fridays from 7-8 p.m. and Saturdays from 3-4 p.m.
 - **Just for Sunday** - Last Sunday of the month will now be either a shotgun meeting or a speaker meeting. Debbie T. - 20 yrs. on 1/27; Ant W. - 27 yrs. on Jan. 6th; Van - 4 yrs. on 1/13
 - **The Lie is Dead** - 4 years meeting, more to be announced!
 - **Living the Program** - Karen - 24 yrs. on 1/24; Ryan 9 yrs. - In February date to be decided
 - **Lost Dreams Awaken** - Billie R. - yrs. on 2/2
 - **Rose Group** - Bryan M, 3yrs & Marcia L, 17yrs on 1/16; Tom T. 1 yr. on 1/9
 - **Sky's the Limit** - Bryant J. - 1 yr. on 1/18
 - **We Group** - Jori - 1 yr. and Justin T. - 3 yrs. on 1/10
 - **We Recover Together** - Chris B. - 24 yrs. on 1/12

Motion to Close: Bailey

Seconded by: Jodi M

Closed at 4:34pm

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED:

Sunday, January 27th at 2:00PM

BACK TO GROUPS

Items to be voted on in the January ASC Meeting:

- **NONE**

Regional Business:

- **Region Trusted Servant Nominations**
 - *Nominees & Resumes listed in Region Minutes*
 - *Pages 43-50 (Attached)*
 - *GSRs/Groups should be prepared to vote at the February ASC Meeting*

Available Area Trusted Servant Positions:

- **No Nominations for Following Positions:**
 - **RCM**
 - **Chair - Activities Committee**

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