# Marietta Area Service Committee of NA Meeting Minutes February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019

# Next Meeting Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 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 15 groups - Quorum met @ 2:12PM The Purpose of the Area was read by Chuck M. The 12 Traditions were read by Melissa P. The 12 Concepts were read by Abigail F. Motion to accept January minutes: Chuck M. Motion Seconded: Chris E. Previous month's minutes were moved to acclimation: Jocho. Motion to acclimation: Big John.

Group	GSR	<b>Attendance</b>	<u>Comments</u>
Addicts in the Attic	Asa	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	Chris	Present	
Journey Forward	Wayne	XX	
Just for Sunday	Melissa	Present	
Ladies Night	Kat	Present	
The Lie is Dead	Big John	Present	
Living the Program	Amanda	Present	
Lost Dreams Awaken	Tim	Present	
Mimosa	Bailey	Present	
NA at Noon	Freeman	Present	
A New Way of Life	Sid	Present	
On the Right Track	Jocho	Present	
The Rose Group	Marcia	Present	
Serenity on the Square	Richard	Present**	
Sky's the Limit	John	Present	
Spiritual Awakenings	Rachel	Present	
Surrender on Sunday	Joe	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:
  - Journey Forward

# Homegroups Added:

- The following groups will be counted towards Quorum with one more consecutive meeting:
  - Serenity on the Square

Position	Name	Attendance	Report
Chair	Jody	Present	N/A
Vice Chair	Katey	Present	N/A
Treasurer	Dez	Absent with Attached Notice	
Alt. Treasurer	Zack	Present	N/A
Secretary	Susan	Present	N/A
Alt. Secretary	Chris	Present	N/A
RCM	Rodney	Present	N/A
RCMA	Stephen	Present	N/A
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	Vacant	N/A	Written

# MASC Admin & Subcommittee Roll Call

### • <u>Open Forum:</u> 2:16pm - 2:22pm

**Asa B**: This year's convention is rapidly closing in. March 21 - March 24. I'd love to see everybody down there. If you haven't registered yet, please register. GRCNA.org. Get yourself registered before you get to the door. At the door, it will cost you another 5 bucks. Best thing you can do for us is register. The hotel rate, the rooms, the block are selling out fast. If you don't have a hotel room, that's the way to go.

Scott L: Is there a discount?

**Asa B:** \$119. Tell the hotel you are with Narcotics Anonymous - Georgia Regional Convention.

**Tony M:** I gotta say something that's a little bit hard to say. A couple of months ago, several home groups came to me and asked about - Five years ago, there were several groups out in Paulding County, Pope County, Douglas County, that looked into the feasibility of forming a new Area. Marietta we had an ad hoc committee that formed to talk about it, and we determined at the time that there wasn't enough support to do it. A couple of months ago, I was approached by several home groups, including my own, to look in the feasibility of doing that again. So far, there have been six home groups that

have met twice to discuss this. Right now, we have four out of the six that have confirmed, yes, and two groups that are more than likely going to say yes, they are just waiting on their group's conscience. So, in a nutshell, we will be forming the West Georgia Area of Narcotics Anonymous. The Guide to Local Service talks about it, so we looked a lot at how to do this. The timeframe we are looking at doing it is when the Trusted Servant positions roll over this summer, because several people in these groups are serving in Trusted Servant positions and want to fulfill their commitments. So, we're letting the Area know and the other home groups know that we are currently doing this and are in the planning process, if any of the groups in that surrounding area would like to know more about it, we are meeting again on the 16th of March at 6:30 at On the Right Track to discuss further about how to do this. It's an Open Forum, I'm just bringing it up to all the other groups to let you guys know, there will be a new Area forming, West Georgia Area of Narcotics Anonymous. The general geographic boundaries will be the westside of Marietta all the way out to Cedartown, and from Rome potentially, as far as Carrollton. That's about it.

**Rodney W:** I got a question Tony. Do these meetings, do they feel like they are not being served by the Marietta Area? I'm just trying to find out what is driving this. I've know sometimes, I've seen areas that felt they weren't being served by the Areas around them, and that's why they went off to a separate Area.

**Tony M**: We discussed that very issue amongst other ones at our meetings, and we came to the conclusion, to answer your question, Yes. And also, we felt that the way we are currently structured within Marietta Area, we couldn't help carry the message effectively as we could if we formed a new area. That's what it came down to in a nutshell. I know The Lie is Dead, they are the ones that mostly comes up here to Marietta Area and asks for support, and have not gotten any due to the geographical location; they are just too far out. Cedartown, I went out there, they are on their own. The two fringe meetings that are out there, Sky's the Limit and On the Right Track, that are kind of right in the middle. I know there are some other groups, Cartersville and some other places that feel the same thing, but they weren't there. But that was discussed. In the Guide to Local Service, it talks about why you would do this, and one of them is geographical and the ability to carry the message.

**Asa B:** Did you approach Region?

**Tony M:** Not yet. That will come once we form, and then we will go to Region and let them know that we are forming an area. We are planning on going in March, and them know the process of it, and officially, we are looking at coming in the summer, the second Region. I know there's a process that Region has.

**Asa B:** I just want to let you know that the Region meeting in March is only Sunday at the convention.

Tony M: OK.

Ron M: When is that meeting?

**Tony M:** It's the 16th of March, 6:30 before the meeting, it's a Saturday. There is a Facebook group as well, and a Whatsapp, if you want to know more about the stuff that's already rolling.

Ron M: The 16th of March? Tony M: Yes, 6:30.

# • Subcommittee Reports: 2:22pm - 2:44pm

- Treasurer's Report Zack G:
  - Report attached
- Literature Report Mary W: marietta.literature@gmail.com
  - Took in \$836.00
  - Ordered \$868.89
  - I'm having an issue with the literature in Florida. One month, they gave us the wrong medallions, but we figured that out. This month, the order came in after I left to go out of town, and because it had been past three days, they jipped us some white booklets. So, this has become an issue. I'm going to make a phone call and try to get at least some of those back, but it's been the last few months, where they fix it but it's a little red flag on all my paperwork - you have three days. Also, one order wasn't paid, so we paid it, and then they shipped an extra order, and I've been trying for three weeks to return it, but they sent the wrong return labels for the wrong order. So, it's been a nightmare. We're being shorted, and I'm a little frustrated. I'm just bringing it to y'alls attention, so if there's something missing, I apologize. We're not getting it. I don't know if I can call, and maybe they'll fix it, but I'm pretty sure that's not going to happen. So, we are out 20 white booklets, but it's out of my control.

#### • RCM Report - Rodney W:

- I have not attended Region yet, so I have no report
- Region Elections for GRCNA
  - CPP Chair: Sandy G
    <u>19/0/3</u>
  - CPP Vice-Chair: John P
    21/0/2
  - CPP Treasurer: Melody J
    <u>0 16/2/7</u>

#### • Activities Report - Katey G:

- Spring Campout will be held April 26th-28th, the Scavenger Hunt will be on March 17th
- Flyers given out to homegroups, if we didn't get you one, let [Katey G.] know
- Dance went well, 40 people in attendance, 5 newcomers; giving back \$107 to area
- Participating in H&I Learning Day, likely combining Beach Bash
- Next meeting will be held on March 10th at 2 p.m. at Vinings Starbucks. We can always use support.
- Asking \$450 for Scavenger Hunt and Campout shirts.
- Marcia L: Do you have a date for fall camp-out yet?
- **Katey G:** First weekend of October.

#### • <u>H&I Report - Geoff C:</u>

- We had 9 in attendance today
- We ordered \$270.08 of literature this month, and received \$50 from Just For Sunday, meaning we used \$220.08 from the budget.
   We've spent \$411.92 YTD, out of \$2755, leaving \$2343.08 in the yearly budget.
- Meetings are going well, but we could always use more support, especially for the Cherokee and Bartow County Jails, and from women.
- We are meeting at Starbucks on Paces Ferry and Cumberland on Sunday, March 10th at 3 p.m. to discuss a fundraiser/learning day to raise money for jail literature.
- In loving service, Geoff C.
- Asa: Part of this year's GRCNA registration is going to support H&I facilities around Georgia

#### • PR Report - Billie: PR@mariettana.org

- Mosaic Visited; 3 NA Meetings there; They have the steps and traditions on the wall/
- Region is in charge of phone lines, have not switched over yet
- Metro PR: Intro packets for criminal justice treatment center, education facilities. We can order over covers for these and then put proper IP's in them.
- Meeting lists dropped off at Highland Rivers Treatment Center
  - Lyz F: What you have in your hand, as an Area, I missed the goal or point. Are we, as a subcommittee going to start handing these out to different areas, and how much is it

going to cost?

- **Billie W:** That I don't know. This is brand new. Chris went to the Metro PR meeting, and this is something that they brought up, it's something that we could do.
- Lyz F: Could you possibly get more information about how much that is going to cost, and would it be a subcommittee responsibility, or could GSRs provide them to our meetings and we hand them out? We have the IPs, so would it just be that folder, so can we get more information?
- Billie W: Yes.
- Jan L: I remember when the Region guy was here talking about switching the phone lines, he definitely said that some Areas had already switched over. I know that it's Region, but could someone find out when this is going to happen? I know that you don't have control, but it's month after month of, "They're doing it and it's going to happen soon," so could we reach out and find out what's the hold up? Maybe they forgot or something. I don't know, but at least we'll know. Technically they work for us, right?
- **Tony M:** The specifics of it is Joe has put it on the people that are handling the phone line switchover, the actual service itself, so it's the service, the third-party service that Region is paying to do it. So, as soon as they do it, it's been handed over to them already, so we are just waiting for that to occur, so when that occurs we will be notified. But they have the AT&T information already, so it's the third party service, we're at the mercy of when they do it. It could happen tomorrow, it could happen Monday or Tuesday.
- Jan L: We're the customer and we're at the mercy of our service provider that we pay?
- **Tony M:** No, I'm saying you put in the request to switch services until they actually do it. He could probably tell more specifically.
- Asa B: I just wanted to mention that Joe B is not the chair anymore. \*\*Jay H is the new contact.
- **Tony M:** So, whoever is in charge of the switchover, they currently have the information. Tim is the one that talked to them specifically and passed it on to me. It could be a couple days, it could happen next week, but just be prepared that if it doesn't, we are still responsible for the AT&T switchover and bill. It could happen next week and then it's

a moot point. They have the information.

- Jan L: But that's been the case for several months.
- **Tony M:** No, this has actually been actionable stuff that we've done. We've turned it over, we've vetted it, and now it's been the first week already done it. To you guys, we were still doing it, but the actual turning it over didn't happen until a couple of weeks ago.

#### • WSR Report - Nicole A:

- 9 Members in Attendance
- Postal Facilitator Report:
  - Total Letters Received: 20
  - Total Workbooks Ordered: 4
- February Expenses:
  - Supplies: \$0
  - Postage: \$0
  - Pizza for Annual Check-in Meeting): \$51.83
  - Workbooks: \$60.00
  - Total February Expenses: \$111.83
  - Year to Date Expense Total: \$113.33 out of \$1380.00.
  - Budget Remaining through December 2019: \$1266.67
- Today, at our February WSR Subcommittee meeting (2/24/19), the WSR subcommittee held their annual Step-Guide check-in meeting with our current step-guides. We had 19 out of 29 step-guides participate. We reviewed the guidelines to be guides and we answered questions, clarified guidelines, and shared our experience as step-guides. We'll follow up with the 10 step-guides that did not participate to review the guidelines with them and ensure they are still active step-guides.
- Outstanding unpaid workbook invoices from November are now paid and we are up to date with payment for our workbooks.
- Next Subcommittee Meeting: 3/31/19 @ 1:00pm 2:00pm @ Ridgeview

#### • 24 Hour Room Report - Joe B:

- 6 People in attendance at meeting today
- We filled several positions on our committee
- We nominated a new chair, and filled the Secretary, Treasurer, Alt-Treasurer and Group Shift Coordinator positions
- We still need help, so if you would like to be involved in the 24 Hour Room, we are grateful for any help we can get.

- We passed out a flyer today about our T-Shirt Design Contest, so any artistic people that would like to submit a design, we will gladly receive them.
- The 24 Hour Room would like to donate a check for \$1652.70 to the Area
- On April 20th, we will have a smokeout/barbecue at Covenant Presbyterian, and we should have a flyer at the next Area.

### Old Business:

- Area Budgets
  - Submitted at January ASC Voting to approve
  - WSR



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- Activities
  21/2/1
- Elections:
  - None
- <u>New Business:</u>
  - None

### • Trusted Servant Nominations:

- Joe B 24 Hour Room Chair
  - Nominated by Stephen R, RCMA
  - Seconded by Chris E, GSR End of the Road
  - Service Resume:
    - Vice-Chair, 24 Hour Room, 2018
    - Chair, Marietta ASC 2015-2016
    - Vice-Chair, Marietta ASC 2016-2017
    - GSR, Surrender on Sunday
    - Clean Date: 2/16/05
- Group Announcements and Celebrations:
  - Addicts in the Attic Lois 19 yrs. and Oliver 4 yrs. on 4/11; Barry 4 yrs. on 4/18
  - **AM NA** Moved to 168 N. Johnston St. #102 Dallas, GA 30132

- Another Chance Kyle B. 2 yrs. on 3/2; Mario 7 yrs. on 3/19
- Dopeless Hope Fiends Needs support; Tim T 12yrs on 4/13; David H.
   11 yrs. on 3/16
- End of the Road Danielle D. 12 yrs. on 3/29
- **The Lie is Dead** Group 5 yr. Celebration on March 2, 2019 @ 5:00 p.m. There will be speakers and a potluck
- Living the Program Karen F 24 yrs. on 3/7; Kevin 30 yrs. on 3/28
- **Mimosa** Jessica A 3 yrs. on 3/10; Bailey 10 yrs. on 3/17
- Rose Group We need women and men sponsors
- Warriors in Recovery Needs Support
- We Group Lonnie W. 12 yrs. on 3/14

#### Motion to Close: Chuck M

#### Seconded by: Jodi M

Motion to acclamation: Chris E

Second: Jocho

Closed at 2:53pm

### **NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED:**

#### Sunday, March 31st at 2:00PM

## **BACK TO GROUPS**

**Elections to be voted on in the March ASC Meeting:** 

- 24 Hour Room Chair Joe B
  - Service Resume on Page 9 of Minutes

### Motions to be voted on in the March ASC Meeting:

None

### **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