

MASCNA Meeting Minutes

January 6th, 2024

Next Meeting:

Sunday, January 28th, 2024 @ 2:00 PM

Ridgeview Institute - Day Hospital

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About

This document contains the minutes and notes for the Marietta Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous. This [About](#) section is to help you read and understand these minutes a little easier.

We use highlights to call out **important information**, voting results (**pass/elected**, **fail/oppose**), and items that need to go **back to home groups** for discussion and/or voting.

The [Opening Page](#) contains the date of this Area meeting, the date and time of the next Area meeting and a [Table of Contents](#) to help navigate this document.

The upcoming [Subcommittee Meeting Dates](#) are listed first. Admin and Subcommittee Reports are located under [Area Business](#). [Motions being voted on at this Area meeting](#) are typically located in [Old Business](#) (but some may be under New Business). [New motions that go back to home groups](#) are typically located under [New Business](#). Nominating and Electing trusted servants typically happens under [Nominations](#) and [Elections](#). Reports from the GSRs (Group Service Representatives) are summarized under [Group Reports](#) and you can find all upcoming [Birthdays](#), [Celebrations](#), and [Activities](#) there as well.

The [Adjournment](#) section closes out the ASC meeting

The [Attachments](#) section lists all reports, motions, flyers, and other submissions to the secretary.

The [Summary for GSRs](#) section contains a helpful summary of the important information for GSRs to **bring back to their home groups**, such as election results, area and region motions, and important homegroup updates for the area

Lastly, there is a [References](#) section that contains direct links to forms, documents, policy, and various other helpful resources for members.

Thank you for your service!

Subcommittee Meeting Dates

- **Activities Subcommittee**
 - **When:** 1/28/2024 at 1:00 PM
 - **Where:** [Ridgeview Dayroom](#)
- **H&I Subcommittee**
 - **When:** 1/21/2024 at 4:00 PM
 - **Where:** Virtually on Zoom
 - **Zoom ID:** 224 495 4586
 - **Passcode:** 059327
 - **Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2244954586?pwd=YXBVakN3OTFqSzk4anlKSskEvVmlkQT09>
- **Policy Subcommittee**
 - **Chair position is vacant, not currently meeting**
- **PR Subcommittee**
 - **When:** 1/28/2024 at 1:00 PM
 - **Where:** [Ridgeview Dayroom](#)
- **24-Hour Room Subcommittee**
 - **When:** 1/16/2024 at 6:30 PM
 - **Where:** Virtually AND In-Person
 - Virtually on Zoom
 - **Zoom ID:** 822 1415 5626
 - **Passcode:** 24hoursNA
 - In Person: [Bethany United Methodist Church 760 Hurt Road, Smyrna, GA](#)

Call to Order

- The Purpose of the Area Read by: Asa B. (GSR, Renegades)
- The 12 Traditions Read by: Martin H. (GSR, Another Chance)
- The 12 Concepts Read by: Tasha B. (PR Chair)

Group Roll Call

Historical Area Attendance: [x AreaAttendance.xlsx](#)

Contacts: [x Contacts.xlsx](#)

<u>Group</u>	<u>GSR</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Another Chance	Martin H.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Architects of Adversity	David H.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Breakfast Club	Keisha	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Chosen Frozen	Chuck A.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Off Quorum
End of the Road	Mindy M.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Firehouse	Joseph R.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Hold On to Hope	John H.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Off Quorum
Living the Program	Kevin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
NA at Noon	Sharon J.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
New Way of Life	Gabby	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Off Quorum
One is Too Many	Shelly H.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Off Quorum
Renegades	Asa B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Rose Group Redux	Bradley S.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Serenity on the Square	Chris R.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Off Quorum
Spiritual Awakenings	Stephen R.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Staying Clean		<input type="checkbox"/>	Off Quorum
Sunday Service	Boo W.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Surrender on Sunday	Jason S.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Off Quorum
T.A.C.O. Tuesday	Danielle W.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Unity Group	Jayden	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Off Quorum
We Group	Jarod R.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Welcome Home	Amy H.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

MASC Admin & Subcommittee Roll Call

Contacts: [x Contacts.xlsx](#)

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Comments</u>
ASC Chair	Cathy H.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
ASC Vice Chair	Chris B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Secretary	David M.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Secretary Alternate	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT
Treasurer	Stephanie S.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Treasurer Alternate	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT
Regional Committee Member	Jan L.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Regional Committee Member Alternate	Kunal K.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Literature Distribution Chair	Amanda S.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Literature Distribution Chair Alternate	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT
Policy Parliamentarian/Chair	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT
Activities Chair	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT
Public Relations (PR) Chair	Tasha B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) Chair	Julie N.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Writing Steps in Recovery (WSR) Chair	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT
24 Hour Room Chair	Nicole N.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Area Business

Quorum Calculated to be 12 Groups - Quorum Met @ 2:00 PM

- Motion to Approve Last Month's Minutes
 - Approved by Acclamation
 - Motion made by Amy H. (GSR, Welcome Home)

Open Forum





- Opened at 2:11 pm
- **Asa B. (GSR, Renegades)**
 - Asked about boosting meeting attendance between groups.
 - Ask home groups if they would like to bring back "Capture the Flag". Homegroup members must go to another homegroup to capture the flag. Contact Asa B. - (678) 973-5001
 - **NOTE from David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)** - I looked up some rules to use for this. These are just what I found online, and the groups could decide exactly how they want to do this. I have created an initial document for this:
 - 80_Misc_CaptureTheFlagRules.pdf
- **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)**
 - Submitted a motion (■ 30_Motions_12-001.pdf) to table the budget due to inaccuracies in the budget submitted. See **Old Business Motions**
 - It was stated that there was 1 error related to reimbursements that was due to a broken formula. The hotel reimbursement was inaccurate. This is located in the proposed budget for RCM and RCM Alternate. The math for these should actually be \$352.80 (88.20 x 4) for the hotel reimbursements:

RCM	Previous Budget	Actual Amount Spent YTD	Proposed Budget
Travel to RSC: \$88.20 @ 4 times a year	\$362.00	\$125.91	\$362.00
Hotel for RSC: \$88.20 @ 4 times a year	\$340.00	\$170.00	\$340.00
Copies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
Mileage to Conference Agenda Workshop (Even Years Only)	n/a	n/a	n/a
Totals	\$742.00	\$295.91	\$742.00

RCM Alternate	Previous Budget	Actual Amount Spent YTD	Proposed Budget
Travel to RSC: \$88.20 @ 4 times a year	\$294.00	\$0.00	\$294.00
Hotel for RSC: \$88.20 @ 4 times a year	\$340.00	\$0.00	\$340.00
Supplies	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
Mileage to Conference Agenda Workshop (Even Years Only)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totals	\$674.00	\$0.00	\$674.00


- o **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - the difference had to do with hotel reimbursement. Policy increases that amount.
- o **Jan (RCM, MASCNA)** - reimbursement was 150, this should have been higher
- o **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - can only speak to time since she has been treasurer
- o **David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)** - I am going to try to address these issues here.
 - i. The 3 references below are the only references to Hotel and Travel reimbursements I could find in Area Policy. The first one here seems to have not been updated to \$0.45 once it was approved, while the second one HAS been updated to \$0.45. These references also do not mention an amount for hotel reimbursement. The \$88.20 amount in the budget is the reimbursement amount for travel (gas). This is calculated as:

$$(\text{roundtrip mileage}) \times (\text{mileage reimbursement rate}) = (\text{reimbursement amount})$$
 So: $196 \times 0.45 = 88.20$.
 - **14. Addendum B - The NA Service Structure Below the area Level > A. Region Service Committee** states:
 "...Funding for the RCM and RCMA to attend the RSC meeting will consist of one night (combined) stay in the hotel, and roundtrip mileage (\$.30 per mile) to Macon, GA..."
 - However; **10. ARTICLE TEN : FINANCIAL GUIDELINES > E. Reimbursements > 2. Auto Travel > b. > iii.** states:
 "The reimbursement rate for auto travel will be \$0.45 per mile."

- Also, **3. ARTICLE THREE: ADMINISTRATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE > H. Regional Committee Member (RCM) > 3. Specific Policies Concerning RCM > a.** states:
 “Funding for the RCM and RCMA to attend the RSC meeting will consist of one night stay in the hotel (separate rooms if needed), and round trip mileage to RSC meeting. Meals are not provided. Any other expenses must be voted on in advance of the RSC meeting.
- **David H. (GSR, Architects of Adversity)**
 - GA regional convention is Feb 22nd-25th
 - Please pre-register and book your hotels soon if you are planning on going
 - \$40 to register online, \$50 at the door
- **Danielle W. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)**
 - TACO Tuesday will submit 3 motions related to budget.
 - **David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)** - These 3 motions were withdrawn, but will be included in these minutes for reference since the homegroups expressed the desire. TACO Tuesday DID submit a motion ( 30_Motions_12-002.pdf), see **Old Business Motions** for details
 - i. Withdrawn Motion 01 -  31_Motions_RETRACTED_01.pdf
 - ii. Withdrawn Motion 02 -  31_Motions_RETRACTED_02.pdf
 - iii. Withdrawn Motion 03 -  31_Motions_RETRACTED_03.pdf
- Closed at 2:19 pm

Admin Reports

ASC Chair Report

- Cathy H. was present
- Cathy H. sent report, see attached
 ( 10_AdminReports_Chair_12-2023.pdf)
 - “Hello Marietta Area,

I hope you all had a great holiday season.

I attended Activities this month. I also attended the 24 Hour Room a few times. The committee worked incredibly hard and did an excellent job! Thank you all who supported this event.

I also checked the Chair email.

In loving service,
 Cathy H
 770.891.2250
cmh.atl@gmail.com”

- Also attended PR subcommittee

ASC Vice Chair Report

- Chris B. was present
- Gave report, no written report
 - Nothing to report

Secretary Report

- David M. was present
- Report:
 - I have gotten all of our documents, minutes, forms, etc into the web@mariettana.org google drive. There are now links to these on relevant pages on the website. The **Documents** folder - including **Forms** , **Minutes** , **Policy** , and **Misc documents** - is publicly accessible and owned by the web account, attached to the web@mariettana.org zoho email account.
 - Above that folder (not publicly accessible), I have started a folder structure that we can use for Media, Admin, and Subcommittee stuff if we want. These could be shared with those other admin and subcommittee email accounts so they can control the folders relevant to them (if we want to do that). Any “Minutes Folder” have been made public as well.
 - The new **Contacts.xlsx** and **AreaAttendance.xlsx** Sheets are located in the **Admin** folder. Both of these files are publicly accessible as well and are linked to in these minutes. The Admin folder is private. We can change all of these settings using the web account. Anyone can request access to additional files and folders as well, but they have to be approved by the web account.
 - I have added an “**Updates**” section to the bottom of the [Marietta Area Website Homepage](#). This can be used to post updates about the site or however the area would like this used (i.e. important area announcements, events, etc.)
 - I updated the [NAWS page](#), which had very old COVID information and old CAR info. I added a list of resource links that are helpful on the na.org website
 - We will be voting on the budget today
 - **World Convention 38 Flyer:** **90_Flyers_NAWS_WCNA38.pdf**
 - Opens up for registrations and hotel blocks on 10:00AM 1/9
 - **GRCNA Winter Ball 2000s Bash Flyer:** **90_Flyers_GRCNA_WinterBall2000sBash.pdf**
 - **GRCNA Convention 42 Flyer:** **90_Flyers_GRCNA_GRCNA-42-Convention.pdf**
 - **Florida Service Symposium Flyer:** **90_Flyers_FloridaServiceSymposiumX.pdf**
 - **NAWS News has started again:** **80_Misc_NawsNews_Jan2024.pdf**

Treasurer Report

- Stephanie S. was present
- Stephanie S. sent report, see attached
(**10_AdminReports_Treasurer_12-2023.pdf**)

- This report includes the Marietta Area Budget Proposal. This goes back to homegroups for approval at the next ASC (January 6th)
- **Attachments:**
 - 10_AdminReports_Treasurer_Attachments
 - MASCNA_ProposedBudget_2.1.pdf
 - Dec 23 Marietta Treasurer's Report Worksheets - 23 Dec.pdf
 - DEC 2023 Budget and Expenses Record.xlsx - Jan - Dec 2023 (3).pdf
 - November 2023 Bank Statement.pdf

Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report

- Jan L. was present
- Jan L. sent report, see attached
(10_AdminReports_RCM_12-2023.pdf)
 - Additional Attachments:
 - 2023 December Flyers.pdf
 - 2023 December GRSCNA Minutes .pdf
 - 2023 December GRSCNA Policy Changes.pdf
 - 2023 December GRSCNA Policy Housekeeping.pdf
 - 2023 December GRSCNA Topic Forms.pdf
 - 2023 December Nominations.pdf
 - Draft GRSCNA Articles Incorporation and By Laws.pdf
- **Report:**
 - Went to regional meeting
 - **Incorporation:** Looked into 501c3 tax status for regions. Topic is coming back to groups for voting
 - **GRCNA:** TODO
 - **RD:** Wants to know if our area would rather attend the SEZF meeting in Atlanta the weekend of Dec 6, 2024, RATHER than the GSR Assembly. More information would be available at the SEZF
 - **Old Business:**
 - **2023-015** (budgets more transparent) consensus not reached (10-0-7-0)
 - **2023-016** (mileage reimbursement) consensus reached (13-0-2-0)
 - **2023-017** (printed treasurer reports) consensus not reached (11-0-4-0)
 - **2023-018** (printed annual financial report) consensus not reached (11-0-4-0)
 - The following is needed for the March RSC, so votes will be tallied at the FEBRUARY ASC to allow groups as much time to discuss, ask for more information, ... to reach an informed group conscience.
 - **Nominations:**
 - CPP Alternate Treasurer GRCNA 43 (2025): Bobbie Joe D
 - CPP Chair GRCNA 43 (2025): David H
 - **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)**
 - **Asked when they will be voted on at March RSC.**
 - Jan - you will have 2 ASCs to ask questions about these nominations and motions
 - **New Business:**

- **2023-019:** that 15% of the money above prudent reserve be sent to the South East Zonal Forum with the rest being sent on to world.
 - **Policy affected:** Article 13.A.5a
 - **Financial impact:** none ← current policy is to send everything above prudent reserve to world, so the amount donated would not change, just how it is distributed
- **2023-020:** To create a standing Task Panel called: Board of Directors. The scope of the Task Panel will be to
 1. Incorporate and maintain yearly informational returns.
 2. Update and pay the insurance.
 3. Reserve and pay the Regional meeting space.

This Task Panel will be directly responsible to the Georgia Region.

 - **Policy affected:** Article 6, Article 6E, Article 11A, Article 15, and Article 17. The By-Laws will be added to the GRSCNA website under Policies.
 - **Financial impact:** \$1630 for initial process (of incorporation), est. \$500-850 1st yr (to file taxes), as low as \$100/yr going forward professional accounting fee. Printing as needed (max \$250).
 - **Notes:**
 - savings the region would get if incorporated:
 - • \$2,419 on Google workspace
 - • Twilio: \$1,800 → \$500
 - • Quick Books \$289 → \$79
 - • Zoom pro is 1/2 price
 - • Adobe Suite \$54/month → \$15/month
 - Decision can be reversed in 3 years.
- **2023-021:** To change GRSCNA policy from “RD & RDA elections will be held in odd numbered years”, to Nominations for the RD & RDA will be taken in March prior to World Service Conference, and elections will occur at the following June RSC.
 - **Policy affected:** Article 6.C.3
 - **Financial impact:** none
 - David M. - RD & RDA elections are every 2 years, World Service Conference is moving to a 3 year cycle, so this would adjust the election cycles. If WS went back to 2 years, we would not have to adjust for this.
- **2023-022:** To accept the suggested Housekeeping Changes to GRSCNA Policy. These changes are suggested to be accepted on the RSC floor.
 - Consensus reached, changes included so groups can go over them if wanted and object/amend/change if they so desire.
 - **Policy Housekeeping Changes:**
 - 2023 December GRSCNA Policy Housekeeping.pdf
- **2023-023:** To accept the Suggested Changes to GRSCNA Policy. These changes are to be sent back to the Areas for review.
 - https://grscna.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/2022-2023_GRSCNA_Policy_Guidelines_Updated_September-2023.pdf
 - **Policy Changes:** ■ 2023 December GRSCNA Policy Changes.pdf
- **2023-024:** Pending availability, we would like the approval of the body, to pursue the planning of the next GSR Assembly. To be held on or around January 18, 2025.

- **Financial impact:** Facility cost, \$2,000, literature and supplies, \$1,000, food/beverages, \$800.
- “As always, questions, requests for information, do not hesitate to reach out.
ILS
Jan
rcm@mariettana.rog
401-500-3320”

Literature Distribution Report

- Amanda S. was present
- Amanda S. sent report, see attached
(■ 10_AdminReports_LiteratureDistribution_12-2023.pdf)
 - Amanda wants to suggest that large orders be placed through the na.org website if you are ordering literature as an individual, subcommittee, etc (not homegroups)
 - Individuals should buy literature from world services. Area literature is for homegroups primarily.
 - If a homegroup has a \$300 order, it WILL be filled, these comments pertain to individuals.
 - NAWS Literature Ordering Page: <https://cart-us.na.org/>
 - “I do realize the purchase of literature for individuals and other areas can put stress on our area’s home groups. Going forward, to ensure availability to our home groups, I will redirect individuals and groups with large fulfillment requirements to purchase directly from world. This is the only solution I can come up with that would ensure our groups can get their orders filled.

Let’s do our very best to follow the purchasing guidelines in place for the area, including showing up at area to purchase your lit. Although I appreciate the trust to fulfill our area’s needs, I am no longer able to meet with multiple individuals to fill orders in between areas. Orders prior to area should be placed through the online store and picked up at area. Thank you for your trust and understanding.”

Subcommittee Reports

Policy Report

- Position is vacant
- No report given

Activities Report

- Position is vacant

- Chris B. (Vice Chair) sent report, see attached:
 ([20_SubcommitteeReport_Activities_12-2023.pdf](#))
 - 5 members in attendance
 - Discussed potentially having a dance event in coordination with the West Georgia Area to be held in February. Tentative dates for this dance event would be February 10th or February 17th at 6 pm. Flyer coming - more will be revealed!
 - Nicole N. (Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee) - asked about dance conflicting with GRCNA (February 22nd - 25th).
 - Chris B. - This would be before that, and shouldn't conflict.
- **Spring Campout**
 - The Marietta Spring Campout will be located at Kellogg Creek, April 12th-14th. A flier will be made and dispersed to homegroups at next ASC
- **Next Activities Subcommittee Meeting:**
 - **When:** 1/28/2024 at 1:00 PM
 - **Where:** [Ridgeview Dayroom](#)

Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) Report

- Julie N. was present
- Julie N. sent report, see attached
 ([20_SubcommitteeReport_HI_12-2023.pdf](#))
 - We have vacant positions available for Secretary and Alt Secretary
 - *Please see the attached report for Facility Updates*
 - Still trying to fill facilitator positions at 2 facilities.
 - Would like to ask homegroups if they would consider sponsoring/holding a meeting once a year at a facility. If your homegroup is interested, get names of members, and bring to next area or contact Julie N.
 - Blue Ridge Facility - will reach out to Extreme North Area to see if they will collaborate with panel members there
 - We have forms for Cobb County Jail, but cannot take on more currently until we have more panel leaders
 - H&I is out of budget
 - **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA)**
 - Suggestion that the facilities that are for-profit provide or buy their own literature
 - **Nicole N. (Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)**
 - Maybe give graduation present instead of handing out so much literature at every meeting
 - **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)**
 - Asked when did H&I start giving out literature? H&I doesn't normally give out literature the way that it is currently being given.
 - Julie N. - we started giving literature this way about 2 years ago, longer than 2 years actually.
 - Stephanie S - we offer IPs, online literature, white books, etc. But H&I doesn't give out literature, PR does that.
 - Amanda S.

- TACO Tuesday is bringing a motion related to H&I Literature and for-profit institutions
- Nicole N. (Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)
 - We voted as an area for the H&I Budget for literature, so we should get mad at ourselves about this issue / hold ourselves accountable.
- Kissa P. (GSRA, Architects of Adversity)
 - Are there numbers of literature distribution?
 - Julie - yes this is in the budget submitted
- **Next H&I Subcommittee Meeting:**
 - **When:** 1/21/2024 at 4:00 PM
 - **Where:** Virtually on Zoom
 - **Zoom ID:** 224 495 4586
 - **Passcode:** 059327
 - **Link:**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2244954586?pwd=YXBVakN3OTFqSzk4anlKSklEVmlkQT09>

Public Relations (PR) Report

- Tasha B. was present, but had to leave before giving report.
- Tasha sent report, David M. read report, see attached (
 - TODO
- **Next PR Subcommittee Meeting:**
 - **When:** 1/28/2024 at 1:00 PM
 - **Where:** [Ridgeview Dayroom](#)

Writing Steps in Recovery (WSR) Report

- **Position is Vacant**
- Chris W. sent report, see attached (
 - 20_SubcommitteeReport_WSR_12-2023.pdf)

24 Hour Room Report

- Nichole N. was present
- Nichole N. sent report, see attached (
 - 20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room_12-05-2023.pdf ,
 - 20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room_12-19-2023.pdf)
 - We will need nominations for Chair at the next subcommittee meeting
 - Nicole's suggestions for next subcommittee
 - Budget will be submitted by March ASC (probably at January ASC)
 - Next years Budget




- Kevin (Living the Program) - wants to send a thank you note to the subcommittee
- Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA) - Church said we are great and they are very happy with us when she dropped off the Gratitude Feast check
- Amanda S. (Chair, Lit. Distribution) - This was the prettiest and best decorated 24 hour room she has ever seen.
 - \$86 literature order was given cash, was this documented correctly?
 - Nicole N. - Yes this was taken from merchandise sales and will be in the submitted budget
- David H. (Merchandise Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee) - We sold all of our merchandise! Which is a first!
- **Next 24 Hour Room Subcommittee Meeting:**
 - **When:** 1/16/2023 at 6:30 PM
 - **Where:** Virtually AND In-Person
 - Virtually on Zoom
 - **Zoom ID:** 822 1415 5626
 - **Passcode:** 24hoursNA
 - In Person: [Bethany United Methodist Church 760 Hurt Road, Smyrna, GA](#)

Old Business

- We will vote on the budget in this session
- We have 11 voting members present
- **Chris B. (Vice Chair, MASCNA)**
 - Motions are being submitted for the budget. Each budget must have a motion. We will consider the admin trusted servant chair / subcommittee chair the maker of the motion and 1 GSR as the maker and second for each motion so we can move through these quickly.

Motions

- **Motion:** 12-001
 - **Attachment:** 30_Motions_12-001.pdf
 - **Maker:** Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)
 - **Seconded By:** Amy H. (GSR, Welcome Home)
 - **Reads:** "To table the Area Budget vote in order to allow time for corrections to be made, e.g. inaccuracies in Region reimbursement totals for hotel expenses."
 - **Intent:** "to allow time for corrections to be made"
 - **Votes:** **Yes** - 9, **No** - 1, **Abstain** - 1
 - **Result:** **Pass**
 - **Discussion:** There was quite alot of discussion around the proposed budget. I tried to include as many comments and discussions as I was able to. I want to refrain from trying to summarize or interpret here...
 - **(Discussion before the Vote)**
 - **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)** - there hasn't been sufficient time for home groups to really discuss or review the budget because of the holidays, 24 Hour Room, etc.

- **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - If this passes, no check will be written at the next ASC.
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Distribution Chair, MASCNA)** - Lit. is ok with this
 - **Jan L. (RCM) / Chris B. (Vice Chair, MASCNA)** - At the end of the next ASC, if the budget is passed, we WOULD be able to disperse checks OR homegroups can suspend the rules to allow checks to be written.
- **David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)** - Asked Mindy M. what does “allow time for corrections to be made” mean? Who would check for errors/corrections?
 - **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)** - Not sure really, since there is no Alternate Treasurer.
 - **David M.** - I believe this would fall on the Admin Trusted Servants to review this.
- **Chris B. (Vice Chair, MASCNA)** - Many budgets were not submitted and the Treasurer was not given notice; however, notice was given to trusted servants with plenty of time to submit their budgets
- **David H. (GSR, Architects of Adversity)** - What were the inaccuracies / errors in the proposed budget?
 - **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)** - Hotel reimbursements were inaccurate
- **Kevin (GSR, Living the Program)** - Do we know the discrepancies?
 - It was \$175 hotel reimbursements
 - H&I and other subcommittees had discrepancies as well
- **Amanda S. (Lit. Distribution Chair, MASCNA)** - What would TACO Tuesday do with their 3 Motions
 - **Chris B.** - You can withdraw these motions
 - Retracted / Withdrawn Motions:
 -  31_Motions_RETRACTED_01.pdf
 -  31_Motions_RETRACTED_02.pdf
 -  31_Motions_RETRACTED_03.pdf
- **Amanda S. (Lit. Distribution Chair, MASCNA)** - Asked about how the budgets were carried over for budgets that were not submitted
 - **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - Said she Interpreted Area Policy to mean that the Treasurer will “build from” the previous years budget
 - **David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)** - *I am including the Policy items in question for this discussion:*

10: ARTICLE TEN: FINANCIAL GUIDELINES > G. Budgets :

2. The Treasurer will prepare the area’s annual budget and present it at the November ASC meeting.

a. If a trusted servant fails to submit a proposed budget to the Treasurer by this timeline, the Treasurer will prepare the annual budget using the previous year’s budget for that position.
 - **David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)** - the budgets that were not submitted to the Treasurer include: RCM/RCMA, PR, and WSR. WSR submitted a budget, but it was not submitted by the Chairperson (there is no Chair for WSR currently), so that budget was not accepted, per Policy.

- **Jason S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - Why should the budget be held back instead of being used somewhere else?
 - **Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)** - If something isn't being used, it can die off. Subcommittees can also be dismantled. Why are there not base budgets for these?
- **3 Motions related to the budget were withdrawn, but the home groups wanted them included in the minutes here:**
 - **WITHDRAWN MOTION 1**
 - **Attachment:** 31_Motions_RETRACTED_01.pdf
 - **Maker:** Danielle W. (GSRA, TACO Tuesday)
 - **Seconded:** Amy H. (GSR, Welcome Home)
 - **Reads:** “To amend the H&I literature budget to \$1800 from \$3576”
 - **Intent:** “To make the H&I literature budget more manageable for the Marietta Area. Our group would encourage the subcommittee to request that the for-profit facilities to purchase their own literature, rather than be solely funded by the Marietta Area”
 - **WITHDRAWN Motion 2**
 - **Attachment:** 31_Motions_RETRACTED_02.pdf
 - **Maker:** Danielle W. (GSRA, TACO Tuesday)
 - **Seconded:** Amy H. (GSR, Welcome Home)
 - **Reads:** “To move the cost of the WSR PO box to the treasurer budget, instead of the WSR budget”
 - **Intent:** “To align the budget document with the practice that was initiated in recent years”
 - **WITHDRAWN Motion 3**
 - **Attachment:** 31_Motions_RETRACTED_03.pdf
 - **Maker:** Danielle W. (GSRA, TACO Tuesday)
 - **Seconded:** Amy H. (GSR, Welcome Home)
 - **Reads:** “To restore the WSR literature budget of \$975 for the step working guides”
 - **Intent:** “To restore the budget to an amount that is [in] line with past years. Our group did not see the need for the reduced budget and we would like to see WSR allowed to provide step working guides at the same level as previous years.”

Region Topics

No Region Topics were voted on.

Nominations

The table below shows nominations for trusted servant positions

Position	Nominee	Action

- **No nominations**

Elections

The table below shows Elections for trusted servant positions.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Vote</u>

- **No elections**

New Business

- There are multiple Regional Topics and 2 Regional Nominations going back to home groups. These are located in the [RCM report above](#)

Motions

- No New Motions are going back to the homegroups

Group Reports

Contacts:  Contacts.xlsx











Celebration Summary

All celebrations, activities, and events are also located on the [Marietta Area Website's Calendar and Activities and Events page](#).

Birthdays

Name	Group	Date	Years Clean
Jonathan M.	Spiritual Awakenings	??	5
Linda D.	Spiritual Awakenings	??	44
Debby T.	Architects of Adversity	1/02	25
Marcia L.	Living the Program	1/04	22
Prasad M.	Living the Program	1/04	35
Courtney P.	Unity Group	1/04	1
Grace M.	TACO Tuesday	1/09	2
Erin H.	End of the Road	1/12	6
Kim V.	Architects of Adversity	1/12	8
Joseph P.	NA at Noon	1/12	34
Deborah	NA at Noon	1/23	10
Kat L.	Architects of Adversity	1/26	3
Keisha D.	Breakfast Club	2/03	3
Sean S.	Architects of Adversity	2/06	21
Brian L.	End of the Road	2/09	3
Erica T.	NA at Noon	2/15	5
Francesca A.	Firehouse	2/17	1
Tony G.	NA at Noon	2/20	19
Donna C.	(W. GA) What Can We Do	1/07	3
Deidre	(W. GA) Women Do Recover	1/08	2
Kyle H.	(W. GA) What Can We Do	1/14	5
Mike B.	(W. GA) What Can We Do	1/14	1
Daniel	(W. GA) On The Right Track	1/23	2
Gloria	(W. GA) On The Right Track	2/03	2
Bailey B.	(W. GA) On The Right Track	2/17	2
Tasha F.	(W. GA) On The Right Track	2/27	5

Group Celebrations, Events, and Activities

Group	Details	Date	Calendar	Flyer
Georgia Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous	  GRCNA Annual Winter Ball   2000's Bash	1/13	Link	Link
Marietta Area Activities Subcommittee	(This is Tentative) February Dance Activities will potentially have a dance. These dates are tentative and there should be a flyer at the next Area meeting.	(Tentative) 2/20 or 2/17	N/A	N/A
Marietta Area Activities Subcommittee	 Marietta Area Spring Campout  Will be located at Kellogg Creek in Acworth, GA. A flier will be available at the next Area meeting	4/12 - 4/14	Link	N/A
Georgia Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous	  GRCNA 42   "Happy, Joyous, & Free: Inside Job" Classic Center 300 N. Thomas St Athens, GA 30601 More Details: https://grcna.com	2/22 - 2/25	Link	Link

Detailed Group Reports

Highlights from the GSR Reports are below, for more details, please see the attached GSR Reports. This includes celebrations, events, and any special notes.

All submitted GSR Reports as attachments:

( 40_GroupReports_12-2023.pdf)

1. **Group:** Architects of Adversity
 - a. **Changes:**
We have dissolved our zoom portion of our meeting.
2. **Group:** The Breakfast Club
 - a. **How are meetings going? Any problems? How can ASC or subcommittee help?:**
Our meetings are going strong. Attendance and homegroup members are increasing.
3. **Group:** End of the Road
 - a. **Changes:**
no
 - b. **How are meetings going? Any problems? How can ASC or subcommittee help?:**
all good
 - c. **Notes:** David M. (Secretary, MASCNA) - Changed # of schedules to 15
4. **Group:** Firehouse
 - a. **Changes:**
None
 - b. **How are meetings going? Any problems? How can ASC or subcommittee help?:**
Meetings are good. No changes or problems.

- c. **Notes:** David M. (Secretary, MASCNA) - I added Cayla as GSRA and Chris B. as Secretary and changed # of schedules to 25.
- 5. **Group:** Living the Program
 - a. **Notes:** David M. (Secretary, MASCNA) - I added Jesse S. as Secretary and Mark F. as Treasurer.
- 6. **Group:** A New Way of Life
 - a. **How are meetings going? Any problems? How can ASC or subcommittee help?:** meetings are going well
 - b. **Notes:** David M. (Secretary, MASCNA) - I added Gaby as GSR and Josie as Treasurer, updated emails list for minutes.
- 7. **Group:** Renegades
 - a. **Changes:**
We have a rotating format now
 - b. **How are meetings going? Any problems? How can ASC or subcommittee help?:** Meetings seem to be growing.
How about Capture the Flag? Bring it back? Just sayn
 - c. **Notes:** David M. (Secretary, MASCNA) - see Open Forum for more details I put together about this: [Capture the Flag](#). I added Asa as GSR and Lee as Treasurer and updated email list for minutes.
- 8. **Group:** Surrender on Sunday
 - a. **Changes:**
No
 - b. **How are meetings going? Any problems? How can ASC or subcommittee help?:** Meetings are great, nothing new to report.
- 9. **Group:** TACO Tuesday
 - a. **Changes:**
Predatory behavior
 - b. **Notes:** David M. (Secretary, MASCNA) - I added susan.sushi@gmail.com to mailing list for the minutes
- 10. **Group:** Unity Group
 - a. **Notes:** David M. (Secretary, MASCNA) - I added Darryl B. as GSR and Jayden R. as GSRA. I updated the email list for minutes.

Adjournment

- **Motion:** Motion to close the ASC Meeting (4:22)
 - **Maker:** Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)
 - **Second:** David H. (GSR, Architects of Adversity)
 - **Approved by Acclamation**
- **Next ASC Meeting Scheduled:**
 - **Sunday, January 28th, 2024 @ 2:00 PM at Ridgeview Institute - Day Hospital**

Attachments

This section contains all the attachments, reports, motions, flyers, and miscellaneous files submitted to the secretary for inclusion in this month's minutes.

1. **ALL Minutes:** Minutes
2. **This Month's Minutes Folder (Contains everything)**
 - 2023-12
3. **Area Contacts SpreadSheet**
 - a. Contacts.xlsx
4. **Area Attendance**
 - a. AreaAttendance.xlsx
5. **Admin Reports**
 - a. **Chair:** 10_AdminReports_Chair_12-2023.pdf
 - b. **Vice Chair:** N/A
 - c. **Secretary:** [See report above](#)
 - d. **Treasurer:** 10_AdminReports_Treasurer_12-2023.pdf
 - i. **Attachments:** 10_AdminReports_Treasurer_Attachments
 1. MASCNA_ProposedBudget_2.1.pdf
 2. Dec 23 Marietta Treasurer's Report Worksheets - 23 Dec.pdf
 3. DEC 2023 Budget and Expenses Record.xlsx - Jan - Dec 2023 (3).pdf
 4. November 2023 Bank Statement.pdf
 - e. **RCM:** 10_AdminReports_RCM_12-2023.pdf
 - i. Attachments: 10_AdminReports_RCM_Attachments
 - ii. 2023 December Flyers.pdf
 - iii. 2023 December GRSCNA Minutes .pdf
 - iv. 2023 December GRSCNA Policy Changes.pdf
 - v. 2023 December GRSCNA Policy Housekeeping.pdf
 - vi. 2023 December GRSCNA Topic Forms.pdf
 - vii. 2023 December Nominations.pdf
 - viii. Draft GRSCNA Articles Incorporation and By Laws.pdf
 - f. **Literature:** 10_AdminReports_LiteratureDistribution_12-2023.pdf
6. **Subcommittee Reports**
 - a. **Policy:** <VACANT>
 - b. **Activities:** 20_SubcommitteeReport_Activities_12-2023.pdf
 - c. **H&I:** 20_SubcommitteeReport_HI_12-2023.pdf
 - d. **PR:** XXXX
 - e. **WSR:** 20_SubcommitteeReport_WSR_12-2023.pdf
 - f. **24 Hour Room:**
 - 20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room_12-05-2023.pdf
 - 20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room_12-19-2023.pdf
7. **Nominations**
 - a. None

8. Motions

- a. **Motion 12-001:** 30_Motions_12-001.pdf
- b. **Motion 12-002:** 30_Motions_12-002.pdf
- c. **Retracted Motions:**
 - i. 31_Motions_RETRACTED_01.pdf
 - ii. 31_Motions_RETRACTED_02.pdf
 - iii. 31_Motions_RETRACTED_03.pdf

9. Group Reports

- a. 40_GroupReports_12-2023.pdf

10. Meeting List

- a. 70_MeetingList_12-2023.pdf

11. Miscellaneous


- a. **Capture the Flag Rules:** 80_Misc_CaptureTheFlagRules.pdf
- b. **NAWS News January 2024:** 80_Misc_NawsNews_Jan2024.pdf

12. Flyers





- a. **World Convention 38 Flyer:** 90_Flyers_NAWS_WCNA38.pdf
- b. **GRCNA Winter Ball 2000s Bash Flyer:** 90_Flyers_GRCNA_WinterBall2000sBash.pdf
- c. **GRCNA Convention 42 Flyer:** 90_Flyers_GRCNA_GRCNA-42-Convention.pdf
- d. **Florida Service Symposium Flyer:** 90_Flyers_FloridiaServiceSymposiumX.pdf

Summary For GSRs

This section includes a summary of Elections, Nominations, Motions Voted on, and New Motions (for both Area and Region) that must go back to homegroups for voting. There is also a section for important announcements from the Group Reports.

- **Marietta Area has several vacant administrative and subcommittee positions.** If you might be interested in any of these, attend area or the next subcommittee meeting, or feel free to reach out to the Area Secretary at secretary@mariettana.org
 - **3 Vacant Admin Trusted Servant positions:** Secretary Alternate, Treasurer Alternate, and Literature Distribution Chair Alternate.
 - **3 Vacant Subcommittee Chair positions:** Activities Chair, Policy Chair and Writing Steps in Recovery Chair.
- **H&I, PR, and Activities subcommittees need more support.**
- **Old Business**
 - **Marietta Area Budget:**
 - **The budget was not approved at this ASC.** Issues were expressed by the home groups. 2 motions were passed to table the area budget vote to allow time for corrections and direct the treasurer to make a new budget. This new budget will have the same budgets rolled over from the previous year if the trusted servant / subcommittee chair did not submit a budget to the treasurer. This is included in these minutes. There were lengthy discussions during these motions and those can be read above:
 - [Motion 12-001](#)
 - [Motion 12-002](#)
 - There were 3 motions related to the budget that were withdrawn that the homegroups wanted to include in the minutes:
 - [Withdrawn Motions](#)
 - If you want to reference area policy for any of this, see page 22: 10. Article 10: Financial Guidelines > G. Budgets
 - **A new budget has been created** by Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA). This budget is updated per Motions [12-001](#) and [12-002](#) and has been checked by Stephanie and David M. (Secretary, MASCNA) for any inaccuracies and errors. If anyone has any questions about this, feel free to reach out to Stephanie at treasurer@mariettana.org or David M. at secretary@mariettana.org . You may also call or text David at 404-551-8890.
 -  [MASCNA_ProposedBudget_2.1.pdf](#)
 - [3 motions withdrawn pertaining to the budget that will probably be entered as motion/amendments at the next ASC](#)
 - **2 motions** were voted on in old business and passed, 3 motions were withdrawn and included here:
 - [Motion 12-001](#) | Result: **Passed**
 - [Motion 12-002](#) | Result: **Passed**
 - [3 Withdrawn Motions included here](#)

- 0 nominations and 0 elections took place
- **New Business**
 - **RCM Report - Georgia Regional Service Committee of NA:**
 - **4 Regional Topics were voted on at region.** These are the results, with how our Area voted:
 - **2023-015** (Transparency of Budgets), **Area Vote:** **Passed**, **Regional Vote:** Consensus not reached
 - **2023-016** (Mileage Reimbursement for trusted servants in RSC Task Panels), **Area Vote:** Stand Aside, **Regional Vote:** **Consensus Reached**
 - **2023-017** (Have printed treasurer reports from all treasurers at beginning of RSC), **Area Vote:** **Passed**, **Regional Vote:** Consensus not reached
 - **2023-018** (Have treasurer provide printed copies of annual financial report at Sept. RSC and electronically on Saturday of the September RSC), **Area Vote:** **Passed**, **Regional Vote:** Consensus not reached
 - **2 Nominations and 4 New Regional Topics** are going back to homegroups ([details above](#)):
 - **Nominations:**
 - CPP Alternate Treasurer GRCNA 43 (2025): Bobbie Joe D.
 - CPP Chair GRCNA 43 (2025): David H.
 - **Topics:**
 - **2023-019:** that 15% of the money above prudent reserve be sent to the South East Zonal Forum with the rest being sent on to world.
 - **2023-020:** To create a standing Task Panel called: Board of Directors.
 - **2023-021:** To change GRSCNA policy from “RD & RDA elections will be held in odd numbered years”, to Nominations for the RD & RDA will be taken in March prior to World Service Conference, and elections will occur at the following June RSC.
 - **2023-022:** To accept the suggested Housekeeping Changes to GRSCNA Policy. These changes are suggested to be accepted on the RSC floor.
 - **2023-023:** To accept the Suggested Changes to GRSCNA Policy. These changes are to be sent back to the Areas for review.
 - **2023-024:** Pending availability, we would like the approval of the body, to pursue the planning of the next GSR Assembly. To be held on or around January 18, 2025.
- **Group Reports**
 - Nothing major to report, but [detailed reports are above](#)
 - **Asa B. (GSR, Renegades)** wanted to ask if home groups would like to bring back “Capture the Flag”. See details above in [Open Forum](#):
 - **NOTE from David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)** - I looked up some rules to use for this. These are just what I found online, and the groups could decide exactly how they want to do this. I have created an initial document for this:
 - [80_Misc_CaptureTheFlagRules.pdf](#)
- Mention our area members’ [birthdays](#) and [group celebrations, activities, and events](#)
 - The Naws Newsletter has started up again:
 - **NAWS News January 2024:** ■ [80_Misc_NawsNews_Jan2024.pdf](#)

- 4 Flyers for events/activities:
 - **World Convention 38 Flyer:**  90_Flyers_NAWS_WCNA38.pdf
 - **GRCNA Winter Ball 2000s Bash Flyer:**
 -  90_Flyers_GRCNA_WinterBall2000sBash.pdf
 - **GRCNA Convention 42 Flyer:**  90_Flyers_GRCNA_GRCNA-42-Convention.pdf
 - **Florida Service Symposium Flyer:**  90_Flyers_FloridaServiceSymposiumX.pdf
- **Full Calendar available** [HERE](#).

Next ASC Meeting

Sunday January 28th, 2024 @ 2:00 PM at Ridgeview Institute - Day Hospital

References

This section contains helpful links, policy, form, etc for members.

1. **Marietta Area of Narcotics Anonymous Website:** <https://mariettana.org>
 - 1.1. **Minutes, Policy, Forms, and Documents**
 - 1.1.1. **Area Minutes:** <https://mariettana.org/mascna-minutes/>
 - 1.1.2. **Area Policy:** <https://mariettana.org/mascna-policy/>
 - 1.1.3. **Forms (Motion, Nomination, GSR, Literature Order, Expense Report, Area Inventory, Service Resume):** <https://mariettana.org/forms/>
 - 1.1.4. **Miscellaneous Area Documents (Guide to Local Services, Robert’s Rules vs Consensus):** <https://mariettana.org/mascna-documents/>
 - 1.2. **Marietta Area Activities and Events:** <https://mariettana.org/activities-flyers/>
 - 1.3. **Marietta Area Calendar (Activities, Meetings, Celebrations):** <https://mariettana.org/marietta-calendar/>
 - 1.4. **Subcommittee Pages**
 - 1.4.1. **24 Hour Room:** <https://mariettana.org/24-hour-room/>
 - 1.4.2. **Hospitals & Institutions:** <https://mariettana.org/hospitals-and-institutions/>
 - 1.4.3. **Writing Steps in Recovery:** <https://mariettana.org/writing-steps-in-recovery/>
 - 1.4.4. **Public Relations:** <https://mariettana.org/public-relations/>
 - 1.5. **Meetings**
 - 1.5.1. **Printable:** <https://mariettana.org/?current-meeting-list=1>
 - 1.5.2. **Meetings Map:** <https://mariettana.org/meetings-map/>
 - 1.6. **Online Literature Order Store:** <https://mariettana.org/shop/>
2. **Google Drive (Web)**
 - 2.1. **Admin**
 - 2.1.1. **Secretary**
 - 2.1.1.1. **Secretary ReadMe.docx**
 - 2.1.2. **AreaAttendance.xlsx**
 - 2.1.3. **Contacts.xlsx**
 - 2.2. **Documents**
 - 2.2.1. **Forms**
 - 2.2.2. **Minutes**
 - 2.2.3. **Misc**
 - 2.2.4. **Policy**
 - 2.3. **Subcommittees**
 - 2.3.1. **24-Hour Room**
 - 2.3.2. **Activities**
 - 2.3.3. **PR**
 - 2.3.4. **Web**
 - 2.3.5. **WSR**