

MASCNA Meeting Minutes

January 28th, 2024

Next Meeting:

Sunday, February 25th, 2024 @ 2:00 PM

Ridgeview Institute - Professional Building North

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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:** 2/25/2024 at 1:00 PM
 - **Where:** [Ridgeview Dayroom](#)
- **H&I Subcommittee**
 - **When:** 2/18/2024 at 4:00 PM
 - **Where:** Virtually on Zoom
 - **Zoom ID:** 224 495 4586
 - **Passcode:** 059327
 - **Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2244954586?pwd=YXBVakN3OTFqSzk4anlKSklEVmlkQT09>
- **Policy Subcommittee**
 - **Chair position is vacant, not currently meeting**
- **PR Subcommittee**
 - **When:** 2/25/2024 at 1:00 PM
 - **Where:** [Ridgeview Dayroom](#)
- **24-Hour Room Subcommittee**
 - **When:** 2/20/2024 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

- Call to order at 2:01
- The Purpose of the Area Read by: Bradley S. (GSR, Rose Group Redux)
- The 12 Traditions Read by: Lance M.
- The 12 Concepts Read by: Jason S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)

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	Jay H.	<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	Tom C.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
NA at Noon	Erica T.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
New Way of Life	Gaby	<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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	
Surrender on Sunday	Jason S.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Voting Privileges Restored
T.A.C.O. Tuesday	Courtney M.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Unity Group	Darryl B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Voting Privileges Restored
We Group	Jarod R.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Welcome Home	Ashley	<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 type="checkbox"/>	Absent w/ Notice
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 type="checkbox"/>	Absent w/ Notice
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 14 Groups out of 15 Groups present - Quorum Met @ 2:09 PM


- Motion to Approve Last Month's Minutes
 - Approved by Acclamation
 - Motion made by Asa B. (GSR, Renegades)

Open Forum

- Opened at 2:10 pm
- **Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday):**
 Still concerned about the H&I literature budget. Proposes H&I literature budget to be what it was last year. Wants to know the opinion from other GSRs
 - **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)** - End of the road had same consensus
 - **Tom C. (GSR, Living the Program)** - Can the H&I chair (Julie N.) speak on this?
 - **Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)** - Wants to know more about funding literature at for-profit institutions
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - basic texts were given to clients at the facilities
 - **Bradley S. (GSR, Rose Group Redux)** - Was a client at this facility and says that they were not given texts from the facility, but that could have been changed by now
 - **Kissa P. (GSRA, Architects of Adversity / Vice Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)** - My boyfriend has worked there for 2 years and they do not give out NA literature
 - **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - We have talked about giving out basic texts when clients are leaving the facility, instead of while they are there. If we have to go back to previous budgets to resolve this we can.
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - Not opposed to this. It's the amount we are funding for for-profit facilities. Facilities could order their own literature. We could instead fund underprivileged facilities
 - **Rodney W. (Lit. Coordinator, H&I Subcommittee)** - Shouldn't it be put upon PR to reach out to the facility and understand what is going on so we can understand what is going on better and what we can do for clients and potential NA members?
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - it has been difficult to maintain communication for one reason or another with the facilities.
 - **David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)** - this motion was not submitted at the last ASC, because of the budget being resubmitted at this ASC. **Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday) will resubmit this motion in New Business.**
- **David M. (Secretary, MASCNA):**
 - **Budget**
 - i. **The corrected budget was checked by Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA), Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA), and myself, David M. (Secretary, MASCNA). Home groups will be voting on the proposed budget at this ASC.**
 - ii. Talked about the mileage errors in policy and written into the budget. Policy needs to be updated in one place as a housekeeping motion to change the mention of \$0.30 per mile reimbursement to be \$0.45. This was mistakenly not updated in both places in Area Policy. I will bring a motion in new business to correct this in policy.
- Closed at 2:20 pm

Admin Reports

ASC Chair Report

- Cathy H. was present
- Cathy H. sent report, see attached
 ( 10_AdminReports_Chair_01-2024.pdf)
 - “Not too much to report this month. I attended Activities this month. I checked the mailbox as well.”





ASC Vice Chair Report

- Chris B. was absent with notice
- No report given


Secretary Report

- David M. was present
- No report was given

Treasurer Report

- Stephanie S. was present
- Stephanie S. sent report, see attached
 ( 10_AdminReports_Treasurer_01-2024.pdf)
 - **Attachments:**
 -  2023-24 Monthly Workbook.xlsx - 24 Jan.pdf
 -  2024 MASCNA Budget.xlsx - Jan - Dec 2023.pdf
 -  Dec 2023 Bank Statement.pdf
 - We are late with our RSC donation. Now that we are completely done with the last budget I will be writing a check for \$2,926.81 per our policy (Article 10; section K.) Please see the attached spreadsheet for detailed information about this month’s income and expenses.
 - **Area Policy > Article 10 > Section K. Region Donations:**
 “Donations to the GRSCNA will be treated as expenditures. At the February, May, August and November ASC meetings, the Treasurer will write a check to the RSC, donating all money above prudent reserve, but minus any budgeted expenses and outstanding bills due before the next Area. Treasurer will only donate funds received in previous areas”

Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report

- Jan L. was present
- Jan L. sent report, see attached
 ( 10_AdminReports_RCM_01-2024.pdf)
- Jan L. gave a verbal report:

- Nothing to report, no new information.
- Can reach out to Jan with any questions
- **Region nominations and topics will be voted on at the February ASC**
- The House Keeping Topic (Topic 2023-22) does not need to be voted on, it was included for homegroup information and transparency
- **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)** - Did not see the Nominations in last month's minutes.
 - **David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)** - these were included in the minutes, and I am including all of the RCM attachments from December's ASC for reference, since these will be voted on at the February ASC.
- **Old Report and Attachments:**
 - **The following are from last month's minutes, these were not discussed at the January ASC, these are simply for easy reference since they will be voted on at the next ASC (February 25th)**
 - 📄 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 ← **NOMINATIONS**
 - 📄 Draft GRSCNA Articles Incorporation and By Laws.pdf
 - **Report:**
 - **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
 - **Nominations:** 📄 2023 December Nominations.pdf
 - CPP Alternate Treasurer GRCNA 43 (2025): Bobbie Joe D
 - CPP Chair GRCNA 43 (2025): David H
 - **New Business:** 📄 2023 December GRSCNA Topic Forms.pdf
 - **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. (Secretary, MASCNA) - 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.
- **2023-023:** 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.

Literature Distribution Report

- Amanda S. was present
- Amanda S. sent report, see attached
(■ 10_AdminReports_LiteratureDistribution_01-2024.pdf)
 - Just a few orders in-between areas; what a relief to have a shift in business. I would like to continue to encourage home groups to show up to area for lit.
 - Regarding the budget we tabled last month: there was a lot of controversy around the H&I budget. As such, I have a few thoughts; First, if the budget for H&I is approved at almost \$4,000, I intend to petition the body for an ad hoc committee to inventory the use of H&I literature. Not to govern, simply to oversee the expectations of these facilities and efficiently participate in our decision-making process.
 - Second, If the service body finds that the abundance of literature is sustainable to the area, then I would like to suggest we create a position for an H&I liaison to be directly responsible to the area. I feel it would be prudent to have a subcommittee member responsible for the purchase of lit. This, of course, may require a motion from the area to change the policy. The new position has the potential to accomplish two things: First, the ability to properly identify the use of literature and the need for funding; and second, allow the lit chair to focus on the terms in which they were elected.
 - The expectation for an area trusted servant to use personal finances for purchasing lit is alarming. As it stands, we spent \$1100.00 last month. That amount is on my personal credit

until I can file for reimbursement today. While I accepted my current terms of service, the use of additional personal funds would prohibit my ability to do so.

- **More discussion happened during this report:**

- **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - Side note - Can ask for advances for huge lit orders if given at area
- **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - If we continue to spend more than we bring in, we will eventually not be able to pay for orders
- **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - **Wants to ask body for suggestions regarding the ordering of literature:**
 - Could re-establish relationship with Florida region for lit ordering
 - Not sure what to do with paying facility (Ridgeview) with literature since we have moved
 - **Nicole N. (Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)** - we were in this building for years, does anyone know how we did it then?
 - **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA)** - Eddie is in charge and we will try to ask him about this
 - **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - We do not spend or let go of any money over prudent reserve and literature reserve. Can place up to a \$1,500 literature order. orders should never go above and beyond that amount. Shouldn't be ordering above \$3,500 amount
 - **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - Stated that she is done with having a discussion about H&I's large budget. Would like to reduce it back to the previous budget amount.
- **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - Had \$8 over and donated it to NA at Noon. This is the second month in a row that we were over.
- **Jason S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - We should have an area debit/credit card, why does Amanda have to do personal charges for literature orders?
 - **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - We require 2 signatures, so we can't do 2 signatures on a credit card. Other non profits get around this by making a document with 2 signatures. The purpose is so 1 person can't clean out the account.
- **Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)** - What are the payment types for orders?
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - we use a card because it would take 2 weeks if writing a check
 - **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - with WSR, they dont use a credit card, they purchase online, then email stephanie, she writes checks, etc. So it is very involved when they do not use credit cards for placing orders.
- **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - It isn't fair for me to pay for literature orders from my own personal account.
- **Kunal K. (RCMA, MASCNA)** - Why are we not ordering from the Florida region?
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - (in the past) We would order from Florida and they would front our literature, but this stopped when we were late on payments for 3-4 months. Their shipping costs have gone up. It's cheaper to get it from NAWS than from Florida.
 - **Bradley S. (GSR, Rose Group Redux)** - Florida had terms with us, and it would behoove us to restore that relationship
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - for transparency - I had an altercation with some of the chairs down in Florida over asking why the shipping costs have gone up. She will reestablish this relationship if we want though.

- **Tom C. (GSR, Living the Program)** - How does Florida get their literature? Is it from World [Services]? Could we as a region, have our own literature, so the area could purchase it from the region? We wouldn't have to worry about expensive shipping costs.
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - would be willing to ask for this.
 - **Tom C. (GSR, Living the Program)** - will go back to his homegroup and possibly come back to the area to ask Jan L. (RCM, MASCNA)
- **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - homegroups should discuss and come back at the next area with suggestions or a possible request for Jan.

Subcommittee Reports

Policy Report

- Position is vacant
- No report given

Activities Report

- Position is vacant
- Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA) gave a verbal report:
 - Talked about a possible Speaker Jam
 - **The Dance will now be a Lip Sync Battle (like the event last year)**
 - The dance planned for February will now be a lip sync battle in March
 - **Jan L. (RCM, MASCNA)** - Might the location have something to do with the lack of Marietta Area [member] participation? The location was in the West Georgia Area (Powder Springs). That may be too far for some people in the Marietta Area to travel to.
 - **David H. (GSR, Architects of Adversity)** - Made a suggestion to work with the West GA Area to go between areas every other year. To build the network and area unity.
 - **Spring Campout**
 - The Marietta Area Spring Campout will be located at Kellogg Creek, April 12th-14th. A flier will be made and dispersed to homegroups soon.
- **Next Activities Subcommittee Meeting:**
 - **When:** 2/25/2024 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_01-2024.pdf](#))
 - **Facility Updates:**
 - **Recovery Village Atlanta** – We've had 25-40 participants every meeting and have shifted the topics to 1 st step principals/requesting 2 topics from the audience. The

meetings are going really well. We're having a hard time getting the 4th week of the month covered and are hoping to get a good response from home groups regarding our request for support. Basically, homegroups would commit to the 4th week of a month and provide 3 people that have been oriented to do H&I to conduct the meeting. This only needs to happen once to make a huge impact. We will reach out to the facility to see if they are willing to provide Basic Texts to their patients.

- **Blue Ridge Mountain Recovery Center** – Meetings are going well and there is a need for multiple panel members on Tuesday nights @ 7pm. If you know anyone that is interested, please contact Julie @ 404-621-5429. We are looking to collaborate with Extreme North GA Area to fill panel leader and panel member positions. We will reach out to the facility to see if they are willing to provide Basic Texts to their patients.
- **Cobb Stabilization Unit** – There's been a range of 3-10 participants at each meeting and the meetings are going well.

○ **Old Business:**

- We have contacted **Cherokee County Jail** and received the applications to get people approved to hold a meeting there. Please see Julie N. if you are interested.
- Ronnie W. is reaching out to **Bartow County Jail** to see if they are open to us bringing in a meeting there again. Still waiting on an update here.

○ **New Business:**

- We have vacant positions available for Secretary and Alt Secretary.
- Once we get the meeting coverage across all facilities stabilized, we plan to coordinate with PR to get our literature into local jails as a gateway to bringing meetings in.
- We're starting new panel leader and panel member scheduling for 2024 this month. We need panel leaders for Recovery Village and Blue Ridge Mountain Recovery Center.
 - Panel Leaders = 1 year commitment, 2 Fridays/2 Tuesdays per month. We are open to having panel leaders make a commitment for 1 week out of the month as well.
 - Panel Members = 6 month commitment, 1 Friday/1 Tuesday per month.
 - **Homegroups:** Please discuss in your group conscience considering sponsoring 1 H&I meeting at the Recovery Village Atlanta facility this year. You will need 3 members to attend with 1year+ clean time. All members will need to be oriented if they have not already been. This would make a significant impact on our ability to cover the facilities we have and increase the # of facilities we are able to carry the message to. If your homegroup is interested, please call Julie N. 404-621-5429

● **Notes:**

- Still need coverage at the Blue Ridge Mountain Recovery Center facility. Wanted to hear back from GSRs about sponsoring a meeting once a year. Blue Ridge is doing well, Bradley has stepped up as a panel leader.
- Cobb Stabilization is going well. Will coordinate with PR more about getting literature into the facilities.
- **Tom C. (GSR, Living the Program)** - Living the program said they will participate
- **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - What if we had an email list for all the dates for H&I meetings to see the schedule?

- **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - We are having trouble filling the 4 week meetings. Julie asked homegroups to consider providing 3 people for 1 meeting a year. 1 year or more clean for members.
- **Asa B.** - Now many places do you go into?
 - **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - 3 (Recovery Village Atlanta, Blue Ridge Mountain Recovery Center, and Cobb Stabilization Unit)
 - 7:30 - 8:30 for meetings
- **Next H&I Subcommittee Meeting:**
 - **When:** 2/18/2024 at 4:00 PM
 - **Where:** Virtually on Zoom
 - **Zoom ID:** 224 495 4586
 - **Passcode:** 059327
 - **Link:**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2244954586?pwd=YXBVakN3OTFqSzk4anlKSklEvVmlkQT09>

Public Relations (PR) Report

- Tasha B. was absent with notice.
- No report sent
- **Next PR Subcommittee Meeting:**
 - **When:** 2/25/2024 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_01-2024.pdf](#))
 - Total Letters Received: 10
 - New Letters: 7
 - Total Workbooks Ordered: 2
 - Step Guide Women: 10
 - Step Guide Men: 8

24 Hour Room Report

- Nichole N. was present
- Nichole N. sent report, see attached
 ([20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room_01-16-2024.pdf](#))
 - **2024 Proposed Budget:**
[20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room-Proposed-Budget-2024.pdf](#)
 - **Financials:** [20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room_2023-Financials.pdf](#)
 - Had last meeting with reimbursements, totalled money, reviewed the budget
 - We decided to continue to meet virtually and in person
 - **Still looking for nominations for Chair for next year.**

- Financials:
 - Donated \$4,473 back to Area
 - Passed around profit/loss summary, these are included in the minutes above
 - Last year went over budget, this year we came in \$962 in profit.
 - TODO - Include budget information here
 - **Nicole N. (Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)** - Thanked the committee and area for being part of the event and for her being able to be a part of this. Wants to continue to carry the recovery momentum into the year!
- The following was a discussion about finances and about possibly charging for food at the 24 Hour Room. Nothing was decided here.
 - **Jan L. (RCM, MASCNA)** - For closing night dinner, you came in under budget, but also got ~\$200 in food donations. Would you have gone over budget?
 - **Nicole N. (Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)** - we talked about raising the dinners to \$500 in the new budget. We would have done what we did with the opening night dinner. We are planning on having a food budget instead of a closing and opening night dinner separate budgets. To give more flexibility in the future
 - **Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)** - Can an NA member still donate to the event?
 - **Nicole N. (Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)** - yes
 - **Tom C. (GSR, Living the Program)** - You talked about opening and closing food. I would not have a problem paying \$10 to eat, not for newcomers, but for people who have been clean for a while.
 - **Nicole N. (Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)** - The goal of the 24 hour room is to provide recovery and fellowship, not to provide food. We could have a suggested donation box. It is our responsibility to be responsible with our budget
 - **Jan L. (RCM, MASCNA)** - Observed people arriving and having food, sitting there, but not going to meetings. Is for homegroups providing food, but struggles with 7th tradition money going towards that. But it has created an expectation for food.
 - **Nicole N. (Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)** - we did have church members and others come and eat
 - **Kissa P. (GSRA, Architects of Adversity / Vice Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)** - Suggestion for charging for opening and closing night dinner / event. It's not our responsibility to feed groups and it should not be mandated for groups to provide food either.
 - **Nicole N. (Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)** - we are trying to stay financially responsible
 - **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)** - maybe in the evenings, have the meeting in the main room to bring back the focus to recovery. This may eliminate some of the issues with expectations on food.
 - **David H. (GSR, Architects of Adversity)** - We advertise this event as a free event and feels that charging goes against the spirit of the 24 hour room. We could have a suggested donation boxes. Seems like we would be charging for something and then taking 7th tradition donations too.
 - **Jan L. (RCM, MASCNA)** - the event is free, merch is charged for. It could also be ok to charge for food.

- **Ashley (GSR, Welcome Home)** - Hears the financial challenge, and considers the intention and meaning behind the event. It takes a lot of humility to enter this place, and to provide it for free to new and recovering addicts. Would rather have the homegroup donate so it would continue to be free for people walking in with nothing. Feels that charging takes away from the conditional love and understanding that we give to the newcomer
 - **Nicole N. (Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)** - we meet resistance every time we try to raise the budget, feels like we have been nickel and diming. Whatever we decide is ok. Ok with not charging for food. There may be years where we don't have food. So long as we follow our primary purpose.
 - **2024 Proposed Budget:**
 - **20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room-Proposed-Budget-2024.pdf**
- **Next 24 Hour Room Subcommittee Meeting:**
 - **When:** 2/20/2023 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 14 voting members present

Motions

- **Motion to Suspend the Order of the Day**
 - **Intent:** "So we can vote on the following amendment and then vote on the budget"
 - **Vote:** Yes - 14, No - 0, Abstain - 0
 - **Result:** **Passed**
- **Amendment 01-001**
 - **Attachment:** **30_Motions_01-2024.pdf**
 - **Note:** This is a friendly amendment to the H&I submitted budget. This would change the H&I subcommittee's budget line item for "literature" from \$3,576 to \$1,800. The previous year's budget was \$1,440. This would make the total H&I budget \$2,202.80 (instead of \$3,979.70)
 - **Maker:** Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)
 - **Seconded By:** Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)
 - **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."
 - **Votes:** Yes - 14, No - 0, Abstain - 0
 - **Result:** **Passed**
- **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA) then asked if the homegroups were in favor of passing the entire budget as one motion, with Amendment 01-001**

- **Votes:** Yes - 14, No - 0, Abstain - 0
- **Result:** Passed
- **Motion to Return to the Order of the Day**
 - **Votes:** Yes - 14, No - 0, Abstain - 0
 - **Result:** Passed

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.


Position	Nominee	Vote

- **No elections**

New Business

- One housekeeping motion was voted on to correct a mileage reimbursement that was mistakenly not updated in one place in policy.

Motions

- **Motion 01-002**
 - **Attachment:**  30_Motions_01-2024.pdf
 - **Maker:** David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)
 - **Seconded By:** Darryl B. (GSR, Unity Group)
 - **Reads:** “To Change Policy:
 - 14. Addendum B - The NA Service Structure Below the area level
 - A. Region Service Committee:
 - “... and roundtrip mileage (\$.30 per mile) to Macon, GA...”

to:

“... and roundtrip mileage (\$.45 per mile) to Macon, GA...”

“

- **Intent:** “To correct mileage reimbursement to reflect past policy changes and in line with: 10. Article Ten: Financial Guidelines > E. Reimbursements > 2. Auto Travel > b. > iii.”
- **Votes:** Yes - 14, No - 0, Abstain - 0
- **Result:** **Passed**

Group Reports

Contacts: [x 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
Jake	Surrender on Sunday	2/04	N/A
Lynette R.	NA at Noon	2/04	31
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
Ryan	Living the Program	2/15	14
Francesca A.	Firehouse	2/17	1
Katey G.	Rose Group Redux	2/17	11
Rebekah K.	Architects of Adversity	2/20	3
Tony G.	NA at Noon	2/20	19
Paula A.	Breakfast Club	2/24	1
Gloria	(W. GA) On The Right Track	2/03	2
Tina	(W. GA) On The Right Track	2/03	19
Raphaella	(W. GA) What Can We Do	2/04	9
Bailey B.	(W. GA) On The Right Track	2/17	2
Rachel	(W. GA) What Can We Do	2/18	4
Kai S.	(W. GA) What Can We Do	2/25	6
Tasha F.	(W. GA) On The Right Track	2/27	5
Magen H.	(W. GA) On The Right Track	3/2	6

Group Celebrations, Events, and Activities

Group	Details	Date	Calendar	Flyer
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_01-2024.pdf)

1. Overall, the home groups did not have much to report and said that meetings were going well or great with steady attendance. There are several birthdays added above from the reports.
2. **David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)** - I forgot to report that the **Chozen Frozen group has closed** its doors. I was notified of this on January 17th by multiple people and unpublished the meeting from the BLMT. Their last meeting was held on January 15th.

Adjournment

- **Motion:** Motion to close the ASC Meeting (3:30)
 - **Maker:** Asa B. (GSR, Renegades)
 - **Second:** Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)
 - **Approved by Acclamation**
- **Next ASC Meeting Scheduled:**
 - Sunday, February 25th, 2024 @ 2:00 PM at Ridgeview Institute - Professional Building North

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.

Multiple service positions are open, no motions or nominations. H&I would like input and support from homegroups. 2 Region Nominations and 5 Region Topics will be voted on at the March ASC. 24 Hour Room Subcommittee Budget has been submitted for approval. The rest of the area budget was approved. MASCNA Meeting has moved buildings. MASCNA Meeting will not be able to meet on Sundays starting in March, and would like suggestions from the homegroups. The Chozen Frozen group has closed their doors.

- **Admin and Subcommittees**

- **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
 - **5 Vacant Admin Trusted Servant positions:** Secretary Alternate, Treasurer Alternate, Literature Distribution Chair Alternate, and Policy Parliamentarian.
 - **4 Vacant Subcommittee Chair positions:** Activities Chair, Policy Chair, Writing Steps in Recovery Chair, 24 Hour Room Chair.
- **H&I, PR, and Activities subcommittees need more support.**
- **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** wants to know if homegroups would be interested in sponsoring/committing to 1 meeting on the 4th week of every month. (1 homegroup per month). The homegroup would provide 3 people that have been oriented to do H&I to conduct a meeting at a facility. Contact Julie N. at 404-621-5429.

- **Business**

- **Regional Nominations and Topics:**
 - **2 Nominations and 5 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.
 - **Nomination Attachments:** 📎 2023 December Nominations.pdf
 - **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.
 - **2023-023:** 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.
 - **Topic Attachments:** 📎 2023 December GRSCNA Topic Forms.pdf

- **The 24 Hour Room Subcommittee Budget**
 - **Back to Homegroups:** The 24 Hour Room submitted their 2024 Proposed Budget to be voted on at the February ASC. They have included Financial Reports for the 2023 24 Hour Room as well:
 - **Financials:**
 - 20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room_2023-Financials.pdf
 - **Budget:**
 - 20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room-Proposed-Budget-2024.pdf
- **Marietta Area Budget:**
 - The budget was approved with 1 friendly amendment (01-001) to the H&I Budget, see [Old Business](#) for details of this.
- **Motions:**
 - 30_Motions_01-2024.pdf
 - **01-001:** Friendly amendment to H&I Subcommittee Budget. Reduces literature line item to last year's amount. This passed on the floor.
 - **01-002:** This is a housekeeping motion to correct mileage reimbursement in area policy. This was updated in one place, but not another. This corrects it so both places say '\$.45 per mile'. This passed on the floor.
- **Group Reports**
 - Nothing major to report, but [detailed reports are above](#)
 - **Chozen Frozen** held their last meeting on January 15th.
 - Mention our area members' [birthdays](#) and [group celebrations, activities, and events](#)
 - **Full Calendar** available [HERE](#).
 - **3 Flyers for Events & Activities:**
 - **World Convention 38 Flyer:** 90_Flyers_NAWS_WCNA38.pdf
 - **GRCNA Convention 42 Flyer:** 90_Flyers_GRCNA_GRCNA-42-Convention.pdf
 - **Florida Service Symposium Flyer:** 90_Flyers_FloridiaServiceSymposiumX.pdf
- **Other**
 - **The MASCNA Area Meeting has moved buildings.** We are still on the Ridgeview Institute campus, but are no longer in the Day Hospital and have moved to the Professional Building North. I have included some images to help everyone locate the new building
 - 80_Misc_MASCNA_NewBuildingLocation_Map.png
 - 80_Misc_MASCNA_NewBuildingLocation_StreetView.png
 - **PLEASE READ!!**
 - Ridgeview has informed us that we will not be able to meet on Sundays after the next ASC on February 25th. Ridgeview contacted Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA) to let us know that we will not be able to meet on Sundays. They said that we COULD meet on Saturdays moving forward.
 - Moving the ASC to occur on Saturdays will require a change to Policy:
 - **7. Article Seven: Meetings > B. ASC Meeting Time:**
 - “The Marietta ASC shall meet at 2:00 pm on the last Sunday of each month. If the last Sunday of the month falls on the weekend closest to any federally observed holiday, or Easter, then the ASC meeting will be moved to the weekend immediately following the last Sunday of the month.”
 - We (ASC Admin) want to let homegroups know about this situation. We have a couple options to resolve this and would like more input from the area on this. Here are some options:






























- Change the meeting day from Sunday, to the last Saturday of every month. This will require a change to policy mentioned above. This will have to be done at the Feb. ASC by suspending the rules so a vote can be done to change policy. This suspension will be needed because we won't have time to go back to homegroups before the March ASC happens. If we do not do this, we would not be able to meet on any other day except Sundays.
- We can move to another location. This would take some time. We currently pay \$25/month to meet at Ridgeview, so it may be hard to find a place at this price. Ridgeview is also centrally located in our Area, and if we move locations, we will have to ensure that it is somewhere easily accessible in our area. The location will also need to be accessible for additional needs.

Next ASC Meeting

Sunday February 25th, 2024 @ 2:00 PM at Ridgeview Institute - Professional Building North

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)**
 -  2024-01-28
3. **Area Contacts SpreadSheet**
 - a.   Contacts.xlsx
4. **Area Attendance**
 - a.   AreaAttendance.xlsx
5. **Admin Reports**
 - a. **Chair:**  10_AdminReports_Chair_01-2024.pdf
 - b. **Vice Chair:** N/A
 - c. **Secretary:** N/A
 - d. **Treasurer:**  10_AdminReports_Treasurer_01-2024.pdf
 - i. Attachments:  10_AdminReports_Treasurer_Attachments
 1.  24 Hour Room Budget 2024.pdf
 2.  2023-24 Monthly Workbook.xlsx - 24 Jan.pdf
 3.  2024 MASCNA Budget.xlsx - Jan - Dec 2023.pdf
 4.  Dec 2023 Bank Statement.pdf
 - e. **RCM:**  10_AdminReports_RCM_01-2024.pdf
 - i. December Report:  10_AdminReports_RCM_12-2023.pdf
 1. Attachments:  10_AdminReports_RCM_Attachments
 - a.  2023 December Flyers.pdf
 - b.  2023 December GRSCNA Minutes .pdf
 - c.  2023 December GRSCNA Policy Changes.pdf
 - d.  2023 December GRSCNA Policy Housekeeping.pdf
 - e.  2023 December GRSCNA Topic Forms.pdf
 - f.  2023 December Nominations.pdf
 - g.  Draft GRSCNA Articles Incorporation and By Laws.pdf
 - f. **Literature:**  10_AdminReports_LiteratureDistribution_01-2024.pdf
6. **Subcommittee Reports**
 - a. **Policy:** <VACANT>
 - b. **Activities:** Verbal Report given [above in the minutes](#)
 - c. **H&I:**  20_SubcommitteeReport_HI_01-2024.pdf
 - d. **PR:** N/A
 - e. **WSR:**  20_SubcommitteeReport_WSR_01-2024.pdf
 - f. **24 Hour Room:**  20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room_01-16-2024.pdf
 - i. Financials:  20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room_2023-Financials.pdf
 - ii. Proposed Budget:
 -  20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room-Proposed-Budget-2024.pdf
7. **Nominations**
 - a. None

8. Motions

- a. **Amendment 01-001 and Motion 01-002:**  30_Motions_01-2024.pdf



9. Group Reports

- a.  40_GroupReports_01-2024.pdf




10. Meeting List

- a.  70_MeetingList_01-2024.pdf

11. Miscellaneous

- a. New MASCNA Meeting Location:
 -  80_Misc_MASCNA_NewBuildingLocation_Map.png
 -  80_Misc_MASCNA_NewBuildingLocation_StreetView.png

12. Flyers

- a. **World Convention 38 Flyer:**  90_Flyers_NAWS_WCNA38.pdf
- b. **GRCNA Convention 42 Flyer:**  90_Flyers_GRCNA_GRCNA-42-Convention.pdf
- c. **Florida Service Symposium Flyer:**  90_Flyers_FloridaServiceSymposiumX.pdf

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**