

MASCNA Meeting Minutes

February 25th, 2024

Next Meeting:

Saturday, April 6th, 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:** 4/6/2024 at 1:00 PM
 - **Where:** [Ridgeview Dayroom](#)
- **H&I Subcommittee**
 - **When:** 3/24/2024 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:** 4/6/2024 at 1:00 PM
 - **Where:** [Ridgeview Dayroom](#)
- **24-Hour Room Subcommittee**
 - **When:** 3/12/2024 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 2:00m
- The Purpose of the Area Read by: Martin H. (GSR, Another Chance)
- The 12 Traditions Read by: Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)
- The 12 Concepts Read by: Kana (WE Group)

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	Kissa P.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Breakfast Club	Jay H.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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	Margaret	<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	John C.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Surrender on Sunday	Jayson S.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
T.A.C.O. Tuesday	Courtney M.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Unity Group	Darryl B.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
We Group	Kana	<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"/>	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 type="checkbox"/>	Absent w/ Notice
Regional Committee Member Alternate	Kunal K.	<input 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	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT

Area Business

Quorum Calculated to be 14 Groups out of 14 Groups present - Quorum Met @ 2:00 PM

- Motion to Approve Last Month's Minutes
 - **Maker:** Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)
 - **Seconded:** Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)
 - **Approved by General Consent**

Open Forum


- Opened at 2:09 pm
- **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA)**
 - Ridgeview contacted us and we can longer meet on Sundays. We can meet virtually, on Saturdays, or find a new place to meet on Sunday
 - **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - Surrender on Sunday may be a possible location to meet. They will be speaking with them for more information. This location is in Kennesaw.
 - **Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)** - Short notice to make changes, would like to bring suggestions to the March [ASC] meeting.
 - **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA)** - We will be meeting on Saturday in March due to Easter. We need a decision for April. Is anyone opposed to Saturdays?
 - i. **Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)** - Yes we are opposed
 - ii. *Also other groups expressed opposition to meeting on Saturdays here*
 - iii. **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - Would be unable to attend due to other commitments
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - Flexible on Saturdays, month of April would be
- **David M. (Secretary / Web Chair, MASCNA)**
 - We will be voting on 24 Hour Room Budget
 - We will be voting on Region Nominations and Topics
 - Google Drive
 - i. David M. brought up information about the Google Drive and some of the issues we face related to permissions, availability, redactions, etc. Wanted to know what homegroups and the committee feel about these issues. There was some discussion below. I will come back with a report and possible solutions to these issues at the next ASC.
 - ii. **Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)** - could google his information and it was attached to the NA website
 - iii. **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - We had dropbox before Google Drive. Google Drive is attached to business or personal email information.
 - iv. *It was difficult to record this whole conversation because I was the one bringing up the topic and listening to other members*
 - v. **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - This would be a good step towards continuity
 - vi. **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - We need a backup for password resets
 - vii. **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)** - Would like to password protect the minutes or sensitive information
 - viii. **David M. (Secretary / Web Chair, MASCNA)** - I will look into password protecting the minutes and any personal information and talk with the Regional IT Panel to see their solution for this. Up to this point, everything has been available publicly through

the Marietta Area Website, so nothing has actually changed recently. I will come back to the next area with a report and possible solutions for this.

- Closed at 2:24 pm

Admin Reports

ASC Chair Report

- Cathy H. was present
- Cathy H. sent report, see attached
( 10_AdminReports_Chair_02-2024.pdf)
 - Today we must discuss our new ASC meeting day or location
 - Attended activities and GRSCNA


ASC Vice Chair Report

- Chris B. was present
- Gave verbal report:
 - Attended activities
 - We have multiple alternate positions at area that are vacant. So we not may have positions filled when terms rotate in June of this year. Please get the word out that we need trusted servants for Admin and Subcommittee Chair positions.
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - Said she was interested in Vice Chair
 - **David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)** - here are the current vacant positions at area:
 - **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.

Secretary Report

- David M. was present
- No report was given, I already covered these topics in [Open Forum](#):
 - We will be voting on 24 Hour Room Budget
 - We will be voting on Region Nominations and Topics
 - Google Drive discussion

Treasurer Report


- Stephanie S. was present
- Stephanie S. sent report, see attached
( 10_AdminReports_Treasurer_02-2024.pdf)
 - “Hi family,

We currently have a balance of \$10,454.05 in the ASC checking account. We started with a

balance of \$6,470.20 and took in \$5132.00 in group donations and sub committee budget return. As well as \$432.00 literature sales.

Our expenses of \$4,143.57 included payments to WSR workbooks, Regional donation and literature reimbursements. Our available funds, less the \$2,540.30 in prudent reserve and \$523.70 in the literature account, are \$4,673.13.”




Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report

- Jan L. was absent with notice
- Jan L. sent report, see attached
 ( 10_AdminReports_RCM_02-2024.pdf)
 - Reminder that we will be voting on nominations and topics for region at this ASC
 - **David M. (Secretary, MASCNA)** - 2 Things to note in this report:
 - Some of you might remember there was a new line item in the P.R. budget for 2 round table sessions. They have done one more south in Georgia and are looking to do the second one more up north. And I was asked whether the Marietta Area would be willing to host it. Since I do not have the experience or knowledge to properly present this, I have asked whether someone would be willing to come to our ASC and go over what its goal it, what it does and answer any questions. Unless you folks tell me not to, Joe B (the RDA and a former regional P.R. chair) offered to attend our March ASC.

What I do know is that the cost to our area would be minimal since it is in the regional P.R. budget, and it is to have a sit down with interested parties (police chiefs, mayors, superintendents, ROCs,... or their representatives) and do a P.R. session, give them a presentation of what we are and are not, answer questions, maybe sow the seed of new initiatives since there is still misinformation out there in the non-recovery world.

 - Jan will not be able to attend the March RSC, but our RCMA (Kunal K.) will be attending in his place.
 - **There was no feedback about this Roundtable from the groups.**

Literature Distribution Report


- Amanda S. was present
- Amanda S. sent report, see attached
 ( 10_AdminReports_LiteratureDistribution_02-2024.pdf)
 - **Attachments:**
 -  Lit Inventory 2024 PRE FEB AREA.xlsx
 -  Inventory going in to Feb 2024 _(copy).xlsx
 - Curt H. will be filling in for Amanda at the next area. Amanda asked if anyone had issue with this, no one had any issues with this.

Subcommittee Reports

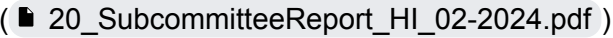
Policy Report

- Position is vacant
- No report given

Activities Report

- Position is vacant
- **Chris B. (Vice-Chair, MASCNA)** gave a verbal report:
 - Marietta Area and West GA will host a Karaoke Night
 - **Flier:** 
 - Activities committee is submitting a motion for \$50 out of \$300 allotted for this event to pay for rent. Limits of \$150 for food was discussed
 - Talked about a possible Speaker Jam and/or a Fashion show
 - Budgeted for 3 more events this year (listed as corn maze, etc.) these actual events may change though
 - There will be an additional change to the Spring Campout flier. \$5 per person per tent. Lean-tos are \$15 -20 per person per night.
 - **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA)** - We should show up and support our Karaoke event. Turn out from Marietta Area members in the past has been low.
- **Next Activities Subcommittee Meeting:**
 - **When:** 4/6/2024 at 1:00 PM
 - **Where:** [Ridgeview Dayroom](#)

Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) Report

- Julie N. was present
- Julie N. sent report, see attached
()
 - How can homegroups support more? Atlanta recovery village. A signup sheet has been created so that homegroup members can pick a date, provide their clean date, phone, & email so they can get oriented:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D45AFA622A5FAC52-48037590-hihomegroup>
 - **Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)** - Concerned what happens if there is not a panel leader
 - **Kelly C. (GSRA, TACO Tuesday)** - If there were accusations by facility or the client at the facility (i.e. if someone brought in drugs, etc) against a panel member
 - **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - They would contact Julie directly and this would not be an issue discussed there
 - **Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)** - can more than 3 home group members participate?
 - **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - No more than 4 members, that would be too many.
 - **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - H&I chair had not met up with the panel leader. The leader was very off message. Concerned about what message we might be sending for a

panel leader. Thinks that having 2+ members mitigates this issue and that H&I orientation would filter and deal with this issue.

- **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - If a homegroup only has 2 members, sign up anyway and I will find the rest of the members
- **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - From a PR perspective, if there was an issue like this, it would be very bad for NA. Concerned more for the members who sign up and attend
 - **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)** - if members are vetted, then we are trusting them to hold a proper meeting like they would at their homegroup
 - **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - Only 2 home groups had an issue with this.
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - concerned that if no trusted servant was there, and nobody from H&I is there, then concerned that they might not carry the H&I message
 - **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - Members are oriented and trained. It would not be feasible for me to be at every single meeting.

● **Next H&I Subcommittee Meeting:**

- **When:** 3/24/2024 at 4:00 PM
- **Where:** Virtually on Zoom
 - **Zoom ID:** 224 495 4586
 - **Passcode:** 059327
 - **Link:**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2244954586?pwd=YXBVakN3OTFqSzk4anlKSklEVm1kQT09>

Public Relations (PR) Report

- Tasha B. was absent with notice
- Tasha B. sent report, see attached
 (■ 20_SubcommitteeReport_PR_02-2024.pdf)
- Merrit (Vice-Chair, PR Subcommittee) was present and gave report
 - Possible H&I meeting opportunity in a new Cherokee County facility. Natasha is coordinating a meeting with the executive director and Julie.
 - Will be passing out PR recruiting flyers and planning a PR learning day in an attempt to gain more support to effectively execute future plans/ideas.
 - Natasha/Merritt attended GRCNA PR workshop.
 - Natasha to create a list of police stations/fire departments to use for a more organized flyer/poster drive, date TBD.
 - Natasha reviewing meetings off quorum:
 - Hold On To Hope
 - One is Too Many
 - Staying Clean
 - Serenity on the Square
 - **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA)** - Has PR contacted these meetings that are off Quorum?
 - **Merrit (Vice-Chair, PR Subcommittee)** - No, but we will be contacting them
 - **Merrit (Vice-Chair, PR Subcommittee)** - Serenity on the square, do we keep continuing to go out there?

- **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA)** - We can go there once and ask if they want to be included in our area

- **Next PR Subcommittee Meeting:**

- **When:** 4/6/2024 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_02-2024.pdf](#))
 - Total Letters Received: 6
 - New Letters: 2
 - Total Workbooks Ordered: 2
 - Step Guide Women: 10
 - Step Guide Men: 8

24 Hour Room Report

- Chair is vacant
- Kissa P. (Vice-Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee) was present and gave verbal report
 - **Chair position is currently vacant**
 - We may postpone meetings or meet on zoom until later in the summer
 - **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)** - Is it [24 Hour Room event] in the same location?
 - **Kissa P. (Vice-Chair, 24 Hour Room Subcommittee)** - It should be in the same location this year as well.
- **Next 24 Hour Room Subcommittee Meeting:**
 - **When:** 3/12/2023 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 24 Hour Room Budget
- We have 12 voting members present

Regional Nominations and Topics

- **Regional Nominations:**
 - CPP Alternate Treasurer GRCNA 43 (2025): Bobbie Joe D.
 - **Vote:** Yes - 10 , No - 1, Abstain - 2
 - **Result:** **Ascent**
 - CPP Chair GRCNA 43 (2025): David H

- **Vote:** Yes - 13, No - 0, Abstain - 0

- **Result:** Ascent

- **Regional 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.
 - **Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)** - Wanted to try to table this at region until a treasurer was in position.
 - Motion 02-001 was passed and addresses this. No vote was taken on this.
 - **Direction to RCM/RCMA:** Move to table this Topic at Region until a treasurer has been voted into admin.
- **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
 - **Vote:** Yes - 10, No - 0, Abstain - 2
 - **Result:** Ascent
- **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.
 - **Vote:** Yes - 12, No - 0, Abstain - 1
 - **Result:** Assent
- **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
 - **Vote:** Yes - 9, No - 0, Abstain - 4
 - **Result:** Ascent with Reservation
 - **Discussion / Feedback for RCM/RCMA:**
 - **Tom C. (GSR, Living the Program)** - We abstained. Supposed to get together and read, but did not get together to review.
 - **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - Went over it in January.
 - **Martin H. (GSR, Another Chance)** - Didn't have the actual changes, just the updated policy [located at the above link]
- **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
 - **Discussion:**
 - **Kissa P. (GSRA, Architects of Adversity)** - Why are we doing an assembly, when our area could do this much cheaper

- **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA)** - History is that we can do GSR assembly, but people don't typically come and there is also an area GSR handbook available on the website
 - **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)** - The last one was not well attended. GSRs were asked to submit Topics, but there was a gray area and people didn't know what to submit. Doesn't think this will change. It is spending money on something that doesn't really benefit us.
 - **Vote:** Yes - 9, No - 3, Abstain - 1
 - **Result:** Ascent with Reservation
 - **Kissa P. (GSRA, Architects of Adversity)** - In her previous area, the GSR coordinator never had an issue with attendance.
 - **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA)** - did any GSRs attend this?
 - **Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)** - I attended, thought it was a good thing. It brought GSRs together, I learned a lot, and we worked on topics for World. She thought it was great but sees others voting it down that weren't attendees
 - **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)** - Acknowledges Courtney's views, but felt she didn't see the benefits of the assembly
 - **Tom C. (GSR, Living the Program)** - Our Group's problem was with the cost (facility cost). Felt that this amount of money was excessive
 - **Margaret C. (GSRA, Renegades)** - Would have gone but felt the problem was that she didn't know about it enough. It wasn't discussed enough or what it entailed. Feels it is a crucial workshop for incoming GSRS.
- **24 Hour Room Budget was brought to a vote:**
 - **Proposed Budget:**
 - 20_SubcommitteeReport_24-Hour-Room-Proposed-Budget-2024.pdf
 - **Votes:** Yes - 12, No - 0, Abstain - 1
 - **Result:** Passed
- **Motion to Suspend the Order of the Day**
 - **Reason:** So we can vote on a New Business Motion that would affect Regional Topic 2023-19
 - **Maker:** Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)
 - **Second:** Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)
 - **Vote:** Yes - 10, No - 1, Abstain - 2
 - **Result:** Suspension of the Order of the Day
- **Motion: 02-001**
 - **Attachment:** ■ 30_Motions_02-2024.pdf
 - **Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)** - This would give Jan more information to carry our conscience
 - **Maker:** Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)
 - **Second:** Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)
 - **Reads:** "To direct RCM to move to table Topic regarding donating 15% above prudent reserve until a treasurer has been voted into admin."
 - **Intent:** "Not enough info about what Southeastern Zone Forum does for Region & how directly we are involved in their decision-making"
 - **Vote:** Yes - 11, No - 1, Abstain - 1
 - **Result:** Passed

- **Motion to Restore the Order of the Day**

- **Maker:** Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)
- **Second:** Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)
- **Vote:** Yes - 12, No - 0, Abstain - 1
- **Result:** Restoration of the Order of the Day

Nominations

The table below shows nominations for trusted servant positions

<u>Position</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Action</u>

- **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

Motions

- **Motion:** 02-001
 - **Attachment:** 30_Motions_02-2024.pdf
 - **This was voted on and passed in Old Business**
 - **Direction for RCM/RCMA:**
 - Move to table Region Topic 2023-19
 - **Motion Reads:** “To direct RCM to move to table Topic regarding donating 15% above prudent reserve until a treasurer has been voted into admin.”
 - **Motion Intent:** “Not enough info about what Southeastern Zone Forum does for Region & how directly we are involved in their decision-making”
- **Motion:** 02-002
 - **Attachment:** 30_Motions_02-2024.pdf
 - **Maker:** Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)
 - **Second:** Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)

- **Reads:** “An add hawk committee be formed to see the difference is fiscal efficiency for ordering literature from world and RSO. Austin is willing to head/lead the add hawk committee.”
 - **Intent:** “To help better understand the price point of WORld and RSO. Also to potential create better relationship with the RSO to Get a possible discount. RSO is a Non-Profit organization.”
 - **Vote:** None
 - **Result:** This motion was tabled after lengthy discussion below.
 - **Discussion:**
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - Not sure it would be necessary to create an ad-hoc, could pull numbers, place an order with Florida
 - **Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - purpose is to have multiple verifications and perspectives to the overall fiscal and efficiency of ordering literature
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - Can get the perspective for shipping costs and why decisions were made by the last Lit Chair (Curt H.)
 - **Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - Would like more than 1 person’s view and perspective on this
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - Had same question about shipping costs and talked with the liaison between SEZF and florida. RSO is a private entity and can share whatever they want. Figured it would be a better representation of NA to order from World than from RSO.
 - **Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - RSO is labeled as a nonprofit. They are only selling NA material, except for one “gone fishing” sticker on the site. Does Not see why we can’t build this relationship ourselves.
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - what is policy on creating a subcommittee
 - **Chris B. (Vice-Chair, MASCNA)** - Quoted policy
 - **David M. (Secretary, MASCNA) NOTE:**
See [MASCNA Policy](#):
- 4. ARTICLE FOUR: SUBCOMMITTEES/AD HOC COMMITTEES OF THE ASC → Section B. Forming New Subcommittees**
- **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - thinks the intention is to lighten the load from our lit chair
 - **Chris B. (Vice-Chair, MASCNA)** - What do you mean to investigate? [directed at Maker of Motion, Jayson)
 - **Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - who we order from from world or florida, etc. what the shipping costs would be.
 - **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA)** - Would Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA) be willing to participate?
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - Yes I would
 - **Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - Does the sub committee chair have to be present?
 - **Chris B. (Vice-Chair, MASCNA)** - Yes
 - **Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)** - motion to table
 - **Chris B. (Vice-Chair, MASCNA)** - you could also table this motion
- **Motion to Table Motion 02-002**
 - **Maker:** Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)
 - **Seconded:** Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)
 - **Vote:** Yes - 10, No - 0, Abstain - 2

- **Result:** Passed (Tabled Motion 02-002)
- **Motion:** 02-003
 - **Attachment:** 30_Motions_02-2024.pdf
 - **Maker:** Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)
 - **Second:** Amy H. (GSR, Welcome Home)
 - **Reads:** “Any trusted servant at the area level (subcommittees included) who conduct business on behalf of the area be provided with a debit card from the area bank account to conduct business within their approved budgets.”
 - **Intent:** “To create a more affective / efficient way of accessing that committees funds. As well as relieving the chair from having to come out of pocket and be reimbursed”
 - **Vote:** None
 - **Result:** This motion was withdrawn
 - **Discussion:**
 - **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA)** - Would Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA) like to comment on this
 - **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - Technically, right now, policy states that we have to have 2 signatures for accountability. But given that information, that is not required by the state of GA. If we had a debit card, a purchase would need to be cleared by the treasurer and passed by the area. A get around to use digital money is to use digital checks with 2 signatures). If we did something like this, we would have to create policy and documents to ensure this.
 - **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - 2 signatures, when you write a check, are 2 signatures required?
 - **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - Yes they are. All our checks have 2 signatures
 - **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - That must be tough to sustain. Who else signs them?
 - **Chris B. (Vice-Chair, MASCNA)** - the treasurer, chair, vice chair, and rcm can sign these.
 - **Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - made this motion to create a conversation around this to make a more effective and efficient way to manage bank accounts and money. Other area have solutions for this. Doesn't see why chairs and subcommittees have to get disbursements with signatures / checks if they are voted in and trusted as servants. The area He comes from - the activities chair and other chairs all had debit cards.
 - **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - Explained how WSO's process is a very slow and inefficient process.
 - **Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)** - It seems counterintuitive, just learned how Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA) had to spend her own money. If the process is to prevent people taking money, why do we put the burden on trusted servants
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - The decision was made to use our personal funds after stopping ordering from florida.
 - **Julie N. (Chair, H&I Subcommittee)** - Feels like the way its setup creates a lot of barriers for people to be of service to the area.
 - **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - there has not been a resolution to resolve this over a 13 dollar workbook

- **Kissa P (GSRA, Architects of Adversity)** - Make me nervous, debit cards a great idea, ltos of back and forth between treasurer and debit card holder. Creates a hierarchical setup. Should shift, but be very specific in policy moving forward
- **Chris B. (Vice-Chair, MASCNA)** - Doesn't think the money is a barrier to people doing service. Thinks this motion is well intended, but many changes would have to be made to policy. THis would would not do enough
- **Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - The intent was not to pass this motion, the intent was to start a conversation about this. This is a large area. It depends how much we say service sounds fun and not overwhelming. More people would get more involved if it sounded fun and exciting. How can we act more efficiently as a service committee. Asking for \$50 as an activity committee seems way too much to go through. Wanted to start this conversation because of this.
- **Chris B. (Vice-Chair, MASCNA)** - Thinks ad hoc subcommittee would have been better served for this issue.
- **Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - Thinks there could be more development for literature
- **Jon C. (Sunday Service)** - Does current policy allow advancement of funds to a subcommittee.
- **Chris B. (Vice-Chair, MASCNA)** - Yes
- **Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - that the motion to advance this is too much
- **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - Gets advances for literature without motions. Seems to literature focused
- **Jon C. (Sunday Service)** - If an activities committee and budget is coming up. The process shouldnt be that much to do. Using my personal money to front that until I'm reimbursed seems like more of an issue.
- **Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)** - [To Amanda] Big picture, Amanda brought up the issue 2 areas ago and asked for feedback.
- **Amanda S. (Lit. Dist. Chair, MASCNA)** - thinks it is a waste of bodies to create a subcommittee
- **Stephanie S. (Treasurer, MASCNA)** - What is our prudent reserve amount. Budgets are approved. It's important to stay within our budgets
- **Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA)** - I'm shutting down this conversation.
- **Chris B. (Vice-Chair, MASCNA)**- This would result in a change in policy. Would you like us to send this back to homegroups to discuss? [to Jayson]
- **Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - Yes
- **Chris B. (Vice-Chair, MASCNA)** - Giving all trusted servants a debit card would be a change in policy
- **Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - if that's what it results in, then yes, send it back to homegroups.
- **Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)** - Hoemgorups can make friendly amendments to this as well
- **Chris B. (Vice-Chair, MASCNA)** - Do you want to withdraw? [to Jayson]
- **Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)** - Yes
- Motion was withdrawn and included here for homegroups.
- **Motion: 02-004**
 - **Attachment:** 📄 30_Motions_02-2024.pdf
 - **Maker:** Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)

- **Second:** Gaby (GSR, A New Way of Life)
- **Reads:** “To direct the RCM to send nomination of Curt H. for Regional Treasurer to Regional Committee meeting in March.”
- **Intent:** “See motion”
- **Vote:** Yes - 11, No - 0, Abstain - 2
- **Result: Passed**
- **Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)** - can provide Curt’s resume if needed.
- **Directions to RCM/RCMA:** Submit nomination for Curt H. for Regional Treasurer at March RSC.

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
Clay	Architects of Adversity	??	36
Heather	Firehouse	3/2	3
Lonnie W.	We Group	3/14	17
Jayson S.	Surrender on Sunday	3/23	5
Kevin	Living the Program	3/28	35
Shay G.	Architects of Adversity	3/29	5
Magen H.	(W. GA) On The Right Track	3/2	6
Chris A.	(W. GA) On The Right Track	3/9	33
Devin L.	(W. GA) On The Right Track	3/16	3
Tony M.	(W. GA) On The Right Track	3/19	29


Group Celebrations, Events, and Activities

Group	Details	Date	Calendar	Flyer
Marietta Area and West Georgia Area Activities Subcommittees	 Karaoke Night  Marietta Area and West GA area present Karaoke Night! Join us for a night of fun, music, games and fellowship. The event is free entry and will last 6:00pm - 12:00am.	3/30	Link	Link
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	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_02-2024.pdf](#))

1. **Mindy M. (GSR, End of the Road)** - Changed homegroups and this will be her last area. Direct questions for End of the Road to Chris K. or Merrit
- 2.

Adjournment

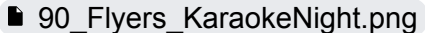
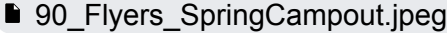
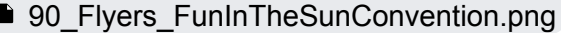
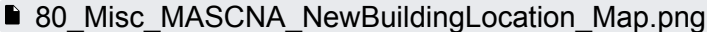
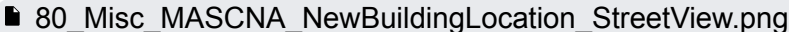
- **Motion:** Motion to close the ASC Meeting (4:01pm)
 - **Maker:** Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)
 - **Second:** Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)
 - **Approved by Acclamation**
- **Next ASC Meeting Scheduled:**
 - Saturday, April 6th, 2024 @ 2:00 PM at Ridgeview Institute - Professional Building 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. 4 motions were voted on (2 passed, 1 tabled, and 1 withdrawn). 2 Regional Nominations and 5 Regional Topics were voted on. H&I would like input and support from homegroups. 24 Hour Room Subcommittee Budget has been submitted for approval. The 24 Hour Room Budget was approved. We are in the process of looking for a new location to meet for Area and have a few promising leads that Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA) will follow up on at the next Area meeting. We will not be meeting in March. The March ASC will happen on Saturday April 6th, due to holidays.

- **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.**
- **Business**
 - **Regional Nominations and Topics:**
 - **2 Nominations and 5 New Regional Topics** were voted on in Old Business
 - **There are notes from discussion in Old Business for the RCM/RCMA**
 - Motion 02-001 and Motion 02-004 should be read by the RCM/RCMA
 - **The 24 Hour Room Subcommittee Budget**
 - The 24 Hour Room Subcommittee Budget was approved in Old Business
 - **Motions:**
 - **30_Motions_02-2024.pdf**
 - **Motion: 02-001**
 - **Maker:** Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)
 - **Second:** Courtney M. (GSR, TACO Tuesday)
 - **Reads:** “To direct RCM to move to table Topic regarding donating 15% above prudent reserve until a treasurer has been voted into admin.”
 - **Intent:** “Not enough info about what Southeastern Zone Forum does for Region & how directly we are involved in their decision-making”
 - **Vote:** Yes - 11, No - 1, Abstain - 1
 - **Result: Passed**
 - **Motion: 02-002**
 - **Maker:** Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)
 - **Second:** Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)
 - **Reads:** “An add hawk committee be formed to see the difference is fiscal efficiency for ordering literature from world and RSO. Austin is willing to head/lead the add hawk committee.”


- **Intent:** “To help better understand the price point of WORld and RSO. Also to potential create better relationship with the RSO to Get a possible discount. RSO is a Non-Profit organization.”
 - **Vote:** None
 - **Result:** This motion was tabled after lengthy discussion
 - **Motion: 02-003**
 - **Maker:** Jayson S. (GSR, Surrender on Sunday)
 - **Second:** Amy H. (GSR, Welcome Home)
 - **Reads:** “Any trusted servant at the area level (subcommittees included) who conduct business on behalf of the area be provided with a debit card from the area bank account to conduct business within their approved budgets.”
 - **Intent:** “To create a more affective / efficient way of accessing that committees funds. As well as relieving the chair from having to come out of pocket and be reimbursed”
 - **Vote:** None
 - **Result:** This motion was withdrawn
 - **Motion: 02-004**
 - **Maker:** Stephen R. (GSR, Spiritual Awakenings)
 - **Second:** Gaby (GSR, A New Way of Life)
 - **Reads:** “To direct the RCM to send nomination of Curt H. for Regional Treasurer to Regional Committee meeting in March.”
 - **Intent:** “See motion”
 - **Vote:** Yes - 11, No - 0, Abstain - 2
 - **Result:** Passed
 - **Directions to RCM/RCMA:** Submit nomination for Curt H. for Regional Treasurer at March RSC.
- **Group Reports**
 - Nothing major to report, but [detailed group reports are above](#)
 - Mention our area members’ [birthdays](#) and [group celebrations, activities, and events](#)
 - **Full Calendar available [HERE](#).**
 - **3 Flyers for Events & Activities:**
 - **Karaoke Night:** 
 - **Spring Campout:** 
 - **(Florida) Fun in the Sun Convention:** 
- **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
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 - We are in the process of looking for a new location to meet for Area and have a few promising leads that Cathy H. (Chair, MASCNA) will follow up on at the next Area meeting. We will not be meeting in March. The March ASC will happen on Saturday April 6th, due to holidays.

Next ASC Meeting

Saturday April 6th, 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_02-2024.pdf 1
 - b. **Vice Chair:** N/A
 - c. **Secretary:** N/A
 - d. **Treasurer:**  10_AdminReports_Treasurer_02-2024.pdf
 - e. **RCM:**  10_AdminReports_RCM_02-2024.pdf
 - f. **Literature:**  10_AdminReports_LiteratureDistribution_02-2024.pdf
 - i. **Attachments:**  10_AdminReports_LiteratureDistribution_attachments
 - 1.   Inventory going in to Feb 2024 _(copy).xlsx
 - 2.   Lit Inventory 2024 PRE FEB AREA.xlsx
6. **Subcommittee Reports**
 - a. **Policy:** <VACANT>
 - b. **Activities:** Verbal Report given [above in the minutes](#)
 - c. **H&I:**  20_SubcommitteeReport_HI_02-2024.pdf
 - d. **PR:**  20_SubcommitteeReport_PR_02-2024.pdf
 - e. **WSR:**  20_SubcommitteeReport_WSR_02-2024.pdf
 - f. **24 Hour Room:** <VACANT>
7. **Nominations**
 - a. None
8. **Motions**
 - a.  30_Motions_02-2024.pdf
9. **Group Reports**
 - a.  40_GroupReports_02-2024.pdf
10. **Meeting List**
 - a.  70_MeetingList_02-2024.pdf
11. **Miscellaneous**
12. **Flyers**
 - a. **Karaoke Night:**  90_Flyers_KaraokeNight.png
 - b. **Spring Campout:**  90_Flyers_SpringCampout.jpeg
 - c. **Fun in the Sun Convention:**  90_Flyers_FunInTheSunConvention.png
 - d. **World Convention 38 Flyer:**  90_Flyers_NAWS_WCNA38.pdf
 - e. **Florida Service Symposium Flyer:**  90_Flyers_FloridiaServiceSymposiumX.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**