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Twin Cities Area Service Conference of Narcotics Anonymous
November 18, 2006
Sabathani Community Center – 3rd floor, Room J

OPENING

The meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer at 11:02 a.m. Readings were as follows:

- 12 Concepts – Gary
- 12 Traditions – Peter
- 12 Steps – Michael

INTRODUCTIONS

Newcomers welcomed – 5
GSRs present – 20, Quorum (15) was met. [Avg. of last 3 months x .67]

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The October minutes were approved with the understanding that the Outreach election information would be added and the minutes would be redistributed.

CORRESPONDENCE

Copies of *NA Way* were distributed.

OFFICER REPORTS

CHAIR – RICK B.

Hello All,

Please remember to bring motions to the Executive Committee meeting which meets before the Area meeting at 10:00 am. Thank you.

CO-CHAIR – UNFILLED

SECRETARY – KAREN N.

Please give me your email address if you are not receiving the minutes. To all Subcommittee Chairs, please send your reports to me by the end of the month. For those of you who are requesting that the minutes be mailed via the postal service, I will be sending them out; however, I encourage you to get an email address. Thanks for letting me be of service.

CO-SECRETARY – MICHAEL D.

Nothing to report. Thank you.

TREASURER – SETH L.

The ending balance for last month is \$2421.15. See attached.

CO-TREASURER – ERIC

Please see me to register your group's attendance and to make donations.

RCM – LYNN L.

I have nothing to report as the next Regional meeting is not until December. If you have any issues or questions you would like me to bring to the Region, please let me know. The Region meets every other month, on even-numbered months. Anyone can attend, all can vote.

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RCMA – UNFILLED

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

ACTIVITIES - SETH

Dear Friends,

We are working hard to get everything together for the New Year's Eve Dance. We have secured a location, The Ballroom on 42nd. Avenue North and Lyndale Avenue North, in Minneapolis (although the owner has yet to reflect this booking on his web-site). The \$300.00 deposit will be returned upon final inspection by the owner after the dance. An additional \$900.00 was agreed upon in our contract with the owner, Tyler Avestini. I would like to pay \$450.00 to him this month and \$450.00 after the December TCASC. Hope to have sold some tickets by then to help defray the cost.

We have a tentative NA Speaker lined up, with three years clean and a clear N.A. message; Amina W. The entertainment at the dance will be from Ginger Patterson and friends. Her music is soulful and smooth; her CD "From a Woman's Point of View" can be heard at cdbaby.com. Our DJ has many years experience in the entertainment biz, former host of KMOJ's "Let's Get Busy Radio Show" and KFAI Radio, Raymond J. He is very experienced and will play a wide variety of music.

The contract with Midwest Magic Records is for a six piece band, with lead vocalist Ginger Patterson. They will play three LIVE sets, provide their own sound system, and 'Ray Jay' will DJ and MC the evening. The cost for the band, DJ and sound system is \$500.00 with the option to tip the band an additional \$200.00 if we meet and exceed the \$1,000.00 profit margin.

I want to thank Amy N. who helped design the advance tickets to the event. These are \$10.00 each. We hope to meet the 300-person capacity of the ballroom, and still have room for people to play dominoes or whatever.

Our food will be cooked up at the Urban League kitchen on 13th and Penn Avenue, and brought to the ballroom. We always need help feeding everybody so PLEASE let us know if you would like to do some service work! Plates will begin to be served around 7PM, for a small cost. We hope everyone will bring their appetites. If anyone wants to help us with serving or transporting food on Sunday, call me and I'll hook you up with someone from the committee. Also we need help with decorations; this could be a fun and creative way to help out.

Let's Ring in the New Year as only Narcotics Anonymous can, Clean to Serene 2007.

BANQUET – UNFILLED

HELPLINE – GARY W.

My name is Gary and I am a grateful recovering addict. Last month we had 287 calls to the Helpline. I also have a few spaces for women on the Helpline. If interested, please see me. I have moved off the gravel road and onto the Information Highway and now have internet. Thanks for letting me serve.

Gary
garywill@mchsi.com

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H&I – PETER

Hello everyone,

First of all I would like to apologize to this body for not submitting a report last month. I had a hand written report at the last meeting and my intent was to send it on to Karen. I forgot. Please forgive me.

At the last meeting I basically reported that I was just getting settled in my new position as H & I chair. I held my first meeting and it was determined that the first order of business was for me to contact all of the existing commitments we hold to insure they are running smoothly. I wanted to contact both the panel leaders as well as the facilities to make sure we are meeting all of our obligations and everybody is content with the meetings in place.

Additionally, I asked the previous chair to provide information on the budgets for the last three years; I asked for help in getting the contact information on the website updated, and I asked for and got a renewed commitment from our literature chair, Rick D, to continue on at his present position. Positions open on our subcommittee include co-chair and panel coordinator.

Regarding this current month, I was contacted by Dan O from the Area of Hope prior to our meeting about holding a joint meeting with our area as well as the South Suburban Fireside area. It was agreed upon and we met over in St. Paul to discuss the possibility of pooling our resources and having the H&I subcommittees from the three areas join together. It was a preliminary meeting to explore this option and it was well attended by all three areas. The current breakdown for the three areas is as follows: TCA- 18 commitments; Area of Hope- 1 commitment; South Suburban Fireside- 2 commitments. It was agreed that the other two areas would forward their information to me to help establish a “metro H&I list” and that we would all meet next month over at Sabathani Center at our regular time, 7:00, in our regular room, room E, on our regular day, the first Tuesday of the month. We will all come together to further explore how we can best serve the H&I needs in the metro area. Both of the other areas said they would attend this meeting after receiving feedback from their areas.

Additionally, we still have some positions open on our subcommittee: co-chair, panel leader, and secretary.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Gratefully,
Peter C

LITERATURE – DAN M.

A Basic Text review workshop is going to be held sometime in January. You must have a copy of the WSO basic text material. Because this is such a large document, we are asking for RSVPs. Please contact Dan at 612-910-2686.

OUTREACH – RAY

Nothing to report.

PI – TONY J.

Family,

The PI committee met on 11/11. In attendance were Tony J., Buddy K., Bennett P., and Thomas F. We discussed the bus shelter program, the meeting lists, the PSAs, and new projects.

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Bus Shelter: Spoke to Source 1 printing. The representative I spoke to was Kevin Woodson. He quoted a price of 20 posters at \$66.00 and after speaking with the TCASC treasurer, Seth, thought that this may be do-able with the understanding that a motion must be submitted to increase the budget for PI committee in order to cover this expense. Spoke with Jason with TransStop and he said there was a possibility that we could have 20-30 spots. Our budget would not allow 30 spots; this is how we arrived at 20.

Meeting Lists: Meeting lists were sent to WebMaster on 11/7 for printing.

P.S.A.: We want to do public service announcements on either the radio station, KMOJ, or a local television station.

New Projects: New projects could include but not be limited to drug court, reviewing leads from the fall conference, and county probation presentations.

Next meeting is scheduled for 12/9 at 11am at Sabathani. Room number will be posted on the board.

Thank you for letting me be of service,

Tony J., PI Chair

AD HOC – CONSOLIDATION OF MEETING LISTS

Good morning all,

This is just an update on progress; there will be a formal motion brought before this body before any changes are made.

The committee met on October 25th and it was determined that the TCASC should be the keeper of the list as we already have the file and the other areas get their lists printed at the Service Office.

The financial breakdown would be as follows: TCASC 60%, AOH 20%, and SSFA 20%. This was determined by the number of meetings each area has on the list. It looks there could be three different versions.

The TCASC list would keep all of our contacts on it, whether it's on our web site or not. This is current procedure. The AOH and SSFA would have one version including contacts for meeting distribution and one without contact information for their web sites. This is their current procedure.

Possible name would be Metro Area Meeting List, with the areas listed in alphabetical order. The back page would include names and phone numbers of each areas PI committee chairs and would not have all of the current area officers and subcommittee chairs listed. It would also contain events held in all areas.

We still have some details to work out and are meeting again on December 6th at 7:00 pm at New Foundations located at 1145 Westminster in St. Paul. Go around to the back to enter the building. Everyone is welcome to attend. You can also contact me with any questions.

Thanks for allowing me to be of service, Lynn L. (612-789-7541)

OLD BUSINESS

CO-CHAIR ELECTION

Amy B. nominated, accepted nomination, and spoke to her willingness. Amy declined the nomination after being told she would have to surrender her GSR position.

Diane volunteered and spoke to her willingness. Diane was elected.

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RCM ALTERNATE ELECTION

Daniel volunteered and spoke to his willingness. There were no other volunteers or nominations. Daniel was elected.

HELPLINE CHAIR ELECTION

Gary was nominated and spoke to his willingness. There were no other volunteers or nominations. Gary was elected.

BANQUET ELECTION

Katie was nominated, but declined the nomination. This position election will be moved to Old Business in December.

MOTION 139

Motion made by Tony J., Seconded by Seth L.

Motion to get additional funds to meet expense for posters that are for bus stops, approximately \$67.00 per poster, 20 posters requested, total \$1,340 (approx.) This motion is a request for an additional \$1,000 over budget.

Pros and cons were discussed and motion was voted on. Motion 139 passed.

MOTION 140

Motion made by Lynn L., Seconded by Chris

To move Motion 128 from the table to allow it to be discussed at the December TCASC.

Lynn provided further information:

Motion 126 was passed in July 2005 to have a Policy Chair as a permanent position. Motion 128 was table in October 2005 to determine duties and responsibilities of the Policy Chair.

The motion was voted on. Motion 140 passed.

OPEN FORUM

Scott – Fresh Start meeting is requesting an audit of the 2006 Banquet. After some discussion, Scott amended the request to an itemized report of the 2006 Banquet. Further discussion ensued. Rick B. said he would talk with Barb K.

Seth L. – Presented draft of 2007 budget. There was a brief discussion. This should be brought back to the groups. The 2007 budget will be voted on in December. See attached.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m. (approx.)

In loving service,

Karen N.
Secretary
612-807-4541

TCASC - Group Attendance and Donation

Group	Donation	Group Represented	Day	Time
A New Way To Live		yes	Thurs.	7:30 PM
Addicts for Life	\$51.33	yes	Friday	8:00 PM
Afternoon Serenity			Wednesday	1:00 PM
Barking Buffaloes			Friday	8:00 PM
Camden Recovery	\$20.00	yes	Sunday	7:00 PM
Candlelight Bakery	\$200.00	yes	Wednesday	7:30 PM
Change of Vision			Thursday	7:00 PM
Clean and Serene NA			Tuesday	7:00 PM
Clean in the Park NA	\$7.00	yes	Monday	7:00 PM
Clear Atmosphere			Tuesday	7:00 PM
Coast to Coast			Friday	7:30 PM
Down with the sickness			Tuesday	7:30 PM
East Lake NA			Wednesday	8:00 PM
Elk River				
Fresh Start	\$177.00	yes	Tuesday	8:00 PM
Get Honest and Grow			Wednesday	7:00 PM
G.L.B.T and Friends NA			Saturday	8:00 PM
Hope At Night			Friday	10:00 PM
Hope in Eden Prayer-EE			Wednesday	7:00 PM
It's About Time NA	\$28.07	yes	Tuesday	7:00 PM
It Works on Fridays		yes	Friday	11:00 AM
Journey of Recovery			Monday	11:00 AM
Keep it Simple			Tuesday	7:00 PM
Lakers NA			Saturday	6:30 PM
Late Night With NA			Saturday	10:00 PM
Latinos en NA			Friday	6:30 PM
Lesbian and Gay NA	\$70.00	yes	Sunday	11:00 AM
Meeting Makers			Thursday	7:00 PM
Men Of Hope			Saturday	9:00 AM
Minneapolis By Candlelight			Monday	8:00 PM
Miracles in Motion		yes	Tuesday	11:00 AM
Monday Nite Wave	\$20.00	yes	Monday	8:00 PM
North Side NA	\$66.00	yes	Monday	7:00 PM
North Suburban NA	\$200.00	yes	Thursday	7:30 PM
N.E.N.A. NA			Friday	7:30 PM
Northwest NA	\$150.00	yes	Saturday	7:00 PM
Nuts About the Newcomer		yes	Saturday	7:00 PM
Pleasant NA			Sunday	7:30 PM
Recovering Addicts of NA			Monday	7:00 PM
Recovering Ladies of the Lakes		yes	Saturday	10:00 AM
Recovering Soldiers	\$70.00	yes	Thursday	8:00 PM
Recovery in the Garden	\$44.00	yes	Thurs.	7:30 PM
River Falls NA			Mon. Wed. Fri	8:00 PM
Riverside NA		yes	Thursday	8:00 PM
Saving Our Lives			Thursday	7:00 PM
Seeking Serenity			Tuesday	7:00 PM
Self Preservation	\$20.00	yes	Thursday	7:00 PM
Serenity Sunday			Sunday	6:00 PM
Seven Eleven			Wednesday	8:00 PM
Stepping on Traditions			Saturday	10:00 AM
Sunday Morning NA	\$33.00	yes	Sunday	10:30 AM
Sure Happy Its Thursday	\$15.00	yes	Thursday	7:00 PM
Two Rivers to Recovery			Tuesday	8:00PM
We Are Here Not There		yes	Wednesday	8:00 PM
Work It Out			Saturday	7:00 PM

Total Donations	\$1,171.40
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total GSR's Present at Meeting	23
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REPORT DATE : 11-18-06	LAST MONTHS' ENDING BALANCE	—————>	\$2,421.15
ENDING BALANCE FROM BANK STATEMENT	—————>	\$ 4,370.31	
MINUS TOTAL OF OUTSTANDING CHECKS, FEES & EARLY DEPOSITS	—————>	\$ 2,120.00	
EQUALS THE RECONCILED BANK BALANCE	—————>	\$ 2,250.31	
DISCREPANCY SHOULD EQUAL ZERO	—————>	\$ (171.15)	
BEGINNING BALANCE (ALWAYS THE RECONCILED BANK BALANCE)	—————>	\$ 2,250.31	
PROCEEDS			
GROUP DONATION (FROM ATTENDANCE SHEET)	—————>	\$ 1,171.40	
OTHER PROCEEDS TOTAL (LIST NAME & AMOUNT INDIVIDUALLY)	—————>	\$ 51.00	
Banquet Proceeds	\$ 51.00		
TOTAL PROCEEDS	—————>	\$ 1,222.40	
SUBTOTAL (BEGINNING BALANCE PLUS PROCEEDS)	—————>	\$ 3,472.71	
EXPENSES (ALWAYS CHECKS WRITTEN)	Check #	\$ AMOUNT	
Qwest (Helpline)	3006	\$ 101.00	
Answer America (Helpline)	3007	\$ 274.00	
void	3008	\$ -	
UMSO	3009	\$ 424.00	
Avestco Comm. Prop. (Activities)	3010	\$ 450.00	
Seth Manning (Activities)	3011	\$ 100.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	—————>	\$ 1,349.00	
ENDING BALANCE (SUBTOTAL MINUS EXPENSES)	—————>	\$ 2,123.71	
DEPOSITS	DATE	AMOUNT	
CHECKING DEPOSIT DATE & AMOUNT	11/18/06	\$ 1,222.40	
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TOTAL DEPOSITS (SHOULD EQUAL TOTAL PROCEEDS)	—————>	\$ 1,222.40	

