

MINUTES

Twin Cities Area Service Conference of Narcotics Anonymous
May 16th, 2009
Sabathani Community Center – 3rd floor, Room J

Opened meeting with Serenity Prayer

12 concepts - Csonya
12 traditions - Terri
12 steps - Jason

INTRODUCTIONS

GSRs present – 18 Quorum (18) was met. [Avg. of last 3 months x .67]

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March and April minutes tabled.

OFFICER REPORTS

CHAIR – Pam S.

Nothing to report. Thank you for letting me be of service.

CO-CHAIR – Sally V.

Nothing to report. Thank you for letting me be of service.

SECRETARY – Charlie M.

(Absent)

CO-SECRETARY – OPEN

TREASURER – Donna P.

Report given, not submitted.

CO-TREASURER – OPEN

RCM – Ryan D.

Report given, not submitted

RCMA - Csonya

Nothing to report. Thank you for letting me be of service.

POLICY – Tony M.

(Absent)

Report read by Chair, Pam S.

Twin Cities Area of Narcotics Anonymous

Policy Report

Saturday May 16, 2009

There was a Policy meeting held Wednesday May 6, 2009 with one addict present. The meeting consisted of reviewing and updating the Welcome Packet and By-Laws, as a result of motions voted on April 25, 2009.

Updated hard copy GSR Packets (Welcome & By-Laws) are available today, and a soft copy will be provided to the Co-Chair for continuing printing and disbursement.

The next Policy meeting will be held at the request of this body, or at the request of any addict.

I apologize, but I will need to excuse myself early today. If there are any motions that affect the By-Laws or Welcome Packet, I will update them prior to the June meeting of the Area.

In Service,

Tony Maas

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SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ACTIVITIES – Stefan

First meeting of the Activities committee was 05/23/09 at 708 n 1st street at 2:00pm and that we would be discussing the upcoming picnic and the possibility of co-hosting the New Years event with ICUC to avoid conflict that happened last year. Also the problem of the budget being 1800.00, the amount spent so far is 960. or so leaving 840.00 for events that are budgeted for 1500.00, ie the picnic and the NY eve function. Stefan

BANQUET – AmberLynn

Banquet Report May 2009

Thank you to everyone who submitted an entry for the theme/design contest!!! This was a lot of fun and the decision for the winner was difficult, however, we did select a winner and it is.....

Drum roll please.....

William B. from N.E.N.A.!!!!

Woooo Hooooo!!!

Again, thanks to all who participated. You can look forward to other opportunities to win a free banquet ticket come closer to banquet time, so keep coming back!

Tickets are now on sale!!! They are \$20 each which includes a fabulous dinner, speaker, and a dance to follow. For those who do not choose to purchase a ticket, the speaker will be free and the dance will be \$5. Please see a committee member if you would like to purchase a ticket. They will not be sold at the door and there are only 250 available so get them while you can!

We are starting to collect items for the raffle so if you'd like to donate please let us know.

The next banquet committee meeting will be today, May 16th, after the ASC. Please join us!

With love and gratitude,
Amber Lynn and the Banquet Committee

HELPLINE- Open

H&I – Jake V.

Report given, not submitted

LITERATURE – Erik M.

Hello Family,

NAWS is still seeking more source material from the fellowship for its new book project "living clean-the journey continues". So far more than 500 addicts have sent in stories, but they will continue to take submissions throughout the summer of 2009, at which time they start a review and input that will continue through 2010. You can access more information at www.na.org/?id=living_clean_project, or you can submit your stories by mail. NA World Services; Living Clean Project; PO Box 9999, Van Nuys, CA 91409.

The shipping rates from World have changed.

> \$25.00 was 2.50 now 5.00

25-50 was 3.50 now 7.00

50.01-150.00 was 7% now 15%

150.01- 500.00 was 6% now 12%

500.01 + was 6% now 6%

#his is the first time the rate have been increased since the early 90's.

The review and input for "In Times Of Illness" will end May 30, 2009. You can access a copy of this at na.org/conferencer/itoi/index.htm

I would like to thank you for letting me be of service for this past year. I have found being of service to be a great gift, and I learned that every addict has a voice and the ability to make a difference.

In Loving Service,
Erik M.
Outgoing Literature Chair

OUTREACH – Jason
Report given, not submitted.

PR – Kit Egan
(rest of report is saved as an attachment)

Public Relations Committee Report

May 16, 2009

- ✓ Thursday, May 14 held a TCASC Public Relations committee meeting at my place.
- ✓ We discussed deploying a new program to distribute NA literature.
- ✓ We discussed our role in collaborating with the Region's project to have a booth at the **Pride Festival** in June. Saturday's co-captains are Amy N. and Kit E. Sunday's co-captains are Amber Lynn and Monte J. Please contact any of these people if you're interested in helping with our booth at the Festival.
- ✓ **Tuesday, June 16** will be the next PR committee meeting at my home.

Completed

- ✓ Ordered the basic texts in three languages for the **Hennepin County Library**
- ✓ Participated in the **Area of Hope** PI Committee meeting
- ✓ Last month I mentioned coordinating an information tabling event with Northern Lights Area for the **2009 Child and Adolescent Mental Health Conference** in Duluth. This was considered a huge success, one that will become an annual event for the Northern Lights Area
- ✓ Participated in a tabling event sponsored by the **Minnesota Organization on Adolescent Pregnancy, Prevention and Parenting**
- ✓ Participated, with Rufus B., in **Project Homeless Connect**, an event drawing 2,500 homeless and near homeless
- ✓ Monte and I met with Heather, the **AA** PR chair, to discuss their public relations projects
- ✓ Contacted the **Minnesota Bar Association**
- ✓ Contacted the **Minnesota Trucking Association**
- ✓ Contacted the **Minnesota Association of School Nurses**

Pending

- ✓ Contacted Sheila F., outgoing Chair of Northern Lights literature distribution committee, to get information about their project of supplying meeting lists to colleges. The results of this conversation will be discussed in Open Forum
- ✓ Amy N. is contacting **Abbot Northwestern Hospital's Emergency Room** Manager to discuss distributing our literature in their ER
- ✓ Holly has had a tentative OK from **Unity Hospital** in Fridley to distribute NA literature and meeting lists in their ER pending the approval of the supervisor

Future

- ✓ June will see us participating in the **Pride Festival**
- ✓ The committee will continue to seek tabling opportunities
- ✓ Pending approval of the ASC, the committee will work to launch a literature distribution project

Note: Two members of the PR committee last year had an idea to create an interactive map of meetings in the Region with one member, Monte, maintaining this map. The Region's website links to the map. As of this week, in 10 months or less the map has had **31,000** hits. Astounding what can happen when people get involved.

Twin Cities Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous

OLD Business

Co-secretary- Margret B volunteered and voted in.

Co- Treasurer- Open and tabled, please bring this to your groups.

Help-Line- Requirements read by chair, Kimtinia A. was nominated and voted in.

Literature- Open newly this month, requirements read by chair, open and tabled, please bring back to your groups, 18 month clean time requirement.

Motion 175- (amendment) to use a general email for each executive committee member for contact info. Email addresses would be passed as each term end to next elected trusted servant. Passed

Motion 175 w/ amendment- that all executive committee member contact email be printed on meeting list. Passed

Motion 177- PR budget upped to 5,800.00. Passed

Motion 179- Co-treasurer clean time requirement changed from 1 year to 18 months.

OPEN forum-

Dan N. announced softball and that flyers are available.

Amber Lynn talked about facility adopting for literature and ect.

A few addicts spoke to the differences in vocabulary in the NA fellowship.

NEW business-

None

Closed Meeting at 1pm with the gratitude statement.