

GREATER GRAND RAPIDS AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 27, 2011

1. Opening: Barb P. opened the meeting at 7PM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.
2. Reading of 12 Traditions – Fred S.
3. Reading of 12 Concepts - Tony
4. Roll Call

ASC ROLL CALL

Chair (Michael K.) - Present
Co-Chair (Barb P.) - Present
Secretary (Susan S.) - Present
Co-Secretary (Lynn) - Present
Treasurer (Cat L.) - Present
Co-Treasurer (Brian M.) - Present
RCM (Adam) - Present
Alternate RCM – (Tony) – Present
H & I (Pepe) - Present
PI (Michael B.) - Present
Activities (Fred S.) – (voted in – present)

GROUP ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Traditionally Speaking
Downtown Resting Place
Keep it Coming
Just for Today
Keeping the Dream Alive
Natural Life
Open to Change
Principles Before Personalities
Progress Not Perfection
No Name
Sat. Night Candlelight
Staying in the Solution
TGIF
We Qualify
Surrender to Win
Young in Recovery
The Path Begins the Journey

UNEXCUSED

Home Group
Just Hope
Sunrise to Sunset
Sisters of Serenity
Next Phase
Men of Character
Steps into Freedom

EXCUSED

Saturday Night Calvary

5. All chair and group reports are typed at the bottom.

6. Old business:

- a. Need Regional Web-servants.
- b. This area needs phone-line help, clean time requirement is 18 months.
- c. P&A meeting before the Area meeting to revise the guidelines.
- d. Literature Committee guidelines were reviewed and approved.

7. New Business:

- a. Fred S. elected new activities chair.
- b. H&I needs help from women to go into the women's facilities (especially the jail).

8. Please discuss at regular and next business meetings:

- a. Literature chair has been filled. Encourage your GSR to bring the groups order and money to ASC.
- b. Sponsorship behind the walls.
- c. Events coming up: No Name's Unity Picnic is Aug. 5th.
- d. New groups: Change in Recovery – 2005 S. Division, Thurs @ 8 PM and Sat @11:30 AM. Steps Into Freedom – Lamb of God Church, 57 Rena SW, Sat @ 1:30 PM.

9. Reports:

CHAIR

CO-CHAIR

Hi Family -

Next month is election month! Make sure to get the word out to all your home groups! On that subject next month I will be unable to attend the ASC meeting. I have been asked to speak at a meeting in St. John's, so I will be there on that night. I would like to take this opportunity to let you know that I have an interest in the co-chair position again for the next term. In the event Michael does not wish to take another term as chairperson, I would be interested in filling that position. As to not hold up the election process, I would ask that you go ahead and consider me for nomination and vote without my presence.

Thanks for the opportunity to serve -
Barb P

ACTIVITIES

RCM

TREASURER REPORT

Checkbook:

April 01, 2011	Beginning Balance	\$588.35
<u>Deposits:</u>		
March Donations		\$451.35
March Profits from Activities		\$ 00.00
March Return of Seed Money		\$ 00.00
<u>Withdrawals</u>		\$(186.90)
April 27, 201	<u>Ending Balance</u>	\$ 852.80
	<u>Minus Prudent Reserve</u>	<u>\$(500.00)</u>
		\$352.80

Hello, Family,

We need to pay the 1st quarter donations. I recommend we do not go with 10% as the group donations are down.

Checks paid this month:	\$ 53.45 X 2	AT&T Adv Solutions	\$ 106.90
		USPS rental 1 yr	60.00
		PI for PSA (K-zoo)	<u>+ 20.00</u>
			\$ 186.90

In loving service,
Cat

SECRETARY:

PUBLIC INFORMATION:

(GROUPS): (- means the information was not provided)

DOWNTOWN RESTING PLACE: 54 S. Division, Grand Rapids (Heartside Ministry)

7th Tradition collected:
Area Donation:

HOME GROUP: 1050 Fisk St. SE, Grand Rapids (Life Quest)

7th Tradition collected: -
Area Donation: -

JUST HOPE: 130 Delaware St. S.E., Grand Rapids (New Hope Missionary Baptist Church)

7th Tradition collected:
Area Donation:

JUST FOR TODAY: 1100 Lake Dr. SE, Grand Rapids (Trinity United Methodist Church)

7th Tradition collected: \$51.75

Area Donation: \$25

Everything is going great at the Just for Today home group. We had two people join our group this month. Also, we had 88 years of recovery celebrated by addicts since the last ASC. Thanks for letting me serve. Vonnee K.

KEEP IT COMING: 1018 Madison S.E., Grand Rapids (Gratitude House)

7th Tradition collected: \$11.40

Area Donation: -

Meeting is going okay. There has been a lot of other NA events going on so attendance has been low. Thank you for allowing me to serve, Jennifer M.

KEEPING THE DREAM ALIVE: 650 Bates, Grand Rapids

7th Tradition collected: \$40

Area Donation: \$20

Meeting is going fine. Attendance is growing bit by bit. We had one anniversary celebrated by San C. – 20 years. ILS, Doug P.

MEN OF CHARATER: 1145 Alexander, Grand Rapids (Next Phase Recovery House)

7th Tradition collected: -

Area Donation: -

NATURAL LIFE: 2340 Dean Lake Ave, Grand Rapids (New Community Church)

7th Tradition collected: -

Area Donation: -

NEXT PHASE: 1145 Alexander, Grand Rapids (Next Phase Recovery House)

7th Tradition collected: -

Area Donation: -

NO NAME: 100 Buckley, Grand Rapids (Grace Christian Reformed Church)

7th Tradition collected: \$375

Area Donation: -

Everything is going well. No donation this month. Fliers for our 5th annual Unity Picnic are available. Meeting isn't as well attended, but it is getting to be that time of year.

OPEN FOR CHANGE: 1020 College Ave NE (N. Alano Club Room #3)

7th Tradition collected: -

Area Donation: -

Meeting is still going very good. We get a lot of attendance every week. There are a lot of new comers to this meeting. Our room rent is really high every week so it is hard to make a donation at this time, but we continue to carry the message to addicts who need it. We are hoping to make a donation soon. ILS, Ryan M.

PRINCIPLES BEFORE PERSONALITIES: 1025 3 Mile Rd. (St. Andrews Episcopal Church)

7th Tradition collected: \$65

Area Donation: \$50

Family, all is well as we continue to look at effective ways to carry the message to the addict. As we do our Higher Power will receive his grace. Please remember that our potluck and speaker is the 5th Sunday, spouses and kids are welcome. ILS, Earl G. and Tom

PROGRESS NOT PERFECTION: 1 Damascus Rd, Big Rapids (St. Paul's Campus Parish)

7th Tradition collected: -

Area Donation: \$40

Things are going fairly well with our group over all. Our 7th tradition has been down slightly, however. I have announced that I will resign as GSR for my group, effective after the June area meeting. I'm getting burnt out and need a break. Also, I do not feel that is a good thing for the same person to serve indefinitely, as this would cause that addict to become a governing member, thus violating our traditions. I am hopeful that another addict from my group will have the willingness to step up. ILS, Ron T.

SATURDAY NIGHT CALVARY: 707 E. Beltline, Grand Rapids (Calvary Church)

7th Tradition collected: -

Area Donation: -

SATURDAY NIGHT CANDLELIGHT: 300 68th St. (Pine Rest Campus)

7th Tradition collected: -

Area Donation: -

Meeting continues to gain in attendance. We are moving ahead with plans for the June and hope all groups have the flyer, this park is a great location, but hard to find so there is a map on the back of the flyer. We hope to see you there.

ILS, Cat L.

SISTERS OF SERENITY: 766 7TH St. (Matthew's House of Ministry)

7th Tradition collected: \$25

Area Donation: -

STAYING IN THE SOLUTION: 1200 Post Dr. (Church of the Holy Spirit)

7th Tradition collected: \$61

Area Donation: \$60

Attendance has been steadily rising and income is good. Many people share that they love this meeting and feel safe there. ILS, Julie

STEPS INTO FREEDOM: 57 Rena SW, Grand Rapids

7th Tradition collected: \$21

Area Donation: \$5

Since the meeting began in January, we have been consistent with between 8-12 in attendance. We have had two speakers, one each month. Steps into Freedom could use support from other fellow recovering addicts. This group has ordered some literature and key tags totaling \$28.

ILS, Crystal K.

SUNRISE TO SUNSET: 766 7TH St. (Matthew's House of Ministry)

7th Tradition collected: \$195

Area Donation: \$15

SURRENDER TO WIN: 940 Clancy St, Grand Rapids (Clancy Street Ministries)

7th Tradition collected: -

Area Donation: -

Surrender to win is continually growing and has a lot of newcomers and newer members. We are still in need of support of the more experienced message because of the newer members. We meet every Wednesday at 8-9:30P.

TRADITIONALLY SPEAKING: 54 Division, Grand Rapids (Heartside Ministry)

7th Tradition collected: -

Area Donation: -

TGIF: 1224 Davis Ave. NW, Grand Rapids (Trinity Reformed Church)

7th Tradition collected: - \$

Area Donation: - \$

We are so bless to continue to carry the message to a large number of addicts.

ILS, Susan

THE PATH BEGINS THE JOURNEY: 834 Lake Dr. SE (Bethel Abundant Life Center)

7th Tradition collected: \$42

Area Donation: \$20

Attendance is consistent at or around 20 people per week. We are still in need of trusted servants. Also, looking at alternative topics or subjects for our weekly meetings.

WE QUALIFY: 5333 Clyde Park Ave. SW, Wyoming (Holy Trinity Episcopal Church)

7th Tradition collected: -

Area Donation: -

Hi Family. The We Qualify group is doing well. We have regular meeting attendance, and encourage attendance to our monthly business meeting. We are excited about using the new literature subcommittee, as it will eventually save us a great deal in postage. We need more trusted servants at the Home Group level. Otherwise, all is great.

Thanks for letting me serve, Lisa M.

YOUNG IN RECOVERY: 222 Division, Grand Rapids (Take Hold Church)

7th Tradition collected: \$40

Area Donation: \$0

Been doing a lot better! We are focusing on getting literature and key tags and will soon have an area donation. Our event on April 1st was a huge success and we are planning some more for the near future.

ILS, Tony