

**GREATER GRAND RAPIDS
AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MINUTES
October 25, 2006**

Bobby A.. opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. w/ moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Bobby A. read the 12 Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous
There were no 12 Concepts of Service to be read.

ASC ROLL CALL

Chair (James F.) – **Excused**
Co-Chair (Bobby) **Present**
Secretary – **(Laurie C.) Present**
Co-Secretary (Cynthia C.) **Unexcused**
Treasurer (Dan) – **Present**
Co-Treasurer - **Open**
RCM – **(Cat L.) Present**
Alt. RCM (Micheal B.) **Excused**
H&I – **Open**
PI – **Open**

GROUP ROLL CALL

Courage to Change (P)	Progress, Not Perfection (E)
Downtown Resting Place (P)	Recovery Zone (P)
Home Group (E)	Sat. Night Calvary (P)
I Can't, We Can (P)	Sat. Night Candlelight (P)
Just For Today (P)	Seeking NA Recovery (U)
Keeping the Dream Alive (P)	TGIF (P)
Men of Character (P)	The Next Phase (U)
Natural Life (P)	Wake Up Grand Rapids (P)
No Name (E)	We Qualify (P)
Principles Before Personalities (P)	

There were 14 voting members present Quorum was made.

AREA TRUSTED SERVANT REPORTS

CHAIR REPORT

RCM REPORT:

ALT RCM REPORT:

H&I REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

PI REPORT

GROUP REPORTS

Courage to Change

658 Worden SE, GR
Saturday @ 11 am

Total Attendees for Month:	49
Average Per Meeting:	20
Total 1 st Step Meetings:	0
Total 7 th Tradition Collected:	\$26.78

Area Donation: **\$10.00**

Business Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Anniversaries Celebrated: **0**

Our group is growing rapidly it is truly a spiritual experience to see women unite. We are happy to report that we are still carrying the message of change.

Your Grateful Trusted Servant
Dionna B.

Downtown Resting Place

Heartside Ministries
54 S. Division, GR
Mon., Wed. & Fri. @ 5:30 PM

Total Attendees for Month:	115
Average Per Meeting:	20-25
Total 1 st Step Meetings:	2
Total 7 th Tradition Collected:	\$100.00

Area Donation: **0**

Business Meeting: Last Fri

Anniversaries Celebrated: **?**

Our Group is doing well carrying the message of recovery by the book. Our Group member attendance is there, our business meetings are well structured. The speaker meeting is done by Men and Women on a monthly basis. Our business meeting has been slacking off. At our upcoming meeting I'm going to suggest that we do our Business Meeting 1 hour before our meeting. We also will be discussing the reading of non NA related announcements and party celebrations. We will also discuss giving Area donations, the parking situation around Division St., kids at the meeting, and the fire alarmed being pulled by those unattended kids and who should be responsible for paying when the Fire Dept. comes out. This has been an issue in the past and it is costing our Group money.

Trusted Servant
Tommie

Home Group

Burton United Methodist
100 Burton St. SE, GR
Thurs @ 7 p.m.

Total Attendees for Month:	100
Average Per Meeting:	25
Total 1 st Step Meetings:	1
Total 7 th Tradition Collected:	\$36.82

Area Donation: **\$12.00**

Business Meeting: 4th Thur

Anniversaries Celebrated: **0**

Homegroup is doing fine. We are still in need of dedicated homegroup members.

In Loving Service,
Charles

I Can't, We Can!

All Night Recovery
1136 Plainfield NE, GR
Sun and Mon 9:30 to 11 PM

Business Meeting: 2nd Sun

Total Attendees for Month: **55**
Average Per Meeting: **13**
Total 1st Step Meetings: **0**
Total 7th Tradition Collected: **\$10.00**
Area Donation: **0**
Anniversaries Celebrated: **0**

The doors are still open, we have some new members stepping up to service and we are glad. So bare with us as we make adjustments.

In loving Service,
Dionna B.

Just for Today

Midtown Church
15 Diamond NE, GR
Wednesday @ Noon

Business Meeting: 4th Wed.

Total Attendees for Month: **30**
Average Per Meeting: **6 to 7**
Total 1st Step Meetings: **0**
Total 7th Tradition Collected: **\$44**
Area Donation: **\$0**
Anniversaries Celebrated: **0**

We had 14 people at our last meeting. I don't know if it's a record, but it's the most I've seen at that meeting since I made it my home group nearly a year ago. We are not donating to the ASC this month because we need to buy more literature.

In Loving Service,
Jeff K.

Keeping the Dream Alive

First Christian Reformed Church
650 Bates SE, GR
Monday @ 7:00 p.m.

Business Meeting: 2nd Mon b/4 mtg

Total Attendees for Month: **150+**
Average Per Meeting: **35**
Total 1st Step Meetings: **2**
Total 7th Tradition Collected: **\$60.00+**
Area Donation: **\$30.00**
Anniversaries Celebrated: **3**

We are doing great. Taking it one day at a time. We were glad to have our home group member back. We congratulated her on her new additions to her family. We are grateful to have the men and women from the Federal Halfway facility attending our meetings. Some NA members although have expressed some concern about this, but our tradition states that you are a member when you say you are.

In Loving Service,
San C.

Men of Character

Hope House
1036 Alexander SE GR
Saturday @ 11a.m.

Business Meeting:

Total Attendees for Month: **100**
Average Per Meeting: **25**
Total 1st Step Meetings: **0**
Total 7th Tradition Collected: **About \$65.00**
Area Donation: **0**
Anniversaries Celebrated: **0**

All is well with the group. Nothing to report except that we are growing as a homegroup. We now have 5 group members that are getting involved. This is a good meeting and we will be keeping the doors open as long as we can.

In Loving Service,
Bobby A.

Natural Life

Faith Lutheran Church
2740 Fuller Ave. NE, GR
Tues and Thurs @ 7:30 p.m.

Total Attendees for Month: **400**
Average per Meeting: **50**
Total 1st Step Meetings: **5**
Total 7th Tradition Collected: **\$200.00**
Area Donation: **0**
Anniversaries Celebrated: **2**

Business Meeting: 3rd Thurs

We are planning an activity for Dec. 30th. We are currently having issues with recovery centers conflicting with homegroup recovery. We are currently contacting them for help with this issue.

In Loving Service,
Fred S.

The Next Phase

Next Phase Recovery House
1145 Alexander SE, GR
Tuesday @ 7 PM

Total Attendees for Month:
Average Per Meeting:
Total 1st Step Meetings:
Total 7th Tradition Collected:
Area Donation:

Business Meeting: 1st Tues
6p.m.
NO REPORT

No Name

Grace CRC
100 Buckley SE, GR
M, Tu, W, Th, F @ 11 AM

Total Attendees for Month: **781**
Average Per Meeting: **37**
Total 1st Step Meetings: **4**
Total 7th Tradition Collected: **\$383.78**
Area Donation: **\$60.00**
Anniversaries Celebrated: **1**

Business Meeting: 3rd Tues

We have returned to the basement of the facility and our rent has went up because of the move. Our group also had to pay for a carpet that we had spilled coffee on.

In loving Service,
No Name Group

Principles Before Personalities

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
1025 3 Mile Rd. NE, GR
Sunday @ 7:00 p.m.

Total Attendees for Month: **120**
Average Per Meeting: **30**
Total 1st Step Meetings: **2**
Total 7th Tradition Collected: **\$100**
Area Donation: **\$100**
Anniversaries Celebrated: **0**

Business Meeting: 2nd Sun 8:30PM

We had a business meeting after our regular scheduled meeting the 2nd Sunday where we discussed reclassifying our meeting as an open meeting, also we are looking into changes to our format as well as changes in the positions concerning our trusted servants. With so few trusted servants changing of hats hasn't happened. Homegroup interest has grown which has increased participation. All is well.

In Loving Service,
Earl G.

Progress, Not Perfection

1 Damascus Rd., Big Rapids, MI
Tuesday @ 8 PM
Saturday @ 10 AM

Business Meeting: 1st Tues 9PM

Total Attendees for Month: ?
Average Per Meeting: ?
Total 1st Step Meetings: ?
Total 7th Tradition Collected: \$76.00
Area Donation: \$35.00
Anniversaries Celebrated: ?

I am sorry that I am unable to attend this month.

In Loving Service
Michael B.

Recovery Zone

Lowell Serenity Club
101 West Main, Lowell
Mon & Thurs @ 6 PM

Business Meeting: 4th Mon

Total Attendees for Month: 19
Average Per Meeting: 2
Total 1st Step Meetings: 1
Total 7th Tradition Collected: \$15.85
Area Donation: 0
Anniversaries Celebrated: 0

All is well at the Recovery Zone Group.

In Loving Service
Scott W.

Saturday Night Calvary -

Calvary Church
777 E. Beltline NE, GR
Saturday @ 7:15 PM

Business Meeting: 4th Sat.

Total Attendees for Month: 180+
Average Per Meeting: 40
Total 1st Step Meetings: 2
Total 7th Tradition Collected: \$55.00
Area Donation: \$20.00
Anniversaries Celebrated: 2

The meeting has grown a great deal in attendance. Thanks to this months speaker for giving a message of hope. There were 2 recoverings addicts who celebrated a significant amount of clean time. We are in the process of looking for a new GSR for the group I am serving my last year in that position as well as chairperson. Any addicts willing to serve in these open positions please contact the group. Please note that as the holiday season approaches that the facility will possibly conducting room changes as well as closures.

In Loving Service,
Richard H.

Saturday Night Candlelight -

Roadbed Ministries
5010 S. Division, GR
Saturday @ 7:30 p.m.

Total Attendees for Month: 90
Average Per Meeting: 21
Total 1st Step Meetings: 1
Total 7th Tradition Collected: ?
Area Donation: 0
Anniversaries Celebrated: 1

Meeting remains stable and attendance is steady. We have had one addition to our homegroup and we welcome her. We do not have a financial report as our business meeting is rescheduled for Oct 28th due to previous commitments of several of the group members. It was decided at a previous business meeting that the step and tradition study meetings are done with the "It works how and why" book and this works very well. It gives all a chance to get deeper into the meaning of the topic for that meeting.
In Loving Service,

Cat L.

Seeking NA Recovery

Westwood Community Church
2828 Richmond NW, GR
Mon. 7:15 PM

Total Attendees for Month:
Average Per Meeting:
Total 1st Step Meetings:
Total 7th Tradition Collected:
Area Donation:
Anniversaries Celebrated:

NO REPORT

TGIF

Trinity Reformed Church
1224 Davis NW, GR
Friday @ 7:00 p.m.

Total Attendees for Month: ?
Average Per Meeting: ?
Total 1st Step Meetings: ?
Total 7th Tradition Collected: ?
Area Donation: ?
Anniversaries Celebrated: ?

NO REPORT8

Wake Up Grand Rapids

Steepletown Center
636 Davis NW, GR
8 AM Mon – Fri, 4 PM Sun

Total Attendees for Month: **62**
Average Per Meeting: **4**
Total 1st Step Meetings: **3**
Total 7th Tradition Collected: **\$48.00**
Area Donation: **0**
Anniversaries Celebrated: **0**

Business Meeting: 1st Sun..

The group is struggling and nearly closed. One of our group members is very ill and not able to attend or chair meetings. Meetings on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday will be changing time from 8 to 8:30. The Sunday meeting is currently cancelled and should be removed from the meeting list.

In Loving Service,
Chris P.

We Qualify

Roadbed Ministries
5010 S. Division, GR
Wednesday @ 7:30 PM

Total Attendees for Month: **82**
Average Per Meeting: **20**
Total 1st Step Meetings: **0**
Total 7th Tradition Collected: **\$53.00**
Area Donation: **0**
Anniversaries Celebrated: **0**

Business Meeting: 2nd Wed.

Our meeting attendance has picked up but the 7th tradition remains low. The rent has been paid up until the end of the year. We also have ordered literature and this has left with no Area donation.

In Loving Service,
Laurie A.

CHECK THE MONTHLY CALENDAR FOR GROUP BUSINESS MEETINGS

OLD BUSINESS

Old Business

1. Discussion was held about the possibility of posting on our website an Activity Kit that would walk you through the steps of planning an activity for your group.
2. Discussion was held about having a workshop to review the stories that are being submitted for the 6th edition of The Basic Text.

NEW BUSINESS / ISSUE DISCUSSION

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1. A motion was passed by unanimous vote to go ahead and have the Activity Kit posted to the website.
2. An ADHOC committee was put into place to plan the Basic Text workshop. Bobby A. and Earl G. have showed willingness to serve in those positions. The purpose of this workshop is to review stories to be submitted to N.A.W.S. Dates and facility still pending.
3. A motion was also passed to allow the Natural Life group to go ahead with their planned activity with out a Post Activity Report submitted prior to the activity.

Budgets

Place budget info here.

H & I

PI

Pending Activities

- Potluck and Game Night-Natural Life Group/ Dec. 30th
- Basic Text Workshop/ All info still Pending

Reminder to all Groups wanting to host a N.A. function will need to fill out a Post Activity Report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please continue to encourage 7th Tradition donations and discuss the proper use of this money. Please also consider having a meeting with the topic being the IP “Hey! What’s the Basket For?” or read the 7th Tradition from the *Basic Text* or *It Works: How and Why*.
- Please get involved! There are a few positions at the area level that need to be filled.

P=Present O=Open E=Excused U=Unexcused I=Inactive

POSITION	NAME/STATUS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT
Chair	James F.	P	E	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	E
Co-Chair	Bobby	O	O	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Secretary	Laurie C.	O	O	O	O	O	P	P	E	U	P
Co-Secretary	Cynthia C.	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	U	U
Treasurer	Dan	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P
Co-Treasurer	OPEN	P	P	P	P	P	O	O	O	O	O
R.C.M.	Cat L.	O	O	O	O	O	P	P	P	P	P
Alt. R.C.M.	Michael B.	U	P	P	E	O	P	P	P	P	E
P.I. Chair	OPEN	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	O
H&I Chair	Vanessa J.	P	E	P	E	P	P	U	P	E	O

HOME GROUPS	STATUS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT
Courage to Change	Active	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	U	P	P
Downtown Resting Place	Active	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
Home Group	Active	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	E	E
I Can't We Can	Inactive	P	E	P	P	E	U	U	U	E	P
Just For Today	Active	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Keeping The Dream Alive	Active	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P
Men of Character				E	P	E	P	P	P	P	P
Natural Life	Active	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P
No Name	Active	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P
Principles B4 Personalities	Active	P	P	P	U	E	P	P	P	P	P
Progress, Not Perfection	Active	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	E
Recovery Zone	Active	P	U	P	U	P	E	P	P	P	P
Sat. Night Calvary	Active	E	P	P	E	P	P	E	U	P	P
Sat. Night Candlelight	Active	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Seeking NA Recovery	Active	P	U	P	P	P	U	P	E	P	U
TGIF	Active	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	U	P	P
The Next Phase	Inactive	U	U	E	P	U	E	P	U	U	U
Wake Up Grand Rapids	Active	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
We Qualify	Active	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

GROUPS IN NEED OF SUPPORT

**Home Group
I Can't, We Can
Progress, Not Perfection**

**Sat. Night Calvary
Wake Up Grand Rapids**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Minutes were faithfully submitted by Laurie C.