

**MRSCNA Regional Meeting Minutes –December 7, 2008**  
**Northwoods Area**

**1. Opening:**

Kevin opened the meeting at 9:05am with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

**2. Twelve Traditions:**

The Twelve Traditions were read by Patti K.

**3. Twelve Concepts:**

The Twelve Concepts were read by Les P.

**4. Roll Call:**

Absent Battle Creek, Livingston, Website Contact,  
Visitors – Ben G. – Saginaw Bay, Bob M. - Washtenaw

**5. Chair Report:**

Agenda readied by Kevin R.

**6. Secretary's Report:**

- Dear Family,  
I have 2 regions left so plz send reports to me for this Region and then to Lizzie after February. I was informed yesterday that guidelines state minutes s/b out in 14 days. My predecessor did not inform me and there was no precedent set as I would have picked up on the pattern. Obviously, Lizzie got them out in record time but I will let her know in case life gets in the way.

**7. Treasurer's Report:**

Brian provided Account Summaries at meeting. Did not email and I don't have a scanner.

**8. RD Report:**

## RD Report Dec. '08

Hello Family, the MZF was very interesting with the IDT workshops on Sat and the MZF meeting on Sun. The workshop on leadership went from 9 am till 2:30 pm. So I would like to apologize to the Southwest Area for the partial workshop we did at R&R . While we all did the best we could with what we had I now know that the leadership workshop is a full learning day type of affaire.

The workshop on building communications only lasted two hrs. as the complete format for this IDT was not fully ready at the time.

I missed the guest speaker Sat evening as I was at the mall of America riding the roller coasters. I returned in time to catch the world store and the blues band. A word to the wise do not book a blues band as entertainment at an NA function, the music was great, but the attendance was anything but.

Sunday morning the MZF opened the recovery meeting at 8 am and the business meeting at 9.

The web servant asked of the possibility of switching servers to make the changes to the MZF site easier. Consensus was that if the cost was comparable than it would be fine.

Service profiles for the MZF pool are in limbo due to lack of effort to get it done. The idea was to create a pool of service profiles to draw from when an area or region had a specific need or problem, much like the world pool. More will be revealed I'm sure.

MZF History project, nothing has happened on this since '07 due to lack of input. ANYONE doing work on NA history or who might have archives, minutes or interesting stories( JIM AND JIM) please contact Bob at the MZF website.

Elections: the co-facilitator positions for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter were up and Lois from Chicago was elected to the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter position. It was decided to wait until we meet next to elect the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter position so we don't have two rookies running the show at the same time. Diane H. from Wisconsin was elected the new secretary which made Blynn very happy as she had held that position for many years. Blynn was then elected to a two year term as treasurer. GO FIGURE!

The MZF has a current balance of \$1005.00 and asked if regions might consider making donations, would we?

The next two years worth of meetings were scheduled and they are as follows: Mar. 13-15 '09 at ISNAC in Indiana. July 17-19 '09 in Ohio. Oct '09 at WSNAC in Wisconsin. Feb. 2010 in Chicago for the CAR. That's right the multi-region CAR workshop will not be in K-Zoo next time. Finally in April 2010 at the WSC.

There was much discussion about asking world board members to attend the MZF functions. Ohio wants them to come to their MZF weekend to help facilitate the IDT workshops. They hope to have all three topics work shopped that weekend. Indiana would like them to come to ISNAC. Buckeye Region wants to invite them to their function in Jan. (more on that later) the fact is the WB will only send reps. In an area so many times a year. They figure after they've been somewhere once the locals should be able to handle it from there. Literature, and work sheets and other aides are available as well from NAWs.

About the Buckeye Region, I have been contacted by them to see if the MI Region would be interested in joining them in their learning day Jan. 24 in Canton OH. They are trying to get WB people to attend and that requires three regions be on the request. The only thing they want from us really is our name on the request, I do not believe they will get WB attendance anyway due to the short amount of time between now and then, so I see no harm in joining in. I am planning to attend the event and in fact I've been asked to be the Sat. night guest speaker. I will also be there Sat. afternoon to assist in the workshops. I have been told that the Buckeye Region would take care of most of my expenses but I thought I would ask if this body would consider kicking in like half the mileage. Just something to consider.

I received a check from our old buddy Mark S. in da up eh for \$42.50 for a Regional donation. I will have a budget request for mileage ASAP.

I.L.S. Dave T.

## 9. RDA Report:

Greetings Family. First of all, if no one told you they Love you today, I'd like to be the first to say I LOVE EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU. Would like to remind MRCNA that the deadline to be in the NAWay, before the Convention, April's edition is Jan.5<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Yes 2009 is almost here. I've received minutes from the Capitol Area. I like that and was wondering, is it because of the RDA position? I also liked reading about the new Meeting, "Sacred Fire". Hope I get a chance to attend it some time soon.

If you haven't heard, WCNA 33 is now taking pre-registration. There's lots of information on this in October's NA Way. Please check it out.

NAWS is also looking for input on there latest literature project, "Living Clean-The Journey Continues." Please help get this information out to the Fellowship.

After reading Dave's report, it looks like the next few MZF's are close enough for me to drive, and am looking forward to attending. Hopefully my opinion of that entity will change, like it has for the MSO.

Wish there was more, but it's been a pretty uneventful 2 months for RDA position. ILS, Les P.

## 10. MRCNA Report:

Greetings Family:

There is much to report so I'll get right to it. We voted on a theme in Oct. Last month no one could remember what it was with out looking it up. In light of how catchy and memorable the theme we voted on was, it was decided that we will give it some more thought and change or modify it this month. When we have picked the theme, it will be posted on our website and I will send it out to the region to be distributed. The idea is to give as many addicts as possible the opportunity to submit art work for the logo of this our 25<sup>th</sup> convention. We will also accept art work now for Huggers and Serenity Keepers. Art work can be submitted by mail to our P.O. Box , our Convention Information through our website or to my email at  We have yet to decide when the cutoff for submissions will be. We will decide that this month. I will have our Secretary forward our minutes to MaryBeth.

Merchandise; So far they have made \$1002.00 in pre-convention sales. That is not counting what was sold here and at some other events around the state. As you can see Freed has brought some of the pre-convention stuff with him. Feel free to buy more than you can afford. Cash only no fronts. So far sale has been very good. Merchandise would like to be informed of fundraisers going on around the state so they can show up with merchandise to sell. Merchandise is working with T&R and E&F to be sure that MRCNA is represented at as many Area events as possible. This keeps the time and financial burden from being placed on one or two people during the year. It will also keep mileage payments down to a minimum. This brings me to E&F.

After the fundraiser in October, the committee felt there was much to be desired in the accounting and management of that fundraiser and the other fundraisers that preceded it. After many suggestions and offers of help, none of which was taken the whole committee felt that it was best to replace the E&F chair now rather than later. This was a unanimous consensus and there were no objections. Last month the former E&F chair came to the committee meeting for redress of a grievance. After much discussion the decision made last month was upheld once again by a unanimous consensus. We will vote in a new E&F chair this month.

have brought a Treasurers report it will be attached to this report. Individual committees are still working on their budgets. I will have all the budgets at the next Region for approval. This year we are looking at what was actually spent and what each committee took in as revenue. Each committee is then adjusting their budgets to come within 70% of revenue. This is taking a little longer than anticipated. We are working on it.

If you have an event or Fund raiser you wish MRCNA to be at please let us know as far in advance as possible.

In Loving Service

MRCNA XXV Chair

**11. Shared Services Report:**

n/a

**12. Website Contact:**

I was able to gain access to the website and email for the region. I was assisted by Dale V. and Mike T. Thanks to them I have the logon ID and passwords I needed.  
As soon as I received the info about the location of the Regional meeting I posted it on the website.  
As soon as I received the email containing the October Regional minutes I posted them on the website for download.  
I ask that other Regional members review the documents on the "Resources" page to verify they are still valid.  
Anyone who would like to have events posted or who can suggest any changes to the website please contact me at

In loving service, Jim B  
Lizzie, I will not be able to attend the Regional meeting this Sunday. I have to work that day and haven't been able to get anyone to take my shift for me.

**13. MSO Representative:**

Since I've had a little time to volunteer at the Office again, I thought I'd give a little update from the MSO. Things are going full swing, with selling on the Web getting nearer and nearer all the time. I've brought flyers stating we'll be up and running this month, with our WEB ADDRESS being [storemsona.org](http://storemsona.org). Lots of work on this endeavor. With the Southwestern Michigan Convention over, and at this writing, the MDRCNA Convention almost upon us, there has been an extreme amount of work being done for the fellowship, by a few. Isn't that always the case? The Service Office did the vending for this Convention. Convention T-Shirts and Mugs. We can do the same for any Convention. MRCNA, please keep this in mine. I just called the Office and we did fairly well at MDRCNA. We at least brook even on the shirts and mugs. I believe we would have done better with a different design, but what do I know. With all this, Thanksgiving Weekend is being scheduled to do the remodeling that's been needed for so long. It's the best time, since the Office is closed while we're set up at MDRCNA. This is all being done by volunteers. I tell you, when I'm at the Office or at there booth at a Convention, I feel I'm involved with a well oil machine. There is such dedication aboard, that the Love for the Fellowship and the Office just radiates through. I'll always be grateful for the opportunity to have gotten involve with this Service Position. If there are any questions, I'll try and answer them to the best of my ability.  
ILS, Les P.

**14. H & I**

n/a

**15. PI:**

PR Report- Hello Family- I recently attended Tennessee's Volunteer Region convention Thanksgiving weekend and was able to participate in a PR workshop there. Since I was asked to hold a PR workshop this weekend, I used an activity they shared with me that encouraged participants to create PR action plans for various scenarios. I am interested in any feedback you care to share with me.

I am also still in the process of gathering information about the various PI/PR efforts of the areas in our Region to create a database of these activities to share with each other. I would also like to add information on ANY PI/PR activities that you hear about going on around the united states. For instance, I came across some PR news in the Service section of a recent NA way magazine. It encouraged collaborative efforts between NAWS and regions to send material and present at a Chicagoland Region Alcohol and Drug Dependency Association's conference.

On another note, I have heard nothing from Jeff regarding the Regional Phone line...has anyone else heard anything?

please let me know if you need any help with PI/PR related activities. Thanks for letting me serve,  
Marianne G.

16. **AREA REPORTS:**

a. **Battle Creek Area:**

n/a

b. **Capitol Area:**

Capitol Area wishes all a Happy Holiday. There will be a Marathon Meeting on Christmas and New Year's at St. Lawrence Hospital from 9pm Wed to 9pm Thursday.

c. **Flint Area:**

Read @ Region but did not receive emailed report.

d. **Greater Grand Rapids Area:**



**M.R.S.C.N.A.**

Michigan Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous  
Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report

Name: Fred S.

Date: 10/22/2008

Area: Grand Rapids

Area Meeting Location: Faith Lutheran Church

Area Meeting Day / Time: 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

**AREA INFORMATION**

Number of Groups.....18.....  
 Number of Meetings.....25.....  
 Number of H&I Meetings.....N/A.....  
 Total 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Collected.....619.28.....  
 Region Donation.....done quarterly.....

**AREA CONTACT INFORMATION**

PHONE

RCM Fred S  
 RCM alt Open  
 Area Chair Richard  
 H&I Chair Open  
 PI Chair Michael B

EMAIL

**REPORT:**  
**Hello Family,**

**Grand Rapids is carrying the message of recovery at our meetings to the new comer and is growing strong in numbers. We are continuing to support MRCNA with small local fund raising efforts. Meeting attendance is way yet we still lack a willingness to do service work.**

**I would like to extend a sincere apology to the members from the Flint area that recently visited us and ask how other areas deal with this problem. Before coming they looked up meetings to attend on the world's web site. The information on that is very inaccurate and they went to a meeting that has been closed fro almost a year. It is my understanding that in our area is left up to the group to add/remove themselves from worlds listing. I would like to see our P/I committee monitor this but it would need a guideline change.**

**We also have a lot of discussion still on what a group is required to do to stay on the meeting list. The biggest stumbling block we face is change. We all agree our current guidelines don't work yet we battle each other with how to change them. When do make a decision we find we don't have quorum to pass a vote so the battle continues. Last month we had members step up for area service positions yet we could vote them in because we didn't have enough groups to vote them in. We have 2 motions on our floor that our being taken back to the home groups for their decisions and hopefully we will move forward with this in Jan.**

**Thank-you to the Northwood's Area for their hospitality and thank-you for allowing me to serve this body.**

**In loving service,**

**Fred S.**

e. **Greater Muskegon Area:**

n/a

f. **Livingston County Area:**

I finally have the info you want. The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn Express. 8079 Challis Drive, Brighton Mi. 48116. We are planning on the meeting being held on Feb. 1st. If this isn't correct let me know. We may be having a workshop on home groups the Saturday before I still don't have the details for this yet.

Thanks Marty D.



**M.R.S.C.N.A.**  
 Michigan Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous  
**Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report**

Name: John D – RCM Alt \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 12/6/08

Area: Livingston County

Area Meeting Location: Hardy Methodist. 6510 E.Highland Road Howell

Area Meeting Day / Time: 2:00 PM 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sunday

**AREA INFORMATION**

Number of Groups.....8

Number of Meetings..... 8

Number of H&I Meetings..... \_\_\_\_\_

Total 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Collected..... \_\_\_\_\_

Region Donation..... \_\_\_\_\_

**AREA CONTACT INFORMATION**

	PHONE	EMAIL
RCM Marty D. _____		
RCM alt John D.		
Area Chair Joe B.		
PR Chair <u>Michael L.</u>		
PI Chair _____		
Web Servant _____		

Hello fellow addicts, I'm sorry I was not able to make it to the Regional Meeting in Dec. I've got mechanical problems with my car and with the weather I cannot take the chance of breaking down.

The Livingston County Area meeting was attended by most members. We have a PR committee that meets and is developing plans for more H and I work. The transition of Brighton Hospital H and I panel on Friday nights to LCA is set for March 09.

Thank You, John D

- g. Northwestern Area:**  
Read @ Region but did not email.
- h. Northwoods Area:**

**Regional Report  
 Northwoods Area RCMA**

**Dec. 7, 2008  
 Gaylord, Mi**

Good Morning, I'm an addict named Robert .

First of all, I would like to welcome all of you brave souls that make it up to the great white north. Northwooders are happy to have hosted the region weekend and grateful to have served. I hope every one had a safe trip getting here, honest we didn't order this weather.

Now, down to business. Northwoods area is doing well, as best as we can. People come and go, but we do have a great core group of members that keep attracting addicts that come into our meetings. Speaking of meetings, we have – 6 active groups with 10 meetings a week. Overall attendance is growing. The area has two H&I meetings at the present.

Contacts are: Facilitator . . . . . Loren G.  
Co- . . . . . Mike W.  
Secretary - . . . . . Chris R.  
Treasurer - . . . . . James C.  
Web . . . . . Mike W.  
RCM . . . . . Robert M .  
RCM alt . . . . . Jim C.  
UP contact . . . . . Mark S.  
H & I contact . . . . . James C.  
Activity Chair . . . . . Page S.



Gene R. has located a favorable camp ground for our annual camp out. More will be revealed.

The annual sledding party is being put together with flyers to follow soon.

In closing, I hope that everyone had a good time yesterday; of course I don't have a clue, because I'm writing this report Saturday morning. But just the same it was a pleasant time, all but the drive, so be safe going home.

ILS  
Robert M .

### December 2, 2007

**Hello from Northwoods Area, we now have six groups with fourteen meeting that the area knows of. Also there are two H&I meetings, one in Petoskey and one in Gaylord. Recovery is Beautiful meeting in Charlevoix closed due to lack of interest; the local addicts are hiding out in the other fellowship. All our trusted servant positions are full except secretary and co-secretary. Although Cynthia M stepped up to be the temporary secretary for now, she is the previous secretary and is definite about giving up the position.**

#### Trusted Servants

**Facilitator Robert M.  
Co-facilitator Paige S.  
Treasurer Mike W.  
Co-treasurer Larry K.  
RCM Gene R.  
RCMA Robert M.  
Web Servant Mike W.  
Activities Paige S.**

**Area meeting is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. of each month with potluck at 2 o'clock and the business meeting at 3.**



Lake Retreat in Midland Dec. 13. We have a donation of 301.00. Better late than never. We have some of the same Area problems as GR and Muskegon.

Matt. F.

**j. Southern Mid-Michigan Area:**



# M.R.S.C.N.A.

Michigan Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous  
Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report

Name: Marianne G  
Date: 10/5/08  
Area: Southern-Mid Michigan  
Area Meeting Location: Rotates: Adrian and Jackson  
Area Meeting Day / Time: last Saturday of the month

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**AREA INFORMATION**

Number of Groups..... 11  
Number of Meetings..... 16  
Number of H&I Meetings..... 7 meetings - 5 facilities  
Total 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Collected..... n/a  
Region Donation..... n/a

**AREA CONTACT INFORMATION**

		PHONE	EMAIL
RCM	<u>Marianne G.</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>
RCM alt	<u>open</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>
Area Chair	<u>David R</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>
H&I Chair	<u>Richard M.</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>
PI Chair	<u>Linda S &amp; Lisa B</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>
Web Servant	<u>Guy R</u>	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>

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**RCM report- Southern Mid Michigan**

The Southern Mid Michigan area is experiencing growing pains...or lack of growing pains to be more accurate. We are trying to change the way things are done in the Area Service Meetings and subcommittee meetings so that the principle of Attraction can begin to take place. Area elections will take place next month so hopefully we will once again have a mix of experienced and newer members participating at that level. At a convention I attended recently, I was able to hear the sharing of NA members that were here when it all began (in their areas/regions anyway). Their experiences validated that these growing pains are necessary and normal for change to take place. I was motivated to continue to be part of the solution.

My area is asking for an update on the Sponsorship behind the walls program. Has anyone heard anything? I am being asked if our area's prisons have been contacted yet in regards to letting them know the program exists and if they will allow their inmates to be a part of it.

We have a \$300 donation to Region at this time.

In loving Service,  
Marianne G.

**k. Southwest Michigan Area**



# M.R.S.C.N.A.

## Michigan Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report

Name: Dave H  
 Date: 12/5/08  
 Area: South West Michigan  
 Area Meeting Location: Vicksburg Mi  
 Area Meeting Day / Time: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday @3:00PM

**AREA INFORMATION**

Number of Groups..... 30  
 Number of Meetings..... 75  
 Number of H&I Meetings..... 10  
 Total 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Collected..... \_\_\_\_\_  
 Region Donation..... \_\_\_\_\_

**AREA CONTACT INFORMATION**

	PHONE	EMAIL
RCM Dave H _____		
RCM alt Al L _____		
Area Chair Eric S _____		
H&I Chair Al L _____		
PI Chair Jim B _____		
Web Servant <u>Jim B</u> _____		

Greetings Family,  
 Things are somewhat in disarray in South West. At our last Area meeting, we learned our convention had come up short to the tune of \$939.00, which when added to the \$500.00 in original seed money makes for rather shabby performance. After a brief hail of blaming, it was accepted that the convention committee suffered from lack of willingness and an overall lack of ability. I personally made amends to the Area since when this committee was originally formed, I had a fair measure of doubt as to ability in the chairperson after listening to members of the previous committee. I, like several others, chose to ignore those rumblings and believe things would turn out as they should. Which is exactly how they did turn out. It was decided that what is left of the committee and several other willing members of the fellowship would do what they could to liquidate left over merchandise and that the out-going chairperson would negotiate with the hotel. It is hoped the remaining balance can be rolled over to the next convention committee. Whether there will actually be another convention is still to be decided but I'm guessing it'll happen regardless since the ego of the South West Michigan Area is still rather large and since a couple names have been submitted for the chairperson position who have both the willingness and the ability. Our Area is also below our prudent reserve of \$600.00 so with the amount we owe the hotel....we got problems. However, South West Home Groups always seem to find the money when we really need it, so more will be revealed!

The R&R at the Fort Committee is also putting on a workshop and potluck the 10<sup>th</sup> of January. The workshop will be titled "Building Strong Homegroups" and will feature 2 speakers with a round table discussion to follow. After that...the potluck commences and will feature DESSERTS ONLY. The R&R Committee is providing ice cream and toppings but the rest is up to you! It'll all take place in Three Rivers and I'm guessing all areas could use the brainstorming session. We have fliers today and they're also available for download at our Area website.

Beyond that, things are going rather well. We have a new Outreach Chair who has committed himself to actually doing something and he even has some help. And at this time....I'd also like to introduce Al L who's taking over the RCMA gig. I'm sure you'll all welcome him as warmly....no wait....even more warmly than you've welcomed me!! Just kidding!!

Grateful to have the opportunity to serve Dave H

# HERE'S A SWEET TIME!!

*A WORKSHOP & A PIG-OUT ALL ROLLED INTO ONE!!*

## **"BUILDING STRONG HOME GROUPS"**

*The Backbone of Our Fellowship*

Saturday January 10th 3:00 PM til 8:00 PM

Trinity Episcopal Church

321 No. Main Three Rivers, Michigan

There will be 2 featured speakers discussing the topic and a round table group participation portion so that we all may explore solutions for a healthier, vibrant Fellowship.

## **NOW FOR THE SWEET PART!!**

After the work is done, we're having a Pot Luck....with DESSERTS ONLY!!

The R&R at the Fort Committee will provide the ice cream and toppings...but you guys bring the GOODIES!!

Cakes, Brownies, Cookies...whatever!!

(and guys....find a bakery if necessary!!)

There's no charge for this event...but we'll gladly accept

# Donations to help pay for this year's Retreat.

## I. Washtenaw Area:



### M.R.S.C.N.A.

#### Michigan Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report

Name: Bob P.

Date: December 7, 2008

Area: Washtenaw

Area Meeting Location: Peace Neighborhood Center, 1111 N. Maple St., A<sup>2</sup>, MI 48103

Area Meeting Day / Time: 5:00 pm. Second Sunday of the month, except May

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#### AREA INFORMATION

Number of Groups.....23

Number of Meetings.....28

Number of H&I Meetings..... 7

Total 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Collected..... \$1006.08 in October and November, 2008

Region Donation.....\$395.02

#### AREA CONTACT INFORMATION

POSITION

PHONE

EMAIL

RCM Bob P.

RCM-Alt. Mike B.

Area Chair Jerry W.

H&I Chair Brett W.

Public information Chair Lisa B.

Activities Chair Thomas J.

Web Servant Rick D.

#### REPORT:

Hello Family, my name is Bob and I'm an addict, Greetings from the Washtenaw Area:

Things are well in the Washtenaw Area, our ASC meeting continues to be well attended, and there is still a discernable willingness to man the H & I / P I / P R committees. We have one more monthly games night scheduled for Dec. 20th at the Library for the Blind, 4135 Washtenaw Ave., A<sup>2</sup>, MI, from 5:00pm. To 11:00pm. (See our area website for more info) We held a successful marathon meeting on Thanksgiving and are planning to do the same on Christmas at Peace Neighborhood Center. Hot off the press is news of a Dinner and a Movie activity scheduled for 6:00pm Saturday February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at the church at 1800 Packard Rd., Ypsilanti, MI.

We have a \$395.02 donation to region today.

Yours in service,

Bob P.



Washtenaw Area Activities Presents



Bowling Night

January 24<sup>th</sup> 2009

Time Start at 6pm

Ypsi-Arbor Bowling Alley

2985 Washtenaw Road

Ypsilanti, MI 48197

(Between Hewitt and Golfside)



Tickets include 3 Games and Shoe Rental  
\$10 in advance and \$12 at the Door

To Reserve Tickets

CONTACT: THOMAS J: 313-247-1580

Prizes for High Game, High Series and  
Best Effort Also

Raffle for MRCNA Registration!

**Activites Sub-Committee  
MeetsAt 6pm Every 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Thursday of the Month  
At The New Hope Meeting  
Facility 1800 Packard Rd**



Unable to open other flyers sent, however, it looks like they were sent to all.

**17. Old Business:**

- a. Brian reported on the bank changing.
- b. Jim C. presented proposal with changes for approval. Here they are.

## **Michigan Regional Service Committee, Inc. By-Laws**

### **Article I. NAME**

**1.01 The name.**

Of this organization shall be the Michigan Regional Service Committee, Inc., referred to as "MRSC" for the purposes of these By-Laws.

### **Article II. PURPOSE**

**2.01 The purpose.**

Of this Corporation shall be to provide information and service to the public and members of the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous. This may be accomplished through the distribution of literature, the holding of conventions, and such ancillary activities as may make it possible to help carry the message of recovery from addiction as is found in the program of Narcotics Anonymous.

### **Article III. OFFICES**

**3.01 Principle Office.**

The principle office of the Corporation for the transaction of business is located at: ~~220 W. Nine Mile~~ 726 Livernois, Ferndale, MI 48220.

**3.02 Change of Address.**

The Board of Directors may change the principal office from one location to another. Any change of this location shall be noted by the Secretary on these By-Laws opposite this section or this section may be amended to state the new location.

### **Article IV. MEMBERSHIP**

**4.01 Members.**

The members of the Corporation shall consist of any seated Area Service Committees within the Michigan Region. Any action by the Corporation shall require approval by the Board of Directors.

### **Article V. DIRECTORS**

**5.01 Number, Term and Qualifications.**

The Board of Directors of the Corporation shall consist of all the ~~Area Service Representatives ("ASR")~~ Regional Committee Members (RCM's) within the Michigan Region of Narcotics Anonymous. All of the ~~ASR's~~ RCM's for each ASC within the Michigan Region of Narcotics Anonymous shall serve on the Board until the expiration of their terms as ~~ASR~~ RCM. All currently elected as ~~ASR's~~ RCM's from seated Areas within the Michigan Region shall be qualified as Board of Directors.

**5.02 Election.**

The first Board of Directors of the Corporation shall consist of those persons named in its Charter. Thereafter, the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall consist of all the ~~ASR's~~ RCM's for each of the ASC's within the Michigan Region of Narcotics Anonymous as shall exist from time to time.

**5.03 Powers and Duties.**

Subject to the limitations of the Charter, these By-Laws and Michigan law, all corporate powers shall be exercised by and under the authority of the Board of Directors, and the management and affairs of the Corporation shall be controlled by the Board of Directors. Without

prejudice to these general powers, and subject to the same limitations, the power to:

Directors shall have the

(a) Select and remove all officers, agents, and employees of the Corporation, prescribe any powers and duties for them that are consistent with Michigan law, Charter, and with these By Laws, and fix their compensation, if any.

with the

(b) Change the principal executive office in the State of Michigan from one location to another; cause the Corporation to be qualified to do business in any other state, territory, dependency, or country and conduct business within or outside the State of Michigan for holding of any meeting or meetings, including annual meetings.

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(c) Adopt, make, and use a corporate seal.

(d) Borrow money and incur indebtedness on behalf of the Corporation and cause to be executed and delivered for the Corporation's purposes, in the corporate name, promissory notes, bonds, debentures, deeds of trust, mortgages, pledges, hypothecations, and other evidences of debt and securities.

(e) All actions of the Board of Directors shall be guided by the Twelve Traditions & Twelve Concepts, of Narcotics Anonymous and MRSC guidelines procedures. (See addenda (A)(B) and(C)).

**5.04 Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses.**

Directors shall serve without compensation, but may receive such reimbursement of expenses as the Board of Directors determines by resolution to be just and reasonable.

**Article VI. OFFICERS**

**6.01 Number.**

The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a ~~Chairperson~~ Facilitator, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Co- ~~Chairperson-Facilitator~~, a Co-Secretary, a Co-Treasurer, a ~~Regional-Service Representative~~ Regional Delegate("RD"), Alternate ~~RSR RD~~, and other officers as the Board of Directors may from time to time elect.

**6.02 Election and Term.**

The officers of the Corporation shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors. Such elections may be held at any meeting of the Board. Each officer shall hold office until his/her death, resignation, retirement, removal, disqualification, or until her/his term of office has expired. The Board may elect and may authorize any other officers that the Corporation may require. Each officer so elected shall have the title, hold office for the period, have the authority, and perform the duties specified in these By-Laws or determined by the Board, provided, that no officer shall serve a single term of more than one (1) year without re-election, except RD which is a (2) year term.

**6.03 Removal and Resignation.**

Any officer or agent elected or appointed by the Board of Directors may be removed by the Board only with cause. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Corporation. The resignation shall take effect as of the date the notice is received or at any later time specified in the notice and, unless otherwise specified in the notice the resignation need not be accepted to be effective.

**6.04 Vacancies in Office.**

A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or any other cause shall be filled in the manner prescribed in these By-Laws for regular appointments to that office.

**6.05 Chairperson Facilitator.**

The ~~Chairperson~~ Facilitator shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation and shall in general, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, oversee the affairs of the Corporation. The ~~Chairperson~~ Facilitator shall perform all duties incident to the office and such other duties as may be required by law, the Articles of Incorporation, or these By-Laws. The ~~Chairperson~~ Facilitator shall in the name of the corporation, execute such deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts,

checks, or other instruments which from time to time may be authorized by the Board of Directors.

**6.06 Co-Facilitator.**

The ~~Co-Chairperson~~ Facilitator, unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors, shall in the absence of disability of the ~~Chairperson~~ Facilitator, perform the duties and exercise the powers of that office. In addition the ~~Co-Chairperson~~ Co-Facilitator shall perform such other duties and shall have such other powers as the Board of Directors shall prescribe.

**6.07 Secretary.**

Book of Minutes.

The Secretary shall keep or cause to be kept, at the Corporation's principal office or such other place as the Board of Directors may direct, a book of minutes of all meetings, proceedings and actions of the Board of Directors. The minutes of meetings shall include the time and place that the meeting was held, and the names of those present at the Board meetings. The Secretary shall keep or cause to be kept, at the principal office in Michigan, a copy of the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws, as amended to date.

**6.08 Treasurer.**

(a). Book of Records

The Treasurer shall keep and maintain, or cause to be kept and maintained, adequate and correct books and accounts of the Corporation's properties and transactions. The Treasurer shall send or cause to be given to the Directors such financial statements and reports as are required to be given by law, by these By-Laws, or by the Board of Directors at all reasonable times. (b). Deposit and Disbursement of Money and Valuables. The Treasurer shall deposit or cause to be deposited all money and other valuables in the name and to the credit of the Corporation with such depositories as the Board may designate, shall disburse the Corporation's funds as the Board may order, shall render to the Board, when requested, an account of all transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the Corporation, and shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as the Board or the By-Laws may prescribe. (c). Bond If required by the Board, the Treasurer shall give the Corporation a bond in the amount and with the surety or securities specified by the Board for faithful performance of the duties of the office and for restoration to the Corporation of all of its books, papers, vouchers, money, and other property of every kind in the possession or under the control of the Treasurer on his or her death, resignation, retirement, or removal from office.

**6.09 Co-Secretaries and Co-Treasurers.**

The Co-Secretary and Co-Treasurer shall, in the absence or disability of the Secretary or Treasurer, respectively, perform the duties and exercise the powers of those offices and shall, in general, perform such other duties as shall be assigned to them by the Secretary or the Treasurer, respectively, or the Chairperson or the Board of Directors.

**6.10 Other Officers.**

The duties of other officers elected by the Board of Directors in Section (6.02) above shall be as prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

**Article VII. MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS**

**7.01 Meetings**

An annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held in February of each year for the purpose of electing officers and to transact such other business as comes before the meeting. In addition, the Board of Directors may provide, by resolution, the time and place for the holding of additional regular meetings. Regular meetings of the Board may be held at any place within the State of Michigan that has been designated from time to time by resolution of the Board of Directors.

**7.02 Special Meetings.**

Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the ~~Chairperson~~ Facilitator and any two (2) Directors. Such special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held within the State of Michigan at a time and location as shall be agreed upon by a majority of the Directors entitled to vote thereat.

**7.03 Notice of Meetings.**

Regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held without notice. The person or persons calling a special meeting of the Board of Directors shall, at least ten (10) days before the meeting, give notice thereof by any usual means of communication. Such notice shall specify the purpose for which the meeting is called.

**7.04 Waiver of Notice.**

Any Director may waive notice of any Directors' meeting held without proper call or notice, either before or after the meeting is held. Attendance by a Director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Director attends a meeting from the purpose of objection to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called. If any Director, who does not attend a special call meeting, feels insufficient notice was given, a written objection must be filed with the Secretary of the Corporation. Failure to do so promptly will constitute agreement with any action taken at the meeting.

**7.05 Quorum.**

A quorum shall consist of a simple majority of active Member Areas. If a Member Area is not represented at two (2) consecutive regularly scheduled Board of Directors meetings, it shall be accorded "inactive" status for the sake of quorum. Active status shall be returned upon said Area attending a Board of Directors meeting. A quorum must be reached and maintained for the Directors to conduct business.

**Article VIII. SUBCOMMITTEES**

**8.01 Creation of Subcommittees.**

The Board of Directors may from time to time, consistent with the procedures of the MRSC create such subcommittees as necessary to carry out the business of the Corporation.

**8.02 Authority of Subcommittees.**

Any such subcommittee shall have the authority of the Board of Directors to carry out its responsibilities as outlined in the MRSC procedures. No subcommittee, regardless of any resolution by the Board of Directors to the contrary, may:

- (a). Fill vacancies on the Board;
- (b). Fix compensation of the Directors for serving on the Board or on any subcommittee;
- (c). Amend or repeal By-Laws or adopt new By-Laws;
- (d). Amend or repeal any resolution of the Board;
- (e). Create any other subcommittee of the Board or appoint the members of subcommittees of the Board;
- (f). Approve any contract or transaction to which the Corporation is a party and in which one or more of its Directors has a material financial interest.

**8.03 Administrative Committee.**

The Administrative Committee shall consist of the officers of the Corporation who shall have and may exercise the management of its affairs, to the extent provided it the resolution of the Board of Directors creating such Administrative Committee except as limited by (8.02) above, such powers of the Board of Directors as can be lawfully delegated to the Board.

**8.04 Other Subcommittees.**

All other subcommittees shall have such functions and may exercise such powers of the Board of Directors as can lawfully delegated and to the extent provided in the resolution or resolutions creating such subcommittee(s) except as limited by (8.02) above.

**8.05 Other Subcommittee Officers.**

Subcommittee Chairpersons shall be elected by the Board of Directors. Subcommittee Co-Chairs, Secretaries, and Treasurers shall be elected by the members of each subcommittee, with the Co-Chairpersons to be submitted for approval by the Board of Directors.

**8.06 Meetings.**

Each subcommittee shall establish rules and regulations for its meetings, that are

consistent with MRSC ~~guidelines~~ procedures and these By-Laws and meet at such times and places as it deems appropriate, provided that a reasonable notice of all meetings of the subcommittee shall be given to the membership.

**8.07 Vacancies.**

All Subcommittees vacancies shall be filled in accordance with (8.05) above.

**8.08 Ad-Hoc Subcommittees.**

Ad-Hoc subcommittees for a specific purpose or purposes may be designated from time to time by the Chairperson of the Board of Directors in accordance with MRSC ~~guidelines~~ procedures.

**8.09 Minutes.**

Each subcommittee shall keep regular minutes of its proceedings and report the same to the Board from time to time as the Board may require.

**Article IX. INDE MNIFICATION**

**9.01 Indemnification in General.**

Any person who at any time serves or has served as a Director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, or in such capacity at the request to the Corporation for any corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall be indemnified Corporation to the fullest extent permitted by law (but only to the extent not paid or insurance or any other third party) against:

(a). All expenses, including attorney's fees, actually and necessarily incurred by such person in connection with any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or investigative and whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative and to hold such person liable by reason of the fact of such capacity or the or was in action in such capacity;

(b). All payments made by such person in satisfaction of any judgment, money decree, fine, penalty or settlement for which such person may have become liable such action, suit or proceeding. To the fullest extent permitted by law (but extent not paid or reimbursed by insurance or any other third party) consensus of a majority of the disinterested Directors, incurred by a Director, officer, employee or criminal action, suit or proceeding proceeding upon receipt employee or agent to determined that expenses. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 9.01 of Article IX, the Corporation shall not indemnify or agree to indemnify any person against expenses or other liabilities incurred by such person on account of any activities omissions if:

(a). Such activities were not taken or such omissions were not made in good faith;

(b). Such actions or omissions were at the time taken or make, as may be applicable, known or believed by such person to be clearly in conflict with the best interests of the Corporation, nor shall the Corporation indemnify agree to indemnify such person, incident to any criminal action or with respect to actions or omissions of such person which reasonable cause to believe were unlawful. Any person this Article IX of these By-Laws shall be incurred in enforcing his / her

**9.02 Action by Board of Directors.**

Except as provided below, the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall, by ~~vote~~ consensus of a majority of the disinterested Directors, take all such action as may be necessary and appropriate to authorize the Corporation to pay any indemnification required by these By-Laws, including, without limitation, making a good faith evaluation of the manner in which the claimant for indemnity acted or failed to act and of the reasonable amount of any indemnity due such person. Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, if a majority of the Directors shall not be disinterested with respect to an

indemnification claim made hereunder, the adversely interested party shall be required to prove that the transaction is just and reasonable to the Corporation. The termination of any action, suit, appeal or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner known or believed by such person not to be in or opposed to the best interests of the Corporation and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, shall not create cause to believe such conduct was unlawful.

### **9.03 Insurance.**

The Board of Directors may authorize the Corporation to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who at any time serves or has served as a Director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, or is or was serving in such capacity at the request of the corporation for any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any such capacity or arising out of such person's status as such or acts in such capacity, whether or not the Corporation would have had the power to indemnify the person against such liability under the provisions of these By-Laws.

### **9.04 Indemnified Individual.**

Any person who at any time after the adoption of these By-Laws serves or has served as a Director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or serves or has served in such capacity at the request of the Corporation for any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise shall be deemed to be doing or to have done so in reliance upon, and as consideration for, the right of the indemnification provided herein. Such right shall inure to the benefit of the legal representatives of any such person and shall not be exclusive of any other rights to which such person may be entitled apart from this Article IX of these By-Laws.

## **Article X. CONTRACTS, CHECKS, AND DEPOSITS**

### **10.01 Contracts.**

The Board of Directors may authorize any officer(s) or agents(s) to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument on behalf of the Corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. Unless so authorized, no officer, agent or employee shall have the power or authority to bind the Corporation by any contract of engagement or to pledge its credit to render it liable pecuniary for any purpose or in any sum.

### **10.02 Checks and Drafts.**

All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money issued in the name of the Corporation shall be signed by such officer(s) or agent(s) of the Corporation and in such a manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors.

### **10.03 Deposits.**

All funds of the Corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such depositories as the Board of Directors shall direct.

## **Article XI. RECORDS AND REPORTS**

### **11.01 Maintenance of Corporate Records.**

The Corporation shall cause to be kept:

- (a) Adequate and correct books and records of account;
- (b) Minutes in written form of the proceeding of its Board of Directors and subcommittees of the Board.

*All such records shall be kept by the Secretary of the Corporation at the Corporation's principal office.*

### **11.02 Inspection of Charter and By-Laws.**

The Corporation shall keep at its principal office the original copy of its Charter and By-Laws as amended to date, which shall be open to inspection by the officers and Directors at all reasonable times during office hours.

### **11.03 Inspection by Directors.**

Every Director shall have the absolute right to any reasonable time to inspect all books, records, and documents of every kind and the physical properties of the Corporation and each of its subsidiary corporations, if such exists. The inspection by a Director may be made in person or by an agent or attorney, and the right of inspection includes the right to copy and make extracts of documents.

**11.04 Annual Report and Financial Statement.**

The Board will provide for preparation and submission to members a written annual report, including a financial statement. Such report shall summarize the Corporation's activities for the preceding year; the financial statement shall consist of a balance sheet as of the close of business of the Corporation's fiscal year, contain a summary of receipts and disbursements, be prepared in such manner and form as is sanctioned by sound accounting practices and may be certified by a public accountant.

**Article XII. PROHIBITION AGAINST SHARING PROFITS OR ASSETS**

**12.01** No Director, officer, employee or other person connected with the Corporation, or any other private individual, shall receive at any time, the net earnings or pecuniary profit from the operations of the Corporation, provided that this provision shall not prevent payment to any such person of reasonable compensation for the services rendered or expenses incurred to or for the Corporation affecting of its purposes as shall be fixed by resolution of the Board of Directors.

**Article XIII. AFFILIATION WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

**13.01** This Corporation is a service entity which serves a function within the society of an organization known as Narcotics Anonymous. In so doing, it endorses the aims, goals and purposes of that organization, and in fact, by special endorsement in this article, it operates under the guidelines of the "Twelve Traditions" & Twelve Concepts as espoused by the Narcotics Anonymous society.

**13.02** All Directors and officers of this Corporation shall be and are subject to and will abide by the principles of the "Twelve Traditions" & "Twelve Concepts" of the Narcotics Anonymous Society as set forth in the pamphlet identified and entitled as "Narcotics Anonymous" and shall further abide by decisions adopted at each Michigan Regional Service Committee ("MRSC") meeting and implement those decisions reached by the MRSC as they pertain to operation of this Corporation.

**Article XIV. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**14.01 Fiscal Year.**

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall be the year ending January 31<sup>st</sup>, unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors.

**14.02 Effective Date of the By-Laws.**

These By-Laws shall become effective upon their adoption. Amendments hereto shall become effective immediately on their adoption unless the Board of Directors in adopting them as hereinafter provided, provide that they are to become effective at some other date.

**14.03 Amendments.**

Except as otherwise provided herein or by law, these By-Laws may be amended or repealed and new By-Laws may be adopted by the affirmative consensus ~~vote of a~~ majority of the Directors then holding office at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors, as prescribed by MRSC procedures.

**Michigan Regional Procedures**  
December 2008

**Article 1. Name**

**Name:**

**The name of this committee shall be Michigan Regional Service Committee, Inc.,**

referred to as "MRSC"

## Article 2. Definition and Purpose

### Definition:

This regional service committee is made up of regional committee members from any seated area service committee "ASC's" from all any area within the Michigan region. of NA (MRSCNA).

### Purpose:

Our purpose is to serve as an educational and a communications tool for the "ASC's" areas that we serve. WE meet regularly to exchange information, experience, strength and hope to help unify our member areas. As shown by the trust embodied in the members of this committee, we shall seek to find respectful and loving completion of the committee's goals.

## Article 3. Voting Procedures

### Consensus:

For a formal decision making process for resolution of matters brought to the MRSCNA Inc. the committee will seek consensus. We shall strive for substantial consensus of all regional elected or appointed members in our decision making process. If this is not found, substantial consensus by the RCM's only will be sought. Failing consensus of RCM's the matter will be given to the ASC's for a resolution.

### Quorum:

A quorum shall consist of a simple majority of active member areas. If an area is not represented at two consecutive regularly scheduled MRSC Inc., meetings it will be accorded "inactive" status for the sake of quorum computation at the second meeting. Active status shall be returned upon that area attending a MRSC Inc. meeting. A quorum must be reached and maintained for the committee to conduct business.

### Motions:

All members of the committee may make motions.

### Discussion of Motions:

Through the use of a facilitator, consensus will be sought of the MRSC Regional Committee. All NA members in attendance at the MRSC Inc. meeting shall have the right to participate in discussion. The facilitator will recognize members participating in discussions before they speak and comments should be directed to the committee as a whole.

## Article 4. Election of Trusted Servants

The regional committee will hold an election in February for the positions of facilitator, co-facilitator, secretary, co-secretary, treasurer and co-treasurer for one-year terms.

Selection of Resource persons to provide sub-committee support shall be selected annually in as needed June. Election of the Regional Delegate and Alternate Delegate is a (2) year term and will take place in June.

## Article 5. Duties of Trusted Servants

### Facilitator:

To guide the MRSC Inc. NA decision making process of consensus, to keep meetings orderly and peaceful, to provide advance notice of topics for discussion and to attempt to maintain a cooperative atmosphere of recovery in meetings through the use of principled discussion.

### Co-facilitator:

To assist the facilitator in the performance of their duties, and to assume the duties of the facilitator in their absence.

### Treasurer:

Keeps full and accurate financial records for the MRSC Inc. is to present a financial report at every MRSC meeting, will receive and deposit funds as presented, distributes funds as directed by the MRSC, is the primary signer of all checks, along with the hired accountant to assume account accuracy, receipts all transactions, presents a yearly report at the February MRSC meeting, will attempt direct purchases of items whenever possible, will relocate bank account if approved, will forward donations as directed by decisions of the MRSC. Treasurer will distribute funds for the following items without formal approval: expense for MRSC minutes distribution, agenda mailings, copies of materials needed for discussion, post office box rental and phone bills properly submitted with nature of business indicated on the photocopied billing.

### Co-Treasurer

To assist the Treasurer in the completion of their duties, and to assume the duties of the Treasurer in their absence.

### Secretary Outline of duties and responsibilities of Secretary

1. Responsible for written records of MRSC Inc, meetings.
2. Maintains a listing of all MRSC Inc., members throughout the region.
3. Notifies MRSC members of all MRSC meetings by mail.
4. Types and distributes minutes no later than ten days following each MRSC Inc., meeting.
5. Distribution of these minutes to the following:
  - a. MRSC Inc. members – priority given to facilitator and the RCM's
  - b. Michigan Service Office archive files.
6. May be a co-signer on all bank accounts of the MRSC Inc. NA.

### Co-Secretary:

To assist the Secretary in the completion of their duties, and to assume the duties of the Secretary in their absence.

### Regional Delegate:

To serve as the primary liaison between the WSC and MRSC Inc NA, to make materials available from NAWS to the Regional Committee as requested, attends the MRSC, WSC meetings and Area meetings as requested, to be a co-signer of the MRSC Inc., bank account, as needed.

### Regional Delegate Alternate:

To assist the RD in their duties, will perform the Rd's duties in their absence, to attend MRSC Inc., and WSC meetings and Area meetings as requested.

### Resource Members:

The region shall, with its collective experience, attempt to appropriately respond to all subcommittee requests from its member areas and the Narcotics Anonymous World Services (NAWS), to assist in accomplishing tasks as identified by the ASC's, to serve as a liaison to any subcommittee within the Region seeking information, assistance or communication for any service activity

## **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

### **Article I.**

The Name of the Corporation is Michigan Regional Service Committee, Inc.

### **Article II**

The principle office of the Corporation for the transaction of business is located at: 726 Livernois, Ferndale, MI 48220. The registered agent at the office is: (name of current recording secretary of RSC).

### **Article III.**

The purpose of this Corporation shall be to provide information and services to the public and members of the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous. This may be accomplished through the distribution of literature, the holding of conventions, and such ancillary activities as may make it possible to help carry the message of recovery from addiction as is found in the program of Narcotics Anonymous.

### **Article IV.**

1. The Corporation is organized upon a non stock basis.
2.
  - a. The personal property assets are none.
  - b. Value and description is none.
  - c. The Corporation is to be financed under the following general plan: Donations from

area service committees, groups and/or individual members of Narcotics Anonymous, conventions, and various activities.

Fund-raisers,

d. The Corporation is organized on a membership basis.

**Article V.**

Names and addresses of incorporators will be those Area Service Representatives in office at time of filing.

**Article VI.**

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in the furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article Third hereof. No part of the activities of the corporation shall participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of or statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on,

(a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or

(b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

**Article VII.**

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

I am sure I speak on behalf of the entire Region in expressing our sincere gratitude for all your hard work.

c. I spoke to Jeff K. and he will email our PI Chair Marianne with updates .

**18. New Business:**

- a. Do we want to put Michigan Region on the MZF Learning Day and contribute to Buckeye Region?
- b. MZF Donation – take back to Areas
- c. Please see Livingston Report for next Regional Meeting info.

**19. Take back to Areas:**

- a. Open Service Positions – Shared Services, MSO Rep. and H&I Contact
- b. MZF Donation
- c. Revisions to Guidelines/Procedures/By-laws