

## Northwest Michigan Area Service Committee Minutes September 18, 2005

**Opening:** Facilitator, Dave T. opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Melissa B. read the 12 Traditions, Terry S. read the 12 Concepts

**Attendance:** Terry S., Mike F., Guy R., Chad L., Amanda B., Paul D., Melissa B., Tim P., Cyndy M., Rob M., Dave T., Holly, Pat H.

**Welcome New Groups:** Southside

**Open Positions:** all positions are filled

### Area Trusted Servant Reports

**Secretary:** Report given by Chad L., Co-Secretary

I apologize to the groups who did not have the minutes prior their respective Group Consciences. I will work with the Secretary to make sure the minutes get out better.

**Treasurer:** Report given by Amanda B.

Starting Balance \$514.56

Total Income \$564.08

Total Expenses \$172.62

New Balance \$906.02

Prudent Reserve \$147.34

Literature Subcommittee Account Balance \$367.58

Retreat Subcommittee Account Balance \$504.37

**RCM:** Report given by Paul D.

Hi family, I'm an addict named Paul D. Not much to report at this time because there hasn't been a Regional Meeting this month. **The next Regional meeting will be October 2 in the Washtenaw Area.** I am requesting a budget of \$150.00 for lodging, gas, and food allowance. [M.R.S.C.N.A. August 7, 2005 Meeting Minutes included.]

### Sub-Committee Trusted Servant Reports

**Activities:** Proxy given verbally by Mike F.

October 1 possible Game Night, still seeking Permission from Friends Church.

October 29 Halloween Dance, requesting \$75.00 for food & \$150.00 for Hall. Dance to be held at Christ United Methodist Church at the intersection of 3 Mile Road & Garfield (1249 Three Mile Road). More will be revealed...

**Hospitals & Institutions:** Report given by Terry S.

Haven't met yet but all is going well. Still looking for willingness for Jail. Need panel leader for Jail & Phoenix. No budget request.

**Public Information:** Report given by Guy R.

Attendance: 4

Drug Court – waiting for a date from the courthouse.

Munson Drug Court – Tuesday Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> will be covered by Bryan B. and Guy R.

Website – O.K.

New Schedules – need changes. Budget request \$25 for 1,000 new schedules.

Poster Drive – will discuss day at next P.I. meeting Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> (Need Help)

**Literature:** Report given by Melissa B.

Attendance: 1

I've taken an inventory of stock on hand & revised what I believe is necessary to get this Literature Committee rolling. We need to place an order of \$526.30. We already have \$367.58 in the bank. I approached "Activities" about fundraising & they agreed to have a "Pie in the Face" contest at the Halloween Dance. This should raise the \$158.72 easily.

I was the only one at the Literature Committee meeting... so I really need support here.

\$15.00 in sales this month.

**Retreat:** Report given by Dave T.

Hello Family, not a lot to report as no one showed for the committee meeting. The only thing I have to report is an idea. I would like to see us take over the Ranch Rudolph facility for our next, and possibly all that follow, retreat. They have 25 full hook-up camp sites, 22 hotel type rooms, 3 bunk houses that sleep 8 each, and 20 or more rustic overflow campsites.

I believe that we could fill enough of those sites to have the entire facility to ourselves. Add in the activities available at the Ranch, canoeing, horseback riding, tubing, hayrides, & swimming pool I think it would really rock as the new home of NWACNA.

I have the name of the lady in charge of booking group functions and will call her tomorrow if this body approves of the idea.

Next committee meeting will be Tues. Oct 4<sup>th</sup> @ Jacobs well @ 6:30, Please attend as we will be electing committee Admin. Positions at that time.

In loving Service Dave T.

## Group Service Representative Reports

**The Beach Meeting:** Note: The Beach Meeting is closed until next Memorial Day Weekend [May 27, 2006].

**Growth Through Recovery:** no report given

**Just for Today By the Bay:** Report given by Mike F.

Average attendance this month – 7-10 Are all trusted servant positions filled? – No, co-treasurer open.

Area Donation – \$40.00

Decision on subjects presented to the group – none

Suggestions brought to the area from the group -- none

Comments – Lead Speaker on Friday Nights – meeting run until 9:00pm.

**Living Clean:** Report given by Rob M.

Average attendance this month – plenty – Are all trusted servant positions filled? No, co-treasurer open.

Area Donation - \$200

Decision on subjects presented to the group – Ø

Suggestions brought to the area from the group – Ø

Comments – Recently had election for the group and there is a position or two still open. Show up at next GC to find out

**Living in Harmony:** Report given by Taylor

Average attendance this month – 10 – Are all trusted servant positions filled? Yes.

Area Donation - \$50

Decision on subjects presented to the group – none

Suggestions brought to the area from the group – none

Comments – none

**Never Alone:** no report given

**New Attitudes (Manistee):** no report given

**New Freedom (Cadillac):** no report given

**New Outlook:** Report given by Tim P.

Average attendance this month 5, - Are all trusted servant positions filled? No, all positions open except GSR, Chairperson.

Area Donation - \$0

Decision on subjects presented to the group – none

Suggestions brought to the area from the group – none

Comments – none

**Recovery First:** no report given

**Women in Recovery:** Report given by Melissa B.

Average attendance this month – 8-10 Are all trusted servant positions filled? - need GSR & Treasurer

Area Donation - \$20.00

Decision on subjects presented to the group – none

Suggestions brought to the area from the group – none

Comments – Changing our meeting time to 7pm. Thank you Erin for chairing, & welcome Lori, our new chair.

**Southside:** Report given verbally by Paul D.

Average attendance this month 11, - Are all trusted servant positions filled? Not known.

Area Donation - \$0

Decision on subjects presented to the group – none

Suggestions brought to the area from the group – none

Comments – Church (Christ United Methodist, corner of 3 Mile & Garfield) meeting with Southside group about possible 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

[New group meets Monday & Saturday nights at 6:00 pm.]

## Sharing Session

- Possible Recovery House will not be affiliated in anyway to new Southside Group. The only possible 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition funds to go to Recovery House would be rent money if Southside Group moves from Church to House.

## Old Business

Rob M. is still working on Literature & Retreat blurbs for procedures.

## New Business

### Budget Requests:

Rent	\$50	
Phone	\$19.62	
Secretary	\$15	approved
RCM	\$150	approved
Activities	\$225	approved
H&I	\$80	approved (transportation & lodging expense for H&I workshop at Regional meeting on Oct 1 in Ann Arbor)
PI	\$25	approved
Regional Contribution	\$100	approved

- Pat H. nominated & elected Co-Treasurer
- Retreat Location: approved looking into feasibility of use of Ranch Rudolph for future NWACNA retreat hosting
- Retreat Subcommittee bank account balance to stay until needed for 2006 NWACNA expenses
- Rob M., Wanette C., & Melissa B. current cosigners to Area Bank account from last year. Secretary, RCM, Treasurer, & Facilitator are cosigners to the account. All four current Area servants & 1 old cosigner must be present at credit union to transfer cosigners to this year's servants. Decision: Hold off until next month organizing time and place for cosigners to transfer.

## Attention GSR's

### Open Positions:

Just for Today By the Bay needs a Co-Treasurer  
Living Clean needs a Co-Treasurer  
New Outlook needs all positions open except GSR, Chairperson  
Women in Recovery needs GSR & Treasurer

Women in Recovery has changed their Monday Night meeting from 7:30pm to 7:00 pm

### Activities to have:

- Game Night on **October 1, 2005 at 8pm-Midnight at 5<sup>th</sup> & Oak**. Euchre Tourney. Bring your favorite games. Coffee is provided, bring Munchies to share.
- Halloween Dance on **October 29, 2005 at 7pm at 3 Mile & Garfield**. "Pie in the Face" contest to raise funds for Literature inventory drive.

### H & I needs:

- Panel Leader for Jail & Phoenix treatment house.

### PI needs:

- Help with Poster Drive, come to next PI meeting, Thursday October 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at 5<sup>th</sup> & Oak