





## Mid-America Service Committee of NA PO Box 8732 Wichita, Kansas 67202-8732 February 20, 2000

Tim S. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Ray G. read the 12 Traditions and Tony K. read the 12 Concepts. Introductions were made all around followed by roll call.

Area's represented by RCM's today: Fellowship For Freedom, Just For Today, Miracle, Unity, Western Central, and Wichita Metro.

**Subcommittees present today:** Activities, Campout, Convention, H&I, Literature, M.A.N., Outreach, PI, PO Box, Steering

## Officers present today: Secretary, Treasurer, RD, RD2, Chair,

Attendance: It is my sincere hope that the following information is correct. However, I have included a photocopy of the sign-in sheet for you to cross check with.

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## The minutes were read and accepted.

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## **AREA REPORTS:**

Note: I have scanned the reports in that were typewritten and where possible have retained the format on those reports. Non-typed reports I had to create a format for. KB

## Central Kansas NA Regional Report

Hi, NA family. There is a lot going on in CKA- The CKA has strong support from all seven of its groups. Hoisington is trying a Friday night candlelight meeting at I 0:00pm in their regular meeting

facility. HOL is re-opening its women's meeting on 2-22-00 at 7:00pm at their scheduled meeting facility.

Russell has a new Step Working Guide meeting on Tuesdays at 8:00pm in that same little church. Lamed

is moving their meeting location to the *church Annex*, across the street from the courthouse, out of the State hospital.

Russell's 4th Anniversary blowout is February 26,00(next weekend) along with the Area Birthday Night, scheduled to start at 4:00prn until (?) at the Armory Building (see the Flyer). A 12 Concepts Learning Day is being planned in CKA for April 22,00. The details for this day are being worked out as we speak.

The PI Chair has been taking Lit. into the Crisis Centers and putting Info flyers throughout our Area. The H&I Chair has requested help in taking a meeting into the Lamed LYCOL (juvenile facility). Contact Mike G. - 316-285-2842 - if interested. Russell Co. jail meeting has been closed, due to the facilities lack of a secure place to hold meetings.

The new officers elected are CKA Chair- Susan B., CKA co-Chair- Kristen S., Treasurer- Greg B., RCM- Brian S., RCM 11 - Sally 0. Congrats everyone.

The CKA Secretary's position has been vacant for 2 months. Heather B. has been generously giving her service as acting Secretary. Thanks, Heather.

Our Area wants to give their thanks to Jay F. for his tireless efforts in selfless service as our outgoing RCM. Great Job, Jay. CKA is donating \$100.00 to the Region.

In Loving Service,

Brian S., RCM

## FFF Area RCM-Report 2/20/00

Hello Family,

Area Family is doing well, except for a problem with a member not understanding the concept of "Principles before Personalities". It will however be straightened out. Our apologies, we were unable to have our Area meeting last month.

Convention went off real well. There was a lot of attendance, and some really good workshops.

All motions were taken back to groups but not voted on, there for we will have to abstain on all votes. Once again, our apologies.

In Loving Service, Brian A. Alt. RCM

Ps. We made our donation of \$30. We are once again caught up.

Hello Family,

This is my last time as RCM. It has been both an honor and a privilege to sit with this body. This doesn't mean that I will stop coming to this body. I will be here because of the fellowship and the opportunity to learn from new people.

In Loving Service, Kelly P.

## Just for Today Area RCM Report

## Hi Family,

The Just for Today Area is in a "state of flux." We have had a new group join the area (new Hope) and another group fold (Garnett). So, I do have group updates, that I have turned over to the PI chair and I will also include them in this report. They are as follows:

## Emporia-Lyon Co.

## The New Hope Group

202 E. 12~ Ave, PO Box 306, Emporia, Ks 66801 Tuesday, 8:00 PM - Open, N Thursday, 8:00 PM - Open, N Friday, 8:00 PM - Open, N

## One Day at A Time Group

1021 E. 1r Ave, Emporia, KS 66801 No Longer Meeting

## **The Pioneer Group**

1107B Commercial, Emporia, KS 66801 Monday, 12:00 Noon - Open, N, D Monday, 8:00 PM - Closed, D Tuesday, 8:00 PM - Open, N, D Wednesday, 6:30 PM - Open, D Wednesday, 8:00 PM - Open, B Thursday, 8:00 PM Open,.
N, D Friday, 12:00 Noon - Open, D Friday, 7:00 PM - Open, D Saturday, 8:00 PM - Open, D, C Sunday, 10:00 AM - Open, N, D Sunday, 7:00 PM - Open, B

## Iola-Allen Co.

## The "24 Hour" Group of Iola

202 Walnut, Iola, KS 66149 Monday, 8:00 PM - Open Wednesday, 8:00 PM - Open and 430 N. First, Iola, KS 66149 Friday, 8:00 PM - Open, B

## Ottawa-Franklin Co.

## Alive'n Kickin'

203 E 40, Ottawa, KS 66067 Tuesday, 8:00 PM - Open, N Thursday, 8:00 PM - Open, N Sunday, 8:00 PM - Open, N, C Garnett-Anderson Co.

Garnett Group 3'd 8L Vine, Garnett, KS No Longer Meeting

**Just for Today Area** PO Box 171, Ottawa, KS 66067 Emporia, Iola, Ottawa

That's all the updates for today. This will make our meeting list ""up to date."

Also, here is the conscience of my area regarding the motion about the Regional Meeting List and the general result from the Outreach Committees request for feedback:

#### Discontinue Printing Regional Meeting List: Resounding NO!

#### **Rotating the RSC:**

My Area feels that rotating the RSC would actually be "counter productive" to getting more involvement. The rotation would create lengthy drives for the current and future trusted servants at some point.

There is some discussion in the JFTA about getting an "information" line. This will be finalized next week (Feb. 27, 2000). So, hopefully I'll be able to give the news at the next RSC.

In loving Service Ray G.

## **RCM Report** Miracle Area

Good Morining fellow Addicts:

Miracle Area is alive and well. With spiritual guidence we worked through our problem of who should be on our meeting lists. Is is very nice to have addicts come here from Miracle Area for the first time, I hope they come back. I think that the Area as a whole has a renewed enthusiasm. We now have an activities committee that is a committee. They are very enthusiastic and excited and it shows. There is now a regular game night every Friday night at the club house and there was a sleepover this last Friday night. (I just heard it didn't happen!) March 11<sup>th</sup> is a dance for M.A.R.C.N.A. (a fundraiser). We had several more people go through orientation for Douglas County Jails and the Youth shelter meeting has begun. One meeting, Flicker of Hope, has ended, however, the other meetings have been pretty stable.

We are donating \$105 this quarter and our Area has voted to increase our quarterly donation by \$15 starting next quarter.

Grateful to serve, Jerry D.

## RCM Report UNITY AREA

Hi Family:

The Unity Area Service Committee is struggling right now we have no one serving in our P/I committee our Outreach committee also we need help with the Secretary position and several other co-chairs positions I hope these positions can be filled soon.

We have had 2 groups fold in the last 2 months Something Spiritual and Key to Freedom both in Salina, so we are down to 12 Groups

Our Area feels that the Motion that we brought to the Regional floor last November needs to **redressed that the RSC cease sponsoring and funding of the World Unity Day Activity.** Because an Area brought it to the floor our understanding it should have automatically went back up to the Groups. Instead it was voted down by the RCM's. So we will be resubmitting this motion today in old business.

Our vote on the motion about the RD and Alt. RD should continue on a 2 year rotation was – YES Our vote on the motion - to discontinue printing of the Regional meeting list and in its place print small wallet cards was -YES

Since our Area has been the host of the Regional meeting here in McPherson we were torn about the idea of rotating it and felt best that we listen to the other Areas

Unity Area has several New motions to bring to the floor today, that we will be bringing up in new business.

On a personal note this will be my last time serving as the RCM for Unity Area at the Region Ted R. will take the reins in April. I will still be hanging around and probably serving in other areas of service. The last year has been quite a learning experience for me I want to thank you all for the time and patient that you have shown me.

## RCM Report Western Area

Hello NA Family:

Well another "Breakin the Wind" chili feed is in the books, with the Cimarron H.O.W. Group hanging on to their championship. Although work kept me from attending, I heard it was a real <u>gas</u>.

The spiritual retreat is set for May 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> at Scott Lake, Scott City at Camp Lakeside – cost is \$38 and it includes three meals and sleeping rooms. Bring your own bedding and snacks.

We do have a motion to be brought to the floor.

We do have a outreach chair now and she is doing a great job of getting the road trips going. Other than that, not much going on.

Hope to see ya all at the convention in April. By for now...

In Service with a Smirky Smile, Tom W. AKA: Too Tall

## Wichita Metro Area

February 20, 2000 Alt R.CM Report - Wichita Metro Area

Greetings all,

We are still growing as an Area, with bumps and scrapes along the way. The groups are strong with many newcomers attending meetings. Our H & I and PI committees are working to keep this movement alive.

We have had several events for recovery, all were successful and well attended. We'd like to thank all who came and supported the WMA.

The area groups have votes on the questions to be placed on the RSC floor, and we are making a donation of \$80.00 to the Region.

The Wichita Metro Area is sponsoring a MARCNA XVII fundraiser on Saturday, March 25, 2000 with an accompanying workshop on meetings, meeting leaders and their responsibilities. Possibly a CAR workshop also. More information will be forth coming. Please come join us on March 25th in Wichita.

In service to NA Pat B. Alt. RCM Wichita Metro Area

## **Subcommittee Reports**

## MID-AMERICA REGION TREASURER'S REPORT FEBRUARY 12, 2000

\$877.52

#### **BEGINNING BALANCE**

DEPOSITS

\$ 16,726.21

#### Campout refund (port-a-potty) \$ 172.29 (25. @ H&I, PI & outreach) Hoisington NA 75.00 Western Area Donation 50.00 Waterman NA Donation 20.00 Not so Famous Donation 9.66 MAN funds returned 45.77 Secretary funds returned 13.50 Wichita Metro Donation 80.00 Activity RSC 11/99 222.30 United Survivors Donation 84.00 Miracle Area Donation 105.00

## TOTAL DEPOSITS

## EXPENSES

CK# 1403	Barker Printing	sec. Minutes \$77.54		
		PI meeting list 127.51	\$ 205.05	
CK# 1404	Jeanie Mc.	GSR service assembly	300.00	
CK# 1405	Carl K	Zonal	200.00	
CK# 1406	Forest Park "	H & I Learning day	100.00	
CK# 1407	Dave R	H & I Mail out	22.22	
CK# 1408	NAWS	PI Handbooks	51.80	
CK# 1409	Kirk B	Sec. Expense	40.00	
CK# 1410	Kirk B	MAN Expense	200.00	
CK# 1411	McPherson 4H	Feb 00 RSC rent	200.00	
CK# 1412	Carl K	Act seed RSC 2/00	200.00	
CK# 1413	You Store It	Regional storage unit 1 yr.	440.00	
CK# 1414	NAWS	H & I reg. project J4T books	726.84	
CK# 1415	NAWS	Regional donation world	<u>5,538.55</u>	
TOTAL EXPENS	SES		\$8,224.46	
ENDING BALA	NCE			\$ 9,379.27

This balance has been reconciled with the bank statement of 2-10-00 Report prepared by BeLinda C. (dolphin-lady) :o)

## **Activities Report**

Notes to Carl K. from activities subcommittee – February 2000

& Committee voted to adopt (Flowers in globe design) for Soul to Soul "T" shirt.

& Committee voted to order 72 navy blue shirts w/adopted design and "Renew the Process" theme, September 22, 23, 24, 2000

& Request a check to Allen Lee for payment on shirts in the amt. of \$300.00

& Shirts to be ready end of March 1<sup>st</sup> part of April (Prior to the convention)

& Committee recommended a flat \$40.00 cost for entire weekend (food and lodging)

& Committee recommended same budget for optimal budget

& Request current status of accountability of Unity Day expenses

Break 9:50 - 10:00

## RSC Campout Report August 13, 1999

Hello Family,

It's good to be back. We still have several positions open and could use some support. It was brought to my attention last Friday night to turn a detailed account of last years funds. I gave Debbie a list and will the rest this week.

"T" shirts are out. You either like them or you don't! the committee voted to have Glenn S. cater this years Saturday night meal. Cost is approximately \$400.00 cheaper. At last nights dance we brought in: auction \$210.50: raffle \$220.00: pop \$33.25: and "T" shirts sales\$280.00.

Optimal budget for next year says at \$1500 and the committee voted to have it at \$1000.00.

Everything is going smooth and hope to see everyone at the compout.

In Service, Tim K. Chair

## Convention Report August 13, 1999

Hi Family,

We had a very lengthy meeting yesterday and we got quite a lot accomplished and only have some finishing touches to make for the convention. There are a few things I would like to announce to all RCM's.

& First: if you would please stress to your areas and groups that the price of registration does not include a "T" shirt and mug.

& Second: I would also like to remind the fellowship that the March 14<sup>th</sup> deadline is getting close and pre-registrations are very low. All pre-registrations received after the March 24<sup>th</sup> deadline will be returned. <u>NO EXCEPTIONS!!!</u>

& Third: If your Groups or Areas have any announcements that they would like the committee to make, such as birthdays, functions, etc., please send them to the convention P.O. Box A.S.A.P.

The M.A.R.C.N.A. XV11 would like to thank Dodge City Roundup for donating 24 Basic Texts to the convention. We will also be purchasing: (10) Basic Texts, (25) It Works How and Why, and (25) Step Working Guides. All literature will go to newcomers attending the convention on Friday and Saturday evenings.

We nominated and elected Pat B. as the M.A.R.C.N.A. 20011 convention chair. She needs to be confirmed by this body.

There are two M.A.R.C.N.A. XV11 fundraisers coming up. They will be on March 11<sup>th</sup>, in Lawrence and on March 25<sup>th</sup> in Wichita respectively.

On a final note, the convention facility will be entirely non-smoking including all workshops, marathon and speaker meetings as well as the dances. We will have a designated smoking area outside of the hospitality room.

We voted on the optimal budget and felt no need to either increase or decrease it for next year.

That's all for now, more will be revealed.

In Loving Service, Jon Mc. Chair

Ps. There will be no refunds given for *anything*. *NO EXCEPTIONS*??? I also hope Central Area will invite next years chair and co chair to the Ellinwood Chili Feed, as I am getting funds for this event.

## **H&I Report**

There were 15 addicts attending and 5 Areas represented at the H&I subcommittee meeting.

- & Problems at various facilities were discussed.
- & There was discussion about upcoming learning days.
- & Lit asked for time for a time slot at the upcoming learning day session.
- The current project of putting JFT's in county jails is being carried out. Many books are being hand delivered,

however I need \$57.50 for postage. Western Area took books for all counties and will ask for postage for those that can't be delivered in person.

- & We are submitting a budget of:
- ♦ \$1000 Projects
- ♦ \$500 Literature
- ♦ \$100 Sec. Expenses
- ♦ <u>\$300 Workshops</u>
- ♦ \$1900 Total

Dave R. was reelected Chair, Jack A. Co-chair.

We have started a project involving the signing up of H&I panel members to volunteer to be speakers at Group, Area and Regional functions.

Love and Service, H&I Chair, Dave R.

#### **Literature Report**

The literature committee is still lacking a chair, so Kirk B. stepped in and acted as the moderator for this meeting. We once again discussed whether this committee had a reason to exist, other than for the M.A.N. which could conceivably be it's own subcommittee. During this discussion, John S. of Wichita joined the group and told us of his experience becoming an Area Lit. chair, the difficulties he ran into and suggested that we might be able to help new Area Lit. chairs assume their responsibilities with greater ease. The committee felt that this was a great idea and to that end approached the H&I committee to obtain a time slot in the upcoming workshop in Topeka. The time slot was granted to us, and we sincerely hope that Area Lit. chairs, both new and established ones, will come and share their experience, strength and hope. (I am not at all sure how many of us on the "Lit. Committee" have any experience in the field. Speaking for myself, my only involvement in Lit. has been the publication of 2 issues of the M.A.N.!)

The second decision we made concerns a Regional inventory. We feel that the Regional Service Committee needs to have the Fellowship as a whole evaluate how we are doing. This was brought up at the August RSC and we have seen no follow up. We decided, as a committee, to create/come up with questions to ask the Fellowship and bring them back to the next RSC. At that time we intend to compile them, and evaluate where we go from there. We do feel that a  $3^{rd}$  independent party needs to be involved, but haven't worked out any of those details yet. (I have subsequently heard that the steering committee is looking into doing a inventory as well, but they want to do something a little more elaborate than what has been done in the past. I commend them for this, but perhaps we could get this one out now, get some feedback and in the meantime develop a more comprehensive format for a future evaluation by the fellowship.  $\kappa_B$ ) In addition to the RSC evaluation, we want to do a evaluation of the Regional Subcommittee – not so much a evaluation of how we are doing, (we need to have been doing something to be effectively evaluated), but a questionnaire regarding what the fellowship would like to see us do. We hope to have this ready to be published with the next set of minutes.

The third thing discussed was The M.A.N. The following is Kirk B.'s report to the Lit. committee.

## The M.A.N. 2/17/00

## Hello Family:

The M.A.N. got off on time and with only a few glitches. My printer (Rand G., Lawrence) found a few editing errors that he corrected and I found a few more after the printing was done which weren't corrected. I will spend a little more time proof reading next time and try to eliminate these. In general I have had good feed back in spite of these errors.

We printed 700 copies this time and I distributed 100 per Area. I think that some Areas needed a few more and others needed less, so if the RCM's could get together with me and let me know what their Area needs we can do a better job of getting the newsletter to all addicts in the Region that want them. We did come in under budget, so if we need more copies we can print them.

I sent a copy to World, and got a nice letter back from them along with a list of other Newsletters that they are familiar with. They told me in the letter that the list is inaccurate, but would give us a starting point if we want to send copies to other places. The only real cost to doing this will be postage. There are over 100 newsletters in the list and it cost us \$.77 to send one copy to world. My suggestion is that we send a copy to the following:

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If and when we send these out, I will write a cover letter asking for a copy from these areas/newsletters. If desired, I can make a copy of each to give to each RCM. The exchange of information might be useful and we might get some ideas for our own newsletter.

Description	Quantity	Unit price	Total
Newsletter	700	\$0.122 (rounded up)	\$85.00
Bulk mailing cost	4	\$7.00	\$28.00
Bulk mailing cost	1	\$7.20	\$7.20
Bulk mailing cost	1	\$6.80	\$6.80
Mail to World	1	\$.77	\$.77
Total	700	\$0.1825	\$127.77

The following is a financial breakdown of what I spent for this last issue.

Concerning the next issue of "The M.A.N." I currently have only one poem for this issue. It (the next issue and not the poem) is due out in the middle of March. I hear by challenge each subcommittee chair to submit a article to the "The M.A.N." letting the readership know what your committee is doing at the Regional level, what your goals are and what each individual can do to help your subcommittee get the message out to the still suffering addict. Lets try to get some new blood to these meetings and some new involvement in our subcommittee meetings. *End of report* 

In conclusion, I think that the Lit. committee now has a purpose to exist. I believe that we did accomplish a lot this last session, and look forward to working on the items that we have outlined. It would be nice to have some people with experience as Area Lit. Chairs get involved with this committee and give us a hand. I feel that we are currently in a situation of "the blind leading the blind". The program encourages me to ask for help in many areas of my life, and so I am doing so now. *Please give us a hand! We <u>need</u> it!* 

Thank you all for letting me serve, Peace and Love, (Old Hippie Talk) KB

## **Outreach Report**

Nine people attended representing 5 Areas.

Central Kansas Area reported that Russell Group is doing Addicts on Asphalt (AOA) once a month.

Jim C. is going to start a tradition of carrying a piece of asphalt for his efforts in the AOA area.

8 people signed the Regional speaker list, 23 signed Area speaker list.

Western Area reported a AOA trip to Hugoton – 16 people at the meeting, 8 of them road trippers.

We discussed gathering information to improve communication both within our Region and neighboring Regions, Areas & groups. To get this started, we would like to have mailing addresses for all Groups in the Region. This can be an individual within the Group or a Group address. We want information to reach each group through these addresses.

No expenses to report.

\$300 budget for next year.

Peace, Love & NA, Denny C.

### **PI Report**

We had 5 Areas represented and a very good meeting.

Western Area read a letter from Jennifer H. that addressed a problem with the phone lines. Calls from other parts of the state keep coming in that are not from Western Area or even our Region. We (PI) will be investigating a Regional phone service.

We, as a subcommittee, decided to continue with the regional meeting lists. This was the consensus of <u>most</u> present – more information was available and a process for making changes has been developed, so we feel this item is a valuable tool for us to carry the message.

The printing and folding for 2500 meeting lists was cheaper than we thought and we felt that 1000 contact number cards and 2000 meeting lists per quarter would actually serve the Region better and cheaper than 11,000 meeting lists per year as has been done in the past.

PI's project for this year will be a booth at the Ks. State Fair in Hutchinson September  $8^{th} - 17^{th}$ . We will be investigating all aspects of this in the near future – we may not be able to get in this year because we've started late and the application process may depend on \$'s.

As mentioned before, we will develop a standardized form for adding/deleting and making changes to current meetings in our Region. This will facilitate an easier process for updates.

We decided to purchase 4 video PSA's for the Regional PI subcommittee to check out to Area PI subcommittees for the local PI effort. The cost for the 4 tapes and shipping is approximately \$100.00.

The last item of business was the budget and we did include \$1000.00 in our 2000 budget for the state fair project, \$700.00 for meeting lists (totaling 8000 mtg. Lists) and contact cards (totaling 4000), \$100.00 for video PSA's, \$300.00 for work shops, sec. Expenses. The total for the 2000/2001 budget is \$42100.00.

There was a learning day in Williamsburg in January – about 20 addicts attended for learning and fellowship. PI, H&I, and Outreach held workshops and a lot of good information was disseminated.

I will be getting addresses from the RSC Sec. To mail out the 2 handbooks to each RCM or PI chair as I left them home – sorry about that. (memory not working this weekend.)

We will be getting or developing a poster to copy at the Area's and placed in jails and institutions in the Areas and at our workshops on April 29<sup>th</sup> in Topeka. We will also be discussing our flyer drive in July. (Region wide)

Hope I got all the items in my report (the PI sec. is still sleeping) and the memory is in a nod.

Thanks to Bob K. and Jim C. for counting the meeting lists. RCM's, please pick them up.

Grateful to serve and learn, John S. 111

## P.O. Box Report August 13, 1999

Hello Family

I have a requested \$44.00 from Region for our yearly rent. Everything is coming in.

## Steering Committee Report August 13, 1999

Good morning again,

Everything is in place for the service assembly. RCM's, please get the registrations out again. We have 20 registered already and bed space is limited.

There has been much, much discussion on the inventory. At this time we are going to wait and get feedback after the assembly. There was not very much input from asking for questions to be given back at last RSC and I don't want to discount the questions from those few individuals and Areas that gave me questions, however there were very few. Also we really need clarification: is this a Region wide inventory or a Regional Service Assembly inventory?

We did not get to our budget yesterday. The only thing I could see different is the GSR assembly, which would not need to be included. We also discussed at our interim meeting the possibility of using a resume such as the world does in order to have a reference for picking new steering members to recommend to this floor. What does this body think?

At this time we will have two open positions in May. Take this back to your Groups.

Tired but still Grateful to serve,, Jerry D.

## Mid-America Region RD Report Regional Delegate Report 2-20-2000

## Hello NA Family,

Well its that time of year to get geared up for CAR workshops again. Although there are only 23 motions in this year's CAR, the CAR itself is very lengthy so, if you haven't already done so, please get your copy ordered soon. We will be available for area workshops upon request. Speaking of CAR workshops, I was, regretfully, not able to attend the Zonal in Iowa due to the death of a lifelong friend. However, our region was well represented by Betty P., Tim S., and John G. S. III. I will defer to them for questions regarding the CAR Workshop and the Zonal. Please find attached an abbreviated copy of the motions and a tally sheet for our upcoming CAR workshops. *(This is located in the "take back to groups" section of the minutes. KB*)

The World Service Conference runs from April 30 to May 6 so we will be unable to attend the assembly set for May 6 & 7. After this WSC, the conference moves to a 2 year cycle which will help reduce some of the costs for attending future WSCs. However, the 2 year cycle will increase the importance of attending Zonals. Although attendance by one or both delegates at the World Services interim meetings in the off year of the 2 year cycle has gone back to our groups for consideration the 2 year cycle will also increase the need for us to consider sending at least one if not both delegates to the interim meeting the year of the WSC. This would not increase the 2000-2001 May to May budget but may increase the following years budget. Since these meetings are projected to be shorter in duration than the WSC the financial impact should be minimal. Therefore, I am recommending the RD/Alt-RD budget for attending the WSC and the "quarterly" be combined and that monies be reallocated, at least for this fiscal year, to include both the interim meetings for this upcoming year ( i.e. \$2,000 WSC+\$200 "Quarterly"= \$2200). Since no one knows how long the interim meeting next Spring will last it is difficult to predict if the cost of attending the Fall interim meeting is the same as the Spring meeting.

I am also requesting an increase in the budget for attending Zonals from \$400 to \$600 for the upcoming fiscal year keeping in mind that the cost of attending varies considerably based on where the Zonal is held. When it is held here the cost is minimal. When it is held in other states the cost can place a heavy financial burden on those attending.

PROPOSED REGIONAL DELEGATE AND ALT-DELEGATE 2000-2001 BUDGET\$150.00C.A.R. Workshops\$150.00Copies75.002 Interim Meetings (airfare, travel to and from airport, motel, meals)2200.00Zonal Forum (2)600.00

## Total

We are looking forward to representing our region at the WSC.

The question was asked whether the CAR was on the web or on disk....Carl wasn't sure whether it is on disk, but stated that it is available on the web....This led to the question "Does the Region have it's own web page?"...The answer is yes we do. This sparked much further discussion: who the web master is (Don M. – Topeka)...is the page current (fairly...mtg. list last updated May 29,1999...Tim S. went on line during the lunch hr. and checked this information out) and whether the RSC sanctioned and sponsors the page or whether it is an individual's page. We determined that the Region did sanction the page and that PI and Steering committee's were initially responsible for it...The point was made that there is no point of responsibility at the moment... The following disclaimer is on the opening page "Welcome to the Mid-America Regional Home Page. This page is not affiliated with or endorsed by this web server or any other entity. This page's purpose is to supply information on meeting times of the Mid-America Region for anyone who needs them. However, because of the nature of the meetings listed here at any given time this list can be inaccurate do to meeting times possibly changing. It is suggested to verify a meeting time and place by calling one of the Area Help lines or by emailing the Mid-America Region." Regional help line section is the same information as on our wallet size cards...M.A.R.C.N.A. link was blank...functions link had "coming soon"...related links was blank...N.A. World Service link included the CAR report (can be downloaded) included four addendum links...the WSO link included other "stuff" which you can see by going to their site...World has no guidelines for web pages, but is working on them...we couldn't determine weather or not the decision to have a web page went back to Groups or not...

• Motion (made by Carl K.) to be taken back to Groups to add to policy VIII PI Duties #6 The Mid America Regional web page fall under the direction of the PI subcommittee and that the committee provide accurate information to the individual responsible for monitoring said web page, including development of guidelines for the web page.

Motion passed - take this back to Groups

• John S. stated that the PI committee will form a subcommittee to develop a policy concerning the page i.e. content, links, who has access for editing and changing the page etc.

(note: I have consolidated a discussion that took place at this time with a discussion that took place at 3:15 p.m. for the sake of continuity. Not all of this information was discussed at this time and the motion was made at 3:45 p.m. KB)

Break: 11:00 – 11:15

**RD2 Report** 

Zonal, repor'1' 2/05/ 2000 Council *bluffs* Iowa

I will defer most of the report to Tim Stewart, as he; is the official secretary for the zonal, my notes will follow. Charlotte, the corn goddess, opened with a moment of silence, followed by the serenity prayer etc.

Randy from South Dakota gave a report. He stated S.D. is growing but struggling. One area is their region. But it works for them at this time. Randy stated they may divide into two Areas. He also stated the zonal held there was a big success. I know it was truly a spiritual event for me and Tim S. and the RD Carl k.

Tasha from the Oklahoma region stated they are still a part of the Plain State Zonal. She understood there was some confusion at the

S. D. Zonal from the representative that was sent. He had stated OK thought our zonal was getting too big and thought we should look at that. Tasha said that was not coming from their reps.

Bryan, the Texas representative stated "we are a part of the Plain State Zonal" Texas region finally made a decision to be with us. Hurrray... .....

Dale from Nebraska was present and gave a report. I am truly sorry I missed part of what he was saying. I hope Tim S. got it in his report.

The Rocky Mt. Region was not present at this zonal. I hope they still want to be a part of our Zonal.

We discussed centrally locating the zonals to McPherson, Ks. After much discussion it was decided to centralize the C.A.R. workshop only to McPherson. The other zonals will still rotate. (2) There will, still be the zonal held at the World Service conference. The next zonal after the W.S.C. in April – May 2000, will be held in OK Region. Flyers will, sent out closer to the date, tentatively set for  $1^{st}$  weekend in Oct.

This s zonal decided to have Charlotte (Iowa) and Tim S. (Ks) represent for us at the world service conference or if one of these two can't make it, whichever RD present that wishes to.

At this Time we discussed resolution a restructuring of the WSC downsizing. It was decided we are a information gathering body not a decision making body.

Tim S announced at the WSC he will be going out of office as the sec/treas. of this zonal. We need to be thinking about a replacement. At the WSC charlotte will take notes if Tim S. is not able to make the trip.

Our balance is \$428.05 at this time.

In loving service to NA and my HP,

Betty Park

## Car Workshop Council Bluff, Iowa 2/05/2000

The workshop was opened at 9:15 am. 1 hour late as we had to move to a different location. (a funeral was going to be held at the first location)

The board consist of 1/3 women and 2/3 of men. At this time, there are only 2 board members that live in California (15). I found that to be of interest. The representatives for this works140p live in Florida and Chicago.

There are 3 positions at world service, coordinator, executive assistant (work with Becky) and bilingual team assistant if anyone is interested in working at world service in Ca.

April 30<sup>th</sup> - May 6<sup>th</sup> is the world service conference in Ca. this year.

Discussed the C.A.R. at this time. The motions are attached: please see attachment. (*can be found in the "take back to Groups" KB*)

1. Do we want to evaluate revisions and additions to the white book and the basic text. Yes or no. To evaluate motion 1 it will take 3 conference cycles

2. To offer budget for motion 1 do you want W.S.C. 2002, 2004 or 2006?

3. On motion 3 the board would like the fellowship to send sponsorship material to the literature at the World Service

4. To affirm direction of proposed literature development Plan. Like direction or change.

5. To suggest .3 ways to approve literature:

A.. Fellowship approval,

B. Conference approval

C. Don't burden groups: give to experts i.e. lit committee guide to service (fellowship) convention guide conference) Color code the lit but release early till ok'ed.

D. Don't approve the distribution will cease.

E. Board approves it.

6. Adopt "the work cycle between conferences" in a temporary working guide to our world service structure." TWGWSS

7. To include section "world service conference publications: in temporary working guide to our WS structure.

8. Adopt description of zonal forums in temp working guide to world service structure.

9. To approve "criteria for recognition of new conference. Participants as policy inclusion TWGWSS. To allow seating of new

Regions to take 2/3 vote

10. funding of delegates. Regions to send there RD only to W.S.C. and funded. Any other rep will be funded by their Region. In other words RD will be paid for by world.

11. To limit seating on the conference floor to 1 delegate and 1 alt per Region.

12. Add section: "the world service conference" to TWGWSS. It talks how conference is run.

13. Revision of temporary working guide addendum c.

14. To make housekeeping changes to FIPT (Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust) to go to a 2 year cycle.

15. Select 2 issue discussion topics for 2992 W.S.C.

16. Add to TWG language page 34

Add :"additional eligibility requirements for the world pool, criteria for selection of nominees, and administrative policy for the world pool will be developed by the human resource panel. For presentation to the; 2000 world service conference."

17. To let the human resource panel nominate people to human resource panel.

18. Change term of office human resource panel to 2 years instead of 1. " term: the term of office for the human resource panel will be one (1) conference cycle. All members of the panel are eligible for election for two (2) consecutive terms."

19. To bring forth in "a guide to local services in NA" an extremely condensed version of what the purposes and functions of our service structure are, thus, offering a simplified explanation to and for the newer members of our fellowship. Need consensus

20. Capitalize the 1<sup>st</sup> letter of the words: step, steps, tradition, and traditions in all new or revisions.

21. W.B. only provide new information in conference agenda report not recommendations.

22. Create a nonvoting conference participant status. Board may give reports recommendations and make motions but not be able to vote. Vote stay W/RD

23. Voting during election of world board members be restricted to RD or RD alternate.

More motions will be brought up on the conference floor.

When picking up the monies to go to the Iowa zonal, I asked Carl K the RD if he was taking his fiancée to world. He said it was too soon to know. I expressed my concerns to charlotte, Iowa) and we have decided to share a room. Last may I expressed my feelings of sharing with a finance and it is not a vacation atmosphere it is a work trip. When I took the position only the RD and alternate were going as it is a very stressful week. Work, work, work. Carl and I have gone to zonals with no problems but at world there seems to be. Therefor, I am asking for the expenses to be split in to two (2) checks. I believe I can take care of myself and be responsible to bring back receipts, for room and airlines expenses. I have been told by the last RD the food is \$25.00 a day expenses which the region voted I did not need to keep receipts for. I believe I will be able to serve this region in a more positive manner this way. Thanks for your understanding.

In Loving Service to NA & HP Betty P. RD2

## Elections

Pat B. was nominated by the convention committee to be next years chair. Elected by the RCMs...Congratulations! Dave R. was nominated by the H&I committee to be chair for another term. Elected by the RCMs...Congratulations!

Literature needs a chair and co-chair...take back to Groups. Activities needs a chair next month, Carl K. will rotate out at the end of next RSC...take back to Groups. RD and RD2 will rotate out next RSC, these positions will be open...take back to Groups. Steering will have two positions open next RSC...take back to Groups.

## **Old Business**

> 1.) RD and Alt. should continue on a two year rotation and the Region send the delegates to the WSC Interim meeting on the off year of the World Service Conference.

Financial Impact: Should save us money as the interim meeting will be shorter in time than the conference. This motion passed and involves a change of POLICY! Tim S. has directed the Steering Committee to put this into a form for Policy.

**Outreach subcommittee** is requesting the RCM's obtain information from their Groups and Areas. Do they want to have the RSC rotate, in an alphabetical order, between the Areas? Do they have an interest? Do they have the facilities and the manpower to do so? If so, how would they like to see it done (logistics)? Etc.

Currently we are renting the 4H building in McPherson for \$200.00 for the weekend. In addition, we are giving the activities committee \$200.00 for seed money. Usually the RSC pays for itself with the dance, raffle and auction.

It is felt by the Outreach committee that rotating the RSC would promote unity in the Region and give the local Area's people a chance to get involved.

\*NOTE: this was <u>NOT</u> a motion, but rather a fact or information seeking <u>REQUEST</u>! (KB)

The fellowship as a whole did not endorse this idea...it will not be perused by the Outreach committee.

▶ <u>Motion:</u> (out of PI subcommittee, Miracle Area and Unity Area): To discontinue printing of Regional meeting lists and in its place print small wallet cards with Area and Group phone numbers including surrounding Regional numbers as well as the World Service information.

## **Financial impact:** Substantial savings.

This motion failed – we will continue to print Regional meeting lists.

John S. reported that the PI committee intends to print 2000 meeting lists per quarter for a total of 8000 per year. In addition they will print 1000 of the wallet cards with the "phone line" numbers a quarter for a total of 4000 per year. It is hoped that the more frequent printing of these lists will help eliminate some of the errors we have had in the past.

\* Dave R. – wanted a follow up on the World Unity Day accounting...this is a carry over from last RSC. The following is the information that was turned over to Debbie S. by Joyce Mc.

Accounting for World Unity Day

Beginning Balance	\$550.00		
Registration/Hookup		\$50.00	
Kenwood Hall/Rental		\$150.00	
DJ/JR Productions		\$100.001	
Balloons		\$5.00	
Vases for Flowers		\$5.85	
Bank Envelope		\$2.00	
Рор		\$3.56	
Ice		\$3.16	
Total Expense"		\$319.57	
			\$550.00
			\$319.57
Total Refunded to Regional	Treasurer.		\$230.43

Please forgive me for not getting this report to you sooner. I understand why many of you have been concerned, and sincerely apologize for not getting this report done sooner. i would also like to apologize for the confusion regarding the location for this action and have since learned how irresponsible 1 can be. I hope you will allow me to serve again-Still in service Joyce McW., Activities Chair.

Note to the Treasurer. The attached check will be honored at my bank on or after the 22nd of January. Also at the time I wrote this report, the receipts were not with me. These amount arc pretty accurate, with my sincere apologies, Joyce.

(The following was a hand written note from Joyce. It was difficult to read and I hope that I have gotten it correct. KB)

I found my records on raffle, auction (?) and money raffle. Here are the figures.

Items	\$72.00		
Auction	\$25.00		
Money	\$49.00		
Donation	\$37.00		
Total	183.00	\$183.00	
		+\$230.43	
		\$413.43	Pd. with check #1182

Debbie reported that no receipts were included.

Question from Tim C. "Last RSC, on the treasurers report there were two checks: check #1394 to Ray G. Soul to Soul seed money, \$400.00, and check # 1402 Camp Chippewa, Soul to Soul, \$767.00. We were wondering, with only \$400.00 seed money, why did they also get a check for \$767.00?"

Debbie S. explained that the \$400.00 was for food and start up costs. During the year, Soul to Soul has functions to raise money to cover this event. This money is not earmarked, but goes into the general fund.

General comments: this accounting might need to be looked into...

John J.: accountability is an issue. This is true throughout our subcommittees...no receipts to substantiate monies spent. (Please note that only the question from Tim C. is a direct quote, the rest of the comments are summaries of the discussion and the pertinent facts as I see them. Secretaries desecration, hopefully unbiased. KB)

Lunch Break: 12:00 – 1:10 Roll Call: see attached sheet.

## **New Business**

Back to Soul to Soul:

Questions as to why financial statements from each subcommittee were not in the minutes...it was pointed out that we do have a policy that states that <u>each</u> committee is responsible <u>each</u> quarter for an itemized accounting of their finances. (see Article XI: G) Soul to Soul has taken steps to see to it that this is done in the future.

This discussion blossomed into a full scale discussion concerning who is responsible to submit financial statements, which are to include receipts, and possible penalties for failing to submitting them. It was pointed out that this problem has existed for a long, long time...this body will have to determine the correct course of action on a case by case basis, staying within our traditions and principles...we are not in the punishing business...5<sup>th</sup> concept is part of the solution...it was suggested that the Region buy a box of envelopes, and when a check is issued mark on the envelope a starting \$ value. Then each person/committee upon spending money takes the receipt and sticks it into the envelope. At the same time he/she marks on the envelope amt. spent, what for, and amt. left. This would keep all the pertinent information in one place.

There was <u>much</u> discussion related to motions made at the RSC this time. I am not going to try to transcribe this discussion, but I will try to pick our pertinent points and include them below each motion. For the most part they will be summaries of what was said rather than direct quotes. Thanks, KB

• <u>Motion from Unity Area</u>: To be taken back to Groups, the RSC cease sponsoring and funding of the World Unity Day Activity.

**Intent:** the last World Unity Day was not well attended and was in conflict with other Area or Regional events. It is costly and it seems that this should be an Area sponsored activity. **Financial impact:** Substantial savings.

*Discussion:* It was pointed out that last years World Unity Day lost \$87.00...attendance has been dropping the last two years but strong in previous years...last years attendance low because of conflicting functions...communication problems...**next** World Unity Day is Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>

• <u>Motion from Unity Area</u>: To be taken back to Groups that the Mid America Region make a policy that vacant positions at the Regional level be taken back to Groups at least one R.S.C. cycle prior to voting.

**Intent:** To inform all members that positions are open, giving an opportunity to more of the fellowship, and time to consider their involvement and qualifications.

## Financial impact: None

*Discussion:* sorry folks – the tape ran out.

• <u>Motion from Unity Area</u>: To be taken back to Groups that we have the Mid America Region elect an Alternate for the Secretary and Treasure positions.

**Intent:** that there will be someone to fill in if someone should leave these positions for any reason, and also to gain understanding of the position and the duties that are needed for it.

## Financial impact: None

**Discussion:** Logistics may be a problem...willingness, these will be two year terms and it would it require a 4 year commitment from the co-chair...co-chairs would become officers of the Region...

• <u>Motion from Unity Area</u>: To be taken back to Groups the RSC cease sponsoring and funding of the Soul to Soul function.

Intent: In order to fully explain I must read Yawan's Groups motion. It is as follows: Financial impact: see attached.

The following is the letter that was read at the RSC and the information I was supplied concerning Soul to Soul. KB

January 8, 2000

The YAWAN Group of Narcotics Anonymous would like to make other groups in the Unity Area aware of some facts about a function called SOUL TO SOUL, which the Regional Activities Committee currently supports.

In 1998, this function received \$300.00 in seed money (which is then returned to the region at the conclusion of the function), \$1393.14 in fund - raising money, and \$680.00 in registration fees for the 17 addicts who attended (\$40.00 each).

The YAWAN Group would like to know how it is possible that in the November 15,1998 minutes, SOUL TO SOUL reported that 6 beds were paid for that were not used, yet, they also reported a profit of \$190.60.

According to the May and November Regional minutes for 1999:

1) the seed money for this function was increased to\$400.00

2) they are now required to guarantee 27 beds

3) the registration was increased to \$50.00

## 4) ONLY 11 ADDICTS ATTENDED

We are aware that, attendance at this function has dropped over the years, however, we feel that more addicts should, could, and need to be reached to justify expenditures of these amounts.

Therefore, the YAWAN Group of Narcotics Anonymous would like to make a, motion that the above information be taken back to each group in our area, discussed and voted on as to whether this function should continue to be sponsored by the Regional Activities Committee.

It was stated that <u>all</u> the above information came the minutes.

Please note that the following information and documentation was not supplied by Unity Area. Rather it was supplied by those individuals involved with Soul to Soul.

The following is a copy of the last contract for Camp Chippewa dated Oct. 26,1999. KB

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This was handed to me by Debbie S. It is the accounting for 1999. KB

## SOUL TO SOUL YEAR END FINANCIALLY ACCOUNTING 1999

Seed money

Additions

RSC 5/99 fundraiser T shirt sales (5/99) RSC 5/99 pop sales Additional pop sales Soul to Soul deposit (funds taken in a function)	\$317.37 156.00 30.00 16.88 647.35
Total	\$1,167.60
Expenses	
CK# 1370 Stacy W Soul to Soul T-shirts CK# 1379 Ray G Flyers CK# 1394 Ray G working cash for function CK# 1402 Camp Chippewa rent facility	\$300.00 10.00 400.00 767.00
Total expenses	\$1,477.00
Ending Balance	

\$400.00

The following information was received from Debbie S. on 3/2/2000 I have included the note she sent with it for your information. KB

Here is the "Stuff" – sorry for the delay.

The 1998 S. to S. accounting was not easy to come up with. In fact, I couldn't find receipts etc. – I am using what Melissa had type up (showing Budget Remaining for all Areas)

Debbie S.

(Please note: I have made the expenditures **Bold** and the Deposits <u>Italicized</u> to make the reading of this a little easier. KB)

## Activities - Soul to Soul (1998)

\$300.00

#1219	2/97 Allen-Lee T-shirts	-100.00
#1221	2/97 Carl Kobler deposit Camp Chippewa	-45.00
#1241	5/97 Allen-Lee T-shirts	-41.93
DEP	5/97 Fundraiser	365.00
DEP	8/97 Fundraising	578.00
#1253	8/97 Betty Park Soul to Soul supplies	-400.00
#1254	8/97 Allen-Lee Soul to Soul T's	-122.46
DEP	5/98 RSC fundraiser	450.14
#1311	5/98 Dave Rose Soul to Soul book covers	-150.00
#1312	5/98 Dave Rose Soul to Soul leather reim.	-55.00
DEP	11/97 Soul to Soul	150.55
#1323	8/98 Stacy Watson Soul to Soul supplies	-250.00
#1324	8/98 Betty Park Soul to Soul postage	-6.40
#1331	8/98 Dee B Soul to Soul reimbursement	-20.00
#1342	8/98 Dee Byard Soul to Soul book covers	-43.26
VOID	8/98 #1311Dave Rose	150.00
MOVE	11/98 MOVE BALANCE TO GENERAL FUND	-759.64
BUDGET RI	EMAINING	\$0.00

The following was submitted by Carl K. to me for inclusion. KB

	Soul To Soul Retreat Report Sept. 24-26, 1999
Income:	
Checks from MARSCNA:	\$400.00
	10.00
Check from Ray G. for T-shirts	24.00
Cash from Ray G. for T-shirts	<u>148.00</u>
Subtotal	\$582.00
Registration at S-S:	
Cash	\$400.00
Checks	150.00
Subtotal	\$550.00
T-4-1	¢1122.00
Total	\$1132.00
Expenses:	\$12.20
US Postal (stamps)	\$13.20 3.30
Depart for flyers (Steples Office Sup)	9.57
Paper for flyers (Staples Office Sup.)	100.00
Deposit for 11 ' Soul to Soul 2000 Food and condiments	<u>358.28</u>
Total	<u>\$484.35</u>
10(a)	\$404.3 <i>3</i>
Balance:	\$647.65

Leftover merchandise

4 coffee mugs & 2 t-shirts from South Dakota Convention and a few donated items from recovering addicts.

Please find enclosed checks totaling \$647.35, balance of bill for Camp Chippewa, and receipts.

In Loving Service, Carl K., Acting Activity and Soul to Soul Chair

*Discussion:* years 1995 – 1997 saw an increase of attendance from 18 to 34 addicts...last year saw numerous conflicts with Soul to Soul...flyers didn't get out until late...accounting process over the last couple of years has not been orderly, but the committee has a new accounting process and person (Lois W.) in place to correct this (a single point of accountability)...the term "seed money" is incorrect, it should be "supplies money" used for "T" shirts etc...all monies raised from this function go back to the general fund...Soul to Soul does not have it's own checking account, this makes for difficult working and accounting conditions...we have to guarantee 27 bends to reserve Camp Chippewa...this function started out as a few people getting together for a "spiritual retreat" and has become more complicated over the years...Soul to Soul started in 1991...

This concludes the discussion on Soul to Soul at this time. Although the discussion lasted well over an hour, I edited out the personal opinions and retained just the facts. Earlier discussions can be found on pages 12 and 13. KB

## Break: 3:00 – 3:15

## Motion: To change the following policy under ARTICLE XI: FUNDS, sect. G "Budgeting" (pa,. 15):

All subcommittees shall submit to Steering Subcommittee their proposed optimal budget at the February RSC for the next year's budget. All subcommittees shall submit to the RSC a written expenditure report at each RSC.

To read:

1.) All subcommittees and RSC officers shall submit to the Regional Treasurer their proposed optimal budget at the February RSC for the next years budget.

Amended by Jerry D. to read November RSC. Accepted by the RCM (Ray G.)

2.) The Regional Treasurer will compile the individual optimal budgets and the final compiled optimal budget shall be sent to the groups of the Mid America Region for approval.

3.) Alt subcommittees and RSC officers shall submit to the RSC a written expenditure report at each RSC.

**Intent:** a.) To put the current practice of sending the budget to the groups for approval into policy. b.) To allow for a solid financial accounting of the Region's funds.

**<u>\$ Impact:</u>** None.

*Discussion:* some subcommittees meet after the steering committee and don't have time to submit their budgets to steering...steering hasn't seen the budget information in the last four years...

## <u>Motion:</u> (Western Area) To take back to Groups: that mailing address for each Group in the Region be included in the Regional meeting lists.

*Discussion:* there isn't enough room on our current meeting lists to include this information...outreach is trying to put a list like this together, but it wouldn't be included on the meeting lists...will this satisfy the desires/needs of Western Area ?...yes, the motion was dropped by the RCM (Tom "Too Tall" W.) contingent upon this list being made...RCM's need to compile this information and get it to Denny C. at the next RSC...these addresses should be ones that will get information to Groups in a timely manor, and may be an individuals address...

At this time we discussed the web page again. I have lumped all of this discussion with the earlier one and the information can be found on page 11. KB

## Break 4:00 - 4:15

Jon Mc. Mentioned Article V section B. in our guidelines and asked why we haven't been following this policy...what is the purpose of turning in motions early if motions can be made on the floor. It was explained that the reason to turn in motions is to set up an agenda, but room must be left to handle issues as they arise, and this frequently happens in new business. RCM's and subcommittee chairs can make motions throughout the RSC. Tim S. said that we will start having the pre-meeting meetings next RSC.

# ♦ <u>Motion:</u> (from the PI chair) to take back to Groups out of actions by subcommittee to change policy in M.A.R.S.C.N.A. Guidelines (pg. 6 – B – 3) to read every 3 months.

## Intent: to update better and faster

## Financial impact: cheaper than before.

**Discussion:** this should keep the meeting lists more accurate...the number of lists should be left up the PI chair so that he can print according to the needs of the Region...we need to have an explanation of what a help line, a hot line and a info line is on the contact cards (I will try to get this info. to fit on the cards)

## BUDGET (YEA!!!)

The following is the budget that the RSC came up with. There was a great deal of discussion that preceded and followed the final numbers for this budget and the summery can be found following the budget itself. I have tried my best to create an accurate account of the discussion, but it was disjointed and I my have missed some things. My appologies...KB

## M.A.R.S.C.N.A. OPTIMAL BUDGET MAY 2000 – MAY 2001

RD/RD2 CAR WORKSHOP COPIES WSC ZONAL QUARTERLY TOTAL:	\$150.00 75.00 3,000.00 600.00 200.00	\$4,025.00
PRUDENT RESERVE		\$2,000
GENERAL CHAIR/CO-CHAIR P O BOX SECRETARY TREASURER INSURANCE TOTAL:	\$100.00 100.00 400.00 50.00 600.00	\$1200.00
CONVENTION 2001		\$1,500.00
CAMPOUT 2001		\$1,000.00
SOUL TO SOUL		\$400.00

ACTIVITIES		
RSC RENT	\$840.00	
RSC EXPENSE	400.00	
WORLD UNITY DAY	200.00	
TOTAL:		\$1,440.00
OUTREACH		\$300.00
LITERATURE		
M.A.N.	\$800.00	
COPIES	25.00	
TOTAL:		\$825.00
PI		
MEETING LISTS	\$700.00	
STATE FAIR	1,000.00	
SEC., WORKSHOPS, ETC.	300.00	
TOTAL:		\$2000.00
H&I		
REGIONAL PROJECT	\$1,000.00	
LITERATURE	500.00	
SECRETARY	100.00	
WORKSHOPS	300.00	
TOTAL:		\$1,900.00
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COPIES/MAIL	\$200.00	
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TOTAL OPTIMAL BUDGET:	_	\$17,090.00

*Discussion:* optimal budget: what we want to do under most favorable conditions...prudent reserve was raised to \$1,000.00 last quarter: Guidelines (Article XI, sec. H, pg. 15) state "Prudent reserve shall be set by the RSC as deemed necessary at the May RSC for the following year."...stated "prudent reserve is to be used every month as we see it needed"...It is always raised back up to \$1,000.00 as funds are used...Prudent reserve should give us two full RSC operating expenses...budget runs May to May...according to the books, RD and Alt. RD only have \$500.00 in their account – they have a trip to California...there was an error in the accounting...

## Break: 5:10 – 5:20

**Discussion resumes** (my cat is being a <u>big</u> help with this section of the minutes at the moment!) we currently have in checking \$9,379.27 (bank statement of 1/10/2000)...we have \$7074.10 left on the budget...we waited too long to present the budget to groups, should have been done last quarter...we did the same thing last year...the money for RD and RD2 was budgeted but has not been used, thus there is an accounting error, but the money is in the bank...it appears that the money for RD and RD2 for last years trip was taken out of this years account...we operate on a budget from the close of the RSC in May (see August 1997 pg. 3 of the addendum to the M.A.R.S.C.N.A. Guidelines..."Motion: To make all business conducted at RSC take effect at the close of that RSC)...our actual money starts coming in later, (convention) this causes concerns...prudent reserve is too small and working capital should be normally be 1/4 to 1/3 of the budget (Lois W.)...this budget should be voted on at the February RSC to go into effect in May, but this will not happen this year...we will have to take this back to Groups for approval in May...end of budget discussion.

 Motion: (Jerry D) we give \$2,000.00 to the RD & RD2 for the WSC. Friendly amendment: (Debbie S.) we split the check, \$1,000.00 to RD & \$1,000.00 to RD2 Friendly amendment: (?) we give RD a check for \$1,500.00 and RD2 a check for \$1,500 (we are all getting friendly again...Tim S. said so!)

## \*this amendment was made because they are male and female and the Region recognizes that times are changing – one room is no longer sufficient for mixed gender delegates. This motion was declared void because of a lack of funds in their budget.

*Discussion:* do they bring back receipts for everything?...yes, except for food, this is a per diem of \$25/day...there was question concerning whether or not there were funds available to send the RD/RD2 to the WSC at all...as discussed earlier the money (\$2,000) is in the account, but the books got screwed up and don't reflect this...

## Break; unknown length of time...sorry folks

♦ <u>Motion</u>: Jerry D. take \$1000.00 from prudent reserve for RD & RD2 to take the WSC trip. <u>\*Motion passed</u>

• <u>Note:</u> each subcommittee chair is responsible for keeping track of his/her budget, how much is spent, how much is left, where their money is spent and reporting to the RSC body it's fiscal condition each quarter. This is a restatement of POLICY folks!

**Soul to Soul requested \$400.00 to print "T" shirts**. They wanted these available for sale at the Regional convention...this would let Soul to Soul pay for itself...this request was declined because they have spent all of the money in their account...(this money would come from next years budget)

There was much discussion about "seed money" which I quite frankly could not follow. I am sorry about that, but I have done the best that I could. KB

Motion to close...closed (I'm not sure of the time.) KB

## TO BE TAKEN BACK TO GROUPS.

Note: once again I think that this is all the material, but it is up to the RCM's to look through the minutes and be sure that it is all here. KB

- ♦ <u>Motion (made by Carl K.)</u> to be taken back to Groups to add to policy VIII PI Duties #6 The Mid America Regional web page fall under the direction of the PI subcommittee and that the committee provide accurate information to the individual responsible for monitoring said web page, including development of guidelines for the web page. Motion passed – take this back to Groups
- <u>Motion from Unity Area</u>: To be taken back to Groups, the RSC cease sponsoring and funding of the World Unity Day Activity.

**Intent:** the last World Unity Day was not well attended and was in conflict with other Area or Regional events. It is costly and it seems that this should be an Area sponsored activity. **Financial impact:** Substantial savings.

• <u>Motion from Unity Area</u>: To be taken back to Groups that the Mid America Region make a policy that vacant positions at the Regional level be taken back to Groups at least one R.S.C. cycle prior to voting.

**Intent:** To inform all members that positions are open, giving an opportunity to more of the fellowship, and time to consider their involvement and qualifications.

Financial impact: None

• <u>Motion from Unity Area:</u> To be taken back to Groups that we have the Mid America Region elect an Alternate for the Secretary and Treasure positions.

**Intent:** that there will be someone to fill in if someone should leave these positions for any reason, and also to gain understanding of the position and the duties that are needed for it. **Financial impact:** None

• <u>Motion from Unity Area</u>: To be taken back to Groups the RSC cease sponsoring and funding of the Soul to Soul function.

**Intent:** In order to fully explain I must read Yawan's Groups motion. It is as follows: **Financial impact:** see attached. *See pg. 13 KB* 

• <u>Motion:</u> (Western Area) To take back to Groups: that mailing address for each Group in the Region be included in the Regional meeting lists.

*Discussion:* there isn't enough room on our current meeting lists to include this information...outreach is trying to put a list like this together, but it wouldn't be included on the meeting lists...will this satisfy the desires/needs of Western Area ?...yes, the motion was dropped by the RCM (Tom "Too Tall" W.) contingent upon this list being made...RCM's need to compile this information and get it to Denny C. at the next RSC... these addresses should be ones that will get information to Groups in a timely manor, and may be an individuals address...

♦ <u>Motion</u>: (from the PI chair) to take back to Groups out of actions by subcommittee to change policy in M.A.R.S.C.N.A. Guidelines (pg. 6 – B – 3) to read every 3 months.

**<u>Intent:</u>** to update better and faster <u>Financial impact:</u> cheaper than before.

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Motion 1: Shall the fellowship proceed with a comprehensive evaluation of revisions and additions to the entire Basic Text and the Little White Booklet?

Maker. World Board, page 5

Motion 2: When shall the World Board offer a detailed project plan to begin this evaluation: (a) WSC 2402; (b) WSC 2004; ox (c) WSC 2006?

## Maker: World Board, page 8

Motion 3: That the world Board encourage area and regional literature committees to develop source material about sponsorship in 2000, with the board starting a preliminary evaluation of the issues relating to the sponsorship material in 2001.

#### Maker. World Board, page 9

Motion 4: To affirm the general direction of the proposed literature development plan as summarized below...

## Maker. World Board, page 10

Motion 5: To approve the following process for the approval of service material to be included *in A Temporary Working Guide to Our World Service Structure (2000 edition)*...

### Maker.- World Board, page 13

Motion 6: To adopt the following section titled "The Work Cycle between Conferences" for inclusion in A *Temporary Working Guide to Our World Service Structure...* 

## Maker: World Board, page 17

Motion 7: To adopt the following section titled "World Service Conference Publications" for inclusion in A Temporary Working Guide to Our World Service Structure...

#### Maker: World Board, page 20

Motion 8: To adopt the following description of zonal forums for inclusion in *A Temporary Working Guide to Our World Service Structure. to* addition, the chart of the "Narcotics Anonymous World Service System" in TWGWSS will be changed to reflect this relationship with the WSC.

## Maker.- World Board, page 22

Motion 9: To approve the following section, "Criteria for Recognition of New Conference Participants," as conference policy for inclusion in *TWGWSS*...

## Maker.- World Board, page 24

Motion 10: To approve the following as conference policy; "The World Service Conference funds *the* attendance of delegates from each seated region to the meeting of the WSC held every two years. This funding includes travel, lodging, and meal expenses only. This policy would cover all previously seated regions that have attended one of the past three conferences."

## Maker.- World Board, page 27

Motion 11: To limit seating on the conference floor to one delegate and one alternate per region.

Maker. World Board, page 27

Motion 12: To adopt the following section, titled "The World Service Conference," for inclusion in A Temporary Working Guide to Our World Service Structure...

Maker. World Board, page 28

Motion 13: To adopt the revised version of A Temporary Working Guide to Our World Service Structure contained in Addendum

Maker. - World Board, page 31

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Motion 14: To make housekeeping changes to the Operational Rules of the *Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust that* reflect a two - year conference cycle and the Unified Budget process already adopted.

### Maker: World Board, page 37

Motion 15: To select two issue-discussion topics from the following list for discussion at the 2002 World Service Conference...

## Presented according to conference policy, page 33

Motion I6: To add to A *Temporary Working Guide to Our World Service Structure (1999* edition) on page -15, under EXTERNAL GUIDELINES FOR THE WORLD POOL AND HUMAN RESOURCE PANEL, section "Guidelines for General Eligibility and Implementation," the following language...

## Presented on behalf of the HRP, page 34

Motion 17: To add to the duties of the Human Resource Panel the ability to provide the World Service Conference with a list of individuals best qualified for election to the position of the Human Resource Panel. "his would be accomplished by amending *A Temporary Working Guide to Our World Service Structure* (1999 edition) as follows...

## Presented on behalf of the HRP, page 36

Motion 18: To amend the term of office for the Human Resource Panel to two (2) conference cycles. This. change in term o office will begin with the HRP members elected at WSC 2000. This would be accomplished by amending *A Temporary Working Guide to Our World Service Structure* (1999 edition) as follows...

## Presented on behalf of the HRP, page 36

Motion 19: To include in A *Guide to Local Services in Narcotics Anonymous* between the General Table of Contents, page iii and the chart "NA Service Structure," page iv, the following description of the different units of our service structure in NA...

#### Maker: Alaska Region, page 38

Motion 20: To capitalize the first letter of the words: Step, Steps, Tradition, and Traditions when used in reference to the Twelve Steps and/or Twelve Traditions of, Narcotics Anonymous in all newly developed and/or revisions to our service' and recovery literature.

## Maker: Pacific-Cascade Region, page 39

Motion 21: That the World Board provides only new information, not recommendations, on regional motions in *the Conference Agenda Report*.

#### Maker.' Wisconsin Region, page 40

Motion 22: To create a nonvoting conference participant status at the World Service Conference for World Board members. The board may continue to give reports,

recommendations and make motions, but not have a vote in any WSC business sessions, including elections. This would be accomplished by amending A *temporary Working Guide to Our World* Service Structure (1999 edition), as follows...

### Makers: Arizona Region and Ontario Region, page 41

Motion 23: That voting during the election of World Board members be restricted to regional delegates or in their absence a duly elected regional delegate alternate. This would be accomplished by amending A Temporary Working Guide to Our World Service Structure (1999 edition), as follows...

Maker: North East Atlantic Region, page 43

## M.A.R.S.C.N.A. OPTIMAL BUDGET MAY 2000 – MAY 2001

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## TOTAL OPTIMAL BUDGET:

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**Elections:** 

Literature needs a chair and co-chair...take back to Groups. Activities needs a chair next month, Carl K. will rotate out at the end of next RSC...take back to Groups. RD and RD2 will rotate out next RSC, these positions will be open...take back to Groups. Steering will have two positions open next RSC...take back to Groups.

This concludes the minutes for the February 2000 RSC. Once again I hope that they include all the pertinent information and that they are accurate.

Thank you, Peace and Love (Old Hippie Talk) KB Regional Secretary

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1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	LUNCH BRE	AK				
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM	(UP) (DOWN) (UP) (DOWN)	LITERATURE				
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	SPEAKER M	EETING				
8:00 PM – 12:00 PM	DJ DANCE – AUCTION – RAFFLE FUNDRAISER FOR SOUL TO SOUL \$3 Per Person – No Addict Turned Away SUNDAY MAY 21, 2000					
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	RSC CHAIR/CO-CHAIR, SECRETARY & TREASURER RCM'S, ALT RCM'S SUB-COMMITTEE CHAIRS & CO-CHAIRS MOTIONS & REQUESTS					
9:00 AM UNTIL DONE	REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETS CHAIR/CO-CHAIRS MOTIONS & REQUESTS					

## NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS BASIC TEXT page 100

"New frontiers are open to us as we learn how to love. Love can be the flow of life energy from one person to another. By caring, sharing, and praying for others, we become a part of them. Through empathy, we allow addicts to become part of us. As we do this, we undergo a vital spiritual experience and are changed."