Mid-America Service Committee of NA PO Box 8732 Wichita, Kansas 67202-8732 February 15, 2004



Allen B. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Shelly W. read the 12 Traditions and Tim S. read the 12 Concepts. Introductions were made all around followed by roll call.

Area's represented by RCM's today: Central KS, Fellowship for Freedom, Just for Today, Miracle, Primary Purpose, Unity, Western, Wichita Metro.

Subcommittees present today: Activities, Campout, Convention, H&I, Literature, Outreach, P.O. Box, Steering

Officers present today: RD, Alt. RD, Treasurer, Secretary, Regional Co-chair, Regional Chair

Minutes: read and accepted.

Area Reports

Central Kansas Area:

Hello from CKA,

The CKA has planned a regional campout fundraiser it will be may 8th following our area business meeting. More will be revealed Russell group is also having there 8th Anniversary Feb. 28th at the Russell Armory.

Thanks to everyone who put on the car workshop Jan 31st. enjoyed it and learned a little. We help a CAR workshop fro our area due to weather there were only 5 die hards who attended the same ones who went to the regional workshop.

Thanks to John and Debbie for their willingness along with the others with them. We were sorry to hear about the accident but glad to hear everyone was alright.

Still having growing pains in our groups and area. I was elected for another year as RCM. Jeff R. was voted in as RCMII. We have no donation this month.

Grateful to serve,
Dusty
PS. All motions passed

Fellowship For Freedom Area

Hello family,

Our area is doing really well. We have added 2 new groups since we last met.

Our 10th annual conventions being held March 5,6,7.

We are also having a Learning Day March 20th for our Regional Convention fund raiser.

All our service positions have finally been filled we are making a lot of progress.

In loving service, William H. FFFA RCM

Just For Today Area

Greetings all,

The Just For Today Area currently has 14 groups participating holding a total of 67 meetings weekly. On Jan. 10th we held an H&I/PI fundraiser in Iola, KS. Proceeds bought 11 county jails 24 introductory guides each. These have yet to be delivered. we are gearing up for our next activity; MARCNA XXI fundraiser to be held at the Pavillion in Chanute, KS on March 6th. Our H&I Chair continues to take meetings in to the Girard treatment facility.

Tom Franklin agreed to be our area web contact person. His addy is duster@amacominc.com. We approve of teh motion made by steering committee with regards to policy and budget to be taken back to groups for approval. We have a \$100.00 donation.

In Service, Carla Davis

Miracle Area

Dear Regional Family,

The Miracle Area has been preparing for our upcoming MARCNA Fundraiser, February 28th at the Boys and Girls Club in Lawrence and I brought flyers with the details. We have also been looking at starting an Area Inventory, major policy review, and making plans for a Miracle Area Convention in 2005. We discussed the Regional Budget and the Motions at our recent ASC meeting, and hope the direction we are taking regarding income from groups proves to be more effective, and I have the voting results as well.

Yours in service, Scott K. RCM Miracle Area

Unity Area

As I reported last time, Unity Area has decided to focus on Public Information. With our limited manpower, and the enormous area that we cover geographically, Public Information appears to be the most effective way to carry the message to the addict who still suffers.

We are preparing for a flyer drive later this month. The flyers have been distributed to the NA members and we are just waiting for our phone line to be updated, and decent weather. For as small as we are, we have made some excellent progress in the Public Information field. We have a toll free number for our phone line, (866) NA HELPS; edit, print, and copy our own meeting lists without any middlemen; the meeting lists are sent out to every County Attorney's Office, Municipal Court prosecutor; probation office and mental health facility in our Area; and the PSAs should be on television shortly.

We are looking forward to the Convention, and hope to see you all there.

In Service, Jeanie M.

Western Area

No written report.

Wichita Metro Area

Well all good things must come to an end. This is my last RSC as Wichita Metro RCM cuz our elections come before May RSC and I'm confident in our area's spirit of rotation and ability to representation, I'm grateful God has blessed me with the ability serve our fellowship.

The vote on motions are as follows; Policy and budget items back to Groups Yes

Website representation Yes ours is Keith

Sub-committee minutes to area's Abstain

Discussion of graphs, guide to local service reality budget and solutions Abstain (confusion)

Vacancies announced fro Chair and Co in PI, H&I, Steering committee member, Treasurer and Co, Programming Chair, Sectary and DJ for Campout. A lot of our members seen not to have a lot of willingness in regional business, yet I'm really proud to see the dedication and support of groups and members concerning the upcoming convention in doo-dah!

A CAR workshop was set for March 20th

In loving service and kisses Brent K.

Primary Purpose

First off I would like to welcome John N. the new alt. RCM for our area to the regional meeting. Things are in consent change for the groups of our area, as the different needs come and go. We did turn the duties and responsible of all Internet business over to our PI Chair when we get one until then the Area Chair Wayne Mc. Is our contact person for Internet business, or e-mail addy is ppa_na@yahoo.com . We voted yes on the motion 1 to send back to groups any motions dealing with policy or money to be voted by the groups. Motion 2 was a no vote they do not want minutes from the sub-committee meetings.

We have 2 banners going to the convention the big dream catcher and the other is a 4X4 banner.

The Lyons Night flyers group has changed their Tuesday and Saturday meeting times to 6PM.

Our area is still working on policy for itself and we are seeing less people willing to come and get involved with area service. We are looking at making changes in this in this area, as well.

This area's one any only function is being look at and it will be seeing some change more to be revealed. We did make \$200.00 donation today to the region and hopefully we can continue to do this more regularly.

Up and coming function for area March 20th in Lyons is their annual St. Patty's bash at Taylor and Bell @ the meeting hall. 2PM is the area meeting 4PM is the area CAR workshop and vote on the motions from the CAR.

Newton H.O.W's pre-campout is memorial week, more to be revealed.

In service to you and my HP Ed Starlin RCM

End of Area Reports. Beginning subcommittee reports.

Activities

I am an Addict my name is Dave

I want to apologize to the RSC I have dropped the ball on the GSR Assembly. I WILL GET THIS TAKEN CARE OF ASAP.

Miracle Area will have a MARCNA/CAR workshop on FEB 28th. Our next dance will be March 13th. Also sometime in April we will have a picnic more will be revealed on this.

Just For Today will have a MARCNA fundraiser in Chanute on March 6th and New Hope/ Pioneer Group of Emporia will have a MARCNA fundraiser next weekend at Pioneer Groups new home at 882 west 5th street.

Unity Area will have a learning Days on June 21st at the Friendship Center in Salina. MORE WILL BE REVEALED.

Soul-To-Soul is coming along fine we have the Camp reserved for September 17,18, and 19th in Ottawa KS. Pre-registration cost will be \$40.00 with a cutoff date of Aug 15th. T-shirts will be available by Sunday of the MARCNA Convention. The May RSC will be Soul-To-Soul fundraiser please bringing raffle items.

Back to GSR Assembly it will be in early September at the Red Coach Inn right here in McPherson. It will be a two affair. PLEASE BRING WORKSHOP IDEA'S BACK TO THE MAY RSC.

We also need a place to do a WORLD UNITY DAY this year so please take that back to your groups.

Last but not least is the Budget: Rent will go up here at McPherson from \$920.00 to \$1320.00 a year. All else will stay the same \$400 for RSC expenses, \$100 for World Unity Day, \$700 for GSR Assembly and \$400 for Soul To Soul for a total of \$2920.00

\$1320.00 RSC Rent

\$400.00 RSC Expenses

\$ 100.00 World Unity Day

\$ 700.00 GSR Assembly

\$ 400.00 Soul To Soul

\$2920.00 Total

As for this weekend we spent \$363.90 and Made \$311.99

\$ 64.38 spent for Dillons

\$41.00 for Fast Cash

\$250.00 For DJ

\$ 8.52 spent for Dillons

\$363.90 Total

\$199.00 from the door

\$ 82.00 Fast Cash

\$ 23.00 Pop

\$ 7.99 Copier

\$ 17.00 from Zonal Pop sales

\$328.99 Total

Campout Report:

We are happy to report that the Campout plans are coming together. The committee elected new programming chair and secretary. Many thanks to those addicts who are 'willing to step up and participate. The T-shirts are here and are being sold for \$15.00-See the treasurer if you need any. We are still taking bids for the DJ for 3 nights at the campout. We will be voting at the May RSC so if your interested let us know.

We would like to know if the Walkie Talkies are available for the campout committee to use and if the region has any tarps available for extra shade. Our fundraiser last night went very well. We brought in \$452, for the auction, \$245 for the raffle, and \$254 for the merchandise-Please let us know if there is any other donations or anyone having fundraisers-Thanks to all those who participated last night an for all the donations. Total money received last night was \$951.00

In loving service Russell P.

P.S. The central Kansas area will be having a campout fundraiser May 8th @3pm in Great Bend at the Recreation Center- It will be a spaghetti feed and speaker- call dusty with any questions 1-620-653-2711

Convention Report:

Greetings fellow addicts at the Mid-America Region! Lots and lots has happened since our last regional meeting. The committee has decided upon speakers, and travel arrangements have been made and paid for. All programming ideas have been decided upon, and the program is going to the printer.

The fundraising and merchandising chairs have been busy selling t-shirts, and coffee cups, as well as old merchandise! All I can say is they are doing a stupendous job.

The Chili Bowl in Russell, and the Celebration of Recovery in Wichita were both successful, and gave the committee sizeable contributions! Thanks! There are upcoming MARCNA fundraisers every weekend from now thru mid March, so we will probably see yaw at one. There are quite a few pre-registrations as well as 62 room reservations at the hotel! Please tell all your friends to register at the hotel. We have 200 rooms blocked, so be sure to mention MARCNA to get our rate.

The merchandising will be done by Recovery stuff, The jewelry will be sold by

Basic stuff 4 U, and taping will be performed by Tape to Tape! As far as the alternative store is concerned, the deadline for group involvement is March1. The pre-registration deadline is also March 1 by mail, and an in person last minute registration at the MARCNA fundraiser in Chanute on March 6.

The committee toured the hotel last month, and it is beautiful! There will be lots of opportunities to volunteer for service, so talk to a committee member. We are also still accepting donations of basic texts for the newcomer, so let me know about any that you may have!

At the last RSC, I requested information on any banners we will display at the convention. The racks for their display must be assembled prior to the convention.

The Saturday night dance will cost \$5 for any one not registered for the convention. There will be workshops ,marathon meetings, a hospitality room, 24 hour breakout room for musicians and gaming etc. also a spirituality circle! WOW

Sounds like fun!

A video DJ will entertain on Friday night, and a live band will perform on Saturday night.

A Saturday night Banquet, and a Sunday breakfast buffet is available!

A financial report is attached, and we seem to be doing very well financially.

Our convention banner is being made, and we need more info on the other banners that will be displayed at the convention. Please remember that the groups are responsible for the display racks for the banners.

Please let me know if you have any plans or suggestions that would help us in our endeavor!

Inluvinservice Greg K MARCNA XXI Chairperson

*Note: The convention treasurers log is on pg. 5

H&I

This was my last region as H&I chair. It has been a pleasure serving this region and I thank you for allowing me this pleasure. We elected Becky B. and Shelley W. our new secretary.

We discussed the committee's long term goals and decided it would be best if we concentrated on learning day for the area and H&I/PI presentation at state level ie Judges, Parole officers, doctors associations etc. We are still working on the presentation to the sheriff association and the governor. The 2nd letter to the governor did not get delivered due to me not following up on the subject.

The Wichita Metro area had a good idea for recruiting people for service and it seems to be working in their area. They are doing a H&I presentation to each group in the area during a regular meeting and asking groups to bring up service as a topic once a month.

We are will be helping FFF with a learning day march 20th and helped with a learning day in Iola, for the Just for Today area last month.

In Service Michael S.

Literature

Hello family,

Yesterday's meeting found us once again discussing the absence of the newsletter. Though the Editor sent a report, it was decided action needed to be taken and the next issue will be compiled and produced by me. It is my intention to have this issue out before M.A.R.C.N.A. XXI and include issues in the registration packets. I will try my best efforts to obtain all the submissions sent to Jon in the past 6 months, if you were one of those, please re-send it to me. The current address to e-mail me is at (timandeb@cox.net) or mail to 365 W. Lindsborg St. Lindsborg, KS. 67456. Submissions can also be sent to Bob or Sally at our website (www.marscna.net) and they will be forwarded on to me. The deadline has been set for the end of this month for this issue, please don't procrastinate.

Currently the secretary position is open and tentatively both editor and co-editor will be open. Also, May brings my term as chair to an end. With the World Service Conference rapidly approaching some exciting literature changes may be around the corner. In yesterday's meeting I instructed all area literature committees with stockpiles to prepare to add the new Sponsorship book if passed. As a new piece of literature, sales should be very good. Another possible change could be in the personal stories section of our Basic Text. If this passes every member will have the opportunity to become a published writer.

At this time I am asking for \$350.00 from our budget to produce the first newsletter of 2004. Depending on actions in business today, we will or will not submit a budget of \$1400.00 for the newsletter publication for 2004-2005 fiscal year.

Gratefully serving, Tim Stewart

M.A.R.C.N.A. XXI TREASURER'S LOG

Beginning Balance Jun-03		\$1,500.00
Deposit 06-16-03 (merchandise salesBrent Kidd\$150.00; merchandise salesUnity NA Dance\$317.00 less \$50.00 money order for World Conv.Alt Store) 06-16-03 Unity Groupdonation from dance	\$417.00 \$61.82	
SUB-TOTAL		\$478.82
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SUB-TOTAL		(\$48.80)
ENDING BALANCE JUNE 2003		\$1,930.02
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EXPENSES		
07-20-03 CK#1001 Tim S.	(\$39.00)	
post office box & key deposit 07-20-03 ck#1002 Debby S. treasurer supplies	(\$11.76)	
07-20-03 ck#1003 S.O.S. rent for June meeting	(\$10.00)	
07-20-03 ck#1004 Debbie S. secretary exp for June minutes	(\$18.27)	
07-20-03 ck#1005 Day by Day rent for July meeting	(\$10.00)	
07-31-03 ck#1006 Debbie S. secretary exp for July minutes	(\$35.00)	
SUB-TOTAL		(\$124.03)
ENDING BALANCEJULY 2003		\$1,805.99

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EXPENSES		
08-16-03 ck#1007 Debbie S.	(\$2.26)	
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08-16-03 ck#1009 Brent K. literature2 20th Anniv Basic Texts	(\$54.00)	
08-30-03 ck#1010 MARSCNA payment on XX merch. Sales	(\$417.00)	
SUB-TOTAL		(\$523.26)
DEPOSIT		
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EXPENSES			
10-19-03 ck#1016	Day by Day rent Oct meeting	(\$10.00)	
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ck#1018	High Plains Graphics 144 coffee cups	(\$264.00)	
ck#1019	Jeanie Magee secretary expense	(\$50.00)	
	SUB-TOTAL		(\$1,124.00)
DEPOSIT 10-20-03			\$565.54
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BEGINNING BALANCENOV. 2003		\$1,166.00
EXPENSES: 11-15-03 ck#1020 MARSCNAreplace ck#1012 ck#1021 MARSCNAreplace ck#1013 ck#1022 MARSCNApay off balance dbt ck#1023 ck#1024 High Plns Grap144 cups Janet Woodsecty exp High Plns Grapshirts/sweat	(\$591.50) (\$8.00) (\$141.91) (\$420.00) (\$50.00) (\$299.00)	
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SUB-TOTAL		\$2,609.00
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SUB-TOTAL		\$314.00
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EXPENSES: 12-21-03 ck#1026 Kris KoernerDJ expense ck#1027 Day by DayDec meeting rent ck#1028 Pat Brownairline tickets spkrs	(\$350.00) (\$10.00) (\$1,000.00)	
SUB-TOTAL		(\$1,360.00)
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EXPENSES: 01/18/04 ck#1029 Janet Woodsecty expense	(\$41.05)	
SUB-TOTAL		(\$41.05)
DEPOSIT: 01-22-04 (Tim Stewartpre-registrations Brent Kiddmerchandise sales WMAfundraiser)	\$440.00 \$473.50 \$661.76	
SUB-TOTAL		\$1575.26*
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SUB-TOTAL		\$694.73*
ENDING BALANCEJAN 2003		\$5,257.06

^{*}the amounts shown in the sub-totals are different that actual deposit. A quarter was missed in the Jan 22 deposit, and put into the Feb 12 deposit.

Outreach

We had a small but enthusiastic meeting yesterday.

The email meeting challenge is in its 3rd month. Michael is going to start adding a meeting to the list from one of the surrounding regions each month.

We were going to start doing the outreach booth last night but someone (me) dropped the ball to get the world pool applications copied. We will begin doing this at the next RSC during the dance as well as around the region before then.

If you have filled out a world pool application and would like to volunteer to help with these booths please contact an outreach committee member. Thanks ahead of time. :-)

If we have enough volunteers we will be asking to set up for a few time slots at the MARCNA convention. We have no expenses this time, thanks to the secretary for keeping costs down.

Outreach co-chair position is open.

Thanks to Aimee K. for her service to this subcommittee.

In Loving Service, Sally R. Outreach Chair

PΙ

This is my last region as PI chair and I have learned a lot. We had a good subcommittee.

We plan on printing and giving one copy of the most recent regional meeting list to each area's RCM. This will be at no expense to PI or Region. The idea is that each area can then make as many copies as needed for that area. The regional meeting list is also available at http://www.marscna.net for downloading and printing. Unity Area reports they have already seen it working on the webite.

We had a concensus as a committee to have all area web contacts, webmasters Bob K. and Sally R, (the "web group") to develope procedures for the Mid America Regional Website.

John S. has been unable to deliver the letter to Governor Sebellious. John will try to get it sent out in the next couple of weeks. Miracle Area has been putting their meeting list in lobbies of hotels and motels. Just for Today's computer information line is working.

In Loving Service, Becky B. Regional PI Chair 283-2033, 316-409-6315

PS. We had a nomination out of committee for PI Chair (Shelly W.). I have learned a lot of patience and tolerance in my position as PI chair and have watched the committee grow. Thank you for letting me serve at this region and I will continue to come, learn, and be a part of.

Website

Work on the MARSCNA website has been slow since last regional meeting. A downloadable and printable version of the meeting list database has been made available online.

This meeting list needs to be improved, not only in look and functionality, but also in the information it contains. It is a relatively difficult task to keep this list up to date, but hopefully this will become much easier if each area has a contact person to help verify their local information and email any changes to the regional email address. The new site is still being worked on, but once again, I am looking for constructive feedback so that this is more of a fellowship-wide project.

Bob K.

PO Box

Lot of mail this quarter. A bill from other storage shed. A couple of checks from group fliers. A whole lot of stuff from World. The PO box transfer was done. The man that was on it is still as they would take his name off but my name is on it. I would like to thank and I will his help.

In loving service, John

Steering

Неу,

- 1. We have nominated Greg B. for steering committee. So please put that in for election.
- 2. We set our budget for \$150.00 this year for copies and printing.
- 3. We discussed the budget at length. We decided that any more questions to the group would make them more than they already were.
- 4. For your information we wish to publish seperately is the minutes.

The steering committee is learning to word a budget of necessarily expenses.

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PO Box

RD expense to world

All other monies will be pooled. Sub-committees shall be required to draw funds from said pool with proper research and presented to the region floor.

5. The next interim committee shall meet April 25th at Brians house:

17365 S. Levelling (hope thats spelled right)

Scranton KS.

In loving service,

End of Subcommittee Reports. Beginning Officer reports.

Secretary

Hello Family,

The following is a financial breakdown of the cost of the minutes for the November RSC.

November 03

	Units	Cost/Unit	Total Cost/Unit	Total Cost
Minutes sent via. mail	25	\$0.60	\$15.00	
Printing	35	\$1.00	\$35.00	
Total			\$50.00	
Started With	\$56.00			
November minutes	\$50.00			
Turned in to RSC	\$ 6.00			

I confess to a little disappointment. I had hoped that more people would opt to not have a hard copy of the minutes sent to them instead using the e-mailed copy I sent out. 10 people opted to use only the e-mailed copy, downloading and printing it for themselves. Of the remaining 28, 21 have e-mail addresses and got the minutes that way as well as a hard copy. I understand that not everyone has a printer and thus can't print what they have downloaded, but I'm sure that at least some of those 21 people do have printers and could have printed their own copy. The minutes I mail are printed from the copy I send out, thus the hard copy is the same as the e-mailed version. We could have saved a little money had more people chosen to print their own copies.

That's all for this quarter. Thanks for letting me serve.

In Loving Service,

KB

Regional Delegate

Dear Family,

I'm not sure where or how to begin! A lot has happened in the past few months and we've received 20 pounds of material from W.S.O. concerning the C.A.R. and the conference itself.

Debbie and I finalized our plans for the C.A.R. workshop on Jan. 31st here in McPherson and with the help from several other members it all came together. R.D.'s, R.D.A.'s, World Board Members, and other members from 7 Regions were in attendance. A total of 55 participants in the beginning. Those numbers diminished as the weather got worse. All the motions in the conference cycle were presented and discussed. World Board members Craig R from North Carolina and James B. from Illinois did a great job.

In addition to the motions, the process involved at this level and at the conference was presented. Also a brief overview of the World Board and WSC's strategic plan was given as well as the key result areas of the strategic framework discussion questions (see attached).

For me this was a great weekend to be in Narcotics Anonymous and a member of a fellowship who's ownership rests in part at my home group.

The down side of this event wasn't the ice, snow, rain, or the worries about those who drove home nor was it my lack of sleep or forgetting my medication at home. The down side was that it ended.

Debbie and I will be scheduling area CAR workshops until the middle of April and hope that at each we have lots of participation. We are also scheduled to help with a couple more group/area inventories in the next few months. On the road again!!!

I will attach the discussion question for our strategic framework so if you have input it can be made at the CAR workshops.

I've made copies of the abbreviated motion list for all to take home and review. We also have five (5) complete copies for sale or you can get more from WSO at \$9.00 each.

In the December 2000 Conference Report updates on 2002-2004 projects that passed at the 2002 WSC were all addressed.

The Public Relations Roundtable project which is to "raise awareness and enhance the perception of Narcotic Anonymous as a credible program of recovery. This project brings together those groups outside the fellowship with NAWS to discuss NA's public fact. This is to identify deficiencies in our public relations and find solutions and form goals and outline or from objectives for improvement. Only three of the four roundtable have happened the last to take place in March 2004.

One thing is certain as a result of these events: We have many "friends of NA" out there. A follow up project for the 2004-2006 Conference cycle will be to frame a public relations strategy.

Next is the sponsorship project and the presented book on sponsorships and revised IP is only a part of the seven objectives on the strategic plan which is to "build a range of literature to meet the diverse needs of embers and potential members." Another objective is to "streamline and increase responsiveness of the literature development process to meet the needs of the fellowship". This new process will change and develop for various types of literature depending on size, content, and other criteria. World pool members worked on this project (send in that resume).

In the strategic plan the first objective is to "develop and disseminate information of high volume to intended NA communities and/or services bodies." One of the parts of this area is the worldwide workshop project - 5 workshops were held this cycle and a report on this will be at the conference as to set further goals in this type of "communication".

Some projects that had little or no work done were:

- Service Material Development.
- 2. Standards for World Service Communication with the fellowship.
- 3. Information management system.
- 4. Historical data collection some work was done.
- 5. No World Service meeting because of WCNA.
- 6. No lit distribution and convention workshop.
- 7. Several other motions committed to the board which had low priority at the 2002 Conference were addressed as "more will be revealed".

The fellowship Intellectual Property Trust has been updated and available at NAWS. As will all levels of service, some issues cannot be fully researched and or accomplished. The projects given to the World Board and WSO were expected to be dealt with by now but some aspects of our "Newly Formed Service Structure" has never been fully utilized. The HRP and World pool is accommodating the fellowship in a very positive way but we need more "talent to choose from so we can accomplish more. This process of resumes or information forms is again being revamped to allow for better service by the HRP and thus strengthening the whole thing. So more human resources can be voted up into a workgroup. If our World board continues to facilitate these work groups a lot of work can be done to eliminate some of those items tagged "more will be revealed". If we would like to see some of these projects or ideas come to function we need to put up or shut up. Like Craig R. said several times Jan. 31st at our CAR "this is a partnership that will suffer if some of the partners don't participate."

After the CAR workshop on Jan. 31st the Plains States Zonal met for a few hours - reports from other regions and the treasurers report were given. Updates to the speaker/workshop leader project were again minimal. More discussion on the US delegate assembly took place and it was decided to move forward.

The goal was set - we will get site locations and bids for accommodations etc. before we meet at the conference - it was decided to take a proactive approach even though some motions, if adopted, could change our who plan. We felt we needed to do some of the preliminary planning because of the time frame for the assembly - I hope to get bids from Kansas City, Topeka, and Wichita.

I'd like to extend my gratitude to everyone who attended and am glad everyone make it home safe.

I'm rotating out of this position in May and hope you will endorse Debbie S. (as I do) as your new RD at that time.

I received \$200.00 in November to purchase CARs and have returned that amount to the treasurer.

Debbie will be requesting monies for travel to WSC 2004 and we've sent our registrations along to WSO. Also sent was our regional report to the conference (see attached).

In grateful & loving service,
John

Balance \$3,899.93 Requesting 1,500.00 Remaining \$2,399.93

MidAmerica Region Report to WSC 2004

There are 84 groups with 268 meetings weekly. We have 8 areas and all attend our RSC. Within our region there are two larger metropolitan cities (250,000 or larger) and several midsize cities (75,000 to 125,000) and lots of small cities or towns, most of our fellowship comes from these smaller cities. Most of the makeup of our service structure comes from these smaller communities.

Our RSC meets four times per year with the subcommittees meeting on Saturday and the RSC on Sundays. The subcommittees include Public Information, Hospitals and Institutions, Activities, Outreach, Literature, Campout, Convention and our Steering Committee.

The Steering Committee is assigned tasks by the Regional Chair or the RSC itself. The formulation of new policies and updates to our Regional Guidelines is one of their ongoing duties. They are currently working working on a new mechanism for budget and reporting of funds. Other projects include the securing of bids for future Regional Conventions, insurance matters, etc. When these tasks are concluded, a recommendation is made to the RSC and action is taken on our Regional floor.

The Regional Campout boasts itself as "**The Longest Running Free NA Campout in the World".** This year will be the 26th annual event, "Going Forth in Recovery", and will be at the Lucas Park at Wilson Lake, Kansas, July 4th weekend.

The MidAmerica Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous will be at the Hyatt-Regency, 400 West Waterman, Wichita, Kansas on April 9, 10 and 11, 2004. MARCNA XXI should host 400 to 500 addicts throughout the weekend.

The RSC Activities Subcommittee is organizing our GSR Assembly, tentative dates are September 11 and 12, 2004. This is our third assembly and it's growing. They also help with our spiritual retreat, Soul To Soul, and this year it will be held on September 17 and 18, 2004 at Camp Chippewa, west of Ottawa, Kansas.

Public Information, Hospital and Institutions, Outreach and Literature Subcommittees all work together at Learning Days at Area functions. This reduces the need of financial resources and helps foster growth in the human resources in our local NA communities.

Public Information handles updating Regional meeting lists and works on our Regional website. Both of which are ongoing efforts. The subcommittee has sent a letter to the Kansas Governor's Office in hopes of making a public information presentation to her and key staff, cabinet members, and Kansas State Agency directors. We feel this will enhance our goal of "making our fellowship available to all addicts seeking recovery".

Hospitals and Institutions is working with Public Information in efforts to make presentations to Sheriffs' Associations at their annual meeting. Workshopping and encouragement at Area functions is Hospitals and Institutions main thrust at this time. Again, the main thrust is utilizing human resources rather than financial.

Literature is workshopping our newsletter, hoping to keep the project going. Usually, it is a quarterly publication, but recently materials submitted to the editors are small in quantity. The idea to workshop has inspired renewed energy and "ownership" to the MidAmerica Newsletter (The M.A.N.).

Our Outreach Subcommittee has been an inspiration to us all in the past few years. After completion of a collection of group histories from our Region, they have begun to compile Volume II. They have taken a proactive role in getting addicts from our Region to submit the World Pool Resume. They are also active in helping at the local level with workshopping a number of topics.

We don't have a Regional Service Office, and most of our literature is purchased from WSO by areas or groups. Our Literature Subcommittee does carry a small stock of service-related material for our RSC weekends.

One area (Fellowship for Freedom) has an annual convention. This event has been successful for several years. The Miracle Area is planning an Area Unconventional Convention in the fall of 2005, and has already formed a committee to do so.

Most Areas have addicts in our subcommittees, and all have RCMs for our RSC. Communication is good in our Region (but it could also be better).

We as a Region are a member of the Plain States Zonal and have consistently participated since its formation. The RD, RDA and other members have always participated in whatever project or discussion the PSZ has had. We as a Region believe in this level of service.

If there is anything negative to report, it has to be our funds and the reliance on activities or events for funding our service rather than donations by groups and areas. Our Regional Convention took "a hit" last year, and has prompted much discussion and energy to changing our "old ways" in regards to funds. More will be revealed as per funds in our Region in the near future. This single event has produced new structure in our treasury, a fellowship-wide discussion of these issues and Regional officers and subcommittees reexamining the expenditures we make - "good stuff - positive changes".

Our goal is to assist the eight areas and 84 groups to carry the Narcotics Anonymous message to all who seek our fellowship and we are finding out that the human resources are far more powerful than the financial resources. With one addict helping another we can achieve great things. We are going back to the basics and it seems to be working.

In Loving Service, John G. Stanley III, RD

> Debby Stewart, RDA MidAmerica Region

Discussion Questions

The following are questions from the key result areas of the strategic framework that might be useful for discussion during your CAR workshops. They represent areas of discussion that will occur at WSC 2004.

Leadership and Management

- How do you encourage people to get involved in service?
- What do you expect from your leaders, and how do you communicate those expectations?
- How do you know when they are doing a good job?
- How can world services strengthen its relationship with the fellowship?

Fellowship Support

- What tools, information, or support could NA World Services provide to help groups, areas, and regions build a strong foundation to carry the NA message of recovery?
- How can we make NA more attractive and responsive to all of our members and potential members?

Resources

- How can we increase fellowship awareness of the need for donations sufficient to cover services?
- What does self-support really mean? Communication
- How can we improve the communication within the fellowship?
- How can we help NA achieve "universal recognition and respect as a viable program of recovery"?

Recovery Literature

Who do we need to make a greater effort to reach through our literature?

What ideas do you have to make the literature development process more effective, efficient, and responsive?

Regional Delegate Alt.

Dear NA Family:

Well, another quarter has passed and boy has it gotten crazy-busy—with much more ahead! A lot of "stuff" has been sent from World—which I have been trying to muddle my way through. A lot of reading, a lot of good information and a lot of paper!

Conference Agenda Report—as everyone knows we did have the Zonal/CAR Workshop in McPherson on January 31, 2004. We did have around 55 persons attend from all over. I was greatful to see most of our areas in this region well represented! I do hope you gained valuable information concerning the motions in the CAR. Here is the schedule for CAR workshops that have been turned over to John S. and myself:

Feb 21—Dodge City, 3:00 pm at Greenwood
Feb 28—Lawrence, 2:00 pm at ?

Mar 20—Wichita, time and place ???

Lyons, 4:00 pm at meeting hall in Lyons

April 4—Salina—tentative date

(Western Area)

(Miracle Area)

(Wichita Metro Area)

(Primary Purpose Area)

Thank you for getting with us on these as it helps in scheduling. There are some other items scheduled that are going to be a part of the scheduling:

Mar 6—Chanute, 1:00 pm Area Inventory (Just for Today)

Mar 20—Topeka, time ???, Area Inventory (Fellowship for Freedom)

April 9-11—Wichita, MARCNA XXI

As you can see, we are back to back on events to attend to get a lot of work done. I am going to approach some people at the Conference concerning the scheduling of the CAR to determine if we could get it earlier than the end of the year—a time when holidays and weather hinder our "time" to workshop the motions. After all, if we have a 2 year cycle, we should be able to route the CAR to the regions much sooner.

A point of information, in your copy of the CAR you will find copies of the World Pool Information Form (or go online at www.na.org) and submit info to World about yourself for possible appointment to the World Pool. This information has to be updated every conference cycle.

The World Service Conference is April 23-May 3, 2004 (April 23 and May 3 are travel days). At this time I am requesting funds for travel in the amount of \$1500.00. This will cover: 1/2 room rate for 10 days, shuttle cost to and from airport, meals, gas expense to and from airport, airline tickets, and

miscellaneous expenses which may come up. Will return receipts on items (excluding meals and tips).

Be sure that each of the Areas completes the Area Service Committee Registration Form. These need to be completed everytime changes occur within the area service structure. These can be obtained online: www.na.org

One piece of information that was sent was in reference to the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust. Attached are frequently asked questions concerning this document. I encourage each group and area to purchase one of these books as it is filled with intense information concerning use of the NA logo NA symbol, vendors and NA literature—and much more. I know that we have been guilty of "using" the symbol or literature in inappropriate ways, and this is a document that will clear up any questions you may have concerning that.

In closing, I would like to state that while I am at the WSC in April—I intend to absorb as much information as possible. I will communicate the Mid-America Region's conscience on the motions and on any other items which may come up. If you should have any concerns that you would like conveyed, please do not hesitate to call or e-mail me: phone 785-227-4241 or timandeb@cox.net I appreciate any input you may have.

Greatfully serving NA, Debby Stewart (that's Debby with a "y")

Frequently Asked-Questions Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust (FIPT)

Members and vendors with questions about NA's literature, logos, trademarks, and symbols can use this quick reference list, which provides a brief overview of some of the more frequently asked questions about the NA Fellowship's intellectual property. For a legal and more detailed explanation of each question, please refer to *The Fellowship Intellectual*

Property Trust and the NA Intellectual Property Bulletins # 1 through 5. These items may be obtained by contacting NA World Services.

1. What is the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust?

FIPT is the legal document that outlines (in detail) the relationship between Narcotics Anonymous World Services, Inc. and the fellowship as a whole. Basically, NAWS holds the copyrights to the fellowship's intellectual property (recovery literature, the service symbol, the NA symbol, and the original group logo) on behalf of the fellowship. NAWS is accountable to the fellowship through elected delegates and ultimately the registered groups of Narcotics Anonymous.

2. Why does NAWS protect the copyrights and trademarks?

This is so all of NA's intellectual property remains the property of the fellowship. One of the responsibilities of NAWS, as defined in the FIPT and mandated by the World Service Conference, is to protect the fellowship's intellectual property on behalf of the fellowship.

3. What about using the NA symbol, service symbol, or group logo?

Only registered NA service bodies, NA groups, and vendors licensed by NAWS have legal rights to use NA logos and trademarks, because they are accountable to the owners of those symbols-, the NA Fellowship. This includes use of our logos on the Internet, flyers, merchandise, banners, etc. See *Intellectual Property Bulletin #1*.

4. Can members, groups, areas, or regions post NA literature or readings on the Internet or send literature out via email or electronic mailing lists?

NAWS is the sole publisher of NA recovery literature, and for that reason no other person or group is allowed to produce or post NA literature anywhere. NAWS does not permit anyone else to post NA literature on the Internet because it puts the copyright for that literature at risk. This includes websites and electronic mailing lists that send out NA literature (or portions of it) via email on a regular basis. NAWS is experimenting with posting information pamphlets on its official website, www.na.org, so registered service bodies can provide links from their own websites and do not need to post the actual literature on their own site.

5. But if I am a member, then don't I "own" the symbols? Can I use them where I want or on my personal website?

No. If you are an NA member, you do *not* own the trademarks to NA's symbols or the copyrights to NA's literature. The Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous owns the symbols and literature, and you are a member of that fellowship. In essence, you own a piece of "stock" in NA-but you do not own NA. That stock gives you the ability to participate, along with the rest of the fellowship, in making decisions about the use of NA's property. Individual members are not accountable to the fellowship, but are allowed to create one or two items using an NA symbol for personal use. See *Intellectual Property Bulletin #2*:

6. Can we use NA symbols along with the trademarks of another organization?

No. It is against the law to use any of the NA trademarked logos in conjunction with the trademarks, identifying artwork, or registered slogans (e.g., Harley Davidson©, Looney Toons©, Dream Catchers©) of another organization or company. First, in order to use the other trademarks, you would need to get written permission from those companies (which most companies will not give you); and second, it goes against NA traditions to affiliate NA with any other organization. For example, placing the NA symbol in artwork that "resembles" a certain motorcycle company's logo is against NA traditions *and* against the law.

Did you know? You may have seen the NA symbol being used in a Dream Catcher[®]. Yeah, it looks cool, but the Dream Catcher[®] is a registered trademark, and NAWS was contacted by the owner and asked not to use their property.

7. Why does NAWS give vendors a license to use NA's property?

There is a "use-it-or-lose-it" policy when it comes to trademarks. If NAWS does not use the trademark on a particular type of item (e.g., jewelry, apparel, etc.), then the fellowship will lose ownership of the trademark on that type of product. Since NAWS does not produce all the various items that our members want, they license vendors to produce those items instead. The licensing program allows for the fellowship to maintain ownership of the trademarks and ensure that these trademarks are used appropriately. Licensing a vendor to use NA logos and trademarks is *not*, in our opinion, a violation of the Sixth Tradition.

8. Do we have to let a registered vendor sell merchandise at our NA event just because they have a license from NA World Services?

No. As stated in *NA Intellectual Property Bulletin #3*, a vendor license from NAWS does not grant access to NA events or functions. A vendor license simply grants a vendor the right to use NA trademarks on its items, not the right to sell that item at an NA event. Only the NA service body responsible for the event can give permission to a licensed vendor. Just because you have a vendor license does not mean the service body has to let you sell anything at their event, function, convention, learning day, marathon, dance, etc.

Did you know? Many vendors get a license from NA World Services believing that it gives them the right to sell their merchandise at the world convention. At present, the world convention uses only one tape vendor and one jewelry vendor. They are both selected through a formal Request For Proposal process. Many licensed vendors are disappointed to find that the license is not an all-access pass to all NA events.

9. If a group or registered NA service body wants to create merchandise for its event, do they need to obtain a license from NAWS?

All groups and registered NA service bodies have the right to use the NA logos without permission from NAWS within the boundaries laid out in the *NA Intellectual Property Bulletin #1*. This is because they are directly accountable to the owners of that property-the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous. Groups have a slightly different relationship with the fellowship that is outlined in detail in *IPB #1*.

10. Does a vendor need to be licensed by NAWS to produce merchandise for an NA event?

A vendor does not need to be licensed by NAWS as long as the service body responsible for hiring the vendor retains the rights to and ownership of any and all artwork created by the vendor.

Did you know? There have been cases where vendors have designed merchandise for a service committee and, because the committee did not make sure that the vendors turned over the ownership of the artwork, the vendors were able to reproduce the T-shirts and sell them for their own profit.

11. Does NAWS license tape vendors?

No. NAWS does not license tape vendors because NA is not giving up ownership of any artwork when hiring tape vendors. Generally, tape vendors do not own the artwork that is on a tape (if applicable); the committee that created it owns that artwork and the audio of the speaker, while the speakers themselves hold the copyrights to their own stories.

12. Does NAWS make any money/profit from licensing vendors?

The extent of the financial relationship between any licensed vendor and NAWS is that of collecting the fees associated with obtaining a license. The licensing fees are designed to offset the expenses incurred by NAWS on an annual basis for administering the FIPT. NAWS receives no commission, kickback, incentive, or percentage of revenue by virtue of the issuance of a license to a vendor.

Treasurers Report

As I have always found, doing service work for Narcotics Anonymous has been the best way for me to give back to this program that has so freely given me so much.

This being my final RSC as Treasurer, I would like to thank this body for giving me the opportunity to serve and for having the faith and trust in me that I could fulfill this position. Service work helps me grow by getting me out of myself and by giving me the opportunity to meet and work with so many other recovering addicts.

Greg B. will be taking my position starting in May and I have full Confidence in him that he will make an excellent treasurer for this body. Best of luck to him.

In grateful service, Ted R., Treasurer Mid-America Service Committee Of NA

Treasurers Log

Regional Treasurer's Report

Feb. 15, 2004

Beginning Balance \$5,599.08

Donation Income

Just For Today Group	Cash	\$5.00
Miracle Area	Chk# 1625	\$120.00
Wichita Metro Area	Chk# 773	\$80.00
Flying Free Group	Chk# 1102	\$75.00
N.E. How Group	Chk# 168	\$30.00
Primary Purpose Area	Chk# 1520	\$200.00
New Way Group Chk# 2	095,2101,2105,2148	\$120.00
Just For Today Area	Chk# 1070	\$100.00
Fellowship For Freedom Area	Chk# 1008	\$100.00
Sub-total		\$830.00

Other Income

Activities - Feb. RSC (cash)	\$51.24
RSC Sec'y Expense - Returned Funds (cash)	\$6.00
RD/RD2 - CAR Workshop returned funds (Chk# 6711)	\$191.00
RD/RD2 - CAR Workshop returned funds (Chk# 2562)	\$9.00
Promissary Note Payment by John S. (cash)	\$150.00
Sub-total	\$407.24

TOTAL INCOME \$1,237.24

Expenses

Returned ched	cks from Soul to Soul Attendees	-\$130.00
Check #1676	You Store It (General Fund - Stor. Unit)	-\$440.00
Check #1677	NAWS (Activities - Basic Text for NC)	-\$10.40
Check #1678	Dave R. (Activities - Feb. RSC)	-\$100.00
Check #1679	Debby S. (RD/RD2 - WSC)	-\$1,500.00
Check #1680	Postmaster (P.O. Box - Box Rental)	-\$38.00
Check #1681	Tim S. (Literature - MAN Newsletter)	-\$350.00
Check #1682	Kirk B. (General Fund - Sec'y Expense)	-\$75.00
Check #1683	Kristi Divine (Soul to Soul - Seed money)	-\$200.00
Check #1684	McPherson 4-h (Activities - Rent)	-\$230.00
Check #1685	Officemax (General Fund - Copier Exp)	-\$149.86
Sı	ub-total .	-\$3,223.26

EXPENSE TOTAL -\$3,223.26

ENDING BALANCE \$3,613.06

Old Business

Elections

H&I Chair: from committee

Becky B.

Elected, Congratulations!

PI Chair: from committee

Shelly W.

Elected, Congratulations!

Steering: from committee

Greg B.

Elected, Congratulations!

Treasurer: was co treasurer

Greg B.

Elected, Congratulations!

Co treasurer: No willingness! Take back to Groups we need a co treasurer!

Motion: To send copies of all subcommittee minutes to all Areas.

Made by: Unity Area

Intent: To better communication. See concept 8.

Financial Impact: No financial impact if e-mailed or internet is used.

This motion passed and will be placed in policy.

Motion: All motions made in the Region that have to do with Policy or the Budget must go back to Groups.

Made by: Steering Committee

Intent: To create a policy which defines what needs to go to Groups for approvial.

Financial Impact: None

This motion passed and will be placed in policy.

Motion: That each Area designate a contact person to facilitate internet related communication with the "Web Site Work

Group.

Comments:

Intent: A) To have one point of contact for meeting updates

B) Someone to forward e-mail questions to concerning that Area C) Assist in communication about web issues at the Area level.

This person would ideally be the Area's WSO web contact.

This motion passed and will be placed in policy.

New Business

Motion: we purchase toner for the copier.

This was deemed a operating expense and was done.

Motion: That, with the exception of the Steering Subcommittee, any members of the Mid-America Region of Narcotics Anonymous that are present during a subcommittee meeting should be allowed to vote on business during that meeting.

Made By: Unity Area

Intent: To promote rotation, encourage new members and avoid the possibility of cliques. It is our position that the Region would best be served if all members of the Mid-America Region of Narcotics Anonymous that are present at subcommittee meetings are allowed to vote. The Steering Subcommittee is an exception to this motion, as RCMs vote on every member of that subcommittee. Group conscience would be promoted; participants would feel more "a part of" and may be encouraged to become a regular, active participant of that subcommittee; and discussion would be promoted in the spirit of anonymity, wherein every voice carries equal weight.

Financial Impact: None

This motion sparked much discussion on the RSC floor. A number of members who had served on the convention subcommittee expressed concern that such unlimited access to voting by the general membership could cause "vote stacking". This concern was raised

because of previous experience; experience which led to the current convention subcommittee policy which states that only those with positions have voting privileges. Jeanie Magee (RCM for Unity Area) stated that there are no "general members" with voting privileges at this time even though some members had been attending the subcommittee meetings regularly. The Unity Area feels that this is a problem and drafted the above policy change to eliminate this practice. Jeanie said that she could redraft the motion to address the concerns of the RSC floor since she knew the intent of the motion. The following is the redrafted motion and it was passed on the floor to be sent back to groups for consideration. KB

Revised Motion: That section (G) of the convention subcommittee guidelines be amended as follows:

(4) Attendance at two consecutive convention subcommittee meetings.

Made By: Unity Area

Intent: To further define the qualifications of the voting general member as referred to in the Narcotics Anonymous convention guidelines on pg. 3.

Financial Impact: None

Passed and goes back to Groups

Motion: That Policy B(3) under public information in the Guidelines and Policy Manual of the Mid-American Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous be deleted.

Made By: Unity Area

Intent: To give public information the room it needs to operate in finding a viable and financially responsible solution in supplying the fellowship with the Regional meeting lists, without being in constant violation of policy.

Financial Impact: None at this time.

Motion withdrawn: the following is a brief synopsis of the discussion that led to the withdrawal of this motion. It has been included for the Fellowship's information.

This motion sparked a lot of discussion about the Regional meeting list. The public information subcommittee pointed out that the meeting lists, as they have been done in the past, were always inaccurate in spite of the best efforts of the people responsible for their production. Furthermore, they are costly. Under the current method, that is posting the list on the web and having an Area contact update the list, keeps it current with no cost to the Region. The question was raised concerning the "distribution" of the meeting list. It was pointed out that having the list available on the web was not the same as distributing it. The response to this was that the webmaster could send a revised copy to each Area and we would be in compliance with the policy as it does not specify the method of distribution nor the number of copies to be distributed. The same holds true for the wallet cards that policy dictates we shall distribute. Question was raised about the frequency of distribution and again it was pointed out that policy does not dictate this. For a long time distribution was done every six months. This was revised to every three months (at the discretion of the public information subcommittee) to try to get the meeting lists accurate. (this did not work – they were still inaccurate)

At the end of the discussion it was felt that we are not in violation of either the letter nor the intent of the policy and Jeanie Magee (RCM for Unity Area) withdrew the motion.

Motion: The purchase of 12 to 18 cardboard bank boxes spending up to \$25.00.

Made by: John S. III

Intent: to store our Regional Service Committee and subcommittee archival material. To help foster a process of keeping our records sorted and stored in some kind of easy access in our storage unit.

Financial impact: \$25.00 or less

The **optimal budget** was presented to the RSC floor by the treasurer (Ted R.) and can be found on page 17. This needs to go to the Groups for voting. It can be accepted or rejected.

Ted R. mentioned that he had received two bad checks, both from the same person. They were written for Soul to Soul. He has contacted the party who issued the checks and is trying to work with them.

The RSC floor has directed Greg B. (the new treasurer) to send them a promissory note if the issue has not been resolved in the next 30 days. This is in accordance with policy.

Motion to close 4:45pm Closed.

This concludes the minutes for February 15, 2004. They are accurate and complete to the best of my ability. Once again I wish to extend my thanks to those addicts who took the time and effort to type reports into the computer. Additionally, I wish to thank those addicts who brought their reports on floppy disk. It is only through their contributions that you have the minutes today instead of later. In Loving Service, Kirk Brown Regional secretary.

Voting Record

X = YES O = NO A = ABSTAIN

MOTION	CENTRAL	FELLOWSHIP	JUST FOR	UNITY	WESTERN	WICHITA	MIRACLE	PRIMARY PURPOSE
Old Business								
All motions made in the Region that have to do with Policy or the Budget must go back to Groups.	×	×		×	×	×	×	×
That each Area designate a contact person to facilitate internet related communication with the "Web Site Work Group.	×	x		X	x	X	X	X
To send copies of all subcommittee minutes to all Areas.	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
New Business								
That section (G) of the convention subcommittee guidelines be amended as follows: (4) Attendance at two consecutive convention subcommittee meetings.	X	x	A	x	Х	×	x	×
Purchase 12 to 18 bank boxes	X	X	0	X	X	X	X	0
Delete policy b-(3) (meeting list) withdrawn								

TO BE TAKEN BACK TO GROUPS

Open positions

Literature Chair

Regional Delegate

Alternate Regional Delegate

Outreach co chair

Hospitals and Institutions co chair

Convention Chair

Convention committee

PO Box

Co treasurer: No willingness! Take back to Groups we need a co treasurer!

*Note: the first year of the secretary's position is up. One year from now this position will be open. If you are interested in this position and would like to work with me to learn how I am doing it, come to the next RSC and get involved. Be a part of! (I becomes we.)

The Regional activities committee is looking for a place for the World Unity Day. The date for this activity is not set yet, but if you have a place you would like to see this held, let the committee know at the next RSC.

Rent is going up at the 4-H building in McPherson by \$400.00 per year. The following is a portion of the contract agreement.

Deposit required and returned (within 7 days) following inspection by janitor.

4-H BUILDING

Deposit Charge

\$150.00 - not refunded until janitor checks building

\$ 50.00 non-refundable if building not used without prior notice to Extension Office

Rent Charge

LARGE ROOM \$125.00/day

(capacity 270) \$ 75.00/half day (4 hours or less)

DOWNSTAIRS KITCHEN - \$25.00

(excludes coffee makers/roaster ovens)
If not using the 4-H Building - \$50.00

(kitchen and restrooms)

00 \$10.00 night before after 5

\$20.00 when Farmers' Market there (half of building)

\$10.00 night before, after 5:00 p.m.

CHIEF BUILDING - \$30.00/day

\$40.00 DEPOSIT - not refunded until janitor has inspected

UPSTAIRS ROOM – \$30.00 (no kitchen)

For Dance \$50.00

(Capacity 49)

RESTROOMS

For groups not renting the 4-H Bldg., there will be restrooms.

A \$30.00 charge for the use of 4-H Bldg.

SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE

Non-Profit <i>Groups</i>		Profit Groups
Table Set-up with 8 chairs (includes take-down)	\$1.00 per table	\$2.00
Chair only set-up (includes take-down)	.10 per chair	.25
Table covering (white vinyl)	\$1.00 per table	\$ 2.00
100 Cup Coffee Maker (from Extension Office)	\$5.00 rent with \$50.00 deposit	\$10.00
Electric Roaster Oven (from Extension Office)	\$5.00 rent with \$50.00 deposit	\$10.00

Revised Motion: That section (G) of the convention subcommittee guidelines be amended as follows:

(4) Attendance at two consecutive convention subcommittee meetings.

Made By: Unity Area

Intent: To further define the qualifications of the voting general member as referred to in the Narcotics Anonymous convention guidelines on pg. 3.

Financial Impact: None

Passed and goes back to Groups

Optimal Budget - May 1, 2004 thru April 30, 2005

Feb. 15, 2004						
		Yr.	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.
RD/RD2	Copies	\$75.00	\$18.75	\$18.75	\$18.75	\$18.75
	WSC/WSM	\$2,500.00	\$625.00	\$625.00	\$625.00	\$625.00
	Zonal Travel	\$1,000.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
		\$3,575.00	\$893.75	\$893.75	\$893.75	\$893.75
General Fund	Chair/Co-Chair	\$50.00	\$12.50	\$12.50	\$12.50	\$12.50
	PO Box	\$38.00	\$9.50	\$9.50	\$9.50	\$9.50
	Secretary	\$300.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
	Treasurer	\$50.00	\$12.50	\$12.50	\$12.50	\$12.50
	Insurance	\$800.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
	Copier Expense	\$150.00	\$37.50	\$37.50	\$37.50	\$37.50
	Storage Rental	\$440.00	\$110.00	\$110.00	\$110.00	\$110.00
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Activities	RSC Rent	\$1,320.00	\$330.00	\$330.00	\$330.00	\$330.00
	RSC Expense	\$400.00	\$100.00	\$100.00 \$25.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
	World Unity Day	\$100.00	\$25.00		\$25.00	\$25.00
	Service Assembly	\$700.00	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$175.00
		\$2,520.00	\$630.00	\$630.00	\$630.00	\$630.00
Soul to Soul		\$400.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Literature	M.A.N.	\$1,400.00	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$350.00
PI	Meeting Lists	\$300.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
	Secretary/Mailings	\$140.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00
	Website	\$120.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00
		\$560.00	\$140.00	\$140.00	\$140.00	\$140.00
H&I	Secretary	\$100.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
1161	Misc.	\$100.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
		\$200.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
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Steering	Copies/Mail	\$150.00	\$37.50	\$37.50	\$37.50	\$37.50
Outreach	Secretary	\$60.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00
	Project Postage	\$25.00	\$6.25	\$6.25	\$6.25	\$6.25
		\$85.00	\$21.25	\$21.25	\$21.25	\$21.25
Convention		\$1,500.00	\$375.00	\$375.00	\$375.00	\$375.00
Campout		\$1,500.00	\$375.00	\$375.00	\$375.00	\$375.00
-ampout	TOTAL	\$13,718.00	\$3,429.50		\$3,429.50	\$3,429.50
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*Note: Although I have tried to get all the information together that Groups need to consider, I may have missed some things. The RCM's are responsible for getting all the needed information to the Groups. Furthermore, all of the information contained in the minutes should go to the Groups for their information. Remember, good communication is essential to the wellbeing of the Fellowship.

Thanks, Kirk Brown Regional secretary

Second Annual

Mid-America Regional Campout Fundraiser

Hosted by

Central Kansas Area

May 8, 2004

Great Bend, KS
Recreation Center
Stone Street
More information about location at a later date

Spaghetti Feed Please Bring a Side Dish

Speaker, Auction, Raffle, DJ Dance

Raffle and Auction donations greatly appreciated

CKA Service Committee Meeting to precede this function.

The next Regional meeting is on Saturday May 15, 2004

9:00AM-11:00AM (UP) CAMPOUT (DOWN) CONVENTION

> 11:00AM-1:00PM (UP) ACTIVITIES (DOWN) PI

1:00PM-2:00PM LUNCH

2:00PM-4:00PM (UP) OUTREACH (DOWN) STEERING

4:00PM-6:00PM (UP) LITERATURE (DOWN) H&I

7:00PM-8:00PM SPEAKER MEETING

8:00PM-12:00AM D.J.DANCE-AUCTION-RAFFLE \$3.00/PERSON - NO ADDICT TURNED AWAY

Sunday May 16, 2004

8:30AM-9:00AM RSC CHAIR/CO-CHAIR, SECRETARY & TREASURER RCM, ALT, RCM SUB-COMMITTEE CHAIRS & CO-CHAIR MOTIONS & REQUESTS

9:00AM - UNTIL DONE REGIONAL SERVICE COMMMITTEE MEETING