



Mid America Regional Service Committee Narcotics Anonymous

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Business Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2007

The business meeting of the Mid America Region of Narcotics Anonymous was opened by John S.III (chair) at 8:28am on August 19, 2007. The chair opened the floor for questions about the Fellowship for Freedom area promissory note. After some discussion the meeting actually started, in McPherson, KS.

Housekeeping: Requests for funds and motions. The chair called for all R.O.F. and any motions to be put on new business. The treasurer called for all donations at this time as well.

Roll Call: We took our first roll call at 8:47am the following chairs and trusted servants were present at the start of business on Sunday August 19, 2007.

Trusted Servants Present: Chair, Co-Chair, Reg. Delegate 2, Treasurer, Co-treasurer, Secretary.

Area R.C.M.'s:

Central KS Area, Fellowship For Freedom, Just For Today, Miracle Area, Unity Area, Wichita Metro Area , and Primary Purpose. There was no representation from Western area.

Subcommittee Chairs:

Activities , Campout , Convention , Hospitals & Institutions , Literature , Outreach , Public Information , Steering , Archivist and Soul to Soul. The P.O. Box chair had to leave but left his report with Steering.

A. Approval of Minutes:

May 2007 minutes (old and new business only) were read. Dewayne K. motioned to accept the minutes with an amendment to the minutes to include the fact that there was no representation from Western area, Jerry C. 2nd the motion. The secretary will be sure to read the first part of the minutes in November to include the amendment. This will make the 3rd quarter that there was no representation from Western Area. (It was in the May minutes just not read.)

B. Area Reports

Central Kansas Area

Hello Regional,

The CKA is struggling at filling positions but we are doing a lot of work in our area. H&I is doing well trying to get into Barton County Jail. There is a lot of functions coming up. Hoisington group is having their day in the park and swimming pool, Barbeque next Saturday Aug. 25th. Larned Rib Feed Sept

15th. This is at a new location. Speaker Jam Nov. 3rd. Chili Bowl Dec. 3rd. Our area is looking at new ideas to attract the newer members as well as the older members. One thing about small area meetings, they don't last very long. Grateful to serve, Dusty

PS: We have a \$250.00 donation. The motion (#5) passed.

Fellowship For Freedom Area

Hello Family,

We voted a new chair, co-chair and secretary of the Area. I was re-elected for another term as RCM and Kathy for another term as alternate RCM. Our Activities subcommittee is doing a good job raising money at events. They were supposed to secure a date and place for the area inventory but that never happened; hopefully more will be revealed in my next report. H&I had a fundraiser in May. They did a great job raising money for literature and also donated to the Area. At this time we have no Outreach subcommittee and the convention bank account and P.O. Box has been closed. The hotel debt was paid in June. We want to thank everyone from the region who attended our business meeting in June for your help and support. We now have a debt of \$2600.00 to the region and we should be mailing a check (amount to be determined) in the next two weeks. P.I. will be putting IP's in the 501 school district by the end of September. That's all for now... Jerry C., RCM

Just For Today Area R. C. M. Report, August 19, 2007

Greetings, Family!

We are doing well in our area. Two of our groups have new meeting locations. "A Way To Recovery Group" in Parsons now meets at 1724 Broadway Street and "Against All Odds Group" in Pittsburg meets at 308 E. 7th St. in Pittsburg. Also, Emporia has a new group, "Hardcore Recovery", which meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 828 Commercial St., all meetings are closed. We have decided not to host the Mirror of Miracles free area campout this year. We did not feel it would be financially prudent at this time. We are tentatively planning to host it in the spring of next year. The Clean and Crazy Group in Chanute will be hosting the Just For Today area MARCNA XXV fundraiser on Saturday, October 27th. It is the group's 3rd annual "Freedom from the Horrors of Addiction" Halloween event. We will be having a chili cook-off, costume contest for kids and adults, raffle and auction (please feel free to donate items), dance, and a guest speaker from Colorado. It will be held at the Masonic Hall in Chanute. The flyer will be e-mailed out this week. Please post and announce at your groups. We have a donation of \$200.00 to the RSC. Also, we voted to approve Motion #5. Due to issues with our present phone line, we are researching the possibility of using a new answering service with a "live" operator which will connect callers with a recovering addict if needed. Finally, this will be my last RSC as RCM for my area. It has truly been an honor and blessing to serve my area and be a part of such a wonderful group of caring addicts. Thank you for allowing me to always feel a part of.

In Loving Service,

Earl E. Barnes

Primary Purpose Area

Hello Mid-America Region,

McPherson, Hutchinson, Lyons, Newton and Sterling are alive and carrying the message to addict in Primary Purpose Area. The last area meeting we were told that each group is having a healthy supply of attendance. This will be my last report to you as RCM, my term is up in October. I was voted through as Co-Chair for our Area, I will continue to provide RCM business due to that is part of our policy/guidelines unless the position is filled. So you may not get rid of me yet, another position that we filled was CO-PI – Tim K., we have other positions that need filled, pray for our area that we will fill this positions quickly. PPA is continuing to supply facilities with NA literature. Our H&I are busy with Mirror, Valley Hope and South Unit @ Hutchinson Correctional Facility. We are making arrangements to enter the East Unit for H&I presentations. Our Speak-a-thon & Learning Days last month was a “BANG” over 75 in attendance, THANKS for showing up, and the sloppy joe’s were delicious.

We have several upcoming activities:

August 31st - Sept 2nd, GOLNA Back to Basics Campout, Harvey County West in the Walnut Grove Area.

Sept 8th, RAGS “Day in the Park II” at the Sterling Lake Park.

Oct. 13th, Night Flyers Fish Fry, Lyons NA Meeting Hall.

Oct. 27th GOLNA Halloween Dance, location to be announced.

Nov 10th, Newton HOW 25th Annual Turkey Feed @ 4H Building.

Dec 15th the McPherson Flying Free will host the Blue Ball Ball, more will be revealed on this event.

Dec 31st, Newton HOW is hosting A New Year’s Eve Dance. Sounds like some clean fun is happening in the Primary Purpose Area. Come join us to celebrate the NA way. “Recovery Rocks”. Primary Purpose is donating \$400.00. Our next area meeting will be held in McPherson, Ks at 216 S. Main. Clean today and that’s the way I want to keep it, Addict Jack.

Miracle Area

Hello fellow member,

Well the past three months have been busy in the Miracle Area with the convention coming Nov. 9th, 10th, and 11th. The past conventions have been great for fun and fellowship. Hope to see y’all there. Other points of interest in our area included new opportunities in a State Correctional Facility for Hospitals & Institutions. Public Information phone line volunteers updated now every 28th of every month. P.I. is currently researching if putting contact numbers in a paper that is put out for non-profit would violate any traditions. Groups in the area have steady participation. Many have seen some growth and many activities as well. Thank you all. As always Your Servant, Frank B., RCM Miracle Area

Unity Area Report

Hi all,

Our area has had several functions. Omega Crossroads had a campout and Clean'n'Crazy had a picnic and swimming. Clay NA is celebrating their 3rd Anniversary with fun and fellowship and a speaker on September 8th. One of our groups put Basic Texts in their school library. We are working on doing the same in each of our schools. We did, however, put a Spanish and English Basic Text in the public library. We've been having problems with our information line and it is still being worked on by John W. He's been pretty vigilant trying to get this thing working again. We are in the process of working on our Halloween Dance which is October 27th. We are incorporating workshops on the importance of service work and defining the service structure. We are having trouble getting our flyers on the website. One group had sent in a request 3 times to get it posted onto the website. We need to get with Just for Today to work on our workshop on the 12 Concepts for the Service Assembly. We are donating \$91.89 to Region. We voted yes to the motion regarding steering having more time out to secure a convention bid. Our last note is a letter from one of our groups with their opinion regarding the Mid-America Region bailing out the FFF Convention. We would like to see money sent on to World today.

In Service, Jim W., RCM Unity Area

Wichita Metro Area Report

Hello Everyone,

As summer winds down, Wichita Metro Area would like to report that we had a successful campout the weekend of June 21st at Lake Afton. The groups were very involved; supplying four meals. The ASC supplied Sunday morning breakfast. There was a Sunday morning speaker right after breakfast. We'd like to thank Lorna S. for sharing her story with us. We had campfire meetings as well as other fun activities including foolish Olympics and a resentment piñata. Our old-timer's appreciation is coming up on October 20th. The theme will be "Living in the Present." Our annual Celebration of Recovery will be on January 26th. More information will be available at the next RSC. Our PI sub-committee continues to be very active. They purchased a phone box where the caller is guided to the information they want through the use of menu items. For example, it should say "For meetings on Sunday, press 1. For meetings on Monday, press 2." They are considering the use of a 1-800 number, but nothing has been decided at this time. This will be a huge improvement over our existing phone line. Look forward to this being online before the end of the year. PI is also working towards using a web site committee to maintain the web site. There have been problems when only one person has all the knowledge and suddenly stops updating the web site. Our literature committee has been growing steadily. They have created their own bank account. They are going to use the money earned through discounts to purchase additional literature. We donated 10 Just For Today books to New Freedom group that is in Winfield penitentiary. Wichita Metro Area is now up to nine groups; seven of those regularly participate in the Area service committee. I look forward to seeing everyone in San Antonio!

Thanks for letting me serve,

Wes S. -Alternate RCM

C. Subcommittee Reports

Archivist : No expenditures, still have the funds I requested. No new “stuff” or at least, it was minimal. Most sub-committees are not providing their sub-committee minutes. Hope you are saving all your papers for archives; shirts, mugs, etc. (Campout – Soul to Soul)

In Service, John S.

Activities : Hi my friend,

We opened, the area reports were gave. 4 out of 8 were there. We passed around the activities calendar. I will pass it around here. Please put down all your activities, thank you very much. We went over the service assembly. Our theme: Service- How it Works will have areas incorporating workshops. The assigned areas and their designated workshops are as follows; Wichita Metro & Primary Purpose their workshop will be on the service symbol. Miracle area & Fellowship for Freedom they will be covering “The Group Booklet”. Western & Central Kansas area will cover “What is a group conscious?” Finally we will have Just for Today & Unity area working out the 12 Concepts. Some of the areas are ready and some of them are putting it in God’s hands now. We talked about DJ for the RSC. They play for 2 - 2 ½ hours. We got a DJ that will take \$100.00. We asked all DJ to play for \$100.00 for 2 hours. We had a good night last night. We made \$208, door was \$155, raffle was \$177, total was \$570.88. Take off \$200 for DJ. \$350.88 left, so we did good.

Love and Service, Dave

Break: *The chair called for a break at 10:am and we reconvened at 10:17am.*

Roll Call: *We took a roll call at 10:17am and everyone came back from break.*

Campout : A very special thank you to all of you who stepped up and helped with this years campout. The committee could not have done it alone. Our volunteers are our most valued trusted servants. We had great NA speakers and a workshop. Due to nature’s way of reminding us of who was in charge, there was no games or dance, which gave us a chance for a lot of fellowship time with addicts getting to better to know each other we share our recovery with each other. A few problems did arise with individuals who made a choice to not follow the rules set by the campground and the region and followed their own agendas and causing members of the region not to feel safe and intimidated by outside organizations and individuals. This has been an ongoing issue that is showing no signs of improvement and it is time for the region to take a stand and make our members feel safe at regional events and now the ending report with a smaller turn out. Issues and buckets of rain, the campout ending balance is \$3049.92, with all bills paid. There is still not a site for 30th Campout and anyone can contact a committee member with site recommendations. The campout committee nominates Russ P. for Chair of the 30th Campout with other positions being filled. Lorna S.- Co-Chair, Deb S.-Treasurer, Jack S.-Programming, Larry K.- Merchandising & Fundraising and Mae H.-Secretary. I would again like to thank the committee members and volunteers who made the 29th Regional Campout a success and the Chair position easy and gave me guidance when needed. Love you all. Grateful to be of service, Jeff R. **(FINANCIAL REPORT ATTACHED TO WRITTEN REPORT)**

Convention Report:

Hello Region,

Our convention committee is coming together nicely. We have filled almost all of our positions including bringing a recommendation for convention chair. We are recommending Dorothee M. as convention chair. We have a design for our fundraising shirts. Pre-registration fliers will be posted this month. We are sending requests to the areas to sponsor the hospitality room this month as well. We have looked into several bands and D.J. services and are listening to demo discs that our entertainment chair has presented. We have discussed the menu and have a price for the pre- registration package. At this time we only have the co- chair and the programming chair open. We are always looking for general members. Our next interim meeting will be in Emporia at the Pioneer group on the third Sunday of the month at 1:pm. There is a lot of work and we are moving right along and welcome more participation at the convention committee. Thank you for the opportunity to serve,

Dorothee M.

Hospitals & Institutions : Hello Family,

There were eleven people who attended the H&I subcommittee. It is apparent we are in the middle of a building season. There was not a single H&I chair present to represent their Area. Thank you to those of you who did attend and who participated. A member from Miracle Area provided information on their upcoming Learning Days. They have set a date for Jan 19th, more will be revealed at the November RSC. Miracle Area reported their efforts at the Douglas County Jail is surviving. They need more men to help carry the message. The women have rallied and are doing well on the women's side. I received a late written report from the PPA Area H&I Chair. The report expressed PPA's gratitude to the men and women who attended and helped with their Learning Day held in Lyons last month. It was a success and it promoted unity among many various groups from this region. The Sub Committee received information on a potential new facility for H&I meetings. We were contacted by the Lakewood Rehab Center in Haviland, Kansas. The contact person is Jaquita Bates. This committee will be contacting CKA and Wichita Metro to explain the request. There was a challenge given to those who attended to bring 2 newcomers, 2 old timers, 2 sponsee's, or just 2 people with them to next RSC in November. I would like to extend this challenge to all other Sub Committees and to everyone that is sitting around these tables this morning. Remember Recovery is fun!

In loving Service, Lorna S.

P.S. We passed Jon S. stinky hat a collected \$17.00

Literature : Hello Family, All is well with me. Tim had good news when he picked up the MAN, it was cheaper than planned. We had 3 Area's in attendance. There was talk about the MAN getting paid. All position are open except the MAN, but Tim will be done with 2008 Spring printing. So if there is willingness to do this, get with Tim. The money being requested will be \$76.55 for Tim at \$114.17 for Hutchison Correctional Facility, but leave amount open so Tim can pay on time. I am will to serve until someone steps up. In Service, Jim W.

Outreach Report August 18, 2007

Hello Regional Family,

There were seven out of eight areas represented at our Outreach subcommittee meeting although most of those representing were not area outreach chairs. There was no chair or co-chair report due to no secretary at our last meeting. Suzie filled in this time as our secretary. Our subcommittee heard a common theme during the area reports which was that there is a serious lack of participation at the area levels. This makes traveling to struggling groups in surrounding areas difficult at best. The subcommittee bounced a lot of possible solutions off each other during new business and with around 15 in attendance this made for a great discussion. As a regional subcommittee we asked ourselves “what can this subcommittee do to help the areas”, and we came up with not one but two possible solutions and we are asking for the R.C.M.’s to take back to their areas.

Solution #1. We are asking as a subcommittee that you take back to your G.S.R.’s the following challenge. We ask that the G.S.R.’s ask their groups to discuss ways of making service more attractive to the newcomers. Then to challenge each G.S.R. to bring a newcomer from their group to their following A.S.C.

Solution #2. To ask each G.S.R. to put a shoebox up in their meeting halls with the following question inside; “what would make service more attractive for you?” Leave this up with a pen and paper for addict input. Then send the shoeboxes with the R.C.M.’s to the next region for our subcommittee to follow up on. We feel we need to find out these solutions from our own newcomers at the area level. This was a very productive meeting and we had a lot of willingness to set up these group challenges from the regional level. One thing that we discussed throughout the meeting was what are we doing as service members to make service attractive to the newcomer. What do they see when they come to the regional level as a newcomer and see our emotions coming out during the business meeting. At this level of service we need to be more responsible with how we represent ourselves in service during disagreements. We need to remember who we are here for and raise awareness that newcomers watch our behaviors. Thank you for the opportunity to serve, Larry K.

P.O. Box : Hello Family, Hope everyone has had a great summer, and like myself looking forward to an even better fall season. Kids are back in school and life as I know it is starting to get back somewhat normal. I want to apologize for my absence today, but the literature says this thing we call recovery is about progress not perfection. And every year I stay clean, my higher power takes me to a higher level. I don’t know if a lot of you know that I’m studying to be an Associate Minister at my church. Anyway, during the month of July and the first couple weeks in August my Pastor allowed me to attend my daughter’s summer, maybe basketball tournaments. For I am the Assistant Coach also; instead of fulfilling my obligations at our church. And by this weekend being our 132 year celebration, it was kinda hard to be absent from it also. So hopefully all is forgiven and you won’t miss me to much. As I will you guys. Now getting to the mail business. There wasn’t much mail this past quarter. We had bill from the Kansas Department of Corrections which has been given to the treasurer. A few correspondence from NAWs for the literature Chair, which he has received. And some flyers for upcoming conventions around the United States. Which I have distributed on the table. Other than that as I stated earlier the mail was I little slow this quarter. May everyone in this region continue to be bless is my prayer. In loving service, Kerry B. – P.O. Box Chair

Public Information : There is quite a bit going on in the Region with Public Information. The tables were full at the subcommittee meeting and we had 5 Area’s officially represented. The Primary Purpose Area has begun weekly PI meetings with a focus on practicing for PI presentations. John S. and Rod D.

attended the 8th Annual Governor's Conference in Topeka at the end of July. It went really well, they had between 130 – 160 direct hits and spoke to judges, counselors, jailers, department heads, etc. The region has a booth at the Recovery Conference in Salina, September 19, 20 and 21. Areas are welcome to show to help man the booth. Contact John S. and Rod D. for more information. The subcommittee voted to remove the web-servant because the committee does not believe the commitment has been kept according to policy guidelines. Temporary web servants for the upcoming quarter are going to be Wes S., Wichita and Jeff R., Larned. Please email your meeting updates and function flyers to info@marscna.net. Area's: please take back to your groups that we need a web servant. Due to miscommunication with Hutchison Correctional Facility we do not have meeting lists today. Rod D. has agreed to pick the lists up this time and mail them out. Again, Rod is ready to give up this commitment – we, PI committee, hope to have a replacement for him next quarter. If interested in being responsible for updating and printing the regional meeting lists –please be at the next RSC PI subcommittee meeting. In loving service, Marti M. Due to miss communication with Hutchinson Correctional Facility we do not have meeting schedules for today. Rod D. Has agreed to pick them up this time and mail them out. Again Rod is ready to give up this commitment. We, the P.I. subcommittee, hope to have a replacement for him by next quarter. If interested in being responsible for updating and printing the regional meeting lists please attend the next R.S.C. P.I subcommittee meeting.

Steering Committee Report

Greetings to the Mid American Region, We are working away on the policy and guidelines. Our thanks to all who have submitted guidelines to us. We need a few more items but there is time while we work on what we have. The need for more interim meetings may be in the future. Speaking of interim meetings our next one will be on 9/30/07 at addict Jacks in Hutchison at 1:00pm. As we all know the need for convention bids is at a all time high. The fellowship wants our convention to move around, but as it stands the only bid we have seen is from the Holiday Inn in Salina. If we do not have any other bids by the November Steering committee meeting it may be another year in Salina. You know I must admit I like the folks up in the Unity Area. I must also say I am not wanting to see them every other year. So please get with your local Steering committee member and talk to some Hotels. Southeast or Western Kansas would be nice. Who knows maybe South Central may happen again. I pray that our Higher Powers will and not ours be done. Much love to all. Your brother from another mother, DeWayne Kitchen

Soul 2 Soul : Hi all! Soul 2 Soul is on! We are in the finalizing step of the Retreat. The pre-registration deadline has been extended to August 31, 2007 in hopes of getting more pre-registrations. The whole weekend for \$60.00, plus \$15.00 for T-Shirt is a great deal! Pete is planning a great menu with lots of “feel good food”. We hope to see many of you there for it truly is a spiritual and peaceful weekend. I also have T-Shirts here today. If you are interested, please see me. They are only \$15.00. Thank you for letting me serve, Dorothee M. – Soul 2 Soul Co-Chair

P.S. This year we ask for you to bring your own pop – due to a mess trying to keep all the pop cold in the coolers. Soul 2 Soul will provide coffee, tea and water. Thanks!

D. Officers Reports

Regional Delegate Report: Howdy RSC

I am sorry I could not be here today work says they want me instead. I figured you all would not mind this one time. Anyway not much has happened with me the last quarter I was able to help with the P.I. booth at the Juvenile Justice Governor's Conference on Substance Abuse. That was very rewarding as we were able to give a lot of Literature away along with meeting schedules. The back drop that John has had made looks really good. I would like to bring to this body a topic for discussion that I will be asking at the Nov RSC. In the 2008 Conference the World Service will be asking us to decide on seating at the World Service Conference the following Regions: Egypt, El Salvador, Nepal, Nicaragua, Southern Brazil, Eastern Pennsylvania, and North Carolina. Now if you remember I voted against North Carolina, and a region in Kentucky. I based my vote on the feeling from a long time ago that this Region did not want to seat anymore U.S. based Regions. After talking with some other at the Delegates at the Conference I asked the Conference body to revisit the motion on North Carolina. The vote was still not to seat them. In talking with the Delegates North Carolina is already operating as a region providing much needed service to their Areas. **I will be seeking (in Nov.) an approval or disapproval on seating of those Regions. Again I am not asking for a vote at this time but I will be making a motion to go back to your groups. So please by next RSC have some discussion in these issues so that you can ask any questions?** I want to make sure everyone understands that August 31st is the deadline to submit your World Pool Information Form to be considered for World Service Conference Human Resource Panel nominations. The Panel will look at the candidates and nominate anyone they think is qualified for positions at World Service Level. And on October 31st is the deadline for us (the Mid-America Region) to submit any candidates we feel are qualified for WSC Co facilitator, Human Resource Panel Member, and World Board Member. I have included the qualifications for those positions along with a Candidate Submission Form in with my report. **Do you have anyone to nominate?** Also you have a World Pool Information Form you can fill out also find and fill out this form online at <http://www.na.org/index.htm> .

RD 2 Alt. Delegate Report 8/19/2007

Hello family, With the exception of a trip to Topeka for the May motion follow up this has been a "non-eventful" quarter, as we gear up for the fall and winter months though this will change. The final Plains States' Zonal Forum meeting of the year will be held October 19th thru 21st in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Flyers for this event are scheduled to be sent out next week and a couple of items on the agenda will be the follow up from the Governor's Conference and discussion of the proposed revisions to *A Guide to World Services in NA*. Currently revisions for consensus-based decision making are being emailed out in order to get feedback and in the upcoming months more revisions simplifying WSC rules of order will also be sent out. I am requesting funding for Rod and I, as well as anyone who wishes to travel with us, to attend and participate. The breakdown is as follows: 1 room for 2 nights @ \$69.00 + taxes per night totaling \$150.00; RD and RDA meals for 3 days cut in half totaling \$150.00; and expected fuel costs totaling \$175.00. This brings the requested total to **\$475.00**. I am expecting an email early next week which will have information on the approval form of the sixth edition of the Basic Text, the five new service pamphlets, the availability of WCNA merchandise to be ordered online, and an online NA membership survey, all of which will be formulated and sent to our Secretary for inclusion in the minutes. Even though I am jumping ahead a little, start planning your C.A.R. workshops. The Conference Agenda Report will be made available in December and the Plains State's Zonal Forum CAR workshop is scheduled for January 5th and 6th, 2008 in McPherson. Anytime between this date and early April would be a good time for your area workshops. I hope to see some of you at a World Unity Day phone hook-up function, for those that are going to be in San Antonio give out a shout for the Mid-America Region!

Gratefully Serving



Secretary Report: Hello Regional family,

Well it has been an exciting first time as your secretary. I want to thank everyone for your help in typing in your reports and e-mailing them to me. I have here today two stacks one for typed in, and one for not typed in. Last time I got three e-mails from three different addicts who took the time to help me by typing in my reports and I ended up with 3 copies of the same 5 reports typed in. I have gotten the Archivist duties and qualifications typed up and I e-mailed them to Kirk B. so that he could add them to the policy. I am unsure of the procedure to do that. With the hard copy minutes I sent out the regional non- rotating schedule and agenda. I had a question about the Saturday night dance, is there a rotation schedule for the fundraising purpose of the dances? I could get them all done for the next 2 years if I knew what each dance was for. I was answered about the non- rotating schedule, and I do apologize to Dave R. because I was doing his job. I realize now that I was stepping on your toes and for that I apologize. I just thought that since the old format was sent to me, as secretary I was supposed to do it for region. Also I wanted to ask that everyone turning in a report, PLEASE put your subcommittee or area at the top of the report. Some of the reports were very hard for me to tell where they were from they had no titles. Also if you have a motion to put in please write it out very thoroughly. We had a motion go back to groups at the last Sunday Regional and the wording was very vague. As secretary I just type up what is written, I can't edit what isn't written right. I am completely willing to help write them out however. The list of my secretary expenses are as follows: \$26.91 for copies-\$25.08 for postage- \$7.94 for 600 mailing labels- \$17.99 for 100 manila envelopes for a grand total of \$77.92. The next request of funds may be less because I shouldn't have to order anymore envelopes and mailing labels for a while however I did pass around at the subcommittee meetings yesterday a Saturday sign- up sheet for anyone wanting a hard copy of the minutes that were not going to be able to attend today. That may make the copy more due to more people wanting them. They have the option of e-mail or snail mail on the sign up sheet. I noticed a couple of names put on the attendance sheet at last region and those people were not here, they did however want a hard copy of the minutes. So I did send them their request but I did not put them on as having attended. It can get confusing to know who was really at region if we keep using the attendance sheet as a request for minutes if they are not really here. So if you know of anyone who is not here but would like to have either a hard or electronic copy of the minutes, please put them on the absentee sheet that is going around with the sign up sheet. As secretary I had the opportunity to attend the Fellowship for Freedom area business meeting where the region presented a solution for their financial dilemma. Although there were a lot of strong opinions about the solution that the region was offering, there was a lot of unity rebuilding in the area as we sat there and let the area decide what to do. It was an honor to be a part of a solution that will help to send a strong message of unity for Narcotics Anonymous as a whole. I do have the numbers as to what went where, but I am not sure that it is my job to report that since the treasurer is here and also attended the meeting. Finally, I typed up two lists for the regional storage unit key holders. The first list, which will remain with the extra keys in the secretary's box just has the title of the regional officers who hold the keys. The second list has the names of the current key holders and should be updated when the officers are rotated out. This is something that should be done by the secretary. On that note I would like to know if there is a secretary box or do I not have one, and if not could I have permission to buy one. I

have not had a chance to go through the past minutes and find any policy changing motions that have been passed and not added to the regional policy. I think that is the only thing that I was not able to do my first time around. Please let me know if there is anything else in the secretaries duties that I forgot to do. Thank you for allowing me to serve, *Suzie Q.*

Break: The chair called for a second break at 11:06 and we re-opened the meeting at 11:20am

Roll Call: We took a roll call at 11:43 and everyone came back from break.

Treasurers Report:

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| Beginning Balance | People's Bank & Trust | | | \$ 8,054.98 |
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| <u>Income:</u> | | | | |
| Add in #1807 | | | | + <u>133.98</u> |
| | Sub-total | | | \$ 8,188.96 |
| <u>Expenses:</u> | | | | |
| 5/20/07 #1804 | Voided (P.O. box) | | | |
| 5/20/07 #1805 | You Store It | | \$ 522.50 | |
| 5/20/07 #1806 | Tim Stewart-MAN postage | | 56.00 | |
| 5/20/07 #1807 | HCF Print Shop-MAN printing | | 133.98 | |
| 5/20/07 #1808 | John Stanley-Governor's Conference | | 350.00 | |
| 5/20/07 #1809 | Rod Davis-Zonal trip | | 162.00 | |
| 5/20/07 #1810 | HCF-Meeting lists | | 105.99 | |
| 5/20/07 #1811 | John Stanley-Archives | | 125.00 | |
| 5/20/07 #1812 | Victor Hirst-dj balance | | 29.00 | |
| 5/20/07 #1813 | Dave Rose-August start-up cash | | 100.00 | |
| 5/20/07 #1814 | NAWS-phoneline | | 50.00 | |
| 5/20/07 #1815 | John Stanley-Recovery Conference | | 250.00 | |
| | Deluxe checks | | <u>11.00</u> | |
| | Total Expenses | | | - <u>1,895.47</u> |

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| | Checkbook balance/People's Bank | | | \$ 6,293.49 |
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| June 6, 2007 | Deposits/Sunflower Bank | | | |
| <i>(New Account)</i> | M.A.R.C.N.A. XXIV | \$ 5,000.00 | | |
| | H & I Escrow | 18.00 | | |
| | Group donations | 1,226.59 | | |
| | FFF Convention | 1,100.00 | | |
| | Donation/check order | <u>14.10</u> | | |
| | Total deposits | | | \$ 7,358.69 |
| Expenses: | | | | |
| 6/16/07 #1001 | Capitol Plaza Hotel-FFF Convention | | 3,700.00 | |
| | Check order | | 14.10 | |
| 6/14/07 #1002 | Perkins-May regional | | 210.00 | |
| 7/16/07 #1003 | HCF-MAN printing | | <u>114.17</u> | |
| | Total Expenses | | | - <u>4,038.27</u> |
| | Bank Balance/Sunflower Bank | | | \$ 3,320.42 |
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| | M.A.R.S.C.N.A. Monies | | | \$ 9,613.91 |

Mid America Region of Narcotics Anonymous

Treasurer's Report for August 07 RSC

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|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| M.A.R.S.C.N.A. Monies | | \$ 9,613.91 |
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| Prudent Reserve: | | |
| Rent | \$ 840.00 | |
| Insurance | 1,000.00 | |
| Storage | 540.00 | |
| P. O. Box | 40.00 | |
| Web Page | 100.00 | |
| RDA | <u>1,500.00</u> | |
| Total Prudent Reserve | | - <u>4,020.00</u> |
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| New Balance | | \$ 5,593.91 |
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| Escrows: | | |
| H & I | \$ 242.57 | |
| Outreach | 117.40 | |
| Rent | 210.00 | |
| Insurance | 250.00 | |
| Storage | 135.00 | |
| P. O. Box | 10.00 | |
| Web Page | 25.00 | |
| RDA | <u>375.00</u> | |
| Total Escrows | | - <u>1,364.97</u> |
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| Spendable Balance | | \$ 4,228.94 |

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Prudent Reserve

6/07 – 5/08

| Expense | Annually | Quarterly | Pay-out Month |
|----------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Rent | \$ 840.00 | \$ 210.00 | Quarterly |
| Insurance | \$1,000.00 | \$ 250.00 | August |
| Storage Unit | \$ 540.00 | \$ 135.00 | November |
| P. O. Box | \$ 40.00 | \$ 10.00 | February |
| Web Page | \$ 100.00 | \$ 25.00 | ? |
| RDA | <u>\$1,500.00</u> | <u>\$ 375.00</u> | February 08 |
| Totals | \$4,020.00 | \$ 1,005.00 | |

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In the treasurer's report Janet reported that we changed from Peoples Bank and Trust to Sunflower Bank. The treasurer donated the money to pay for the checks. The following are the 2 letters that the treasurer included to be added to the minutes so the RCM's could report back to the groups the follow-up information on the F.F.F. promissory note.

August 18, 2007

Yesterday several members of Mid America Region of Narcotics Anonymous performed an audit on the Fellowship for Freedom Area books. All checks in the register were accounted for in the bank statements. All transactions had receipts stapled to the Request for Funds forms. As of August 15, 2007 the checking account balance recorded is \$2,153.26. Due to the fact that this audit was a condition of a promissory note between the Mid America Region and Fellowship for Freedom Area which is legally

binding, I feel that full names need to be recorded. Members conducting the audit were: Janet Wood, Debby Stewart, Sally Rose and Jack Shelton.---

Yesterday several members of Mid America Region of Narcotics Anonymous performed an audit on the Fellowship for Freedom 2007 Convention books. All checks in the register were accounted for on the bank statements. All transactions had receipts with the exception of the rental space for the monthly dances (which was a church) and the dj. FFF Area owes Michelle Sobolski \$105.37 for purchases she put on her credit card. The register was \$10.54 long. The ending balance was \$4.77 and the account is currently closed. Due to the fact that this audit was a condition of a promissory note between the Mid America Region and Fellowship for Freedom Area which is legally binding, I feel that full names need to be recorded. Members conducting the audit were: Janet Wood, Debby Stewart, Kirk Brown, Mike Taylor and Tim Stewart.---

Janet Wood- Mid America Region of Narcotics Anonymous Treasurer

E. Old Business

Elections: Archivist- The duties and qualifications were read. There was no willingness from the floor. Janet W. nominated John S.III for another term. This was 2nd by Tim S. John accepted the nomination and since he already qualified he stepped out to open the floor for discussion. There was a lot of discussion about John needing assistance with the position and a recommendation from H&I to have a co-chair. The region decided to vote him back in with a suggestion of asking for support to not only help with putting everything in order but to train others for the position. ***Campout Chair*** – Russ was nominated from the Campout committee for the position. There was no other willingness at this time. Russ qualified himself and after a brief Q&A he stepped out. There was a vote taken and he was voted in. ***Convention Chair-*** Dorothee M. was recommended by the convention committee. Dorothee qualified herself and answered some questions from the floor. There was a vote taken and she was voted in. there was no willingness for Literature Chair or Webservant. The Steering chair will be up for re-election for a second term in November. We also need an Outreach chair , co- chair and a Literature subcommittee to be elected. Please take back to groups and remind everyone that it is an honor to serve.

Break for Lunch: At 1:15pm we took an hour to break for lunch. We re-opened at 2:24pm with a moment of silence followed with the Serenity Prayer.

Roll Call: On the attached roll call sheet everyone came back from lunch with the exception of the R.D. (who was absent all day) but including the P.O. Box co-chair.

Motions taken back to groups: Motion #5 Maker of motion- steering. The roll call vote, RCM's only is attached. The vote passed with 5 yes, 1 abstention.

Insurance Information- August 15, 2007-RE: Insurance quote

I have received the quotation from the Philadelphia Insurance Companies. The breakdown of the premium is attached. We are definitely in a bind this year to get this coverage. First of all, I was disappointed in the responses that I DID NOT receive- two areas did not respond! I had gotten the information to all of you in plenty of time. So the quote is based on $\frac{3}{4}$ of the regional information and $\frac{1}{4}$ guessed. It was imperative that I have this information by the May RSC or much earlier if possible. As it turns out, since I received the information late, the company was pushed into a corner also. This is a domino affect---I did receive their quote in July, but it was after areas had their meetings and there

wasn't enough time to get the word out in order for groups and areas to vote on. Now that we have the information from the insurance company, and I have $\frac{3}{4}$ of the correct information for quoting, I am suggesting that we ALL work together and give me the correct information in time for the February RSC. I am also going to ask that any groups that are currently carrying insurance please provide me with their premium amounts for the liability portion of their insurance. Remember, this insurance policy is providing Liability insurance for all the groups and areas in the region and for their functions throughout the year. Much broader than what we currently are carrying. In Service,

Debby Stewart

World Contact Information: It was brought to the regional floor and asked of the secretary to add it to old business the World Contact Information needed for the region, areas and groups to update world. All areas are responsible for having a web contact for world. The following information is who the areas have to contact to update their information on the world website. The phone number is 1(818)773-9999 the extension # 180. The person that signs up the groups and areas to make the change is Mandy. Just ask for her and she will gladly help you with any questions you may have. It was asked of the P.I. chair to update the regional web contact from Misty to the current chair Marti. More will be revealed.

F. New Business

- 1. Webservant-** The P.I. chair reported that the subcommittee decided to remove the current webservant from his position due to not fulfilling his job. This was brought to the floor for any willingness. It raised the question of does the P.I. subcommittee have the authority to remove the webservant . The policy was brought out and it reads that the webservant is accountable to the P.I. subcommittee. So please take back to groups that the regional webservant is open and the subcommittee also discussed putting together a website committee to avoid the problems we faced with the website not being updated or managed properly.
- 2. Co- Archivist:** There was discussion during elections of creating a co-archivist position. This would solve two problems, 1. It would make the archivist position more available to addicts interested in stepping up for the position, but are currently unable to due to qualifications, by creating this as a learning position. 2. Give the current chair the assistance he needs in completing the duties of the position. This was sent to the Steering committee more will be revealed.
- 3. Motion from Miracle Area:** Motion #2 reads; To change the regional logo from a "beer" logo to something more user friendly. The intent of motion reads; So we are able to include our logo in art or headers etc. To also eliminate comments in and out of our region about what brand of beer did we model our logo from-To be less offensive. Financial impact \$0.00. This will go back to groups.
- 4. Motion from Steering chair:** The motion reads: To send \$1100.00 received from FFF Area to NAWS. The intent of the motion: To stay in line with our policy and spiritual principles of the 7th tradition. Financial impact: None, this was money that should have been sent in May. After a long discussion on a matter that had nothing to do with the current motion, Wichita Metro called for a point of parliamentary inquiry- " Is this a motion that goes back to groups or do we vote on this here?" the question went unanswered so someone called the vote. The roll call vote on the call the vote was unanimous to stop discussion and vote on the motion. The vote on the motion is attached and it passed with 4 yes votes and 3 against.

Break: The chair called for a break at 3:20. We re-opened the meeting with a moment of Silence followed by the serenity Prayer at 3:33.

5. Western Areas absence: The region expressed the growing concerns of Western Areas 3rd absence from the regional service meetings. The question brought to the floor was, “What is the Solution?” Tim S. shared that he could get in contact with a few people from that area. The region could also send a copy of the minutes to their website so that they know what is going on in the region. We could also send fliers to their website from all around the region. The Dodge City Round-up is fast approaching as well. This body could designate to the regional Outreach subcommittee to get some people together to go and visit Western area and show our support. It was asked of the regional secretary to add the dates of the Dodge City Round-Up in the minutes, October 4, 5 and 6th of this year. There are fliers out and all addicts are welcome to show their support. More will be revealed.

G. Take back to Groups

Motions taken back to Groups: Motion #2. The motion came from Miracle area. The motion asks to change the regional logo from a “beer” logo to something more user friendly. The intent of this motion reads: So we are able to include our logo in art or headers etc. To also eliminate comments in and out of our region about what brand of beer did we model our logo from- To be less offensive. Financial impact- \$0.00

Positions open in November 2007 include: Webservant, P.I. co-chair, H&I co-chair and secretary, Activities co-chair, Literature Chair (all literature subcommittee positions are open), Convention co-chair, Outreach chair. The Steering chair will be up in November for re-election on his 2 year term. Just a reminder to all members that it is an honor to serve this fellowship.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Earl and 2nd by Darryel around 5:15pm. Our next Regional Service Committee meetings will be held at the Red Coach Inn in McPherson, KS on August 18th and 19th 2007.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve,

Suzie Q.

suzie.q.e@gmail.com

X = YES O = NO A = ABSTAIN

8/19/2007

| MOTION | CENTRAL | FELLOWSHIP FOR FREEDOM | JUST FOR TODAY | MIRACLE | PRIMARY PURPOSE | UNITY | WESTERN | WICHITA METRO | PASS OR FAIL |
|---|---------|------------------------|----------------|---------|-----------------|-------|---------|---------------|--------------|
| Minutes amended to add Westerns absence | X | X | X | X | X | X | | X | pass |
| R. O. F. \$1831.30 from treasurer report vote | X | X | X | X | X | X | | X | pass |
| Motion #5 RCM vote | X | a | X | X | X | X | | X | pass |
| Call the vote for NAWWS donation discussion | X | X | X | X | X | X | | X | pass |
| Vote on NAWWS donation (to send \$1100.00) | O | X | O | X | O | X | | X | pass |
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| 19-Aug-07 | 8:47 | 10:17AM | 11:43AM | | | 2:24PM | 3:33pm | | | | | |
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AREA RCM'S

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| CENTRAL | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| F.F.F. | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| J.F.T. | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| MIRACLE | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| PRIMARY PURPOSE | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| UNITY | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
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SUB COMMITTEE

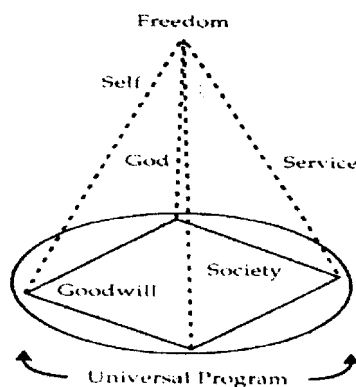
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| ARCHIVIST | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| CAMPOUT | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| CONVENTION | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| H&I | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| LITERATURE | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| OUTREACH | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| PI | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| PO BOX | n | n | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| SOUL TO SOUL | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| STEERING | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |

TRUSTED OFFICERS

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| SECRETARY | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| TREASURER | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| CO TREASURER | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| RD | n | n | n | | | n | n | | | | | |
| RD 2 | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| CHAIR | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |
| CO CHAIR | y | y | y | | | y | y | | | | | |

Service.....

In McPherson Kansas on Oct. 20th and 21st, 2007
Red Coach Inn



H.O.W. IT WORKS

Saturday Oct. 20th Workshops

- 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM The Service Symbol
Presented by Wichita Area and Primary Purpose Area
- 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM The Group Booklet
Presented by Miracle Area and FFF Area
- 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Lunch
- 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM The Service Symbol
Presented by Western Area and Central Kansas Area
- 2:45 PM - 4:00 PM The 12 Concepts
Presented by Just For Today Area and Unity Area

Saturday evening will include a Speaker, Dance, Raffle and Auction

Sunday Oct. 21st, 2007

- 9:00 AM - ? Questions and Answers, Discussion
Closing