

Mid America Regional Service Committee Narcotics Anonymous PO Box 8732 Wichita, KS 67202

Business Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2009

The business meeting of the Mid America Region of Narcotics Anonymous was opened with a moment of silence by Russell P. (chair) at 8:55 am.

The 12 Traditions were read by Jeff B. and the 12 Concepts were read by Addict Jack.

Housekeeping: Requests for funds and motions. The chair called for all R.O.F. and any motions to be put on new business. Opening balance for start of business day \$4,492.53

Roll Call: We took our first roll call at 9:00 am and the following chairs and trusted servants were present at the start of business on Sunday February 15, 2009.

Trusted Servants Present: Chair, Reg. Delegate, Alt. Reg. Delegate, Treasurer and Secretary. There is no Co- Treasurer at this time. The Regional Co- Chair had an excused absence.

Area R.C.M.'s:

Central KS Area, Fellowship For Freedom, Just For Today, Miracle Area, Primary Purpose, Unity Area, Wichita Metro.

Subcommittee Chairs:

Activities, Campout, Hospitals & Institutions, Literature, Outreach, Public- Information, Steering. Convention, Soul to Soul and P.O. Box.

A. Approval of Minutes:

November 2008 minutes (old and new business only) were read. There was an amendment to the minutes that the Campout chair is Wayne M., not Wayne S. There was a roll call vote to accept the minutes as amended. The vote passed and the minutes were accepted as amended.

B. Area Reports

Central Kansas Area

We have a few functions coming up month. Spaghetti Feed is on March 7th in Great Bend Kansas at the Recreation Center; the cook off in Hoisington Kansas on April 14th; the campout is on May 22-25th, 2009 at Lucas Park. We are stoked that MARCNA is coming to Great Bend. Meeting list are correct and so are the phone lines. That's all for no folks. Love ya long time, Jeff B.

Fellowship For Freedom Area

Hello Family,

The Fellowship For Freedom Area is doing well. The last quarter has been somewhat uneventful, but we have a few good things to report. The first is that we turned over our final payment to the treasurer this morning in paying off our promissory note. We would like to thank this body again for the support that you gave our Area. As a part of this promissory note, we have also implemented an annual Area inventory and we completed our second one last month. Overall our Area has improved, but still have progress to make. Next our PI committee is working to get the message that NA is available to those in need. We are looking at doing PSA's on public television as well as other media. More will be revealed. We are also trying to make sure that our phone line is kept up to date as well as the website. The meeting list is current on the Regional webpage and in print, but not on our Area website. Our PI chair is looking into this matter. The Outreach committee is working at trying to make sure the needs of the groups are met to the best of their ability. They are looking into new ways to get people to new meetings outside of their home group. We have a "Rock" currently circulating from one group to the next. Plus our "Capture the Flag" is still going strong! The H & I committee is experiencing a lot of new members and the message is still getting carried to those in need. They are not getting a lot of funding so they are looking at a fundraiser that Activities will be helping them with and they were present here at Region this weekend to ask for additional help. Thank you for your support.

Our Activities in the Area are going strong. Our committee has put on some great functions and are continuing to do so. The committee has put together a year-long idea where each month they focus on a step and do a function. It is called "Stepping Up in the New Year". We have also secured a campsite for our campout this year at Clinton Lake, Bloomington West Group Camp September 4-7, 2009. More will be revealed. The Literature subcommittee continues to sell and restock at a high rate. Everything is selling just as fast as we get it in. The Steering committee is still diligently working on reviewing and simplifying our Area guidelines and policies. The committee has no open positions and the experience, strength and hope of each member makes for an exciting and spiritually based conscience. We have one new group to our Area that started in December and one group left our Area to join another Area. Currently we have 14 seated groups and all positions except Assistant Area Treasurer are filled. In service, Jerry C. and Michelle C.

Just For Today Area R. C. M. Report,

Dear Regional Family, Good to be here again! Recovery is good in the Just For Today Are. We have filled the following positions at Area: PI Chair, Gail H., Outreach Chair Andy S., Literature Chair Scott L., and Alternate RCM Jerry F. We still have a few positions open but we do have a spirit of willingness. We have a coupe of PI efforts in the works... one for the Neosho County Jail in Erie and the Corner house in Emporia. We are really banding together and getting addicts on Asphalt going again and it feels great to get out and visit other groups, what an awesome feeling! We have some events coming up in our Area March 13th is the Recovery Fest fund raiser in Independence Kansas at the 4-H building, Mirror of Miracles Campout our free Area campout at Big Hill Lake Cherryvale side April 24, 25 & 26, 2009. Recovery Fest Campout June 4, 5 & 6, 2009 at Elk City Lake by Independence Kansas. We will be planning some Learning Days in the near future, more will be revealed and maybe a flyer drive soon! Until next time, in loving service, Flo M. JFT Area RCM

Miracle Area:

Dear Regional Family, There are lots of good things happening in the Miracle Area, even with money being tight, and attendance at some of our meetings is down. We are continuing in our efforts to help out the First Step House at Lakeview on Tuesday nights with support from our *Outreach Subcommittee* and donations from some groups with Basic Texts. Our *Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee* carries the message into the Douglas County Jail on the men's side, and Lansing Correctional Center, as well as, the VA Domiciliary in Leavenworth. The Community Corrections Center, a Federal Holding Facility in Leavenworth is still a work in progress however, and more will be revealed on that. Our *Public Information* Chair expressed some concern about the accuracy of the NAWS listings and the Miracle Area Listing on MARSCNA.net. This might be resolved in the Regional Subcommittee after yesterday's meeting, but I thought it worth mentioning, in case other areas have been experiencing problems. The Last Chance group that meets in Perry asked to join our Area last month and we now have 8 groups represented. There is also a new group forming in Wellsville starting February 16th, and more will be revealed. A new revised meeting list is in the works, but it won't be printed until next month, we will forward this as soon as possible.

Miracle Area Activities has some upcoming events that I wanted to mention:

Saturday, February 21st, Miracle Area Game Night at Lotta Soul, 925 Vermont in Lawrence, doors open at 5pm, Pete E. will speak at 6pm. Saturday, March 7th, Drums Not Drugs-Full Moon Drum Circle at Cy's House, 833 N. 300 Rd. Baldwin, Kansas, starts at 6pm, meeting at 7pm, bring a chair and a snack (drums available). This will be a monthly event around the weekend of the full moon. Saturday, March 14th, Learning Day from 1-4pm, Speaker Meeting at 7pm and Spring Dance, location TBA in Lawrence, doors open at noon, food concessions will be available, raffle following the speaker. We have been focusing on the upcoming MARCNA convention, and letting people know about the deadline for preregistration. We are looking forward to seeing all of you there.

Grateful to be of Service, Scott K. Miracle Area RCM

Primary Purpose Area

Hi Everyone,

Primary purpose is doing okay with good attendance at our Area meetings, we have just rotated some of our positions, and we have new servants again. Wayne S. is our new Area Chair, Sue W. stepped up to Secretary, Scott W. filled Out Reach, welcome back Scott, and he has a Co-Chair, "YIPPIE" for Christie R. from the Night Flyers group of Lyons. New bodies are always welcome and we are grateful to have them all aboard. The Holiday Functions were awesome just like always and we are getting ready for Spring. One that is set in place is the Lyons Night Flyers Group, April 25th, Chili Feed, with a Mardi-Gra Theme, come support this function. Flyers will be sent out when dates are final for other functions. Gift of Life has added some more meetings, Sunday at 3pm, a Men's meeting, and every 3rd Friday at Midnight. PI is busy with a white book project to further carry the message to those who can not get to a meeting, and are planning on a booth project at a Corrections Conference, ask Kim C. for the details, I did have them written down somewhere, but lost them. Never mind I found it, all I had to do was turn it over, my notes that is, (Kansas Association of Court Services Officers) April 29th, 2009 at the Grand Prairie Hotel 1400 N. Lorraine St. it will begin at 1:30 PM. We will provide Information Packets to the Professionals. Our H&I are still building the forces to carry the message into the institutions. Another group has surfaced in Hutchinson the "1 Through 12 Group" and is meeting at 7 PM. On Friday nights at 112 N. Poplar. Last but not least, we have a donation of \$400.00 to give to Region.

In grateful service, addict jack

Unity Area Report:

Hello Region! Hope this finds all is well around the region. The Unity Area has been busy this last quarter. We had a flyer drive in December and Chili Feed that went well. The format was men against women and the Area was blanketed with flyers learning our info line number (1-866-UNITY-NA) (men won O)

In January we had a Learning Day. We work shopped meeting etiquette and the Traditions and also had a PI panel. It was a good day and we learned a lot. During the following week, the groups in Salina mini-work shopped meeting etiquette in meetings. For the most part, the topics were well received and there was much discussion. The general atmosphere is improving. Our Area has been busy working on our policy and we have started discussion concepts before each monthly meeting. We are hoping to bring a focus of unity and atmosphere of recovery back into our meetings. We are gaining interest in service work from members in our Area and most of our positions are filled. The Clean-N-Crazy Group in Salina is having their annual St Patrick's Day party in March 7th. There are flyers available We have a \$400 donation for the Region. In service, Misty K.

Wichita Metro Area Report:

We are sending a check of \$331.00 to Region. PI has new Chair (Paul) and Co-Chair (Ben). Want groups to allow panel meetings brought in to groups. There are archives sitting in Day by Day for PI. They (Paul & Ben) will pick it up. H&I Chair (Paul). Literature balance \$209.83 balance. 6th Edition Basic Text Special Edition on back order. March new printing. Activities C.O.R was a success. Area First Tradition campout June 5-7, 2009, will tie-dye there. Day by Day 2-28-09 eat at Mexican Dinner then go into a dance. Just For Today did inventory. Traditional low attendance, 50% less . Unity February 13th Bloody Valentine, February 28th MARCNA fund raiser. Unity got insurance \$300 a year renters insurance to cover literature etc. for Unity group. Without Parallel selling anniversary cards for \$2.00 and \$1.00 go towards the literature rack. Elections Chair, Treasurer, PI Chair (Paul, by committee), Literature, Activities (John). Looking for insurance for Area Literature at Day by Day. RCM are we the only Area that has Rock? Area February 21st at 1:30 Ad Hoc activities meeting.

Western Area Report:

There was no report sent in from Western.

C. Subcommittee Reports

Activities:

Hello Family, We had a very productive meeting yesterday. Soul 2 Soul took care of a lot of business that Rich will give a full report on. Scott K, the Co-Chair gave his report. We then heard from 3 of the Area's Chairs. We would like to welcome John from Wichita Metro, the new activities chair. We then talked about options with our regional meeting place and after some discussion have decided to keep things the way that are at the current time, but will talk to Perkins about some items that we are not pleased with. We then discussed the next Regional meeting and have finalized a speaker and a DJ for that meeting on May 16th. I have an agenda and a flyer already made up and posted on the regional website for the May RSC. I will also pass these out to the RCM's to take back to your Area's. We then had a lengthy discussion about DJ's and trying to get a few to make a rotation schedule. We have 6 names and phone numbers and will make a rotation schedule starting in the August RSC. Thank you to all that helped us in attaining this goal! We then discussed the Service Assembly. After some discussion and debate we have a motion for new business that the committee has put together. Next I told the committee that my term would be up at the May RSC. Please announce that this position is open to your Areas. The committee does however have a recommendation for Chair at the elections next RSC. Finally we started on the inventory for our committee. We made it through the first section and will complete this in May so that it can be turned in to this body. As always, in loving and humble service, Michelle C.

Archivist:

Hello family,

As far as listing the items that are already in storage, I have a long way to go, but I will list the items I have added in the past quarter and items I wish to request funds for.

I have been collecting items from Glenn S. and when schedules connect will have much more, so far I have received 12 copies of RSC minutes ranging from Aug. 1988 to Feb. 1992 and 37 copies of FFF area minutes ranging from Jan. 1983 to April 1992. I have copied all to PDF and most into hard copies as well. Also there were a few extra copies of originals which were turned over. I will add a list to this report and have given pdf copies of FFF minutes to their RCM for their own archives. I feel there is about to be an explosion of archives coming our way. After a few years of searching, I have made contact with Cindy P., the 1st MAN Editor and instigator for starting this region. She is back in Kansas and has also agreed to help with the upcoming Mid-America Region History workshop at MARCNA next month. Most of her archives are still in Florida but will have them in a few months. We will get together at that time and sort those, along with another box that was turned over to Don C. in Topeka several years ago. She is very eager to help and was excited to hear that we are putting our history together.

In my "online" travels, I have stumbled on a Nova Tapes out of Maryland. I discovered Mike had bought out an NA vendor some years ago that had recorded many events in the Midwest. Going through his catalog I found and wish to request funds for the following tapes or CD's (CD's were transferred from the original tapes): Two tapes from MARCNA I, Motorcycle Ed and Lin A.; One tape from MARCNA II, Bob B.; Five tapes from MARCNA III, Danny Joe J., Ginni S., Kim J., Nancy R. (Nar-anon), and Brother Ric G.; One tape from the 2nd Kansas State Roundup, Blackie B.; and finally, all 14 CD's from WCNA 10, 1980, Wichita, KS. All total is 23 recordings, so far! He has many more to catalog so I will keep in contact with him. The costs I am requesting for these are \$120.00. That is \$5.00 per CD/tape and \$5.00 S/H.

I know I have a long way to go to just get started with my vision for this region's history, and I am still keeping my eye out for an office that is better suited to store everything, even supplies. This is a start though, and working with Cindy P. and other resources will help achieve our goal.

Gratefully Serving, Tim S.

The Archivists Log will be attached to the end of these minutes.

Campout:

Hi everyone,

The campout committee held an interim meeting in Salina on 1-18-09. At that meeting Misty K. was elected to purchase 72 fund raising shirts and have them for February Regional. Other things discussed were entertainment, programming, activities and catering. At the February meeting more time was spent on fundraising. Artwork was selected and shirts for the campout were ordered. Also discussed other fund raising items and decided to purchase towels with crest on them. The application to the corps of engineers was gone over and was signed so that a special use permit could be issued. We had expenses this month of \$938.33. We raised \$308 at the auction, \$197 from the raffle and \$345 in t-shirt sales for a total of \$850. We would like to again ask the fellowship to host fund raising events. Anyone who wants more information may contact me at 785-820-7105 or Misty K. at 785-819-6482. We would also like to request permission from the convention committee to sell merchandise at the alternative store. In loving service, Wayne M., Campout Chair

Convention Report:

Convention committee is bringing John S. to floor as Chair for 2010 Great Bend Convention. Everything is being finalized for convention. Shirts for sale at convention are ordered. Coffee cups are in packet items are in except additional cups need to be reordered. Phoenix Group donated a case of 6th Edition Basic Text for countdown, Wichita Metro donating 10 Basic Texts ad also donated \$50 of pamphlets to be given out. Literature will be sold by St Louis RSO, new jewelry representative coming, please register and come have fun. Our next meeting will be 3-15-09 at Wichita Airport Hilton at 1 pm. In loving service, Betty P., Chair

P.S. May sell alternative merchandise at convention as long as it is NA and no jewelry.

Hospitals & Institutions:

Hello family, it's been another busy quarter for H&I. There were 7 out of 8 Area's represented yesterday. We are still working on getting the State Guidelines for going into the Juvenile Facilities in Kansas. We are still working on a listing of all the facilities in our region that we are serving. This is a reference tool for the future so we can help keep track of contact information for future people getting involved in H&I. we have requested \$223.66 from our escrow account to help Fellowship for Freedom with literature out of our escrow account. We passed the hat and received \$34.00. Dodge City Learning Days Fundraiser will be April 4th. This is a PI, H&I and Outreach. Although we didn't have any of them at the subcommittee meeting yesterday I talked to them yesterday evening and they will have a flyer out next week. I guess more will be revealed. Miracle Area will be having a Learning Days for PI, H&I and Outreach on March 14th. This Area is asking for help with this function. Please mark your calendars for these events. You all have taught me how important the spirit of rotation is with service work. I would like to thank this Regional floor for giving me the awesome opportunity to grow. This has been a real learning experience for my 1st regional position. The H&I Chair and Co-Chair positions are open. Please take back to groups. Thanks for allowing me to serve, Shannon H.

Literature:

Hello family, Meeting started at around 2:15 pm, Areas present were; Fellowship for Freedom, Unity, Just for Today, and Wichita Metro. Positions open: Co-Chair. Please take back to your Areas again to see if there's any willingness for co-chair.

Area reports:

FFFArea: No Report.

Unity Area: Hello Regional Family,

Unity Area has been moving Literature faster than I can keep it ordered.

Part of this is due to our new P.I. Chair, she has really brought that position back to life. At our Area meeting last weekend I reminded everyone that NA World Services is asking members to send in submissions for the NA Way, Reaching Out, & to get online and take the survey for the "Living Clean "project. In Service, Wendee K.

Wichita Metro: Hello Regional family,

Wichita Metro is in the process of securing property/renters insurance for our substantial stock pile. Other than that all is well & more will be revealed. In loving Service, Suzie Q.

Just for Today: No Report.

MAN Report: (See Attached) A check for \$10.43 is being given back to the region, and also receipts.

There was a lot of discussion on Motion #3 and a lot of confusion. The Literature sub-committee spent the last 30 minutes or so filling out the inventory and I have a stack here to turn over with my report. In Loving Service, Jerry C.

Hello Regional Family,

First I would like to thank Tim for being so patient with training me in this service venture and it is safe to report that everything that could have gone wrong with this issue of the MAN did!! It has been very humbling and let me tell you and I wouldn't trade it for the world. First off, Tim came over in December to finalize the printing, after hours of exhaustive work on the InDesign program, Wes came home from area and it took him all of 5 minutes to show us what we were doing wrong. Then I emailed electronic copies, the email version and the print version to the prison and only the email version to the region. That was supposed to be reverse. Then I accidentally had the MAN shipped, even though I had made arrangements for Carrie E. to pick them up something went wrong and I received them on Christmas Eve, Merry Christmas!! So before I completely melted down I emailed Tim my dilemma because for some reason I thought the check that Janet wrote to me was for \$115.00 which was a little less then the cost of the actual printing by I think a buck. We didn't calculate shipping the MAN, plus I still had to mail some off. So finally I took the check to the bank to try to at least pay for the MAN which was \$126.19 with shipping and the check the Treasurer gave me was in the amount of \$151.00, but in the written part of the check it said "one hundred and one dollars and no cents" so I couldn't cash it. No wait this gets better, so after working that out with Janet and she sent me another check I paid the prison and requested they send me a "paid in full" receipt for my records which they did and I have copies of both my letter and the receipt for our records I took the MAN to the Goth Ball to pass some out. Tim informed me that there were 4 areas there that I could send them out to and we usually pass out 180 copies to each area except McPherson, which gets 100. I thought he said they were usually counted out in sets of 20 but that he double checks to make sure, I didn't double check. So I passed out 90 copies of the MAN to the 3 areas instead of the 180 because they were dolled out in sets of 10 and not 20. So I mailed out 180 copies of the minutes to 3 areas plus1 copy to a member in the Texas prison and I think I got 10 copies to the Oregon group. I hope that was all that needed to be mailed and I brought the rest here today to dole out to the rest of the region. My total postage expense was \$14.38 for a total of \$140.57. So I have a reimbursement check to the region for \$10.43.

On a better note I have this issue ready to go, all I need are submissions!! I have all the little editor stuff done and I put a request last time for submissions on childhood dreams, this issue will be about passion for service work. I have personally asked members to send me something as of right now I am still waiting for those submissions. I have a few pens and some paper right here if anyone wants to write something for the MAN today. I am asking for assistance in calculating how much I will need for the next quarter printing costs. I think I can get them distributed out at the Convention so that would save in postage, and I remember last year we put some in the registration packets, are we doing that again and how many do I put aside for that?

Thanks for your trust in allowing me to fulfill this position, in grateful service,

Suzie Q.- MAN Editor

Outreach Report:

Hello Family,

Outreach is still going slowly but surely. I would like to report that many areas have gotten Outreach Area Chairs, although I have had no contacts from any areas other than the Primary Purpose Area. I went ahead and accepted the Outreach Chair position as it has been open for sometime now. The good news is we have a co-chair and we hope to groom her into the chair position eventually. Christy R. from the Night Flyers group took the position and seems excited to learn and is willing. Night Flyers Group also has a member taking literature to the detention center and will continue to stock that center. There are a couple of new groups that have begun and I will let you know more in new business. I got to visit the Night Flyers business meeting last month as they had some controversy about positions and how a group conscious should be held. I hope I was of some help to their group. I have been to many functions and have been able to find out how groups and areas are doing, Christmas Dreams- Hoisington, Blue Ball Ball- McPherson, M.A.R.C.N.A.- Fundraiser- Pioneer Group- Emporia, Valentine's Dance-Hutchinson and Bloody Valentine's Dance- Unity Group Wichita. I hope to get to more groups in the next few months and keep contact through phone and emails. In loving Service, Scott W.

Pg. 2; Going to different Regional or Area websites to find updated contact information. New Groups in NA: The 1 Through 12 group located at 112 N. Poplar st. in Hutchinson, Ks. Fridays at 7:pm; Women to Women @ 802 Commercial Presb. Church in Emporia Ks. Saturday at 2:pm; Wellsville NA at 3rd and Main Baptist Church in Wellsville, Ks. Mondays at 6:45pm; Restore Us to Sanity at 327 N. Washington in Wellington, Ks. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:pm; Against All Odds in Pittsburg, Ks. Tuesdays at 7:pm(There was no street address in the report please contact Scott W. for more information)

The Zonal Meeting March 6-8, 2009 in Norfolk Nebraska.

P.O. Box:

I sent a check from Newton HOW to our treasurer, Janet. Also, sent bill for P.O. Box. Extra key given to regional secretary and bill for \$14.00. Asking to be reimbursed. Distributed all other mail on table at back of room and to Rod D. Thank you for allowing me to serve NA, Betty

Public Information:

Hey Regional Family,

Grateful to be here today. We had great participation in our meeting even at 9 in the morning. We had 16 people in attendance. First off we still need a secretary for our subcommittee. Also our chair and cochair positions will be open next RSC. Please take this back to your areas and groups. We voted in John W. as our co-web servant, thanks John for stepping up. There are some people that have expressed willingness to help out the web people in any way they can. Thanks guys.

Web-Kirk has asked that everybody use the email account link from the regional website, <u>info@MARSNA.net</u> instead of his personal email to communicate things about or for the regional website. All of the newsletters are now online. Check it out! Just a reminder Rod D. is our web contact to NAWS.

Learning Days-Tim K., John S., and I attended the Unity areas learning day that was held on Feb. 7th. It was fun and a great learning experience. They had workshops on meeting etiquette, traditions, and PI basics. Way to go Unity. There will be a Learning Day in Dodge City on April 4, 2009 they have asked for regional support. There are some people who have committed to help out with this. There will also be a learning day in Lawrence on March 14, location to be revealed as soon as they have it locked in. Central is also planning to have a learning day sometime in the fall, more will be revealed. Our goal is to have one learning day per area per year.

Conferences-We are asking the region to allocate not to exceed \$200 for a booth at the Recovery Conference in September. This conference will be held in Wichita this year. \$150 is for the booth and one registration and the other \$50 will cover the other person who will help man the booth. The Governors Conference on Juvenile Justice is June 21-23. PPA will be participating in a conference in Hutchinson. This is for the Kansas Association of Court Services. They are excited about this opportunity. They will be using the Regional booth for this event. Speaking of the booth we are asking region for \$130 to buy 2 25 slot and 1 8 slot literature rack to use along with the blue backdrop, this money would also cover the cost of the business cards with our website information on them, both to be used in PI efforts.

Whitney from Unity area asked for input on having a PI subcommittee meeting. Several people offered her suggestions on when and how to do this. PPA has a new project; they are calling it the white book project. This is how it works when they go and do an H&I panel presentation they are giving the people in attendance white books. It seems to be working out well at this time. Just another effort to get the literature into the hands of the addict. JFT is working on getting a PI panel ready to potentially do a presentation to the Neosho Co. jail. WMA has 6 literature racks and are looking at placing 3 more. Unity area and Gift of Life group have both recently had flier drives. They were both very well received. We welcome the new PI chairs to our meeting.

PI project-This project is moving right along. Several of the areas have expressed interest in participating. We have asked the areas to send Tim K. information about who they are already serving. We will compile a list of all contact numbers and Rod will be contacting their head office to find out about their conference and a list of all of their clinics. We as a committee realizes that this is a long term project and are trying to stay focused and organized in this effort. Just two last items, the PI subcommittee would like to request a key for the storage unit, this is where we will be keeping the blue back drop for the display. Also we need \$88.10 to pay for the regional meeting lists. I hope that I covered everything, if I missed anything please let me know and I will add it to this report before it goes into the regional minutes. Gratefully serving the PI subcommittee

P.S. I apologize to the region; our subcommittee did not work on the inventory. We are also turning in \$20 that was collected when we passed the hat.

Steering Committee Report: Hello Family:

Dear NA Family:

The Steering Committee had 4 of 5 members present, plus a full house of general members from the region. One of our members was absent again and did not call or notify me of not going to be here. We are requesting that Dorothee McW be eliminated from the committee (she missed this meeting and the meeting in November). The committee asked for willingness to fulfill the other 2 open positions on the committee. Rod D and Suzie E both are being nominated for the committee. The committee was willing to waive the clean time for Suzie (she has 4 years clean and the requirement is 5 years).

There was discussion on the Soul to Soul issue. It has been decided to have the Steering committee members research the violations of Traditions and Concepts, contact NAWS for guidance and to sit down and work with member of Soul to Soul to come to terms on the issues. The members of both committees are in agreement that this is a workable solution and will try to meet at the Steering Interim Committee on Saturday, April 18 at 1:00 in Wichita at 1145 Pattie (potluck dinner). Two bids were brought to the committee for 2011. Great Bend, Ks and Wichita, KS. After much discussion on each location, the committee voted to present the Great Bend bid for a regional vote. If this is accepted by this body, then that means that we will have the locations chosen for 2010, 2011 and 2012. NOW, we want you all to be aware-----we are looking at bids for 2013, and would like to have those turned in November, 2009. The convention for 2013 is the 30 year anniversary----something to consider when looking at hotels.

On a final note, it is with great sadness that I have asked to step down as the Chairperson for this committee. I have not been able to contribute 100% to this committee and feel that it does need more orderly direction than what I am capable of doing now. Since my son's accident, I have fully gone into my mother mode and my focus is 100% on his health situation. I will stay on the committee as a member. We as a committee are asking that Dewayne K. be voted in as the Steering Committee chairperson.

In loving service,

Debby S.

Soul 2 Soul:

Hello family, Soul 2 Soul is once again off and running. It will be held at Camp Chippewa. Our committee is also interested in suggestions and info regarding others locations for Soul 2 Soul in 2010. Information can be brought to our interim meeting being held April 4th at the Pioneer meeting hall in Emporia at 3:00. Following our interim meeting some or hopefully all of my committee will be working with the steering committees interim meeting April 18th in Wichita. We are also looking for a location four our fundraiser. More will be revealed on that. Theme for this years Soul 2 Soul is "It's a Spiritual Thing". And finally our current funds are at \$1078.16. In loving service, Rich A., Soul 2 Soul Chair

Break; The chair called for a break at 10:50am to allow for check out. We reopened with a moment of Silence and roll call was taken at 11:25am

D. Officers Reports

Regional Delegate Report: Hello family,

This past quarter has been up in the air for scheduling (and tentativeness) for me due to my Stepson's ongoing medical issues. Due to that, I was not able to fulfill the commitment to Wichita Metro with their C.O.R. workshops. Fortunately Misty was able to so we were represented. Another commitment with facilitating Augusta's Just for Today group inventory was postponed for one week (on my part) but I feel it was successful and informative, thanks to the group for showing up two weeks in a row.

Once again, we are planning the upcoming Plains States' Zonal Forum meeting next month in Norfolk, NE. I am requesting \$426.64 for this trip, an est. fuel of \$75.00 (525 miles); 2 rooms for 2 nights totaling \$201.64; and Misty and my meal per diem (cut in $\frac{1}{2}$) \$150.00. The dates are March 6th - 8th, 2009 and anyone can and is encouraged to go. We will carry as many people as we can and will leaving early in

the afternoon Friday the 6th. Misty is also the Sat. night speaker in Norfolk so even if you don't want to participate in the zonal meetings at least attend for that reason.

Other commitments will have me traveling to Los Angeles the Wed. following the zonal for 5 days and then MARCNA the weekend after that...Please don't ask for me to schedule anything during the next two months. But do ask for my services after that!

Gratefully serving NA,

Tim S. – R.D.

Alt. Delegate Report:

Hello All!!

This last quarter has been busy. There have been plenty of functions and opportunities to participate in recovery. I had the honor of participating at the C.O.R. We (myself and a member of Day by Day) work shopped the I.D.T.'s (Issue Discussion Topics). "Our Freedom, Our Responsibility", and "Building Communication". The event was well attended and there was an abundance of excellent food. I encourage everyone to read the IDT's and the support info at na.org. Being informed on the topics will allow for more participation and a greater understanding of our growing fellowship. The CAR workshop will be held here again and I know the service junkies like myself will be ready to get involved in furthering our primary Purpose. I am still available for workshops, though last minute is a little more difficult for me. I am looking forward to Zonal on March 6,7,and 8th at Norfolk, Nebraska. Hope to see you all there. In Service, Misty K.

Secretary Report:

Hello regional family,

What a busy quarter with the holidays and all. I had to pay more for the minutes this quarter as there were 8 more pages to the document and we had a few more that got snail mailed out. I think both of these are great signs that we are getting some good work done at the region. I would like to tell this body I think we did a wonderful job at the last RSC as a whole. We had I think 8 motions on the floor and a lot of other service to get done and we managed to be out of here by 3:15 in the afternoon. What a wonderful thing when we work efficiently together, I think. So for my expenses I turned in receipts to the treasurer for the printing of the minutes which came out to \$70.16, remember I had a 38 page document of all our work and I made 25 copies, 5 more then the previous region. Postage I was able to save a little money on as I passed out a few of the minutes in my area so I mailed out 10 copies at \$1.34 each which came to a total of \$13.40 in postage for a total expense of \$83.56 which leaves me requesting \$83.56 from the treasurer \$75.00 for secretary expenses and \$8.56 reimbursement. On another note, I did my inventory. I feel the questions were not quite tailored for me as they were for a subcommittee. Though I have never had the opportunity to participate in an inventory, I felt with elections in May that I could have my portion done before then. So my question is what do I do with it, do I read my answers here on this floor or wait until May, when I will be taking notes and we will be having elections, I don't know how to proceed. In loving Service,

Suzie Q. - Mid America Regional Secretary

Treasurer Report: No written report, treasurer's log attached

Janet W., Treasurer

Co-Treasurer Report: No Co- Treasurer, remember it is an honor to serve this fellowship.

Chair Report:

Hello NA family,

Wow you would think batting a thousand would be a good thing. So far in the 2 RSC's I've chaired I have either given out wrong information or allowed business to continue with out being certain that the information or procedure was correct. First I stated that Soul to Soul was not a free standing committee, and it is. Then I let a motion be discussed and voted on without sufficient information. I am still not sure how to proceed. Do I or can I go back and call the motion out of order on the basis that there was a policy change or that we created policy? There is a policy set by precedence and even though there was no written policy the motion that we passed creates policy. This motion should now be added to the list of duties of the Activities subcommittee guidelines, maybe taking the place of Activities hosting Soul to Soul (which it does not) but it does share meeting space and time on Saturdays. If we have created a written policy it should have been sent back to groups per policy. Then there was a question raised that I did not have an answer for, "Does an RCM or subcommittee chair have the authority to accept a "friendly" amendment to a motion coming from an area or subcommittee? If I were to have an opinion I would think that as long as it didn't change the original intent of the motion, then it would be acceptable. I would ask that RCM's and Subcommittee chairs take this question back to their groups and bring back a group conscious. I would also like to see the region adopt the motion forms that the Fellowship for Freedom Area uses which has a box to check if the motion has anything to do with policies, then if it does it should first be sent to Steering to make sure it is not in conflict with any other policy or traditions before it gets sent back to groups. P.S. I do welcome being corrected in a *respectful* and professional manner. If you see me making a mistake it only hurts the region if we don't correct the mistakes as soon as possible. In Loving Service,

Russ P.

Co- Chair Report: No report.

E. Old Business

Elections:

Co-Treasurer: Please advertise this position and take back to groups.

Steering Members: Rod D. and Suzie E. were recommended out of Steering. The duties and qualifications for Steering members were read and both Rod D. and I were asked the same questions from the floor before being asked to step out of the room. After a long discussion the RCM's voted Rod D. in on the committee and did not vote for me due to lack of clean time. Thank you Rod for stepping up and congratulations.

Steering Chair: Dewayne K. recommended out of committee. Dewayne stepped out of the room for discussion, the chair asked if there were any cons to accepting the recommendation from Steering seeing none there was a vote taken and Dewayne was voted in as Steering Chair. Congratulations Dewayne and thank you for your continued service.

Removal of Steering Member: Dorothee McW. was voted in at the August RSC and has not fulfilled her duties to Steering. She has missed all the meetings since the RCS and the recommendation from committee is to remove her. As members are voted in on the regional floor by the RCM's it needs to be voted on by the RCM's to remove them as well. There was a vote taken by the RCM's and Dorothee was removed from the Steering committee.

The following open positions to go back to groups are being voted on in May:

Reaffirm 4 Steering committee members and the newly elected Chair of Steering.

Reaffirm Regional Chair and Co- Chair, Regional delegate as well as the Alternate Delegate.

Advertise for Elections the following positions; Secretary, Treasurer, Co- Treasurer, 2 Steering Members, PI Chair, H&I Chair, Convention Chair, Activities Chair, PO Box Chair. Please let members know that elections are in May and remind everyone that it is an honor to serve.

That was all for elections.

Change of Order of the Day;

Motion #1

John Stanley 2nd by Tim Stewart. Motion reads;

For John StanleyIII to get a key to storage building.

Intent of motion reads;

So I can help PI and Archives with physical organization (road show for PI)

There was a vote taken and the motion passed. John S. will be issued a storage unit key. The secretary stated that there are no more extra storage unit keys and that Wayne M. will need a key as well for Campout.

Break for lunch around noon and reopened with a Moment of Silence at 1:15pm

Regional Inventory Update:

Question from Regional Chair to maker of the motion; It needs to be decided on the regional floor how do we proceed? Do we ask the entire region to answer these questions or just the trusted servants to the region?

Answer from Maker; By keeping an inventory in house will keep us talking in circles. The maker of the motions intent is to get a consensus of how the groups and areas feel that we as a region are serving them and what we can do to better serve the groups and areas.

There was a long discussion to follow and many questions on how to proceed. After which the Fellowship for Freedom RCM rescinded the motion that was passed in November and this was 2nd by Central Kansas Area. There was a vote taken and the motion was rescinded.

2011 Convention Recommendation from Steering;

Steering Motion to have the 2011 Convention in Great Bend, Ks April 1-3 2011. Steering brought this motion to the floor in November but rescinded to allow for other areas to place bids. The other bid that was considered (Wichita Hilton), was not voted in due to the cost. There was a lot of questions and answers and then Central Kansas Called the question, this vote passed then the RCM's voted on the convention and this motion passed. The Region now has set dates for 2010,2011,2012 for the next three conventions. We are taking bids for the 2013 convention please send bids to the steering committee which will be meeting on Saturday, April 18 at 1:00 in Wichita at 1145 Pattie, or you can submit them in the may RSC.

F. New Business

1. There were three motions for request of funds after the treasurer's opening report that the RCM's voted on. The first motion #01 PI motion reads; Region to pay for quarterly meeting lists. Intent of motion reads; to give areas and groups regional meeting lists. Financial impact-\$88.10. Motion #02 Literature Motion reads; \$150.00 to pay for newsletter printing/ postage. Motion #03 Activities motion reads; To pay Scott K. 125- for dj services for February 14th activities. Intent reads To be fiscally responsible. The RCM's vote and passed these motions.

2. Motion #2 from Literature committee reads; To make paying for the newsletter part of housekeeping. Intent of motion reads; We do this every quarter anyways, Keeping it simple. Financial impact reads Approx. \$150.00 quarterly. After some discussion this motion was rescinded by the maker.

3. Motion #3 PI motion reads; to allocate funds to pay for booth and one registration at Recovery Conference in September not to exceed 200.00. Intent reads; PI have booth at the Recovery Conference. Financial impact reads \$200.00.

The PI chair reiterated that the committee is not asking for funds today, just to have them set aside so when the time comes to pay for the registrations they can simply call the treasurer to ask for the funds. There was a vote taken and this motion passed.

4. Motion #4 PI motion reads; to buy 3 literature racks for the Public Information booth to be used in PI efforts 110.00 and 20.00 for the business cards with our web info on it. Intent of motion reads; to carry the message of recovery in our public relations efforts. Financial impact \$130.00. There was a vote taken and this motion passed.

5. Motion #5 Treasurer motion 2nd by Tim S reads; To purchase a new copier plus extra toner. Intent of motion reads; ours died. Financial impact \$269.30.

There was some discussion on the printer the region was looking into buying. The Brother DCP-7040 Digital copier, Tim S. described all the bells and whistles on this gadget and the fact that it would have multiple uses to this region. The RCM's voted and passed this motion, yeah us!!

6. Motion #6 Activities motion reads; Due to the financial impact of putting on the Service Assembly and the minimal attendance the Activities committee would like to withdraw it from the calendar.

This motion read to go back to groups, however after some clarification on policy the maker of the motion rescinded this motion to get more information.

• There was some discussion about housekeeping bills that are not part of the budget. These items (#1 in new business) should be taken care of at the beginning of the day. It was also stated that the meeting is to start at 8:am and we need to be more diligent about getting all requests of funds and motions in at that time. Rod D. suggested putting a blank regional motion form and a blank regional request for funds form on the regional website to make available to areas and members to bring to floor. It was also asked of the secretary to put a blank R.O.F. form and Motion form in the minutes to have available to save time filling them out. These solutions will be implemented. The Steering Chair also requested the Regional Chair to put the procedure for R.O.F. and motions in writing and submit them to the Steering committee to place in policy to avoid further confusion.

7. Motion #7 PI motion reads; PI Chair and Co- Chair are requesting a copy of the key to the storage unit. Intent of the motion reads; So that we can get the backdrop and supplies for the PI booth. The RCM's voted and passed this motion.

• There is a list of trusted servants who hold storage unit keys. That list will now have 10 key holders and will be updated before the next region as to who is issued a key, and again after elections, as to who the new trusted servants will be.

8. R.O.F. H&I had 2 requests for funds from their escrow account; the first was to give Miracle Area \$34.00 to buy literature for the Douglas Co. Jail. The 2nd was to give to FFF in the amount of \$223.66 to take literature into their facilities. The RCM's voted and passed these requests.

9. Motion #8 Regional Delegate motion reads; fund duties of the RD and Alt. RD to March '09 PZSF meeting, financial impact \$426.64. The RCM's voted and passed this motion.

10. Motion #9 Regional Delegate motion 2nd by Janet(treasurer) reads; Mid America Region conduct full scale Regional Inventory. Forms will be sent back to fellowship within Mid America Region with a deadline of Aug. 2009 RSC. RCM's, subcommittee chairs and officers will turn all findings in to RCS Chair. During Aug. RSC, Chair will appoint an adhoc committee to tally all findings in a timeline also established at that time. When adhoc deadline is met, Mid America Region has an option to invite an "outside" facilitator to conduct meeting to help present findings and create solutions.

* After some discussion on this new inventory, the maker clarified that a revised questionnaire would be made for this inventory. The RCM's voted and passed this motion.

11. Motion #10 Archivist motion reads; Purchase 23 archive tapes/c.d.'s, financial impact \$120.00

* The archivist discussed what these tapes included and how they were an important part to have in our archives. The RCM's voted and passed this motion.

Last item of the day, the next Steering committee meeting will be held on Saturday, April 18 at 1:00 in Wichita at 1145 Pattie (Day by Day NA).

Reminder the May dance will be a PI Fundraiser and we will be needing auction and raffle items.

Take back to Groups: May is Election month!! Re- Affirm 4 of Steering; Steering Chair, Re- Affirm regional Chair, Regional Co- chair, Reaffirm Regional Delegate, Alternate Delegate

Elections for Treasurer, Co- Treasurer, 2 Steering Members, Secretary, PI Chair, PO Box Chair, H&I Chair, Convention Chair, Activities Chair, Literature Chair, the subcommittees also need co- chairs and other members to step up.

* Note the secretary will not put copies of the motions in the back of these minutes due to printing costs. The original hard copies will be available at the May RSC if any member would like a copy we have a new copier. I will have electronic copies available to those who request them via email.

Adjournment:

CKA motioned to adjourn at 5:30pm Wichita 2nd we closed in the usual manner. The next RSC will be held at the *Econo lodge*, formerly the Red Coach inn in McPherson, Ks. on May 15th and 16th, 2009.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve,

Suzie Q.

suzie.q.e@gmail.com

Mid America Region of Narcotics Anonymous Treasurer Report – February 2009 RSC

		Beginning Balance			\$12,383.43
Income:					
11/16/08		Area & Group donations	\$2,577.00		
11/16/08		Activities/Service Assembly	631.00		
11/16/08		PI Escrow	29.00		
11/16/08		FFF Promissory Note pmt.	200.00		
11/16/08		Outreach Escrow ck. #1059 returned	100.00		
11/16/08		Dodge City NA Roundup-FFF Note	230.00		
11/16/08		Campout donation	1,000.00		
11/16/08		Soul to Soul donation	400.00		
11/16/08		Returned from Zonal	373.46		
11/16/08		Returned from Secretary	19.77		
01/05/09		Add back ck. #1064 (miswritten)	151.00		
		Total income			5,711.23
		Sub-total			\$18,094.66
Expenses:					
11/16/08	#1063	Hutchinson Correctional Facility		\$ 86.39	
11/16/08	#1064	Suzie Estrada-newsletter		151.00	
11/16/08	#1065	Suzie Estrada-secretary supplies		75.00	
11/16/08	#1066	Michelle Cebulski-Feb. startup		50.00	
11/16/08	#1067	Craig Travaille		150.00	
11/16/08	#1068	Perkins-Nov. rent		250.00	
11/16/08	#1069	Alliance Agency, Inc.		1,314.00	
11/16/08	#1070	John Stanley-P I backdrop		300.00	
01/05/09	#1071	Suzie Estrada-newsletter		151.00	
		Less Expenses			2,527.39
		Bank Balance			\$15,567.27
		Less: Prudent Reserve			- 7,721.00
		Sub-total			\$ 7,846.27
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		Less: Escrows			
		H&I		\$ 1,149.57	
		Outreach		117.40	
		PI		29.00	
		Rent		250.00	
		Insurance (due Feb. 09)		1,322.75	
		Storage (due Feb. 09)		540.00	
		P. O. Box (due Feb. 09)		40.00	
		Web Page (due Nov. 09)		125.00	
		RDA (due Feb. 10)		750.00	
		Total Escrows		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	4,323.72
 		Spendable Balance			\$ 3,522.55
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Prudent Reserve 6/08 – 5/09

Expense	07-08 Actual	Annually	Quarterly	Pay-out Month
Rent		\$1,000.00	\$ 250.00	Quarterly
Insurance	\$715.50	\$5,291.00	\$1,322.75	Quarterly
Storage Unit	\$522.50	\$ 540.00	\$ 135.00	February
P. O. Box	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 10.00	February
Web Page	\$166.80	\$ 100.00	\$ 25.00	November 09
RDA		<u>\$ 750.00</u>	<u>\$ 187.50</u>	February 10
Totals		\$7,721.00	\$1,930.25	

**Webpage is renewable every 2 years

**WSC is every 2 years

Fellowship for Freedom Promissory Note

Promissory	Note	\$3,700.00
6/04/007	Payment	- <u>1,100.00</u>
Balance	-	\$2,600.00
9/10/07	Payment	- 800.00
Balance		\$1,800.00
11/18/07	Payment	- 400.00
Balance		\$1,400.00
11/18/07	Dodge City NA Roundup	- 270.00
Balance		\$1,130.00
2/17/08	Payment	100.00
Balance		\$1,030.00
4/09/08	Payment	- 200.00
Balance		\$ 830.00
5/18/08	Payment	- 100.00
Balance		\$ 730.00
8/17/08	Payment	- 200.00
Balance		\$ 530.00
11/16/08	Payment	- 200.00
Balance		\$ 330.00
11/16/08	Dodge City NA Roundup	- 230.00
Balance		\$ 100.00

Archivist Log Feb. 2009

RSC Minutes:

August 1988 Nov. 1988 Feb. 1989 August 1989 Nov. 1989 Feb. 1990 Feb. 1991 May 1991 August 1991 Nov. 1991 Feb. 1992

Fellowship for Freedom Area Minutes:

1983 – Jan., Sept., Nov.
1984 – Jan., Feb., March
1986 – Feb., March, April, June, July, Sept., Oct., Dec.
1987 – March, April, May
1988 – Sept., Oct.
1989 – Jan., Feb., May, July, Aug., Nov.
1990 – Jan., Feb., March, June, Aug.
1991 – March, April, June, Oct., Nov., Dec.
1992 - April

Name or Committee:
BACK TO GROUPS: YES NO Pro: Con: Abstain: MOTION TABLED: YES NO Pro: Con: Abstain:
Motion: (Please state motion clearly and accurately)
Intent of Motion: Financial Impact: \$
SECRETARY USE ONLY Comments from Discussion:
Amendments: Accepted by Motioner? Yes No

MID AMERICA REGION REQUEST FOR FUNDS

Date:	Amount:
Committee or Individual	requesting funds:
Reason for request:	
Approved:	Denied
Reason for denial:	
Check #	
Signature of check recipi	ent:

X = YES O = NO A = ABSTAIN									
-15-09									
MOTION	CENTRAL AREA	Fellowship For Freedom	JUST FOR TODAY	MIRACLE AREA	PRIMARY PURPOSE	UNTIY AREA	WESTERN AREA	WICHITA METRO	PASS/ FAIL
Accept minutes as amended	×	×	×	×	×	×	0	×	PASS
Removal of Steering Member	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	PASS
Motion to Assign John S.III key to storage unit	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	PASS
Motion to Rescind Inventory	×	×	×	×	×	A		0	PASS
* Call the Question	×	0	×	×	×	×		×	PASS
2011 Convention in Great Bend	×	0	×	×	A	×		×	PASS
To put Newsletter bill in Housekeeping	0	A	A	×	A	A		A	FAILED
Allocate PI Funds for Recovery Confrence	×	×	×	×	×	×		×	PASS
Purchase Litreature Racks for PI	×	×	×	×	×	×		×	PASS
Buy new copier	×	×	×	×	×	×		×	PASS
Activities Motion to discontinue Service Assembly		Rescinded By Maker of Motion	ker of Motion						
Motion to assign PI Storage unit key	×	×	×	×	×	×		×	PASS
RD Motion for regional inventory	×	×	×	×	×	×		×	PASS
Archivist Request for Funds Moiton	×	×	×	X	×	×		×	PASS
RD Zonal Travel money motion	×	×	×	×	×	×		×	PASS