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Ⓝ Jeff opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer at 9:00 am.

Ⓝ Dusty C. read the 12 Traditions

Ⓝ Flo H. read the 12 Concepts

Ⓝ **Roll call** – Dusty C.-CKA; Julie B.-FFF; Rich C.-JFT; Elizabeth S.-Miracle; Jacob K.-NANA; Chris Q.-OZ; Becky B.-PPA; Jon J.-Unity,

Campout; Spencer J.-Western; Schatzie T.-WMA; Ben T.-FD; Jeffry L.-RD, PR, NAWS Contact; Rod D.-RDA; Jeff R.-Facilitator; Tim P.-Co facilitator; Beth N.-Treasurer; Tim S.-Secretary; Matt M. Treasury Oversight; Soul to Soul-Shelley W.; P.O. Box-Amber C. **(All 10 ASCs represented!)**

Ⓝ May 2018 minutes were approved without objection after Tim S. corrected date of minutes listed as approved (listed as May, should have been February).

August 19th, 2018 Minutes

Facilitator statement: What we have here is a failure to communicate! In July an e-mail was sent to all RCMs of this Region concerning an issue that came up and I was asking for input from RCMs on how to proceed. With only two RCMs out of ten responding we need to do a better job of communicating to keep our members and Groups informed. The 8th Concept states “Our Service Structure depends on the Integrity and Effectiveness of OUR Communications” We must communicate with each other to better serve our Members. Groups, Areas, and NA as a whole.

In Service, Jeff R. RSC Facilitator

Ⓝ **Area reports:**

Ⓝ **Central Kansas Area:** Hello family,

There is a lot going on in the area. Pratt Tree of Life had a PR booth at the farmers market and reported they had visitors; they also had a function in the park which was well attended. Their meetings are the same are doing a step-study meeting. Kinsley Midway NA is hanging in there, still need support, they have a few members, all early in recovery. Larned Just for Today is gearing up for their annual Rib Feed which will be September 22nd, 3 pm fellowship, 5 pm dinner. An Auction, raffle, and speaker will follow. Our area meeting will also be at this location at 1 pm.

Salina Phoenix group has no meeting changes and still doing H&I work at CKF and Valley Hope once a month, and are in the planning stages of their New Year’s Eve bash, more will be revealed. They are looking for a DJ if anyone is interested or knows someone.

Great Bend Living by Faith has no meeting changes, they did not do a day in the park and are not moving on with a speaker jam, due to lack of volunteers. They are going to do a pie night October 5th.

Great Bend Wecovery is a new group that has joined our area; they are planning a function in October to raise funds for literature. They meet on Tuesday at 6:30 pm.

Our area has two functions coming up, the women’s retreat October 12th-14th, get your registrations in, and Christmas Dreams, more will be revealed. We have a \$100 donation, and voted “no” to both motions. Grateful to serve, Dusty C.

📍 **Fellowship for Freedom Area:** Good morning NA Family.

FFF area continues to carry the message to the addict who still suffers through annual events such as Outreach's Poke the Pig Posse Party and Skate for Recovery events which were both huge successes. We are currently practicing for the multi area kickball tournament which will be held on August 25 at Crestview Park in Topeka. Our team is looking good and hopes to take the championship title this year. Best of luck to all other participating areas, and welcome all spectators. Mark your calendars for the Outreach poker run that is scheduled for September 15. Start time and route to be determined.

In love service

Julie B.

📍 **Just For Today Area:** Hello regional family, JFT area is continuing to have average attendance at most of its groups.

The Sedan "Never Alone" group and the Iola "First Step" group both had their 2nd annual functions this summer celebrating 2 yrs. of serving the addicts in their towns. Both were well attended with food, fun, and fellowship, as well as money being raised to further their efforts.

We removed 2 groups from our area meeting list, as well as the regional meeting list, due to meetings no longer being held. These were the Fredonia group, and the "Clean and Crazy" group in Chanute.

The "Recovery in Progress" group in Chanute added another meeting, and the "Never Alone group in Sedan added a women's meeting as well.

We have added the "H.O.W." group in Pleasanton to our area meeting list and the regional meeting list. They haven't been able to attend our ASC meetings, but have been holding regular meetings and asked to be added.

Recovery Fest was once again well attended and "Freebirds" would like to thank everyone that supported our campout, and hope to see you all there next year!

We voted to start keeping a small amount of literature on hand to allow some of our smaller groups to purchase certain items as needed, such as keytags and most of the hardback copies of our books. This is an effort to support the groups in our area on an as needed basis. This will eliminate the added expense of shipping that they can't afford. The amount was not to exceed \$250 dollars. Future fundraising efforts are planned to be able to maintain this supply.

Our annual "Mirror of Miracles" campout will be held Sept. 28-30 at Big Hill Lake in Cherryvale. This is a free campout, and the Saturday evening meal will be provided. The flyer will be posted soon. Speakers Friday and Saturday night, and Sunday morning. Raffle & auction items would be appreciated.

We have requested a PR presentation to professionals to be taken to Sedan, to be presented to the City on the Hill and KISA treatment centers there. Flo H. is going to help co-ordinate this as well as other members from our area helping the PR workgroup to get this accomplished. More will be revealed.

We have a \$200 donation today.

I personally would like to welcome Rich A. back to this service body, and am excited to have an alternate RCM.

In loving service,

Rich C., JFT RCM

📍 **Miracle Area:** Hello from the Miracle Area!

Things are going well in our little area. We currently have nine groups bringing a total of forty one meetings a week to addicts. H & I efforts have continued to increase. Our H & I chairperson has done a wonderful job at requiring addicts to carry a message of recovery into our county jail. As a result, meetings are now being consistently brought into both the women's and men's pods, as well as the continued efforts at First Step women's treatment facility. The H & I literature fundraising event was successful, and Basic Texts were provided to both facilities.

We currently have a robust schedule of activities! These events have been well attended and executed in the spirit of building unity within our fellowship. Our multi-area kickball tournament is back again, and scheduled for August 25th in Lawrence. So get your teams together and join us for a little friendly competition! The Miracle Area Fall camp out is scheduled for September 14-16th. You are all invited to attend! More information about this and upcoming events can be found on our website at www.miraclearea.com. Discussion about how the area business meeting are conducted, with regard to voting practices, continue to occur. An ad-HOC group was recently added to update and/or revise these areas policies.

A recent conversation at this area occurred regarding the usage of items currently in the area archives. There has been much (at times heated) discussion about whether or not taking items out of archives to be "re-purposed" was appropriate. A member requested that t-shirts that are currently in archives, be taken out to make a quilt. With the intention of that quilt then being sold. To my knowledge this is not common practice at the region level. I am requesting guidance from the region about how to best move forward in a manner that protects the integrity of our history.

In loving service,

Elizabeth S.

📍 **Never Alone, Never Again Area:** Good morning region from the Never Alone Never Again area.

As per usual there isn't a whole lot going on right now, we continue to carry the message on a daily basis.

Currently we're carrying 7 H&I meetings in our area.

One of our groups is asking for the help of region with conducting a spiritual inventory, there is the hope that region will "send" someone or someone's to be a guide and possibly moderator as this is attempted for the first time in this area and the first time in this group in years.

There are two upcoming events both are campouts and are planned for the last weekend in September (late nights annual) and first weekend in October (N.A.N.A.) Although these events are still in the planning stages I am happy to announce that Jeanie M., formerly of Salina, has agreed to be the Friday speaker for the late night campout. There will be more revealed on both these events in the days and weeks to follow so keep your eyes open.

Ils, Jake K. Rcm. Never Alone Never Again

📍 **Oz Area:** Hello from the Oz area. All is well on our side of the state. All of our positions at area level are filled.

In old business I am happy to report that the Colby New Hope campout was a success we had two great speakers and a total of about 50 adults and 20 kids in attendance. Also the Norton camp out the annual summer jam was also a success. They had a couple really good speakers and their auction and raffle raised a decent amount of money for the group. I am also happy to report that the new group in our area Phillipsburg Fresh Start is doing well still only having one meeting a week at the Church of God 135 10th Street Phillipsburg Kansas.

In new business I would like to let everyone know that our area is having their annual Burger flip, it is August 25th 2 p.m. Chambers Park Goodland Kansas. There's a 50-50 raffle auction and free food, please bring a side dish or dessert, all are welcome. Also our area is making a \$200 donation to region.

That is all the news that I have at this time from the Oz area.

Thank you for letting me be of service,

Chris Q.

📍 **Primary Purpose Area:** Good morning regional family,

Primary Purpose is slowly growing. We are struggling to fill positions but we are doing what we need to. We have been able to build up our bank account so we can start up our literature stock to help the groups. Meetings are going good in Newton and Hutchinson, Lyons is struggling so if you have the time, go visit them. Meeting times are 7pm Sunday and 6pm Wednesday, both open meetings. Lyons is also gearing up for their fish fry, let's support them.

Newton HOW is going strong. H&I is going on in Newton, 1st and 3rd Tuesday for the jail and 1st Sunday men at Mirror, 3rd Sunday women at Mirror. Newton HOW has also started a group inventory and is getting ready for their Turkey Feed on November 10th at the 4H building. Newton's pre-campout went well; Gift of Life's campout at Afton also went well. GOL will also be having a Back to Basics Campout Labor Day weekend, August 31st, September 1st-3rd. H&I is going on in Hutchinson at the county jail 1st and 3rd Tuesday for men and women, and every Monday at the South Unit at the prison. They also do a speaker meeting at Mirror on request.

Our area has updated our meeting lists and corrections have been turned in. Our area Blue Ball Ball will be December 16th at the Newton Armory. More will be revealed. Apologies for not getting report in last quarter as life happens.

Thank you for letting me serve.

In loving service,

Becky B., PPA RCM & Chair

📍 **Unity Area:** We had our area meeting in the city park in Beloit, people from the New Freedom Club in Concordia visited to see if they might want to join the area. They have 5 meetings per week and are already listed on the Mid-America meeting list.

The Abilene group is having their 7 yr. anniversary campout at Brown's Park just south of Abilene, we have flyers here at region. Contact person is Eddie at 785-252-7074.

Unity area has an annual Halloween function; time and place will be put on the web page later. We currently have 7 groups in our area (Herrington, Abilene, Salina Clean and Crazy, Minneapolis, Concordia, Beloit, and Hays). We have a \$100.00 donation.

Jon J., RCM

🇺🇸 **Western Area:** Greetings from Western Area.

I'm happy to report we've had our area back together for over a year now. We've put in a lot of footwork trying to revamp everything. I'm truly grateful for all of the people that have made this possible. We're proud of the progress we've made so far.

We had our first Camp Out on June 16th. This was a very successful. We had 30 to 40 addicts in attendance. We were grateful that the treatment center in Dodge transported their clients to the lake on Saturday. It was great weekend of fellowship, meetings, a speaker, an auction, along with good food.

We also held our area meeting on this same weekend and had some new interest from Woodward Oklahoma in wanting to join our area. Our meeting was brief because it was very windy and as you know southwest Kansas wind is unbearable sometimes. Saturday night we got rained out but we made it through for the Sunday morning meeting. After the campout was over we realized that we purchased too much hamburger. This gave us an opportunity to do a second event which we held July 14th in Liberal Kansas. The treatment center in Liberal brought their clients so we had plenty of fellowship and a wonderful meeting. Both of these events were great opportunities to show the newcomers how to have fun in recovery.

Due to lack of planning I need to apologize for not having a donation from our area at this time. We'll work on getting something in the mail next month.

Communication is still key and all of us working collectively together to strengthen our NA community has proven to be the biggest part of our success in Western Area.

Our next area function will be a Speaker Jam held on September 22nd. Area will meet at 6 and our speakers will start at 8.

We are definitely looking forward to our second year. I would like to thank the members of this committee that have helped us out. I'm still fairly new and don't know a lot of things but y'all have made it much easier to be of service to our community.

Thank you and loving service,

Spencer J.

🇺🇸 **Wichita Metro Area:** Hello family,

Lots happening in Wichita Metro Area of NA. Meetings are being held in Wichita, El Dorado, Augusta, Winfield, Ark City, & Wellington. Some locals support 2 or more groups, most of these groups send representatives to area, a few do not. In the end, addicts are able to find recovery through NA meetings so our primary purpose is being served.

Just for Today, out of Augusta has closed their Thursday meeting so they only have meetings on Tuesday and Saturday.

The Soul to Soul fundraiser was held on August 11th, it was well attended. I would like to express gratitude to those regional representatives who came & also those who attended within our area.

Upcoming events:

- ❖ Unity Street Dance in Wichita September 22nd
- ❖ Misery is Optional 9th anniversary in El Dorado September 29th
- ❖ WMAMA Campout at Lake Afton September 28th-30th
- ❖ Living Clean Fall Fest in Wichita October 20th

A Traditions workshop will be held after our September 9th ASC meeting, we are holding elections that day for all but three positions, so there will be new trusted servants. I am hopeful that members will attend the workshop to get into the solution. H&I continue to hold its own & have added a commitment to a new treatment center in Wichita.

We have an \$80 donation today. Thank you for your support & encouragement as we work through our challenges.

In humble service,

Schatzie

Subcommittee Reports:

Archivist: Open position,

Tim S. reported that until it is filled he will continue to put item donations and emailed minutes where they belong. The flash drive will also be updated each quarter to hand to the next archivist. Items that were donated while at RSC include two 1991 sign in posters, one from MARCNA and the other from regional 4th of July campout; one 1990 MARCNA program; the 2018 4th of July campout banner with one pre-campout tie dye shirt and one campout white shirt.

Campout: We had our quarterly meeting yesterday; two areas brought proposals for next year's campout, one group from Lawrence & one from Beloit. The Beloit group was selected for next year's campout.

Ron B. was nominated for the Chair position and will be presented to the floor for their decision. The Treasurer and Secretary positions were also filled.

We have bandanas, blue campout t-shirts, and wrist bands for sale here today. It was decided to give next year's committee \$2,500.00 seed money, plus \$720.00 worth of merchandise (bandanas and wrist bands) that are not dated so can be sold in future. They will also have what t-shirts are left after today's sales.

Next year's campout will be 4 days: July 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th 2019. They are planning on a breakfast and evening meal.

Campout will have a donation to region at the November RSC.

Jon J., Outgoing Chair

☎ **MARCNA:** My regrets for not being able to join you at RSC.

Thank you to Jeffry for being willing to carry my report and facilitate yesterday's committee meeting. I also had to miss yesterday's committee meeting, so keep in mind that this report was made without those activities. I will update the RSC if anything significant came out of that committee. Overall, work on next year's convention is proceeding as expected. We have filled many positions, but still have room for more willingness most notably, Treasurer and Arts & Graphics chairs. I have been assuming those duties while they are vacant. We have selected "Principles before Personalities" as the theme for MARCNA 36. Work on the artwork continues. Programming, entertainment and merchandise efforts are all moving forward. We believe that the hotel in Lawrence will be an excellent venue.

A 'Save the Date' flyer has been created and copies have been brought to RSC. Please help us by distributing in your areas. Any questions or concerns can be sent to my attention.

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MARCNA 36 Chair

☎ **Fellowship Development:** Hello NA Family

We have a few things going on here in The Region in Fellowship Development. Great Bend has a new group Wecovery meeting at the United Methodist church 6:30 pm Tuesday Nights. The JFT Group in August has dropped to only 2 meetings a week.

Events - Amber has asked that we take back to Groups the open Events Chair Position.

Last night's event was well attended for some great BBQ, thank you Dusty and all the family members bringing tasty Sides. Curt shared his Experience, Strength and Hope, the auction and food donation combined was \$335.00

Nov - will be our Gratitude Speaker Meeting. Be watching for Sign up list

Feb- Sweet heart speakers - Tracy & Jon

Events is Looking at fall 2019 for Service Assembly

Man- Michelle was not able to get the MAN done and to the printers before Region' So THIS Quarter we will be trying out the Online MAN and Email to all Reigional Emails that we Have and ASR. So Printable copies will be available, We will still be printing some Hard Copies, So please Contact Me or Michelle with the Number you would like.

Soul to Soul - Pre Registration ends this Tuesday- So get those Pre Registrations in!

Shelley will have more in Her Report.

Fellowship Development Committee voted to Send Ben T. to the MZSS in November 2018

We will be Requesting Funds for:

Printing of the MAN

Funds for FD representative to MZSS

Funds for Events

In loving Service,

Ben T.

☎ **NAWS Contact:** *Jeffry reported he thinks this position should be dissolved.*

☎ **PO Box:**

I last checked the PO Box on Friday. We got more things this quarter than we have in a while.

- I received several things for the convention programming committee
 - Alan A - Baltimore
 - Tyrone M - Chicago (along w/ a recording contract)
 - Chris T - Atlanta GA
 - Susan F - Florida
- 2 H&I Letters - gave this to the PR Coordinator to pass on the information
- Things for the Treasurer:
 - \$20.00 return check from Access Storage
 - Insurance Invoice
- NAWS News, along w/ some other info. I have that information.
- Convention registrations from Region 51
- United Way information - request to update information. I tried updating everything online, but wasn't able to...so I will get that taken care of.

I think that was it.

ILS,
Amber C.

Public Relations:

H&I Report

Talked about getting contact info for county jails and about getting a Basic Text into the jail libraries. If anyone comes up with contacts, please send them to Alan B. at alan_bansemer@yahoo.com. If any areas or groups would like orientation, contact Alan B. H&I efforts are going well from what we have heard.

In Service, Alan B.

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Media Report

Meeting list has been updated and meeting lists printed.

Phone Line

Howdy all- I am on vacation and will not be present at the RSC. I am sending this email as my written report for the Phone-line. As of this evening, I have yet to receive a change list from the Meeting List coordinator, so the phone-line cannot be updated until that happens. I will be back 3 days before I leave for Orlando and WCNA37, so it probably won't get updated before I return in September, that's if I get a change list. Maybe there were no changes this month ha. Anyhow, here are the phone-line stats for the quarter. We had 89 calls. 12 "live addict" calls and 5 voice-mail calls answered. We have a total of 11 volunteers and are in need of more. Questions? I've got answers. I'll see you in Orlando or if not Omaha.

In Service,

Nate F.

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Website

Hello Regional N.A. Family!

I am pleased to report that the MARSCNA web site is up and functioning, though a few glitches have been exposed. For the most part, these have been dealt with in a timely manner. I wish to express my most heartfelt thanks to several of the members in the Region for their help, their guidance, and most of all their patience as I learned to practice the principles of recovery during the project. I learned a great deal about programming, about web site construction and about myself. Some of it was easy-phpeasy, while some of it was pure HTML....

The Google Maps based meeting finder is functioning well. There was an issue with the BMLT not listing all the meetings in a city under certain circumstances, and this appears to have been resolved, though I have not had a chance to do a complete test of the system. Many thanks to Texas-based N.A. members Tom K. and Chris M. for their hard work on this issue, and for their dedication in developing this wonderful tool!

We have a working events calendar with many, many fun things to do. Check it out! The Convention Pre-registration page functioned well, again, after a bug or two was exterminated. The Regional Meeting list is available for download through a link on the Meetings page, as are printable meeting lists for all Areas in the Region. These lists are updated as information comes in, as is the BMLT itself. I have noticed that some of the Area meeting lists are not being updated, possibly because no changes are needed. We also have links to the RSC minutes, and to the M.A.N. Newsletter. I have been lax in updating these, and I apologize. I will try to do better.

The next pressing issue will be the building of a Soul to Soul Pre-registration page. More will be revealed on this, as information from that workgroup becomes available. The RSC meeting list which appears on the web site is tied directly to the BMLT, using a web-based tool developed by another member, thanx, California Steve. This tool will also generate a printable meeting list which we can use for the physical meeting list we hand out to Areas, etc. The advantage of this approach is two-fold, first, it is tied directly to the BMLT, so information is the same, at least at the time the list is printed. The second advantage is, the information need only be entered once, as the database would update the BMLT, the web site meeting list and the printed meeting list. I have copies of the printed RSC meeting list as it is currently configured, and I would really like us to investigate this approach further.

On down the road, we will be making a page for information regarding service at the World level, and to further an idea proposed a while back, we will look at making the M.A.N. Newsletter a combination newsletter and weblog. Also, as the web service committee grows in size and skillset, we will be adding “prettiness” to the site, as it is rather dull at present. If you haven’t been on the site for a while, log in at marscna.net and check it out! Thank you for allowing me to serve the Fellowship!

Ed B., Web Servant, Mid-America Regional Service Committee of Narcotics anonymous

Presentation to Professionals

Beth’s term as Presentations coordinator is up and we will be having elections for this position at the November RSC. We worked on planning for two events during the PR Presentation Workgroup. Two treatment centers in Coffeyville have requested a presentation about NA. We are planning a joint presentation for these facilities in October, facilitated by Flo. An interim meeting for this event is scheduled for Tuesday, September 11th 8:00pm. We also worked on the plans for the April 2019 presentation prior to MARCNA in Lawrence. If anyone has contact information for professionals that you would like us to include in the invite for this event, send that information to Jeffry. He is also facilitating this event. An interim meeting for the Lawrence event is scheduled for Thursday, October 4th at 8:00 pm. The Zoom link for both interim meetings will be posted on the MARSCNA PR Presentation Facebook group. If anyone is interested in getting involved with either (or both) of these events, let us know. The more the merrier. We do meet in person quarterly during regional weekend, we have virtual interim meetings as needed. One of the great things about having smaller workgroups for presentations is that local members can get involved with their local events.

📌 **Soul to Soul:** Hello family,

I have pre registration forms available. Our registration deadline is August 21st. Remember pre-reg will get you a bed, towel, a mug, a rack ride, fun, fellowship, meetings and meals for all weekend beginning with Fri dinner for 75.00. For 15.00 extra you can ride a horse. It's fun.

We had two fundraising events. Made 776.00 in Emporia and 198.85 in Wichita after expenses. We currently have 3574.84 in the bank.

The menu is in and we are going to eat well. Example Saturday night meal will be bacon wrapped stuffed chicken breasts. We voted to give catering chair 1000.00 as she needs to purchase all of the paper products for the weekend as well as the food.

Prices for mugs and towels was provided. Our mug will be a wrap around using our design and the towels will be white with blue screen print. Looking at getting 50 of these each and keeping those costs at approximately a \$1000.00. Flo will be ordering the mugs and Rod D will order the towels.

No info or bids was provided for a new location for soul to soul 2019 so we will reserve camp chippewa upon settling our 2018 bill.

ILS

Shelley W.

Officer Reports:

Regional Delegate:

Dear Mid-America,

The system for what was “New Business” is now done in a multi-step process. The process has been renamed; New Idea Proposals.

First, Regions have a deadline to submit New Idea Proposals prior to the beginning of the WSC. (Previously, new business motions could be submitted until Wednesday of the WSC week.)

Second, the New Idea Proposals are put onto a “Tally” type voting sheet and distributed to the RDs. RDs then check a Yes/No box to decide if they would like to discuss a particular New Idea. The “Yes” Votes are tallied and the top two are setup for small group discussions.

The top four New Idea Proposals are then carried forward to the World Board to be included in the next WSC. Possibly has CAR material and if it does not make sense in the CAR then it will be included in the CAT where possible. The four issue discussion topics are listed below.

		Yes	No
Proposal #AP	California Mid-State	8	26
Main Topic/Issue:	Other WSC-related matters, Update Service Material		
The Proposal: That the Guide to Local Services in Narcotics Anonymous be updated by 2020 WSC to reflect decisions made since the last update			
Proposal #AA	Western Russia	1	35
Main Topic/Issue:	Other - na.org site		
The Proposal: To make na.org site multilingual (translate it to most spoken NA languages)			
Proposal #AL	Costa Rica	5	43
Main Topic/Issue:	Other - NA virtual group and service guide		
The Proposal: To direct the World Board to create a project plan for creation of the “NA virtual group and service guide”.			
Proposal #AW	British Columbia	11	42
Main Topic/Issue:	Other WSC-related matters; Delegates Sharing		
The Proposal: To make the Delegates Sharing Session a permanent item on the WSC agenda, with a workgroup comprised of RDs every cycle.			
Proposal #AE	Southern California	19	46
Main Topic/Issue:	Financial		
The Proposal: In keeping with Section 12 of the FIPT re: Trustee Reporting obligations, SCRSC proposes that a WSC workgroup be formed to review NAWS financial reporting practices and policies, and to develop recommendations for a more transparent and detailed reporting format.			
Proposal #AI	North Carolina, Mountaineer, British Columbia, Rio de Janeiro, Carolina, South Florida, HOW Brasil, Central Atlantic, San Diego Imperial Regions	21	50
Main Topic/Issue:	Financial		
The Proposal: We propose that a workgroup be created to come up with a list of additional items to be included in the budget reporting. We propose that at least 2 members are chosen from our current workgroup.			

It will be the next WSCs responsibility to ensure the WB is held accountable to working these new ideas into the next World Service Conference.

Please let me know if your area would like myself and/or the RDA to conduct a workshop in your local area.

In Service,

Jeffry L.

Regional Delegate

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1. Main Topic/Issue:

Other WSC-related matters, Update Service Material

Question: What do you want to see in a local service guide?

Anything updated? New? Omitted?

Other updates?

Proposal: That the *Guide to Local Services in Narcotics Anonymous* be updated by 2020 WSC to reflect decisions made since the last update

2. Main Topic/Issue:

Other - na.org site

No frame.

We welcome any ideas and discussion.

Proposal: To make na.org site multilingual (translate it to most spoken NA languages)

3. Main Topic/Issue:

Other - NA virtual group and service guide

What help do you need?

What do you want to see in a virtual group and/or service guide?

Proposal: To direct the World Board to create a project plan for creation of the "NA virtual group and service guide"

4. Main Topic/Issue:

Financial

What would you like to see in our financial reporting?

Proposal: In keeping with Section 12 of the FIPT re: Trustee Reporting obligations, SCRSC proposes that a WSC workgroup be formed to review NAWS financial reporting practices and policies, and to develop recommendations for a more transparent and detailed reporting format.

Ⓝ Alt. Regional Delegate: Howdy Service Peeps;

Here we are starting another Conference Cycle and I still believe we need a third Alternate if we are to keep the current cycle. NEXT August you will be electing a New Regional Delegate and a New Alternate Regional Delegate. The new Alternate will have 6 months to catch up the last years' worth of work. All though we have only had one Webinar and really it was not much, it's just getting started. From now until August of 2019 there will be 5 World Board Meetings, at least 6 to 7 Conference Participant Webinar Meetings, and who knows how much information from the Zonal future of the WSC workgroup. The Alternate will need to get up to snuff in 6 months and then the Delegate Team will go to the 2020 World Service Conference. We really need to add an Alternate to the Alternate Delegate.

One of the things I do like about the new open information coming from the World Board is that they have started publishing the names of the people on the work groups. So we know who is on the work groups like the Mental Health/Mental Illness IP project lists 7 members. The Daily Meditation Book Project has 10 members listed. FIPT Operational Rules and Bulletins have 8 members none are from the South Florida Region. Delegates Sharing Project has not listed who is on it except for the Point Person and a liaison and they only meet virtually. The Training and Tools Project is another older project group that doesn't have the members listed. The Future of the World Service Conference project has not met yet; this workgroup is going to be an interesting project to watch. By the way our Zonal Representative on that work group is Cindi B. from Oklahoma.

The Webinar that I attended was on the two topics based on the CAR survey which were Attracting Members to Service, Carrying the Message and Making NA Attractive, and a third one which has been added Drug Replacement Therapy/Medication Assisted Treatment as It Relates to NA. These workshops will be started at WCNA 37 in just 10 days. We did produce 7 pages of ideas and thoughts which I will pass out to all the RCMS.

We got the Guide to World Service in NA in the mail and it is out for a 90 day review and input period. IF you are familiar with it or would just like to see what changes are being made. I posted it in the file section of our facebook page Mid America Region – WSC (travelogue for RD team).

In the upcoming year we will be having more Special Days like the World Unity Day and a PR Week beginning in 2019. World will probably start with Service Day and Sponsorship Days. Speaking of Special Days, all main meetings will be streamed on Thursday, Friday, Saturday (Main meetings 6:30 PM CDT) and Sunday Morning Unity Day Meeting at 10:30 AM CDT. The link for that streaming is <http://mixlr.com/nawsstream/>.

Please get the word out if you haven't filled out a survey at na.org please do so before Sept 1st.

📍 **Treasurer:** *See attachment*

📍 **Treasury Oversight:** Mid-America Region Family,

Following last RSC I spent time auditing the Convention bank account and found no large discrepancies. The treasurer showed a discrepancy of \$.05 which I could not find at that time. I attempted to log back into the account several times in the last 30 days and could not gain access. I spent considerable time on hold and talking with the bank before I had to move on to other things each attempt. Finally in true procrastinating form on Friday I stayed on hold and talked with the bank until I found out that the address had been changed on the account and I had been removed from the account by the new Convention Chair. The Convention Chair has requested to have all of the receipts and statements from last year's convention. I am sending them back with Jeffry today per Convention Chair's request. I have asked him to get my access reinstated and I am also going to request that he return copies of everything I am sending to him today so that I can complete my audit and find that \$.05.

As I stated last RSC, I have a system in place that is evolving each time I set down to review accounts. I will be auditing all accounts regularly and digging deep into each account once annually following committee changes. These deep dives will occur as follows; Convention account between May and August RSC, Campout

account between August and November RSC, Soul 2 Soul account between November and February RSC. Region account will be audited consistently but I intend to audit it with the treasurer between February and May RSC in preparation for the end of our “fiscal year”.

Following today’s RSC I will begin auditing the Campout Committee account. Everything that the outgoing Treasurer can give me to assist in the audit will be extremely helpful and greatly appreciated. It would also be wonderful if the incoming Chair and Treasurer would leave my account access in place!

Again, I am open to suggestions on the best practices to consider for this new position that I have been tasked with and welcome your experience, strength, and hope. More will be revealed!

In Loving Service,

Matt M.

Treasury Oversight


Open Forum:

1. Ed B. brought up meeting list update issues. Jeff R. mentioned, by policy, every ASC should have an area NAWS contact person, Jon J. mentioned his does not and asked who else is responsible for it? (*Under regional policy, page 22 “NAWS Contact Person” – Duties #2 it quotes: “In the absence of an area NAWS contact person, the regional NAWS contact person should update the NAWS database on their behalf. Updates include, but not limited to, contact information for area trusted servants, group trusted servants, group addresses and meeting days and times.”*). Currently Jeffrey L. holds that position. Ed B. also mentioned he is working on creating a feature on our website that allows groups directly to make changes, providing they can be verified before completed.
2. Daniel C. brought up San Diego Imperial Region and the several projects they have going, one is working on nationwide insurance for all 50 states, it was mentioned to stay informed with their progress and revisit later. He also reported on the Multi Zone Service Symposium (MZSS) coming up.

Old Business:

Elections –

- a) **Archivist** – *No willingness, take back to ASC*
- b) **Co-Treasurer** – *No willingness, take back to ASC*
- c) **Co-Secretary** – *No willingness, take back to ASC*
- d) **Campout Chair** – Ron B. nominated out of committee and elected in, congratulations!

-  **MARCNA 2020 bids:** Once again, no bids were presented. Facilitator Jeff R. appointed an ad-hoc committee consisting of Ben T. (ad-hoc chair), Daniel C., and Elizabeth S. It was mentioned to not come back without a bid, preferably for 2 or more years.

Ⓝ **Motion 052018-001** – (*Convention Guideline additions*) **passed 8-1-1** Facilitator asked for clarification on policy additions, who does it and how often does updates get printed? *Refer to MARSCNA Policy Feb 2018 version – page 4, section IV A-6 “policy”(b, c, & d).*

Ⓝ **Motion 052018-005** – (*adding “tentative” to schedule in policy*) **passed 8-1-1**

Ⓝ **Insurance:** As per facilitator Jeff’s opening statement, action had to be taken during the quarter that should have had RCM direction; the annual insurance policy went back up in price from the drop it saw last year, so the financial impact was affected. Last year the annual premium was \$4,993.00, this year (May 2018- May 2019) the premium raised to \$5,623.00, or \$1,405.75 per quarter. Jeff acted on it so we could get one quarter paid and remove the threat of losing our insurance. Jeffrey L. brought up wanting to get answers concerning our policy; it was added to new business to address this. Daniel suggested we have our agent come to the November RSC and give a presentation or Q&A on this policy. Jeff R. will get in touch with them about coming in Nov. and also send the questions we come up with via email. We had another lengthy discussion on certificates which have been mailed to all facilities that requested one, which copies were included with the hard copy policy presented to MARSCNA. The policy will remain in the Secretary’s possession.

Ⓝ Never Alone Never Again ASC has requested help from the region to help with one of their groups performing an inventory. Jacob, RCM was approached by a group to help them and he is reaching out at the RSC for further help, as outside eyes. **Rod D., Ben T., Elizabeth S., and Jeffrey L. all volunteered to help.**

Ⓝ **New Business:**

Ⓝ **Motion 081918-001** – *see attached* – Maker: Fellowship Development (FD) - Policy change to reflect current practices from NAWS concerning NA World Unity Day. This is a housekeeping motion and changes policy so it sent back to groups. [*per MARSCNA policy section IV – A (General) 6 (Policy) a*]

Ⓝ **Motion 081918-002** – Maker: Alternate Delegate (AD) – **Withdrawn, needs financial impact.** This motion would have requested to add a new position to MARSCNA, an AD2. Currently we have an RD (*funded by NAWS to WSC, by us for all other travel*) and AD (*or RDA as often called, fully funded by us*), this would add a second alternate Delegate to our election process. As stated, this has been withdrawn at this time, pending financial impact.

Ⓝ Facilitator Jeff R. asked if there were any objections to paying the request for funds, which included fulfilling motions from last quarter (FD/PR travel to MZSS), housekeeping bills, November RSC, meeting lists, and Mid-America Newsletter printing. **No objections.**

Ⓝ **Insurance questions** – Facilitator asked if RCMs wanted to address these questions now or wait, it was voted 7-3 to continue discussion. Jeffrey L. had a list prepared so they were read then mass-emailed to members of the region. They are as follows:

1. What is the basis for the price of the policy? (Meeting/Event Counts?) Or coverage amounts? Or a combination of both?
2. How could we make it more cost effective? Could we get a multi-year deal with a discount?

3. Do you think we have the correct coverage based on the information you know about this region? If we were cut any part of the overages on the policy, what would you recommend?
4. Does this policy protect individual officers of the Regional Service Committee from Personal Liability?
5. The individual Medical expense coverage seems very low. Can you explain your thinking behind only having \$5000 in medical coverage?
6. What type of notification is necessary for events outside of our normal/event meeting areas? If the event is posted on our website events calendar?

Facilitator will present questions to Alliance Agency, Inc., our insurance agent, and request a presentation or Q&A at November RSC.

Ⓢ Motion to close!

Grateful to serve NA,

Tim S., Sec.

MOTION/ REQUEST FOR FUNDS

Name or Committee: Fellowship Dev.

Date: 8-19-18

Second by / Payable to : _____

Pro: _____

New Old Amendment

Con: _____

Abstain: _____

Financial Impact/
Amount Requested: \$ _____

Housekeeping Yes No

Escrow Yes No

BACK TO GROUPS: YES NO

Pro: _____ Con: _____ Abstain: _____

MOTION TABLED: YES NO

Pro: _____ Con: _____ Abstain: _____

Motion: (Please state motion/request clearly and accurately)

^{Policy}
on pg 18 under Unity Day.
A. take out the word bi-annually
B. take out "and set up phone number w/ NAWs for the transmission of the Speaker."

Intent of Motion:

update policy with the new NA world info.

FOR SECRETARY USE ONLY

Comments from Discussion/Amendments:

Accepted by Motioner? Yes No

For Treasurer's Use Only

Check #:

Signature of Recipient:

**Mid America Region of Narcotics Anonymous
WORKING Treasurer Report – May 20, 2018 RSC**

	Beginning Balance			\$ 12,877.52
Income:				
2/18/18	Area/group donations	\$ 1,677.00		
	Subcommittee donations			
	returned monies/other	\$ 43.00		
	H&I Fundraiser	\$ 756.00		
				\$ 2,476.00
				\$ 15,353.52
Expenses:				
#1531 5/20/18	Insurance (Escrow)		\$1,248.25	
# 5/20/18	Rent & Storage		\$400.00	
#1530 4/19/18	USPS Annual Renewal		\$82.00	
Void	City Blue Print - MAN NTE		\$0.00	
#1533 5/20/18	City Blue Print - Mtg List NTE		\$223.60	
#1534 5/20/18	<i>Salina Public Library - Feb. 2018 Rent</i>		\$100.00	
Debit	FD - Smoker's Poles - NTE		\$78.20	
#1536 5/20/18	FD - August Supplies		\$100.00	
#1537 5/20/18	PR - Reimburse Ed B. for web security		\$660.00	
#1538 5/20/18	PSZF Donation		\$355.00	
				\$ 3,247.05
	Bank Balance			\$ 12,106.47
	Less: Prudent Reserve			\$ 6,000.00
	Sub-total			\$ 6,106.47
	Less: Escrows - After May 18 Exp.			
	<i>Fellowship Development</i>		\$ 513.76	
	<i>Public Relations</i>		324.48	
	PR - Basic Text Project		756.00	
	Rent		400.00	
	Insurance (through Nov 18)		1,248.25	
	Phoneline (due Aug 18) (ACH)		609.11	
	P. O. Box (due Feb. 19)		32.00	
	Web Page (due Aug. 20)		224.20	
	RDA (due Feb. 20)		500.00	
	Memorial Fund		500.00	
	MZSS		500.00	
	Total Escrows			
				\$ 5,607.80
	Spendable Balance			\$ 498.67

**Added \$756.00 to PR Basic Text Project Escrow

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