



MARSNA
PO Box 3534
Salina, KS.
67402-3534
www.marsna.net

February 18, 2023

Wayne S. opened the meeting at 9:00 am with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts were read.

AREAS Quorum 8/9 is met. NP=Not Present

Central Kansas	Hallie T.
Just for Today	Travis C.
Miracle	Brandy R.
Never Alone Fellowship	Kristi S.
OZ	Kristen B.
Primary Purpose	Brandon H.
Unity	NP
Western	Jeff S.
Wichita Metro	Angie

SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Elected date

Archivist	NP	Linda M.	2/23
Campout		Cameron B.	8/23
In-coming		Wayne S.	8/23
Convention		Ben T.	2/23
In-coming		Rich C.	5/23
Fellowship Development	Jeff S.	Bobby B.	8/23
NAWS Contact		Rich C.	5/23
PO Box		Tim S.	11/22
Public Relations		Jeffrey	8/23
Soul to Soul		Shelley W.	11/23
In-Coming		Jan C.	11/23

Administrative Officers

Facilitator	Wayne S.	5/22
Co-Facilitator	OPEN	
Secretary	Aimee K.	5/22
Co-Secretary	OPEN	
Treasurer	Matt M.	5/22
Co-Treasurer	Open	
Regional Delegate	Jacob K.	5/23
Alt-Regional Delegate	Ron	8/23
Treasury Oversight	Angie	8/23

Last RSC minutes read by Aimee K. M/S/P. Quorum is set.

Area Reports

Central Kansas Area: Hello family, Recovery is alive and well in Central Kansas Area. We do have a couple of groups currently struggling with strong personalities but I have no doubt that God's will and spiritual principles will prevail.

Lyons Nightflyers has joined our area and has been added to our meeting list. They have one meeting which is open and on Sundays at 7:00PM at 801 Bell Ave in Lyons.

Groups are gearing up for campout season and we have a couple scheduled with flyers on the regional events page. Both are at Kannapolis Lake, Venango Park, C Loop. Gift of Life's is June 7-9 and Phoenix Group's is June 21-23.

Our next area meeting will be held on March 9th at 1:00 in Concordia.

We have an area donation of 500.00 today as well as a separate donation from Phoenix Group for 250.00 which have both been turned into the treasurer.

In loving service,
Hallie T.

Just For Today: Hello all, things are going great in the JFT area. Our area meetings have been

extremely well attended. Our most recent had twelve out of our thirteen groups present and the only one absent did however send in a report. The atmosphere of service is contagious, and it seems everyone is getting the bug. We have added two new groups, Way to recovery in Parsons along with Humble Beginnings in Coffeyville. We have been having successful H&I/PR fundraisers with speak and eats along with shirt sales (we are currently on our third design, and they are ready for sale. This has resulted in substantial escrow funds for both service endeavors that enabled us to purchase basic texts that the groups supplied to their local jails and treatment centers. We as an area continue to fulfill the literature needs of our groups by maintaining a stock of material which is distributed as needed and replenished in a timely fashion. This was set up several years ago and masterfully implemented by Scott F. who in turn passed the torch to Rob L.

The majority of all our service positions are filled. We have updated and verified all of our meeting times and locations on our web page jftareana.net. Please feel free to peruse our site for all things going on in the Just for Today area. A few highlights of upcoming events and milestones: Together we can group will have its two-year anniversary on Feb 22 nd . Do or Die group as well celebrates 2 years on Feb 17 th Pioneer

group will have its campout on June 28-30 at Counsel Grove Lake Santa Fee trail group campsite. They will have a fundraiser hotdog eating contest on April 6 th at their homeroom which starts at 4:30. Their H&I is also holding a training day on Feb22nd at

6:30. Freebirds Recovery fest campout is slated for June 7-9, and they will be having a speak and eat fundraiser on March 16th. A downloadable PDF will be available in the

area minutes and should also be on our webpage. The three Cowley County groups have had a blast capturing other group's flags in fact 2 nd chance went to Wellington with ten people to recapture our flag and grab theirs, but Winfield got wind of this and came with ten of their own to grab it first. This resulted in over 35 people attending the RUTS meeting in wellington, lots of fellowship and fun for all.

Our Area voted unanimously to approve the regional motion to purchase the Word press plug to integrate the RSC archives in Google drive.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Travis C

Miracle: Good morning family all is well in the Miracle area. Our meeting attendance has definitely increased at all meetings. We have a few events coming up new beginnings March 30 from 2 to 6 at 946 Vermont Brady Hall fundraising then we have our spring camp out at Bloomington West May 3-5 Our sponsorship banquet is going to be Saturday, February 24 at Brady Hall. Our ignite women's retreat will be May 31- June 2 we are still in the process of furthering our H&I. We will have a training day march 3. We have a \$200 donation and loving service. Brandy R

Never Alone Fellowship: Hello Family, Things are going well overall. Meeting attendance is growing. We currently have 16 groups in our area with at least 4-9 meetings a day at various times. For a total of 46 meetings a week. Clay NA has started a new meeting and joined our area. Clay NA meets on Thursday's 7:30 PM 709 5th St in Clay Center Our literature meetings on Thursday are struggling United Survivors at 8:00 PM as well as We Do Recover at 7:00 PM. Work the Steps or Die MF on Tuesday at 7:00 PM needs support as well. We are still working on developing policy for the new area but using the guide to local service as a guide for the mean time. Are H&I subcommittee is going great. We have several meetings going into all the local treatment centers. We have several events coming up and we have posted fliers on the FB page for the following events.

- Back to Basics will celebrate their 28th Anniversary as a Chili Cook-off on March 2nd, at Grace United Methodist Church.
- Spiritual Connection will celebrate their 37th Anniversary party Taco Bout a Party on March 9th at 1st Presbyterian Church.
- MOA Group is hosting a Blue Ball Campout March 15-17th at Pott County State Lake #2

- Never Alone Fellowship Area is hosting Shamrocks and Shenanigans March 23rd details will be finalized next week and posted on the MidAmerica FB page.
 - Late Night is planning an 3? Anniversary event April 13th Please join us if you are looking for something to do.
- In Loving Service,
Kristi S.

Oz: Greetings from Oz Area,
Things are going fairly well in Oz Area. Since last region, we have had several holiday parties, Super Bowl parties and lots of opportunities to support groups in our area.
St Francis group feels able to support and chair their meeting from the community and Oz Area is no longer chairing the meetings. We are very thankful that we've been able to keep this meeting open.
The Oberlin and Phillipsburg groups are struggling. Members from Norton are going to Phillipsburg to chair Friday and Saturday nights.
Upcoming events are The Whole Enchilada in Hill City on March 2nd.
There is a flyer on the Mid America Facebook page.
Thank you for letting me serve,
Kristen B.
kdbremer81@gmail.com

Primary Purpose:

Unity: NP

Western: Greetings Recovery Family,

The Western Area is still suffering from a lack of unity, however meetings are still being held and the message is being carried. There is a new group that has formed in Bucklin, they are currently trying different times to attract new members. The Garden City group is down to one meeting per week Saturday at 4:30 pm. Against All Odds group in Dodge City held a birthday night January 27 with great success recognizing a member with 40 years. Dodge City NA Round Up in December was also successful and the money raised from that event will purchase literature to be handed out at the MARCNA clean time countdown as well as be sent to any inmates needing literature. If you have any information of H&I Committees or ideas on where we can send literature, please contact me. Also, we will be getting updated meetings lists done as soon as possible, the current meeting times may be inaccurate for some groups currently listed in our area. Thank you for allowing me to be of service and look forward to seeing you all at the convention.

Jeff S.

Wichita Metro: Hey family,

Grateful to be of service to my Area and Region.

Our area continues to be of service with 7 homegroups. We have a few groups that are struggling but they are keeping their doors open. Living Clean is down to two meetings now and are still looking for a new facility. Their lease is up April 1st .

We have had a few addicts step up to be of service to our subcommittees and they have been doing a great job. We have not had an active PI subcommittee for some years, and they have been killing it with their footwork. They have contacted various treatment centers, hospitals, alternative schools, and Wichita Metro to get the word out about NA. It has been very informative on how folks respond regarding NA. They are working closely with H&I too.

The Primary Purpose Area contacted our area webmaster to assist with developing a website for their area. We offered to assist and found out they have not obtained a domain name and/or hosting service. Our area changed hosting services in November due to the prior hosting service tripling our rates. The package we purchased with the new hosting company allows us to have up to 3 domains at no additional costs. We proposed to their area, establishing a partnership regarding the hosting services. We voted for this motion in our area, and it passed. We will now wait for their response to this proposal.

We had our annual Celebration of Recovery in January with a NA History presentation. Thanks Tim S. for your love for the fellowship and history of NA. We had a great turnout and fun by all.

Our area is now leasing a storage facility for our archives and subcommittee items.

These items are now stored in a climate-controlled facility and secured as well. These are positive steps in the right direction, preserved, organized and one location.

The WMANA Women's Annual R&R Retreat will be held April 5-7 th at Camp Horizon. Pre-registration cut off date is February 24 th and the cost is \$100. After that date the cost will go to \$110. There is a flyer on the WMANA fb site. They have been working hard on getting this retreat ready for this year. They also have scholarships available until February 24 th too.

We will be starting our area campfire meetings in May and hold them once a month through August. They will be on the 2 nd Saturday of each month at OJ Watson Park at 7:30pm.

WMANA annual campout will be September 6-8 th . We are looking at another campground area to serve our needs. More will be revealed and will keep you posted.

We had a NA group (New Freedom) that is held in the Winfield Men's Prison reach out by mail to our area. They have about 16-20 men attending their meeting. They are looking for literature and sponsors too. We will be reaching out to them regarding the services that can be provided. This could be a facility that could use "Sponsorship behind the Walls".

We will be donating to region, \$251.75.

Peace, Love & Respect,

Angie B. - JAAAB

Subcommittee Reports:

Archivist: Hello, Family!

Accomplishments this quarter include working with the web coordinator, Curt S., to implement new

Google widgets on the website. Visit the About | History of the Mid-American Region to see some of the

updates (<https://www.marscna.net/history-of-the-mid-america-region/>). It's a work in progress! I've

also dry-cleaned the remaining t-shirts and placed the coffee mugs into carriers. Three coffee mugs were

broken in transit. One of the mugs was a duplicate, and I have donated two of my mugs. One of those

mugs was from 1998.

I am requesting reimbursement for \$117.86 (attached):

- Dry cleaning materials, 9/25/2023, \$58.03
- Cup/Mug Holders <5" x 2, 2/13/2024, \$40.22
- Cup/Mug Holder >5", 2/13/2024, \$19.61

Payment can be made to:

Linda Merillat

4918 NW Barry Rd.

Kansas City, MO 64154

785-438-0399

Venmo: @Linda-Merillat

I was recently diagnosed with long COVID, so I will not be attending the regional this weekend in person

or by Zoom. I'm better this week than last week, but I am unable to travel at this time nor endure a long

Zoom meeting. If anything urgent needs my attention, please call.

In loving service, Linda M.

Campout: Hello all,

Campout is on schedule according to the timeline.

We currently have pre-campout shirts available @ \$20 each and coffee cups @ \$15 each. Campout shirts have been ordered and will be available at the alternative store at MARCNA. The committee also agreed to order a limited quantity of 24 hats to be available at MARCNA as well, if not they will be here by May RSC. We took an inventory and organized supplies and are in really good shape with what we have. We are going to purchase some new totes and do some labeling to help future committees stay organized.

The agenda for the weekend is set with a speaker all 4 days, SPAD meetings in the morning, campfire meeting at night. "Exploring Spiritual Options" workshop Friday afternoon and Saturdays fun will be a Cornhole tournament we did do away with money prizes for the tournament it is now a traveling trophy. Agenda will be posted and passed around at the campout.

Campout has a fundraiser is planned for May 18 at RSC, cooking hamburgers & dogs and will be

asking for side dish donations, \$5.00 person of course no addict turned away. There will be a speaker, auction and raffle. Any item donations would be appreciated. Campout currently does not

have a lot of items for fundraising. This is the longest running free NA campout in the world fundraising is how we make it happen. The campout swag will also be available for purchase at May RSC.

Next campout interim meeting is April 27, 8am in the archives room at convention.

Looking forward to the 45th Mid-America Region free campout July 4-7 at Pomona Lake Wolfcreek group camp.

Grateful to serve NA, Cameron B.

Convention: *Open Positions :**

Arts & Graphics-2yrs and Co-chair-1yr Co-Entertainment-1yr
CO-Merchandise-1yr Co registration-4yrs Co Merchandise-1yr Hospitality-1yr

Pre Registration Merchandise and Special Pricing Ends Today February 18 2024, you will still be able to Pre-Register (full price no Merchandise) off website until April 15 2024

Convention is April 26-28 2024 Wichita KS

Registration is on Regional website www.marscna.net

Host Hotel , Hyatt in Wichita Ks is Sold out of Special Price Room Rates still Can Book Reg Room

Submitting New Hotel BID Guideline for Group approval

Fundraising Event: July 2024 OZ area (M2BR)

*****Meeting Location Pioneer Hall 882 W 5th Emporia Kansas
66801**

****** Virtual Meeting ID: 496 411 9404**

PW: 1953

***** Check Regional Website and Regional Facebook for
Updates**

Any Question contact Ben T. or Rich C

convention@marscna.net

MID AMERICA REGION CONVENTION OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

CONVENTION BID GUIDELINES

Below you will find guidelines to assist in obtaining a hotel for the MARSCNA Regional Convention. Any member of our MARSCNA region can secure a bid regarding the convention. The convention bid is to be presented at the November RSC, 18 months prior to convention. We encourage the regional convention to rotate throughout the state of Kansas but due to growth in the fellowship this has proven to be difficult to locate a venue large enough to hold the convention. Please note that securing a facility for at least two years consecutively benefits us with locking in rates to be cost effective.

GENERAL:

****Would the hotel accommodate a Meeting room for convention interim meetings (non-RSC months)?**

Hotel and staff to accommodate 500-700 people.

Schedule a walk through of the hotel with committee and hotel staff on the 3rd Sunday of January prior to the convention.

Meeting space and rooms to accommodate the following:

Registration (capacity to hold a minimum of 8 long tables).

Merchandise (capacity to hold a minimum of 15 tables).

Taper (capacity to hold a minimum of 4 long tables).

Workshops (minimum of 2 rooms to accommodate 75-100 each with podiums & microphone for each workshop).

Fellowship/Game (accommodate 30+ with a minimum of 4 round 10 top tables).

Auction (accommodate 50+).

Archivist (capacity to hold a minimum of 8 tables).

24-hour Marathon (open @ 9pm Friday and close Sunday @ 9am. Accommodate 15+).

Hospitality (close to the event as much as possible. Availability to bring in food and coffee. Accommodate 30+ with a minimum of two long tables).

Friday Night Speaker (podium, microphone, stage, and possible dance floor).

Saturday Night Speaker (podium, microphone, stage, and possible dance floor).

Sunday Morning Speaker (podium, microphone, and stage).

AV equipment availability with the hotel's current cost sheet provided.

Hotel must be A.D.A. compliant (American Disabilities Act) **Is easy to approach, enter, operate, and participate in, &/or use safely and with dignity by a person with a disability.**

Sunday closeout convention meeting room (Noon – 2pm).

Does the hotel have set-up and tear down fees? If so, what are the conditions for these fees?

Are there additional costs for skirting tables?

Are banners able to be hung within the main ballroom and is there a cost?

Is there a cut-off date for a finalized POE (program of events) that the hotel requires?

Convention committee to be able to set-up the event on Thursday at check-in time.

What are the deposit costs that are required and when are they due?

ROOMS:

Sleeping rooms:

Convention room rate available for Convention committee on Thursday night with 15 rooms.

Room block of 100 for Friday night.

Room block of 100 for Saturday night.

Availability to increase room block if needed.

Are there complimentary rooms available if room blocks are met? If so, how many comp rooms are provided and what are the specifics?

Is there a penalty for not meeting the room block and if so, what are the stipulations?

Is there a cut-off date for reservation room rates?

FOOD SERVICES:

Does the hotel have a minimum food & beverage commitment?

What is the minimum requirement (\$\$) that must be met?

What are the damages if the minimum requirement is not met?

Are meeting and event space for this event complimentary if the food and beverage minimum is met?

Cost of coffee per gallon? (100-200 gallons).

Coffee stations need to be available for the Friday night, Saturday mid-day, Saturday night, and Sunday morning speakers.

Saturday night banquet price per person with an estimated group of 75-100 (optional).

Sunday morning breakfast price per person with an estimated group of 50-75 (optional).

INSURANCE:

Does the RSC maintain sufficient insurance to insure their obligations for this event (Indemnification and Hold Harmless)?

Does the hotel maintain sufficient insurance to insure their obligations for this event (Indemnification and Hold Harmless)?

If any damage to the hotel, is the group or individual(s) responsible for any damages?

Location of Event: _____

Name of Hotel: _____

Dates Available: _____

(No Easter Weekend)

Contact Person: _____

Confirmation of the hotel rates for this bid are required. We need to ensure they will be guaranteed and honored at convention time. (This is vital due to the bid being 18 months out or less from convention).

Person(s) obtaining the bid needs to attend the RSC business meeting to present the bid and contract. There may be questions and possibly the hotel liaison would need to be contacted during the meeting for further explanations.

Fellowship Development: Hi everyone,
I'm Bobby and I am an addict.

Yesterday was MARCNA fundraiser

Struggling groups:
Recovery Road
Oberlin
Phillipsburg

New Groups:
A Way to Recovery Group 3101 Morgan Ave. Parsons ks. 6:30 Monday

Humble Beginnings 1005 Siggans Ave Coffeyville, Ks 7:30 Tuesday

Bucklin 7:30 Saturday at church

Living Clean only Wednesday after 2/23/2024

New Freedom Winfield Prison

Closed groups:
Pleased to say none

Please take back to your area that the fellowship development following positions are open:
Co-facilitator
Man editor
Co man editor
Secretary.

Work group March the 5th at 6:00 p.m. via zoom? We will use RSC's zoom information and we can post that on the Facebook page when we get closer.

I am requesting a reimbursement of \$75.14 for fellowship development events purchase

F Y I if we want to continue to see the Man newsletter we need immediate willingness to step up and learn from Tim!

Thank You for allowing me to serve
Bobby B.

NAWS Contact: Nothing to report

PO Box: Hello and good day,

The box has been checked regularly, all MARCNA registrations were hand delivered prior to RSC.

The rest was dealt with according to the list below.

Dec Oregon Prison

Hole in the Wall

Newsletter Mid America Newsletter

Jan Vicki L. MARCNA Reg. hand delivered

Jan Phil O Request to MARCNA brought to RSC

Jan Inmate Ellsworth H&I Request Passed to CKA H&I

Feb Inmate Winfield H&I Request brought to RSC

Feb Phil O Request to MARCNA brought to RSC

Feb NAWS Donation letter brought to RSC

Feb Paula S MARCNA Reg. hand delivered

Feb Bruce S MARCNA Reg. hand delivered

Feb Unity Group MARCNA Reg. hand delivered

Feb D.F. MARCNA Reg. hand delivered

Feb Oregon Prison

Hole in the Wall

Newsletter Mid America Newsletter

Gratefully serving NA,

Tim S.

Public Relations: P.R. Subcommittee – February 2024 RSC

Open at 3:45 with moment of silence

Two New Members attended

Elections:

Secretary: Despite the outlined criteria of 1 year clean, 6 months involvement with PRC, access to a computer and internet, and ability to take precise notes, there was no expressed interest in this role.

H&I Coordinator: With a requirement of 3 years clean, 1 year of H&I experience, and a working knowledge of the H&I handbook and PR handbook, there was also no interest in this position. However, the committee decided to keep it open for discussion.

The committee deliberated on potential responsibilities for the H&I coordinator:

Jeffry suggested data collection.

Curt proposed collaboration with Area H&I.

Access to Jails.

Presentation Coordinator: This role requires 4 years clean, 6 months involvement in PRC, and a working knowledge of the PR Handbook.

Media Coordinator: Although the criteria included 2 years clean, 6 months involvement in PRC, and a working knowledge of the PR handbook, the committee discussed removing this position. The chair plans to address this with the main body, considering its impact on Regional Policy.

PR Co-facilitator: Despite requiring 2 years clean, PR experience, and a working knowledge of the PR and H&I Handbooks, there was no interest in this position.

Report of New Information Since Last RSC:

Media: Assessment of changes in Regional Policy to dissolve this position.

Hospitals and Institutions: Decision to keep this position open.

Phone Line: The PR Subcommittee are requesting from the main body the need for additional phone line volunteers; a full report is available on the website.

Web: Curt S. reported that the WordPress to Google Drive integration incurred a cost \$10 more than expected.

Reports are now emailed to reports@marscna.net, and documents are posted on the website. A full report is available on the website.

Presentation to Professionals: A table will be set up in Valley Falls. Member requests for items include tablecloth, IPs (1,7,12,16,19, 13,27, 22, 30), booklets & NA: A Resource in Your Community, & and regional meeting lists. The PR Subcommittee is requesting some funds for this effort.

Google Plugin: Completed. Now integrated with reports@marscna.org

Printing Regional Meeting Lists: Web servant demonstrated the process on the website.

For further details, please refer to the full reports available on the website.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey L.

PR Facilitator

785-550-0849

jeffry_na@outlook.com

Newsletter: Hello and good day,

I received one submission this past quarter, which I couldn't use due to content and language. I still

managed to throw an issue together and they can be picked up at region.

The cost was \$319.77 for 500 copies, folded and stapled. I mailed 10 copies to Oregon State

Penitentiary again, delivered CKA to their area meeting, and brought the rest here. This issue completes

five years as editor, one year past my last term ending. I have decided to step aside and let another willing

member enjoy this wonderful commitment. I am always available for questions and guidance if needed.

Gratefully serving NA,
Tim S.

Website & Phone Line: Last Quarter Activities

Updates

Updated meeting information, events and the MAN page as needed by incoming requests.

Wordpress and plugins updated as new versions became available.

Convention

Convention timer will expire on midnight Sunday, 2/18. After that, the page will state "Convention Pre-registration is now closed." The downloadable pre-registration flyer is still on

the page, so we need assistance on getting a non-pre-registration flyer to put on the Events page.

Google Drive Integration for archives

Installed and tested the full version of the Integrate Google Drive plugin for WordPress. Worked with the Archivist to set up functions. Due to the depth of integration, provided the

Archivist with full access to WordPress. Note that a receipt for the purchase is provided and

that the price went up from \$29.00 to \$39.00.

E-mail forwarding solution

Problem: At the November RSC, we experienced a failure of the email forwarders for the

reports@marscna.net email account. In communication with our hosting provider, Inmotionhosting, it was stated that they had removed all forwarders for that account.

According to them, the fast pace of emails flowing out of the 50 or so forwarders on that account when everyone was sending and resending reports during the last RSC appears to

major e-mail hosts (Gmail, Yahoo, Hotmail, and AT&T) to be spam and our account got grey listed. Investigation into alternative services (porting email to Google or other e-mail

hosts, increasing our server to a full virtual server instead of the shared server our service is

currently on would both increase costs, and complexity.

Solution: Rather than take a more expensive/complex approach, an automation integration

was implemented. Using an online automation service, zapier.com, we created an automation

that will strip an attachment from an email, and place it into a Google Drive folder. That folder,

in turn is a part of the WordPress/Google Drive integration. With a short code generated by the integration plugin, the folder in Google Drive is then shown on a page in the www.marscna.net website.

1 of 4

Here is the link to the page: <https://www.marscna.net/current-rsc-reports/>
It contains a mailto: link to the new address (also set up a forwarder for the old reports@marscna.net to go to this new email). It also contains a link to an easily usable site for generating PDFs so that we can manage files more easily.

So this procedure would be followed:

1. Trusted servant sends email with attachment to either reports@marscna.net, or marscnareports.dgpkf8@zapiemail.com
2. Zapier automation captures the attachment and with its integration to the Google Drive account, places the attachment file in the "Current RSC" folder in the MARSCNA Archival Google Drive.
3. Google Drive/WordPress integration using a short code on web page of the MARSCNA site at <https://www.marscna.net/current-rsc-reports/> then makes the reports available for viewing at that location. (it is reachable under N.A. Service on the menu bar of the site.)
4. A week after the RSC is over, the Archivist will move the files into other archival folders in Google Drive.

Benefits:

- This solves the graylisting/blacklisting problem with using email forwarders for reports@marscna.net as there is only one forward taking place instead of multiple forwards.
- It makes the reports immediately available for anyone in the fellowship to see.
- It automates delivery of the files to Google Drive for the Archivist.
- For our single automation, there is no monthly fee with Zapier.com, so there is no cost increase.
- Since the automation is built with a simple wizard, there is not the complexity of trying to set up mx records or other issues setting up smtp.

Analytics

- Google Analytics: See attachment.

Roadmap

- ASC confirmation of meetings. We ask each Area to continually review their meeting information on the regional website and report any adds, deletions, or changes for the

meeting information. Our mutual goal is to have one single database that will be used by all.

Please have whoever is responsible in your Area for meeting information contact either PR

2 of 4

Facilitator or Web Coordinator so that we can establish a best practice in keeping this information updated.

- Area meeting guides from BMLT: We can extend the ability to each Area to utilize the BMLT

server with Bread plugin to create area meeting lists. Again, the idea is to have a single source of meeting information so that the Regional and Area guides are always in sync. Utilizing BMLT can prevent this from occurring!

Areas using BMLT to generate their meeting list: JFT, Miracle, Oz, and Wichita Metro. We

will also be creating a BMLT version of the Unity Area's meeting list for the Regional website..

- Archivist: Work with Archivist to install Integrate Google Drive plugin into Wordpress and develop archival pages.

- Analytics: Continue to develop reports on the new Google Analytics platform.

- deploy a sandbox version of the site for testing and possible theme update.

- Develop an instruction manual for the website.

- Website Guidelines: We have a preliminary set of guidelines and will present them at the

February RSC. Still under development.

Blessings,

Curt S., Web Coordinator

408-892-6564

info@marscna.net or curtisls@me.com

Phoneline Statistics:

For the period of November 1 to January 31, 2023.

Volunteers

We have 18 live addict volunteers, Please take back to groups need more phone line volunteers. Requirements are 1 year clean and have served in some service position at either the group, ASC, or RSC in the last year.

Voicemails all come from people leaving a message, as opposed to an unanswered call. In this quarter, 7 voicemails were for people seeking meeting information, 1 professional called and was directed to the Wichita Metro website. The remaining 6 calls did not leave a message. The top 4 area codes from which calls came are listed above.

Roadmap

Develop a manual for managing Twilio/Yap.

Blessings,

Curt S.
 408-892-6564, personal email: curtisls@me.com
 email: phonenumber@marscna.net

Soul to Soul: Hello family,

The contract has been sent with the additional \$475.00 required deposit to camp Chippewa

bringing out total deposit to \$975.00. Each year our deposit will be based on the attendance

from that year and they expect 50% for deposit. It is \$25.00 per person per night for Munsee

South and \$30.00 per person per night for Asbury.

The treasurer and co-treasurer were able to get everything transferred to them and Grace was

able to make our registration flyer with the cash app code on it. I brought copies and brought

them for RCM's to take back for their groups. It is also posted on Mid America Page already as

well

There were some issues regarding the treasurer which will be in Treasury oversight report. But

our Treasurer has determined we are starting with \$2650.00 in our account and he feels we

need to leave it at that and moving forward we will be raising our prudent reserve to \$3000.00

based on a vote from committee.

We have schedule a tentative fundraiser to be held in Emporia Kansas on June 22, 2024– flyer

to be created once we secure the park or a meeting hall. It was decided that we will be serving

BBQ chicken at the fundraiser.

Our theme for Soul to Soul this year will be “Leading the way with spiritual principles” and our

artwork is created.

In loving service

Shelley W.

PS. Beginning treasury report balance is currently 2650.00

Officer Reports

Treasure: November 2023 closing

Beginning Balance (November 2023 RSC) \$ 19,296.36

Income:

11/19/2023 Area Donation - WMASC \$ 1,031.64

11/19/2023 Area Donation - Miracle Area \$ 200.00

11/19/2023 Area Donation - CKA \$ 5,000.00
 11/19/2023 Soul 2 Soul Donation \$ 400.51
 11/19/2023 Area Donation - JFT \$ 500.00

11/19/2023 Group Donation - Pioneer \$ 100.00
 Income Total \$ 7,232.15
 Balance After Income \$ 26,528.51

Expenses:

#1677 - 11/19/2023 Alliance Agency - Insurance \$1,740.75
 #1678 - 11/19/2023 City of Marquette - Rent & Storage \$400.00
 #1679 - 11/19/2023 Atelier Design & Print - MAN (Winter) Printing \$350.00
 #1680 - 11/19/2023 Jeff S - Fellowship Development (Events) \$69.91
 #1681 - 11/19/2023 Robert B - Fellowship Development (Supplies) \$161.17
 #1684 - 11/19/2023 Wayne S - Secretary (Print & Mail to Unity Area) \$83.00
 #1683 - 11/19/2023 Ron Z - RD Team (PSZF Travel) \$1,250.00
 ACH - 12/___/2023 Twilio - Phoneline
 ACH - 12/___/2023 Google - Archivist Drive

\$ 4,054.83
 Bank Balance \$ 22,473.68
 Less: Prudent Reserve \$ 7,500.00
 Sub-total \$ 14,973.68
 Less: Escrows and Budgeted Items
 Fellowship Development \$ 2,768.92
 Public Relations 800.00
 Google Drive 27.03
 Insurance (Quarterly) 1,740.75
 Rent/Storage (Quarterly) 400.00
 Phoneline (Quarterly) (ACH) 100.00
 P.O. Box (Due Feb 2024) 175.00
 . Web Host (Due 2025) (ACH) 200.00
 RD Team 2,750.00
 Memorial Fund 500.00
 RD Team WSC Travel (Quarterly + \$500) 1,000.00
 Archive Plan (Motion 8/23 Passed 11/23) 2,500.00
 Total Escrows \$ 12,961.70
 Spendable Balance \$ 2,011.98

February 2024 RSC

Beginning Balance (November 2023 RSC) \$ 19,296.36

Income:

11/19/2023 Area Donation - WMASC \$ 1,031.64
 11/19/2023 Area Donation - Miracle Area \$ 200.00
 11/19/2023 Area Donation - CKA \$ 5,000.00
 11/19/2023 Soul 2 Soul Donation \$ 400.51
 11/19/2023 Area Donation - JFT \$ 500.00

11/19/2023 Group Donation - Pioneer \$ 100.00
 Income Total \$ 7,232.15

Balance After Income \$ 26,528.51

Expenses:

#1677 - 11/19/2023 Alliance Agency - Insurance \$1,740.75
 #1678 - 11/19/2023 City of Marquette - Rent & Storage \$400.00
 #1679 - 11/19/2023 Atelier Design & Print - MAN (Winter) Printing \$319.77
 #1680 - 11/19/2023 Jeff S - Fellowship Development (Events) \$69.91
 #1681 - 11/19/2023 Robert B - Fellowship Development (Supplies) \$161.17
 #1684 - 11/19/2023 Wayne S - Secretary (Print & Mail to Unity Area) \$83.00
 #1683 - 11/19/2023 Ron Z - RD Team (PSZF Travel) \$1,250.00
 ACH - 12/01/2023 Twilio - Phonenumber \$10.12
 ACH - 12/06/2023 Google - Archivist Drive \$2.99
 ACH - 12/21/2023 Twilio - Phonenumber \$10.02
 ACH - 01/08/2024 Google - Archivist Drive \$2.99
 ACH - 01/16/2024 Twilio - Phonenumber \$10.26
 ACH - 02/05/2024 Twilio - Phonenumber \$10.13
 ACH - 02/06/2024 Google - Archivist Drive \$2.99

\$ 4,074.10

Bank Balance \$ 22,454.41

Less: Prudent Reserve \$ 7,500.00

Sub-total \$ 14,954.41

Less: Escrows and Budgeted Items

Fellowship Development \$ 2,768.92

Public Relations 800.00

Google Drive 18.06

Insurance (Quarterly) 1,740.75

Rent/Storage (Quarterly) 400.00

Phonenumber (Quarterly) (ACH) 100.00

P.O. Box (Due Feb 2024) 175.00

. Web Host (Due 2025) (ACH) 200.00

RD Team 2,750.00

Memorial Fund 500.00

RD Team WSC Travel (Quarterly + \$500) 1,000.00

Archive Plan (Motion 8/23 Passed 11/23) 2,500.00

Total Escrows \$ 12,952.73

Spendable Balance \$ 2,001.68

RD: Good morning region.

Not an incredible amount to report on today, The meeting in Iowa was cold but well attended.

We met in a technical college in one of their lecture halls, and Ron and I stayed at a hotel at the

bottom of the hill the college stands on. Friday was our travel day so we didn't get to participate

in the presentation to professionals presentation but it was relayed to me that it was well attended. Most of what we did was workshop three I.D.T.'s for this upcoming cycle, Virtual H&I,

and the business meeting on Sunday. For those who don't know the I.D.T.'s for this cycle are:

Gender neutral and inclusive language in NA literature *

Dealing with disruptive and predatory behavior*

Reimagining and revitalizing service committees*

DRT/MAT as it relates to NA

The Session profiles and PowerPoint presentations are available for all four on the world website

under the for our members tab. The three with stars beside them are the ones we workshopped

at this meeting.

Our next interim meeting is via zoom Sunday May 12th @4pm there will be a zoom link available on the Plains States Zonal Forum page Pszfna.org if you care to attend. Our next in

person meeting will be July 19th-21st in Dodge City, Kansas. This location was chosen because

it felt to many of us that the western portion of our region is usually the last kid picked for the

ball game. We would love to have your support. There will be fliers available.

I'm sure that your all aware the the registration for world convention in Washington DC is open

and as of the last CP webinar there were already over five thousand people registered.

Registration is available through the world website and costs \$175. I'm looking forward to seeing

many of you there.

While we're on the subject of world, some notable goings on in the near future are, a CP web

meeting on March 16th, a fellowship webinar on Revitalizing H&I service March 23rd a zonal

planning session on April 6th, and on May 18th a Leadership Identification webinar from the

Human Resource Panel.

As you can see my Co is not here, this is due to a last minute work related issue. At the time of

my writing of this report he did not have anything to add to this other than that of the \$1200 dispersed to him for room and travel we spent \$576.10 leaving \$623.90 to be returned. He has assured me that it will be given to the treasurer at next weekends convention in Nebraska. I will be sure to follow up with both of them to make sure this happens and confirm this with you next quarter.

Also, please make sure that if you haven't already done so, to fill out the Zonal Service Pool form on the zones website at the button of the "Contact Us" dropdown. Its a service resume that will be consulted if the zone needs help or is asked for help. It takes all of about 5 minutes and your experience may be utilized to help us fulfill our primary purpose

I.L.S.
Jacob

Alt RD:

Treasury Oversight: Hey Family,
Grateful to be of service! I was elected to this position in August 2023 and as of today, I still do not have access to any of the three (3) bank accounts or regional checking for monitoring purposes. As Treasury Oversight this is one of my duties and I am unable to perform it. My position will be open in May for elections and there is no reason to try and push this anymore. Currently, it only makes sense for the Treasurer to maintain and monitor these accounts monthly for accountability and reporting reasons. I would also suggest that the Treasurer go back and review the sub-committee accounts since I have not had any access. I have turned in motions today for your review. I feel these motions are necessary to help with accountability and streamlining the process for the future subcommittees that have bank accounts. We are all trusted servants and should be transparent with our duties that we have committed to and

especially when it comes to handling monies. If basic accounting (GAAP) is being conducted and proper record keeping is recorded properly, it will only help the Treasury Oversight position to not have to jump through hoops, decipher codes and try to read between the lines in conducting final audits. This will also provide the incoming subcommittee with what is expected of their committee. We have a responsibility to our Region and to be mindful that servant position duties are followed through with and folks are committed to their position too. Let me just say, this doesn't just refer to treasury positions when it comes to being responsible.

SOUL TO SOUL AUDIT/2022-2023

The Soul to Soul audit has been prepared per my findings and review. I did not receive all the pertinent information to assist with this audit. I appreciated the Treasurer meeting with me on Zoom to answer some questions. Thanks to the incoming Soul to Soul Chair for providing me with the camp receipt/invoice. Therefore, this audit will provide you with the information that was given by this committee.

Checks Written:

A list of checks written was given and there is a gap of checks (#1148-1161) not accounted for.

Check #1145 – Receipt provided (TSHIRTS)

Check #1146 – Receipt provided (Coffee Cups)

Check #1147 – Receipt provided (Camp Chippewa) but no copy of the check to validate.

Check #1162 – No receipt provided (PO Box), copy of check was provided.

Check #1163 – Receipts provided (Food/Supplies)

Check #1164 - Receipts provided (Food/Supplies)

Check #1165 - Receipts provided (Food/Supplies)

ISSUE – No running check ledger was provided

ISSUE – No checkbook was provided, so, not able to validate the gap with the checks

ISSUE – Check #1147 had an invoice but no check to validate. Check #1162 had no invoice but had a

copy of the check to validate its purpose.

DEPOSITS:

Deposits were noted on the bank statements only. No running ledger was kept.

ISSUE – No running check ledger provided.

ISSUE – Early Bird registration monies were collected in September 2022 and were deposited May

2023. Two personal checks were written in March 2023 and deposited May 2023. ISSUE – Emporia Fundraiser, June 2023 showed a profit of \$954. Deposit was made of \$701. (no explanation for the difference of \$253) per the Treasurer it possibly was cash for the August Fundraiser. No minutes to advise either. There was not a spreadsheet provided for auction items and costs.

ISSUE – Cash App June records showed money in at \$1450 but deposit shows \$1350. Per Treasurer this was \$100 that was put in and taken out due to error. Nothing was noted or minutes provided to validate.

ISSUE – Deposit made September 2023 of \$3015.94. Cash App deposit of \$420. A fundraiser total was provided of \$852.88 but the actual monies made after deciphering it was \$992.94. This deposit amount is a difference of \$1603 to the positive but no records to verify the existence of the difference.

ISSUE – Catering money that was not utilized was returned to the Treasurer in October in the amount of \$571.24 in lieu of \$572.14 that was noted on their list. The October 2023 bank statement shows no deposit made.

SUMMARIZATION

The October bank statement shows no deposit of returned catering funds of \$571.24. The balance as of October 31, 2023, was \$5323.37. After seed money (\$2000) and camp bill (\$1870) and camp deposit of (\$975) the actual donation calculates to be \$1049.61 in lieu of the \$400.51 donation given.

This is a difference of \$649.10. I have no records of the November bank statement but if the deposit was made in November the donation would still be as noted above (\$1049.61). Deposits were not made in a timely manner. A good rule of thumb for security purposes is to deposit the monies between a 48-72 hour period within the completion of the function or event & or collections of registrations.

There was no running check ledger which made it difficult to establish the reasons for the checks and deposits. Had to burrow through a lot of stuff to decipher this information. There were discrepancies

with some deposits that made it difficult to decipher because the fundraiser profit sheets were not calculated properly. The committee did not provide a spreadsheet for auction items and costs to

verify the proper amount that was made on auctions.

There were no minutes given and I was advised no minutes were taken during this term of 2022-2023.

Minutes are important in assisting with an audit. Additional information could be noted in the

minutes that are not provided in the treasury portion of the subcommittee and able to help in

establishing answers to questions the Treasury Oversight person might have.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Soul to Soul to pay the difference of \$649.10 to the region.

To review the motions that I have submitted today. I feel these motions are necessary in having

successful audits, maintaining transparency, and being responsible within the RSC for everyone

involved. Further recommendations are noted in these motions.

To have the regional Treasurer to monitor these checking accounts moving forward due to not having

access as Treasury Oversight.

Peace, Love & Respect,

Angie B. – JAAAB

Treasury Oversight

Open Forum

* People should turn stuff in to the events page.

* We could use a check out system so we don't lose things (like the presentation table cover). We used to have one a while back. No one knows where the table cover is so another one will be bought.

* It isn't a good idea to "shame" people. That doesn't help anyone. We should vote people in that can lead and teach.

* Also people should be accountable and be expected to be held accountable.

* Being kind is the best way not to discourage people from being of service.

* One addict said this isn't the first RSC they attended where the rudeness was very off-putting.

* The meeting info on our website needs to be right. Could all RCMs check to make sure their groups are listed right.

Old Business

Elections: No Willingness

THE FOLLOWING ARE OPEN POSITIONS ON THE RSC FLOOR AND IN THE

SUBCOMMITTEES:

Open Positions for May '24 RSC:

RSC Officers OPEN

Facilitator
Co-Facilitator
Secretary
Co-Secretary
Treasurer
Co-Treasurer

Within Subcommittees OPEN

Convention:

Arts & Graphics chair and co
Co-entertainment
Co-Merchandise
Hospitality
General Members

Fellowship Development:

Co-Facilitator
Secretary
MAN Editor
MAN Co-Editor

Public Relations:

Co-Facilitator
Secretary
H&I Coordinator
Presentations Coordinator
Media Coordinator
Phone Line volunteers

Please, we are in need of people who want to help and be of service.

Old Business con't

* Policy committee. Do we need one? In some ways yes but we can't even fill the main positions on the floor as it is.

*JFT letter. Did RCMs discuss this at their area meetings? Yes, most did. Should we discuss each question that the letter asked? If we don't isn't that just like pushing it under the rug?

1) Is MARSC committed to following fellowship approved policy and procedures?

* We break policy all the time

* Maybe we should have guidelines and not a policy

2) What circumstances would necessitate the RSC to disregard established policy and procedure?

- * We don't set out to "disregard"
- * We are learning
- * We are transparent

3) What is the reasoning for approving an expenditure not established by MARSC policy?

- * We thought it was a good group doing something for the addict
- * But we were out of order

4) If there is a question regarding how a policy or procedure is practically applied, who is the arbiter of the practical application? Fellowship approved policy establishes and maintains our unity, trust, and integrity.

*This is where a policy group would be helpful that would speak out when we aren't following it correctly.

- * We throw parties - we don't do other things. We could have paid for several billboards across Kansas.
- * We are a service committee
- * The parties help raise money that we operate on - not just group donations
- * It's good we talk about this - we are here to do the hard business of NA.
- * We are solving problems - let's continue in the solution.

5) Why was the motion not tabled for group review and approval once a policy-based objection was voiced?

- * The chair took responsibility for this. At the time he went with the RCM votes. Now he knows anything that causes controversy (not just money issues) should go back to groups.
- * But this going back to groups would have postponed money being sent on and that would have violated policy too.

6) Does the RSC study the Traditions or Concepts as a part of the normal business process?

- * No
- * Some areas do study them
- * to serve you should have a working knowledge of the steps, traditions and the concepts.

7) Is P3 a service committee recognized in the NA service structure?

- * Yes - they are based in eastern Nebraska but NA is worldwide.

8) Does the MARSC understand and accept our concerns?

- * Yes we do.

* This really didn't have any solutions - but the questions kind of came across as attacking. JFT should come up with the solutions they would like to see.

*We as a service body should evolve. Other areas/regions are changing from policies to guidelines. We should make decisions for the many not the few.

*Were these questions written out of fear? Fear that we will do this or something like it again? or was this just a witch hunt? It's become something we've wasted time talking about.

* We need to move and change to serve the people.

*JFT RCM feels satisfied that this has been address properly.

*Should we send a response letter back to JFT? Yes. The chair (with help) will make sure this is taken care of by the next RSC.

*The last Regional inventory was in 2009. Looking in the minutes following that inventory no results were found. However, breaking policy was a big issue then as it is now (and ever since we've had a policy). It has to do with stagnate service.

* If we want to fix what JFT has pointed out we need to do this inventory.

* RCM vote to start the process of having an inventory **PASSED**

**An ad hoc committee will set this inventory up. In this group will be: The Chair, RD, ARD, Daniel, Tim S., Rod, Angie and Jeffrey. This is a project based group. It will end once the inventory is done.

* Back to elections. Someone has willingness for Co-facilitator. They are still a RCM and will come back next time to step up. Thank you for your willingness.

New Business

* We have four (4) motions to take back to groups . They will all be as attachments except the 4th one from convention. You can see the guidelines they want you to approve IN THEIR REPORT above.

* 02182024-01 From Treasury Oversight 2nd by Brandon H.

To revise the Treasurer duties of the Soul to Soul subcommittee that are recorded on pg. 36 of the MARSCNA Policy.

* 02182024-02 From Treasury Oversight 2nd by Brandon H.

To revise the Treasury Oversight, Purpose & Duties, that are recorded on pg. 12 of the MARSCNA Policy.

* 02182024-03 From Aimee K 2nd by Tim S.

Add requirements to Treasury Oversight pg. 12 of the MARSCNA Policy date August 2022. Copy #2, #3, and #4 from "Treasurer" to "Treasury Oversight" in said section. Update terminology, "Qualifications" to Requirements" for uniformity.

* 02182024-04 From Convention

Take "Convention Bid Guidelines" (which can be found in their report) to groups for approval.

Treasury Oversight had some concerns/recommendations in her report.

- 1) She isn't on any of the bank accounts and needs to be to do her job. Her and Matt will talk after RSC and Matt will work with the bank to get her on the accounts.
- 2) She recommends that Soul to Soul pay RSC \$649.10 which came up as extra money on their audit. Soul to Soul was aware of this and put in their report they were keeping it to help with the next S2S. No one HAS to follow recommendations.

Housekeeping M/S/P

MOTION to CLOSE 12:48pm

Mid-America Region

310 Swedonia St. Marquette, KS

Saturday, May 18, 2024

10 AM to 12 pm: Fellowship Development (Events, MAN, Soul to Soul)

12:00 pm to 1:30 pm Lunch

1:30 pm to 3:30 pm Convention/Campout

3:45 to 5:45 Public Relations (H&I, Web, Phone-line, Communications)

6 pm Evening Activity - Campout fundraiser

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Regional Service Committee Meeting

9 am to?

Reports, Open Forum, General Business, Funds