

MASCNA MEETING MINUTES

June 2010

OPENING : 5:00

Moment Of Silence: Ken S. 5:02

Service Workers Prayer: Sam

Twelve Traditions: Amanda

Twelve Concepts: Shawn G.

Roll Call: Jim W.

REPORTS

Vice Chair: Jeff T.

- Jeff made announcement and asked if Outreach (Matt L) could take over the responsibility of the meeting list and all of Jeff's duties regarding the meeting list. Public Relations workgroup and Matt will talk about taking over the task. We will discuss this topic as a group in more detail at next Area service.

H&I: Tony H.

- The H&I Subcommittee meet today. Three were in attendance. Meet with PR workgroup last month to discuss giving information to House of Correction Volunteer Coordinator. Letter was drafted, expressing our interest in serving in their facility, along with information about NA, using one of the IP explaining our program. Haven't received notification whether the letter was sent.
- H&I subcommittee is really hurting for members to participate. So getting more facilities will not do any good, unless more members are participating. We are currently cooperating with the H&I subcommittee of inner city, they are getting the volunteers from this area an opportunity to experience doing presentation at other facilities, they do have to attend at least one of their meeting before do their silent's.
- Coordinator for the women's side of MSDF stepped down, and Sandy has agreed to step up.
- Inner City requested literature, subcommittee approved.
- They date for Jail House Rock was tentatively set for the 1st week in December of 2010 with the chaplain on 55th and Greenfield, and it was reported in error last week minutes that it was December of 25th, of 2010.

Work to be done

- Get orientation date for new members of H&I for MSDF
- Contact Meta House and work a date where volunteers can start going in.
- Continue on this journey with cooperation with both H&I's not press a spiritual solution; believe it will come at the right time.

Facilities Served:

- MSDF

Like to serve:

- Meta House
- United Community Center (bi-lingual desired)

Thank-You for allowing me to serve,

Tony H H&I Chairperson Milwaukee Area
414-736-0983 hallawt2004@sbcglobal.net

Treasurer: Byron J.

- Gave report and discussed AT&T bill.
- Discussed the Treasurer report, and the possibility of it being posted on the NA website.
- Pro's and con's regarding this topic were discussed by various members. No decision was made.

Activities: Shawn G.

- Shawn expressed his concerns regarding low attendance at the last several NA activities.
- Shawn is asking for help and has posed several questions to the attending GSR's regarding low attendance and is asking for feedback from the groups.
 - What would the groups/ individuals like to see as an activity?
 - What type of activity would the groups/individuals attend?
- These questions can be answered and submitted on the website. For more information contact Shawn G. at 414-412-1015 or your GSR.

Outreach: Matt L.

- Matt spoke in detail about the poster and how to get in out to the addicts who still suffer and carry the message of recovery.
- Matt is also working together with Inner City Area, and Tony H., to collaborate efforts regarding this poster.
- Any ideas, suggestions, or concerns regarding the poster contact Matt L. at 414-704-2227

MASC Outreach Subcommittee Report

June 13th, 2010

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- I. The Outreach subcommittee's May business meeting was held on the 18th, and the following members were in attendance: Matt L., Louie F. & Dave "DJ Dubbs."
- II. The Outreach Subcommittee is currently speaking with groups about the poster which was recently developed by the PR Poster work group. The focus has been on getting back in touch with the groups which have been asking for support, and encouraging them to put the poster up in some thoughtfully selected

locations in their community. In the last month we have managed to have this conversation with all of the 6-7 meetings which have been on the Outreach flyer recently.

- One line of thinking is that the poster may increase attendance for these meetings.
- Another line of thinking is that all meetings should put the poster up to let their community know of their existence.
- III. The number of meetings which wish to remain on the Outreach flyer has dropped to just a few, and the committee will wait another month or so before publishing an updated version of the flyer.
- The method-ology is in a period of flux as meetings which have struggled with attendance have an opportunity to try out the new mini-poster.
- IV. If you have any interest in being **involved with Outreach**, please give me a call at 414.704.2227, or e-mail me at mattlathrum@hotmail.com. You also may simply attend one of our monthly subcommittee meetings, held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM, at Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church, 2366 North 80th St. (in basement, use N.E. entrance.) Your participation will be appreciated. There is no training involved, no commitment required, and our main function involves going to meetings, so what's not to like?

- In loving service,
- Matt L.
- Chairperson, MASC Outreach Subcommittee
- 414.704.2227
- mattlathrum@hotmail.com

- **ADDENDUM:**

- **In response to the suggestion that goal setting would be beneficial for a subcommittee, the Outreach committee has developed the following goals for itself:**

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- 3-Month
- 1. *Chair to become clear on chain of communication for verifying meeting information, communicating with Inner City Area, meeting list updating, and notification of Region + World.*
- 2. *Have verified that ALL information on meeting list is correct and up-to-date (for both areas,) and that Area affiliation is indicated correctly for all meetings.*

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- 6-Month
- *Are any meetings still in need of support? Visit them again and discuss with trusted servant(s.)*

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- 9-Month
- *Survey for feedback on what, if any Special Needs scenarios might bear exploring.*

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- 12-Month
- *Have visited all Milwaukee Area meetings*

RCMA: Jack M.

- Jack had many concerns regarding the AT&T advertisement and spoke in detail about the cost and the effectiveness of the advertisement. NA is listed in the white pages under the number 211.
 - The NA advertisement on the internet was cancelled for various reasons and there was no disagreement from anyone at MASC.
 - Jack also reported that the NA website was viewed by nearly 700 people during the month of May.
 - Report from World service was given at Region during their last meeting.
- For more information contact Jack M. at 414-651-2263.

NA Website: Sean M.

- The workgroup reported that the NA website was viewed by 1,926 people since it has been up and running. The most popular page was the Meetings Search Page.
- An event submission form is now available for all to access on the website.
- There is also a password that can be accessed for the website. It is NApkin.
- For more information contact Sean M. at 262-527-5889 or Roman E. at romanedirisinghe@gmail.com

Poster Panel: Sisko H.

- All tasks for this workgroup are complete and the poster is ready for distribution.
- We are asking for any feedback regarding the poster and how to carry the message of recovery. For any ideas, suggestions, or concerns contact Sisko H. at 414-412-5118 or Jim W. at 414-334-9482.

PR Panel: Mark Ha.

- Mark reported about the call script and its development on the NA website.
- Training is now under way regarding this workgroup's progress and its main purpose:
 - Rehabilitation facilities
 - Justice 2000
 - Recovery houses
- A list of needs was also developed regarding literature, key tags, informational pamphlets, and the like, for these facilities. The cost of these needs was valued between 300.00 to 350.00 dollars. A discussion ensued after Mark's request for the funds was brought to the group. All GSR's were in favor of Mark's request and we will move forward.
- For more detailed information e-mail Mark Ha. at pr@namilwaukee.org

CBDM: Mark He.

- A meeting for this workgroup was scheduled for this week on Wednesday. All will attend.
 - Mark expressed his concerns regarding the drop in attendance of some of the GSR's at MASC after 6:00.
 - Mark also mentioned the positive aspects of the workgroup and what can be achieved compared to only one person.
 - An update on acquiring a new, better-suited facility for MASC was also reported. More discussion at next MASC.

Elections/Service Positions:

Positions under article nine that are up for election in June, 2010 are as follows:

- 1) Chair
- 2) Vice-Chair
- 3) RCM
- 4) RCMA
- 5) Public Relations
- 6) Outreach
- 7) Vice-Secretary (member appointed)
- 8) Vice-Treasurer (member appointed)

New Business:

- Discussion regarding implementing Treasurers report on the NA website. Pro's and con's were voiced by many members. This is still in the discussion stage.
- New locations for MASC were discussed. Three possible locations were talked about in detail and members have narrowed the possible locations down to 2 (two) possible locations.
- Discussion regarding MASC minutes to be put on NA website. More specific questions will be asked to find out what the groups want in regards to Activities (Shawn G.).
- Several trusted servants positions at the Area level are up. This topic will also be available on the NA website. Member input at the group level is requested by MASC.

Closing: 6: 55