

CVANA Service Meeting Minutes 10/01/2016

Hosted at Central Lutheran Church, Chippewa Falls, WI

Meeting called to order by: Rob Y @ 9:46am

Attendance: Jeff SH, Mike D (Coach), Nichole M, Mike D, Justin H, Joe F, Rob Y, Joe L, April B, Alex S, John M, Theresa L

Introductions

Moment of Silence

Service Prayer: All

12 Traditions: Joe F

Roll Call:

Groups:

EC Friday night: Joe F -- here

EC Wednesday night: ??? – absent,

Chippewa Tues & Sun: Angel G - absent

EC Tues. & Thurs.: ??? -- absent,

Black & Blue Basic Text, Chippewa: Justin H.- here/Mike D - here

BRF Mon & Fri Night: John M. - here,

EC Monday Night: Dean L - absent,

EC Tues night: Jimmie L - absent

Menomonie Wed, Thur, Fri & Sun night: Joe L. - here /John B.- absent,

Oasis of Hope, Thurs EC, WI: Josh J – absent,

Ego Check, Menomonie, Monday: Jerry K – absent,

Vision of Hope, Chetek, Tuesday; Shannon S – absent / Dave R – absent,

Dopeless Hope Fiends, Rice Lake, Mon, Wed: ??? - absent

Surrender Group, Rice Lake, Friday, Saturday: Jeff S.H.- here

KISS, Ladysmith, Thursday, Sunday: Dan S – absent,

NA Meeting, Arbor Place, Menomonie, Sunday: ??? - absent

Freedom Group, Thursday, Rice Lake, -- Mike D (Coach) – here/Michelle M – absent,

New NA Meeting, Chetek, Thursday: ??? - absent

Administrative Trusted Servants:

Chairperson: VACANT

Vice-Chairperson – Rob Y - here

Regional Committee Member: John M - here

Regional Committee Member-Alternate: VACANT

Treasurer: Nichole M - here

Treasurer-Alternate: Rob Y - here

Secretary: Theresa L - here

Secretary-Alternate: VACANT

Web Servant: Theresa L - here

Web Servant-Alternate – VACANT

Subcommittees:

Activities: VACANT, Activities-Alternate: Alex S - here

Literature Chair: April B - here, Literature-Alternate: VACANT,

Public Relations: VACANT, Public Relations-Alternate: VACANT

Hospitals & Institutions: Nichole M - here, Hospitals & Institutions-Alternate: VACANT

Policy & Procedure: Jeff S.H - here. Policy & Procedure-Alternate: VACANT,

Outreach: VACANT, Outreach-Alternate: VACANT

Motion made to accept September minutes by: John M Seconded by: Mike D (Coach)

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Chairperson Report: VACANT

Question/Comment:

Vice-Chairperson Report: ***spoken aloud***

Question/Comment:

Regional Committee Member Report: emailed/spoken aloud

Good Morning All,

I attended WRSC September 17 and 18 in Manitowoc, WI.

ACTIVITIES – Jon S

As the quarterly realignment of the WRSC will not have a WRSC meeting in the middle of the summer, Activities will be scheduling a get together at that time to promote unity and networking. For 2017, this will be a Regional Subcommittee Learning Day to be held July 14-16 at Kohler-Andrae State Park near Madison. Camping available for the weekend at the group campsite and a cookout on Saturday.

H&I – Dezz G

Dezz will not be continuing officially as H&I chairperson as her job does not allow this. But she stated she will continue to do the work and be available.

Meeting lists have been printed and distributed. As in the past, there are 3 meeting lists provided for each meeting.

Literature – Wendy R

Literature has developed an IP titled Keeping the Integrity in NA Service Work. This has been distributed to the Wisconsin fellowship for review. I have asked Theresa to forward this to all on the CVA distribution list. Please give it a read and let me know of any suggestions for changes prior to the November WRSC. Voting to approve a final version will take place at the January WRSC.

Policy Vicky P

The revision of policy incorporating the changes to a quarterly meeting schedule will be available by the January WRSC

Helicopter – Kelsey E

Final details for the quarterly schedule will be presented at the November regional. Tweak that still have to be made are things such as budgets, orientation packet, election cycles and term lengths.

Treasurer – Carl K

Treasury at the beginning of the conference was \$4,537.46.

MZSS – John H

MZSS was held in Milwaukee September 23-25.

Positions open for next cycle are Outreach and PR. Positions up at next cycle will be H&I, Treasurer and Vice-treasure.

There was a proposal that the RD-A not be and RCM. This is out of concern that there could be a conflict of interest. This proposal passed.

The next WRSC will be November 11-13 at the Crown Plaza Airport Hotel in Milwaukee. Room Rate will be \$99.

Thanks for letting me serve

Question/Comment:

accepted

Treasurer Report: emailed/spoken aloud

9/3/2016	Beginning Balance:	\$451.41	
	Income:		
	7th Tradition	\$17.00	
	GSR Contributions	\$88.55	
	Literature Income		
	TOTAL INCOME:	\$105.55	deposit 9/6/2016
	Expenses:		
	Ck# 1316	\$15.00	Facility
	Ck# 1317	\$89.66	Theresa Printer Reimburse
	Ck# 1318	\$150.00	WRSC
	TOTAL EXPENSE:	\$254.66	
	Increase to Bank Balance:	-\$149.11	
	New CVA Balance:	\$302.30	

Question/Comment:

The audit should be completed before next election. Will be discussed in Open Forum

accepted

Treasurer Alternate Report: ***spoken aloud***

Nothing to report

Question/Comment:

Secretary Report: written/spoken aloud

I emailed Jeff and told him the pdf of the Regional meeting list was up on the website so he could

go and print off the ones he wanted to print off at University Printing. I also mentioned that Jerry and I had a brief discussion about meeting lists for the booth at the Stanley prison. I suggested that he and Jerry talk about that. We could print off the two page copies our printer would make, but I thought perhaps they could do the University Printing thing for that booth as well.

Jerry also picked up the meeting list and IP folders for the late September presentation (or whatever it was.)

I was reimbursed for the printer last area service committee meeting. Before that the balance was \$41.73. The reimbursement was for \$89.66 which made the balance \$131.39. There were no other expenses on the secretary budget this month.

I have not yet taken the printer anywhere to recycle it and plan on doing that soon.

Thank you for letting me serve.

Question/Comment:

accepted

Web Servant Report: written/spoken aloud

We had one email this month from a woman asking about the NA version of Alanon. I sent her to the Nar-Anon websites that I have used in similar emails before

The website was viewed 100 times by 100 different people. About 97% of these were new visitors. Our visitors stayed about an average of 40 seconds per session and viewed a little under 3 page per session.

Your ever faithful web servant.

Question/Comment:

Someone wanted to know if we got the invoice for the website. The web servant responded and said she forgot to ask for it.

accepted

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities Report: VACANT

Question/Comment:

Activities Alternate Report: written/spoken aloud

Bowling Halloween event at Broadway Bowl in Menomonie. Estimated financial needs \$150.00. Saturday the 29th. Reserve 5 lanes. Suggested donation of \$5.00. We will make flyers ASAP. Please feel free to wear a costume.

Question/Comment:

Someone wanted to know about doing a campout next summer. Thoughts were expressed about combining a bowling/Halloween event.

accepted

Literature Report: emailed/spoken aloud

Naws invoice# 0907603 was \$607.44.

We received a discount of \$33.99 and was charged 8% shipping instead of the usual 12%.

with the discount and reduced shipping the balance between literature on hand of \$870.32 & cash on hand of \$0.11 totals \$870.43. Once there is a literature purchase I will be surrendering \$70.43 over to the treasurer.

After the \$178.64 for the motion for PR the remaining \$428.80 of the Naws order will also be handed over to the treasurer.

ILS,

Question/Comment:

Someone wanted to know if the Literature chair had reviewed the region's proposed IP. The literature chair said she had not yet looked at it. It was suggested that reviewing proposed IPs is part of the Literature chair's job.

accepted

Public Relations Report: VACANT/Report from Jerry K, read by Rob Y

We did receive 4 calls to the Phone line this month. Of the 800 free minutes we share with the entire region, They used a total of 7 minutes. Nobody left a message this month. I did update the system to reflect the change we discussed here last month to change the key press option to by the city instead of by the day. This was somewhat more challenging than i expected and it took me a total of 79 minutes to accomplish. It also presented a minor issue that i didn't discover until after it was all completed that the system is set up to be updated "by the day" so future updates may be some what confusing. I have the option of going in and changing it but it will need to completely erase every thing in the entire system, not just the recorded message, and start from scratch. which isn't as complicated as one might think but it will use up more of the allotted free minutes the plan offers, so i decides to wait until the minutes roll over this month. Also after completing the update Nichole reminded me that we do have the option to break the options down even further. Meaning that we could offer the callers the choice of hearing "by the city" or "by the day" although i think this might be more confusing for the callers and may also use more of the free minutes that we share, I think it has some merit for discussion with the groups and it is an option. I do not know if we , as a region, ever use all of the shared minutes or what the cost is for overages ,if they occur. but a simple greeting message saying "Welcome.... , if you would like to here our meeting choice by day, press !" or "if you would like to hear our meeting choices by city press 2" that would bring them to a different "sub-section" where they could then make further choices.

That's all for this month happy recovery.

Question/Comment:

accepted

Hospitals and Institution Report:

spoken aloud

Question/Comment:

There was some talk about the comprehensive treatment center. What kind of format to use is unclear for the meeting there. There was some discussion about whether using drug replacement therapy is considered clean or not. People wanted to know if it is okay to talk about abstinence at this meeting there. The answer was yes, it is. It was made clear that there are dos and don'ts for speaking at such places. There was also a rumor about an NA meeting at the Stanley prison. It was decided this rumor needed more research.

Policy and Procedure Report:

emailed/spoken aloud

I had 300 of the new Regional Meeting Directories, dated 8/6/2016, printed up. The different shade of orange was the closest fit available. Jerry requested 200 copies for the Stanley event and said he'd settle for 150. I think we should discuss how the rest should be distributed. The \$25 payment for the initial 100 copies, approved at the Aug. ASC meeting, was made with CVA check 1315 written to University Printing. I will not be submitting a motion for and will not accept reimbursement for the cost of the 200 additional copies for unrelated personal step working reasons that are between me and my sponsor.

The obsolete Area Helpline # that was under Spooner/Rice Lake (NLASC) Northern Lights Area has been removed and replaced with the City heading, Chippewa Falls/Rice Lake and CVA's #. Although all of CVA's meeting information is accurate in the online Regional list version, meaning that the Secretary has done her part to update our info through proper service channels; there were however, problems with the PDF version available for download from the Regional website, used as a template for this printing. Along with alignment, centering and formatting issues; there were three CVA meeting information errors. The address for Arbor Place was incorrect, the Fri. 8pm Rice Lake meeting was shown to start at 7pm and the address for the Thurs. 8pm Freedom Group was absent and listed as being at Grace Episcopal Church.

Providing accurate meeting lists is basic to NA Service and the quality of this publications affects our internal and external Public Relations Policy. I know that trying to work with Region on various matters has been a difficult and a long-standing dilemma and that solving problems has required multiple contacts, 'jumping through hoops' and sometimes waiting years for resolution. So, because I had the time and resources available to remedy this situations immediately, I decided to correct the PDF by editing it with Adobe Acrobat. I believe it is our duty as Trusted Servants to act when necessary to ensure, at the very least, that meetings can be found, especially when the problem could be life threatening, like an Addict showing up for a meeting that isn't there!

Thanks:
ILS:

Question/Comment:

accepted

Outreach Report:

VACANT

Question/Comment:

GSR REPORTS

United Survive Eau Claire Wednesday submitted by

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Black River Falls Monday & Friday NA Group submitted by John M.

Donation \$25.00 Avg Grp Size: 4 Newcomers: Yes They return: Sometimes
Attendance has improved a bit. We keep the focus positive by basing discussion on the *Just for Today* reading.

Together We Grow Eau Claire Monday Night submitted by

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Miracles Are Us Eau Claire Friday submitted by Joe F

Donation \$200.00 Avg Grp Size: 40 Newcomers: Yes They return: Sometimes
Developing a plan for monthly obligations for chairing, greeting, making coffee, etc. – Starting a phone list.

All Day Long Eau Claire Tues. and Thurs. submitted by

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Bridges to Recovery Chippewa Falls submitted by Mike D

Donation \$0 Avg Grp Size: 15 Newcomers: Yes They return: Sometimes
Meeting is going well. Restructuring back to monthly commitments. No donation yet. Will be a casually substantial donation after sorting out our books. Picnic went well. Mint speaker and great fellowship. Thank you to ALL that came!!!

Black and Blue Basic Text Chippewa Falls submitted by Justin H

Donation \$ 20.00 Avg Grp Size: 10 Newcomers: Yes They return: Sometimes
Restructuring service to monthly chairing, etc...

It Works Eau Claire submitted by

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Attitude of Gratitude Menomonie submitted by Joe L

Donation \$0 Avg Grp Size: 12 Newcomers: Yes They return: Sometimes

Oasis of Hope, Eau Claire Thursday submitted by

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Ego Check, Menomonie, Monday submitted by

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Vision of Hope, Chetek, Tuesday submitted by

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Dopeless Hope Fiends, Rice Lake, Mon, Wed submitted by:

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Surrender Group, Rice Lake, Friday, Saturday submitted by: Jeff S.H.

Donation \$0 Avg Grp Size: 14 Newcomers: Yes They return: Sometimes
Attendance is increasing. We had 16 last Friday. Newcomers are getting some clean time in. We have topic, literature study, and discussion formats. The atmosphere at our meeting place is comfortable and safe.

KISS, Ladysmith, Thursday, Sunday submitted by:

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Arbor Place, Menomonie, Sunday submitted by:

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Freedom Group, Rice Lake, Thursday submitted by Mike D (Coach):

Donation \$20.00 Avg Grp Size: 12 Newcomers: Yes They return: Yes
Pushing to get members in service. Understanding tradition in service work.

New NA Meeting, Chetek, Thursday submitted by:

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Break for Serenity

15 Min. Open Forum: (began: 11:41am ended: 11:57am)

Considerable discussion took place on how to distribute the regional meeting lists – both the ones that region sent, and the ones that were edited by the Policy & Procedure Chairperson. A decision was finally made about how they should be distributed, and then they were passed out. There was also discussion about Cosmic Bowling at the Halloween bowling event in Menomonie. A decision was made about that as well.

Old Business: (began approximately: 11:58am ended: 11:59am)

Elections:

Alex S volunteered for Activities

New Business:

Motion 1: Alex S 2nd: Joe L

Motion: Approval for finances for bowling event. Financial amount uncertain, pending how many people show up. Reimburse amount upon receipts.

Intent: Have a fun filled event in an effort for fellowship & unity

Financial impact: Yes – Uncertain -- \$12.00 per person

VOTE: 5 aye 0 nay 0 abstain PASSED

Group Concerns/Announcements:

One of the GSR's was wondering how to hand out the white booklet. Maybe with white keytags, was the answer.

The Tuesday and Thursday noon meeting in Eau Claire needs to be checked upon, and so does Oasis of Hope.

Key points to share with Groups

- 1) Please take back to the groups to discuss. The Halloo phone line has submenu options where we can have a menu for days of the week as well as a menu by city. Should we use the submenu option for both?
- 2) Annual elections for the following positions is coming up in December. Treasurer, Treasurer-Alternate, Secretary, Secretary-Alternate, Web Servant, Web Servant-Alternate, Policy & Procedure, Policy & Procedure-Alternate, Outreach, Outreach-Alternate. Nominations take place in November.
- 3) A new IP was submitted for review and sent out to everyone on the CVANA mailing list. Please review and voice your opinion.
- 4) *An All Subcommittees Meeting will take place at 2:00pm at 29 Pines Restaurant, Eau Claire, on October 16. Please come and add your input.*

SERVICE SAVES LIVES

Elections to be held at November ASC meeting

Current Vacant Positions: Chairperson, Regional Committee Member – Alternate, Secretary-Alternate, Web Servant - Alternate, Activities, Literature - Alternate, Public Relations, Public Relations – Alternate, Policy & Procedure-Alternate, Hospitals and Institutions – Alternate, Outreach, Outreach – Alternate

November 2016 Area Service: 9:30 am, November 5, 2016, Central Lutheran Church, Chippewa
December 2016 Area Service:

Motion made to close meeting: Mike D Seconded by: Joe F Time: 12:30pm