

## CVANA Service Meeting Minutes 05/05/2018

Hosted at Central Lutheran Church, Chippewa Falls, WI

Meeting called to order by: Steve J. @ 9:48 am

**Attendance:** Dillan S, Steve J, April B, Jamie S, Mike D (Coach), Sam S, Mike D, Jon M, Jerry K, Byron, Jerry, Crystal, Kris, David C, Jon B, Gregg S, Dave R

Introductions  
Moment of Silence  
Service Prayer: All  
12 Traditions: Dillan S

### **Roll Call:**

#### **Groups:**

EC Friday night: David C – here  
Chippewa Tues & Sun: Steve J - here  
Black & Blue Basic Text/Alive @ Five, Chippewa Thurs, Sat: Mike D.- here  
BRF Mon & Fri Night: Pete R. absent/John M - heret  
EC Monday Night: Travis H – absent/Dean L - absent  
Menomonie Wed Fri & Sat night: Alex S. - absent  
Ego Check, Menomonie, Monday: Dezaray C -absent  
Vision of Hope, Chetek, Tuesday; Dave R - here  
Dopeless Hope Fiends, Rice Lake, Mon, Wed: Byron - here  
Surrender Group, Rice Lake, Friday, Saturday: ??? - absent  
NA Meeting, Arbor Place, Menomonie, Thurs, Sun: ??? - absent  
Freedom Group, Thursday, Rice Lake, -- Mike D (Coach) - here  
New NA Meeting, Chetek, Thursday: ??? - absent  
Off the Record, Wednesday, Menomonie: ??? - absent  
Beyond the End of the Road, Tues & Thurs, Eau Claire: Dillan S - here  
M.I.A. Wed, Chippewa Falls: Jamie S – here  
Nooner Group, Mon, Wed, Fri, Black River Falls: Michael M – here  
Steps to Recovery, Tue, Rice Lake: Mike D (Coach) - here

#### **Administrative Trusted Servants:**

Chairperson: VACANT  
Vice-Chairperson: Joe F - absent  
Regional Committee Member: VACANT  
Regional Committee Member-Alternate: VACANT  
Treasurer: Nichole M - absent  
Treasurer-Alternate: VACANT  
Secretary: Steve J - here  
Secretary-Alternate: VACANT  
Web Servant: Michael M - here  
Web Servant-Alternate: VACANT

#### **Subcommittees:**

Activities: Dezaray C - absent, Activities-Alternate: VACANT  
Literature: April B - here, Literature-Alternate: Angel G - here,  
Public Relations: Michael M - here, Public Relations-Alternate: VACANT  
Hospitals & Institutions: VACANT, Hospitals & Institutions-Alternate: Joe F - absent  
Policy & Procedure: Mike D (Coach) - here. Policy & Procedure-Alternate: VACANT,

Outreach: John M – here, Outreach-Alternate: VACANT

Motion made to accept March minutes by: Dillan S Seconded by: Mike D (Coach)

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**Chairperson Report:** VACANT

Question/Comment:

**Vice-Chairperson Report:** Emailed/Reported By Steve J.

This past month, we held a workshop to brainstorm best-practices for new chairpersons and how to handle disruptions that may happen during meetings. We will compile the notes that we took and send them out to the groups. Please feel free to add suggestions or things that work well in your group and send it back to us. We are hoping to have resources available for those groups that wish to use part or all of the suggestions. In no way is this something required for the groups, it simply a resource available to those who wish to use in their own meetings. If this venture is successful, we are looking at having other workshops to discuss formats.

Next month, we will be having the June elections. We are still in need of a Chair, Secretary-Alternate, Treasurer-Alternate, Regional Service Member (and alternate), and many other subcommittee positions. If you are interested in filling any of these roles, please contact me.

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**Regional Committee Member Report:** VACANT

Question/Comment:

**Treasurer Report:** Emailed/ Reported By Jerry K

Hello NA people. I am not able to attend again this month. Thanks to April for acting as Treasurer last month.

I will make arrangements to meet with Joe so that checks can get written for this month's expenses. My report is attached and pasted below,

Thank you for your service.

4/7/2018	Beginning Balance:	\$259.43	
	Income:		
	7th Tradition	\$20.74	
	GSR Contributions	\$167.00	Rcvd & Recorded by Literature Chair
	Literature Income	\$583.47	Literature 511.16 + 72.31
	Camping Registration	\$20.00	surrender paid by check

TOTAL INCOME:	<u>\$791.21</u>	<b>deposit 4/2018</b>
Expenses:		
Ck# 1373	\$15.00	Facility
Ck# 1374	<u>\$511.16</u>	NAWS Inv# 000780
TOTAL EXPENSE:	\$526.16	
Increase to Bank		
Balance:	\$265.05	
	<b>\$524.48</b>	
<b>New CVA Balance:</b>		

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**Secretary Report:** Spoken

I checked the P.O. box this month and there was a letter from NAWS and a letter from CVCTF. I gave both letters to the chair person

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**Web Servant Report:** Spoken/Emailed

The website was visited 58 times with 153 pageviews by 26 different (users) people; 24 of these were ?new? visitors (this ratio doesn't make sense to me, so I'm seeking that 'aha' moment). Our visitors stayed about an average of 1 minute 32 seconds per session and viewed 2.64 pages.

The website home page was viewed 69 times, meetings page 48; all other pages less than 10 times.

Visitors viewed the website via: a desktop PC 42.31%, a tablet device 07.69%, a mobile phone 50.00% -- of the time.

Visitors came to the website directly (typing in the URL or clicking a bookmark link) 88.9% (24 users), by referral 7.4% (2 users), by organic search 3.7% (1 user) -- of the time.

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Question/Comment:

Accepted

### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Activities Report:** \*\*\*Absent\*\*\*

Question/Comment:

**Literature Report:** Spoken/Emailed

Literature on hand is \$766.23  
Cash on hand is \$35.82  
Totaling \$802.05

Naws invoice #003092 was \$432.14 which will be handed over to the treasurer minus the \$35.73 for the motion to purchase starter kit for H&I.

This will be my last month as Literature chair, I thank you for allowing me to serve. An audit will be done this month along with a meeting to increase the budget to allow more books be available for group purchases. The results from these will be in my report next month.

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**Literature Alternate Report:** Spoken

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**Public Relations Report:** Spoken/Emailed

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May 2018 (covering April) PR Report

The Region PR meeting happened over Skype on May 6, 2018<sup>t</sup>.

- 1.) As always, discussed doing better getting and keeping all NA meeting lists updated and in sync; area, region and world. (I fell behind this month, making concerted effort to stay current.)
- 2.) How to best use and maintain phone system; audit.
- 3.) Attended WATCP conference; collected email contacts, PO officers, public defenders offices
- 4.) Planning for July campout: creating a handout, conducting PR workshop

And here is a report on the phone system from Jerry K:

Hi All,

The Chippewa Valley Area extension received 12 calls in the past 30 days, 3 of those callers left a message. They used a total of 15 minutes, i used an additional 10 minutes updating the information. The first message was an addict who had never attended an NA meeting that wanted to know if he had to make an appointment to come to meetings. I did return his call and let him know he did not need an appointment. The second message was a professional looking for information to pass on to an addict. Joe returned that call. The third message was from Arbor Place Treatment Center in Menomonie. They were wondering if they could change the meeting that is held there on Thursday, to have it on Wednesday instead, because of a scheduling change they are considering making to one of their in house programs. I did speak with her and told her that we would take the meeting off the list on Thursday if we needed to but i was not sure if we would be able to have one there on Wednesday, as we already have one at the Alano Club in Menomonie on Wednesday at the same time. I did pass this information on to the Attitude of Gratitude's new Group Service Representative, John B. He is here today, he can explain what is happening with these 2 meetings. I am sad to report that I did remove the United Survive meeting that was being held at Renew Church on Wednesday at 7:30 pm. This was my Home Group for the first 5+ years of my recovery and one of the oldest meetings in the Chippewa Valley Area. I want to thank all those who helped keep the doors open for me and all the other addicts who found hope and a new way to live at that meeting. While removing this meeting i had to re-record all meetings in Eau Claire as well as all meetings held on Wednesday. If you are Group Service Representative for a meeting that falls in either of those categories please call the Information Line at 1-888-543-0924 and double check that the information i recorded is correct for your meeting. I would also welcome any feedback on how we can make the phone line better or more informative so if you have never called the info line please feel free to check it out and offer your input to either myself or our PR chair Mike M.

The entire Wisconsin Region, received a total of 219 calls and used a total of 534 minutes of the 800 included in the plan for a cost of \$164.95 to Region. There was one small anomaly this month in that there were no calls received by any of the 18 extensions in the Region on Monday April 16th. I don't know at this time, if nobody called or if it is possible the system was down for the day. I will make sure that the Region Public Relations Team gets that information. They have a monthly PR meeting on Skype on the first Sunday of the month , if you would like to join that meeting you can contact them directly

at [pr@wisconsinna.org](mailto:pr@wisconsinna.org) or our own Chippewa Valley Public Relations Chair Mike M. or I , can send you a link to the Skype meeting.

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**Hospitals and Institutions Report:** VACANT

Question/Comment:

**Hospitals and Institutions – Alternate Report:** Emailed/Reported By Steve J

A new H&I meeting has been set up at the Affinity House in Eau Claire on Fridays. There are still looking for additional females to help attend the meeting.

We are always looking for volunteers for jails, prisons, and treatment facilities. If you are interested in sharing the NA message to individuals who cannot otherwise attend a meeting on their own, please contact me.

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**Policy and Procedure Report:** Spoken

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**Outreach Report:** Spoken

Question/Comment:

Accepted

## GSR REPORTS

### **Miracles Are Us, Eau Claire Friday submitted by David C**

Donation \$ 0 Avg Grp Size: 20 Newcomers: yes They return: sometimes

We present a solid, structured meeting that shares the message of NA. A lot of people that attend are newcomers and residents of area treatment centers. We do our best to give them hope to continue on their journey toward healing

### **Bridges to Recovery Chippewa Falls submitted by Steve J**

Donation \$ 0 Avg Grp Size: 25-30 Newcomers: yes They return: yes  
Attendance is up!!!

### **Black and Blue Basic Text/Alive @ Five, Chippewa Falls submitted by Mike D**

Donation \$ 20 Avg Grp Size: Sat-15 Thurs-20 Newcomers: yes They return: sometimes

Voted to make additional changes to our format with a group conscious. Input from a diverse group of addicts in recovery. In talks of combining fall picnic.

**Black River Falls, Monday & Friday NA Group submitted by Pete R/John M**

Donation \$ 0 Avg Grp Size: 4-5 Newcomers: yes They return:

We keep the sharing positive by basing it on the Just For Today reading. I will check on the possibility of hosting AREA

**Together We Grow, Eau Claire Monday Night submitted by Travis H**

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

**Attitude of Gratitude, Menomonie submitted by Jon B**

Donation \$0 Avg Grp Size:8 Newcomers: yes They return: sometimes

We are getting anywhere from 2 to 6 inmates from Dunn County jail that are on Huber.

**Ego Check, Menomonie, Monday submitted by Dezaray C**

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

**Vision of Hope, Chetek, Tuesday submitted by Dave R**

Donation \$ 50 Avg Grp Size: 14 Newcomers: yes They return: yes

We are doing well. Hopes of putting on an event.

**Dopeless Hope Fiends, Rice Lake, Mon, Wed submitted by Byron G**

Donation \$0 Avg Grp Size: 8 Newcomers: yes They return: sometimes

Our group is keeping an NA meeting close to the city of Rice Lake that has had regular attendance for many years and has newcomers off and on. We are open to anyone who wants recovery and fellowship. Addicts helping other addicts. This meeting has changed my life and has helped others. Without it I would not have an NA meeting near me and would like to keep this meeting on the list and help it grow into a more productive meeting and help the addicts who still suffers.

**Surrender Group, Rice Lake, Friday, Saturday submitted by**

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

**Arbor Place, Menomonie, Thursday, Sunday submitted by**

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

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

Donation \$20 Avg Grp Size: 18 Newcomers: yes They return: yes

We pass a very strong message. We have two people celebrating 2 years and 3 years

**New NA Meeting, Chetek, Thursday submitted by**

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

**Off the Record, Menomonie, Wednesday submitted by**

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

**Beyond the End of the Road, Tues & Thurs, Eau Claire submitted by Dillan S**

Donation \$0 Avg Grp Size: 3-4 Newcomers: yes They return: sometimes

**M.I.A., Wednesday, Chippewa Falls submitted by Jamie S**

Donation \$0 Avg Grp Size: 8-10 Newcomers: yes They return: sometimes

**Nooner Group, Mon, Wed, & Fri, Black River Falls submitted by Michael M**

Donation \$10 Avg Grp Size: 3-4 Newcomers: yes They return: sometimes  
Sharing experience, strength, and hope. Awakening

**Steps To Sanity, Tue, Rice Lake submitted by Gregg S**

Donation \$ 10 Avg Grp Size: 16 Newcomers: yes They return: yes  
Welcoming newcomers. Purchasing pamphlets to hand out. 1 person celebrating 3 years clean on Thurs  
and 1 person celebrating 3 years will be recognized later this month. We have elected Crystal as secretary.

Break for Serenity

**15 Min. Open Forum:** (began: 11:37 ended: 12:02)

Literature audit to be done by next Area meeting. 2 people preferred to complete audit with literature  
chair. Come to decision to up literature budget. Audit to be held at 29 Pines on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2 pm.

Steps to Sanity to be added to meeting list.

4<sup>th</sup> of July picnic will be held on July 7<sup>th</sup> at Mt Simon Park in Eau Claire.

**Old Business:** (began approximately: 12:03 ended: 12:17)

Discuss Chair Workshop  
Add & remove meeting procedure

**Elections:**

Joe F for Vice Chair  
Sam S for Activities  
Angel G for Literature  
Michael M for Public Relations  
Joe F for H&I Alternate

**New Business:**

Motion 1: Jerry K 2<sup>nd</sup> Michael M

Motion: To buy 20 Basic Texts for H&I to provide to Dunn County & Jackson County Jail.

Intent: To carry the message of recovery to inmates.

Financial impact: \$258.72

Vote: 10 aye 0 nay 0 abstain

**Group Concerns/Announcements:**

**Key points to share with Groups**

- June 16th Area to be held in Rice Lake, WI, at Assembly of God at 930 am
- July Area to be held on July 14th at Central Lutheran Church in Chippewa Falls, WI
- Minutes from Chair Workshop to be sent out
- Still open spots for "You Otter Be Clean Too" campout
- 4th of July picnic to be held July 7th at Mount Simon Park in Eau Claire, WI

**SERVICE SAVES LIVES**



**Elections to be held at June ASC meeting**

**Current Vacant Positions:** Chairperson, Regional Committee Member, Regional Committee Member Alternate, Treasurer Alternate, Secretary Alternate, Web Servant Alternate, Activities Alternate, Public Relations Alternate, H&I, Policy & Procedure Alternate, Outreach, Outreach Alternate

**June 2018 Area Service: June 16<sup>th</sup> Assembly of God, Rice Lake , WI**

**July 2018 Area Service:**

**August 2018 Area Service:**

Motion made to close meeting: Dillan S Seconded by: Mike D ( Coach)

Time: 12:54