



NorthWest Ohio Area Service Committee

Minutes – August 19, 2018

Meeting opened at 4:30 pm by Terry G. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Joyce S. read the Service Prayer and Tim S. read the 12 Traditions and David V. read the 12 Concepts.

Floor opened for 10 minutes for discussion of concerns. Discussion of the motion that went back to the groups concerning policy of money to the regional, interest was addressed about the meeting that are not being represented.

Jon D. recorded minutes

Roll Call

Chair	P	Vice-Chair	O	Secretary	O	RCM	A
Alt-RCM	P	Treasurer	P	H&I	P	Public Relations	P
Activities	O	Outreach	O	Literature	P	Web	O
Policy & Admin	O						

Groups Represented:

Vision of Hope		Safe Haven	X
Lifeboat	X	Monday Basic Text	
Monday Night Miracles		Serenity at the Lake	
New Hope NA	X	Tuesday Daytime	
Take back your Life	X	Soaring Free With NA	X
Miracles Do Happen	X	Die hards	X
Thursday Daytime		Living Clean and Free	X
Second Chances		Learning to Learn	
N.A. Miracles	V	Without Parallel	
24 Bells Group	X	Freedom Finders	
Saturday Noon Live		Primary Purpose	X
Saturday Night Survivors	X	Take Back your Life	
Clean & Serene on Sunday	X	Day by Day	
		Freedom in Recovery	X
How it Works (Van Wert)	X		

Chair – I am an addict named Terry G., Glad to be of service to the Area. Although there is work to do in this area for the primary purpose, it starts with members on a group level, there are members with clean



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time but no home group. There are groups in this area that could use members support. If you put the two together and add some service work to it... the primary purpose is on it's way to being carried out. I know there are some internal controversies concerning our regional and world levels, but we must be vigilant on how we can best serve the still suffering addict.

There is good recovery in this area if we all would all would have the willingness to make this a better area to carry the message. Key words "Unity" and "Spirit". Don't forget the nominations and motions on the table: Robert L. for activities, Cory H. for Web Chair, and Motion to reinstate donations to Region. - In Loving Service, Terry G.

V. Chair – Open position

Secretary – open position

RCM – no report

RCM Alt. – no report

Treasurer – No written report

P&A – open position

Hospitals & Institutions Report – Had 2 meeting since last area. 1 in attendance last month. None this month. Report per Terry G. – JDC has met with about 15 in attendance. Good meetings. Report per Bill E. Van Wert Jail & Ridgeview about 30 in attendance. WORTH Center Sunday being met. Wednesday covered 1 of 2, small meetings. Alvis house covered 3 of 4 weeks with 2or 3 in attendance. Oakwood meetings are going very well with 8-10 in attendance. Most of the residence there have been transferred. ACI covered 3 of 4 weeks, held their own meeting once. Working Step 1 with open sharing to start. Great participation. No report from Findlay. Next meeting 9/15 at 10:00 AM. Please encourage participation at your home group.

Initial contact with Auglaize Co. Jail to begin the process of starting an H&I presentation panel in that facility was made. A phone call with Captain Wright on August 1st discussed this possibility. We were informed that several faith based organizations are currently scheduled, and that she would investigate what scheduling options are available. There are individuals from the 24 Bells and the I Can't, We Can groups that would like to pursue this endeavor because they are familiar with that facility and the need that is there. A follow up contact with Captain Wright will be made, urging her to allow us the opportunity to have a sit-down meeting with her to explain the difference that Narcotics Anonymous has to offer. We are seeking that the NWOASC H&I sub-committee recognize this panel presentation, and that the individuals responsible to carry the message into that facility are trained with the responsibilities and guidelines of NA H&I, the NWOASC H&I guidelines, and any guidelines / requirements of the Auglaize County jail. A facility coordinator will report to the NWOASC H&I sub-committee of any needs, problems and progress.

Loving service, David V.



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Public Relations- Greetings family, My name is Clayton, I am an addict.

August 11th we held our first subcommittee meeting. Including myself there were four in attendance where we voted to move forward on a few points of new business.

- To develop a format for our PI subcommittee meeting to be conducted by.
- To establish a local helpline. We discussed using the free Google Voice service to which it was decided, in spirit of being self-supported, not having agree and being bound buy the Google terms of service or lending that NA name through indirect endorsement to go with a paid service. We voted to go with the Vonage service. We were able to get it for \$18.11 a month including taxes for our first year. At which point we can reevaluate what sort of plan we want based on the volume of traffic we have from this year. The helpline number will be 419-842-4449. This number needs added to our website.
- The committee also voted to get yard / campaign signs. We are currently working on a couple of designs and getting prices. So far, we are finding they are not cheap but neither is our life saving message. Its cost many of us way more.
- We also voted to get a new rubber stamp that features our website address and the new helpline number for a literature to be stamped with.
- The committee also voted to have business cards printed up with our website and helpline number also on it. MVCSCNA had a good idea to hand them out to EMTs and such that may be on the scenes of overdoses. One design has already been ordered and on its way.
- We also voted that we should invest in a couple of literature racks.
- The committee also decided that we should have a policy for the phone line. Seeing how this may be someone's first point of contact with Narcotics Anonymous ever. We decided to go with some of the same criteria we use with H&I. The committee voted that anyone answering the phone line
 - 1.) Shall have a minimum of 1 year clean.
 - 2.) Have a NA sponsor.
 - 3.) Currently working NA steps.
 - 4.) Have the ability to convey a clear Narcotics Anonymous.
 - 5.) Must have familiarity with Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous.
 - 6.) Must be voted in by the committee.
 - 7.) The committee also voted to establish a new budget. Obviously this is a lot more public information work then we've seen around here in the past several years.
Phoneline: \$18.11 a month. 1st month donated by subcommittee member.
Signs: Estimate \$200 for just 15 . Committee wanted 50.
Business cards: \$7.99 per 100. 500 have been donated by subcommittee member
Racks: \$41.60 for 2) 8 pocket racks
Literature/ Schedules at area prices.
Rent: \$10 if we don't hold it at park for free.

We would like to ask the committee for a base budget of \$150 a month and seed money of \$200 for signs. We would also like to ask this committee to postpone sending funds outside our area until our subcommittee(s) are taken care of and can fulfill our primary purpose by means voted upon. The next meeting will be held Sept. 9th at 4pm in Defiance Ohio. Location and flyer will be made available in the next day or so. Members are encouraged to show up and then stay and support the new Sunday night meeting. This location is one in our area and our region that is in desperate need of support and PI effort. The tentative locations for upcoming subcommittee meetings are Kenton and Findlay. Call your sponsee's and your sponsor. Pile in the car for some road recovery and come support the subcommittee and the fellowship.

In loving service,

Clayton B.



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Activities – Open position

Literature Report –No written report.

Web Chair – Open position

Group Reports

Freedom In Recovery – Tues. 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm, Avg. Att: 10 people, Avg \$ per meeting: \$19. Group started June 12, 2018. We started with only 4 people. We have grown to average 10 people. This is my first time at area. Frankie T., GSR

Take back your Life – Take back your life in Defiance meets Sundays 5:30 pm, attendance 10-12 with \$6-8 and Tuesday at 8:30, attendance 25-35 with \$25-30. Meeting is going strong and gaining attendance. Group meeting Sept in talk about hosting a PI meeting Sept 9, 950Webster St., Defiance, Ohio - Neil H.

New Hope NA – Average attendance 15-20 people. \$10 area donation. All is well – Marvin B.

NA Miracles – Average attendance 15-20 people. All is well. – Marvin B.

Clean & Serene – Meeting attendance has been consistent at around ten to fifteen members each week. We continue to follow our traditions and practice our principles to the best of our ability, so we may uphold a welcoming environment for the newcomer and spiritual growth. We will be donating \$33.16 this month to our area service committee. Tim S. - GSR

Living Clean & Free – Hi family, I'm Mike and I am an addict. I'm the GSR. We meet every Wednesday night 7:30 to 9:00. at 210 N. Cherry St. Van Wert. We have 15-25 addicts a week. We are donating \$10 to area – Mike B., GSR

Soaring Free – Stan C., grateful recovering addict, GSR for Soaring Free. We meet on Tuesday night. We average about 20-30 addicts coming to the meeting. We will be making a area donation and literature purchase. All is well.

Saturday Night Survivors is doing well. There is more newcomers showing up. - Joyce S.

Miracles Do Happen – There is more people coming in the last couple of months.- Joyce S

Safe Haven – I am not there, but I do stay in contact with those that are running the meetings. We have a Secretary – Treasurer. - Joyce S

24 Bells- The group is doing well. Some members are interested in getting an H&I panel presentation started at the Auglaize County jail. We are currently working with the H&I subcommittee and the facility to get this started. A new meeting has started in St. Mary's on Thursday at noon. It is located at the R.O.C. Center, 128 N. Spruce St. The name is "I Can't, We Can". Members of that meeting also expressed desire to work towards getting an H&I meeting set up. ILS, Jon D., GSR



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Old Business

Robert L. elected as Activities Chairperson

Cory H. elected as Web Chairperson

Motion to reinstate policy 2-10 . Motion failed.

New Business

Nomination for activities –Nomination for webchair –Motion made by Public relations.: To change policy for Public Relations’ budget to be amended to be up to \$150 per month. No Second required.

PR requested \$200 (and was considered to be within their budget, no vote needed) to get a base supply of signs.

Meeting closed at 6:02 pm with the Serenity Prayer

Attendance

Jon D.	24 Bells – GSR	n4jon@arrl.net	937-726-0087
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Stan C.	Soaring Free – GSR	stancoleman1204@gmail.com	419-812-3488
Mike B.	Living Clean & Free – GSR		419-771-0417
Clayton B.	PI Chair	cburnett219@yahoo.com	419-863-0745
Marvin B.	New Hope NA – GSR		419-234-5325
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