

MINUTES OF THE MIDWEST TENNESSEE AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE (ASC)
OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS –APRIL 28, 2013

Area Chair, Dustin H., opened the meeting with the Service Prayer from the Basic Text, with the reading of The Twelve Traditions, The Twelve Concepts of Service, and The Definitions and Purpose of an Area Service Committee.

Roll Call: Roll call was performed & a quorum was established. The following Groups were present: Dresden RAW, Jackson Clean Air, Jackson Gift of Desperation, Jackson Never Alone, Jackson Sowing the Seed, Paris Free Spirit, & Newbern Never Alone. The ASC Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, RCM, & the Alternate RCM were all present.

Area Chair Report: Report presented by Dustin H. stated he had been attending meetings at Sowing the Seed in Jackson & had chaired at least one meeting a week.

Alternate Chair Report: No report was given.

Secretary Report: Report presented by Heather N. was accepted & the minutes for March were approved.

Regional Committee Member (RCM) Report: Report presented by Jesse J. stated that he wasn't able to attend the Regional Assembly. Region Inventory meeting will be held Saturday, June 1, 2013 at 10am at 2202 E Main St. Murfreesboro, TN. Volunteer Regional Service Committee regular meeting will be on Sunday, June 2, 2013 at 9:30am at 410 Hickerson Dr. Murfreesboro, TN. He & Alex C. Alternate RCM are planning to attend. Also, votes are due for VRSC officers, RD & Alternate RD.

Treasurer's Report: Report presented by Clinton S., Treasurer, with a balance of \$66.57 was accepted.

Hospitals and Institutions (H&I) Sub-Committee Report: No report was given.

Activities Committee Report: Report presented by Sarah H. stated that the Area Picnic has been set for May 25, 2013 from 11-2pm at Muse Park in Jackson, TN. Jesse J. speaking there will be lots of food & fun for everyone including bouncers for the kids to play. Everyone is invited to attend.

Website Report: Report presented by Ken R. stated that he finished Website Administration Training, updated the website with the Area Minutes, the Agenda, he changed a problem with a couple of maps for Group directions online, updated the meeting schedule & updated all information on Go-Daddy including the renewal of the website. With a 32% discount the total amount paid was \$91.88.

Outreach Report: No report was given.

Jackson Clean Air: Report presented by GSR Jason R. stated that meeting attendance is pretty good. They have elected to re-instate the \$100 reserve. Iris will be celebrating a Birthday on May 4, 2013.

Dresden RAW (Ready and Willing): Report presented by GSR Jamie S. stated that out of 9 meetings the average attendance was 8 which is good for them. Several 30-day key tags & an 18 month key tag were given out. On May 4, 2013 at 1059 Ol Lathom Rd Dresden, TN we will celebrate Spring Clean with fellowship starting at 3pm, weenie roast at 5:30, meeting at 7 & live music begins at 8:15. All are encouraged to attend. Please feel free to bring a drink or dessert. Call 731-514-8157 if you have any questions or need directions.

Jackson Gift of Desperation: Report presented by GSR David M. stated that the average attendance was 70 people. At their monthly Saturday potluck meeting Milo from Mississippi was the speaker. They have no birthdays this month. They have a donation for Area.

Jackson Never Alone: Report presented by GSR Melvin M. stated the average meeting attendance was 23 but Wednesday 6pm meetings the average is 7. This is a really good meeting. James M. celebrated 2 years on April 26, 2013 with Byron W. from Memphis speaking which was truly inspiring. We had 89 people attend this celebration including many visitors from Memphis. May 31, 2013 we will have an Eat & Speak to Celebrate 3 Birthdays. We will eat at 6pm with Jeremy P. speaking at 7. Celebrating will be Tim B. has 1 Year and Jim & Shonda have 3 Years. On June 28th Mike S. will celebrate 6 years. They really need some support.

Jackson Sowing the Seed: Report presented by GSR Mandy H. stated on May 19, 2013 at 6pm they will be Celebrating 2 Birthdays. Galen E. has 1 Year & Dustin H. has 4 Years with Terrance W. speaking. Attendance is decent with 60-70 people on average. They still have 3 meetings a week (Tuesday at 7pm, Saturday at 10:00pm, & Sunday at 6pm). They are talking about moving to a new location because rent is going up. Mandy H. & Galen B. will be swapping the GSR service position after Galen's birthday on the May 19, 2013. There were no Birthday's in April but they did have a speaker meeting with Tim B. speaking & 15 attending.

Paris Free Spirit: Report presented by GSR Jim B. stated that they are planning NA on the Lake. Attendance has been good this month. They have a Birthday Celebration on May 10, 2013 for Alex C. has 5 Years. This will be an eat & speak. They will eat at 6pm with Jesse J. speaking at 7. They have a donation for area.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Ken R. stated that he is still going over the Webmaster Documents that were presented at the March meeting.
- Guidelines for the following sub-committees H & I, Activities, Public Relations, & Webmaster are still being worked on.
- The balance from the Convention Funds that were raised is \$765.57. A decision on how to distribute these funds is still on hold until all pre-registered guests have been refunded and when there are for sure no outstanding balances owed regarding the Convention.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Sarah H. stated that she needed \$150 to finish up getting the supplies for the picnic. That she has had someone volunteer to set up bouncers for the kids. The park has approved for us to set them up. Angie E. had some coffee, creamer etc. that she will donate. A collection was taken up & \$100 was donated. The treasurer wrote her a check for this amount.
- A motion was submitted by Jason R. from Jackson Clean Air to post a formal amends on the website for not following thru with the convention. The motion was approved. Ken R. will post this on the website once it has been properly written.
- Scot B. said that he needs literature for H & I and that he handed out 150 meeting schedules at the meeting today.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS:

The Area is seeking nominations for the following positions. Refer to the guidelines for a list of responsibilities and requirements. Nominees have to be present at the Area meeting to be considered. They also have to be present to be elected.

Alternate Secretary: Vacant. The ASC is seeking nominations.

Treasurer: The term of the current treasurer ended in April. The ASC is seeking nominations.

Alternate Webmaster: Vacant. The ASC is seeking nominations.

Alternate Treasurer: Jason R. from Jackson Clean Air was elected.

Public Relations: Melvin M. from Jackson Never Alone was elected.

Outreach Chair: Andrew K. from Jackson Gift of Desperation was nominated. Please take this back to your home groups.

Alternate Outreach Chair: Vacant. The ASC is seeking nominations.

The Area Chair announced: Reminder, there are still positions vacant.

A motion was made to close the meeting. Motion seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Prepared By:
Heather N.
Area Secretary
April 7, 2013

Reviewed By:
Dustin H.
Area Chair

Reviewed By:
Scot B.
Vice Chair

A copy has been filed in the ASC’s archive folder entitled “Area Minutes and Supporting Documents – April 28, 2013”.

Approved: _____ Yes || _____ No (Approval is obtained by vote at the next Area meeting)