

**Mid-America Service Committee of NA
PO Box 8732
Wichita, Kansas 67202-8732
February 20, 05**



The meeting was opened by Allen B.

The 12 Traditions were read by Becky B.

The 12 Concepts were read by Russ P.

Area's represented by RCM's today: See attendance sheet.

Minutes: read and accepted.

Attendance: This is located at the end of the minutes. Again, I have done the best I can to transcribe the data accurately. **KB**

Area Reports

Central Kansas Area:

Recovery is in progress in the CKA. Next Saturday February 26th, the Russell "Nothing to Fear" group is having their 9th annual anniversary celebration at the Russell National Guard Armory. Doors open at 3pm. On March 19th we will be starting an area inventory. On March 26th the Big Cook-off, sponsored by the "Keep Coming Back" group in Hoisington. On April 30th we will be having our 3rd annual spaghetti feed which is a fundraiser for the Regional Campout in Larned at Schnack Park, starting at 3pm with dinner at 5pm (\$3.00 per person) "No addict turned away". Speaker will be at 6:30pm followed by a raffle and auction. Come and help support the longest running free campout. On May 27th to May 30 we will be having our area campout at Wilson Lake, Lucas group park with Saturday meal at 5pm burgers and brats.

Please see the flyers for more information on these flyers.

Please welcome Duane H, our area's new RCM-II.

In Service,
Jeff R.

Just For Today Area

Dear Region

We have been busy in the Just For Today area. We've had several fundraisers over the last couple of months, some of these include; New Year's Dances, Valentine dances, and we are proud to have hosted a great MARCNA fundraiser in Emporia, which was a great success!

We will also be hosting another MARCNA fundraiser in Chanute on March 12th at the N. Malcolm Community Bldg. We hope to see many of our extended NA family there.

H&I has really grown in our area, A lot more involvement from the groups. Some of our H&I commitments include; Girard Treatment Center, Oswego bootcamp, and we are preparing to go into the Toronto bootcamp and Montgomery County Jail. We have modeled an H&I calendar after WMA to bring H&I panel presentation to our groups to raise awareness of what H&I is all about and hopefully to spark more involvement.

Our PI is working on sending updated information packets to our mental health facilities, jails, parole offices and other organizations and professionals who might benefit from the information.

We are also very excited to have donated 50 basic texts to the MARCNA convention.

In Loving Service,
Flo, RCM

Miracle Area

Hello Family,

We Miracles are. Our ASC has been very productive this quarter – Rotation of some positions has taken place with some "new blood" in the mix. This is great news. Some members remain to lend their experience, strength, hope and guidance to the newer crew and some aren't there for a variety of reasons (most good ones). The only area that is in sad shape at this time is literature. Michael S. was our literature chair and due to health problems wasn't getting it done and finally resigned. No new chair as yet. Our Public Information sub committee is going to have a flyer drive soon and hopes to have a learning day this spring also. There are some new members with energy to help our new chair Melissa. Hospitals and Institutions also has a few new members to help carry the message. Our convention committee is still getting lots of work done in preparation for our Oct. 2005 event. Activities and group events have been outstanding this last quarter (see attached report).

From input by several addicts recently – I can report that all of the meetings in our area are currently on the top side of the "attendance roller coaster" and unity has been great and "We" seem to be growing with lots of addicts joining our family.

That's it. In loving service, John S. III

Since the last RSC, a lot has happened in the miracle area activities. We have taken suggestions from other members to try to get the word out sooner on our functions, having to postpone them sometimes to give us a better window of time. Flyers typically were generated a few weeks before in the past, but now we allow for 2 to 3 months. We also learned from the campout we had how popular tie dye t-shirts are and came up with a new design for 2005 and the words, "One Promise, Many Miracles" around our area logo. This facilitated us raising funds to support our area when money is tight. Nonetheless, even when all is planned well, sometimes the best plans fail, that's life.

Recap of functions since November:

*Larrytown 25th anniversary celebration, November 27th, 2004 at trinity Episcopal church in Lawrence. We had 4 speakers talking about the history of the oldest NA group in Lawrence, and lots of food and fellowship. Tapes of the speakers are available.

*Unconventional convention fundraiser dance, December 4th, 2004 at the boys and girls club in Lawrence. There was an Italian sauce contest with prizes and a great speaker. We raised almost \$200 for the convention in October 2005.

*Valentines dance/12 step speaker jam, February 12th, 2005, at the Boys and Girls Club in Lawrence. The speaker jam was truly a success as all the speakers were informed and articulate, but the dance didn't happen due to a power failure. Some of us experienced a spiritual awakening at the moment the lights went out. Tapes will be available.

Upcoming functions:

*M.A.R.C.N.A. XXII convention fundraiser dance March 19th at the Boys and Girls Club in Lawrence. There will be a BBQ cook off contest with prizes for the best three, speaker @ 7:30 pm, dance until midnight and auction around 10pm. Please bring a side dish and raffle items. \$3 admission to the dance.

*Unconventional convention "Spring Break" fundraiser dance, April 16th, 2005 at the Boys and Girls Club in Lawrence. Admission is a piece of N.A. literature (Basic Text, JFT, It Works, workbook, sponsorship), to be distributed at the Convention in October. Contest for BBQ with prizes for the best 3 and dinner at 6:30pm. Doors open at 5:30pm, speaker at 7:30pm, dance until midnight, with raffle and auction at 10pm. Raffle items would be appreciated.

In Service,
Scott K.

Unity Area

Hello family, well I am proud to report that Unity area is one again becoming unified. People are working together for the common good. A renewed interest has arisen. Members are showing up for area meetings, new meetings are getting started, projects are being completed by members that are even showing up for sub-committee meetings. At this time most of our positions are filled. We recently had a fundraiser for our phone line to purchase a new computer. Well a used computer was donated and the money we raised will go towards software that will give out the meeting list for our area. The phoenix group is having a MARCNA fundraiser on 3-26-05 and the flyers are available.

A new meeting has been started in Clay Center, Ks. to be known as Clay NA. Abilene will soon have a meeting again and there have been inquiries from other towns on getting meetings started. A new meeting has been started at CKF (treatment center) in Salina, as the clients are not allowed by the state to attend outside meetings anymore. I have our areas votes and we are donating \$100.00 to region.

In Service,
Big Mike

Western Area

Hello Family, it's great to be here again. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers regarding the surgery I had in December and for your understanding for my not being here in November.

There's not much to report from Western Area. We haven't been getting much involvement from our groups. We're trying to change that by now having our area meetings along with a function on a quarterly basis. Any suggestions for increased participation that you have will be greatly appreciated.

Loving Service,
Marvetta R.

Wichita Metro Area

Things are going ok in Doo-Da. Hope all is well with you all. We just had our 4th Annual Celebration of Recovery it was a great time for all that attended. I hope the convention committee did well fundraising. The attendance for the workshop was the most that I've seen in a long time. The dinner was tasty and I don't think anyone went hungry. We will be proof reading our new area guidelines. Then sending them to the groups for approval at our next area meeting. The process has taken awhile but worth it. It has been needed for a long time. We as an area haven't done a lot for convention fund raising, but some groups have step up. North East H.O.W. Group has donated funds and Just For Today Group in Augusta has donated ten basic text for the new comers. There are groups that are willing to help out in the hospitality room I just need to take them the information. We have an area web site the address is wmana.org next time your on-line check it out. The Wichita Metro Area is planning our 3rd annual campout it will be August 26th, 27th, and 28th 2005 at Harvey county East park. We are trying to put together an area fundraiser sometime this summer. Unity group is having a dance on march 19th at 930 w. Douglas in Wichita. Come see the new hall. On May 14th Day by Day Group will be having the 4th annual May Daze Celebration. This will be my last regional as R.C.M. of my area it has been a pleasure to serve my area and the region. Much Luv to all.

In grateful loving service
DeWayne Kitchen

Primary Purpose

Hello from Primary Purpose Area. Recovery is alive and kicking in the PPA. To start off with, our area had a learning day function on Jan 15th and it was of course a success as are all functions that bring recovering addicts together. We also had our Area Inventory in January, I do believe that learned that there is always room for improvement but we are still doing what needs to be done. I do have the votes from the last RSC; they are: Motion 1- failed, Motion 2- failed, Motion 3-failed. The second motion failed but I would like to add that one group wanted me to state that it might have passed if the motion were detailed, some more on duties and qualifications, and that the individual taking this position be more involved with the region prior to taking on this responsibility. They also questioned whether or not 3 years clean time is enough time and experience.

I also have a donation check for \$150.00 from the area.

In Service,
John N, PPA RCM

PS-The Primary Purpose would also like to let the Regional Convention know it will be donating one case of (24) Basic Texts to this year's convention. Also Flying Free Group is donating 10 Basic Texts and 7 It Works; How and Why.

Fellowship For Freedom

The FFFA is doing well. There are town new groups, one in Manhattan-534 Delaware Ave on Saturdays at 8pm and one on the Kickapoo Reservation Tuesday nights at 7pm. We are having our annual convention on March 4, 5, &6 at the Red Carpet Inn-914 Madison~Topeka, Ks. Russ P was voted in as Alternate RCM.

In Service,
Norman A, RCM FFFA

End of Area Reports. Beginning subcommittee reports.

Activities

Howdy Region!

Wow, was I overwhelmed yesterday. My work decided I needed to work Friday night until 6:00am Saturday morning. Then the ride over here, try to get everything ready and to do the 1st meeting of the morning. Thanks to all who helped or made me stop and hug them. My higher power walked with me all week.

We started the meeting with a moment of silence then a short prayer. Big Mike read the concepts and Scott K. read the traditions. The only Area to send an Area Activity chair was the Miracle Area. There were other addicts from the other Area's, but not chairs. We need to encourage our Area chairs to come to the Region.

Miracle Area happens are March 19th M.A.R.C.N.A. fund-raiser, April 16th Spring Break Dance (cost of admission is a new or used N.A. book) and of course the Unconventional Convention in October.

Unity Area – Phoenix Group M.A.R.C.N.A. fund-raiser February 26th, also there is a function March 19th with a Hospitals and Institutions learning day.

Primary Purpose – March 19th dance in Lyons and of course the pre-campout – campout Memorial Day campout.

Just For Today M.A.R.C.N.A. fund-raiser March 12th in Chanute.

G.S.R. Assembly will now be known as the **Service Assembly** and will be October 15th and 16th at the Red Coach Inn right here in McPherson for a cost of \$210.00. This will cover two meeting rooms opened up to one room for both days and the large room for a dance Saturday night. It will also cover the coffee for both days and cleanup. We will also be able to get large muffins for a cost of a \$1.00 each.

We have also booked the next four Regional's at the Red Coach for the same price. A savings of \$185.00 a Region (quarter). Of course if we order muffins it will cost a \$1.00 a muffin extra. I would estimate maybe 75 to 125 for both days. Even with the added cost (which we don't have to have) we would save \$85.00 - \$100.00 not counting what we waste. (sugar, creamer, pop) What do you all think? Is it a good idea or not?

Now money. We had \$9.75 left from last region (soda money, copy money). I sold left over chips and soda for \$20.00 and the Region gave me \$100.00. We brought in \$178.00 from the door last night and we sold \$126.00 tickets in "Fast Cash". So, bottom line is we are returning \$173.15 to the Region this morning.

		\$ 9.53	Left over from last Region
\$121.98	Supplies	\$ 20.00	Sold Stuff
\$125.00	D.J.	\$100.00	Seed Money
\$ 63.00	50/50	\$178.00	Door
\$309.98	Spent	\$126.00	50/50
		<u>\$ 49.60</u>	<u>Soda Sales</u>
		\$483.13	Brought in

The following 2 pages are the contracts for the 4H building. The 3rd page is the contract for the Red Coach (Perkins)

RENTER'S AGREEMENT

For cancellation or questions contact: McPherson County Extension Office
600 West Woodside
McPherson KS 67460
620-241-1523

*Beginning
MAY 2005*

NAME Debbie Stewart BILLING ADDRESS _____ DATES WANTED _____ TIME IN _____ TIME OUT _____

PHONE _____ ORGANIZATION/ACTIVITY N.A.



CHARGES:

Picked up key # _____ amount _____ date _____ \$ 225.00 (2)

Deposit Paid on Building\ Equipment amount _____ date _____ \$ 50.00 (2)

Rent Paid on Building\ Equipment amount _____ date _____ \$ 30.00 (1)



Chief Building \$ _____
Sheds \$ _____

SET-UP CHARGES:

Number of Tables _____ x \$1.00 per table (non-profit) _____ x \$2.00 per table (profit) _____ \$ _____

Number of Chairs _____ x \$.10 per chair (non-profit) _____ x \$.25 per chair (profit) _____ \$ _____

Table Covering _____ x \$ 1.00 per table (non-profit) _____ x \$2.00 per table (profit) _____ \$ _____

100 Cup Coffeemaker _____ x \$ 5.00 per day (non-profit) _____ x \$10.00 per day (profit) _____ \$ _____

Electric Roaster _____ x \$ 5.00 per day (non-profit) _____ x \$10.00 per day (profit) _____ \$ _____

Other \$ _____
TOTAL 305.00

Requested _____

Scheduled by _____

.....RENTER'S RULES.....

1. **NO SMOKING** in the building.
2. **NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES** in any building or on the grounds.
3. Renters shall not use any room, other than restrooms, which have not been specifically designated as available to the renter.
4. Renter acknowledges that he/she is responsible for the conduct of all persons located on the premises, and shall indemnify McPherson County for any claims made against McPherson County by anyone on the premises as a member or guest of renter's group.
5. Leave the kitchen completely clean - no dishes, silverware, pans or skillets be left unwashed; stove, counters, and refrigerator cleaned.
6. Renters will be assessed extra charges (above rental charge) for any damage (or shortages) of equipment and property. Tables must be covered with a protective covering when being used for projects using stain, glue, paint, or varnish, etc., and when any food is served. Remove paper and dispose of when through.
7. Positively NO dishes or equipment to be removed from the building.
8. Tea towels, soap, cleanser and dishcloths will be furnished.
9. Any youth activities must be arranged, scheduled and supervised by adults.
10. NO tape (scotch, masking, etc.) to be used on ceiling, painted surfaces, or projection screen.
11. Individuals or groups desiring to cancel their booking of the 4-H Building and/or other buildings, must notify the Extension Office or the janitor at least 24 hours before the scheduled time of use of the building. The full rental rate will be charged if notification to cancel is not given. This applies to all groups and individuals using the building.
12. Leave floor swept of litter and crumbs - push mops are in the storage room next to stairs.
13. All equipment used must be returned to original position.
14. **FOR CHIEF BUILDING (metal roundtop) ONLY** - All trash and unwanted articles must be taken back with renter.
DO NOT dispose of trash in receptacle by 4-H Building.

4-H BUILDING (capacity 270)

Deposit Charge
 \$150.00 - not refunded until janitor checks building; \$ 50.00 non-refundable if building not used without prior notice to Extension Office

Rent Charge
LARGE ROOM \$125.00/day (\$100.00 every day thereafter);
 \$75.00/½ day (4 hours or less)

DOWNSTAIRS KITCHEN - \$25.00
 (excludes coffee makers/roaster ovens)
 If not using the 4-H Building - \$50.00
 (kitchen and restrooms)

UPSTAIRS ROOM - \$30.00 (no kitchen)
 For Dance - \$50.00
 (Capacity 49)

SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE

Table Set-up with 8 chairs (includes take-down)
 Chair only set-up (includes take-down)
 Table covering (white vinyl)
 100 Cup Coffee Maker (from Extension Office)
 Electric Roaster Oven (from Extension Office)

CHIEF BUILDING - \$30.00/day
 \$20.00 when Farmers' Market there (half of building); \$10.00 night before, after 5:00 p.m.
 \$40.00 DEPOSIT - not refunded until janitor has inspected

RESTROOMS - \$30.00
 For groups not renting the 4-H Bldg., but using the 4-H Bldg. restrooms.

-- PUBLIC SALES --

ALL events where "sales" are transacted must be sponsored by (1) a county business with its principal business address in McPherson County, or (2) a recognized non-profit county organization, such as Lions Club, FCE's, 4-H Clubs, Scouts, etc. Renter cleans up after use (the same day) or additional charges will be made.

I have read the above rules and will comply with the regulations.

Signed _____	Name _____
	Date _____

PERKINS RESTAURANT WILL PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING
FOR THE SPECIFIED DATES:

REGENY 1&2 FOR MEETING (SET IN A LARGE SQUARE)

REGENY 3 FOR DANCE ON THE SATURDAY

WE WILL PROVIDE COFFEE FOR SATURDAY AND
SUNDAY.

WE WILL PROVIDE MUFFINS ON BOTH DAYS AT A
COST OF \$1.00 PER MUFFIN. THESE WILL BE
ORDERED PRIOR TO THE WEEKEND OF THE MEETINGS.

ROOM RENTAL WILL BE \$210

THE DATES WHICH WE HAVE AVAILABLE AND
BOOKED FOR THE GROUP ARE:

MAY ^{14 15} ~~15 & 16~~, AUGUST 20 & 21, OCTOBER 15 & 16,
NOVEMBER 19 & 20 2005.

IN 2006, THE WEEKEND OF FEB 18 & 19 IS
AVAILABLE AND BOOKED.



DIANE LEHMAN

Soul to Soul

Hello Family,

Our committee has been set up and officers are in place. Amy G. is our co-chair and Shelley W. is our treasurer. The facility for the 2005 Soul-to-Soul retreat has already been reserved and we are developing a t-shirt as always.

The dates set for 2005 are September 23-24-25 and we will continue our tradition of shish kabobs for Friday nights meal with the remainder of the meals to set before the event.

A pre-event price of \$40 covers lodging, meals, and drinks for the entire weekend and only increases to \$50 for those who show up at the last minute.

This will be an intimate weekend with unlimited personal growth potential; I hope to see you there!

In loving service,
Pete E., acting chair

P.S. We will have shirts at the convention!

Signature Card- Shelley D. Wright, Rod Davis, Pete D. Ellis.

Soul-to-Soul – Proposed subcommittee guidelines

A: Primary Purpose-To further carry our message

1. To provide a 'spiritual retreat' for those wishing to attend, typically held in late fall.

B. Officer Requirements

1. Chair- Suggested 2 years clean-working knowledge of the 12 steps, 12 traditions, and 12 concepts. Prior experience with activities at area or regional level.

2. Co-Chair-Same as above only suggested 1 year clean.

Treasurer-Same as chair & Co-Chair except 3 years clean required.

Campout Report:

Hello NA Family,

The 27th Annual Mid America Regional Campout is shaping up to be another great time in recovery.

Just a reminder that the campout chair position will need to go back to group in May.

The RSC campout fundraiser went well; auction brought in \$411.00, raffle \$217.00.

The committee is still taking bids for a DJ for 3 nights. It will be voted on in May.

Something new there will be ICE for sell at the campout, and we need to get the word out for it to be a success.

Central Area will be having a campout fundraiser on April 30th in Larned; auction and raffle items needed, flyers available.

In Service,

Russ P.

Convention Report:

The Convention Committee has made amazing progress since last Regional. Not only have we accomplished most of the tasks required to host a convention, we have come together as a committee.

Sixty-seven people have pre-registered, and our shirt sales are going well. We are very grateful for the fundraisers. We have three more fundraisers scheduled: Next Saturday, February 26, 2005, the Phoenix Group in Salina is having a fundraiser at the Friendship Center. There are flyers on the table. The Just for Today Area is having a fundraiser in Chanute on March 12th, and Miracle Area is having a fundraiser in Lawrence on March 19th.

The items that will be in the registration packet are in, and so are the cups. We have decided on pre-registration cups and shirts, and are only waiting for the final count to order them. Don't forget tomorrow is the cutoff for pre-registration so this is your last chance!

We had an amazing turnout yesterday with the book donations, but you can never have too many, and we are still asking Groups and Areas for book donations for the newcomers at the Saturday night meeting of the convention.

We are also asking for Area, Group and/or individual food and time donations for the Hospitality room. Chips, apples, oranges, bananas, baked goods, cookies and meat items such as sliced ham or turkey are welcome.

We are implementing a new policy regarding children and want to make as many members of the fellowship as possible aware of it prior to the convention. This policy is as follows:

ATTENTION PARENTS:

There are no activities planned for children at this event. To clarify M.A.R.C.N.A. policies and to maintain a positive relationship with the hotel, the following policy has been implemented for all children in attendance:

- Children **must** not be left unattended or allowed to wander freely around the hotel **at any time**.
- An adult must accompany children under 16 **at all times** in the pool area.
- Unescorted children will be promptly returned to their parents. (NOTE: this **does not** give parents an excuse to allow their children to wander freely.)
- There is a **midnight curfew** for all children under 16, including the Saturday night dance.
- Children **under 16 at the dance** will be charged \$1.00 each. Children **16 and over will be charged full price**.

Thank you,

The Convention Committee

We are asking that the RCMs take this information back to their Areas.

Finally, as of this minute, the convention committee is debt free. We have paid for the plane fares for the two out-of-state speakers, the long-sleeve t-shirts and sweatshirts, the items that will be put into the registration packets, the cups that we now have and that will also be sold in the merchandise room, the programs and name tags, and funds for the hospitality room. Our future main expenses (not including the cost of the hotel) are the pre-registration shirts and mugs, and the t-shirts that will be sold at convention. There will be odds and ends, such as laminating sheets, etc., but on the whole we are in pretty good shape.

I want to thank all those who have supported the convention in any way: all the individuals that helped to put on the fundraisers, who have bought our shirts, and put money in the can for raffle tickets. Your support is greatly appreciated.

I think this is going to be a great convention. We look forward to seeing all of you there.

In Service,

Jeanie M.

Hospitals and Institutions

We had a good sub committee meeting. A lot was discussed. Tom M has been working on an effort to get a presentation to the Jailer's Association. They had a time set up but the ice storm cancelled it.

Loren asked about doing a workshop April 30th at the 4-H bldg in Independence. This function is a recovery Fest fundraiser. Also there is a possibility we could be doing a workshop at Wichita Metro Campout, August 26th, 27th, 28th. We would like to hit all 8 areas by November 2005. Please take this back to your areas and bring back dates. We also received a letter from an inmate in Lansing requesting information. Craig offered to address this letter and send to the proper person. JFT is working on getting a meeting into Osawatomie State Hospital. Unity area is having an H&I learning days at the friendship center, March 19th just before the St. Patrick's Day Dance. H&I meetings are going strong in the areas. My term as H&I chair is up at the May regional. Please take this back to your areas and groups. I have really learned a lot and some new things too. Thank you for letting me serve and I will continue to be part of this region.

Grateful to Serve,

Becky Bansemer, H&I Regional Chair

P.S.-We will be working also with Outreach, Literature, and PI on this work. I apologize for leaving these sub committees out, as we want to include them also.

Literature

Hello Family. Well the Literature Sub-committee is still in need of a chair and a secretary. Take this back to your groups please. The next issues of the MAN will soon go to print. The newsletter archive project is ready to be put on CD. Once this is done they will be for sale at a cost of \$5.00 to the members. Some discussion was had on creating a hard copy book for the archives. Kirk B will check into the costs of producing it. We hope to have the CD's for sale at the convention.

In Service,

Big Mike

M.A.N.

Hello family,

First, let me apologize for putting the wrong dates for the R.S.C. in the winter edition. I sent a letter of correction with those I mailed, but the hand outs were left in the dark. We never had any unexpected visitors in McPherson this past weekend so they must have received the word. Other than that, it was a good issue.

I requested \$415.51 last R.S.C. to produce and mail 1000 copies, due to the fact that I was able to personally hand copies to five of eight areas, I have a check totaling \$17.32 to return to the R.S.C. This difference came from packaging and shipping not used. All in all, the winter edition cost just under 40¢ per issue, or \$398.19.

Volume 22 issue 1, or the spring 2005 issue, is well under way. I have been able to "catch up" all the stories and poems that were carried over and am in need of input. As with last year, I am hoping to have issues placed in M.A.R.C.N.A. XXII's registration packets, or at least place stacks at the facility. For this reason, I am requesting we print 1300 copies. This would give each of the eight areas 100 copies plus 500 placed in registration packets. We have two bids this quarter, one from Office Max @ \$468.00 plus \$33.00 tax, and the other from Sharpe Printing @ \$412.10 plus \$32.97 tax. I have waived all shipping with this issue as I expect to hand deliver them all. Keep in mind I will also e-mail PDF versions out to the fellowship. I will be requesting \$445.07 for the Sharpe Printing bid.

The deadline for this issue is February 28th, which is a Monday. As I stated before, there is some space to fill, but I don't see that this will delay the completion in any way. Here is your chance to get your experience, strength, and hope in print.

Gratefully serving

Tim S.

Outreach

Hello Family,

I stepped up and facilitated the meeting since there is no chair, co-chair, and secretary, but by the end of the meeting we had all three positions filled and will be nominating Scott W for Outreach Chair.

Discussion was had about the need for bi-lingual meetings and literature. Some areas have Spanish speaking meetings going on. There was talk about creating an up to date area map, because of the counties joining different areas. I know in Unity area most of the members did not know just how many counties our area covered. I think it is important that members know how big their own back yard is. I am confident that the new officers Scott W., chair, David R, co-chair, and Melissa T, Secretary will be a great addition to our regional family.

In Service,

Big Mike.

PI

Hello All!

The Public Information committees around the region have been busy this quarter. Thanks to all who have held and participated in functions, learning days, flyer drives, and workshops. There has been a lot of activity aimed towards carrying the message.

This committee is still in need of a co-chair. Requirements are: One year clean, working knowledge of the 12 steps, traditions, and concepts of NA, 6 months involvement in PO and a willingness to serve. Please take back to groups.

We are still working to compile a list of bilingual addicts to further our primary purpose. If you are bilingual or know someone who may be willing to participate in this project, please contact myself or another member of this committee. More will be revealed!

This region has been in need of a webmaster for some time and Kirk B has show willingness (been railroaded) to serve. Thanks Kirk! There will be major changes to the website.

Misty K. has contacted the WSO to begin the procedure to update the regional meeting schedule on the world website. At this time, I am still waiting for a password to access that database. The WSO has developed guidelines and contracts specifically related to the web contact position. If anyone is interested in seeing these, please let me know.

This committee has voted to print 800 copies of the regional meeting schedule to be distributed at the May RSC. Changes must be submitted to Sally at the website email marscna@hotmail.com by April 15th. PI has asked for \$300.00 to print these schedules. The committee has also asked for \$300.00 to print the meeting cards provided the motion to strike from policy fails on the floor. Excess funds will be returned to region.

In Loving Service,
Misty K.

PO Box

P.O. Box Report,

I have received the payment slip and will be giving it to the treasurer. I got stuff for P.I. as well as for H&I. The items have been given to the proper folks. It needs to be announced that this chair is up in May.

In service
DeWayne K.

Steering

We nominate Jeff R as the new chairperson. We also nominate John III and Scott K to be steering committee members.

We had one convention bid from Hutchinson at the Grand Prairie Hotel at \$98.00 a night per room with 4 water park passes and if you register for the convention you get a water pass. Meeting rooms would be free with coffee \$18.00 / gallon. It was sent back to the hotel for more negotiation. There was not voting on it yet. We would like to hear more bids.

Policy manuals are done. We would like to thank Jeanie and Kirk for their efforts and service. We required \$64.00 reimbursement for Jeanie M. for copies and paper. The interim meeting will be April 24th at Day by Day 1145 S Pattie, Wichita at noon.

With much love
John

PS: John and Brian's terms will be up in May 2005.

End of Subcommittee Reports. Beginning Officer reports.

Regional Delegate

Hello Family:

Since our last RSC, I have been able to attend several group or area inventories. And I thank all of you for the opportunity to be a part of the process. I will say that those who attended their "inventory" were surprised at the results. This is not intended to be a finger pointing session (although it does happen at times). It is meant more to be a chance to see the problems that we may be having and take the opportunity to work on solutions to those problems. Again, I will stress that if you feel your group or area is in need of doing an inventory—and who doesn't need to do one on a regular basis—please take the time to research, call others that have done one and take the initiative to BEGIN THE PROCESS! There are many people here at this RSC that is highly qualified to be a facilitator.

The weekend of March 18, 19, and 20, 2005 is the Plains States Zonal Forum (PSZF) will be held in Stillwater, Oklahoma. I would like to request that myself and the RD Alternate be allotted funds to make this trip. We are requesting \$450.00 to cover the cost of gas and the motel room and meals. There will be world participation at this event and the topics of discussion will be: Infrastructure and Our Public Image. The discussion topics that we need to workshop when we can. These are very good problem solving sessions that give us solutions for situations that happen worldwide.

Another workshop is coming up in May. It is the 2005 Worldwide Workshop to be held in Nashville, TN on May 27, 28, and 29, 2005. The format for this workshop is very similar to the one in Stillwater, so I am not requesting to be sent to this workshop. I did contact NAWS and asked if there were any other interim meetings between now and the 2006 WSC (world service conference), and they advised me that at this time none are scheduled (only the worldwide workshops. (oops—there is another worldwide workshop slated to be held in Burbank, CA on April 15, 16, and 17, 2005—same format at the Nashville workshop).

The following are highlights as taken from the December 2004 edition of NAWS News:

- The Annual Report is now out and can be accessed online at www.na.org. A complete copy of the report can be printed from this site.
- An independent company audited the consolidated statements of the financial position of NAWS, Inc.—they found nothing out of the ordinary
- NAWS subsidized or provided for free over \$400,000 worth of NA literature in 2004
- Donations made to NAWS from July 2003 to June 2004 were \$697,992.53. Of that, our region made a donation of \$32.36 (and no, my decimal is not in the wrong place) There were groups in this region that made more of a monetary donation than the RSC did!
- You can subscribe to NAWS News and The NA Way Magazine on line thru NA.org—electronic subscriptions
- Issue Discussion Topics: Infrastructure and Public Image. Several pages are devoted to these topics. As I have stressed before, we need to look at these items by workshopping them, have group discussions on them, anything to look for suggestions and solutions. NAWS really wants feedback. As stated before, the PSZF in Stillwater, OK will be workshopping these topics. Everyone is invited to come.

- The workgroup that is developing the personal stories in the Basic Text will be reporting to us a frame work for the solicitation of material after their January board meeting. There have been many things to consider: different stages of recovery, vulgar language, use of local language or colloquialisms and the diversity of beliefs about a Higher Power.
- Working on a bulletin regarding predators at meetings. This has been a discussion on the bulletin boards and NAWS feels that it is an important issue to address
- There are 2 projects that are closely related: Public Relations Strategy and Public Relations Handbook. The role of the PR Strategy Workgroup is that of the architect, laying out the overall design for what our public relationships look like now and what we want them to look like in order to come closer to realizing our vision statement for NA. The role of the PR Handbook Workgroup is that of the contractor. This group will actually build the handbook that can be used by communities around the world to give us some unity and coordination in our public relations efforts.
- WCNA-31: at end of December, 2004, there were 1,705 people pre-registered, and they have received over \$5,000 in new-comer donations. This convention is September 1-4, 2005, in Honolulu, Hawaii. Remember, WCNA-32 will be August 29 thru Sept 2, 2007, in San Antonio, TX. WCNA-33, is August 20-23, 2009 in Barcelona, Spain. WCNA-34, is in 2011—site to be announced (in Western North America)
- Human Resource Panel (HRP): Their primary purpose is to facilitate a nomination selection process that is thorough and effective in meeting the needs of the World Service Conference. At the WSC 2004, Motion 58 was passed (this was not in the Conference Agenda Report—in fact it was the only adopted motion from the conference floor). The motion read: “ That the system for identifying candidates for World Service positions include the opportunity for RSC’s, zonal forums, and/or the World Board to forward potential candidates to the HRP separately from and after the HRP’s initial blind screening process.” From this motion the HRP is creating a simple form for forwarding nominee’s names and contact information. October 31, 2005 is the deadline for submitting your application for the World Pool. For more information, go to hrp@na.org If anyone in this region is interested in having their names submitted, please be sure to contact myself or Rod and we will work on the proper form to submit. Also remember that you can submit your information for the World Pool. Information forms are available on the website or by calling or writing NA World Services.
- NAWS is looking into the feasibility of producing audio CD’s of the Basic Text, It Works: How and Why, The NA Step Working Guides, and the ASL Literature—and they are working on the idea of a gift edition of the Sponsorship book
- World Services calendar and deadlines:
 - February-December 2005: solicitation of personal experience for Basic Text
 - April 1, 2005: deadline for WSC seating request
 - May-July 2005: review period for section one of the PR Handbook
 - August 1, 2005: deadline for regional motions and self-nominations
 - September 1-4, 2005: WCNA-31 Honolulu, Hawaii\
 - September-November, 2005: review period for section two of PR Handbook
 - October 31, 2005: deadline for zonal, regional, and board nominations
 - November 23, 2005: English Conference Agenda Report available
 - December 23, 2005: translated Conference Agenda Report available
 - January 23, 2006: Conference Approval track material mailed
 - April 23-29, 2006: World Service Conference
- WSO Product Update: English version of the Sponsorship book—cost is \$7.00: NA Medallion Journal—black or terracotta \$15.00; New medallion design coming this spring. Other items are Arabic keytags, French group reading cards, Italian The Group Booklet and Sponsorship IP (revised), Spanish/Castilian group reading cards, 3rd step poster and Sponsorship IP (revised), Slovak keytags, Lithuanian Another Look IP and Am I an Addict IP and Hebrew It Works: How and Why

That is the sum of my information to pass on to you. Remember, a lot of this information can be retrieved from na.org. Thank you for letting me serve—

Debby Stewart
Regional Delegate

Regional Delegate Alt.

Not much to report from the RD 2. We are gearing up for the Zonal meeting March 18-20 in Stillwater, Oklahoma. Please see the flyer on the table. There will be a recovery meeting on Friday and workshops on Saturday (two of which will be “Our Public Image” & “Leadership in NA” put on by World Board members). Saturday night there will be fellowship (fun) activities and then Sunday we will conduct business.

The main order of business will be a PI booth and/or presentation at the Governor’s Conference on meth addiction. One of the things we hope to present us meth addiction is just addiction. I cannot stress the importance of this PI endeavor. We need to be involved in this. I believe PI on the level or region, area and even groups need to be there. I’m not sure how to get people involved, maybe by getting ½ dozen rooms. What do you think?

In Service,
Rod D.

Secretaries Report for the Nov. 04 minutes:

Start:	\$75.00
Printing:	\$20.00
Mailing:	<u>\$ 8.40</u>
Turned in to Region:	\$46.60

Please note that it is expensive to print and mail minutes. If you have internet service (high speed is better I'll grant) and have a printer in your home, or have access at work or else ware, you might want to consider not getting a hard copy and printing your own from the minutes I send out. The software to read them is free. I charge the Region \$1.00 per copy in printing fees and the post office charges about \$0.80 per copy to mail.

Just something to think about.

On another note, this will be my last set of Regional minutes. Thank you all for giving me this opportunity to serve. I have enjoyed my time as secretary and will miss the job (some). Carla D. has been elected and will assume these duties at the next Region. I have worked with her and am confident that she will do an outstanding job for us. Please give her the support that you have given me.

I want to express my gratitude to the ladies who have taken the time a the Regional meetings to do the report typing for me. The time savings has been tremendous and I truly do appreciate it. I hope that you will continue to do this service for Carla. I will continue to bring my computer so the opportunity to do it will be there.

Thanks again,
In Loving Service,
KB

Treasurers Report: next page

Treasurers Report

REGIONAL TREASURER'S REPORT

February 20, 2005 - As of end of business

Beginning Balance		\$4,985.68
Donation Income		
New Hope Group	\$75.00	
United Survivors Group	\$55.00	
WMASC	\$80.00	
CKA	\$50.00	
FFF	\$200.00	
Miracle Area	\$120.00	
Just For Today - Cash	\$5.00	
UASC NA	\$100.00	
Just For Today - Cash	\$5.00	
Just For Today	\$100.00	
Primary Purpose	\$150.00	
Flying Free NA	\$250.00	
Step by Step	\$95.00	
Sub-Total	\$1,285.00	
Other Income		
Cash - Reimbursement Secretary	\$46.60	
Steward - Reimbursement from MAN	\$17.32	
Cash - Activities	\$153.15	
Sanders - Activities	\$20.00	
John Summers	\$150.00	
Sub-Total	\$387.07	
Total Income		\$1,672.07
Expenses	Check #	
NAWS - Activities (NA Book)	1718	\$10.70
Postmaster - PO Box	1719	\$38.00
Jeanie Magee - Steering (Policy)	1720	\$64.00
Kirk Brown - General (Minutes)	1721	\$75.00
Rod Davis - Zonal meeting	1722	\$450.00
Tim Stewart - MAN	1723	\$445.07
Perkins - May RSC	1724	\$210.00
Carla Davis - Meeting Lists	1725	\$300.00
Tim Stewart - Seed Money Lit	1726	\$100.00
Sub-Total		\$1,692.77
Total Expenses		\$1,692.77
Ending Bank Balance		\$4,964.98
Prudent Reserve Account for 1 year		
Rent		\$840.00
Insurance		\$1,000.00
Storage		\$540.00
P.O. Box		\$38.00
Total Held For Prudent Reserve		\$2,418.00
Quarterly Operating Expenses Held out to February's Meeting		
Rent		\$210.00
Insurance		\$1,000.00
Storage		\$270.00
P.O. Box		\$9.50
Total Quarterly Operating Expenses		\$1,489.50
Available Funds as of beginning of business May 2005		\$1,057.48

Old Business

Elections:

Outreach chair:	Scott W. nominated out of committee, qualified, elected, Congratulations!
Soul to Soul:	Pete E. volunteered, qualified, elected, Congratulations!
Steering Chair:	Jeff R. nominated out of committee, qualified, elected, Congratulations!
Steering:	John S. nominated out of committee, qualified, elected, Congratulations!
Steering:	Scott K. nominated out of committee, qualified, elected, Congratulations!
Regional chair:	Up for renewal. Qualified, and re-elected. Congratulations
Co-treasurer:	Jeanie M. volunteered, qualified, elected, Congratulations!
Secretary:	Carla D. nominated (Kirk B.) Seconded (John S.) qualified, elected, Congratulations!
Regional co-chair:	Up for renewal Resigned due to health problems - this position is now open!

The following are the motions that were sent to Groups in November. The voting tally is at the back of the minutes.

Motion: Strike from policy “meeting list cards” PI (Public Information) guidelines pg 6, item B, point 4 which reads: “Produce wallet size cards containing but not limited to Area help line numbers, Area contact numbers, NAWS number and e-mail address, and Regional e-mail. This will supplement the Regional meeting list”

Maker: Public Information subcommittee

Intent: To provide accurate information consistent with our Public Information guidelines, reduce the chaos, as well as be financially responsible to our Region.

Financial impact: Minimal

Disposition: This motion passed - We are no longer be committed to printing wallet cards and the reference to them will be struck from policy.

Motion: Create a new Regional position, the position of Regional Archivist. 3 years clean time, willingness to serve and have the time, skills, and energy to catalogue Regional archival material.

Maker: John S. III

Intent: To help preserve our records and memorabilia for our future.

Financial impact: Unknown

Disposition: This motion passed and steering has been directed to create a policy for this position. The position will be listed in policy.

Motion: In order to change Regional policy, 2/3 of all seated Areas must agree to the change.

Maker: Kirk B.

Intent: To clarify policy

Financial impact: None foreseen

Disposition: This motion passed and will be placed into policy.

New Business

Open positions (May) please let the Groups know about these positions.

PO Box

2 steering committee positions

Hospitals and Institutions chair and co chair

Campout chair

Convention chair

Literature chair and co chair

Public Information chair

Regional co chair

Archivist

Groups need to vote on the following guidelines which Soul to Soul has proposed for themselves.

A: Primary Purpose-To further carry our message

1. To provide a 'spiritual retreat' for those wishing to attend, typically held in late fall.

B. Officer Requirements

1. Chair- Suggested 2 years clean-working knowledge of the 12 steps, 12 traditions, and 12 concepts. Prior experience with activities at area or regional level.
2. Co-Chair-Same as above only suggested 1 year clean.

Treasurer-Same as chair & Co-Chair except 3 years clean required.

Motion: The Region cease compiling and printing, in any form (hard copy or digital copy), a regional meeting list. The regional webmaster shall make space available on the regional web site for all the Areas to post their meeting lists as a downloadable Portable Document Files (PDF) and post those files as Area's make them available to him/her. If an Area does not have the skills or software necessary to convert a Area meeting list file to a PDF, it can submit the Area meeting list to the webmaster as a Word Document and the webmaster will then either convert it his/her self or will get someone else to do so. The webmaster will then post the meeting list on the website.

Maker: Step X Step Group

Intent: To reduce the amount of incorrect information that is dispersed to the public.

Financial impact: The savings to the Region should be between \$600.00 and \$1,200.00 per year. This number fluctuates greatly depending on the quantities printed/quarter and the number of quarters/year printed.

Logic: The Areas are the entities that are best capable of keeping meeting lists up to date. By sharing the responsibility for accurate information, the Region has a better chance of getting the correct information to the public, both in and out of recovery.

Disposition: This goes to Groups

Discussion: This motion sparked much discussion and controversy. Some people felt that the Region had already spoken on this issue. It was pointed out that this is the first time a motion has gone to Groups which offered an alternative to printing meeting lists. It was also pointed out that people like the hard copies, and that it would be more expensive for Areas to print material than have the Region print it for them. Mention was made that the Regional meeting list is inaccurate before it gets to the Areas.

Motion: The Region write checks for and pay the following people/bills:

NAWS - Activities (NA Book)	\$ 10.70
Postmaster - PO Box	\$ 38.00
Jeanie Magee - Steering (Policy)	\$ 64.00
Kirk Brown - General (Minutes)	\$ 75.00
Rod Davis - Zonal meeting	\$ 450.00
Tim Stewart - MAN	\$ 445.07
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Tim Steward - Seed Money Lit	\$ 100.00
Sub-Total	\$1,692.77

Intent: To pay our bills.

Disposition: Motion passed

Rod D. (Activities) got/gave information concerning keys to the storage shed. The following are the people/positions that have keys (or will have by the close of business)

Convention chair	Jeanie M.
Campout chair	Russ P.
Acting archivist	John S.
Regional Chair	Allen B.
Activities Chair	Rod D.
Just cus chair	Tim and Deb S.
	Shelly W.
	Dave R.

This concludes the minutes for the February 20, 2005 Regional Service Committee Meeting of the Mid-America Region. Once again I have done the best that I can. It is my sincere hope that the minutes are clear, concise and contain all of the pertinent information they should. All of the information contained in the minutes should go to the Groups for their information. Remember, good communication is essential to the well being of the Fellowship.

Yours In Service,
Kirk Brown
Regional secretary (for the last time!)

DATE Feb. 20, 2005

	9AM	10AM	11AM	12AM	1PM	2PM	3PM	4PM	5PM	6PM	7PM
AREA RCM'S											
CENTRAL	X			X							
F.F.F.	X			X							
J.F.T.	X			N	Y						
MIRACLE	X			X							
UNITY	X			X							
WESTERN	X			X							
WICHITA MET.	X			X							
PRIMARY PURPOSE	X			X							

SUB COMMITTEE

ACTIVITIES	X			X							
CAMPOUT	X			X							
CONVENTION	X			X							
H&I	X			X							
LITERATURE	X			X							
OUTREACH	X			X							
PI	X			X							
PO BOX	X			X							
STEERING	X			X							

TRUSTED OFFICERS

SECRETARY	X			X							
TREASURER	X			X							
CO TREASURER	N			N							
RD	X			X							
RD 2	X			X							
CHAIR	X			X							
CO CHAIR	N			N							

Voting Record

Y= YES N = NO A = ABSTAIN										
DATE:										
	MOTION	CENTRAL	FFF	JUST FOR TODAY	UNITY	WESTERN	WICHITA METRO	MIRACLE	PRIMARY PURPOSE	PASS/FAIL
1	Strike from Policy "meeting list cards"	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	P
2	Create position "Regional Archivist"	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	P
3	Policy Change 2/3 seated	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	P
4	Motion to write checks for: N.A.W.S., Jeanie M., Kirk B., Rod D., Tim S., Carla D., Tim S.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	P

MID AMERICA REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE
REGIONAL SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Saturday May 14, 2005

Red Coach Inn – 2211 E. Kansas

McPherson, KS

9:00AM-11:00AM

Regency I - Convention

Regency II – Campout

11:00AM-1:00PM

Regency I – Public Information

Regency II – Activities

1:00PM – 2:00PM

LUNCH

2:00PM-4:00PM

Regency I – Steering

Regency II – Outreach

4:00PM-6:00PM

Regency I – Hospitals & Institutions

Regency II – Literature

7:00PM-8:00PM

Regency III – Speaker Meeting

8:00PM-11:00PM

DJ Dance – Auction – Raffle

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\$3.00 person – no addict turned away

NA AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED

REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING

Sunday May 15, 2005

Red Coach Inn – 2211 E. Kansas

McPherson, KS

Regency I & II

8:00AM-5:30PM