



Mid America Regional Service Committee Narcotics Anonymous
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Business Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2008

The business meeting of the Mid America Region of Narcotics Anonymous was opened with a moment of silence by Russell P. (chair) at 8:50 am.

The 12 Traditions were read by Jeff and the 12 Concepts were read by Ted.

Housekeeping: Requests for funds and motions. The chair called for all R.O.F. and any motions to be put on new business. The treasurer called for all donations at this time as well. Opening balance for start of business day \$1,069.73

Roll Call: We took our first roll call at 8:55 am and the following chairs and trusted servants were present at the start of business on Sunday August 17, 2008.

Trusted Servants Present: Chair, Co-Chair, Reg. Delegate, Alt. Reg. Delegate, Treasurer and Secretary. There is no Co- Treasurer at this time.

Area R.C.M.'s:

Central KS Area, Fellowship For Freedom, Just For Today, Miracle Area, Primary Purpose, Unity Area, Western Area and Wichita Metro Area.

Subcommittee Chairs:

Activities, Campout, Convention, Archivist, Soul to Soul, Hospitals & Institutions, Literature, Outreach, Public- Information, P.O. Box, Steering.

A. Approval of Minutes:

May 2008 minutes (old and new business only) were read. There was a roll call vote to accept the minutes as read. The minutes were accepted as read.

B. Area Reports

Central Kansas Area

Hello all, I'm the new RCM for Central. First of all we have a donation for \$450.00 as for functions the Larned Rib BBQ on September 20th at the Hass Building in Larned. Donny B from Osborne will be speaking. Chili Bowl will be in Hays this year more to be revealed. Our H&I is steady with a new meeting we take into the Barton County jail. Us guys take the meeting in for now and hopefully we get

the females in soon. Also there will be a new youth meeting starting in Great Bend. The meeting will be on a Saturday more will be revealed. That's all for now, Grateful to serve, Jeff B.

Fellowship For Freedom Area

Hello family, Our last Area meeting had all 14 groups represented, but there is still a need to fill positions at the Area level. Open Positions: Area co-chair, Asst. Treasurer, Steering Chair, and two general members of steering.

Subcommittee reports:

Activities: Has a Treasurer position open, they also have a couple of fundraisers coming up which are a sponsor/sponsee breakfast on August 23rd at 10:00 a.m., and a campout on September 12th-14th at Perry Lake. I put some flyers on the table for these events.

H&I: seems to be getting lots of help, and there meetings are going great.

Literature: sells are steady and things going well, motion was made and passed to get a line of credit of \$400.00 from WSO to expedite orders faster.

Outreach: Needs help! The capture the flag is still going on in the Area.

PI: No subcommittee meeting held this month, but we do have a new PI Chair now.

Steering: No Chair and we didn't have enough general members to have meeting according to our policy.

We are able to make a \$200.00 payment to the Region on our Promissory note this time, and that should bring it down to \$530.00.

I also want to mention that I was re-elected to another term as the RCM, and that we had four addicts from Topeka show up yesterday, and three of them were subcommittee chairs, and another 5 or 6 came down for the speaker and dance last night. That's all for now.

ILS, Jerry C.

Just For Today Area R. C. M. Report,

Dear Family, I have been looking forward to seeing you all. It is good to be here. We are doing great at JFT Area. We had an H & I fundraiser in Pittsburg last month, Bobbie from Newton came out and shared her story with us. Amazing the length we go through to carry the message of recovery to others! Thanks Bobbie. We are planning a JFT fundraiser on September 6, 2008 in Chanute at the Masonic Hall. We hope to attract more members by holding this function in a more central location of the state. We will play recovery trivia in the afternoon, mainly focusing on PI. There will be a Chili dinner and Scott K. has graciously agreed to come and play music for us. We hope to see some of you there; it would also be a great opportunity to sell some merchandise from the region. The group "We Do Recover" out of Coffeyville has chosen to not be a part of our area anymore. We are not completely clear why; there may be some major personality issues involved. We, as an area body, have decided to continue sending information; i.e.: minutes, newsletters, flyers, etc.; to them. Our area outreach is also planning on

visiting them this month. More will be revealed ... We have the positions of H & I chair, H & I co-chair, PI co-chair, Literature co-chair, area chair and area co-chair open as of this month and activities chair. JFT area is donating \$150.00 to RSC to this month. I am very grateful to be of service, Dorothee M, JFT area RCM

Primary Purpose Area

Hi everyone,

Primary Purpose Area is doing okay with good attendance and participation at our Area meetings. We currently have several service positions open at our area. Lyons Night Flyers seems to be getting revitalized and is having increased meeting attendance. They are also planning their annual Fish fry for sometime in October. Hutchinson Gift of Life is having continued strong meeting attendance. Our area's PI chair requested that I ask what the procedure would be to request or motion for a literature project to NAWS. He thought it would be nice to have a "table-top" book of NA history including the personal stories that were removed from the 6th edition Basic Text. Maybe this is something that should go through our regional literature committee. We are having a "Learning Day" function in Newton, KS. at the 4-H building next Sat. Aug. 23rd. There should be flyers out.

There are few other functions in our area:

Gift of Life Campout	Aug. 29 th -Sep. 1 st
Night Flyers Fish Fry	October ?
Flying Free Goth Blue Ball Ball	Dec. 27 th

Last, but not least, we have an area donation of \$500.00 to give to region. I think that about covers it for now.

In grateful service,

Ted R.

Miracle Area:

Hello Family, I was voted in as the RCM at the last ASC. Things are well in the Miracle area, we are getting ready for our area campout, August 22-24, 2008 at Slough Creek Park, Perry Lake, (flyers available). We are getting some rotation into area service positions and good attendance at most of our groups, however, no outreach chair or area co-chair willingness. We changed our escrow for regional donations to help pay for the regional insurance policy, and some groups are getting ready for the 6th Edition of the Basic Text. Meetings are going well and one minor change to the meeting list has been passed onto the website. There are some incorrect listings on na.org. But those groups will make the changes. Subcommittees are doing the necessary job to carry the message and provide services and no real problems to speak of. Thanks to Rene for stepping up as Alt. RCM. In service, Scott K.

Unity Area Report:

Hello Region, Hope this finds all is well around the region. The Unity Area is still in need of many trusted servants but meetings are happening. There have been a few functions, 2 picnics and a campout that have been relatively well attended even though the weather hasn't always cooperated. There has been an issue with the area phone line which put us in the position to research and obtain other options for phone service. At this time the phone line. Is off but we voted to use Voice Nation which is a voice mail answering service that will be used as an information line. It will be in operation on the 24th of August. Once we know the number we will pass that on. We continue to discuss ways to get members involved in service. We are having our annual Halloween Party on October 25th at the Friendship Center in Salina Hope to see you there. We have a \$300 donation. In service, Misty K.

Wichita Metro Area Report:

All is well at our area. Of course we could always use help with H&I and PI. Unity group and Day by Day have gone non-smoking (but Unity may change back). Unity is having their street dance on September 13th in the street north of the groups address; 918 W 2nd in Wichita. Our area will be donating no less than \$164.25 per quarter for insurance. Donated \$100 to region. Love to serve NA and HP, Betty P.

Western Area Report:

Hello, The Western Area Campout to Belamy's Pond. South of Goodland was well attended. I didn't count, but I am guessing at least 50 to 60 people. A couple of our groups are struggling with low attendance, including my own home group, Recovery Today in St Francis and the Desperados groups in Syracuse. We will have a donation for region next quarter, after we know just where we are financially. Western area will start having area meetings every other month; starting in September; instead of monthly, mostly due to fuel prices. The Goodland group and Freedom Today has a new meeting place in the AA building on the ten hundred block of Centre Street. Meetings at 8 pm on Tuesday and Friday. In loving service, Lin O. RCM

We took our first break @ 9:40am and we reopened the meeting at 9:55am.

C. Subcommittee Reports

Archivist: Dear Family,

I've had a bad quarter deciding about my role in archives and after much reflection, prayer and vacillating back and forth I've decided to resign as archivist. This project (area of service) is probably the most valued by me and the decision was difficult to say the least. After last region I needed to evaluate what was best for archives and I feel that I would be better for our future to capture our past with some new blood, hopefully a trusted servant with more energy, ideas and at least the commitment to this endeavor that I have. I have returned to the storage unit and all the items I had at home except for the tapes/cd that I feel shouldn't be put into the oven we call an archives storage unit. I propose that we let Tim S. be given a vote of confidence to be the "media guardian? Until we figure out how to store them so they don't melt (he is willing). I'll continue to be engaged with this endeavor and I am willing

and looking forward to working with a new chair. Thanks for your patience, understanding and support. In loving service, John S. III

Activities: Hello Family,

We started out with Soul 2 Soul finalizing the details of their retreat coming up next month. They have spots available for the weekend. If you are interested in attending, there are flyers on the table.

The activities portion of the meeting then got underway. We had all but 2 areas represented. There are a lot of activities coming up, so please check for flyers on the table, or check on the regional website. The one thing that was common between a few areas was that they did not have activity chairs and they were not sure where their area was headed for events in the future.

We then spent a bit of time talking about the Service Assembly that will be held here at the EconoLodge October 18th & 19th, 2008. The t-shirts were done by Allen Lee and totaled \$478.83. We have turned the invoice over to the treasurer for her records. They are available for sale for \$10.00 each for M,L, XL and \$11.00 for 2x and 3x. We discussed the main speaker for the weekend and narrowed down the choice. We also discussed the flyer that I will be passing out today that has the details of the service assembly. The discussion was very detail oriented, making sure that we make this attractive to the newcomer, that it is kept simple, and that nothing is dictated, but rather requested.

The fundraiser for the activities committee went extremely well last night. The attendance was very good! The breakdown is as follows: Auction 148.00, Raffles 91.00, Door 181.00, and t-shirt sales 124.00, totaling \$544.00. I also have 10.00 in copier donations from May's RSC. I turned in a total of \$554.00 to the treasurer. Thank you to all of those who donated items for the raffle and auction, for all the help at the event and for making last night a great success.

We have turned in motions to pay the DJ \$125.00 and pay EconoLodge \$250.00.

At our next region we will be having the convention fundraiser and as always, we are looking for any items that can be donated to the raffle and auction. We will be getting a flyer out in the email for this in the next week or so. I also have flyers with the next regional meeting agenda available today. That weekend is November 15th and 16th here at the EconoLodge.

Thank you for letting me be of service, Michelle C.

Campout: Hello NA Family,

It has been a great honor to Chair the Mid America 30th Annual Campout. If you were not able to attend, you missed a great time of celebrating and sharing recovery, and yes the weather was beautiful at Wilson Lake. Don't be sad you have a second chance ... the 2009 Mid America Campout will be held July 3-5 at Wilson Lake, Lucas group camp. We are asking for ideas for a theme and artwork for t-shirts; we need them by the November RSC.

I have turned in a yearly treasurer's report. We will be asking the region for the use of the debit card to secure the campsite.

All right, that was the easy stuff. Now here's where it gets serious. The committee is putting out a S.O.S. ... we need help. Other than having a recommendation for Chair; who could not be here today; all

positions are open. In keeping with the 4th Concept and the spirit of rotation we need some support other than the hand full that has been the committee for too long. Don't worry they will still be here to support the committee.

There was a lot of discussion and concerns related to an outside organization using and promoting the Mid America Regional campout as one of there yearly activities. It was suggested to ask steering to contact NAWS for a suggestion on how to deal with it.

In service, Russ P.

Convention Report: We picked our design and theme (By Addicts, For Addicts). We picked artwork for later. We settled on food and banquet and brunch and the prices. Also we settled on price for pre-registration and after deadline. Will do a shirt and cup with pre-registration February 15, 2009 is deadline. We, of course, our having the convention at the airport Hilton in Wichita. September meeting 3rd Sunday at 1 pm at the Hilton. The October meeting will be in McPherson at service assembly. Next meeting we will discuss new merchandise (pre)). We still need a co-chair, arts & graphics chair, and a fundraising chair. Thanks for everyone participating. It is going to be awesome.

Loving service, Betty P.

P.S. We have tanks for sale \$10.00.

Hospitals & Institutions: Hello family, H & I has been very busy across this region. 7 out of 8 areas were represented at subcommittee yesterday. We had 25 addicts in attendance yesterday. We collected \$27.00 passing the hat. Elections were held for co-chair. We had no willingness. Please take this back to your areas. We continued to discuss about getting more addicts involved in H & I. each area was ask to bring back in November a list of the facilities they are serving with all contact information. There was discussion about Primary Purpose Area having trouble going back to a juvenile facility that we were previously already serving. Sorry I won't be able to stay for this whole meeting today but I have to go do H & I. Imagine that. But we can only keep what we have by giving it away. In loving service, Shannon H.

Literature: Hello family, Meeting started at 9:05 a.m. Areas present were; Fellowship for Freedom, Unity, Western, and Wichita Metro. Positions open: Co-Chair, Secretary, and Man Editor, please take this back to your Areas to see if there's any willingness. The Unity Area asked if they could sell Literature this weekend, there was some discussion and we as a committee didn't see a problem with it, and they agreed not to sell any Handbooks or Guides unless we didn't have any to sell.

We are submitting two requests for funds forms, one in the amount of \$ 31.50 to replenish the Literature stockpile, which I will be attaching an inventory sheet with my report, and the second one in the amount of \$181.58 for the Newsletter Summer and fall issues, which breaks down as follows:

Summer Issue: Printing \$111.72, Postage \$19.07 ... Total \$130.79

\$100.21 left over from the archive disc sales, which leaves \$30.58 owed.

Winter Issue: Printing \$112.00, Postage \$33.00, Envelopes \$6.00 ... Total \$151.00

Last, but not least, Tim reported that the Literature project “Living clean, the Journey Continues”, will be more of an input and review and should start sometime around early 2009. That’s all to report for now.

In Loving Service, Jerry C. Literature Chair

Literature Inventory

- Treasurer’s Handbook (5)
- H&I Handbook (5)
- A Guide to Phone line Service (5)
- Handbook for NA Literature Committee (5)
- Additional Needs Resource Information (5)
- Handbook for Public Relations (4) (need 1)
- Institutional Group Guide (5)
- A Guide to Public Information (5) (Turned over to Archives on 8/16/08)
- Handbook for NA Newsletters (11)
- Outreach Resource Information (3) (need 2)
- A Guide to Local Service (2) (need 3)

Outreach Report: Hello Family,

Meeting was started with moment of silence followed by Serenity Prayer. The Primary Purpose and Fellowship for Freedom areas were represented. We had nine addicts in attendance. Scott W. read minutes from last RSC. Secretary was not present again and was released from her position. Erin K. volunteered to take minutes. Areas did outreach reports and Scott W. shared his regional report. A few members from Central and Miracle areas shared what they knew about in there own areas. Some youth groups are getting started in Great Bend. I will check with contacts to see if they need help from Outreach. There are some struggles in the Miracle Area. A Leavenworth group no longer exists and Baldwin City meeting on Thursday has closed. We also talked about “What is Outreach”, “How to get interest and volunteers” and obstacles for outreach positions and volunteers. Some other concerns were how we may start looking to more start-up of rural meetings because of the economy. We had elections and Erin K. was nominated in as outreach secretary. There was no willingness for outreach co-chair. Take this back to groups and areas. We had the Reaching Out fundraiser in McPherson and raised \$1014.00 for the brothers and sisters in Iowa, Missouri and surrounding areas. Thank you for being the caring people you are. In loving service, Scott W.

P.O. Box:

I picked up the mail and disbursed it. The box is still in the name of Curtis Best (deceased). John Summer is also on it. I will try to get my name added. We may have to get a new box to clear this up, we'll see.

Love, Betty P. – P.O.Box Chair

Public Information: Hey Family,

We had a great PI subcommittee meeting yesterday. I want to thank the members that participated in that meeting for their input and wisdom. There were 7 of the 8 areas represented by chairs or interested members.

This is what is happening at the groups: Central has added Osborne to their area, there is also a new youth meeting that will be starting in Great Bend soon. That is exciting. Unity's phone line is no longer in service, but will have a new one up soon. Just for Today Area is having a function on Sept. 6 at which there will be an opportunity to learn. Western area has a new toll free information no. 888-303-0013. Primary Purpose is having a learning day on Aug. 23rd in Newton at the 4H building. This is a totally free function, they will be having an alternative store so bring your shirts and any other merchandise you might have and sell them at that function. All the other groups are doing what needs and can be done to get literature in the hands of addicts, answering the phones and continuing to carry the message.

Web: Most of the areas are keeping their meeting lists updated. We need to continue to keep this done. We are looking for someone to learn to maintain the website. When I read this report to the region, I reported that "as far as we can tell there is no longer a meeting in Pratt." Since that time I have found out that we don't actually know that this is true, what we do know to be true is that an addict went to the meeting and the doors were not open. We will do further checking on this. Also Western area needs to update their meeting list. Remember when updating you need to send the whole meeting list to send the whole meeting list to Kirk not just the changes.

This committee is asking the region to pay 150.00 for registration at the Recovery Conference in Salina on Sept. 25-27. We have also asked the region to allocate 450.00 to pay for the registration at the Governors Conference on Juvenile Justice in Wichita in July of 2009. We are asking for the funds to be approved so that when we find out the deadline for registration we will already have the funds approved. We will continue to work on our budget making sure that we know of events in time to ask for funds. We would like to get to the place where we could plan for the monies that will need for the whole year. Work in progress. We had a great discussion on putting literature racks in each of the areas. We realize that the region cannot stand the cost of supplying the racks or the IP's but discussed ways in which that could get done, including fundraisers, and asking World Services for help in supplying IP's. We are trying a top down and bottom up push in our Public Information endeavors. The top down part would be having booths at places like the Governors Conference and Recovery Conference and the bottom up push coming from the groups and areas putting literature and the message into the hands and ears of the individual addict. One of the other suggestions was that we ask the region to visit an idea of having one of the RSC dances, raffle, and auction proceeds to go to PI, H&I, and Outreach, or maybe a percentage of those funds. We will also start passing the hat at our meeting. We continue to ask each of the areas to have one learning day and fundraiser in order to support their own endeavors. I do want to

offer our apologies for the confusion about the Governors conference this year, the one thing that I can say about it is that I, as the chair person, learned a lot. Thanks for everybody's loving input. One other thing our co-chair unable to be here this quarter, he also sends his apologies for not getting the regional meeting lists printed. If I have forgotten anything please let me know so that I can add it to these minutes.

Thanks for all the help from the areas with input and enthusiasm. Thankful to be serving, Kim C.

P.S. We need a secretary for our subcommittee, take this back to areas and groups, thanks to Nancy for taking notes yesterday.

Steering Committee Report: Hello family:

The committee only had one hotel bid which was from the Holiday Inn Select in Wichita, KS. The facility is too small for our needs. We are reminding everyone to bring bids to November, 2008 RSC for consideration for the MARCNA (convention) for 2010 and 2011. We do encourage looking several years ahead. Our committee should have 7 members. We are currently down by 3 members. Today, we are requesting that Dorothee McW. Be voted in as a 5th member for the committee. Please take note that we still need to fill 2 more positions if she is voted in.

Status on the Regional Policy & Guidelines. Thanks to some work done at the interim meeting and with Janet's computer skills, we have a workable copy which we are now fine tuning. We are a new committee and are getting into the "groove" and flow of the policy. We are on task and are pretty confident that we will have our draft ready for the February 2009 RSC----unless we get asked to pursue special projects. We are planning on our interim meeting in Americus, KS on September 27, 2008.

In loving service

Debby S.

Soul 2 Soul:

The committee is moving forward with planning for Soul to Soul.

- As of Saturday, August 16, 11 registrations had been received.
- Rick E. will serve as caterer as well as treasurer.
- There were not enough pre-registrations, so horseback riding will not be offered this year.
- Linda will be contacting Willis to see if he is still interested in hosting a spirituality activity on Saturday morning.
- The Soul-to-Soul chair position needs to be advertised this month for a November election.
- Treasurer's Report: \$1853.75

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M.

Break; The chair called for a break at 11:05am to allow for check out. We reopened with a moment of Silence and roll call was taken at 11:40am

D. Officers Reports

Regional Delegate Report: Hello family,

With the conference over and a new set of issue discussion topics in place, it's time for the work to begin. I will be participating in Primary Purpose Area's learning day next week hosting the first of what I hope is many workshops on leadership. As I reported last quarter this is a topic I feel very strongly about.

I will be asking for funding to the next zonal meeting in Pierre, S.D. for Misty and myself today. We have eight members committed to go and John has offered the use of his van for the trip. The total miles are 1405 and I am estimating 18 mpg with fuel costs at \$5.00 per gal. Two rooms will add \$254.84 and our meal allowance cut in half will be \$150.00. This brings the amount requested to **\$794.84**. The mileage is set but both of the other variables will fluctuate. It is my hope that we don't run into \$5.00 per gallon gas but we might not be able to get 18 mpg either. We can only hope one offsets the other. Flyers are available on the table for this if anyone else is interested.

I have received six regional contact updates since the last RSC. I will send the most current sheet around to check addresses but I feel this many updates was huge waste of NAWS time and resources. Each time one update was made, at least three copies with a cover letter was sent out to us. Hopefully any future changes will be done on one update sheet only.

Through the world pool process, I have been appointed to the NA Way workgroup for the next four years (2008-2012). We only meet face-to-face once per cycle (2 years) and the rest is done via email and phone. Our first meeting is February or March 2009 at the World Service Office. I look forward to working with this committee which consists of members from France and various parts of the U.S.

That's all I have this quarter, if your area or group wishes to host a workshop on leadership or any other of the issue discussion topics please contact myself or Misty.

Gratefully Serving,



TIM S. - R.D.

Alt. Delegate Report: Hello family,

I am looking forward to the new conference cycle. The discussion material is out for review on the World Website- NA.ORG. I have had some opportunity to peruse some of it and I am anticipating the discussions to follow. Our R.D. has also provided me with some of the background material and past conference materials to bring me up to speed. I also have been able to attend some of the past conferences and workshops so I am already familiar with the discussion topics and direction. I am ready to go to South Dakota for the zonal. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

In Service, Misty K. RDA

Secretary Report: Hello Regional Family,

First, I would like to apologize for the delay in mailing out the minutes due to waiting on the envelopes. I ran out of envelopes and got a great deal online I also thought I was out of mailing labels but I found them so I felt silly hand writing on some of the envelopes. I still need a “GLS” as well as any other handbooks to have in the box. I updated the key holder list as requested by the region and have that in my secretary box I just need to make sure everyone who needs one has them. I no longer have any extra keys as I passed them out to Michelle C. and Deb S. as stated in my last report. I now have one years worth of notes and minutes in my box, do I pass this on to the Archivist or wait until next year. I stated last region that I could add to the CD and put an electronic copy of the minutes in the box to save on paper and space. I still have copies of the addendum to pass out for members who either did not get the minutes or need an additional addendum to their personal regional policy, Also when you sign up for minutes please put your email and snail mail addresses on the sign up sheet. I am only sending hard copies to those who sign up for them here. If you know of members who want copies I need their information to get them the minutes. My expense report is as follows: \$14.74 for postage I mailed 11 copies @ \$1.34 a piece so it went up 0.20 cents from the last mailings but I had fewer hard copies to mail. It cost \$51.29 for 25 copies for minutes and \$19.94 for envelopes. I was given permission to purchase a digital voice recorder at the last RSC in an amount not to exceed 35 dollars; the one I bought totaled \$33.87. Total amount spent this region \$119.84 I received \$75.00 for expenses last region which leaves my request for funds reimbursement at \$44.84. I am also asking for the \$75.00 in secretary expenses for November minutes.

Thanks for the opportunity to serve this region-

Suzie Q. - Regional Secretary

Treasurer Report: I worked with the Bank and obtained a new Federal Identification Number (EIN). I have made copies and given them to the Chair, Co-Chair, Secretary and Steering Chair. I also turned in the form for the debit cards but haven't received them yet. Without having a Treasurer Co-Chair I wanted to have others on the account and put Russ and Mike on as well. If this Body is not OK with that I will make the necessary change. I have also received the new bill for our insurance which will need to be paid today. It was stated at our last meeting that I would be responsible for the Certificates of Insurance but Debby decided to have it go through her as she would know the proper procedure and as this is her profession and would be best suited to do this task.

Janet Wood- Treasurer

Co-Treasurer Report: No Co- Treasurer

E. Old Business

Elections:

Co-Treasurer: There was no willingness at this time, this needs to go back to groups.

Campout Chair: The campout chair is open and this position is going back to groups for willingness. The entire campout committee is up for election at this time.

P.O.Box Co- Chair: Betty nominated Paula S and Kathryn 2nd the nomination. The duties and qualifications were read. Paula qualified herself and the chair asked if there was any more willingness from the floor. Seeing none, Paula stepped out of the room for a vote. There was a vote taken and Paula was voted in. Congratulations Paula and thank you for stepping up for service.

Steering Member:

Dorothee was recommended out of Steering. The duties and qualifications were read. Dorothee qualified herself and asked and answered some questions. The chair asked if there were any other members or willingness from the floor seeing none Dorothee stepped out and was voted in. Congratulations Dorothee and thank you for stepping up for service.

The following open positions to go back to groups are being voted on in November:

Archivist, Co- Treasurer, 2 Steering Members, Campout Chair, Soul to Soul Chair, H&I Co- Chair, Outreach Secretary, MAN Editor, Literature Secretary, Campout subcommittee,

Insurance Update:

Deb S. stated at prior RSC that the treasurer would be the contact for the insurance, and now has decided to go ahead and be the contact person because she knows the information and it would be easier for her to answer any questions members may have pertaining to insurance. Deb S. stated that the only time a group will need an insurance certificate is when a facility asks for proof. Groups are covered even without the certificate. Instructions have been sent out on how to attain a certificate and they will be attached to these minutes as well.

Escrowing Money for Insurance:

There was an issue brought to the floor when an area sent a separate check to region marked "Insurance donation". This raised a lot of questions on the floor and clarification from the area. The area stated that the purpose of writing insurance donation on the check was for bookkeeping purposes only. It was for their areas records only. The problem with this is the check is a legal document and this makes the donation earmarked monies. It is illegal to earmark money for any reason, and the region has stated and wants it reflected in the minutes that the region will not keep track of area donations. There was a suggestion to areas that are keeping track of their donations to simply write two checks and not mark in the memo box what it is for. The chair cut the discussion and stated that if anyone has any questions about the insurance or donations please contact Janet W. (treasurer) or Deb S. (insurance contact).

Promissory note Update:

The promissory note has been paid on and the balance is now \$530.00. As stated in the promissory note the area is to have an annual inventory done. The inventory did not get completed as of yesterday, however she needs more time. After some discussion the region agreed to allow the treasurer time to form an adhoc committee to complete this inventory and will extend this out until the next RSC in November. This will give plenty of time to allow every party involved to participate.

Co- Archivist Update from Steering:

The purpose of getting the duties and qualifications in writing is to be able to advertise this position. The secretary could not find at the time of the RSC the duties or qualifications that were typed up for steering. There is some more investigation to be done on this and more will be revealed. The secretary will get the duties and qualifications and attach them to these minutes so everyone will have a copy and we can advertise for the Archivist position. Tabled until next RSC.

Debit Card Update:

We will be securing a debit card for the treasurer and the regional co- chair since at this time there is no co- treasurer the duties fall on the co- chair. The policy reads that the treasurer and co- treasurer will be responsible for the debit card and per policy when there is no one in the co- treasurer spot the duties will fall on to the regional co- chair. The treasurer will make a log of what we use the debit card for and we will be able to keep track of when it is used.

P.O.Box Keys:

The P.O.Box chair reported that the regional PO Box is still in the name of Curtis Best (deceased). She will look into getting him taken off as owner of the box and stated that the region may have to get a new box to take care of this matter.

Re-Affirmation/Confirmation of positions:

The chair asked for clarification on what this is for. It was stated that the regional policy reads that elections are in May. Some of the positions are not elected in May and do not coincide with the May to May fiscal cycle. This also creates a dilemma for the NAWs contact person having several update forms to send off annually. This is something Steering can look into and they are looking for recommendations from the floor. We will revisit this issue after lunch.

Break for lunch: We took our lunch break at 12:49 with instructions to return by 2: pm. We reopened at 2:10pm with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer. There was a roll call at 2:11 and on with more Old Business.

Re-Affirmation/Confirmation of positions:

This should have been done in May to fall in line with the fiscal year. According to the old guidelines elections are in May. It never did fit with some of the committees. We can direct Steering to address the policy issue. The chair did direct the Steering committee to find some solutions for this issue.

Storage Unit Keys:

The keys to the file cabinet for the storage shed were turned into the secretary since the Archivist resigned. John S. III asked to have the keys back to be able to help add more items in the storage unit and still help with this position. After some discussion it was decided that the regional co- chair would be the one who would hold on to the keys as the position falls to him. He agreed to take the keys however at the end of business on Sunday he left the keys in the secretary box.

F. New Business

- 1. Motion from PI: Request allocation of \$450.00 for registration at Governor's Conference on Juvenile Justice in Wichita in 2009.**

Intent of motion reads: Insure we continue to carry the NA message of recover to this conference. Financial Impact: \$450.00. After some discussion and questions there was a vote taken and this motion passed.

- 2. Request for Funds from Outreach for \$100.00. The chair asked for a motion from the floor. John S.III made a motion to give the money to Outreach it was 2nd by Jeff. The chair asked for any cons to this motion seeing none we voted and this motion passed. This raised a question of procedure as to why this request for funds was singled out for question and the PI for \$150.00 was in the treasurers housekeeping. The housekeeping funds are recurring expenses that we spend every quarter. We have to pull the ones that are not every quarter out of housekeeping to vote on. The chair apologized for this mistake and said he tries to look over the expenses to single out the ones that are not ordinary quarterly expense. There was a motion made by John S.III 2nd by Jeff B.**
- 3. Motion from John S.III: I move that the RSC allow Tim S. of Lindsborg, Ks. to be the "media guardian". As we can't store tape/CD in the storage unit.**

Intent of motion reads: To protect those temperature sensitive items. This was 2nd by Betty P. There was no opposition to this motion so there was a vote taken and the motion passed.

- 4. Motion from Unity Area: Motion for mid America Region to no longer sponsor "Soul to Soul".**

Intent of motion reads: Our primary purpose states that we are to further the unity of our fellowship. This activity does not welcome any addict without funds. It is the only activity sponsored by our region that turns addicts away.

This motion is attached to the minutes as read. After an hour long discussion the chair directed Steering to look and see if there was any tradition or concept that this function is in violation of to be put on the agenda to correct at the next RSC should the areas decide to keep the Soul to Soul activity as a sponsored regional function. This motion is going back to groups to vote on as read. The chair closed the discussion. The chair did instruct the maker of the motion to take back

to their area, that if this motion was voted down they should be ready with new information in November.

The treasurer asked the RCM's to please be sure to get this information to their areas it is important to keep an open line of communication between the region and areas and groups.

The RD stated that world Unity day is on August 30 of this year and the world prayer will take place at 7: am our time.

Dave R. really tried to be of service by motioning to close but was not allowed so Jerry motioned to close and Jeff B. 2nd it.

Reminder: The November dance in McPherson is a Convention fund raiser and raffle and auction items are needed.

Take back to Groups: Campout Chair,(entire campout committee), Soul to Soul Chair, Co- Treasurer, 2 Steering Members, H&I Co- Chair, Archivist, Outreach Secretary, MAN Editor, Literature Secretary

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made around 5:00pm we closed in the usual manner. The next RSC will be held at the *Econo lodge*, formerly the Red Coach inn in McPherson, Ks. on November 15th and 16th 2008.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve,

Suzie Q.

suzie.q.e@gmail.com

**Mid America Region of Narcotics Anonymous
Treasurer Report – August 2008 RSC**

	Beginning Balance			\$ 7,551.34
Income:				
5/18/08	Area & Group donations	\$2,128.97		
5/18/08	Activities	180.00		
5/18/08	H & I Escrow	10.00		
4/09/08	FFF Promissory Note pmt.	200.00		
5/18/08	FFF Promissory Note pmt.	100.00		
5/18/08	Convention donation	5,000.00		
5/18/08	Tim Stewart-WSC & Zonal	46.00		
6/09/08	Unity Area donation	<u>200.00</u>		
	Total income			<u>7,864.31</u>
	Sub-total			\$15,416.31
Expenses:				
5/18/08 #1044	Scott Kessler – dj May		\$ 125.00	
5/18/08 #1045	Michelle Cebulski-start up-Aug		50.00	
5/18/08 #1046	Perkins May RSC rent		250.00	
5/18/08 #1047	Suzie Estrada-minutes		123.93	
5/18/08 #1048	Hutch Correctional-meeting lists		72.94	
5/18/08 #1049	Alliance Agency, Inc.		1,322.75	
5/18/08 #1050	NAWS-donation		909.50	
7/08/08 #1051	Allen Lee-Service Assembly shirts		<u>478.83</u>	
	Total Expenses			<u>3,332.95</u>
	Bank Balance			\$12,083.36
	Less: Prudent Reserve			<u>- 7,721.00</u>
	Sub-total			\$ 4,362.36
	Less: Escrows			
	H & I		\$ 322.57	
	Outreach		117.40	
	Rent		250.00	
	Insurance (due Aug. 08)		1,322.75	
	Storage (due Feb. 09)		270.00	
	P. O. Box (due Feb. 09)		20.00	
	Web Page (due Nov. 09)		75.00	
	RDA (due Feb. 10)		<u>187.50</u>	
	Total Escrows			<u>2,565.22</u>
	Spendable Balance			\$ 1,797.14

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Treasurer's Report for August 08 RSC
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**Prudent Reserve
6/08 – 5/09**

Expense	07-08 Actual	Annually	Quarterly	Pay-out Month
Rent	Went up 1 st of year	\$1,000.00	\$ 250.00	Quarterly
Insurance	\$715.50	\$5,291.00	\$1,322.75	Quarterly
Storage Unit	\$522.50	\$ 540.00	\$ 135.00	February
P. O. Box	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 10.00	February
Web Page	\$166.80	\$ 100.00	\$ 25.00	November 09
RDA		<u>\$ 750.00</u>	<u>\$ 187.50</u>	February 10
Totals		\$7,721.00	\$1,930.25	

**Webpage is renewable every 2 years

**WSC is every 2 years

Fellowship for Freedom Promissory Note

Promissory Note	\$3,700.00
6/04/007 Payment	- <u>1,100.00</u>
Balance	\$2,600.00
9/10/07 Payment	- <u>800.00</u>
Balance	\$1,800.00
11/18/07 Payment	- <u>400.00</u>
Balance	\$1,400.00
11/18/07 Dodge City Roundup	- <u>270.00</u>
Balance	\$1,130.00
2/17/08 Payment	<u>100.00</u>
Balance	\$1,030.00
4/09/08	- <u>200.00</u>
Balance	\$ 830.00
5/18/08	- <u>100.00</u>
Balance	\$ 730.00
8/17/08	<u>200.00</u>
Balance	\$ 530.00

M.A.R. CAMPOUT XXX
BREAKDOWN OF EXPENSES AND INCOME
FROM CAMPOUT

CAMPOUT FOOD & MISC. SUPPLIES EXPENSES

Food Supplies	\$599.07
Ice	\$16.69
Gas (from campout to Sam's & back)	\$42.00
Music/entertainment	\$300.00
Large tent rental	\$350.00
TOTAL	\$1,307.76

CAMPOUT INCOME

Auction held July 7, 2008	\$1,103.00
Raffle tickets	\$479.00
Camper Fees	\$224.00
Shirt Sales	\$1,040.00
Sale of leftover food items	\$110.08
Return of funds from bread	\$7.92
Entertainment-cashed their check	(\$300.00)
TOTAL	\$2,664.00

EXPENSES PRIOR TO CAMPOUT

Purchase pre-t-shirts	\$207.75
Reserve Lucas Park	\$600.00
Printing of pre-t-shirts	\$106.80
Special permit for lake	\$50.00
Fees for extra tables	\$95.00
Purchase campout shirts	\$343.89
Print campout shirts	\$407.98
TOTAL	\$1,811.42

CAMPOUT INCOME PRIOR TO CAMPOUT

RSC Fundraiser in February	\$1,258.50
April t-shirt sales	\$210.00
July shirt sales	\$45.00
TOTAL	\$1,513.50

The breakdowns above is to give you an idea on how much the campout was really costing.

M.A.R. CAMPOUT N.A. XXX

ANNUAL ACCOUNTING
FOR 2007-2008

BEGINNING BALANCE

as of August, 2007

\$3,344.92

INCOME

8/2007 thru 1/2008	no income deposits	
2/19/2008	Deposit from RSC Feb fundraiser	\$1,258.50
4/10/2008	Deposit-shirt sales	\$210.00
7/1/2008	Deposit-shirt sales	\$45.00
7/11/2008	Deposit-checks from campout	\$373.00
7/17/2008	Deposit-cash from campout	\$2,291.00

TOTAL INCOME

\$4,177.50

EXPENSES

1/12/2008	ck#693	E.S.Printing pre-shirts/no print	(\$207.75)
1/12/2008	ck#694	Russ P.--reserve Lucas Park	(\$600.00)
2/16/2008	ck#695	Superior Enterprises -printing	(\$106.80)
2/16/2008	ck#696	USAED-KC lake spec. permit	(\$50.00)
4/4/2008	ck#697	voided	
4/4/2008	ck#698	USAED-KC tables fee	(\$95.00)
4/4/2008	ck#699	E.S. Printing shirts/no print	(\$343.89)
5/17/2008	ck#700	Superior Enterprises -printing	(\$407.98)
6/27/2008	ck#701	Misty K. bread for campout	(\$85.00)
7/1/2008	ck#702	Debby S. food supplies	(\$500.00)
7/4/2008	ck#703	Cheryl C. Supplies	(\$27.20)
7/5/2008	ck#704	voided	
7/6/2008	ck#705	Russ P. supplies	(\$19.93)
7/6/2008	ck#706	Debby S. supplies/gas	(\$58.69)
8/11/2008	ck#707	Menges Rental Inc. Tent	(\$350.00)

TOTAL EXPENSES

(\$2,852.24)

ENDING BALANCE

\$4,670.18

**CONFIRMED WITH PEOPLES BANK & TRUST
BALANCED AUGUST 15, 2008
DEBORAH K. STEWART, TREASURER**

DATE Aug 17, 2008

	9AM	10AM	11AM	12PM	1PM	2PM	3PM	4PM	5PM	6PM	7PM
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AREA RCM'S

CENTRAL	X	X	X		X						
F.F.F.	X	X	X		X						
J.F.T.	X	X	X		X						
MIRACLE	X	X	X		X						
PRIMARY PURPOSE	X	X	X		X						
UNITY	X	X	X		X						
WESTERN	X	X	X		X						
WICHITA METRO AREA	X	X	X		X						

SUB COMMITTEE

ACTIVITIES	X	X	X		X						
CAMP/OUT	X	X	X		X						
CONVENTION	X	X	X		X						
ARCHIVIST	X	X	X		X						
SOUL TO SOUL	X	X	X		X						
H&I	X	X	X		X						
LITERATURE	X	X	X		X						
OUTREACH	X	X	X		X						
PI	X	X	X		X						
PO BOX	X	X	X		X						
STEERING	X	X	X		X						

TRUSTED OFFICERS

SECRETARY	X	X	X		X						
TREASURER	X	X	X		X						
CO TREASURER											
RD	X	X	X		X						
RD ALT.	X	X	X		X						
CHAIR	X	X	X		X						
CO CHAIR	X	X	X		X						

MOTIONS

Name: PI

Date: 8/17/2008

Motion Old

Pro: _____

Amendment New

Con: _____

Abstain: _____

Motion: (Please state motion clearly and accurately)

Request allocation of \$450.00 for registration at Governor's Conference on juvenile justice in Wichita in 2009.

Intent of Motion:

Insure we continue to carry the NA message of Recovery to this Conference.

Financial Impact: \$450.00

Secretary Use Only

Comments form Discussion (Limit 3 Pros and 3 Cons)

Amendments:

Accepted by Motitioner?

Motion Results

	Tabled	Passed	Failed	Back to Groups
For:		X	For:	Yes:
Against:		Against:	Against:	No:
Abstain:		Abstain:	Abstain:	

MOTIONS

Name: John S. III 2nd by Jeff B.

Date: 8/17/2008

Motion Old

Pro: _____

Amendment New

Con: _____

Abstain: _____

Motion: (Please state motion clearly and accurately)

motion to issue a check for Outreach expence.

Intent of Motion:

Secretary Use Only

Comments form Discussion (Limit 3 Pros and 3 Cons)

Amendments:

Accepted by Motitioner?

Motion Results

Tabled	Passed	Failed	Back to Groups
For:	X	For:	Yes:
Against:	Against:	Against:	No:
Abstain:	Abstain:	Abstain:	

MOTIONS

Name: John S. III

Date: 8/17/2008

Motion Old

Pro: _____

Amendment New

Con: _____

Abstain: _____

Motion: (Please state motion clearly and accurately)

I move that the RSC allow Tim S. of Lindsborg, Ks. to be the "media guardian" as we can't store tape/cd's in the storage unit.

Intent of Motion:

To protect those temperature sensitive items.

Secretary Use Only

Comments form Discussion (Limit 3 Pros and 3 Cons)

Amendments:

Accepted by Motitioner?

Motion Results

Tabled	Passed	Failed	Back to Groups
For:	X	For:	Yes:
Against:	Against:	Against:	No:
Abstain:	Abstain:	Abstain:	

MOTIONS

Name: Unity Area

Date: 8/17/2008

Motion Old

Pro: _____

Amendment New

Con: _____

Abstain: _____

Motion: (Please state motion clearly and accurately)

Motion for Mid America region to no longer sponsor "Soul to Soul".

Intent of Motion:

Our primary purpose states that we are to further the unity of our fellowship. This activity does not welcome any addict without funds. It is the only activity sponsored by our Region that turns addicts away.

Secretary Use Only

Comments form Discussion (Limit 3 Pros and 3 Cons)

Amendments:

Accepted by Motitioner?

Motion Results

	Tabled	Passed	Failed	Back to Groups
For:				Yes: X
Against:				No:
Abstain:				

PROCEDURE FOR CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE

In order for a Certificate of Insurance to be issued, please supply me with the following information:

- 1) name of the NA group this will be for
- 2) mailing and location address for the NA group
- 3) name and mailing address of the facility requiring the certificate of insurance
- 4) if this is for an event, please provide dates of the event and the location as to where it will be held

Please call me at the following number: 877-249-6208 or 620-241-0213. My fax number is 620-241-8592. I will type the certificate and mail to the group requesting the certificate and to the facility requesting the certificate. Please call if you have any questions.

Thank you,


Debby Stewart



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Regional Archivist

Qualifications:

1. 3 years clean time.
2. Working knowledge of the 12 Steps, 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts.
3. A working knowledge of archivist and library sciences recommended and safe economical storage practices.
4. Minimum 2 years regional participation.(Sunday regionals)
5. A willingness to serve.
6. A willingness to give time and resources to fulfill duties of the position.
7. 2 year commitment.

Amendment: There is an amendment to clarify qualification #3 that the knowledge of library sciences are helpful but not necessary.

Duties:

1. Contact members from groups and areas to obtain copies of all materials and memorabilia (M.A.R.S.C.N.A.) from subcommittees and events that have been generated since the inception of region.
2. Collect, catalog, store and display such items.
3. Produce a quarterly report for the R.S.C. Reporting new items received and the progress in organizing them.
4. Be sensitive with respect and observance of the anonymity of all concerned.
5. Be accountable to the R.S.C.

Purpose: The purpose of the archivist officer is to catalog, collect and display materials and memorabilia pertinent to the Mid- America Region of Narcotics Anonymous.



Mid-America Region of Narcotics Anonymous
Agenda for November 16, 2008

Open the Meeting with a moment of silence for the addict, who still suffers, follow with the Serenity Prayer.

Announcement: Call for all request of funds to be turned in to the co-chair or treasurer and any motions for new business at this time. Please turn in any and all donations to the treasurer.

Ask someone to read the 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts.

Housekeeping: Call for treasurers' report of working balance for start of business day.

Roll Call: Area RCM'S: Subcommittee Chairs: Trusted Servants

May 2007 Minutes- Read and approval motions

Area Reports: 1. Central Kansas Area 2. Fellowship for Freedom Area 3. Just for Today Area 4. Miracle Area 5. Primary Purpose Area 6. Unity Area 7. Western Area 8. Wichita Metro Area

Subcommittee Reports:

1. Activities
2. Campout
3. Convention
4. Archivist
5. Soul to Soul
6. H&I
7. Literature/M.A.N.
8. Outreach
9. PI
10. PO Box
11. Steering

Break- Re-open with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer. Roll call

Officer Reports: 1. Secretary 2. Treasurers 3. Co- Treasurer 4. Regional Delegate 5. Regional Delegate Alternate 6. Chair Report 7. Co-chair Report
(Not all officers give reports at regional business meetings)

Break for Lunch 1:00 to 2:00: *Allow at least one hour for lunch and call the meeting back to order. Re-open with a moment of silence followed with the Serenity Prayer. Roll Call.*

Old Business:

Elections: Archivist, Co- Treasurer, Campout Chair, Soul to Soul Chair, 2- Steering members

Motions taken back to groups: Unity Area Motion- Policy Change Motion

2 Items for Steering: Soul to Soul; is there any new information that shows factual tradition or concept violations for this activity, what needs to be done to correct this if there is an issue? Any progress on the election issue from the last region?

Update on FFF promissory note: See Treasurer about update.

Co-Archivist Update from Steering: Do we have a suggested list of duties and requirements to advertise this position and get the Regional Archivist help in getting the archives done.

P.O.Box Keys: Has P.O. Box chair gotten any new information about the problem with the name the P.O. Box and is there anything this region needs to do to help in this matter.

New Business: (add any new motions here from the floor at the start of business)

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- 2.
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- 7.

Take back to Groups:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.

Adjournments