
August 18th, 2019 Minutes

- Ⓝ Jeff R. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer at 9:00 am.
- Ⓝ 12 Traditions read by Chris Q.
- Ⓝ 12 Concepts read by John G.
- Ⓝ **Roll call** – Randy C. (*filling in for Amber*)-Central KS Area; Nada M. – FFF Area; Rich A. – JFT Area; proxy vote and report by Chris H. – *Miracle Area*; (absent) - NANA Area; Chris Q. – OZ Area; (absent) - Primary Purpose Area; Ron B. – Unity Area, 2019 Campout; Spencer J. – Western Area; Joe P. – Wichita Metro Area; Angie B. – Convention; (absent) - Fellowship Development; (absent) - NAWS Contact; (absent) - PO Box; Curt S. – Public Relations; Matt M. – Soul to Soul, Treasury Oversight; Jeff R. – Facilitator; Rich C. – Co Facilitator; Tim S. – Secretary; Beth N. – Treasurer; Rod D. – RD; Chris H. – RDA

- Ⓝ **(8 of 10 ASCs represented)** per policy, two areas, PPA and NANA, have missed two consecutive RSCs and could be removed from quorum, but still be seated. If accepted, we would need six areas to conduct business, if not; quorum stands at seven to conduct business.

- Ⓝ May 2019 minutes were approved after amendment to new business section added, giving explanation that we lost quorum and couldn't conduct business, so motion to donate money was tabled, not passed as stated.

Ⓝ **Area reports:**

Ⓝ **Central Kansas Area:**

Hello RSC Family,

First I would like to apologize for not being present today, but thank you to a member of our CKA who has stepped up to help in my absence. Recovery is alive and well in the CKA Area. Here are some things going on in our area:

Our 1st Men's retreat just happened a couple of weeks ago and it was a successful event!

August 24th – Women's Retreat Fundraiser – Sponsorship Tea Party & Guided Painting – Salina

September 14th – Larned Rib Feed – Larned, KS

October 18-20th – Women's Retreat – Olsburg (North of Manhattan)

Christmas Dreams – December – looking into a date and location still.

December 31st – Phoenix Group Annual New Year's Eve Celebration – Salina

For PR week several of our groups did a flyer drive. Not all were able to get one done, but the ones that did were success and in Larned at least 3 addicts have shown up because they saw a flyer. Zone met in Salina and they had a PR Presentation to Professionals in their community. We are still taking a meeting into the Ellsworth prison and there is still discussion about getting back into the Barton County Jail. Phoenix group is working on finding out requirements to get into the Saline Co Jail...and are working on getting more volunteers. More will be revealed.

We are going to start a fellowship development project at our area beginning next month. We are going to start having a workshop during area to help the local fellowship. We are going to do this in the middle of our area meeting. The workshop will be whatever that group needs. This was something one of the regions at Zone talked about, so we are going to try it and see how it works. We are excited to see what it brings.

Our area is on the search for a new phone line. We have been having problems with our current phonenumber taking out the payments, and as a result, our phonenumber got shut off, so we have formed a workgroup to come up with a new plan. It is currently on and working again, however we don't want that to happen again, so we are just starting the search. If anyone has any suggestions, please let Jeff, Cheryl or Amber know.

We vote yes on the policy change motion and have a \$800 donation to region today.

ILS,

Amber C., CKA RCM

Fellowship for Freedom Area:

Hello family,

Fellowship for Freedom area is still hanging in there, although as an area we continue to struggle with willingness from members that meet clean time requirements to attend the area meeting and/or take on service positions. There are currently 8- positions that remain open. We however did have some newcomers show up to our area meeting with willingness to get involved so that is a plus.

RCM attended the Zonal Forum and provided the area groups with the questions that were presented from the workshop "Attracting new members to service. GSR's have taken the questionnaires back to their respective groups to gather input from each addict who would like to provide feedback. Based on the responses, we as an area may be able to get a different perspective and in turn find the means to attract new members to service.

Home groups continue to do well in the area although 'Gift of Life' located at Lowman United Methodist Church at 15th and Gage Blvd, Topeka KS (Fridays @ 8pm), has asked the area to bring members to the meeting as the meeting is struggling with low attendance. Several groups have hosted events and all were successful.

- FFFA will be hosting Friday Fright Night once again. This will be held at The Big Gage Shelter House in Topeka KS, on Oct. 25th.

As an area we have discussed approaching the NANA area regarding holding a function, with both areas hosting and working together to put on an event. FFFA plans to attend the next NANA meeting to see if we can get something fun planned together. This will promote unity and ensure that as long as the ties that keep us together are stronger than those that would tear us apart...all will be well.

We have a \$500 donation today.

In loving service,
Nada and Megan.

☎ Just For Today Area:

Hello NA Family,

Recovery is going strong in the Just for Today Area. We now have a total of 12 groups in our Area. The Area's campout is going to be held September 13-15 at Big Hill Lake, which is located in Labette County. Also going on in our Area is the Pioneer group campout. This will be held from August 30 to September 2. It is going to be held at John Redmond Reservoir in the town of New Strawn. I truly hope that everybody can come for the fun and fellowship. One other event that is just around the corner is the Freebirds group in Independence, Kansas is having their 23rd Anniversary. It will be on August 25th at their meeting hall. The doors will open at 5 PM.

In regards to the motion that was sent back to groups the Just for Today Area votes "yes" on the motion. The Second Chance group from Ark City did have a suggestion or a possible amendment. This was to adjust to motion to say that half of the money would go to world and half would go to zone. A final note is that the Just for Today Area has a \$200.00 donation for this region.

Thank you for letting me serve,

Rich A. (JFT RCM)

☎ Miracle Area:

I am giving the report because our RCM stepped down and our alt RCM is out of state at a family gathering. So I am giving the report and telling this body how they voted.

Upcoming events:

Miracle Area Campout – September 20th-22nd; the New Way and Step X Step Groups are teaming up to put on the WingDango Picnic Sept. 28th; the multi-area Kick Ball Tournament will be in Lawrence at Hobbs Park Oct. 5th and the following day, Sunday Oct 6th, the Not So Famous Group will be holding the Baldwin Shindig at Baldwin City Lake. Larrytown will be celebrating their 40th anniversary on Nov. 9th and Ottawa Alive and Kickin' Group will be having their picnic on Oct. 26th.

I do realize that I should not be giving this report because I dropped Alt RCM to take the RDA position, but I felt obligated to bring you all a report and also report back to my area. So Miracle Area is donating \$600.00 to MARSCNA and on the policy change the area felt that was fine. Every group felt that the region should have sent back to all groups the motion to accept the bid for 3 years in Wichita. The just of it was that because policy was suspended on the floor

they felt they were left out of the process. Also, after just having a successful convention in Lawrence this year felt it was going away. There are local members who have been actively trying to get the regional campout to Clinton Lake; there is a feeling of competition rather than one of cooperation and rotation. They question about how much it would cost if we broke the contract. So you can see that was not popular in my area while we were unified in our dislike for the way that was handled.

The area was disunities by the selection of our Saturday night speaker, in that he started in NA but presently has an AA sponsor and home group. Some of our members felt that this construed a use of an outside speaker and implied endorsement of and a violation of the 6th Tradition. Others felt that the entertainment chair had been elected and thus the area has put trust in this person; there was much discussion and quoting of literature, not a lot of unity. A vote was taken, 4 groups voted to keep the speaker, 2 voted against and 2 abstained, that was that.

Again, I am sorry that as RDA I am giving this report, I am confident that will not be a recurring problem.

Your friend in service,

Chris H.

Ⓝ Never Alone, Never Again Area: *(absent, but sent report)*

Good morning region,

From the Never Alone Never Again area, I know it's been a few days since I've seen you or been able to be there and for that I'm sorry.

I haven't been able to attend area recently but from what I can gather things are chaotic and disorganized at this present moment but I feel like these are natural growing pains. We haven't had minutes available for me to work with so I have nothing to report at this time. Please keep us in your thoughts and I look forward to being able to return, or working with the lucky individual that replaces me. Miss and love you all.

I.L.S. Jacob K.

N.A.N.A.

Ⓝ Oz Area:

Hello from the Oz area, my name is Chris and I am an addict. I am happy to report get all of our positions at area level are filled NA meetings in our area are doing well. In Phillipsburg they just started a Nar-anon meeting at 135 10th St. Church of God; it has an average of 7 to ten people attending.

We have had a busy summer in the Oz area the Colby New Hope group had their camp out the first weekend of June and had an excellent turnout. The Norton group freedom of choice had their annual summer jam the last weekend of June and they also had a really good turnout with a great speaker and a lot of the patient group from Valley Hope showed up. Our area will be hosting the burger flip which will be in Phillipsburg next weekend at the Westside Park at 2 p.m. August

24th. We will have an auction raffle and two speakers, Sean B. from Salina and Zac O. from Norton. We will be providing hamburgers and hotdogs if you would like you may bring a side dish.

Our area voted yes to the motion on the policy change. I would also like to report that our area is giving a \$500 donation to region in the Colby New Hope group is giving a \$400 donation to region.

Thank you for letting me be of service

Ⓝ **Primary Purpose Area:** (absent)

Ⓝ **Unity Area:** *No report turned in*

Ⓝ **Western Area:**

Hello from Western Kansas. We had a camp out in June with 48 in attendance at Meade County Lake. We had guest speakers from Topeka, Denise and Sarah. We got Western area t-shirts made and have some of those for sale. All the groups in our area are still holding steady. No new changes or updates to meetings. We brought \$100 check from our area to donate to the region. We're doing an "addicts on asphalt" and supporting the Helping Hope group in Meade August 25th at 7 p.m. We have a speaker event planned in Goodwill Oklahoma at the community center September 28th at 530pm. Dodge City NA Roundup did a speaker jam fundraiser in June. The NA Roundup will be the first weekend in November at the National Guard Armory. More will be revealed.

We're looking forward to our events out in Western Kansas.

In service Spencer J.

Ⓝ **Wichita Metro Area:**

Hello regional family, I am now Wichita Metro Area's New RCM Joe P, Claire C. is the new Alt. RCM. WMANA will have their final campfire meeting at Watson Park at 8:00 on September 14th from 6-9pm. There will be a potluck and ice cream social beginning at 6:30 pm with the meeting at 8 pm. There is a flyer out on the website.

The banner wars are very active with groups visiting other groups to get banners, having fun in recovery. H&I is holding all commitments to facilities in the area, we have an H&I meeting the last Wednesday of the month at 6:00, 3709 W. Douglas. Need new people to get qualified to participate, 30 days to sit in, 90 days to share.

Events: Unity will be having their Annual Street Dance on September 21st, flyer is out. Living Clean of NA will be having a Fall Fish Festival on October 5th doors open at 4:00 pm; flyer is out on the website. This event is at 3735 W. Douglas. Living Clean is also going to host a MARCNA fundraiser in February, more will be revealed. WMANA campout is September 28th-30th at Lake Afton; flyers are available on the website. Misery is Optional in El Dorado will be having their 10th anniversary on September 7th. Flyer is out on the website. Sowing the Seed in Winfield will be having their 10th anniversary on September 15th; flyer is out on the

website. We have several open positions as next month is elections: Chair, Co-Chair, PO Box, Treasurer, Co-Treasurer, PI, Co-PI, Web Servant, Activities, Co-Activities, and Literature. We have our group inventory of papers ready to be turned in, area inventory in process. We abstain from the motion due to non-participation and are donating \$80.00 to region.

Love,

Joe P. and Claire C.

Subcommittee Reports:

 **Archivist:** Open position,

The flash drive is updated, also found another free cloud storage that offers ample space, 100 GB.

All files are now uploaded to it and can be retrieved by going to www.degoo.com and logging in with:

Email: archivist@marscna.net

Password: iou1NA

Please be considerate of private information in some folders, like sign in sheets placed in RSC minutes. Those are removed for online publishing on our website, but for archival purposes and direct email left in. Also, there are a few photos of members, mainly used in history documents, it will most likely take you to the few photos as the opening page; just click "files" on the left column. Be thoughtful before sharing these login credentials openly.

Hopefully someone will take an interest in the preservation of our history and show willingness for Archivist, there is a lot of sorting and filing waiting for the right candidate.

Tim S., RSC Secretary

Campout:

2019 Campout Committee Closing Meeting - July 7, 2019

New Business:

Deposits will be made. Tim J. will have final report.

Motion: to have one meal on Saturday night. Second. Passed.

Darrell G. nominated/passed for Chair position. Finalize at Region.

The 2020 Campout voted/passed to be held in Beloit, Ks.

Campsite will be reserved for July 3 – 5, 2020 with the City of Beloit.

Request Pool use for Friday and Saturday night.

Gather prices for catering 200 people.

Donate \$500.00 to City of Beloit for use of the campsite

Next Regional Meeting: August 17 at 1:00 pm. 310 Swedonia, Marquette, Ks.

Regional Campout Committee Minutes - August 17, 2019

Old Business:

The July 3 – 5, 2020 Campout will be held in Beloit, Ks.

NA will have the pool Friday evening.

Ray's Apple Market Catering charge for 200 people is \$2.50 for 2 pieces of chicken.

Treasurer report: All bills have been paid. All refunds have been deposited. Account is up to date and the balance as of 8-17-2019 is **\$4007.13**.

In Service, Tim J.

New Business:

Co-Chair: Carrie W. nominates herself. Discussed. Voted. Passed.

Treasurer: Tim J. nominates himself. Discussed. Voted. Passed.

Secretary: No willingness.

Programming: No willingness.

Catering: No willingness.

Fundraising/Merchandise: No willingness.

2020 Theme: "Family... Always Together – Never Alone".

Announce requests for art work at NA groups.

Next Interim Meeting: October 26 at 3:00 pm at Friendship Center, Salina, Ks.

MARCNA:

Hello Regional Family

Sorry I can't be with you all this weekend, I would rather be with you all. Convention XXXVII (37) "A Vision of Hope" is off the ground and running.

We still have a few open positions (*prior to Saturday RSC*):

- Arts & Graphic – Chair and Co

- Co Treasurer

I have met with the hotel and have addressed the issue with “we are booked”. This was simply a training issue and has been address. **With that said we as a fellowship need to mention when booking “I am with Mid America Convention”** this is the queue for them to book your room; also I have found booking during business hours (8a-9p) has helped a lot also.

We are looking for Groups or Areas that want to host fundraisers! Please Contact Fundraising Chair- Brandon R., Co-Chair- Aaron G. or convention@marscna.net

We are asking the Fellowship to keep in mind how many Basic Texts each Area would like to Donate.

God willing I will be up and running full speed in couple weeks!

In loving Service, Ben T. MARCNA Chair

MARCNA Co-Chair:

Hey family,

Excited to say that all positions have been filled. Sub-committee chairs are all on point with their timelines.

Hospitality chair is requesting all RCM'S take back to their area and homegroups that they need food items to be donated for the convention.

Pre-convention t-shirt sales are a big hit and the committee has raised \$1253.50, so far.

Final closing balance for 8/17/19 is \$6279.81.

Next meeting time has been adjusted to 2:00 pm in lieu of 1pm.

Loving service,

Angie B., MARCNA Co-Chair

Fellowship Development:

Hello Regional Family

Sorry I can't be with you this weekend. The Service Assembly I feel that it was a success a lot of knowledge, experience and fellowship was shared and had by all in attendance. Here is the breakdown of the Regional funds allotted to Fellowship Development:

Beginning \$200.00

Meat – (\$87.00)

Sides and Ice (Jon J. - beans, coleslaw, fruit salad) – (\$95.24)

Buns (Ben T.) – (\$9.15)

Utensils and Cups (Ben T.) (\$22.01)

Returned Monies to Treasurer \$1.59

I bought Extra Cups to carry over to RSC since we were out, and serving utensils to be kept for RSC specifically, so RSC weekend we are not borrowing from a committee.

Events- Open Position- Next RSC will be Annual Thanksgiving Feast

Soul to Soul – Has a Report

In the Spirit of Rotation this is my last Report for Fellowship Development as my term is up at the end of this RSC weekend.

I would like to thank the fellowship for trusting and allowing me to serve.

In Loving Service

Ben T.

FD Report from Saturday: Hello family,

Ben T. was unable to attend yesterday so as RSC Co-Facilitator it was my responsibility to chair this sub-committee. Ben's two year term was up at this RSC anyways. There was no willingness for either Events or FD Facilitator.

Events: There is a signup sheet going around for the November Thanksgiving dinner at RSC. This will also be added to the Facebook page.

MAN: Tim S. will need submissions by Nov. 1st for the next printing.

Soul to Soul: made their final plans for next month's event.

With Events and Facilitator vacant we have no one to be accountable for making arrangements for the Nov. meal. Please impress at groups how important this is! Not to mention we should already be looking ahead in planning February and May Saturday events.

In loving service, Rich C.

Mid America Newsletter (MAN) - Howdy,

We had up to \$300.00 allocated for MAN printing; I printed 600 copies for a total of \$165.08! In trying to figure out the best division for the 10 areas, I counted a rough estimate of all groups and meetings in the region. It breaks down to:

10 areas – 83 groups – 278 meetings per week. At two copies per meeting, that comes out to 556, leaving extra for distribution at functions and newsletter trade.

Speaking of newsletter trade, I received a request from Region 1 Iran. I emailed them a copy and have added their email to the distribution list. I also send a copy to the NA Way Editor and hope to get other region's newsletters added soon. I have yet to get the hard copy mailing started with the Hole in the Wall group newsletter like I used to do. I would send them 10 copies of ours for 1 copy of theirs. They are based in the Oregon State Pen.

I'm thinking of ideas to get more members writing for the newsletter, whether it be specific themes or questions like "When did you first realize you had worked the 1st Step, how did you feel?" or "What has service work done for your recovery?" It might come down to getting members to realize that what they share on social media about NA can possibly be in print to.

Below is the breakdown per area for distribution:

CKA	48
FFF	48
JFT	66
Miracle	54
NANA	48
OZ	26
PPA	72
Unity	28
Western	42
WMA	124

OZ and Unity have the fewest meetings per week, but if they feel they need more copies I'm sure there is another area or two that would be willing to part with a few.

Next submission deadline – November 1st.

Gratefully serving NA,

Tim S., MAN Editor

 **NAWS Contact:** (absent)

 **PO Box:**

Hello RSC Family,

I have been checking the PO Box and last checked in on Thursday.

Here is what we received this quarter:

- Some things for the Convention committee:
 - Bob Perkell post card
 - Speaker CDs
 - Barry K – Charlotte, NC
 - Tito S – From CT
- Some things for the treasurer:
 - Insurance invoice from May and August

- Some other things
 - MACNA convention that happened August 8-11th 2019
 - MTRCNA IX – Happening September 13-15th, 2019 in Bozeman, MT
 - Something from Kansas Children’s Service League asking for donations and a newsletter from them.
 - NAWS News
 - Junk mail that I threw away.
 - 2 H&I Letters – I have sent these to Alan, as well as one of them to the SBTW Coordinator as it was asking about sponsorship.

I think that was it, my apologies again for not being here today. This is my last quarter as your PO Box chair.

ILS,
Amber C

📢 Public Relations:

P.R. Workgroup, August 2019 RSC

Open at 3:20PM with moment of silence, 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts, Attendance: 12-15

Elections—

PR to Professionals coordinator – Matt M.

Web servant – Anna N.

Recommendation for PR Coordinator: Curt S.

Reports—

Media – Tracy C-F.

Meeting guides were printed incorrectly by the printer, for which, we were not charged. However they are usable and available. It was noted by the printer that we were being charged incorrectly for 4 single sided copies instead of 2 double sided copies. This will result in a slightly higher cost, although we are waiting for the final quote. Currently, we are printing 1300 copies. There was discussion about how many copies we really need to print. As a result, we ask all RCMs to go back to their Areas and assess actual needs and let us know so that we can plan accordingly.

H&I:

H&I coordinator not present, no report. Discussion: As noted at the last RSC, there seems to be very little communication between the Area H&I groups and the Regional H&I workgroup. It is acknowledged that the Areas are handling H&I well. The only current project at the Regional H&I workgroup is an attempt to place Basic Texts in county jails. There was some discussion as to whether Regional H&I serves a purpose as things stand now. For now, we will leave the position in place. Please go back to your respective H&I committees and ask how we can better help.

Phone Line:

Hello all, I want to thank you all for allowing me to serve, this is a major part of my recovery. Bear with me as this is my 1st ¼ as phone-line coordinator. The phone-line is up to date, I have built a new flyer asking for volunteers to answer phone-line. I have added a live addict Zeque B., after we went over power-point and training. We have 14 live addict volunteers. We could use twice as many. I have made a effort to communicate with the live addict list, to confirm with them. Please take back to groups. You need to have 1 year clean and served in some service positive at either the group, ASC, or RSC in the last year. We had a total of 160 total called and 18 voice mails, answered by myself. 440 minutes of service was used, bill was paid, thank you Beth. We are fielding a majority of calls from the 316 area code. As always, if you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact me at 620-664-1860 or phoneline@marcna.net. Thanks for the privilege to serve your region. My hope is that we will expand "live addict" service from 15 to 24 hours and continue to reach addicts without internet service, the visually impaired or wanting to talk to another human about where to find our fellowship.

Thank you all Wayne S.

P.R. Presentation to Professionals:

Mid-America Region Family,

I would like to express my gratitude for the opportunity to be able to be of service in this position. As I have just been voted in today I have very little to report. I will be submitting the following request for funds to the RSC body today:

- \$150.00 – Exhibitor Registration for 2019 Kansas Opioid Conference
- \$40.00 – Literature for 2019 Kansas Opioid Conference

We will be seeking contacts for professionals as we begin planning for the upcoming PR to Professionals Presentation at MARCNA 37. Please reach out to myself or Flo if you can be of assistance with this or have any suggestions.

In Loving Service,

Matt M

Webservant:

Anna N. (Curt S.)

Ed resigned from his position as webservant due to health issues. We wish him the best in dealing with that. New webservant elected, Anna N. Current ISP support up in early September. Anna and Curt will work to finish the new site in time that we can migrate to it prior to the end of the term for the current ISP. New ISP "In Motion Hosting" was prepaid for 2 years.

In loving service,

Curt S. RSC PR co-facilitator

curt@schimmels.net or curtisl@mac.com

Mobile: 408-892-6564

 **Soul to Soul 2019:**

Mid-America Region Family,

The 29th Annual Soul to Soul Spiritual Retreat will be held at Camp Chippewa in Ottawa, KS on September 27th, 28th, and 29th. The theme for Soul to Soul 2019 is “Let the Healing Begin”!

The committee hosted a fundraising event in Emporia at Peter Pan Park on June 29th. Dave A from Independence was our speaker. The event was a great success bringing in \$790.36 including a couple pre-registrations.

We are running a raffle for a special one of a kind blanket made with love by our very own Dorothy M. to be raffled off at the Soul to Soul event. Tickets are \$1 each and will continue to be sold from now up until 7pm on the opening night of Soul to Soul 2019. You need not be present to win so get your tickets today!

Our co-catering position recently came open and McClain C. was voted in as our new co-catering chair. We have finished up planning for Soul to Soul 2019. Catering menu is in place and pre-registration merchandise is ready to be ordered as well. As of today we have about 35 pre-registrations turned in.

Thank you again to the RSC Events committee for allowing us to hold a fundraising event at August RSC. We had a great evening and successful fundraising event making \$709.00 after expenses. McClain C. shared some AMAZING experience, strength, and hope with us after a great meal and we finished the evening with a raffle and auction that saw a **2nd Edition Basic Text** find a new owner.

In Loving Service,

Matt M.

Soul to Soul 2019 Chair

 **Officer Reports:**

 **Regional Delegate:**

Howdy Peeps:

We had one Webinar and one Zonal Meeting since May RSC.

1) June 15th Webinar on Mission Statement

- a) The Webinar was strange because you think we would be asked about what we thought on the Future of the World Service Conference, What changes we are looking at for the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust document, or any other number of things coming out in the Conference Agenda Report this November. No Narcotic Anonymous World Services what to know “Imagine there is no Mission Statement... What principles or ideas would be present in the Mission Statement of an effective and sustainable WSC?”. Then if we had time “Name one or two ways the conference best achieves its mission”. We broke up into 8 small groups to discuss these items. We talked about Keeping it Simply, Unity, Faith, Listening, Inclusivity and more. Nevertheless, it was a lot of talk about the WSC and the Process. I’m not sure if they want to change the Mission Statement or why they were going down this rabbit hole. I have put them in the Dropbox flies so you can view them when you want to.

2) https://www.dropbox.com/sh/ooxn95euo0l6xc5/AAAgZXID_-E7ikU4WE50s2g8a?dl=0

3) Plains State Zonal Meeting was good

- a) Saturdays Mid America Regions workshops were presented well. I have downloaded the workshops and put them in a file in Dropbox. You can check these workshops out, have us come do these workshops for you, or use the material to do them yourself.
- i) Applying our Principles to Technology & Social Media
 - ii) Rural/Isolated Communities
 - iii) Attracting Members to Service
 - iv) Mentorship and Continuity
- b) Sundays Plain States Zonal Forum meeting was interesting.
- i) Web Servant reported
 - (1) Basic Meeting List Toolbox web server is live for Iowa, South Dakota and Nebraska Regions. Our Region is still on the Texas Server.
 - (2) The Zoom account is busy April had 20, May 16, June 19 and July 13.
 - (3) The new PSZF website is near completion if you want to check it out try (test.pszfna.org)
 - (4) Barry is going to purchase a room microphone in order to make our Zonal Zoom Meetings better. And make a list of other equipment for the Zone to purchase. These items may be made available for our Regions to use in our conventions for maybe broadcasting into Prisons.
 - ii) Public Relations reports
 - (1) Some of the Webinar coming up which may be of interest to people are
 - (a) Inmate Step Writing Next meeting, Aug 13 – 4p PST
 - (b) Phone lines Sept 10 – 4p PST
 - (c) Standard PR Sept 12 – 4p PST
 - (d) Zonal PR Sept 21 – 10a PST
 - (e) H & I Sept 25 – 4p PST
 - (2) Also, possibly of interest is a “sticky note” pad called a cube, with the recent PR week slogan/logo and o NAWS logo printed on the sides, \$5.50 each
 - (3) The World of Public Relations also would like to know
 - (a) What events went on during the PR Week, and what your thoughts are on how well it went.
 - (b) Do PR efforts result in increased meeting attendance increasing Is there experience with re-starting dormant sub committees?
 - (c) Are there Regional PR based collaborative projects with zones and what are they?

- (d) Are there any “fun-based” committee events arranged to attract new members?
- iii) Treasurer reports
- (1) Beginning Balance \$3,833,44
 - (2) Check for Zoom \$299.00
 - (3) Iowa start-up -\$300.00 returned
 - (4) Mid-America Start up \$300
 - (5) Beginning Balance 2019 \$5,300.84
 - (a) Address for donations: **2106 Ivy Avenue; Rapid City, SD 57701**
- iv) Sponsorship Behind the Walls reports
- (1) We are getting mail from 7 prisons in 5 different regions (all but South Dakota). We have assigned 5 men sponsors and 2 women sponsors to sponsee in prisons in our zones!
 - (a) Mount Pleasant, IA
 - (b) Amarillo, TX
 - (c) Lincoln, Tecumseh, York (women’s), NE
 - (d) Topeka (women’s), KS
 - (e) Taft, OK
 - (2) They have sent out letters to
 - (a) Fort Dodge & Mitchellville in Iowa,
 - (b) Hutchinson, Kansas
 - (c) Alva, Oklahoma
 - (d) the cabinet secretary for all the prisons in South Dakota
 - (e) Neal, James Lynaugh unit, Ft Stockton and Clements in Texas
- v) Nebraska reported
- (1) They have started removing NA meetings that are using illicit literature. They also have sent a proposal for policies to that effect back to the Groups in the Region.
 - (2) P3 has sent 530 Basic Texts to inmates in 5 of the 6 Regions in the Zone. Mid America comes in third with 98 Basic Texts sent into the state.
 - (3) Nebraska Regional Convention 36 will be in Norfolk, Neb Oct 4, 5 and 6th of this year.
- vi) Iowa reported
- (1) They are moving towards incorporating the Region and have created a workgroup to coordinate that process.
 - (2) Reopened their Literature Committee in order to work on ‘Spiritual Principle a Day Book’. Also, they are exploring the idea of writing a piece of literature to address Recovery in NA as an Atheist or Agnostic.
 - (3) They are looking at moving their RSC around to the 4 corners of the State. By searching for Retreat locations to provide room and board to support this endeavor.
 - (4) They are taking a hard look at their Regional Convention has it has been going down in attendance the last few years. Only 270 members this year at it.
 - (5) PR is working on yard signs in go in people’s yards which will include Phone line number and Web contact information on it. They will spit them up between the Areas to be posted in their local communities.
- vii) Best Little Region reports

(1) As a Region they asked their Treasurer to locate their Tax ID number by calling the IRS. In doing so the person they talked to said they had not been filing the proper paperwork for the Region. This flagged them in the IRS system, and they are now being attituded by the IRS. They have hired a tax consulate for \$3000.00 in order to stay ahead of this issue. By the way this is Form SS4 which should be filled out and filed every year.

(2) They have a new Phone Line, with Volunteers manning the new line

viii) OK Region reports

(1) General Service Assembly/ Plain States Zonal Forum CAR/CAT workshop will be Feb 7-9th

(2) Set a proposal to Groups that would allow the Region to spend up to \$500.00 without going back to Groups. All money spent now must go back to groups.

(3) Sent a Recommendation for Cindi B. for a World Board Position

(4) Looking at Zooming Regional Meetings

ix) South Dakota reports

(1) East River Area has reformed and joined the Region

(2) Decided to attend August Zonal by Zoom and not sure if they are going to make the CAR workshop in person or zoom.

x) 2020 Multi-Zonal Service Symposium

(1) Is September 13-15 in San Antonio, TX? They are meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM. Email Cindi B. benson.cindi@yahoo.com if you want to get on the list for the link or added to Slack App.

(a) Trusted servant positions open

(b) They are looking for theme and artwork

xi) Multi Zonal Discussion with the Southern Zone

(1) Cindi B will follow up on that discussion with them to see where we are at. IF you remember they were wanting to do some collaboration with our Zone.

xii) Zonal Winter Meeting aka CAR/CAT discussion

(1) It will be at Saints Grove Campground, Glencoe, OK on Feb 7th-9th

(2) Cost will be \$60 for room and board (bring bedroll, towels and personal item)

(3) Was some discussion about the Raffle/Auction that happens during that event. OK Region normally uses that to offset the cost of attending their General Service Assembly for members of their Region to attend.

4) Plain States Zonal Budget

a) This led to a discussion about the way the Zone is funded and their budget. As it stands right now the Zone only keeps 20% of their budget after each Zone. They forward the rest to Narcotics Anonymous World Service Office.

b) It was pointed out WHY would we (the Zone) do that to ourselves?

c) Why didn't our Regions catch that? (for the Mid America Region, it was because Policy was their business and not ours)

d) How are we (the Regions and Zone) going to fix that?

5) New Business at the Zone

a) Approved buying a better microphone for the Zone cost around \$80.00

- b) IT is going to investigate buying more equipment to be able to do Zoom Meetings better. Possibly allowing our Regions to borrow it.
- c) Zonal Contact and Alternate Zonal Contact (different from Zonal Delegate Team)
 - i) Decided for now Barry B and Cindi B will the go to people on this until the workgroup that Barry is on is done or the end of this cycle. Then it will be our Zonal Facilitator and Co-facilitator.
- d) A Region in our Zone is struggling financially. So, we decided to help them attend the CAR/CAT in the OK Region if they need it up to \$350.00.
- e) Next meeting Feb 7th – 9th in Glencoe, OK
- f) Meeting after that will be in South Dakota summer/fall of 2020

6) Closed with the New Service Prayer

Service Prayer of Narcotics Anonymous

“God, grant us the knowledge that we may serve according to your divine precepts. Instill in us a sense of your purpose, make us servants of your will and grant us a bond of selflessness that this may truly be your work, not ours, so that no addict, anywhere, need die from the horrors of addiction.”

Spiritual Principles A Day Book Project

This is the link to the Meditation’s that are already to be written that you can change/agree/disagree on. You have until September 1st, 2019

<https://www.na.org/admin/include/spaw2/uploads/pdf/spad/hwyn2k.pdf>

https://www.na.org/admin/include/spaw2/uploads/pdf/spad/SPAD_RI_Batch_1_sm.pdf

The following is the Quotations that are to be work on until October 2019

<https://www.na.org/admin/include/spaw2/uploads/pdf/spad/may/10%20principles%20for%20June%20thru%20Oct%202019.pdf>

Webinar last Saturday (August 10th) about the changes the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust Work Group wants to make. This report outlines all of the proposed changes to the FIPT Operational Rules and to the Intellectual Property Bulletin #1 commonly called the Uses Policy. I have put all these items in the Dropbox folder for August RSC 2019. Please share it with anyone in Narcotics Anonymous.

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/ooxn95euo0l6xc5/AAAqZXID_-E7ikU4WE50s2g8a?dl=0

The WB presented the following proposed change to the operational rules at WSC 2018, but no request was made to the WSC to make a decision on this.

SECTION 3: INSPECTION OF TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES

Conditions of inspection

~~Any regional service committee or equivalent service body~~ The World Service Conference may inspect the records and operations of the Trust on behalf of the Beneficiary, ~~providing the following conditions are met~~ if it so chooses. The details of such an inspection would be decided by the WSC.

Section 3: Inspection of Trustee Activities

- The Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous, as given voice by its groups through their regional delegates at the World Service Conference, is the Settlor and the Trustor of the Trust. The Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous as a whole is the Beneficiary of the Trust. Only the Trustor can request and conduct an inspection of Trustee activities on behalf of the Trust Beneficiary. With the exception of any items excluded by law, there are no limitations on what the Trustor can inspect.
- Under Article IV, Section 12 of the Operational Rules, and in accordance with California law, Narcotics Anonymous World Services, as Trustee, is required to, among other things:

(1) give a year-end financial report of the previous fiscal year; (2) cause an audit to be performed by an independent certified public accountant of the Trust for the previous fiscal year; and (3) deliver a copy of both the financial reports and independent audit to all participants of the World Service Conference.

- If, after a review of the financial reports and independent audit, a member or service body has questions or concerns, they can contact the World Board. If questions or concerns still remain, after contacting the World Board, they would then be discussed through the established Narcotics Anonymous service structure. This discussion would be initiated by any region, through its regional delegate, submitting a request by motion to the Trustor, at the World Service Conference, through the Conference Agenda Report.

So, in simple language if you or your service body has a question, call the World Board. If you don't like the answer, or if it was not enough, make a motion in the CAR to further request a more thorough inspection. If it manages to pass the World Service Conference you will get a better inspection. Of course, the difference between that and what we have now is, it only must pass your Region now and the whole WSC if this goes through.

Use Policy changes

- Changing the reproduction of recovery literature allowed by groups by adding current, removing book length pieces, and clarifying that this does not include any permission for electronic or online formats.
- Rewriting the introduction and moving the section of copyright ahead of trademarks.

Using the term policy throughout the document, rather than a mix of policy and guidelines

Other changes they are recommending now

- A change to the description of WSC Boards and Committees on page 11 of the Operational Rules
- Two edits to the Section 12: Trustee Reporting Obligation on page 31 to change calendar year to fiscal year and to add independent to the description of the annual audit.
- Some “housekeeping” edits:
 - Changing representatives to delegates on page 24 of the readers notes
 - A straight copyedit by adding the word “the” on the same page and others edits on pages 15 and 31.
 - A change to the way the inspection clause is described on page 37 of the readers’ notes.

Proposed future changes to the FIPT

Changes to the trust itself requires a very specific process that must begin at the WSC. All of the previous changes we have discussed in this report are to the Operational Rules or the Use Policy, which only requires notice in the Conference Agenda Report and a decision by regional delegates present at the WSC.

Section 2: Revision of Trust Instrument

Provisions of the Trust Instrument may be changed only under the following conditions:

- Any motion to review proposed revisions to the Trust Instrument must receive the approval of a majority of regional delegates at the World Service Conference
- After such review is approved, proposed revisions will be open for a six-month review and input period, after which the proposed revisions will be presented in the Conference Agenda Report for adoption.
- A motion to adopt any proposed revision to the Trust will require a vote of “yes” from 2/3 of those regional delegates recorded as present in the World Service Conference roll call immediately prior to the vote.

The trust will need to be changed to accommodate the recent Conference decision to make Zonal Delegates voting participants of the WSC. The current PIPT calls for only Regional Delegates for decision making. Since this change is already needed, we will continue to discuss other possible changes to the FIPT itself before presenting a motion in the 2020 CAR. The process of changing the FIPT could not be completed until the following WSC 2022 at the earliest. In the meantime, approval of literature and or changes to the Operational Rules will require a record of only Regional Delegates for decision of this type.

🗳️ Alt. Regional Delegate:

So this is my first report as Mid-America Region Alt. Delegate. I have bought my first computer, added a hotspot to my phone service, asked for help from our RD, the previous RD, and several others for

help understanding what is going on at the world level. And help with my technicality shortcomings. I have found much love and patience through this however and I hope it continues for I have a long way to go.

If I was to assess myself at this point I would have to say I have a whole lot of willingness and very little knowhow, result, I am very teachable. So I have taken part in two world sponsored webinars and the Plains States' Zonal Forum. The world webinars consisted of things that may or may not be brought up at the conference or in the Conference Agenda Report (CAR) so I don't feel the need to discuss those at this point.

The Plains States' Zonal Forum was great and informative. Sponsorship Behind the Walls is growing; Basic Text distributions have expanded by P3. There was some trouble in the Best little Region, our brothers and sisters in Texas are being audited by the IRS for not paying taxes, more will be revealed. Hoping that through their pain we can learn best practices so that we are not making the same mistakes.

Once again, I want everyone in the region to know how proud and humbled at the same time I am to be serving you all.

Your friend in service,

Chris H., RDA

📎 **Treasurer Report:** *Attached toward end of minutes*

📎 **Treasury Oversight:**

Mid-America Region Family,

Following last RSC I received access to treasurer reports and bank statements for the Convention account. I also have access to the Convention bank account online. I began auditing the Convention account but I have not completed the audit and will report findings at November RSC.

There was a small discrepancy in the Region account of less than \$20 dollars in charges that were not belonging to the region. This has been resolved by the treasurer.

I am requesting Treasurer reports from the Campout Committee today from all RSC and interim meetings so that I can begin next quarter's audit of that account if this body would allow me to serve one more quarter.

I would like to continue in this position for at least one more quarter so that I can be better prepared to pass the position on to the next Treasury Oversight person. It has been a great experience learning a position from scratch and I just recently reached out to someone who has some advice for me on how to make the position more defined so that expenditures can more easily be identified and reconciled in the future. If someone has a burning desire to take over today though, I will not get in their way and will be more than happy to schedule some time to share my experience with them as they take over. 😊

In Loving Service, Matt M. - Treasury Oversight

Ⓝ Ad-Hoc: Sponsorship Behind the Walls liaison -

Sponsorship behind the walls is a workgroup of the PSZF with all the Regions of the PSZF endorsing and approving. The workgroup has been bringing step work to persons that are incarcerated in Institutions throughout our zone. We presently have 6 working steps and have received 6 more to begin the process. We need more sponsors, if you have 5 yrs. clean and have worked the steps, you can get involved and help an addict incarcerated behind the walls work the NA 12 steps. All sponsors must go through an orientation yearly. We have orientations online via Zoom or we can come to your group or Area to have an orientation in person. Contact us at sbtw@pszf.org to schedule an orientation; flyer is available to take back to your groups or area.

Jeff R. SBTW Regional Coordinator, Mid America Region

Ⓝ Open Forum:

- Ⓝ Rod D., RD, exercised the 10th Concept and wanted to revisit motion 021719-002, which pertained to adding NarAnon's web address and phone number to the back of the Mid-America Region meeting list. It was felt that the facilitator ruled it out of order when it should have been voted on since it went back to groups. Jeff R., Facilitator, stated it can be readdressed if someone makes a motion to do so. Since there were some members present that weren't at the last RSC the original motion was read and discussed.

It was pointed out that no RCMs objected last RSC when it was ruled as such, but one member couldn't remember if RCMs were even asked if there were any objections. *(Secretary note – I listened to the audio from the May RSC and the facilitator did ask RCMs if there are any “cons” to his ruling, followed by asking each area individually. When it got to Unity, which was the maker of the original motion, discussion ensued but there were no “cons” prior.)* The reason it was ruled out of order was due to the belief it was a clear Tradition violation. The section, “support for families” in the IP #27 For the Parents or Guardians of Young Members in NA, was used as justification to include NarAnon information, but the interpretation that doing this implies affiliation instead of cooperation outweighed the paragraph in the IP. Jeff (facilitator) mentioned that if someone wants to make a motion it will be handled in business, we're moving on.

- Ⓝ Campout Treasury issue brought up by McClain C., Jeff R. (facilitator) mentioned this is listed in New Business so will not be discussed in Open Forum.
- Ⓝ Campout newspaper article brought up by Daniel C. There was an article in the Beloit newspaper about Mid America Region Narcotics Anonymous making a \$500.00 donation to the Beloit Parks and Rec, with full names of members and photo handing check over. Ron B. (Campout Chair) stated it was not intentional, the city wanted to keep a record of it but he wasn't aware it was going to be published. Beloit is a small town and two of the members on the committee are well known in the community, so last names were not openly given at time of photo, but known anyway.

Other issues, or rumors, were a brass plaque and fire ring permanently placed in the park. Ron claimed he knows nothing of this. Jon J. claimed he heard this in conversation from Ron the previous day. Discussions kept swaying away from the topic at hand, so Jeff R. reiterated that we need to ask ourselves “how are we going to handle this PR nightmare”. It was later pointed out that the more action we attempt the more attention is drawn to us, so the best resolve with the Beloit News is to let it fade away. The RSC floor was also possibly looking for an apology from the Campout chair, or some sort of amends to the fellowship. As far as the \$500 rent, the campout committee voted to make that donation and was reflected in their July 7th minutes (*see Campout report*), the city of Beloit allows us to use the entire park for unlimited primitive campsites.

The pool rental was brought up, both as an extra expense and more so as the only source of showers, typically the pool is rented for a couple of hours each evening for strictly NA swimming or showers. It was mentioned in Campout’s report that they could only reserve Friday for 2020 campout.

Ⓝ *Broke for lunch at 1:15 pm*

⊠ **Old Business:**

Ⓝ **Elections –**

- a) **Archivist** – *No willingness, take back to ASC*
- b) **Secretary** – *No willingness, take back to ASC*
- c) **Treasurer** – Beth N. showed willingness, qualified and elected in. (*2nd term*)
- d) **Treasury Oversight** – Matt M. showed willingness, qualified and elected in (*2nd term*)
- e) **Public Relations** – Curt S. nominated out of committee, qualified and elected in.
- f) **Fellowship Development** – Shelley W. showed willingness, qualified and elected in.
- g) **Campout** – Darrell G. nominated out of committee, Brandon R. showed willingness. Much discussion went into this election and issues with the current committee and campout location; the election was postponed until later business. Brandon left prior to election revisit after motion to move campout failed. Darrell G. elected in.
- h) **Co-Treasurer** – *No willingness, take back to ASC*
- i) **Co-Secretary** – *No willingness, take back to ASC*

- **Attention: All RSC elected positions are expected to attend and be available during the entire RSC business meeting on Sunday! MARSCNA Policy page 7, 6-C-2**
This includes Convention, Campout, Soul to Soul, FD, PR, Ad-Hoc Chairs, Officers, and any other trusted servants elected on the RSC floor.

- Ⓝ **Motion 051919-004** – Passed 7-0-1 Add Plains States’ Zonal Forum to section “V” letter “E” policy under annual donation options. Now will read “Plains States’ Zonal Forum or Narcotics Anonymous World Services (NAWS)”
- Ⓝ **Motion 051919-003** – Passed 6-0-2 tabled from May - Donate \$3,000.00 to Plains States’ Zonal Forum

Ⓝ **New Business:**

- Ⓝ **Motion 081819-001** – Made by Matt M. (*Treasury Oversight*): Set 2020 Mid-America Campout start up working at \$2,500.00, donating all funds above said amount to MARSCNA. Intent: Maintain integrity of flow of funds and increase transparency.
 - Motion died due to lack of 2nd, after much discussion and reference to current policy.
- Ⓝ **RSC Schedule Confusion:** The Saturday schedule hasn’t followed the tentative schedule posted in MARSCNA policy. The schedule we have been following was developed by FD and first posted in the November 2018 minutes and started at the February 2019 RSC, in part due to wanting to add evening fundraisers again and keeping either Campout or Convention from running so late. The discussion seemed to lean toward the scheduling of Campout and Convention during the same time, pointing to yesterday’s meetings that had a full house for Convention and small handful for Campout. Multiple thoughts, opinions, and some possible solutions were shared.
 - Utilizing Zoom to hold meetings
 - Dropping FD and PR breakouts to 1 hour instead of 1 ½ hours, shaving one hour for Convention/Campout to end earlier.
 - Go back to what is in policy

🗣️ It was decided to maintain the current schedule that has been used for three quarters, check the back of the MAN or our facebook page.
- Ⓝ **Motion 081819-002** – Made by Chris H. (*RDA*), 2nd by Joe P. (*WMA*): Move the location of the regional campout from Beloit to Clinton Lake. Intent: To rotate the campout around the state; also to have the campout in a location with bathrooms and showers open to campers 24 hours, thus maintaining an atmosphere of recovery.
 - More discussion about location and lack of showers.
 - Motion failed 0-5-2
- Ⓝ **Annual Audit:** Daniel brought up the lack of auditing of RSC books this past year. An ad-hoc was created to do this, and report back in November. Shelley W. was appointed Ad-hoc Chair along with Matt M., Beth N., and Daniel C. They will meet interim and report back next quarter.

Ⓝ **More Campout Discussion and Election:** Jeff once again asked the RCMs what they want or expect from the campout issue. A simple acknowledgment that a mistake was made maybe? Ron B. addressed the body once again, stating he is not the best at communication, and offered to personally pay the donation that covered rent for the campgrounds. Ultimately that wasn't what the RCMs wanted; the donation covering rent was justified. The method in which it was done not so much. Jeff R. stated this discussion has ended.

- Back to campout election – as stated in the elections section, Brandon R. had left by this point, Darrell G. was elected as 2020 Campout Chair.
- More elections were revisited, as Shelley W. showed interest in Fellowship Development. She qualified and was elected in. This also is reflected in the election's section.

Ⓝ **Request for funds:**

- ✓ \$150.00 for Kansas Opioid Conference registration
- ✓ \$40.00 for literature at Kansas Opioid Conference
- ✓ \$180.00 for meeting lists (*not to exceed*)
- ✓ \$275.00 for Fall issue MAN (*not to exceed*)
- ✓ \$30.00 for Secretary digital voice recorder



Ⓝ **Open Positions for November:**

▪Secretary; ▪Archivist; ▪PO Box; ▪Co-Treasurer; and ▪Co-Secretary

Ⓝ **MOTION TO CLOSE**

Grateful to serve N.A.

Tim S., Secretary

**Mid America Region of Narcotics Anonymous
Treasurer Report – May 2019 RSC**

	Beginning Balance			\$ 16,888.62
Income:				
2/17/19	Area/group donations	\$ 2,410.00		
	Subcommittee donations	\$ 201.00		
	returned monies/other	\$ 400.00		
				\$ 3,011.00
				\$ 19,899.62
Expenses:				
#1561 5/19/19	Insurance (Escrow)		\$1,412.00	
#1562 5/19/19	Rent & Storage		\$400.00	
#1563 5/19/19	PO Box - Amber Crotinger		\$114.00	
#1564 5/19/19	Tim Stewart - Summer MAN Printing		\$237.18	
#1565 5/19/19	Office Depot - PR - Mtg List		\$124.12	
#1566 5/19/19	Office Depot - FD - MAN		\$165.08	
#1567 5/19/19	<i>Amber Crotinger - July PR to Professionals Rent</i>		\$85.00	
#1567 5/19/19	<i>Amber Crotinger - July PR to Prof Literature</i>		\$150.00	
5/19/19	Move to FD Escrow		\$500.00	
5/19/19	Move to PR Escrow		\$500.00	
#1569 5/19/19	FD - July Zonal Event - Ben Thomas NTE 200		\$200.00	
				\$ 3,887.38
	Bank Balance			\$ 16,012.24
	Less: Prudent Reserve			\$ 7,000.00
	Sub-total			\$ 9,012.24
	Less: Escrows - After May. 19 Exp.			
	<i>Fellowship Development</i>		\$ 313.76	
	<i>Public Relations</i>		50.42	
	PR - Basic Text Project		756.00	
	Rent		400.00	
	Insurance (through Nov 18)		1,412.00	
	Phoneline (due Aug 18) (ACH)		488.00	
	P. O. Box (due Feb. 19)		-	
	Web Page (due Feb. 21)		101.44	
	RDA (due Feb. 20)		1,500.00	
	Memorial Fund		500.00	
	Total Escrows			\$ 5,521.62
	Spendable Balance			\$ 3,490.62

SPONSORSHIP BEHIND THE WALLS

Connecting addicts in prison with sponsors by mail

For more information on the basics of the project visit

<https://www.pszfna.org/sbtw>

August & October 2019 Sponsor Orientation Workshop Dates!

Virtual online trainings will be held via Zoom-join us for one to be a sponsor for SBTW (all times are Central Time):

~~Thursday August 22nd @ 7:00PM~~

Saturday October 19th @ 11:00AM

Thursday October 24th @ 7:00PM

Email sbtw@pszfna.org at least 2 days prior to the workshop if interested in getting trained to be a sponsor to get the video conference call link info and the training material. You will need to join from either a computer or from a smart phone.

****PLEASE MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND IF IT'S BEEN ONE YEAR SINCE YOU'VE LAST BEEN TRAINED, TO REMAIN ON SPONSOR LIST****

- ◆ **Volunteer Sponsors** work the 12 steps of Narcotics Anonymous with incarcerated sponsees via mail letter-writing. Sponsor anonymity will be maintained. Sponsor requirements:
- 3 years clean time
 - Have worked the 12 steps of Narcotics Anonymous and can carry a clear NA message
 - Have a sponsor; have experience being a sponsor
 - Ability to pay for own postage (workgroup may be able to help, if necessary)
 - Willing to go through SBTW Orientation annually, abide by workgroup and facility guidelines
 - Respond to sponsee letter within 2 weeks of being received

Contact us at sbtw@pszfna.org if your group/area/region would like to host an in-person training workshop, or to learn about other future training workshops.



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