

**Lewis & Clark Area Service Committee Meeting**  
**Saturday March 14, 2009**  
**700 Club**

**Minot, ND 1pm-5pm**

**THANKS MINOT FOR HOSTING!**

**Attendance:** Saul H., Kim K., Don W., Tony F., Steve J., Scott M., Scot D., Rob H., Jon F., Max P., Larine Z., Marten G., Lonnie W., Mike C., Bart Z., Drew S., Kory H., Rory S., Tom W.

Saul H. called the meeting to order and the meeting was opened with the "WE" version of the Serenity Prayer. Bart Z.; read The 12 Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous. Tom W.; read the 12 Concepts of Narcotics Anonymous.

Tom W. made motion to approve January 2009 meeting minutes and Jon F. second the motion. Motion passed. January 2009 meeting minutes were approved.

**Group Reports**

**Minot:** Kory H., GSR. Attendance is good, 20 people average, 2-3 newcomers. They are planning on their next quarterly potluck open speaker meeting for June 13, if this date doesn't conflict with any other future NA activities. Their rent is paid though April. They will also be donating \$50 to the area.

**Jamestown:** Verna M., GSR (Tony F. Rep.) Attendance is starting to pick up, with an average of 6 people with 19 newcomers. Balance of March 13 is \$30.62. Rent is paid up till the end of April 1. Some out of towners show occasionally. They had a night of bowling on March 7. They used \$50 donation from LCASC to buy 120 welcome tags and also picked up some study guides.

**Bis/Man:**

**Mon:** Wanda; GSR (Scot D. Rep.) Attendance has been climbing, it has an average of 20-30 people with 3-5 newcomers. All the treatment centers are showing up. The group needs more structure and has lack of commitment, but there is a good message of recovery being shared in the meeting.

**Tue:** Larine Z. Attendance has been staying at an average of 16-25 people with 2 newcomers. The group has come a long way and now has every spot filled with trusted servants. A BIG THANKS TO Martin G.-Treasurer, Larine Z.-GSR, Steph D. Alt GSR, George-Secretary. Good Job & Good Luck.

**Wed:** Jon F., GSR. Meeting attendance is growing strong, averaging 15-30, with 5-10 newcomers. They had made up a new format which includes a long version of the clarity statement which includes pieces of Bulletin 13 and from the introduction of the Basic Text. They also made a \$50 donation to the L&C area.

**Thurs:** Tom W., GSR. Meeting attendance is picking up, last meeting had 39 people. Average attendance is 24 people, with 2-3 newcomers. We are getting people from Heartview, BTC, and New Freedom Center. The group is donating \$100 to the area.

**Fri:** Max P., Meeting attendance is good averaging 5-25 people, with 3 newcomers. New literature is in the process of being bought. The group has a balance of \$111. The group is planning to have a group conscience to elect member to represent the group. Rent is paid through June. Max will be talking to his group about starting a volleyball tournament, and also about making flyers for NA members and for those in institutions around the area to be able to attend.

**Sat:** Andy W.; GSR and still Chair person. Meeting attendance is average of 20 people, and with 4 newcomers. A good clear message of recovery is still being carried.

**Sun:** Bart Z., (Rep.). Meeting attendance has grown to an average of 15-25, with 5-12 newcomers, seeing also more attendance from BTC. We are having problems our GSR's @ this time. We are going to have a group conscience to elect new GSR's, and to read out of the Guide to Local Service on what a home group is and what the position of a GSR is. During this time they will also discuss about a donation to the area, and about getting key tag, medallions, literature. They will also be talking about getting a P.O. Box for the group's mail. The group has \$317 in their account.

### **Steering Committee Reports**

**Chairman:** Saul H., First day on the job I want to thank everybody that has been helpful, I mean in the past and in the present. Mostly, Kim has been helpful along with Paul and guys on changing the meeting.

**Vice Chair:** Kim K., First day on the job as well. I want to thank everyone for their trust for electing me in this position, so I'm going to keep on learning. THANK YOU.

**Treasurer:** Karla B. (Mike C. Rep.) **NA Area Checkbook Information:**

	Mike C. last reported:	\$920.36	01-17-09
	Additional deposit:	\$14.00	01-20-
09	Ending Balance:	<b>\$934.36</b>	02-28-
09			

### **Bank Statement Information:**

Both January and February 2009 bank statements have been balanced.

Beg. Balance in Jan.	\$959.61
Total Deposits in Jan.	\$214.00
Total in Checks in Jan.	\$239.25
Ending Balance	<b>\$934.36</b>

Beginning Bal. in Feb. \$934.36  
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There are no outstanding checks or deposits as of 02-28-09.

**Donations:**

March 14<sup>th</sup> \$225.00

**Area Reimbursements:**

\$11.00 has gone to Kim K. for gas.  
\$12.30 has gone to Don W. for making copies of the agenda,  
last meetings minutes, and group reports.  
\$20.00 has gone to Tony F. for gas.

**Current Balance:**

As of March 14<sup>th</sup> \$1,116.06

No payments have been received from the responsible parties of Stump Lake.  
May need to discuss further in Old Business.

**Secretary:** Don W., First time holding a position in the area level. I like to say a big thanks to Kim for all the information I needed, also I big thanks to Scott M., Tom W., & Steve J. for any question I had. Thanks to the GSR's for their reports. I have recently received the key for the L&C Area PO Box and will be checking it once every two weeks. THANKS EVERYONE.

**Activities:** Bart Z., Stump Lake Campout has been changed and moved to Jamestown at the reservoir. Looking at setting up an activities subcommittee to help with putting on the area campout. Bart has asked if that the secretary would send out email to everyone in the L&C area for when he will have a meeting on the campout.

**RCM:** Rob H., I would like to make a motion to set a goal date for our area to participate in an Area Inventory using the Area Planning Tool. I have brought copies to be taken back to the groups for discussion and input, on taken an inventory on the group to see their strengths & what needs to be worked on. I also have a few Guides to Local Services available. THANK YOU, Rob for the local guides. THANKS to Tony F. for updating our meeting list for the area last month.

I am looking forward to the next RSC meeting which is scheduled for Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> in Grand Forks at the Holiday Inn Express.

**Outreach:** Tony F., On March 1, we had an H&I meeting in Jamestown. (A BIG THANK YOU) to Steve J. and Associates have agreed to try and take care of BTC, Center, John F. said he wants to help out with YCC. They will report to me on any info.

I dropped off some books to ST. Joe's in Minot, left a number and a note indicating to call for any help.

In Jamestown, I attended an NA meeting held on Sundays nights at the Tompkins Rehab Center. Found out they could use some help with materials. Also called JRCC but haven't heard anything yet. State Hospital, Chaplain sent a thank you card and letter of encouragement for the books donated. I bought stamps says:

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Lewis & Clark  
HOSPITAL AND INSTITUTIONS  
P.O. Box 1952  
Bismarck, ND 58502-1952

May shoot for some more shirts of the never alone never again, with different color and lettering. Also looking at possibly getting Chino caps with logo. To be sold at NA functions as a fund raiser for Outreach.

I'm looking for a list of speakers that are willing to volunteer on going into treatment centers & institutions. Also I have a list numbers & contacts for the treatment centers, for those that are interested.

**Old Business:**

- 1) Google Map for the website-John F. made a motion for the vice chair to set up a Google email account and a Google map, for the use of the L&C Area Services Committee. Bart Z. second the motion. The motion was passed. The email will be over seen by the Vice Chair Kim K. and the secretary Don W.
- 2) Payment plan for Stump Lake funds- Scot D. made a motion to table the issue of Stump Lake Payment. Tom W. second the motion. The motion was passed. In hope that in the future, the responsible addicts will work a 9<sup>th</sup> step and repay back the money that is owed for Stump Lake campout.

**New Business:**

- 1) Area Planning Tool- A goal is by September, have a each group to have their inventory done by, in so when we have our meeting we would be able to have our RCM have a person to come in to assist each group, it's suggested that they should have someone outside of their group, to help them with their inventory. It is asked that the GSR's take the Area Planning Tool back to their groups to have a discussion about it.
- 2) 11 Concept- spending at the world level. John F. made a motion to have our RCM to go to Region to make a motion that the literature be lower in price and having our World Board start practicing the spiritual principles of the 11<sup>th</sup> concept. Tom W. second the motion. Motion was passed. Our primary purpose is to carry the message to the addict that still suffers.
- 3) Guide to Local Service- John F. made motion is that we meet 30 minutes before the area service meeting starts, to read out of the Guide to Local Service, to better inform members of ASC. Starting the next meeting. Motion was passed.

- 4) Guidelines- Vice Chair will make changes to Guidelines and send them out when corrected for the groups and members to look at. The changes are to be made to pages 4 (under C. Group Recognition #3), page 6 (under A. Regular meetings, lines 1-3 were taken out and the rest added under regular meetings) and page 12 (under C. Chairperson the phrase “and ascertaining that a quorum is present” was taken out).

**Discussion:** It's encouraged that the Lewis & Clark Area start getting involved in H&I service work and give Tony a hand. H&I is really starting to explode bigger than it's ever been, we really need people to start stepping up.

**Location for Next Meeting:**

Jamestown May 16, 2009 at Hillcrest School  
12:30pm guideline reading, meeting starts at 1:00pm

**Beefs and Bouquets:**

**Beefs:** There was some cross talking going on and making it hard for the secretary to understand things.

**Bouquets:** Thanks to everyone for showing up and working together. Everything went well; we covered a lot of material. The L&C ASC has improved since when it started, with all its service positions filled. THANKS TRUSTED THE SERVENTS it ran great. Welcome to those who were able to attend their first area meeting. It's really exciting that everybody has got a big passion for N.A. (KEEP IT UP).