

**Lewis & Clark Area Service Committee Meeting**  
**Saturday November 14, 2009**  
**Hillcrest Christian School**  
**Jamestown, ND 1pm-5pm**  
**THANKS JAMESTOWN FOR HOSTING!**

**Attendance:** Saul H., Kim K., Don W., Rob H., Tony F., Teresa K. (Jamestown), Kory H., Jason S., LoraLee B., Teresa K. (Bismarck), Marisa A., Jamie A., Nikkei R., Julie M., Kurt.

Saul H. called the meeting to order and the meeting was opened with the "WE" version of the Serenity Prayer. Marisa A. read The 12 Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous. Rob H. read the 12 Concepts of Narcotics Anonymous.

Jason S. made motion to approve September 2009 meeting minutes and Kory H. second the motion. Motion passed. September 2009 meeting minutes were approved. The minute for approval was suspended due to revision of the Treasurer report.

**Group Reports**

**Minot:**

**Sun/Tues/Fri:** Minot Freedom Group- 8pm, Kory H. GSR. Average meeting attendance 20-25, with 2-3 newcomers a week. We are planning our next seasonal pot luck for Saturday January 16, from 5-8 pm. Our rent is paid through December and we received a new order of literature and key tags. Elections for all groups conscience positions were held November 13, and all positions were filled. Our new GSR will be attending the next ASC meeting. We are donating \$50 to the area.

**Jamestown:**

**Mon&Fri:** Overcomers- 8pm, Teresa K. GSR., Average meeting attendance 8, with 25 newcomers. Our rent is paid to the end of the year. We purchased literature. We are having a bowling night November 28 at 7pm., at the Buffalo Lanes and on December 11. We are having a spiritual potluck event that starts at 6:30 pm with the regular meeting at 8pm with a speaker.

**Wed:** Womens Step working Meeting, Julie M. GSR., Average meeting attendance 3, with 1-2 newcomers a week Meeting has dropped in attendance a little bit, but we do have consistence there, rent was waived when we have no one shows up.

**Bis/Man:**

**Mon:** Southside NA 8pm. Scott D. GSR (No rep.)

**Tue:** Frankly Earnest 8pm. Larine Z. GSR (No rep.)

**Wed:** Old Timers 8pm, Loralee B. GSR. Average meeting attendance 15-20, with 2-6 newcomers a week. Good attendance, BTC and center people attend regularly. We held

elections Dave B. is now secretary- treasurer and continues to chair, thank you Dave, Lorelee B. is GSR.

**Thurs:** Eastenders NA 8pm Tom W. GSR (No rep.) Rob H. brought a donation of \$50.00.

**Fri:** Keep the Faith 8pm, Jamie A. (Temporary Rep.) GSR. Average meeting attendance 10-15, with 2 newcomers a week. Group has a treasurer and a chair person. And will be doing a vote next week for other positions, Money was recently paid back from past GSR and efforts are being made to pay back groups that helped them. Old GSR is no longer attending but an attempt will be made to see if he is still interested in holding his position.

**Sat:** Saturday Night Live 8pm Andy W. (No rep)

**Sun:** Sunday night Pick a Stick 8pm. Bart Z. GSR (Don W. Alt. GSR rep.) Average meeting attendance 12 with 3-4 newcomers a week. Since when we elected our treasure in March we've had problems with getting rent paid, literature and key tags being ordered. This person has not been showing up for meeting so our group has decided to elect a new treasurer. We are trying to handle this situation at group level. This has been a learning experience for our group for when we elect trusted servants.

**Mon-Fri/Noon:** Outta the box, Jason GSR., Average meeting attendance 4-8 with 1-2 newcomers a week. Things are going well. We now have a checking account with safeguard in place. Rent is current. 7<sup>th</sup> tradition is down, but we are holding our own. We are also registered with WSO

### **Steering Committee Reports**

**Chairman:** Saul H. I have nothing to much to report, I'm grateful that to have been able to serve as the chairman for our area. I would like to remind everyone at our next area meeting we will be having elections. Keep up the good work.

**Vice Chair:** Kim K. I don't have too much to report on as well. I'm also gratefully to serve on as vice chair. Since I've started in this area 6 years ago, I'm grateful to see this area grow. You guys are doing an awesome job. Keep up the good service work.

**Treasurer:** Karla B.

Lewis & Clark Stump Lake Campout  
August 1 & 2, 2009-Treasurers Report

Revenue:	
Check from Tony F.	\$611.00
(Deducted \$174.00 food bill listed below)	
Campout T-shirts	130.00

Campout fees collected	265.90
Total Revenue:	\$1,006.90
Expenses:	
Dakota Screens Arts	\$290.95
Quality Meats and Seafood	\$156.22
Sysco	\$62.85
Wal-Mart	\$158.69
Country Market	\$18.73
Kmart	\$3.83
Pavilion Rental	\$200.00
Total Expenses	\$891.27
Campout Profit	\$115.63

Lewis & Clark Area Treasure's Report  
November 14, 2009

Balance ending August 2009	\$1,405.94
September 2009	
Deposits Stump Lake Donations/Fees	\$70.00
(Add to attached campout treasurer's report as revised total Profit as \$285.63)	\$130.00
Lewis & Clark ASC Fri nite donation	\$50.00
Checks paid	\$36.80
Balance ending September 2009	\$1,619.14
October 2009	
Checks paid	\$15.00
Balance ending October 2009	\$1,604.14

No outstanding deposits or check. September and October balance with Bank Statements.

**Secretary:** Don W. Sorry that I missed our last area meeting. I wasn't able to get the day off due to the Powwow. Since our last area serves meeting, I was going through some personal serves issues and really felt that I wanted to step down from being the Secretary of our area. I'm grateful for Kim for jumping on the horn and contacting other members

form NA. They showed me a lot of support and helped me with what I was going through. I also take full responsibility for not getting the area minutes done at a reasonable time. I will try to get them done sooner than I have before.

**Activities:** Teresa K. (Jamestown) and Terresa K. (Bismarck). We are coming up with more ideas for more functions for the summer. We are looking for creating a committee to help out with these ideas. For any of these functions that we are looking at doing we will figure out a cost and present them to the area.

**RCM:** The Upper Midwest Regional Service Committee met on November 8, 2009. I attended this meeting and represented the area as our RCM was recovering from surgery and unable to attend.

There were three motions that passed regarding the Regional Activities Committee. Number one was that they post their minutes to the regional mailing list so the region is better informed as to what is taking place with that committee. The second was regarding a \$250 "sponsorship" provided to the region for hosting the convention in Grand Forks this year. There was a complete consensus of the RSC that this would be in contradiction to our 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition and the activities committee was instructed to refuse the money or, if they have already received it to return it the Grand Forks Convention and Visitors Bureau. The last motion regarding Activities was to change the election date of an Activities Chairperson to the first quarter RSC meeting of each year. This was requested by the committee and passed as well. I voted in support of all three of these motions.

There was a motion made and passed that all RSC trusted servants have their written reports in 10 days prior to each RSC. As is always the case, this doesn't apply to RCM's as they are area trusted servants and as such subject to area wishes, but the RSC is asking that all RCM's adhere to this policy as well.

The RSC approved an FDC request to reimburse the Minot Freedom Group \$33.00 for literature that was loaned to the FOC for the Upper Midwest Drug Court Conference. This literature was inadvertently taken by unknown conference participants and we needed to replace it.

We were pleased to recognize Jeff, the new Manitoba RCM to the RSC. Manitoba is considering moving from the UMRNA and has an ad hoc committee looking at several options. There is great concern that they will lose their vote at the World Conference should they form a new region as there is currently a moratorium on the seating of new regions. One suggestion is that we amend our regional guidelines to allow a new region, if they form one, to vote their conscience through our region until they are seated. There is not going to be a decision made on this issue until their ad hoc committee makes recommendations to the Area and then the issue will be addressed.

The final issue that was discussed is the region becoming a full participant at the Upper Midwest Zonal Forum. We have delayed this issue RSC after RSC due to the unknown effect that it would have on Manitoba. We now have Manitoba's blessing on the UMRNA joining the Midwest Zonal Forum. We have scheduled the issue to be discussed at the next RSC and I now recommend we support this motion.

The next RSC is scheduled for Saturday January 9, 2010 in Jamestown's Hill Crest Christian School, at 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Our area is asked to get a meeting place set up for this RSC

**Outreach:** As of September 12, 2009 we had a balance of \$210.18. On 10-21-09 \$4.95 was paid for shipping a book to be auctioned off at Bismarck-Mandan's Halloween party. That left a balance of \$205.23 as of today.

This last 2 months, whenever I had time, was spent deciding and packaging books and pamphlets to be sent to facilities that are waiting. I have hesitated to begin any shipping for fear of going under my minimum daily balance, which is \$100.00. Also I have yet to find time to prepare letters for each facility and am also waiting to update the meeting list as of today so I can send out meeting list with these packages. 11 facilities will be the beneficiary of these packages of which I mentioned these places at the previous meeting.

I also contacted NA members in Devils Lake and Dickinson and received information for updating their meetings. Therefore Devils Lake will be added to the meeting list. To do this I had to rearrange Bismarck-Mandan a little with hopefully no harm done.

I would like to thank John F. for his hard work in preparing for the drug court forum. I think due to his efforts, NA will be finding another area of service work to participate in. Along with H&I efforts there should be plenty of opportunities for sponsors to help their pigeons, as well as themselves, to get active in service work. The success of these programs depends on the actions of these individuals, so let's try to get motivated in that respect. There are others I need to thank also for bearing their respective responsibilities but I was unable to find the time to track those people down and find out how it was going.

Also I contacted the WSO about using the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary 5<sup>th</sup> editions as a way to raise funds for our area outreach and they said, "Go ahead". So we have auctioned off 3 books for a total of \$200.00 of which I have not seen yet, but I am eternally grateful. Now we can proceed with shipping to facilities. Also the region and the area split the proceeds from the sale of the 2 books. Their half went to the hospitality room.

I am also going to buy more 6<sup>th</sup> editions to place in libraries around the state that do not have any of our literature in them, but that will be a future outreach.

**Elections:** Will be held at the next L&C ASC meeting in January for Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer.

**Old Business:**

1. Stump Lake campout 2008: Funds from campout still haven't been paid back. Teresa K. (Jamestown) volunteered to contact said party, to sit down and talk to this person about how this issue can be resolved. Saul H. asked Teresa K.(Jamestown) to form an add hot committee to contact the responsible party for the pay back of the lost of funds for Stump Lake, this person is responsible for \$250.00. Jason S. made a motion for at the next ASC that there is in need of a plan for repaying L&C ASC or that we put this issue to rest and write it as a loss. Julie M. second the motion. Motion passed with one abstention at the next ASC that we also talk about the other party involved.
2. Area Guidelines for L&C ASC: A final Draft was presented to the area service Steering Committee and GSR's. It was for the GSR's to bring it back to the group to have a final review, so at the next L&C ASC meeting, we be able to vote on it and put it into effect.

### **New Business:**

1. Area conscience regarding the joining of the Midwest Zonal Forum and we approve it. We have approved that UMRNA to be a part of Midwest Zonal Forum the question is that do we want to help support on send the regional rep. to the Zonal Forum. We are supporting that Kory H. our RCM to go to the UMR meeting with the best of his knowledge to support sending their RDA to the Zonal Forum.
2. Web guidelines for the region. We are gratefully to support the web guideline for the regional web master to be able to do what he needs to do. We are asking that Kory H. to support all the changes that will be made to better the regional emailing and everything else that has to do with the UMR website.
3. Bid process for the next convention. Will be discussed at our next ASC to make a decision if we want to put the bid in and have it in before March 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Discussion:** Getting the names off of the L&C ASC H&I checking account. The second party's name that is on the check is no longer in any communication with us. Tony F. has been asked to handle taking the name off the account.

**Location for Next Meeting:** Bismarck January 16<sup>th</sup> 2009 the place is to be announced. Meet and greet at noon, 12:30 reading of the Guide to local service. The ASC meeting is 1pm to 5pm.

### **Beefs and Bouquets:**

**Beefs:** No beefs.

**Bouquets:** First of all, a **BIG THANKS** goes out to Tony F. for accommodating a place for us to have the ASC meeting. Thanks Tony F. The meeting went very well, everyone was very grateful that we were able to get done in a short orderly fashion. Good job with the service work. **KEEP IT UP.**