

# Ozark Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous: January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Called to order at 3:00 pm. Opened with Serenity Prayer. 12 & 12 read.

## ROLL CALL:

### Administration Committee:

- + Chair: Crystal- Present
- + Vice Chair: Open-
- + Secretary: Ginette- Present
  - o Secretary has a new group starter kit of key tags and white booklets if needed
- + Treasurer: Angela G - Present
- + RCM: Laura T - Present
- + RCM ALT- Open-

### Sub Committees: *Please announce date/time/location for next meeting even if at ASC location*

- + AASC Chair: Laura- Present
- + H&I Chair: Brian C. – Absent but emailed in report
- + PR Chair: Montell J. - Absent but emailed in report
- + Website Coordinator: Matt L. - Present
- + Newsletter: Rufus P - Present

### Groups: *Yellow highlight*- Group did not attend last area meeting and will become inactive if not at current meeting. *Teal highlight*- Group is currently inactive- if present will sit out votes in this meeting but become active next meeting if present

- + But Do It (Joplin) - Present
- + We Do Recover (Joplin) – Present
- + Survivors (Joplin)- Present
- + Traditional Recovery (Eldorado Springs)- Present
- + Just For Today- (New)- No GSR yet Thursday's at 8PM- Ed represented for this meeting
- + Stray Katz (Joplin)- Present
- + 5<sup>th</sup> Tradition (Joplin) - Absence
- + A New Way (Neosho)- Present
- + Native American (Joplin) Absence
- + Against all Odds (Pittsburg)- Absence
- + Living Clean (Pittsburg)- Absence
- + Straightline (Grove, OK)- Absence
- + Under Grace (Carthage)- Absence
- + Clean & Serene (Joplin)- Absence
- + Spiritual Principles (Joplin)- Absence
- + Together we Can (Nevada)- No Longer In Service

Minutes of last meeting approved.

## REPORTS:

#### Treasurer's:

##### ✚ OASC-

- **Beginning Balance-** \$ 3,650.38
- **Deposits-** \$ 33.21
- **Expenses-** Meeting \$15.00, Freedom Voice- \$31.95, All Season's- \$56.13, Regionals Hotel- \$440.81 (\$543.89)
- **Ending Balance-** \$ 3,139.70

##### ✚ AASC-

- **Beginning and Ending Balance-** \$ 3,928.30

*In loving service, Angela G serving as your treasurer*

#### RCM:

- ✚ Hello Ozark Area- My name is Laura, I am an addict, serving as RCM. I attended Region last weekend in Columbia. The motions that we voted on last month, motion #1 passed, motion #3 passed. Motion #2 was reworded and will need to be re-voted on once I get the minutes from region. Thanks for letting me be of Service, Laura T.

#### PR:

- ✚ Nothing new to report except he is waiting on IP's from Angela and put meeting schedules.

#### H&I:

- ✚ Hello OASC- Addict name Brian serving as H&I Chair for Ozark Area. Nothing new to report this month. We still are not holding any H&I due to the on-going pandemic. Have been in touch with New Directions and Jasper County jail with no avail. Hope you are well and being safe.

Love and Service, Brian C.

#### Website:

- ✚ Hello Area. I am an addict named Matt serving as your website coordinator. Nothing new to report. I continue to keep information on our site updated as I receive it. I have served for almost two years and want to give others the opportunity to serve the area in this position. Should anyone be interested in serving as website coordinator, I am more than happy to teach and assist them if they desire. Of course, I am willing and eager to continue to take care of our website. I just wanted to put it out in case anyone else would like to take over. Thank you all for allowing me to be a part of serving the Ozark area! Matt L

#### Newsletter:

- ✚ Currently on hold per Rufus

## AASC INFO:

- ✚ Hello Ozark Area, Laura Addict, serving at AASC Chair. We have not met yet. I just got all the guidelines and everything today from last year's chair. Will have a meeting next Area Business meeting at 2 PM. Thanks for letting me be of Service, Laura T.

## GROUP REPORTS:

- ✚ **Survivors:** Hello Area, my name is Brent GSR for Survivors. We meet Monday, Tuesday, Saturday at noon and Friday night at 6:30 pm. We meet at 1402 S Main St. Non- smoking/Vaping and masks required. We have no birthdays this month. Our meetings have 5-15 people. We have a \$20.00 donation.  
Thank you for letting me be of service  
Brent S
- ✚ **We Do Recover:** Hello Ozark Area, I am an addict named Dan serving as We Do Recover's GSR. Our meetings are Monday thru Sunday at 8pm, Monday thru Saturday noon and on Friday and Saturday we have mid-night meetings. On Mondays at 8pm we have a book study and on Wednesday at 8pm we do a step study meeting. Sunday and Thursday nights are non-smoking. Second Friday of the month is a non-smoking speaker meeting. This month Luke L will be speaking in February. The last Friday of the month is a non-smoking birthday meeting. Our January birthdays are- Krystal H- 1YR, Sonia M- 4YRS, Ivy B- 4YRS, Don C- 21YRS. We will be holding our 32<sup>nd</sup> Birthday Bash on March 13<sup>th</sup>. More will be revealed. We have no donation at this time.  
In loving service, Dan H.
- ✚ **Traditional Recovery:** Hello Ozark Family, I am an addict named Rick, GSR of Traditional Recovery in Eldorado Springs. We still meet at 300 S Main St in the basement of First Christian Church basement. Our meeting has an average of 8-10 addicts. We meet at 6:15 for food and open the meeting at 7PM on Sundays. We are practicing social distancing and masks and sanitizer is available but not mandatory. We have a \$10 donation today.  
In loving service- Rick T.
- ✚ **BUT DO IT:** My name is Brianna B serving as GSR for But Do It group of NA. We are an open non-smoking meeting. We meeting at 414 Virginia on Wednesday's at 6:30 PM. Masks are required at all our meetings. The second Wednesday of the month is a book study and the last week of the month is our birthday night. We have a \$17 donation at this time.  
Thank you for letting me be of service, Brianna B. [brianna1271@gmail.com](mailto:brianna1271@gmail.com)
- ✚ **A New Way:** Not much new. Meetings are held at The Kelly Club Neosho at 209 N. Valley St every Friday at 7PM. We've had in-person meetings for about 2 months now with a zoom meeting simultaneously. Attendance averages 2-3 in person and 4-5 on zoom. No new business.  
-Chris Doyle [dolorhyde13@gmail.com](mailto:dolorhyde13@gmail.com) 417-456-4222.
- ✚ **Stray Kats:** Meetings are held at Church of the Nazarene which is located at 10<sup>th</sup> & Oranogo in Webb City. We have also started a Monday night book study. Membership in the home group is 15 members and attendance has been around 35. Assisted House Inc. in establishing new NA group. Has a \$50.00 donation for Area. Sincerely Submitted: Will (CAT) Johnson.

## OLD BUSINESS:

- ✚ Shelly will be going to REGION on Jan 8-10, this will be her LAST regional business meeting as RCM
- ✚ Nominations-
  - RCM Alt- Ed H- Resume- Hello Ozark Area, I am Ed an addict. I am giving this resume for RCMA. I have a sponsor. I have worked all 12 steps more than once. I have working knowledge off the 12 traditions and concepts. I have served at this position on more than occasion.
    - For- 5
    - Abstain- 1
  - Vice Chair- Sarah P.- Resume- Hi my name is Sarah P. My clean date is 4/19/19. I have working knowledge of the 12 steps and traditions. I have worked a full set of steps. I have a sponsor and sponsor other women. My home group is We Do Recover. I chair meetings. I am a member of H&I and have done service work for PR.
    - Discussion about waiving clean time- Voted to waive
    - For- 6
    - Against- 0
    - Abstain- 0

## NEW BUSINESS:

- ✚ Talk to H&I about why we are not allowed into Lafayette for meetings when other groups are being allowed to bring meetings in?

Brian said he is unsure why Lafayette is not giving us the ability to hold meetings if they are letting other organizations in. Normally Sarah was liason for them since it is a women's facility. I (Ginette) volunteered to reach out to them on Monday to try to re-establish a connection and mend/overcome whatever political things are going on and see if we can get back in there. Brian advised that I should reach out to Teddy or Ranita because they may have more information, so I will do that as well.

Are we supplying Lit to the places we cannot go into due to Covid?

Brian said that we were still providing literature to places but he would reach out to ensure we are doing all we can to get the message out there to the people that need it since we cannot currently take in meetings.

Are we contacting the jails or anything monthly to be able to get back in there asap?

Brain said we were doing Zoom meetings with New Directions but the person that was facilitating that was unable to continue and no one else at New Directions has, at this time, stepped up to accomplish continuing that. Brian also said he would check with Jacob to see if we were continuing to contact the area jails to try to get back in with meetings ASAP. If it has not been being done, Brian said he will reach out to the contacts to make sure it is.

- ✦ People no longer serving in bank acct access positions need removed from accts (Doug and Melissa) and Laura T. (620) 215- 1415 and Sarah P. (918) 325-9609 need added to accts. Treasurer will contact and arrange meeting to get completed.
- ✦ Discussed new groups getting added onto the schedule- came to decision, based on the guidelines, that they must have a GSR and be at 2 area meetings to be added. Ed represented them this meeting, they have a business meeting to elect chair people this week. Should be able to be put on the March schedules when they go out, if everything continues as planned.
- ✦ Secretary brought up issue, that according to Area guidelines, she should have a “New Group Starter Kit” with keytags and literature but one was not provided. Group advised to check with Brian C or Shelie V.

I did reach out to both- Shelie advised that starter kit was given to Sarah P when she started a new group so new one will need to be ordered so I have one.

- ✦ Nomination for Web Coordinator by Crystal- Rufus- Gave resume- My name is Rufus, home group member of We Do Recover! I have 2 yrs clean. I am currently cleaning chair at my home group and have been newsletter chair for Area for the past year. I have a sponsor who works steps and has a sponsor. I work steps and I have 11 sponsees, most of whom are working steps. Thank you for this opportunity to serve!

**Next area is 2/21/2021 @ 3pm put on by We Do at We Do Motion to Close.**

Ginette Grider- 417-540-5908 [ginettegrider@gmail.com](mailto:ginettegrider@gmail.com)

### **Information your group may need to know:**

- ✦ **AREA GUIDELINES-** If your group does not have a copy, please tell the secretary or chair and we will make sure you get one emailed to you. We will have a printed copy at each area for the VICE CHAIR to use, if you need to see that copy, please ask Vice Chair’s permission.
- ✦ **Active** means you have been at 2 consecutive Area Business meetings.
- ✦ **Inactive** means you have missed 2 consecutive Area Business meetings. If you were on the inactive list, then your group will sit out of voting for ONE Area meeting, then the NEXT area meeting (in a row) your group is eligible to vote.
  - If you MISS the next area meeting, you are again inactive and must sit out another area business meeting.
  - Voting privileges are regained at the *second consecutive area business* meeting your group is represented at.
- ✦ **GSR responsibilities** are to attend area business meetings, the GSR alternate should also attend to learn the process. The GSR Alternate may represent the group in the absence of the GSR at the Area business meeting.

- If a GSR and GSR Alternate are not available to attend an area business meeting, any trusted servant may be sent by the group to represent them at the area, bringing the group information and *returning with area information for the group*.
- ✚ **Any member of Narcotics Anonymous may make a motion** at the Area Business meeting, however a GSR *must second* the motion in order for it to be considered for a vote. If it is not seconded by a GSR the chair will call it “dead for lack of second”. This does not mean it cannot be resubmitted, it just means that it didn’t get the second that it needed to be considered for a vote by the area.
  - We have **MOTION FORMS** to use to make motions, when one is used to make a motion, it will be attached to your area minutes, please review these with your home group, vote on them and return that vote to the next area business meeting. Check the rest of the minutes for any motions that may not have a motion form because it was made in response to another motion or situation.
- ✚ **Review or make available** the entire minutes that you receive each month with your home group, make sure there isn’t anything missing in your information exchange to the area and from the area. If you have questions about the minutes, ask the secretary, chair or vice-chair, they will be happy to help you!
- ✚ **If your group is in need of support, please reach out to PR and their outreach person will be happy to set up a time to get a group together to come visit your group! We are dedicated to supporting the meetings in the OZARK AREA!**