

# Ozark Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous: June 27th, 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: Sarah- Present
- ✚ Secretary: Ginette- Present
  - Secretary has a new group starter kit of key tags and white booklets if needed
- ✚ Treasurer: Angela G – Absent- sent report
- ✚ RCM: Laura T – Present
- ✚ RCM ALT- Ed- Present

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

- ✚ AASC Chair: Laura- Present
- ✚ H&I Chair: Open
- ✚ PR Chair: Open
- ✚ Website Coordinator: Rufus P – Absent- sent report
- ✚ Newsletter: Rufus P – Absent- sent report

### 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
- ✚ Spiritual Principles (Joplin)- Present
- ✚ Survivors (Joplin)- Present
- ✚ Traditional Recovery (Eldorado Springs)- Present
- ✚ Just For Today- (Webb City)- Present
- ✚ Stray Katz (Joplin)- Present
- ✚ A New Way (Neosho)-
- ✚ 5<sup>th</sup> Tradition (Joplin) -
- ✚ Native American (Joplin)-
- ✚ Against all Odds (Pittsburg)-
- ✚ Living Clean (Pittsburg)-
- ✚ Straightline (Grove, OK)-
- ✚ Under Grace (Carthage)-
- ✚ Clean & Serene (Joplin)-
- ✚ Together we Can (Nevada)- No Longer In Service

Minutes of last meeting presented by Secretary and approved.

## REPORTS:

**Treasurer's:**

 **OASC-**

- **Beginning Balance-** \$ 2,577.28
- **Deposits-** \$ 985.31
- **Expenses-** \$ 312.55
- **Ending Balance-** \$ 3,244.24

 **AASC-**

- **Beginning Balance-** \$3,488.34
- **Deposits-** \$1,260
- **Expenses-** \$565.52
- **Ending Balance-** \$4,182.62

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

**RCM:** Laura announced that she will be stepping down as RCM due to situation changes with custody of her children. Ed moving up from Alt RCM to RCM.

Hello Ozark Area-

First off let me apologize for missing area last month but I had a prior commitment. I need all votes on the resumes and what the thoughts of area is on the money that was donated to Region by an organization. I talked to SWMO and we may be able to share a room at Region to help keep cost down for both areas.

**PR:** No current chair- Discussion had in regard to people filling in to drop off meeting schedules at normal locations- Ed did volunteer to do this as needed.

**H&I:** No current chair- H&I did meet on the day of Area however. Discussion was held about having a workshop on August 8<sup>th</sup> to get people involved in H&I and have a panel discussion about helping new people that would want to get involved and how to do so. The committee will meet again at 1pm before the next area business meeting to iron out the details.

**Website:** Rufus was unable to make it to Area this afternoon but sent the Secretary an update on things: He is getting better at figuring out how to do the Area website and it is getting easier to navigate. He had originally asked at Area if anyone would be willing to take over as Newsletter Chair for the group due to the number of things on his plate. He reports that he has gotten some time to regroup and refresh himself to a point he is willing to continue in this service role as normal.

**Newsletter:** Please see above

**AASC:** Hello Ozark Area- My name is Laura, addict serving as AASC Chair. We are getting closer to the Picnic! Everything is coming together nicely. We will make our final T-Shirt order within the next couple of weeks. We will have one final meeting before the picnic to finalize everything. The meeting will be at normal time before the next business meeting. My chair position also ends in August so we will need to

start nominations for next years chair so that they can go back to groups in July and be voted on at Area in August. Thanks for letting me be of service.

## GROUP REPORTS:

### ○ **We Do Recover-**

- I am an addict name Ginette standing in for Dan, GSR of We Do Recover. Currently we have a function coming up that is Freedom in Unity on July 17<sup>th</sup> at Landreth Park. Talent show, speakers and more. Birthdays are being celebrated in July on the 3RD Friday of this month instead of the last Friday due to the High On Life Picnic. Our meetings are going on as scheduled. Monday-Sunday at 8PM, Monday-Saturday at 12PM, Friday and Saturday at Midnight. We are struggling to find an affordable location to utilize after the current agreement is up in August for the use of the temporary house with the landlord but not having much luck. If anyone has any leads or ideas, we would love to hear them. We do not have a donation to Area at this time. In loving service- Ginette

### ○ **Spiritual Principles-**

✚ Addict named Mike W. Im entrusted with serving Spiritual Principles Group of NA as GSR. Our group meets in person again at the Alano Club at 9:30 AM on Sundays. Masks are optional. Our attendance averages 13-25 people per meeting. We have 1 birthday this month- Mike W. with 5 yrs. We have a \$15.00 donation for area. In loving service- Mike W.

### ○ **But Do It-**

✚ Hello Ozark Area, My name is Brianna and I am an addict. I'm serving as GSR for But Do It Group of NA. We meet on Wednesdays at 6:30pm at 414 Virginia. We have 1 birthday Mark J. We have an event coming up on Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>. More will be revealed. We have a \$24.10 donation today. Thank you for letting me be of service. Brianna B.  
[brianna1271@gmail.com](mailto:brianna1271@gmail.com)

### ○ **Just For Today-**

✚ My name is John Whitmore I am an addict serving as the GSR for the Just For Today group. We are located at 24701 HWY 171 in Webb City. Our group meets every Thursday at 8pm. 50-70 in attendance. The second Thursday of the month is our business meeting at 7pm. In the front office, same address. Please come to our business meeting and be a part of. The third Thursday of the month is our speaker meeting at 8pm. We have \$10.00 for you today. In loving service, John W.

### ○ **Traditional Recovery-**

✚ Hello Ozark Family. Im an addict named Rick, GSR of Traditional Recovery in Eldorado Springs. We are still meeting in the basement of First Christian Church 300 S Main. Are Wednesday meetings are @ 7PM with snacks @ 630. On Sundays we have an open meeting at 7PM. We eat at 615pm. We could use support as always! All is welcome. We have a \$10.00 donation today. Thank you for letting me be of service, Rick

### ○ **Stray Kats-**

✚ Hello Ozark Area- My name is Kelvin J Alt GSR for Stray Katz we meet at 10<sup>th</sup> E Oronogo in Webb City on Saturday at 6:00 PM. We normally have about 30-40

people in attendance. We open and close our meeting the standard way. We have a \$20.00 donation for Area today. In loving service, Kelvin J.

○ **Survivors-**

🚩 Hello Area. I am Brent GSR for Survivors group. We meet at 1402 Main St Monday, Tuesday and Saturday at Noon and Fridays at 630PM. We have 5-15 people in attendance. There are 2 birthdays this month- Brent- 4yrs and Colin F- 24 yrs. There is an \$23 donation this month. Thank you for letting me be of service, Brent

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- ⊕ Discussion about \$1000 donation Area received from Network For Good- Each group needs to check out the information on that organization and whether we feel like it should be accepted or not. Bring back decision at next Area. More information can be found on the Show Me Region website. Just4today is the password for the regional website.
  - Vote held-
    - For accepting donation- 1
    - Against accepting donation- 6
- ⊕ 3 open positions- Ideas on who can fill in?
  - H&I-
  - PR- Going to try to have these meetings still and fill in the service gaps while we try and get more support for the importance of service for the fellowship
  - Newsletter- Rufus withdrew his need to step down as Newsletter Chair and he will continue to serve in position
- ⊕ Fundraiser results-
  - \$912.31 was the amount raised

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- ⊕ Brent S. nominated to step up as RCM ALT and provides resume to the Area.
  - Hello Ozark Area- I am putting in my resume for RCMA. I have a sponsor and worked all 12 steps. I have people that I sponsor. I currently serve as the GSR for my Home Group. I have a working knowledge of the traditions and the concepts. I have been attending Regionals for the last year so I kind of have an idea of what goes on. I just celebrated 4 yrs on the 10<sup>th</sup>. In loving Service- Brent S.
- ⊕ Ed brought a concern to the table about the fact that when we go to Regionals, we do not really send him with any issues, concerns or questions. So, we spend a large amount of money every 3 months but are not taking advantage of the benefits of being a part of the Region or really being a part of at all. He would like everyone in the Area to provide more information to take up to the regional level. Also, there was a discussion about event flyers and how those really need to be printed out by the function holding group and provided to Ed with plenty of time to get the word out to more people. Conversation went further to discuss things like; if the secretary could

print a bunch out and give them to Ed. Secretary and other voiced concerns and strain on personal bank acct and time commitments to carry that out. Secretary then spoke on the matter as well in regard to the effort put in by GSR's and Home Groups, at times, on their group reports. They have the same few components in every single one, but nothing actually gets brought up in them really. Questions about issues in the fellowship or anything else that the Area or Region should focus or help on.

- ⊕ Taking group inventories- What are they, how often should they be done? Available to print on NAS or World website.
- ⊕ Meeting schedules-
  - Who is taking care of? Jocelyn was taking care of but we need someone else to step up in this role.
  - Crystal is going to print some out.
  - Need to go through updates on meetings, times and if they are actually being held. If they are being held then why are they not involved in Area anymore?

**Next area is 7/8/2021 @ 3pm put on by ?? at ??**

Motion to Close.

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### **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!**