

OZARK AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MINUTES

NOVEMBER 19, 2017

- *Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, Traditions and Concepts.*
- *October 22, 2017 minutes were approved.*
- *Meri S. volunteered to take the minutes*

*****Motions to be voted on*****

Area Motions: 1 Resume

Administrative trusted servants

- Chair: Ranae V.
- Treasurer: Tony N.
- RCM: Tina PT. (Abs)
- RCM-A: Jody Z. (Abs)

Vacant Chairs

Vice Chair: Open
Secretary: Open

Sub-committee chairs in attendance

- AASC Chair: Amanda D.
- H&I Chair: Crystal C.
- PR/Outreach Chair: Vacant

Sub-committee chairs absent

Website Coordinator: Deb B. (quarterly)
Literature Review Chair: Sandee A.

Groups in Attendance

Against All Odds
But Do It
Fifth Tradition
Living Clean
Miracles
Native American
Point of Turning
Spiritual Principles
Straightline
Stray Katz
Survivors
We Do Recover

Absent Groups

Inactive Groups

A New Way
Clean and Serene
Day By Day
Last Chance
Recovery First
Together We Can

REPORTS:

Treasurer: See attached report.

No reports for: RCM, RCM-A and last month's acting secretary

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

AASC: Hello Ozark Area: AASC met today and we had a successful committee meeting. We were able to approve the HOLP artwork proof and will be placing an order for hoodies and long sleeved t-shirts soon. For more info, contact Tony N. our merchandise chair. We are excited to host the Annual New Year's Eve party. Our speaker will be Denise C. from Kansas City. More will be revealed. We will have flyers sent to the secretary to go with the minutes, and will also be passing out flyers locally soon. Thank you for allowing me to be of service. Amanda D. 417-438-6364, amandadoubet@gmail.com
Our next meeting is at 12:30 on 12/17/17 at We Do Recover

H&I: My name is Crystal C. serving as your Ozark Area H&I Chair. Vice Chair is vacant. Jasper County – all men's meetings were met; women's – only one was met. We are going to one women's a month till we have women who will step up. City was not present. Lafayette – all meetings were met. New Direction not present, Women's House not present. At this time, quantity of participation is limited. We focused on quality of meetings being chaired. To ensure that we carry a clear message and follow the do's and don'ts. There will be a flyer made out for women to do H&I. For the chili cook-off, 4 people beside the three who spoke attended. I do believe we planted seeds. Thank you. Crystal C.

GROUP REPORTS:

A New Way: Absent, but sent a donation.

Against All Odds: The Turkey Bowl went well and it was fun. Mark M.

But Do It: This is Brandi L., GSR for But Do It. But Do It meets every Wednesday evening at 6:30 at 414 Virginia, Joplin, Missouri. But Do It has 2 birthdays this month: Angela G. and Dennis D. We have a \$40 donation. In loving service, Brandi L.

Fifth Tradition: Fifth Tradition Group meets at 2231 Annie Baxter in Joplin, MO. Our meetings are from 6:30 to 7:30 pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Fifth Tradition's business meeting is after the Monday meeting prior to Ozark Area's meeting. The group celebrates birthdays on the last Tuesday of the month. Our Monday night meetings have 30 to 35 in attendance. Lafayette House brings their clients to this meeting so we could always use more recovering women to share with them on Mondays. Tuesday night meetings averages 20 to 25 attending. Thursday, we have around 8-10 people there. Things are feeling more comfortable in the group's new location, however with so many groups meeting at Annie Baxter, Fifth Tradition is open to possible venues to establish a group home. In loving service, Tibbs, Fifth Tradition.

Living Clean: All is well. We have a \$20 donation. Mark M.

Miracles: Hello Ozark Area, I'm Meri S. representing the Miracles Group. We meet every Friday from 6:30 to 7:30 pm at 2231 Annie Baxter aka Impact Life Church. Our meetings are nonsmoking and non vaping. We average anywhere from 30-70 addicts per meeting. Our group conscience is held the Friday prior to Area and we celebrate birthdays on the last Friday of the month. We have no birthdays this month, but we do have a \$20 donation today. Thanks for letting me be of service. Meri S.

Native American: Hello Ozark Area, My name is Bobbie and I'm an addict serving as GSR for Native American New Life Group. Native American meets Monday nights at 8:00 pm at the Alano Club here in Joplin. Our business meeting is the first Monday of the month. Our birthday night is the last Monday of the month. We are celebrating three birthdays this month. Tim P. with one year, Amee A. with one year

and One more with 9 years. We would like to host next area at We Do Recover. We have no donation at this time. In loving service, Bobbie M.

Point of Turning: Hello Ozark Area! My name is Kayla. I'm an addict serving as GSR for Point of Turning in El Dorado Springs. We're located on the corner of Spring and Main downtown in the bottom of the park building. Meetings are held Sun. through Sat. We're averaging 10-15 addicts, message being carried. Birthdays this month was Kayla W. celebrating 2 years clean! Our potluck/business meeting for this month is on Thanksgiving, this Thursday, eating around 7 pm, speaker Henry from Joplin at 8 and our business meeting following. Come have some turkey with us. Next month's potluck/business meeting will be on Christmas, Monday Dec. 25th, food around 6 pm, speaker Lloyd from Springfield at 7pm, business meeting following. April 28th is the set date for our Spring Fling, more will be revealed! We have a \$10 donation for today. Thanks for letting me be of service! Kayla W.

Spiritual Principles: Hello Ozark Area. My name is Dakota serving as GSR for the NA Group Spiritual Principles. We are an open non-smoking meeting located at the Alano Club at 9:30 am on Sundays. We bring a donation today of \$46. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Straightline: Hello Ozark Area, I'm an addict named Keith and I'm GSR for Straightline Group in Grove, OK. We meet at 430 N. 21st at the following times: Tuesday at 9pm, Wednesday 9 am, Thursday at 8 pm Friday at 9 am and 7 pm, Saturday at 8 pm and Sunday at 3 pm. We are averaging 20 addicts per meeting and we have a \$20 donation this month. In loving service, Keith C.

Stray Katz: My name is Jerry F, the acting GSR for Stray Katz. We are presently located at 24701 State Hwy. 171 in the VA Building. We are non-smoking open meeting held at 6 pm every Saturday. We open our meeting in the standard NA manner. We have at least 20 to 40 addicts in attendance, mostly newcomers, so we encourage those who have experience, strength and hope to come and be a part of our meetings. We celebrate birthdays the last Saturday of the month. This month we have two birthdays: Lowell T. with 1 year and Jerry F. with 6 years. We have no donation this month. In loving service, Jerry F.

Survivors: My name is Angel. I'm the GSR for Survivors. We are located at 22nd and Annie Baxter at Impact Church. Our meetings are Monday through Saturday at noon. We average 10-20 addicts per meeting. We have decided to do Saturday hot dog meetings in the spring. I'll keep you updated. Our birthday meetings are the last Saturday of the month. We have a \$10 donation today. In loving service, Angel H.

We Do Recover: I'm an addict name Patricia serving as GSR for We Do Recover, held at 1330 Wall St, Joplin, MO. We meet Monday through Saturday at noon, every evening at 8pm and Friday and Saturday at midnight. We have our speaker meeting the 2nd Friday of the month and our birthday celebration on the last Friday of the month. We have two birthdays this month. Montell and Leo celebrating 1 year. Unfortunately, the skate night is not going to take place. However, our doors will open at 10 am on Thanksgiving and will stay open all day so come join us! (Someone may not be here at all times). We also have our Holiday Bash with an Ugly Sweater Contest, please see our flyer! In Loving Service, Patricia W.

SHARING SESSION

Minutes

Some GSRs reported having issues with either not getting the minutes or getting them and not being able to open them.

Website:

Tony discussed challenges in getting on the website from security questions that were in place before he became treasurer. The website coordinator made payment and was reimbursed. Options were: we could set up an automatic withdrawal or get a new website. Bobbi M. gave info regarding a price on a new website. The group discussed the importance of communication with our website coordinator and the matter was tabled until the website coordinator was at the Area meeting. The group also talked about two (2) people having passwords to make changes and possibly vote in another website coordinator. It was mentioned that Deb B. has wanted to give up the position for a while but no one has stepped up.

Schedules and Phoneline:

It was reported that someone was trying to get information on our website for a meeting and the information for that group (5th Tradition) was incorrect. Each group should make sure their information is correct, not only on our Area's website but na.org as well. The schedules are not getting to Dennis D. who is handling the phoneline, and they are not getting to the website coordinator. Also, we used to send a schedule around for the GSRs to make sure their group's information was correct. The current schedules have 'October Revised' on them but they are actually November's schedules and current.

OLD BUSINESS**Bank Signers:**

Michael Norris (Tony) discussed the changing of the people and signatures at the bank. Amanda Doubet will be on the bank account as the AASC chair and Suzanne Simek will also be on as Area Secretary. Shellee Ranae Vaughan may not be able to as Area Chair. Former Area Chair Shelly Walter-White said if not, she would be willing to stay on as a signer on the account. Normally the RCM would be on as a signer as well but since Tina PT lives out of town, we will try to keep the signers local.

Resumes:

Tony N. for PR Chair – Passed

Brieanna B. for Area Secretary – Passed

Suzanne S. for Area Treasurer – Passed

NEW BUSINESS**Shelly W. was nominated for Website Coordinator and gave her resume:**

Shelly W. for Website Coordinator - Clean date: 3-23-85, Served in multiple positions over the years including: GSR and Alt, secretary, treasurer of various home groups over the years. Served as Area secretary, treasurer and RCM and Chair of the Mid Missouri area, served as GSR of my home group G.O.D. in St. Louis, served as GSR of We Do Recover and Chair of OASC, served as first Chair and second chair of the Show Me Regional Service Office, was only removed from one position which was vice chair of SMRCNA in 1995 because I refused to turn over \$75 of home group money to my HG treasurer because they were stealing HG funds. The SMRCNA committee selected another VC, but I fulfilled the position per their request. I have extensive internet and computer experience where I teach medical software on my part-time job and was part of the implementation team for a software conversion on my full time job. I am willing to serve and will attend area regularly. ILS, Shelly W.

Meri S. was nominated for Area Vice Chair

She gave a verbal resume, but withdrew her resume, wanting to keep commitment to taking a year from Area and Regional service work rather than to commit to the position and not fulfill it.

Step Working Guides

Before the meeting closed, there was discussion on the step guide and its effectiveness. One member said he didn't think it was working because it took a long time to get through a set of steps, sponsees are not doing them. He asked how do we capture the newcomer and get them through the steps. Comments from several members were: We can't force it, only make it readily available; We need to keep an atmosphere of recovery, We can't be more involved than they (sponsees) are; talk about issues but follow it up with gratitude, the step guide is a tool – some members cannot read, one member added a desire to work steps a part from the step guide, as was done before the step guide was printed, someone said that we shouldn't over complicate things. The meeting ended with the Area Chair stating that if there was a question regarding the literature, Area was the place to discuss it as we have a Literature Review Chair and a RCM that can carry our concerns forward.

NEXT OASC MEETING

*The next OASC will be held on **December 17, 2017**, hosted by Native American New Life Group in **Joplin, MO (We Do Recover)***

- PR – Noon – 12:30
- AASC – 12:30 pm – 2pm
- H&I – 2 pm
- Area Business – 3 pm

IMPORTANT LINKS

- Ozark Area Website: ozarkasc.com
- Show Me Region Yahoo Group: groups.yahoo.com/ShowMeRegionNA
- NAWS (Narcotics Anonymous World Services): na.org

December 16th,
2017 at 6pm

**HOLIDAY
BASH!**

WE DO RECOVER

\$3 A PERSON \$5 A COUPLE

Speaker at 8pm

UGLY SWEATER CONTEST



Wrapping RAFFLE

(please donate wrapped items to raffle, non-NA or NA items welcome)

Everyone gets a raffle ticket!

NACHOS \$2.00 a plate

Nov 18th 2017

Tony N

OASC

\$ 4,685.88

expenses:

# 1243	10/23	gas Reimb. Regional	\$ 44.20
# 1236	10/30	Regional donation	\$ 100.00
# 1244	11/7	I power (website)	\$ 180.00
Debit	11/17	freedom vice	\$ 84.82
Debit	11/17	HBI w. Broklets & Rock	\$ 204.15
	11/17	Schedules	\$ 43.23

Deposits

10/24 donations \$ 213.00

AASC

\$ 2491.68

expenses:

11/17	Wal-mart (function)	\$ 63.56	(Debit)
11/18	Casey's (function)	\$ 8.33	
11/18	Impact church (function)	\$ 50.00	

deposit

function bring home — \$ 185.00

- changes to acct signers need last names in mins
- having some troubles with I power acct



OZARK AREA'S ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S EVE FUNCTION!



*WHAT A GREAT WAY TO BRING IN THE NEW YEAR!
FREE FOOD, RAFFLE-PLEASE BRING NA RELATED ITEMS TO DONATE TO THE
RAFFLE, 50/50, DANCE
AND OF COURSE A BALLOON DROP AT THE STROKE OF MIDNIGHT!*



*DOORS OPEN AT 7:00 PM
\$3 A PERSON
\$5 A COUPLE
NO ADDICT TURNED AWAY!*

*SPEAKER AT 9:30 P.M.
DENISE C. FROM KC
COME GET SOME
EXPERIENCE,
STRENGTH, AND HOPE!*

***DECEMBER 31, 2017
IMPACT LIFE CHURCH
2231 ANNIE BAXTER AVE.
JOPLIN, MO 64804***

Doors open at 2:30 pm

