

# OZARK AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE

## MINUTES

JANUARY 15, 2017

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- *Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, Traditions and Concepts.*
- *November 2016 minutes were approved.*
- *December 2016 minutes were amended to include the discussion on budgets and was approved.*

➤ *Motion to be voted on: The OASC Budget. See information in New Business*

### Administrative trusted servants

- Chair: Shelly W.
- Treasurer: Tony N.
- Secretary: Meri S.
- RCM: Meri S.

### Vacant Chairs

Vice Chair  
RCM-A

### Sub-committee chairs in attendance

- AASC Chair: Kim S.
- H&I Chair: Crystal C.
- PR/Outreach Chair: Vickie M.
- Website Coordinator: Deb B. (quarterly)
- Literature Review Chair: Sandee A.

### Sub-committee chairs absent

### Groups in Attendance

A New Way (+1)  
Against All Odds  
But Do It  
Fifth Tradition  
Miracles  
Native American  
New Beginnings  
Point of Turning  
Straightline  
Stray Katz (+1)  
Survivors  
Together We Can  
We Do Recover

### Absent Groups

Lifeline  
Living Clean  
Together In Unity

### New Groups

Progress Not Perfection

### Inactive Groups

Day By Day  
Last Chance  
Recovery First  
Spiritual Principles

### REPORTS:

*Treasurer:* See attached report.

**Secretary:** Hello Area, my expenses for the month for copies and postage was \$6.16. If you're a GSR, please make sure I have your contact information. Thanks for letting me be of service. Meri S.

**RCM:** Hello Area: I attended the regional meeting in Columbia last weekend. I will be reporting information over the next few months. There was a workshop on Zonal forums and their purpose – which are basically sessions where the RDs meet and discuss things such as fellowship development, leadership development, communication and planning. There is a heavy focus on public relations as it a crucial part of Narcotics Anonymous. There is a power point available which is located in the Show Me Region NA Yahoo Group, a group that is accessible to any addict in our region. On the Area shirt that was requested: With the shirts from each area, a quilt will be made and auctioned at the next SMRCNA convention. The areas were given a little more time in bringing the shirts, so I'm hopeful we'll have some printed soon so that I can take ours to the next regional meeting in April. Regarding the questionnaire for regional insurance, I have until February 15 to get our Area's information turned in. Thank you to each GSR who completed the questionnaire. If you have not completed one yet for your group, please let me know. One additional piece of information I will need from each GSR is an estimate of the square footage of the room where your meetings are held. You can text or email that information to me. I will include my contact information in the minutes. Thank you for allowing me to serve our Area. Meri S.  
[inhisgrace2009@yahoo.com](mailto:inhisgrace2009@yahoo.com) 417-439-0276.

### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**AASC:** Hello Ozark Area. I am Kim S. serving as AASC Chair. I am happy to report our New Year's Eve function was a huge success. We will be donating \$77.14 to Area today. We are planning our Area Birthday. More will be revealed. We still have HOLP merchandise for sale. Next meeting: Feb. 18 at Tony's. Thanks for allowing me to serve. Kim S.

**H&I:** Hello Ozark Area. My name is Crystal C., a recovering addict serving as your H&I chair. We started with the Serenity Prayer, then the Traditions and Concepts. Jasper County – all meetings were met. Lafayette House - All but one was met and that was our fault. City Jail – Men's was not met and the women's was met. Ozark Center – all meetings were met and so was the Women's House meetings were met. We have two stepping down from service. Bobbie M. is no longer liaison for Lafayette and Lynnette B. is no longer secretary. I nominated Patricia W. for secretary and she was voted in. So we are in need of trusted servants to step up. Regionals was last weekend and it was an honor to sit in and participate in Regionals. We talked about always in need for people who are familiar with VIC, who would like to go into prisons and have been trained for it. H&I is having a Learning Days workshop on January 21<sup>st</sup> at 5 pm, here at We Do Recover. We will be listening to an H&I panel presentation and H&I orientation. Last but not least, we are looking into t-shirts for H&I – probably same print, different color. In Loving Service, Crystal C.

**PR:** Hello Ozark Area. I'm Vickie M., an addict serving as your Public Relations Chair. We opened with the Twelve Concepts, Twelve Traditions, and our Public Relations statement. I wasn't able to attend regional last week due to personal reasons. Notes received from regional said that everyone in our region is in need of support for outreach, phone lines and website issues. We are needing people to step up for positions as vice PR chair, newsletter coordinator, outreach task coordinator, clean time requirement - 1 year. In February, we are planning a phone line workshop. So I'm passing an interest form to sign for count. When date and place is set, I will create an event function page online and let everyone know. Otherwise updating twelve step call list. Looking for subject suggestions for Learning Day workshop. Discussed our budget and regrouping our subcommittee. Thanks for letting me be of service. In loving service, Vickie M. 320 W. 14<sup>th</sup> St., Joplin, MO 64804, [mccoyvickie907@gmail.com](mailto:mccoyvickie907@gmail.com), 417-437-9503.

**Literature Review:** Hello Ozark Area. I did not make it to the Area meeting in December due to weather conditions so I am combining December's report with my January report. In my November report, I brought up about my ordering literature for all the groups, but since then I have done quite a lot of research and have visited with several people and have gotten different feedback from different people. As the outcome of all of it, I think that it is best that we leave everything the way it is, that the groups just keep ordering their own literature and my staying out of it as I cannot save any of the groups any money or time. For my report from Regional, Carl and I did our meeting over the phone since it is just he and I. He had his computer. I had my computer. Tom asked us to do a survey that he wanted us to do. We both did the survey on the computer and submitted them to Tom. I will have to go to Regionals in April, as Carl and I are planning a literature workshop. Carl and I will be working on this for the next 3 months. In loving service, Sandee A.

**Website Coordinator:** Deb B. gave a verbal report. She said her term as website coordinator has been up since September 2009. She said if anyone is interested in the position, she would train them. She provided everyone with a printed version of Ozark Area's website. She went over each tab on the website, explaining everything that was on that particular page. She told everyone if they had a function to be sure and send her the information so that she could put in on the calendar and provide a link for the flyer. \*If you would like a copy of the printed version of the website, please contact me or Deb B.\*

### **GROUP REPORTS:**

**A New Way:** Hello Ozark Area. My name is Suzanne and I am an addict serving as GSR for A New Way Group. A New Way meets every Friday at 7 pm. in Neosho, MO. We meet at the Kelly Club on 209 North Valley St. in Neosho, MO 64850. We average 5 to 8 addicts a meeting. We have a \$19 donation. In loving service, Suzanne S.

**Against All Odds:** Hello Ozark Area Family. Addict named Chad, GSR for Against All Odds from Pittsburg. I am going to start with the bad news, we no longer have a Thursday night meeting. Now for awesome news, 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Pajama Jam is March 4<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at 3003 N. Joplin St. in Pittsburg. Food at 6 – pancakes and sausage. Twister and lingerie contest at 7. Joplin's own Crystal C. is speaking at 8. 50/50 and raffle and dance with DJ Ed to follow. \$3 person / \$5 couple. At birthday night on January 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at our meeting hall, we will celebrate 12 years with Peggy S. February we will celebrate 10 years with Patrick M. and 24 years with Sandy B.

**But Do It:** Hello Ozark Area. Addict named Samantha serving as GSR for But Do It. But Do It meets every Wednesday at 6:30 pm at 414 Virginia. Birthday night is the last Wednesday of the month. We have one birthday this month, Sheri E. with 10 years. Meeting attendance is going great. We have no donation at this time. In loving service, Samantha H.

**Fifth Tradition:** Fifth Tradition Group meets from 6:30 to 7:30 pm each Mon., Tues., and Thursday. We meet at New Creation Church, 1831 S. Connor, Joplin, MO. Our business meeting is after the meeting the Monday prior to Ozark Area meeting with the next one being on February 13. We have a monthly birthday night the last Tuesday of the month. Our attendance is up a little from last month. The group had 8 people at the business meeting. We are making a big literature order including getting 10 Tradition books. The group agreed to request at each meeting that we all stay off our phones during the meetings. Chair people signed up for January and plans were discussed to clean the carpets in the meeting room. We have a \$25 donation to Ozark Area. Respectfully submitted, Pam Mueller, 119 Connor, Joplin, MO 64801, Tel. 417-726-2426. Email – [pammuel123@gmail.com](mailto:pammuel123@gmail.com)

**Miracles:** Hello Area. I'm Meri S. representing the Miracles Group of Narcotics Anonymous. Our meetings are held each Friday night from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. at 2231 Annie Baxter aka Impact Life Church.

Our meetings are non-smoking and non-vaping. Business meetings are held the Friday prior to Area, and we celebrate birthdays on the last Friday of the month. We average 30 to 60 addicts each week. We are struggling for home group members and could really use some support because we want the doors to stay open. We have no donation today, as we hosted today. Thanks for allowing me to be of service. Meri S.

**Native American:** Hello Ozark Area, My name is Bobbie an addict serving as GSR. Native American is a non-smoking or vaping meeting held Mondays at the Alamo at 8 pm. Our business meeting is the first Monday of the month. The second Monday of the month is our speaker meeting and Donnie L. will be Feb. speaker. The last Monday of the month is birthday night and we have one birthday. Chad C. is celebrating 1 year. Our attendance is averaging 35 and we have no donations at this time. In loving memory. Bobbie M.

**New Beginnings:** Hello Ozark Area: I'm an addict named Jennifer and the GSR of New Beginnings Group in Grove, OK. We are a non-smoking, open women's meeting. We meet on Fridays, 7 pm at 430 N. 21<sup>st</sup> in Grove. We have been averaging 8 addicts per meeting. Our next speaker meeting will be on Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> with Jackie L. sharing her experience, strength and hope. We do not have a donation today. In loving service, Jennifer M.

**Point of Turning:** Hello Ozark Area. My name is Kayla. I'm an addict serving as the GSR for Point of Turning of El Dorado Springs, MO. Meetings are downtown in the park building on the corner of Spring and Main. Meetings are on Mon, Tues and Fri at 7 pm Wed at 8:30 pm, Thur at 8 pm, and Sun at 5 pm. We average between 6 to 8 addicts, message being carried. This month we have Lee W. and Kim S. both celebrating 1yr! We have no concerns at this time. We have a \$10 donation and white key tags for Lafayette House. Thank you for letting me be of service! Kayla W. (417) 296-6371, [kaylancarpenter2002@gmail.com](mailto:kaylancarpenter2002@gmail.com)

**Straightline:** Hello Ozark Area Family. My name is Amber, addict, GSR of Straightline of Grove, OK. We meet at 430 N. 21<sup>st</sup>, Grove, OK, Tuesday at 9 pm for flat book, Thursday at 8 pm book study, Saturday at 8 pm candlelight. We will have no speaker next month due to Cabin Fever but will have one the first Saturday in March. Meatballs at 7, speaker at 8. We have no donation at this time. In loving service, Amber K. 641-781-8441, 919 Palmer Dr., Grove, OK 74344, [amberdk86@gmail.com](mailto:amberdk86@gmail.com)

**Stray Katz:** Hello Ozark Area. My name is Jerry F. I'm the acting GSR for Stray Katz. We are located at 24706 St. Hwy. 171 in the VA building. We currently have meetings every Sat. at 6 pm in which we have 20 to 30 addicts in attendance. We celebrate B-days on the last Sat. of the month. Our core members consists of 7 to 12 members. We open and close our meetings in the standard NA way. We have no donation this month. In loving service. Jerry F.

**Survivors:** Hello. I'm Donnie representing Survivors Group. We meet Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays at noon at the Impact Life Church, 23<sup>rd</sup> and Annie Baxter. We will be having our Sweethearts Dance next month. Date, time and location will be revealed very soon. We have no donation today. Thank you, Donnie Lake

**Together We Can:** Hello Ozark Area. My name is Jimmie. I am an addict serving as the GSR of Together We Can, Nevada, MO. Our attendance is strong averaging 10 to 15 people addicts per meeting. We are currently working on having a meeting on Monday nights, more will be revealed at the next Area meeting. We meet Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays at 301 E. Highland from 7 pm to 8 pm. Terry N. celebrating his one year on January 1, 2017. We have no donation at this time. In loving service, Jimmie.

**We Do Recover:** Hello Ozark area, my name is Stan N., serving as GSR for We Do Recover at 1330 Wall. We meet Monday through Saturday at noon, every day at 8pm and a midnight meeting on Friday

and Saturday. We have our non-smoking speaker meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month and our non-smoking birthday celebration on the last Friday of the month. We hold our monthly business meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month at 6pm. Our next speaker meeting is February 10th. We have Daniel K. and Brianna B. celebrating 1 year, Joy S. and Luke L. with 18 months and Don C. celebrating 17 years in January. Our next event will be our “We Do Pre-Play Off Jersey Extravaganza” on January 21<sup>st</sup> starting at 6 pm with activities following our 8 pm meeting. We are accepting donation for both NA and white elephant raffle items. Luke L. will be speaking. On average, we have 25 to 40 people in attendance at our meetings. We have no donation at this time. In loving service, Stan N.

### **SHARING SESSION**

- Jerry F. said the cost of shipping is hurting their group financially. To place an order for keytags or a few books, the cost of shipping can sometimes be as expensive as the order. Bobbi M. suggested they join with another group and place their order. Deb B. suggested they space their orders out – such as every 5 months or so. We Do Recover said they place orders on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month and anyone may join their order with them. Also, We Do Recover and Fifth Tradition does have some literature if anyone needs to purchase some before they place an order.
- Since there is no outreach coordinator, it was suggested that the Area choose a day where everyone goes to a meeting to support the struggling groups.
- Amber K. said the Lifeline Group is lacking trusted servants and is considering merging with Straightline. More will be revealed.
- Living Clean started a new meeting on Fridays at 6:30 pm.
- The meeting Last Chance in Jay, OK is still going on. It was said that Under Grace in Carthage is no longer meeting, someone will check on that. Recovery First is no longer meeting, so they will need to come off of the schedule.
- Discussion was held regarding the agenda showing some group absent from last month, when it was voted and approved that it wouldn't count against any group that didn't attend last month due to the weather. Shelly W. said she would have the agenda corrected by the February meeting.
- Meri said the new schedules are not making it from Area to the racks at the meetings and it would not be good if an addict showed up at a meeting that was no longer meeting due to a bad schedule and said she thought no information was better than bad information. We all should be diligent in making sure we have the most recent schedules on the racks and discard the old ones.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Meri S. appointed Interim Secretary until the position is filled or someone steps up.
- GSR's approved the t-shirt design for an Ozark Area shirt.
- Shelly W. asked the Ad Hoc Committee to have a motion ready for the January meeting.
- Regional Resumes: Missy T. (RSC vice Chair) passed; Matt G. (SMRCNA BOD Vice Chair) passed; Jimmy B. (SMRCA BOD) passed.
- Shelly W. asked everyone to be prepared to discuss the budget at the next Area meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The Ad Hoc Committee recommended no changes. The Literature Chair is free to do what she wants with her budget and the groups will continue to get their literature in their usual manner.

**Budgets:** a motion was made and seconded to keep the budgets the same as last year which are as follows:

**RCM (\$1400), Secretary (\$250), Treasurer (\$75), H&I (\$900), Literature Review (\$200), PR (\$2,000), Outreach (\$150), Website Coordinator (\$150), General Area Expenses (\$555), Regional Donation (\$400)**

Outreach and Website Coordinator falls under PR and their numbers are included in the PR budget. The General Area expenses includes the \$15 per meeting to the hosting group for the use of their facility.

Funds from the HOLP account will be used to fund the Ozark Area T-shirts. Any profits will be returned back to the HOLP account which will ultimately go back to the Area account after the High On Life Picnic. Pam will assume the duty of selling the t-shirts.

### **NEXT OASC MEETING**

*The next OASC will be held on **Feb. 19, 2017**, hosted by Native American at 1330 S. Wall in Joplin, MO.*

- PR – 12 Noon
- AASC – See AASC chair report on meeting time and location
- H&I – 2 pm
- Area Business – 3 pm

### **IMPORTANT LINKS**

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

Jan 2017

Treasurer  
AASC Report

Beginning Bal. 2,037.89

Deposits

1/4 New years deposit 749.25

1/16 Merchandise 390.00

Expenses

chk # 1084 HOIP flyers 30.00

12/31 ~~chk #~~ New years change 180.00

1/4 Transfer to OASC 77.14

Ending Bal. 2,925.12

Jan 2017

OASC Treasurer  
Report

Beginning Bal. 3,787.21

Deposits 1/13 Activities don. 77.14

1/4 december don 85.00

1/13 deposited remainder of chk # 1216 66.00

expenses

12/18 chk # 1214 Sec expenses 22.97

12/18 chk # 1215 Reg. don 100.00

2/18 chk # 1216 Reg Room, gas, Sec exp. 181.34

1/13 chk # 1217 Freedom Voice 94.05

1/13 chk # 1218 Mtg Schedules 43.23

Ending Bal 3,508.74



# 38<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL High on Life Picnic

Pre-register by July 28<sup>th</sup>  
and receive a FREE coffee cup!

Roaring River State Park  
Camp Smokey Cassville, MO  
August 25, 26 & 27, 2017

Inn & Conference Center

Standard rooms are \$99.00 a night, balcony rooms are \$110.00, suites are \$125.00, sleeper cabins \$99.00, basic camping \$13.00 a night, and a co-ed bunk house \$5.00 a bed. (Bring own bedding).

\$20.00 off standard rooms if reserved by April 1, 2017  
(Limited rooms avail.)

For questions and concerns Contact  
Kim S. 417) 540-6804 or Mark J. 417) 483-8893

Quantity and Size	R	S	M	L	XL	2X	3X	4X
Pre-registration \$20 and free coffee mug								
Registration \$20								
T Shirt \$15								
LST Shirt \$20								
Hoodie \$30								
Zip up Hoodie \$40								
Total								

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Show Me Region Insurance Questioner

Please provide the following information as soon as possible.

Area Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Number of Groups in your Area?
2. Number of Meetings in your Area?
3. Number of Members (approx) in your area?
4. Number of functions held in your area?
5. Listing of types of functions held (campout, dances, etc... ) ?
6. Number of persons in attendance to these functions (Approx average per function)?
7. Number of square feet per meeting space in your area? (estimate is OK)

Please provide this information by February 15, 2017. Either upload in to Yahoo Group Insurance Folder or email to d.scott.martin@gmail.com or call 816-517-3770.

**\* NOTE!**

GSRs, IF YOU HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED THIS AND TURNED IT IN TO MERI, PLEASE ONLY ANSWER QUESTION #7 REGARDING THE SQUARE FEET OF YOUR MEETING AREA.

YOU CAN TEXT OR EMAIL ME THE INFO OR CALL WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

MERI S.  
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10th Annual



# Pajama Jam

Wear your Favorite PJs  
Twister @ 7  
Lingerie Contest @ 7  
Raffle & 50/50  
Dance with DJ E.D.

**March 4<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm**

3003 N. Joplin St. in Pittsburg, KS  
(Homer Cole Senior Center)

**Speaker @ 8:**

**Crystal C. ~ Joplin, MO**

**\$3 person/\$5 couple FOR  
Pancakes and Sausage**

For more information, contact  
Karen H. (620) 215-6754

*Chad H. 620-238-3991*

**AGAINST ALL ODDS GROUP OF NA**