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OZARK AREA MINUTES

12/15/13

Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer. The 12 traditions and the 12 concepts were read.

A motion was made to approve last month's minutes, motion was seconded. Last month's minutes were approved.

Administrative trusted servants in attendance:

- Chair: Pam M
- Vice Chair: Mark J
- Treasurer: Jackie P (Amanda R/resting)
- RCM: Mike O
- RCM Alt: Ed H

Vacant Positions:

- Secretary
- Literature Chair
- PI Chair

Sub-Committee Chairs in attendance:

- H&I Chair: Kim M
- AASC Chair: Jocelyn B
- Outreach Chair: Raymond M

Groups in Attendance:

- But Do It
- Clean and Serene Group
- 5th Tradition Group
- Freedom Group
- Miracles Group
- Native American Group
- One Promise Group
- Point of Turning Group
- We Do Recover Group
- Straightline Group
- Stray Katz Group
- Survivors Group
- Together in Unity Group
- Under Grace Group

Absent Groups:

- Against All Odds (1)
- Liberty Group (1) ?

Inactive Groups

- Spiritual Principles (2)
- A New Way (4)

Liberty

REPORTS:

Chair: No report at this time

Vice Chair: Mark handed all GSR's current guidelines

Secretary: None Jocelyn is filling in

Treasurer: Report is attached

RCM: I'm Mike an addict serving as RCM. Our service system project learning days had a Large turnout and I hope everyone had in attendance learned what they needed to be better informed on this proposal.

I look forward to attending Regionals next month to learn more of the SSP & USSCNA. I also look forward to bringing back are group conscience on motions and resumes. Thank you for letting me be of service. PS: I need meeting schedules for Region and any fliers that need to go to Region.

RCM ALT: No report at this time.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

H&I Subcommittee: Hello my name is Kim M serving as H&I Chair. We just had a well attended subcommittee meeting with everyone here except our secretary. Our vice chair Jerry filled in as secretary and read minutes from last month.

Lafayette: Meri S reported all mtgs were made this month and very well attended. She has updated our list of panel members. And Tara M is now chairing the 5th week. Thank you Jocelyn B for your service.

Ozark Center: Robyn K reports all meetings were met despite the bad weather. She stated we need another female and after clean time requirement discussion, we determined a male is also needed. Robyn is also trying to get permission to take a candlelight meeting in the Ozark Center the Sunday before Christmas.

Jasper County: Brian C gave report stating one women's meeting was missed due to the weather. Thurs 12/19 he and Tara K will be having another meeting with Lt. Karns and other groups. He will be getting a new form to be filled out by future applicants going into county jail.

City Jail: Scott said we will be starting taking in meetings tomorrow 12/16 @ 7:30. Scott B will be meeting with his panel outside of We Do. Many more applications were collected today. See Kim M or Scott B if you're interested in an application.

AASC: Hello Ozark Area, I'm Jocelyn an Addict serving as your chair. We opened with Serenity prayer read the 12 concepts and traditions. Our New Years Eve dance 12/31 is finalized and will be held at the Galena Senior Citizen Center. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Raffle items are needed.

As for our HOLP, we are placing our 1st merchandise order this week. Flyers will be out in about 2-3 weeks with special incentives of sweat pants & zip up hoodies for pre-registration only. Anna C our hug patrol chair is planning A POPPIN hug patrol shirt. In loving service, Jocelyn

Outreach: My name is Raymond M, I am the new outreach chair person. We opened with the serenity prayer, 12 traditions and 12 concepts. Monday 12/16 @ 8 pm will be taking their first road trip to support the Native American Meeting at 1800 E. 30th St in Joplin at the Alano Club. Further scheduling of road trips will be coming soon. Thank you Ozark

Area for allowing me to be apart of something bigger than me. In loving service
Raymond M.

Website Coordinator Report: No report at this time

NEW GROUPS REOGNIZED:

The Last Chance Group of Jay Oklahoma is shopping for a new area, checking us out and taking info back to group for a vote.

Schedules: Freedom group will be added to schedule along with Point of Turning's new meetings. Jocelyn was unable to pick up schedules in time for area and is willing to dispense to local groups and mail to out of town groups, addresses collected.

GROUP REPORTS:

But Do It: Hello Ozark Area, I'm Mike D GSR for But Do It of Joplin. Our group meets every Wed at 414 S. Virginia at 6:30 pm. Our non-smoking meetings are closed except the last Wed of the month which is birthday night open to friends and family. This month Ricky C is celebrating 4 years, Jackie P is celebrating 18 years, and Tony G is celebrating 27 years! Our meetings get around 30 addicts in attendance. Today we have a \$100 donation for our area. In loving Service, Mike D.

Clean & Serene: My name is Brady. I am GSR of Clean and Serene. WE meet at 6:30 pm every Saturday night at the Alano Club of Joplin. We are currently averaging 12-15 people at every meeting. We have been able to meet our monthly requirements for our rent. We are still very thankful for the support that the area is continuing to show our group. At this time we are unable to donate anything to area in order to keep our monthly obligations to the Alano club. Thanks again for your ongoing support. I will be stepping down from GSR but remaining in service of the group. WE have one nomination for new GSR and will be voting on the new GSR at our business meeting.

5th Tradition: Hello Ozark Area, my name is Debra S serving as GSR for the 5th Tradition group that meets every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday at 6:30 pm at 1831 S. Connor Ave, Joplin, MO. WE are an open non-smoking meeting. The second Tuesday of the month following the regular meeting is our monthly business meeting and the last Tuesday of the month is birthday night. We have had approximate 30-60 addicts in attendance at each meeting this past month. We have a \$100 donation this month. In loving Service, Debra S.

Freedom Group: Hello Ozark Area my name is Miles serving as GSR for Freedom group. We meet at harbor on truck route in Miami, OK at 12:00 on Thursdays. The last Thursday of the month is our birthday night with cake. We have an average of 20-25 addicts. In loving Service, Miles P. We have a \$5 donation.

Miracles: Hello Ozark Area, my name is Blair C, serving as GSR for the Miracles Group that meets every Friday at 6:30 pm at 1601 Wall, Joplin MO. We are an open non-smoking meeting. The 3rd Friday of the month following the regular meeting is our monthly

business meeting and the last Friday of the month is birthday night. WE have had approx 40-60 addicts in attendance at each meeting this past month. We have a \$25 donation. In loving Service Blair C.

Native American: I'm Kaleb G serving as alt GSR for Native American New Life of NA. We meet at 1800 E. 30th St at 8 pm on Monday Nights. WE are non-smoking meeting, we open with the serenity prayer and close with the 3rd step prayer. We are roughly averaging 29-35 addicts. We are still in need of support. We as a group decided to start a speaker meeting the 2nd Monday of the month at 8pm. To try and help bring support to our group. Our business meetings are the 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 pm before the 8 pm meeting. We don't have a donation at this time. We are also talking about having a noon meeting. In loving Service, Kaleb G.

One Promise: Hello Ozark Area my name is Johnny G serving as GSR for the One Promise Group. WE meet at 817 E. B.J. Tunnell Blvd in Miami OK. Meetings are held at noon on Wed and 8:00 pm on Friday. All meetings are open discussion except for the last Friday of the month which is birthday/speaker meeting. This month the speaker is a surprise from the group. It is also an eating meeting that opens at 7:00. Attendance at our noon meeting 10-15 addicts and our evening meeting averages 30-45 addicts. In loving service, Johnny G

Point of Turning: My name is Tina, serving as GSR as Royce is no longer with Point of Turning Group. Our group still meets in El Dorado Springs on corner of Spring and Main in the bottom of the park building. Sunday at 5pm, Monday and Tuesday at 7pm, Wednesday at 8:30, Thursday at 8 pm and now have added back Friday at 7pm and Saturday at noon. The noon meeting is our only closed meeting. We are so grateful to have a meeting every day of the week now. Attendance ranges from 5 -25 addicts per meeting as we go through internal conflicts and changes in our group. We will have Christmas dinner and \$5 gift exchange starting at 7pm before our candlelight meeting. All are welcome. WE have \$11 donation.

Straightline: My name is Victora C serving as GSR for the Straightline group. I apologize for my absent and sending Scott B to fill in for me. Our meeting location is at the community of Christ Church, 430 N. 21st Grove OK 74344. We meet on Thursday and Saturday at 8pm. All meetings are open. Saturday is candlelight. The last Saturday of the month at 6:45 pm is our group conscience meeting, the 1st Saturday of the month we have a speaker and celebrate birthdays. We have an attendance of 15-30 addicts on a regular basis. We are making a donation this month of \$20. Thank you for allowing me to be of service, love you all.

Stray Katz: My name is Lonzie, GSR for Stray Katz. We currently reside at 24706 State Hwy. We meet at 6pm every Saturday. We have a book study 1st Saturday every month. We average 25-35 addicts per meeting and celebrate birthdays at the end of the month. Scotty S will be celebrating 7 years this month. We also sell literature as well.

Survivors: My name is Angela S serving as GSR for Survivors Group of NA. Our business meeting is the Saturday prior to area. Survivors are a non-smoking and NO VAPING meeting that meets every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. December 4th was our first Wednesday meeting and it turned out well. Thank you all for your support in helping Survivors carry the message. Our birthday meetings are the last Saturday of the month. We do have 2 birthdays this month. We have Lauri A celebrating 3 years and Lorenzo T celebrating 13 years. Our meetings average about 15 addicts. We have no donation for area at this time. Thank you for letting me be a part of.

Together in Unity: My name is Rocky GSR for Together in Unity in Nevada. Our meetings are still on Tuesday and Thursday from 7-8 at the old Aldi's building 201 S. Cedar and on Wednesday from 8-9 at 301 S. Pine. We have regular meeting attendance of about 10-12 people. We have mailed a \$10 donation this month. We have a need for more IP's for the jail and for P&P we have 1 small problem evidently the NA website shows us having a meeting on Saturday and we do not have one. Thank you for all your help.

Under Grace: My name is Danny C and I'm an addict. I'm the GSR for the Under Grace Group. We meet every Monday evening at 7:00 pm in the basement of Grace Episcopal Church located at the corner of Howard and Chestnut in Carthage. This is an open non-smoking meeting. Meetings are always good with between 4-6 addicts attending on a regular basis. We have a \$10 donation for the area. In loving service, Danny

We Do Recover: My name is Crystal W, I am the GSR for We Do Recover. We meet @ 1330 Wall St in Joplin MO. We have 20-40 addicts in attendance at our meetings. Smoking and open meetings are Monday thru Sunday at 8pm – 9pm. Friday and Saturday night candle light meetings are held at midnight. Which are also smoking and open meetings. The attendance for our candle light meetings range from 8-20 people. Second Friday of the month is a speaker meeting, non-smoking. January's speaker is JACKIE P. We have our business meetings every 2nd Sunday of the month. We open with the Serenity prayer then we read the 12 traditions and 12 concepts. Last Friday of the month is our birthday night also non-smoking meeting. This month's birthdays are Jamie G 12/20/11/2 yrs, Emily B 12/23/10/3 yrs, Craig B 12/7/97/16 yrs. No donations this month, loving service Crystal W.

Against all Odds – absent

A New Way - absent

Liberty Group – absent

Spiritual Principals – absent

SHARING SESSION:

- Discussion about excusing groups to read reports early in order to leave, especially groups from the Joplin area. People with long drives are still at end of meeting. It's important to stick around to vote on motions, they are important. Various suggestions were mentioned such as: asking groups for their votes before they leave, do group reports first, expressing how important the vote is to Narcotics Anonymous. For the regional votes needed Mike O our RCM will call GSR's for their groups votes.

- Native American continues to have conflicts with AA groups at the Alano club. Apparently they are upset because of too much cheering when people go up to get their clean time tags. AA gave them 2 weeks to get it under control or they will have to leave. GSR asked for suggestions, one was talk to Pastor Cliff of New Creations; all will keep an open mind.

OLD BUSINESS:

- MOTION: To waive quorum , passed
- Area purchasing storage unit for the among of \$120 for 7 months through Pat Day. Passed. Jocelyn will go Tuesday to get unit and start moving Area supplies the following weekend. Check was received.
- Regional Votes: 101313-01, 101313-07, 101313-09, 101313-10, 101313-11
 - A. RCM will call all GSR's to get tally of votes to take back to Regional's next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Check for Regional's was dispersed
- Jocelyn will be mailing schedules to out of town meetings and deliver to local meetings. Sorry for the delay.

Next Meeting: January 19, 2013

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR