

# OASC 5/24/08

Submitted for approval by OASC Secretary

Ozark Area met at 618 S. Jackson, Joplin MO w/ Spiritual Principles hosting

Meeting opened at 3:30pm w/ Serenity Prayer

Roll Call, Twelve Traditions & Twelve Concepts

**Officers Present:** Chair (Shelie V.) Treasurer (Jackee C.) Secretary (Andrea R) RCM (Renita G.) RCM Alt (David B.)

**Officers Absent:** PI Chair (David D)

**Offices Vacant:** OASC Vice Chair

**Subcommittee Chairs Present:** AASC (Shavett), H & I (Don S. representing)

**Subcommittee Chairs Vacant:** Literature Review & Outreach

**Groups Present:** But Do It (Becky M), Miracles (Jeff H), Point Of Turning (Danny S), Spiritual Principles (Chrys B) Survivors (Jacob A.), We Do Recover (Doug B)

**Groups Absent:** Together In Unity

**Groups Inactive:** Butterflies Are Free (3)

**Quorum (5 of 8 active groups):** Yes

**Recognition of New Groups:** None

**Additions or corrections to last month's minutes:** None

**Motion to accept minutes:** Accepted

**Additions or corrections to Agenda:** None

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

**Chair Report:** Hello Fellow Members,

I'm Shelie and I'm an addict. Welcome to our May Election Meeting. I'm grateful for the opportunity to participate with you here today in service for N.A. What a privilege and honor it is to be a part of helping to spread the message of Narcotics Anonymous that

“an addict, any addict, can stop using drugs, lose the desire to use and find a new way to live”

ILS, Shelie

**Secretary report:** I received the Regional Report that I mailed out months ago back from the Post Office for Butterflies Are Free marked BOX CLOSED, so I’ve quit mailing Area mins. to them.

**Ozark Area Treasurer’s Report  
MAY 2008  
(Meeting of April 19, 2008)**

Balance.....\$1,224.05	Balance ending April 19th area report
Total Deposits.....\$ 260.25	Donations and credits given in April 19th meeting
Total Expenses.....\$ 386.97	Expenses since April 19th report and meeting
Current Balance..... \$1,097.33	Balance as of May 24th, 2008 meeting

**DONATIONS**

Point of Turning..... \$ 10.00  
 But Do It..... \$ 80.25  
 Survivor’s.....\$ 50.00  
 Together In Unity.....\$ 20.00  
 We Do Recover.....\$100.00

**EXPENSES**

\$ 262.76 RSO/H&I Lit/Ck#1529  
 \$ 53.26 Andrea R/Secty/Ck#1530  
 \$ 15.00 We Do Recover/Meeting/Ck#1531  
 \$ 54.95 Freedom Voice/Ck#1532  
 \$ 1.00 Bank Charges

**TOTAL DEPOSITS... ..\$ 260.25**

**\$ 386.97 TOTAL EXPENSES**

In Loving Service,  
Jackee C.  
Area Treasurer

**RCM Report:** Hello Area,

I have the resume's that need to be reviewed before the next RSC. I will give each of you a copy.

I spoke with David B. last week and I agreed to go to RSC in July and sit in as RCM (if this service body approves.) David hasn't had a chance to sit in an RSC in an RCM Alt. capacity and would like to once just to get a feel for what goes on.

July's RSC will be hosted by OASC. I asked the Regional trusted servants what kind of function they would like to have and several suggested a Speaker Jam. Jackie C. has agreed to speak. The RD and the RDA have videos from WSC that they would like to share. So they would be the second speaker. Then there is a video of Jimmy K and some of the other old service junkies that we want to show. Oh I forgot to mention, July will be the Region's 25th anniversary. We will also do a raffle and 50/50. We will need raffle items for that. I will also need \$300 which the Region will reimburse.

In the past I have mentioned that the Region set up a Yahoo group for the RCM's to communicate in between RSC's. Thanks to this Yahoo Group, we can get updates in between RSCs. When the RD and The RDA went to the WSC they sent us daily updates. The motions for the Basic Text all passed. I won't have the break down of the votes until July. Also I have attached a Service IP for anyone interested to review. At the WSC, the RD's voted to have all service IP's sent back for a review process. I am not sure what this process is, but I do know we only have a short time to review the IP attached. I will find out more at the RSC. Any comments or suggestions need to be turned in to the RD at the RSC in July. So If you are interested in contacting the RD let me know and I will give you her number and email address.

Also, Thanks to the Yahoo Group, there is some controversy going on between the Executive committee and the RCM's. At the April RSC the RCMs voted to lower the mileage reimbursement from .48 - .52 to .25 per mile. One of the Executive's that was not present is very upset about this decision and wants it to go back to .52 a mile which is what the IRS states for business travel. However the RSC is not a business, its volunteer work which falls under a different category and I think that the IRS says .19 a mile for reimbursement. The RD and The RDA were going to drive to the SZF in Tn. but since they can't have their .52 a mile they have decided to spend \$1200+ on plane tickets. I am sure this will be a very heated topic in Open Forum. I would like to know this service bodies thoughts on this, because I think .52 a mile is ridiculous and that is just my opinion.

The next controversy pertains to WSR (Writing Steps in Recovery) The WSR Chair received a check for \$2000 to attend the WCS. When reading her report at the April RSC she said nothing about needing this money. However, the report she turned in for the minutes states that she planned to attend the WCS. Then in the treasures report there is a \$2000 reimbursement. This will be another heated topic in Open Forum.

The RSC has received one check for \$260 from the past Treasurer. At this time I do not know if the check cleared the bank.

ILS

Renita G. RCM

### SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

**AASC:** Hello Area,

The AASC met Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup> of May at the HOLC. All sub-committee members were present. We finalized our Speakers and Entertainment for the Picnic. We discussed the final merchandise order as well as the pending menu. I will continue to collect workshop ideas and we will make a final decision next month regarding these. Everything is going as planned.

ILS,

Shavett

**H&I:**

Men's jail is doing fine. Women's jail is doing fine. Lafayette House is doing fine, ordered a literature rack. Ozark Center is doing fine. City Jail meeting is being worked on. Don G. is stepping down from H&I Chair position due to personal issues. Donnie S. nominated and seconded for H&I Chair. Mike O. nominated and voted in as Vice Chair and Sherri E. nominated and voted in as H&I Secretary. Donnie S. needs to have the clean time requirement waived by Area.

### Group Reports

**But Do It:** Greetings,

But Do IT meets Wed. at 6:30 at 414 Virginia. It is a closed meeting except the last Wed. of the month which is open for Birthday Night. We have started planning our "Can't Put A Price On Recovery" function. More will be revealed... We have a \$ 70.00 donation.

ILS,

Becky M.  
GSR But Do It

**Miracles:** Hello Area,

My name is Jeff H. GSR of Miracles. We meet every Fri. night at 6:30 at the church on 4<sup>th</sup> & Byers. Our Birthday night is the last Friday of every month. We have an average of 40+ people a week. Our Annual Campout is Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> of '08. Sorry we have no Area donations this month due to being under prudent reserve.

P.S. If anyone has any Speaker tapes of someone in the area or outside the area (preferably in the 4 state area) we could borrow, we would appreciate it.

ILS,

Jeff H.

**Point Of Turning:** Hello Area Servants,

Our group still meets @ Parks' Community Center @ the corner of Spring & Main St., downtown Eldorado Springs. Meeting dates and times are Mon. @ noon, Tues. @ 7:00 pm, Thurs. @ 8:00 pm, Sat. @ noon. Tues & Thurs. have had steady 16-19, and Mon. & Sat. are usually small. Meeting content is always pretty real, as folks here are interested in staying in touch with a Higher Power, as well as staying clean. Donations to the group continue to run low, but we will throw down \$20.00 to the Area.

Respectfully,

Danny Sterling

**Spiritual Principles:** Hello Area,

Thank You for the opportunity to host this month. Spiritual Principles meets Sun. & Wed. at 9:30am. Attendance is 5 to 10 on Wed. 15 to 20 on Sun. We have no donation as we are having a Campout next weekend, with Free Day passes & \$8 per tent per night at Twin Bridges State Park. Please come & bring a covered dish. Thank You.

In Loving Service,

Chrys B

chrysb74@yahoo.com

### Survivors:

Our group continues to meet Monday thru Saturday at the HOLC at noon. Book studys are held on Wednesdays and Fridays. Our next business meeting will be held at 11am prior to the Area Business meeting in June. Stacy has resigned as GSR and I will be serving in this position effective today. Survivors group is grateful to donate \$100.00 to the Area.

In Loving Service,  
Jacob A.

### We Do Recover: Greetings Area from We Do Recover,

It's been a good month for recovery in Joplin. Our meeting attendance is growing and we had several standing room only meetings. We will be hosting Freedom Day celebration on July 12<sup>th</sup> starting at 2pm at Landrith Park. Robin will be the speaker. We have a \$25.00 donation for Area.

In Loving Service  
Doug B.

### Sharing Session

- AASC is still looking for workshop ideas. You can contact Shavett or another committee member, or just show up to their subcommittee meeting.
- Mileage reimbursements for RSC, a lot of money was paid out for this, it was voted at RSC to lower the rate from .48 to .25 per mile. Talk was generally that it would be fair if it was at the .50 IRS standard business rate. Feelings were that a *receipt* or *full amount (whichever is less)*, or only w/ a receipt for gas money spent brought to RSC for reimbursement should be paid. Other opinions were that it's a volunteer position .25 should be enough. Others said the .50 rate would be good for someone holding a Regional position and could only afford to attend w/ the reimbursement.

### OLD BUSINESS

- The motion for the Area storage – passed.

- Closed nominations for RCM and OASC Secretary,  
David B – RCM - passed

Andrea R – OASC Sec. -

passed

- The Regional motions that were in last month's minutes were tabled.

### NEW BUSINESS

- OASC Chair asked Donnie S if he was willing to act as interim H&I Chair. His Resume is included for the purpose of having the *clean time requirements waived* so he can be nominated for the H&I Chair position.

#### **GROUPS NEED TO VOTE ON THIS!!**

- Motion for OASC Guideline change:

11.1e amend to read;

Mileage expenses deemed reimbursable by sub-committee to be paid per fuel receipt. **GROUPS NEED TO VOTE ON THIS!!**

### **Don S Resume**

Hello Area, my name is Don S. My clean date is 8-20-06. I am a regular meeting maker. I have an NA sponsor that I work steps with; I go to meetings at my home group, chair meetings, take meetings into Ozark Center, participate as much as possible in groups.

Service positions currently held:

Activities Chair for home group

H&I Vice Chair

All positions have been fulfilled 2 terms

I would like to express my gratitude for NA and what it has done for me by return of giving back.

Loving Service, Don S

