

EASTERN AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE
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MINUTES- MARCH 2008

Chair Cheryl S. brought the EASC regular business meeting to order on Sunday, March 29, 2008, at 1 p.m., in Tulsa, OK. A moment of silence and the serenity prayer followed.

Readings:

12 Traditions- Deborah
12 Concepts- Alan
JFT - Andy

Roll Call: 9 Officers; 19 GSR's

This made a total of 26 voting members with 17 being the quorum (2/3).

Secretary read the minutes. Minutes accepted as read.

SUB- COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report: Jennifer J. / Treasurer Reported

March 2008

Beginning Bal.	\$5,320.59
Revenue	\$ 768.26
Expenses	\$ 623.39
Region	\$1,000.00
Ending Balance	\$4,465.46

Over prudent reserve \$2,965.46

Activities: Danielle H. / Chair reported

Thanks to Rebels With a Cause for hosting area. February unity meeting hosted by Meaning of the Principles had 16 groups and 28 people attending. Brought in \$16 for the seventh tradition. Batteries in the digital voice recorder went dead during the March Unity Meeting, hosted by North Side Stroll, so no recording was made of the speaker. No information available on how many attended and what the 7th tradition was. The game show idea was tabled due to lack of participation. October and December area meetings still need hosts. Next month elections are up and Chair will no longer serve. Positions open are Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

Balance	\$138.74
Marathon	\$ 29.11
End Balance	\$167.85

H & I (Hospitals and Institutions): Jerry B. / Chair reported

Support needed for David L. Moss H&I meeting. Clean time requirement is one year, must not be on probation and not have been in the facility in the last five years.

A new panel will be starting at Stringtown Penitentiary. DOC orientations will also take place. Stringtown is an all male facility, but we have the possible DOC opportunities for females also. If anyone is interested in getting orientated and participating in H&I with the Department of Corrections, please contact Judd S. Jerry B. or Doug S., so that the date and time info can be given..

H&I Literature Report: Jerry B. / Chair reported
\$349.50 order for February
\$124.55 disbursements for March
Order for March has not arrived as of area

PR (Public Relations): Teri C. / Chair reported

Had six members attend subcommittee
Going to be sending letters to Mayes County, Washington County and Pittsburg County Drug Courts. Pryor, Coweta and Haskell media for PSAs as these groups returned their fliers with the info needed. The PR Resource pool can be turned in. A sheet was sent around to sign up. Don't have to be on a committee to work on special projects. These commitments are generally one to six months and most work can be done from home.

Web – continued communication with webmaster. Julie D. is being trained to work on web site. We are being inundated with hundreds of spam messages which is why our mailbox is getting full, sometimes returning emails. Julie's been spending time cleaning up the mailbox.

Cox cable after having the PSA tape for six months has declined to run them stating they felt they didn't have an audience that the PSA would apply to. We are going to try a face to face with them. TCC ad, PR committee found that a committee members purchased the ads in the late spring and the ads ran then, which is why we couldn't find them in the fall when he got reimbursed. They are now running them as a PSA if space permits and suggest we call them in June to see if we may need to purchase them again.

PR called and emailed the OK Nurse Association and Doctors Family Practice Association to secure booth space for the yearly convention, but haven't received replies.

Had to return check for Tulsa County Medical Society Membership list due to an error of the incorrect amount. Check returned to treasurer and a new check for correct amount, \$25, is being issued.

Smoking meetings – discovered that meetings, whether open or closed, that allow smoking without having the correct ventilation for the smoking area and a non-smoking area are violating Oklahoma state law. NA meetings do not meet the special requirements to allow smoking. World recommends we ask groups who do smoke to reconsider that choice. They further suggest after 30 days if groups want to smoke, they be removed from meeting and phone list as this choice is breaking the law and affects the public image of NA as a whole. The committee discussion was to follow world's suggestion. The sharing session resulted in mixed thoughts. We now ask groups for guidance.

Tulsa Boys Home is requesting five basic texts and one Just for Today meditation.

There will be an orientation for PR at 10:30 a.m. before the next area for any group or members who wish to learn how to place posters/PSAs in their local community. Templates will be available.

Literature: Teresa T. / Chair reported

Inventory	\$2,294.61
Cash on Hand	\$ 674.28

Bank Total \$3,888.62
Ending Balance \$6,857.51

All of 2007 taxes, \$1,110.07, and first quarter taxes, \$521.28, will be paid from the literature account. If literature account needs help, area will look at transferring money back to the literature account.

RCM Report: Pam W. / RCM reported

No official report

Still accepting votes from World Board Motions.

OKCRNA is April 4, 5, and 6 in OKC.

Web Contact: No report

Break: 1:50 p.m.

Back: 2:00 p.m.

9 Trusted Servents 20 GSRs 27 voting members with 18 quorum

Old Business:

Motions from Area that were taken to groups last month.....

***Motion 1 – To change the meeting format at Region from Robert’s Rules of Order to Consensus Based Decision Making.**

VOTE: 14 for; 0 opposed; 5 abstentions; Motion Passed

***Motion 2 – To give PR committee \$1,200 per year to get NA out to the general public.**

VOTE: 12 for; 5 opposed; 2 abstentions; Motion Passed

A motion which was submitted by Activities Committee Chair concerning a by-law change was discussed, but chair later withdrew motion.

A motion submitted by PR chair concerning a by-law change was discussed, but chair later withdrew motion.

Consensus was that if a group or member wants to bring an idea to area and it affects a subcommittee, courtesy would be to bring the idea to the subcommittee first and see if a solution can be found. If after meeting with the subcommittee, a motion needs to be brought before area, that is the time to do it.

Elections:

Intent to Fill: Elections are coming in April for chairs for Activities, H&I, PR, Literature, Web Contact and RCM and RCM Alternate.

GSR Reports: Reports were given by the 23 NA Groups.

Pryor Hump Day Group- LeAnn

Muskogee Rebels with a Cause - Kelly

Jay Last Chance- Brett

Pryor Weekend Warriors - Kelly

Tulsa Sharing n Recovery- Heather

Tulsa North Side Stroll- Becky

Sapulpa NA- Ronny	Tulsa Second Chance- John
Claremore No Name Group- Andy	Collinsville Crosswins - Dave
Coweta Keepin It Simple – Athena	BA Serenity Seekers - Amy
Wagoner High On Life- Cameron	Tahlequah Just for Today - Teresa
Tulsa Meaning of the Principles – Megan	Peace of Mind - Joe
Broken Arrow Serenity Seekers – Amy	Tulsa Original Group - Deborah
Hartshorne Never Alone – Jason	Jay Just For You – Dave
Tulsa Survivors in Recovery – Allen	Bartlesville The Other Side – Toby
Talihina NA - Eli	

The following group(s) specifically requested support from the NA fellowship or have an event coming:

BROKEN ARROW: can use more men willing to sponsor.

JAY JUST FOR YOU: Added two more meetings. Wednesday at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. at Zena Baptist Church

MUSKOGEE: Hosting May Unity Meeting on May 3. Is their seventh birthday as a group. Birthday celebration 2 p.m. in Spaulding Park

TALIHINA NA: New group started. Meetings are Monday and Fridays at 8 p.m. at Pine Grove Baptist Church. Will wait to get starter packet til next area.

BARTLESVILLE: May 10 is annual Shake a Leg Dance. Shirts \$20 to help pay for band

CLAREMORE: Memorial Weekend is No Name Campout. Free camping

PRYOR: Deadline for early registration for Humpin Down the River is April 15. Shirts available.

New Business:

Heather P. nominated as Literature Chair. Since she is unable to attend next area when elections are held, a straw poll was taken to allow her to answer questions required in by-laws for a service commitment. Poll allowed her to answer questions. All answers given were satisfactory.

Disbursements:

\$124.55 disbursements for March for H&I

Announcements:

Unity meeting is at 12 & 12, hosted by Spiritual Connection, Saturday, April 5, 8 p.m.

Next Area Meeting: April 27 at 12 & 12, hosted by North Side Stroll, 1 p.m.

First Region Meeting is second Sunday in April in Enid.

Fall Spiritual Retreat Committee meets after Sunday meeting at convention.

Closing:

With no further business to be brought before the group, the meeting was adjourned. Everyone circled up and closed with the serenity prayer.

In Loving Service,
Sommer W.