EASTERN AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE

Post Office Box 195 Pryor, OK 74362

MINUTES- August 2009

EASC Chair Judd S. brought the EASC regular business meeting to order on Sunday, Aug. 30, 2009, at 1 p.m., at 12&12. A moment of silence and the serenity prayer followed.

Readings:

12 Traditions- Christina 12 Concepts- Dave JFT - Judd

Roll Call: 11 Officers; 29 GSR's

This made a total of 36 voting members with 24 being the quorum (2/3).

Secretary read the minutes. Minutes accepted as read.

SUB- COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report: Judy McB. / Treasurer reported

 Beginning Bal.
 \$ 1,921.87

 Revenue
 \$ 439.24

 Expenses
 \$ 750.25

 Region
 \$ 200.00

 Ending Balance
 \$ 1,410.86

Over prudent reserve \$ 289.14 Negative cash flow \$ 311.01

Activities: Megan reported

Holiday marathon meeting moving from 12 & 12 location. New location will be announced when known. Groups encouraged to use the registered trademark if they print t-shirts with the NA logo on them. Notice that even if unity meeting is held outdoors, members are not supposed to smoke during meetings. Groups encouraged to bring butt cans for cigarette butts when hosting outdoor events. Activities chair asked GSRs to ask groups whether they have ideas for activities during winter months.

H & I (Hospitals and Institutions): Doug S. / Chair reporting

New panel leader – Christina B. – chosen for Tulsa Women and Children's Center. Temporary secretary for H&I is Marie. David L. Moss wants to start another men's H&I meeting on Fridays. Felicia B. expressed desire to start taking H&I meetings into women correctional facilities. This is only in the works so far.

PR (Public Relations): Brett M. / Chair reporting

8 or 9 present in subcommittee. Phone line took 167 phone calls. 20 messages left mostly from family members and couple professionals.

PR will set up booth from noon to 3 p.m. at West Fest on Sept. 19.

Skiatook Library and School contacted PR about learning and awareness day on addiction. PR will attend since asked to be there.

Tulsa DOC and drug court is in process of changing format due to issues with clients signing each other's papers and not attending meetings. Want to have meetings inside their facility either after or before their regular sessions. This hasn't happened yet, but is in works.

PR Chair said meetings brought to area each month are month behind and will be updated in one week. PR chair asked members who have ability to wait one week and print schedules at home. This would give groups the latest list and save area money.

<u>Literature:</u> Heather P. / Chair reporting

 Inventory
 \$3,324.93

 Cash on Hand
 \$ 153.38

 Beginning balance
 \$1,208.63

 Ending balance
 \$4,686.94

Taxes collected \$ 149.94

RCM Report: Megan S. / RCM reported

Region met Aug. 9

Beginning balance - \$12,280.29 / Ending balance - \$15,492.16

Tax Issue: Region is filling out new business forms, and has been paying taxes. Since sales tax is different in each area, calculating sales tax is a little difficult. Region asks areas when sending sales tax to put amount of sales on the check. Should have all back taxes paid off in three months. CPA suggested we claim a little at a time so to not cause alarms and fees and penalties.

CAR Report: Will be in Kansas in December

Intent To Fill: RD Alt

OKRCNA: Convention April 9-11, 2009 at Sheraton Reed in Midwest City

C&C: Lots of extra merchandise. Steve and Elizabeth going to Texas to try and sell extra at convention there.

Literature Review: held in all areas. Expenses were \$35 rent in Stroud; \$75 in Tulsa; \$25 in Plains; \$43.73 for copies and \$24.02 in pizza.

GSA 2010 Chair elected: Morgan S. from Western Area

By-laws: Subcommittees were voted to be reinstated. Subcommittee chairs will need to attend region.

Motion to help Plains area buy literature for H&I for \$300 passed.

Areas being asked what type of learning day would each area need since region is supposed to put one on yearly.

By-law revision at next region.

Location of region will be announced since 12&12 location cannot be used.

OldBusiness:

Motion: To have regional convention put back into rotation through all areas and not have it in one area all the time.

17 yes; 8 no; 2 abstain - Motion passes

Discussion held on subcommittee chairs being required to attend region since vote passed at region to not do away with subcommittees.

Discussion on posting eastern area and literature monthly reports on web site along with minutes

Elections:

None held

BREAK: 2:00 p.m. Reconvene: 2:10 p.m.

10 officers; 29 GSRs, 35 voting members, 23 quorum

GSR Reports: Reports were given by 30 NA Groups.

Blind Faith – Mike

It Works: Melissa

Just In Time – Buck

Just Another Hour – Dwight

Noontime - Mike

Northside Stroll – Becky

Second Chance – Bryan

Spiritual Connection – Bert

Hard Core - Mike

Just In Time – Buck

Noontime - Mike

Peace of Mind – John

Sharing In Recovery – Ron

Survivors in Recovery – Steve

Tulsa Original Group – Kip

Broken Arrow – Baylor

Foyil – Ron

Bartlesville – Toby

Claremore – Bob

Hartshorne – Michelle

Jay Just For You – Rebecca McAlester Against All Odds – Jason McAlester The Lie Is Dead – Willy McAlester Stepping Into Freedom – Tina Muskogee Rebels – Rodney Muskogee Ultimate Weapon – Kyle

Owasso Gratitude – Ross Pryor Hump Day – Tina

Salina Better Late Than Never – Jim Sapulpa – Ronny Vinita – Rob Talihina – Ray

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

BLIND FAITH: Moving meeting to the other room at 12&12. Meeting Thursdays from 8:45 to 9:45 p.m.

JUST IN TIME: Moving meeting to 12000 E 31st St. at Green Country Event Center NOONTIME: Moving meeting to Green Country Event Center on Sept. 7

NORTHSIDE STROLL: Hosting unity meeting at 12&12 Saturday, Sept. 5. / Hosting Sept. 11-13 at Greenleaf State Park - \$10 registration

PEACE OF MIND: Joint birthday party with Tulsa Original Group Oct 11 from noon to 4 p.m. at Haikey Creek Park

SECOND CHANCE: Moving to Green Country Event Center. Friday night meeting changing from 8 to 9:30 p.m.

SPIRITUAL CONNECTION: Moving to other room at 12&12 for time being

TULSA ORIGINAL GROUP: Hosting birthday picnic Oct. 11 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Haikey Creek Park.

BARTLESVILLE: Starting Wednesday night volleyball after meeting. If other groups interested will have volleyball after Saturday meeting if groups want to come up and challenge Bartlesville

CLAREMORE: Starting Saturday night candlelight meeting 9 p.m.

HARTSHORNE: CaveIn Campout Oct 2-4. Please pre-register so group knows how many to feed

JAY JUST FOR YOU: Moved to old Grove Refuse to Use location. Monday night meeting 8 p.m., Wednesday 8 p.m. and Sunday 3 p.m. Is hosting area next month at community center in Zena

SAPULPA: Picnic Sept. 20, at Liberty Park noon to 4 p.m.

VINITA: Meeting place now at 112 E. Canadian in Vinita. Monday night 7 p.m. new meeting, basic text study.

TALIHINA: Heavy on newcomers. Short on people with recovery experience MCALESTER STEPPING INTO FREEDOME: New meeting Tuesdays at noon at 202 ½ E. Choctaw in McAlester. Step study meeting

New Business:

LOW AREA FUNDS: Area chair brought up fact that area account is under prudent reserve. Expenses were \$735 today and only received \$250 in donations. An Ad Hoc committee is forming with treasurer, vice-chair, chair and RCM to conduct audit of account, to see if expenses can be cut. Area chair said several reasons why donations are down could be the basket money is down, groups dividing funds and sending area less. Area chair said area can't continue to spend \$700 to \$800 per month and bring in only \$200 to \$300.

Member said reason why their group isn't sending money is due to prudent reserve increase of \$200 per month for a \$200 per year increase in activity budget.

Member suggested area host fundraiser to raise money

Member questioned whether H&I literature could be temporarily funded through eastern area literature account

Member suggested maybe groups adopt H&I meeting and be responsible for cost of literature at that facility

Member said he thinks the groups are focusing on fun as in all the various functions being held. Member thinks that takes away from area. Member questioned whether we are focusing too much on fun instead of taking care of addicts through supporting our area

Motion: To add complete monthly area and literature treasurer's report to minutes on the web, minus the names of the groups donating.

Intent: for treasurer's monthly report to be available to all NA members 23 yes; 0 no; 5 abstain – Motion passes

LITERATURE OFFICE:

Literature chair asked area what they think about literature office purchasing one more locking cabinet to place at new meeting place at Green Country Event Center. Literature office must move and literature chair has no other ideas. The cabinets can be locked and event center is more secure than 12&12. Cash would be taken each night by literature chair, so no money would be left in the cabinets. Literature chair assumes office would pay \$50 rent like is done already for 12 & 12 office. Hours will be decided later. General consensus was the move was okay. No other ideas suggested.

Literature chair said items ordered about a year or so ago and are not selling. Items are literature on CDs. Lit. chair wants to discount items by \$5 or \$6 to get rid of items. Area approved of discount.

Intent for Region PR, H&I and Outreach chair. Anyone interested show up at next region meeting.

Disbursements:

Starter Packet: none

Region: none

Other:

Announcements:

Unity meeting is hosted by Northside Stroll at 12&12, 4 p.m., Sept. 5
Area Meeting at Zena Community Center on Sunday, Sept. 27, hosted by Second Chance

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.