

CVANA Service Meeting Minutes 8/6/2011

Hosted by VAP, Chippewa Falls, WI

Preceded by Learning Session of H&I Presentations

Meeting called to order by: Jerry @ 10:10am

Attendance: Keri S, Kristine L, Chris J, Chris C, Dean L, Jerry K, Mike T, Jeff SH, Bob R, Gene A, Mike S, Greg C, Nichole M.

12 Traditions: Jerry K

Service Prayer: All

Roll Call:

GSR's:

EC Friday night: Mike T. here, EC Wednesday night: Dean L. here, Rice Lake: Jeff S.H. here, Chippewa Tues & Sun Mike S here, EC Tues. & Thurs. Keri S here, Cadott Bob R here, BRF Monday Night John M. absent, EC Monday Night: Chris J. here, EC Saturday afternoon: Jessica H. absent, EC Tues night: Gene A. here.

Officers:

Chairperson - here, Vice Chairperson - here, RCM - here, RCMA – vacant, Treasurer - here, Treasurer Alternate – absent, Secretary - here, Secretary Alternate– vacant.

Subcommittees:

Activities – vacant, Activities Alternate – here, Literature Chair - here, Literature Alternate - here, Public Relations – here, Public Relations Alternate – vacant, H&I Chairperson – here, H&I Chair alternate – absent, Policies Chairperson - here, Policies Alternate – here, Web Servant - here, Web Servant Alternate – vacant, Outreach Chairperson - here, Outreach Alternate – vacant.

Motion made to accept July 2011 minutes by: Dean L Seconded by: Greg C

~~~~ Introductions ~~~~

**Chair Report:** ~~~ Read aloud at Area ~~~

The picnic was a huge success again this year. Sorry I had to leave before it was over. Thanks very much to everyone who helped out and also to those who spoke about service work. Nichole put together an itemized list of exactly what the \$200 Area allotted for the event and it will be included in the minutes. I bought back the extra hotdogs and cheese that was left over so that money, \$12, is included. Plus a \$2 donation I was given after an H&I meeting at Arbor Place, by an addict that wanted it to go for either key tags or literature, for a total of \$171.36

| Receipt               | Amount  | Item               |
|-----------------------|---------|--------------------|
| Village Hearth Bakery | \$22.41 | 9 flats of buns    |
| 50-50 Factory Outlet  | \$2.51  | 2pkgs 12oz cups    |
| Dollar Tree           | \$6.33  | plastic ware       |
| Aldi                  | \$5.65  | plates and napkins |
| Mega Foods            | \$23.19 | 6 12pks soda       |

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| Gordy's                              | \$7.96            | 4 12pks soda                                                        |
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| Mega Foods                           | \$7.96            | brats and ketchup                                                   |
| Mega Foods                           | \$6.98            | brats                                                               |
| Mega Foods                           | \$3.98            | ketchup and mustard                                                 |
| Aldi                                 | \$40.30           | 6pkgs hamburgers                                                    |
| Mega Foods                           | \$13.85           | pickles, ketchup, cheese, brats                                     |
| Mega Foods                           | \$10.98           | cheese and brats                                                    |
| Mega Foods                           | \$37.58           | pickles, ketchup, cheese, brats, onions, water, sauerkraut, hotdogs |
| Total Cost                           | \$197.64          |                                                                     |
| Budget                               | \$200.00          |                                                                     |
| Remaining cash                       | \$2.36            |                                                                     |
| Jerry and Nichole<br>random donation | \$12.00<br>\$2.00 | purchased remaining hotdogs and cheese                              |
| Auction proceeds                     | \$155.00          |                                                                     |
| Cash returned to<br>Treasury         | \$171.36          |                                                                     |

I would like to remind the GSR's that CVA is here to help the groups in any way it can. One way we can do this is if you include in your reports things that are working well in your meeting as well as issues you might be having. Although Area isn't here to tell the groups what they should or shouldn't do, we can offer suggestions and possibly help another group carry the message better or maybe they have dealt with an issue your group may be having. As an Area our 5<sup>th</sup> Tradition remains the same to carry the message as best we can.

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**Co-Chair Report:** ~~~ Spoken aloud at Area ~~~

Vice Chair Report 8.6.11

I collected money from the 7<sup>th</sup> tradition and the suggested donation from the picnic. I also have a check from someone for the auction. I have handed off the money to our treasurer this morning.

Thank you for allowing me to serve,

Keri S

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**RCM Report:** ~~~ read aloud at Area ~~~

8/2011

We had a full house at the July regional conference with 15 of 15 areas represented. Attention was focused on revising policy and procedure in the practice of consensus based decision making. The round table discussion topic, which is chosen by the hosting area, concerned lack of participation by groups in area service.

A few areas reported their support for the creation of a USSC and apparently the delegate team who represent WRSC to the World Conference are in favor of this new service body. Group confirmation forms are to be sent directly to USFA and the second US Fellowship Assembly is in Tulsa, OK Oct 28th to the 30<sup>th</sup>.

The updated July 2011 printed WI meeting directory is finally available and has been distributed to several groups. Please only take a few copies for your group, as supplies are limited. A thousand copies have been set aside for H&I.

CVA will be hosting September WRSC at the Best Western Arrowhead lodge in Black River Falls. The facility has been reserved and conference rooms paid for. The Regional Activities sub-committee sequestered \$150 out of its budget to go toward a conjunction function. We also need to choose a topic and present a brief description for the 1 1/2-hour 'round table' discussion. Perhaps something to do with training trusted servants would be appropriate. Thank you everyone for helping to make this happen, I believe this will galvanize our Area's participation and unity with the WI Region.

WSNAC 28 will be in Appleton the weekend of Sept 30<sup>th</sup> and the World Convention of NA will be in San Diego Sept 1<sup>st</sup> to the 4<sup>th</sup>.

In Grateful Service

Jeff/ RCM.

Question/Comment: Bob R – the WRSC website does not have the new WRSC printable list updated under the printable link yet. Jerry – The new WRSC list still reflects the Chetek meeting. Jeff – the meeting is still being conducted.

Accepted

**Treasure Report:** ~~~ read aloud at Area ~~~

08/06/2011

NA funds are to be used to further our primary purpose, and must be managed responsibly.

11th concept

Old Balance

\$275.55

7<sup>th</sup> Tradition

\$16.00

Due to extenuating conditions, there was some confusion on dollar amount even though 3 people counted the money.

GSR contributions

|                                      |        |  |
|--------------------------------------|--------|--|
| Defective Characters –Rice Lake-Jeff | 20.00  |  |
| Silver Lining-EC-Tone                | 5.00   |  |
| Miracles R Us-EC-Mike                | 20.00  |  |
| United Survive-EC-Dean               | 35.00  |  |
| Together We Grow-EC-Chris            | 75.00  |  |
| Black & Blue-Cadott- Bob             | 7.00   |  |
| Total GSR contributions              | 162.00 |  |
| Sub-Total                            | 178.00 |  |

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| Net Deposit |  | 178.00 |
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| Balance |  | 453.55 |
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Expenses

|                 |       |  |
|-----------------|-------|--|
| Ck 1163 Dean L. | 12.80 |  |
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Public Relations gas reimbursement

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|--------------------|--|--------|
| Equals new balance |  | 440.75 |
|--------------------|--|--------|

On 07/21/2011 I received from RCM 2 checks from WSRC for deposit into CVANA checking account

Ck 5119 for \$215.00-Gen fund-meeting space Sept.

Ck 5124 for \$150.00-Activities

|                      |  |        |
|----------------------|--|--------|
| Total or net deposit |  | 365.00 |
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| Balance |  | 805.75 |
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Expense

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|--------------------------------------|--|--------|
| Ck 1164 Best Western Arrowhead Lodge |  | 211.00 |
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Meeting room reservations

Equals new balance

594.75

A side note for activities sub-committee chair, your remaining balance is \$154.00. This balance has not been subtracted yet from the new balance.

Thank you and in grateful service from a trusted servant,

Sincerely Robert

Question/Comment: Jeff – how did we come out on the July Picnic? Jerry – between the auction and 7<sup>th</sup> tradition collection about \$320 above the \$200 spent by CVA. (Secretary's estimation of money brought in by Picnic:  $\$171.36 + 236 = \$407.36$ )?

*Side Note:*

Accepted

**Secretary Report:** Thank you to everyone for doing what you did to make July's Area and Picnic go as well as it did, since I could not be there. Any input would be appreciated to finish the WRSC flier.

Question/Comment:

*Side Note:*

Accepted

**Activities Alternate Report:** ~~~ read aloud at Area ~~~

Activities Sub-Committee met on July 13th and discussed what would be planned for the Regional Conference on September 16th -18th at the Arrowhead Best Western Lodge In Black River Falls

Saturday

We decided at that time that we would have two workshops or maybe the better term is 4 Speakers during Region for people who would like an alternative to sitting all day listening to just the Regional inner workings ( for lack of a better term ).

2 Speakers on The Clarity of The Message

2 N.A. Unity

It was also decided we would have a Spaghetti Dinner - Pot-Luck

N.A. Meeting to Follow

Speaker to Follow that

Dance

50/50 Raffle

\$5 Donation No Addict Turned Away

Times and Name of speakers were added later

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**Literature Report:**

i have most literature you may need, if not i will try to get it for you. also the price of literature has gone up, except the basic text

thanks, in loving service gene a

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**PR Report:** ~~~ read aloud at Area ~~~

Focus has been on getting NA Public Relations material for the upcoming Recovery Event at Phoenix Park on Sept 24<sup>th</sup>. September is recovery month. A Sub-committee meeting met in July and decided on the materials best for the event set-ups. A motion for Area to purchase materials will be submitted. A (display) table is not included in the motion. We will need someone that has a table to let us borrow one.

Dean L.

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**H&I Report:** ~~~ read aloud at Area ~~~

H&I Subcommittee Report 8/6/11

Arbor Place is going well. We had our first meeting with a chair person and a speaker! Need meeting lists for them....about 20.

LE Phillips – discussed a format for LE. Waiting on discussion with Mike D on showing the format to LE for approval. We have 4 more people interested in speaking at LE and I am working on getting them some applications.

Metro – we discussed having a speaker meeting here once a month as requested and have volunteers already. Just waiting on the contact to call me back. I have left several messages and have heard nothing.

Jackson Correctional Facility in Black River Falls – I have given out quite a number of applications. So far I have one returned and am waiting for a couple more so I can send in a “first batch”. I will send this out in the next couple of days. Big Rivers Area has 2 applications in waiting for approval and I don’t want to be too far behind them so we can get something started.

Literature

Metro – Asking for 10 each of the regular 4 IP's and meeting lists

Eau Claire Academy – Asking for 10 each of Regular 4 IP's and meeting lists along with 10 each of Young People IP and For the Parents IP

VAP – Asking for a bunch of IP's specified on the motion.

I have written a motion with the literature order and amounts that will come up in new business.

Next H&I meeting will be: Wed. Aug. 24 at 6:30 at Grace Lutheran Church

Thank you to everyone who is involved in service and in keeping NA alive.

Keri S.

Question/Comment:

*Side Note:*

Accepted

**Policy and Procedure Report: 08/06/2011**

I do not have much to report for policies other than I have finally made some changes to the service resume and added a cover letter. Between the resume changes and cover letter, hopefully it will address some of the concerns expressed about privacy, unwillingness, and exodus problems. I have 2 copies on hand for everybody to look over.

Question/Comment:

*Side Note:*

Accepted

**Web Report: 8 / 6 /2011**

Hi Family,

Not much happening. No emails. Only eight people used the site in July.

Most used the meeting page and two used the calendar.

In Service,

Greg

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**Outreach Report:**

i have attempted to find this so called NA meeting that is suppose to exist at an Alano club in menomonie that no longer exists at the location listed for the alano club. i wish i knew who was in charge of the complaint department at the alano club because i was quite upset about the driving and time spent to find this place. not to mention that had i been a newcomer and been unable to find the meeting we all know how that could end.

thanks, in loving service gene a

Question/Comment: Keri S – the Alano Club in Menomonie is open while under construction?  
Dean L – Did you use the alley entrance? That was the door the flier said to use.

Accepted

**Ad-hoc Committee: Learning Day Series ~~~ read aloud at Area ~~~**

Learning Day Adhoc 8/6/11

We have a date of Oct. 08 set for the learning day! We also have a place: the Church of Christ.

The next meeting will be held on Wed. Aug. 24 at 6:30 at Grace Lutheran Church during this meeting we will be selecting topics and workshop speakers.

Thank you for your service,

Keri S.

Question/Comment:

Accepted

**Ad-hoc Committee: Region Conference Sept. ~~~ read aloud at Area ~~~**

No written report submitted as of August 24, 2011

Question/Comment:

Accepted

Break for Serenity

## GSR REPORTS

### **Defective Characters Rice Lake Thursday Submitted by Jeff S.H.**

Donation \$ 20 Avg Grp Size: 10 Newcomers: Yes They return: Yes

I attend the groups at least 5 times a month. We bought \$100 worth of Literature from Area. Sept 10 Narrow Park Picnic. Rotating chairs. Reading from the Basic Text and It Works books.

### **United Survive Eau Claire Wednesday Submitted by Dean L.**

Donation \$ 50 Avg Grp Size: 15 Newcomers: Yes They return: Yes

Strong group. Good message of recovery shared. Looking at options for 5<sup>th</sup> Wed of medallions.

### **Black River Falls Monday & Friday NA Group Submitted by John M. (emailed)**

Donation \$ 0 Avg Grp Size: 6-8 Newcomers: Yes They return: Sometimes

The two meetings are ongoing and stable. They are both a literature study format, with discussion based on the reading from the Just For Today reading.

### **Together We Grow Eau Claire Monday Night Submitted by Chris J.**

Donation \$ 25 Avg Grp Size: 10 Newcomers: No They Return:

Donated \$25 to Area. We are ordering literature for the rack upstairs next to the office at Fahrman Center.

### **Miracles Are Us Eau Claire Friday Submitted by Mike T./Nichole M. (group treasurer)**

Donation \$ 15 Avg Grp Size: 35-40 Newcomers: Yes They Return: Yes

Meeting going great. New comers come every week. Lots of volunteers asking how to do service and getting involved.

Grateful to be part of service.

### **All Day Long Eau Claire Tues. and Thurs. Submitted by Keri S.**

Donation \$ 10 Avg Grp Size: 10-15 Newcomers: Yes They return: Yes

Meeting is going well.

### **Bridges to Recovery Chippewa Falls Submitted by Barb J. (emailed)**

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Not sure who our GSR will be yet. I am group secretary and will report for Bridges to Recovery for now. ..

Barb

### **Blue and Black Basic Text submitted by Bob R.**

Donation \$ 0 Avg Grp Size: 3-6 Newcomers: Yes They return: Sometimes

The group is hosting it's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual picnic 8-11-11

### **Silver Lining submitted by Jessica H. ~~~~~absent~~~~~ (emailed from Tone)**

Donation \$ Avg Grp Size: Newcomers: They return:

Group attendance is 4-8 addicts with a newcomer every couple of weeks. We have members with quite a bit of clean time who are ready and willing to welcome newcomers.

The café continues to be a very supportive meeting site and allows us to keep meeting lists on their community information table.

Trusted servants: Jia continues in both roles, secretary and treasurer. Jessica H. As GSR and Tone as GSRA.

Thanks,  
Tone

**It Works submitted by Gene A/Nichole M (group Secretary)**

Donation \$ 10 Avg Grp Size: 5-7 Newcomers: Yes They return: Yes  
We study It Works: How & Why, practicing spiritual principles associated with steps and traditions.

**15 Min. Open Forum:** (began: 11:46am ended: 12:07pm )

Mike S – started by thanking CVA’s Trusted Servants for being here and “taking the reins”. Expressed concerns including; service resume, lack of communication between Area and Groups, some of the wording within the Policies (ie: groups need to be approved to be “added” to Area). Expressed that he was “here to provoke some thought and healthy discussion”.

**Old Business:** (began approximately: 12:07pm ended: 12:22pm )

Round Table Topic for WRSC – Ad-hoc to decide on this information at next Hosting WRSC committee meeting. **Wed. Aug 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm.**

Motion – Bob R 2<sup>nd</sup>: Service Resume – discussion of the revised service resume, mostly focused on the wording of the “cover letter”. Vote: 8 for 2 against = PASSED

Motion – Keri S : developing a CVA Group Service Rep (GSR) Orientation packet. Vote: 11 for = PASSED. (Nichole M volunteered to chair Ad-hoc to develop Orientation Packet. Gene, Greg, Bob, and Keri volunteered to assist Nichole M)

**Elections:** ~~~ none ~~~

**New Business:**

Motion – Dean L : request for \$154.56 to purchase literature and supplies for Recovery Rally. Vote: 11 for = PASSED

Motion – Kristine L: request for \$309 to spend on hosting WRSC. Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed, 1 abstain = PASSED

Motion – Keri S: request for \$92.59 to purchase H&I literature for the VAP. Vote: 9 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstain = PASSED

**Key points to share with Groups**

- 1) *Wed. Aug 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm – Ad-hoc committee: Hosting WRSC meeting*
- 2) *Confirmation of Support of USFA given to GSR's to present to groups*
- 3) *Wed. Aug 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm – H&I Subcommittee meeting*
- 4) *Vacant positions, listed below, will be up for election each month until positions are filled.*

**SERVICE SAVES LIVES**

**Elections to be held at September ASC meeting**

**Vacant Positions:** *Co-Secretary, RCM-Alt, H&I Alternate, Web Servant Alternate, Activities, Outreach Alternate, Public Relations Alternate*

**September 2011 Area Service: location VAP, 10am September 3, 2011**

**October 2011 Area Service: location VAP, 10am October 1, 2011**

**November 2011 Area Service: location VAP, 10am November 5, 2011**

**December 2011 Area Service: location VAP, 10am December 3, 2011**

Motion made to close meeting: Jerry K      Seconded by: Dean L.      Time: 1:15pm