

# Mid State Unity Area of NA®

Area minutes for February 12, 2018

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**Open:** 7:05pm the meeting opened with a moment of silence, the Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts and the Service Prayer.

**Welcome** to all new GSRs, Alternate GSRs and visitors! Dave GSR for Miracles on Oak, Dan ALT for Stepping Into the Weekend, Kevin GSR for After the Weekend, Bourbon ALT for Where We are Going, Laura GSR for Till the Wheels Fall Off, Lindsay GSR for New Freedom Group

**Mail:** Comcast Junk mail, retreat registration, Renewal for PO box \$140, Reaching out, NAWS

**Roll Call:** 16 out of 23 groups present at roll call, 14 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 was met. Till the wheels fall off and Miracles on Oak do not have voting privileges

**Service Orientation:** MSUA B. Admin Officers 7-9 ARCM-sub-committee chairs page 9-10

## **Announcements:**

Convention Committee Meetings

CAR workshops, CAR Report votes are due back to our RCM in April, There will be two workshops that are still available to attend, the dates are Saturday February 24, 2018 from 12:00-4:00pm at the Trinity Episcopal Church, 345 Main Street, Portland, CT & Sunday March 4, 2018 from 4:00-7:30pm at Park Congregational Church, 283 Broadway, Norwich, CT

**Secretary minutes** – Passed 13-0-1

December minutes passed 13-0-1

**Treasurer report** –Passed 13-0-1

December minutes passed 9-0-5

**RCM** –Al W. (Alt RCM) gave a verbal/ written report.

Financial statement was accepted 6-0-0 MSUA fund flowed \$905.27 CAR workshop materials are available [www.NA.org/conference](http://www.NA.org/conference) BOD: 1 at large seat; technical director, ALT technical Director and site selection are OTF. TVA, CCA, and SFCA board members terms will expire in March. Policy facilitator OTF. Elections: Vice chair, secretary Web servant, & Policy facilitator OTF, BOD seats: CCA, OTA and At large seats are OTF. Convention Chair: Sharon B was elected.

## **Activities – Alicia M. Written/Verbal Report**

Sound meditation and yoga event was a success, struggling for participation. Discussed annual volleyball tournament and picnic. Open to new ideas and service only takes one day clean. Activities chair is up in May 2018

**Activities meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month at Faith Lutheran church located at 300 Washington Street at 6:30 p.m. prior to the Basically Lit meeting.**

**H&I** – 1 new male orientee, Rushford men panel coordinator filled by Walter M. A new biweekly Rushford women's presentation has begun on a 3-month trial period every other Thursday at 7pm. Our secretary Tonia C. has edited our subcommittees policy while will be reviewed during our next business meeting in March.

**H&I meet the third Wednesday of every month at Holy Trinity Church, 381 Main St. Middletown. New member orientation begins at 6:30 followed by the regularly scheduled subcommittee meeting at 7:00.**

## **Literature – Billy gave verbal**

All orders were filled. AIW Financial Report Attached.

**MSUA Literature meets at the Portland Senior Center prior to the ASC meeting at 6:15, all are welcome.**

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## **Public Relations – Adam H. written/verbal**

Check for 3 months' rent (January, February and March were sent to the church) Secretary is OTF and committee recommends Adam H. as chairperson for another year. Committee discussed scheduling orientations for those who recently the volunteer signs up sheets, and the possibility of providing a larger Lit. Rack at the soup kitchen and/or the food pantry. A new Lit rack was dropped off at the food pantry. A member for New Freedoms Group Ad Hoc for the speaker jam in the park came to request that a member or two from PR attend their new Adhoc meeting to discuss reaching out to the community to inform them about the speaker jam. Our chair and vice chair plan on attending. Regional PR committee did not meet in January due to broken pipe in the church forcing the committee to relocate for a couple of months to the February/march meetings (will be held at the Trinity Episcopal Church in Portland.) Vice Chair, Secretary and Mobile meeting coordinator for the regional PR subcommittees are OTF.

**Next committee meeting will be held on January 7<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 5pm at Church of Holy Trinity, 381 Main St, Middletown.**

*Public Relations meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of every month at Holy Trinity, 381 Main St. at 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM. New member orientation is at 6:00 PM following the regularly scheduled subcommittee meeting.*

## **Retreat –Denise J gave Verbal report**

Report Attached. Sold two packages at \$180 and five packages for \$190

**Retreat meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month at 6:30pm (before Area) at the Portland Senior Center.**

**AD-HOC Committee** – An Ad-hoc is meeting on March 12 at 6pm to discuss the new motion that passed regarding our Marathon Meetings and “Gathering of Gratitude” The ad-hoc will be meeting at the Portland Senior Center at 6pm prior to the MSUA meeting. All addicts are welcome to join.

## **Group Reports**

16 out of 23 groups present	Concerns	Positions OTF	Groups	Concerns	Positions OTF
A New Awakening:	Absent		Till The Wheels Fall Off: Laura	Need Support	ALT, Tres, Sec
After the Weekend: Kevin	AIW	ALT GSR	Saturday Night Sanity: Jesse	AIW	ALT
All About Change: Emilee	AIW		Serenity Check:	Absent	
Basically Lit: Tim	AIW	Alt GSR	Stepping Free: Brandon	AIW	
Came to Believe:	Absent		Stepping Into the Weekend: Keith	AIW	
Coming Alive:	Absent		Stepping Thru it All: Jim	AIW	
Living Clean: Orlando	AIW		Stepping Up: Carissa	AIW	ALT, Tres.
Miracles On Oak: Dave	AIW		Straight Lace:	Absent	
New Freedom: Lindsay	AIW				
New Perspectives:	Absent		Where We are Going: Bourbon	AIW	
No Joke on Oak: Absent	Absent				
Over The Wall: Steve R	AIW		Working the Steps:	Midge	
			The Crossroads: Ryan	AIW	

**Break: 8:13 to 8:23pm**

**Roll Call II:** 16 out of 23 groups present, 14 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 was met.

## **Sharing Session:**

1. Tim K. Basically Lit Motion #3 from January 2018 to set up an Adhoc to discuss the details. There was much discussion.
2. Adam H. “An opinion regarding Quorum” Much discussion

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3. Al W: CAR Discussion on motions and tally sheets need to come back in April, One addict one vote
4. Brian: CAR Workshop; PR and Lit have a table.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Motion #1 (12/16/17)**

**Motion:** \_\_To add to CTRSC Policy IV.B.3 Vice Chair section IV.B.3.e., CTRSC Vice Chair will fill the role of CTRSC Secretary if the position is not filled.

**Intent:** To make sure Regional minutes are taken and distributed to CTRSC in a timely manner.

**Passed 8-1-5**

#### **Motion # 2 Date: 12/16/2017**

**Motion:** Any Regional committee member that wants to spend NA funds in excess of \$250 submit a written request to the RSC at least 60 days in advance. The request must include an itemized breakdown of funds requested. This request must be voted on before any funds are disbursed.

**Intent:** To make sure all Regional members are held responsible with NA fund spending.

**Rescinded**

### **Elections:**

- Chair - Katie C.
- Vice Chair - Baker S.
- Secretary - Emilee J.
- Treasurer - OTF
- RCM (Regional Committee Member) - Al W.
- Alt RCM - OTF
- PR Chair - Adam H.

### **New Business:**

**Motion #1 (2/12/18):** “to add the following to MSUASC policy III.A.7 (page 2): “for the purposes of motions from the regional; service committee (RSC) quorum should be defined as the number of voting members present. For all other business...””

**Intent:** To allow the conscience of the group in the Mid-State Unity Area to be passed on the RSC

The amended policy would read: III.A.7 (page 2) The ASC should not conduct business unless quorum is met. Business shall be defined as part of the ASC that requires voting. For the purposes of motions from the regional service committee, quorum shall be defined as the member of voting members present. For all other business, quorum shall be defined as 2/3 of all voting members shall be determined after each roll call.

**Tabled for 30 days, vote on and bring back for March**

#### **Regional Motion #2 (1/20/18):**

**Motion 2A:** RD/RDA Budget of \$4767.60

**Motion 2B:** RSC admin budget of \$2780

**Motion 2C:** Regional H&I budget of \$4800

**Intent:** To be fully self-supporting

**Tabled for 30 days, please vote and bring back in March (budget attached)**

**Motion #3 (1/8/18):** “to have MSUASC host a “gathering of gratitude” on Christmas Eve 2018. The evening begins at 7pm with a clean time count down and a two-speaker meeting with readings, the meeting ends at 9pm. A social begins at 9:15pm, with pot luck dish contributions from members or groups, ending at 10:15. A second meeting “topic” is held from 10:30pm-12am.”

**Intent:** Foster unity and to celebrate a wondrous gift called LIFE.

**Passed 9-0-5**

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### Upcoming Events / Changes

#### Group level changes:

The most efficient way to convey meeting changes to region is to visit regional website "ctna.org", then proceed to "service subcommittees" (on left side of the page), click on the "CTRSC" link. Go to "RSC Forms" then click on the "Ct. Regional Schedule Meeting Information Form". Please fill out form and at the bottom of the page it will say; "Choose Area to send". Once the MSUA has been chosen the information will be sent directly to our RCM.

**Emergency or Temporary Group Cancellation or Relocation:** *In the event that your group has to cancel or relocate on an emergency or temporary basis, as a GSR or other trusted servant you should make the effort to inform the fellowship. GSRs should use the Area c.c. E-Mail list to send a group E-mail with the cancellation or relocation information to all other GSRs who should then inform members of their various groups. GSRs or other trusted servants may also contact the MSUA secretary at (860) 268-4348 with the information, and the secretary will then use the MSUA Email and telephone lists to disseminate the details as soon as possible*