

Mid State Unity Area of NA®

Area Minutes for June 13, 2016

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Open: 7:03pm 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! **Mike G. (Alt GSR) "Til the Wheels Fall Off"** **Karlene D. PR, Andrea S. (Alt GSR) "Straight Lace"** **Katie P. (Alt GSR) "Whole Lava Love"**

Mail: Bank Statement

Roll Call: 19 out of 24 groups present at roll call, 18 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 (16) was met. "All About Change" are unable to vote, H&I, Alt RCM and retreat were absent.

Service Orientation: MSUA Policy Page 9, General Requirements and Responsibilities Sub-Committee Chairs, C, 1-8

Announcements:

Ray- "Surrender To Win" July Celebration July 9th at Veterans Park. **Christina B. "Living Clean"**- Eat and Meet June 22nd at 6pm, **Jim K, "A New Awakening"** has started reading Living Clean at Monday morning meeting 1030-12.

Secretary minutes –Motion to accept made by **Jim K(A New Awakening) 2nd** by **Billy L (Basically Lit) Minutes accepted 19-0-0**

Treasurer report – **Dave W.** gave written/verbal report. Orland R asked in regards to outstanding marathon meetings check, Dave W. noted we sent check out recently should be clearing shortly. Motion to accept **Sol (Over the Wall 2nd** by **Jeremiah K (Basically Lit). Treasurer's report accepted 19-0-0.**

RCM –**Brian E. (RCM)** gave a written/verbal report. Service schedule IP was discussed, voted on and failed. Was suggested each area make a one page report with sub-committees meeting times and forward to region for distribution. Region will be in MSUA Aug, Sept and Oct, need to secure a location. Faith Lutheran was mentioned.

Activities –Mike B (Chair) gave a verbal/ written report. Neon theme dance set for July 23, tickets are \$5 in advance, \$7 day of. Orland R. questioned selling energy drinks at the dance. Volleyball tournament is set for Aug 27th, teams need to register with Alicia or mike. Volunteers are needed for both events.

Activities meets on the 3rd 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 –Absent, no verbal or written report. Chair and Secretary OTF

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 – **Gene F. (Chair)** gave a verbal/written report. NAWS is doing their annual physical inventory, as such orders received after June 20th may not be shipped until mid July. Katie C asked how long it takes NAWS to clear our check, so that we may get needed literature in a timely manner **MSUA Literature meets at the Portland Senior Center prior to the ASC meeting at 6:15, all are welcome.**

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Subcommittee Reports (continued):

Public Relations –Karlene D gave a verbal/written report. Doctors and Counselors letter for mail out being worked on, compiling a list from Internet, handouts at opioid addiction crisis, and a list in the bucket. Poster Drive discussed and consensus to put off until after Labor Day. Adam brought to attention that policy change for sub-committee was voted on at area, which should not have occurred as it is an internal policy change. See new business. OTF: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Phone line Coordinator.

Public Relations meets on the 4th Sunday of every month at Holy Trinity, 381 Main St. at 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM. New member orientation is at 6:00 PM following the regularly scheduled subcommittee meeting.

Retreat –Absent. Retreat meets the 2nd Monday of every month at 6:30pm (before Area) at the Portland Senior Center.

Group Reports

19 out of 24 groups present

A New Awakening-: Jim K.- **GSR & Alt. GSR OTF *Monday has a format change to Living Clean***

Saturday Night Sanity: Eric T-

After the Weekend: Tommy F.- AIW

Serenity Check: Gail P- **Alt GSR OTF**

All About Change:

Stepping Free: Brett R. –AIW, Secty OTF, Anniversary celebration Aug 15

Basically Lit: Jeremiah K. – AIW

Stepping Into the Weekend: Jerome D.-AIW

Came to Believe: Sarah B AIW

Stepping Thru it All: Van G.- **Secretary OTF**

Coming Alive: David K.-

Stepping Up: Orlando R. –**AIW**

Living Clean: Christina B – AIW

Straight Lace: Rachel L- AIW, **need trusted servant support**

Miracles On Oak: Mike A.-Desperate need for addict support, meeting in danger of folding, Treasurer/ Alt GSR OTF

Surrender to Win: Ray C.-***NEED ADDICT SUPPORT***

New Freedom- Adele V-

Til the Wheels Fall Off- Mike G- AIW

New Perspectives: Leonard S.-**GSR/Alt. GSR OTF, needs addict support**

Where We are Going: Kyle S.-**Alt GSR OTF, Format change**

No Joke on Oak: Charles W-AIW

Whole Lava Love: Katie P- AIW

Over The Wall: Sol S. – AIW, **Alt GSR OTF**

Working the Steps: Robin S- AIW

Break: 8-810pm

Roll Call II: 20 out of 24 groups present, 19 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 met. "All About Change" unable to vote

Sharing Session: None

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Old Business: None

Elections:

- **Public Relations Chair- OTF**

Requirements of Subcommittee Chair: (These are the major requirements; you can see all Sub Committee Chair requirements on pg. 9 of MSUA Policy)

1. Two years' clean time required
2. Prior experience on the subcommittee nominated for.
3. Attending all ASC meetings and all subcommittee meetings.
4. Brings written reports and gives verbal reports at ASC meetings

- **BOD- OTF (Until August)**

Requirements of BOD:

1. Must be at least 18 years of age
2. Live in Connecticut
3. Have some experience in servicing large events and have some understanding of Budgets and Contracts.
The BOD is governed by ByLaws (not policy).
It is a 3 year commitment

New Business:

1. **Motion #1 (6/13/16) Motion to rescind vote concerning the Rushford Presentation Motion #1(5/9/16)**
(Amend MSUA Policy Section D, Article V, that Rushford Presentation be coordinated every month at the MSUA PR Sub-Committee meeting.)

Intent: This should not have been voted on and could set precedent on internal policy changes regarding sub-committees .Policy updates in conjunction with changes to document the Rushford Commitment

Made by: Tommy F (After the Weekend) Seconded by: Sol S. (Over the Wall)

Passed 19-0-0

Meeting closed with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

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 (203)-435-2222 with the information, and the secretary will then use the MSUA Email and telephone lists to disseminate the details as soon as possible.*

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Upcoming Events / Changes

Til the Wheels Fall off is a new meeting held on Friday nights from 10-11pm, held at 300 Washington St., Middletown CT.

“Surrender to Win” is celebrating their Annual Independence Day Picnic Saturday July 9th 2016 from 12:00-4:00pm at Veterans Memorial Park. Tickets are \$5 in advance, \$7 at the gate.

“Living Clean” is celebrating Summer with a BBQ June 22nd. Flyers will be made available.

“Basically Lit” is celebrating 8 years, Saturday July 23, 2016 6p-9p at Christ Lutheran Church, 300 Washington St. Free Pot luck Dinner

MSUA Neon Theme Dance, July 23rd 9:30, Christ Lutheran Church (after Basically Lit Anniversary Party.)

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.