

Mid State Unity Area of NA®

Area Minutes for April 11th, 2016

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Open: 7:00pm 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! Kyle S., GSR, **“Where We Are Going”** Justin S., GSR, **“Whole Lava Love**

Mail: Retreat had mail, No bank statements, NA Way

Roll Call: 18 out of 23 groups present at roll call, 16 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 (16) was met. **“Over the Wall”** and **“Whole Lava Love”** were unable to vote

Service Orientation: MSUA Policy Page 8, Administrative Officers, Section 4, Treasurer A-E, Regional Committee Member A-G.

Announcements: **“A New Awakening”** will not hold a meeting Friday April 22 1030-12. The forum may be changing, please attended business meeting to get involved. **“Surrender to Win”** is meeting at the library Saturday April 23, 10-11am **“Til the Wheels Fall Off”** A New meeting Friday nights 10p-11p, at 300 Washington St Middletown

Secretary minutes –Motion to accept made by **Donna H (Living Clean)** 2nd by **Rachel L (Straight Lace)** **Minutes accepted 16-0-0**

Treasurer report – **Dave W.** gave written/verbal report. Dave clarified “other” item as money returned that was allocated for the area’s CAR reports.. Motion to accept made by **Tommy F (After the Weekend)** 2nd by **Jeremiah K (Basically Lit)**. **Treasurer’s report accepted 16-0-0.**

RCM –**Brian E. (RCM)** gave a written/verbal report. The RCM received back CAR report votes from groups. CTRSC survey website is up and can be viewed. Service schedules were discussed as to our group conscious if we want to print another newer version or incorporate the information into our website .MSUA BOD is OTF until August.

Activities –**Mike B** gave a written/verbal report. Spiritual hike was held at Wadsworth Falls April 22nd. Proposed budget for Picnic/Volleyball tournament was discussed. Groups are to vote on this and return the vote in May.

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 –**Jenny H** gave a written/verbal report. New H&I t-shirts are being made. MSUA H&I is in need of women addict support.

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. Please reach out to the Lit Chair if need be during the month. **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 –Mark R. (Chair) gave a verbal/written report. There was discussion at the Regional level about becoming more pro-active with groups such as DMAS and the Dept of Health. . Also, doing a presentation at Rushford and participating in the Opioid Symposiums/ The Cape Cod Symposium on Addictive Disorders in Spetember. **OTF is 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 – Kim L gave a verbal report. The retreat was a success with 49 beds filled. A financial report is pending at May's area.. **Retreat meets the 2nd Monday of every month at 6:30pm (before Area) at the Portland Senior Center.**

Group Reports

17 out of 23 groups present

A New Awakening:- - GSR & Alt. GSR OTF *NEEDS ADDICT SUPPORT on Service Level*

After the Weekend: Tommy F.- AIW

Saturday Night Sanity: Eric T- **Alt GSR OTF *NEED ADDICT SUPPORT***

All About Change:

Serenity Check: Eve S.- Gail P. AIW

Basically Lit: Jeremiah K. – AIW

Stepping Free: Baker S. –AIW

Came to Believe: Sarah B.AIW

Stepping Into the Weekend: Jerome D.- AIW

Coming Alive:

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

Living Clean: Donna H. – **Alt GSR OTF**

Stepping Up:

Miracles On Oak: Mike A.- ***Secty OTF, **May fold in need of trusted sservants****

Straight Lace: Rachel L- **Alt GSR OTF**

New Freedom- Adele V- AIW

Surrender to Win: Ray C.-**GSR OTF**

New Perspectives: Mattie- AIW

Where We are Going: Kyle S.-**Secty & Alt GSR OTF**

No Joke on Oak:

Whole Lava Love: **Alt GSR OTF**

Over The Wall: Sol S. – AIW

Working the Steps: Kim L AIW

Til The Wheels Fall Off: Brandon B- **New Meeting**

Break: 8:04-815pm

Roll Call II: 20 out of 24 groups present, 18 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 met. “Over the Wall” and “Whole Lava Love” were unable to vote

Sharing Session:

- 1) **Vice Chair** discussed NA Way and Apps that are available for phones.
- 2) Jeff J (Alt RCM) Service schedules- discussion as to whether we are interested in new ones, advantages and disadvantages. Approx cost is \$0.18 per schedule. Straw Poll was taken interested 13, not interested 3 Abstaining 1.

- 3) Sarah B- The Apcom Church on Warwick St is open to having NA meetings held there.

Old Business: None

Elections:

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- **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).
4. It is a 3 year commitment.

New Business:

1. **Motion #1 (April 11,2016)Activities Proposed Budget for Picnic/Volleyball Tournament (Mike B/Tommy F)**

Motion: To accept the proposed picninc/volleyball tournament budget for August 2016.

Intent: To promote unity and fun in MSUA NA.

Committed to groups for 30 days. Please vote on this and bring back your groups vote to May area.

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

Group level changes:

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

“Where We Are Going” is celebrating 9 years of recovery. Sunday April 24th at the Soup Kitchen Main St Middletown CT 06457 from 7-830pm

“Surrender to Win” is celebrating 26 years of recovery. Saturday April 30 2016 from 9-11 am at Holy Trinity Church, 381 Main St. Middletown CT 06457

“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.

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.