

# Mid State Unity Area of NA®

Area Minutes for January 9th, 2017

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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! **Midge M (Working the Steps, Alt GSR), Cody (GSR, Stepping Up), Keith C (GSR, Serenity Check), Kayla P (Alt GSR, Straight Laced) .... Welcome to all!**

**Mail:** Reaching Out (H&I) and Retreat had mail.

**Roll Call:** 18 out of 24 groups present at roll call, 17 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 was met. All About Change, Sat Night Sanity, Stepping Into the W/E and Coming Alive cannot vote.

**Service Orientation:** MSUA Policy Page 2, MSUA Rules of Order, Section II. 1-9

## **Announcements:**

\***Evan, Miracles on Oak**, time cane. Meeting is now from 7pm till 8 pm.

\* **Sol, Over the Wall**, celebrating 31st anniversary Tuesday Feb 28th. FFF/ Speaker begins at 6pm.

\* **Tommy F. After the Weekend**, Monday Feb 20th, potluck anniversary dinner. 630 FFF, meeting begins at 730.

**Secretary minutes** – Activities budget should read \$200 for 2017 proposed marathon budget. Was incorrect in December minutes. Motion to accept made by **Jim K (A New Awakening)** 2nd by **Robin S (Working the Steps)**  
**Revised Minutes accepted 15-0-1**

**Treasurer report** – **Dave W.** gave written/verbal report. Discussion in regards to prudent reserve, fund flow ro region, subcommittees that still owe rent for facilities. Motion to accept made by Tommy F (**After the Weekend**) 2nd by Lennie S (**Surrender to Win**). **Treasurer's report accepted 16-0-1.**

**RCM** –**Jeff J. (Alt RCM)** gave a written/verbal report. December's meeting was cancelled due to weather. Ongoing effort to update the ctna.org website. There is a survey from the Convention BOD, **Please discuss this survey at your home groups and bring information back to next area meeting. Need trusted servant support, OTF Vice Chair, Secretary, Alt Treasurer, Convention Chair, PR Chair, Schedule Facilitator, Alt Web Servant, BOD seats for MSUA, TVA and GDA.**

**Activities** –**Mike B.** gave a written/verbal report. Holiday marathon meetings were held. Much discussion about ways to fill slots, ensure groups show up for their spot and altering times of meetings. Future Activities: January 21 Bowl-A-Rama 10pm February 23- Ice Skating, Champions Ice Skating, Cromwell.

**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** – **Andy C (Chair)** H&I Region hosted a workshop at CTCNA from 10am to 11:15 on Sat 1/7/17. All positions are full. January is a general assembly, Wed 18th orientation at 630, meeting at 7pm.

**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** – **Toby R. (Chair)** gave a verbal/written report. All backorders have been filled. A lit order for \$692.01 was placed. **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 (V. Chair) gave a verbal/written report Discussion about PR goals and objectives for 2017. Reviewed goals from 2016 and group accomplished some items on the list. Committee elected Adam H as Chair. Need phone line and twelfth step volunteers. **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** – Stacy M (Chair) Absent.

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

## Group Reports

18 out of 24 groups present	
A New Awakening-: Jim K.- GSR & Alt. GSR, Fri Secty OTF *NEEDS ADDICT SUPPORT*	Till The Wheels Fall Off-AIW
After the Weekend: Tommy F AIW Anniversary Feb 20th	Saturday Night Sanity:
All About Change:	Serenity Check: Keith C Alt GSR
Basically Lit: Billy L. – AIW, Cx Parm Dinner April 22nd	Stepping Free: Baker S- GSR OTF
Came to Believe:	Stepping Into the Weekend:
Coming Alive:	Stepping Thru it All: Earle C- Secty, Treas, GSR OTF
Living Clean: Joe S- AIW	Stepping Up: Cody- Alt GSR AIW
Miracles On Oak: Evan *need addict support** new time 7-8pm	Straight Lace: Christine C *Need addict support*
New Freedom-	Surrender to Win: Lennie S- GSR Alt GSR OTF
New Perspectives: Leonard S.- Alt. GSR, GSR, Secty OTF	Where We are Going: Kyle S- AIW
No Joke on Oak: Charles- Need addict support	Whole Lava Love: Katie P *need addict support**
Over The Wall: Sol S. – Alt GSR OTF	Working the Steps: AIW

**Break: 7:50 to 8:00 pm**

**Roll Call II:** 18 out of 24 groups present, 17 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 met.

### Sharing Session:

\* **Till the Wheels Fall Off (Tonia C)** need anniversary date for archives.

\* **Marathon Meeting Changes (Katie C)** Much discussion about groups that did not fulfill their commitment, perhaps changing times of marathon meetings, better coordination between MSUA and activities, may no longer be need for 24 hour meetings, **Please discuss with your home groups for input.**

\* **Marathon Meetings Policy and Concepts (Ivan)** Meetings are there for the newcomer however we are not in accordance with the 5th concept of service. The meetings responsibilities rests with the whole body (area), our current policy does not have a single point of accountability. We are also not taking into account "normal" meetings that fall upon marathon days. **Please discuss with your home groups.**

### Old Business:

**Motion #1: (11/14/16):** To approve the 2017 Administrative Officers budget. (Amended 12/12/16 to add line item for CAR reports **Amendment Vote 13-0-1**). **VOTE ON 2017 BUDGET PASSED 13-0-3**

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**Motion #2 (11/14/2016):** To approve the 2017 Activities Sub Committee budget. (Amended 12/12/16)

**Amendment Vote: 15-0-0 PASSED) VOTE ON 2017 BUDGET PASSED 13-0-3**

**Motion #2 (12/12/16) To change financial policy #5 to read "prudent reserve shall be 1/6th of the annual budgets"**

**Made by Tommy F (After the Weekend) Second by Leonard S (New Perspectives)**

**Intent: Financial responsibility**

**VOTE PASSED 11-0-4**

## Elections:

- **PR Chair- Adam H was nominated, accepted and voted in, Congrats!**
- **Chairperson- Katie C.** was nominated, accepted and voted in, Congrats!
- **Vice Chairperson- Tonia C** was nominated, accepted and voted in, Congrats!
- **Secretary- Baker S.** Was nominated, accepted and voted in, Congrats!
- **Treasurer- OTF,** 2 years' clean time and prior experience as an NA Treasurer.
- **Regional Committee Member (RCM) Jeff J** was nominated, accepted and voted in, Congrats!
- **Alternate RCM- OTF,** 3 years' clean time and prior experience at and Area Service Committee.

## New Business:

**None**

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.*

## Upcoming Events / Changes

### Group level changes:

**Over the Wall,** 31st Anniversary Tuesday February 28, 2017. FFF with a speaker begins at 6pm United Methodist Church, Portland

**Miracles On Oak** has changed its time. It now meets from 7-8pm, every Monday at 47 Oak St Middletown.

**After the Weekend,** Celebrating 22 years of recovery on Monday February 20, 2017 at 630 pm. Bethlehem Lutheran Church, East Hampton

**Living Clean,** Keep it Green Spring Fling, Wednesday March 22, 2017 6pm Potluck dinner 7pm Meeting

**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.**