

# Mid State Unity Area of NA®

Area Minutes for February 13th, 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! **Emily alt GSR (stepping up) Keenum alt GSR (stepping free) Joe alt GSR (All about change) Al W Alt GSR (Basically light) Orlando R GSR (Living Clean) Chick C GSR (new Freedom) .... Welcome to all!**

**Mail:** Retreat and NAWS Magazine

**Roll Call:** 16 out of 24 groups present at roll call, 14 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 was met. All About Change, Sat Night Sanity, Coming Alive, New Freedom, And Came to Believe cannot vote.

**Service Orientation:** MSUA Policy Page 3, MSUA Format of ASC Meeting Sec 1-20.

## **Announcements:**

None.

**Secretary minutes** – Motion to accept made by **Kate P (Whole Lava Love)** 2nd by **Brandon B (Till the Wheels Fall Off)** Minutes *accepted 14-0-0*

**Treasurer report** – **Dave W.** gave written/verbal report. Discussion in regards to fiscal responsibility, accounting for sub committees, rents paid for 2017 to cover 2016. Noted: Prudent Reserve is at 4% per new policy. Motion to accept made by **Meagan O (After the Weekend)** 2nd by **Sol (Over the Wall)**. *Treasurer's report accepted 12-0-2.*

**RCM** – **Jeff J. (RCM)** gave a written/verbal report. **OTF Vice Chair, Secretary, Alt Treasurer, Convention Chair, PR Chair, Alt Web Servant, BOD seats for MSUA, TVA and GDA.** Web servant discussion about changing the web site. RE: Not user friendly and updated scheduling. Environmental Scan Survey due back April. **Budgets need to be voted on and brought back to area in March (Regional Budgets Attached)**

**Activities** – **Mike B.** gave a written/verbal report. Talent Show to be held April 1<sup>st</sup> at 300 Washington St. Middletown. Budget Proposal for talent show was submitted. Spiritual Hike at Wadsworth Falls at 1pm on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**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)** gave a written/verbal report. Much discussion about Medical Marijuana (more will be revealed) H&I is finalizing policy changes and will bring a updated version at next area.

**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 \$226.13 was placed. A full inventory of lit was done. **MSUA Literature meets at the Portland Senior Center prior to the ASC meeting at 6:15, all are welcome.**

**Public Relations** – **Adam H (Chair)** Congrats Adam! Gave a verbal/written report. PR was unable to do presentation to Rushford this month. Developing guidelines to keep lit stocked in the community. They are willing to do mobile orientations at your group. 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.**

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## Subcommittee Reports (continued):

**Retreat** – Stacy M (Chair) gave verbal/ the written minutes with financial information is attached.  
Receiving packages for retreat. **Retreat meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month at 6:30pm (before Area) at the Portland Senior Center.**

## Group Reports

16 out of 24 groups present	
A New Awakening: Absent	Till The Wheels Fall Off- Brandon B: AIW
After the Weekend: Tommy F AIW Anniversary Feb 20th	Saturday Night Sanity: Absent
All About Change: Joe C -AIW	Serenity Check: Keith C-Alt GSR
Basically Lit: Billy L. – AIW, Cx Parm Dinner April 22nd	Stepping Free: Keenum S- AIW
Came to Believe: Absent	Stepping Into the Weekend: Greg B-AIW
Coming Alive: Absent	Stepping Thru it All: Absent
Living Clean: Orlando R- AIW	Stepping Up: Cody- Alt GSR AIW
Miracles On Oak: Evan *need addict support** new time 7-8pm Alt GSR OTF	Straight Lace: Christine C-AIW
New Freedom- Chick C- AIW	Surrender to Win: Absent
New Perspectives: Leonard S.- Alt. GSR, <b>Need addict support</b>	Where We are Going: Absent
No Joke on Oak: Absent	Whole Lava Love: Katie P *need addict support** AIW
Over The Wall: Sol S. – Alt GSR OTF	Working the Steps: Midge M- AIW

**Break: 8:05 to 8:15 pm**

**Roll Call II:** 16 out of 24 groups present, 14 of which currently had voting privileges. Quorum of 2/3 met.

### Sharing Session:

Financial Responsibilities/ Subcommittees-Tonia: Much Discussion on subcommittees and when they pay rent. Executive committees hold sub committees responsible per policy. Recommendations as to most responsible way for subcommittees to pay rent (i.e. monthly, quarterly, Bi-annually) **Please discuss with your home groups.**

**Old Business:** None.

### Elections:

- **Treasurer- OTF**, 2 years' clean time and prior experience as an NA Treasurer.
- **Alternate RCM- OTF**, 3 years' clean time and prior experience at and Area Service Committee.
- **Activities Chair- OTF in March**

### New Business:

**Motions #1-8 (2/13/17) Regional Budgets to be voted on for March area (Regional Budgets Attached)**

**Motion #9 (2/13/17) "To approve activities budget for upcoming talent show in April. Budget of \$90 will include \$50 for rent and \$40 for refreshments." Made by Mike B (activities) 2<sup>nd</sup> by Billy L (Basically Lit)**

**Intent:** to bring addicts together for unity in area.

**Motion Passed (11-2-1)**

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**Motion #10 (2/13/17) “to add to policy to read last month’s minutes before voting to accept and also copies of report be brought to area.” Made by Billy L (Basically Lit) 2<sup>nd</sup> By Leonard S (New Perspective)**

**Intent:** more accountability to make sure everyone has a chance to review the minutes.

**Tabled to executive committee for 30 days.**

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

**New Freedom**, annual pancake breakfast Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 9am st. vincent's depaul soup kitchen Middletown

**ECCNA 21<sup>st</sup> Convention**, planting the seeds New London CT June 23-25

**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.**