

**Lake Agassiz Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous**  
**Minutes from June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**June LAASC Meeting**

- Glenwood Lutheran, 206 E Minnesota Ave. Glenwood, MN
- Noon on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**July LAASC Meeting**

- First Presbyterian Church, 650 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. N. Fargo, ND
- Noon on July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009
- Addicts present: Tyler K, Nicole K, Roger S, Frank H, Chris M, Michael F, Kris T, Jeff G, Jason T, Kris O, Molly M, Jeremy T, Tricia L, Scott S, Jeff K, Cathy S, Jess H
- 16 Addicts present 11 GSR's present

**Quorum Report and Motion to Accept Quorum**

- **Motion:** To approve quorum. **Intent:** To do business. There was 11 GSR's present at the time of quorum and 11 at voting. -  
**Maker:** Tricia L **Second:** Jeff G – **UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSES**

**Approval of Minutes Motions**

- **Motion:** To approve minutes with changes "Corrections – Actual month of election (Lit Chair) April '09, Where? 3910 25<sup>th</sup> Street S – Thursday's @ 9:15pm to be changed to *May* ASC minutes" **Intent:** Moving on for business

**Maker:** Tricia L **Second:** Jason T - **UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSES**

**Executive Committee Reports**

**LAASC Election Schedule/Terms of Office**

Office Held	Scheduled Month of Election	Actual Month of Election	Addict Currently In this position	Where is Subcommittee at?
Treasurer	January	January '09	Tyler K	None
PI Chair	February	July '08	Kris O	1st Tues of Month, Atomic Coffee in Downtown Fargo, 8:00pm
Secretary	March	September '08	<b>Vacant</b>	None
RCM	April (even years)	April '08	Molly M	None
Alt-RCM	April (odd years)	May '09	Jeff G	None
Literature	May	April '09	Tricia L	Thursday's @ 9:15pm – 3910 25 <sup>th</sup> Street S, Fargo
Vice Chair	June	July '08	Jay B	None
H&I Chair	July	June '09	Scott S	Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday at 1pm at Cash Wise Deli @ 1401 33 <sup>rd</sup> St. SW
Scribe	August	August '08	Robin V	None
Activities Chair	October	January '09	Kris T	Thursday's @ 6:00 pm @ Cash Wise Deli @ 1401 33 <sup>rd</sup> St SW
Parliamentarian	November	April '09	Jason T	None
LAASC Chair	December	May '09	Nicole K	Noon 3rd Sat of Month, normally at 1 <sup>st</sup> Pres. Church, Fargo

**Chair:** present w/verbal report

**Vice-Chair:** absent

**Secretary:** open

**Treasurer:** present w/written report

Greeting LAASC (06-19-2009)

Initially when I counted the donations from May 2009 ASC, I had \$372.27 on the deposit ticket. The bank corrected my error and gave us \$0.90 more.

Date	Category	Check# or Deposit	7th Tradition	Executive	PI	H & I	RCM	Total Of Amount
5/16/2009	Balance as of 5/16/2009	Beginning Balance						\$ 1,779.03
5/16/2009	GSR Reimbursement	1282		(\$21.00)				\$ (21.00)
5/16/2009	GSR Reimbursement	1281		(\$36.00)				\$ (36.00)
5/16/2009	Rent	1280		(\$10.00)				\$ (10.00)
5/27/2009	Phone Line	Auto WD			(\$60.04)			\$ (60.04)
6/2/2009		Deposit	\$373.17					\$ 373.17
6/19/2009	Balance as of 6/19/2009	Ending Balance						\$ 2,025.16
			<i>Balances</i>	\$ 432.11	\$ 1,307.80	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 740.00	

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Tyler K

**Hospitals and Institutions:** present w/verbal report  
**Public Information Chairperson:** present w/verbal report  
**Activities Chairperson:** present w/written report  
**Regional Conference Member:** present w/written report

June 20, 2009 RCM Report

Hello Addicts,

The next RSC (regional service committee) meeting will be held August 1, 2009 at the Stump Lake Campout from 12-5. Positions that will be up for election are Secretary, Regional Activities Chairperson, Fellowship Development Chair, Regional Chairperson, and Regional Co-Chairperson. I am still waiting for the minutes to come out so I can bring the motions to discuss from April's meeting.

The Upper Midwest Regional Activities Committee is actively seeking submissions for next year's Spiritual Refreshment 2010 Banner design. We will be accepting Proposals for the design of the logo, with the intent that it be included on the Event banner as well as any possible merchandise for the event. It is vital that the creator of the submission selected for next year's Spiritual Refreshment will be capable of replicating her/his design in a large-scale banner format. Deadline for submissions is December 31, 2009. Please submit your artwork to UMRNA Activities Committee, P.O. Box #174, Fargo, ND 58107-0174. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Spiritual Refreshment 2009 chair, Chris C. @ 701-388-4064. Regional Activities meets Mondays at 6:30pm at Cashwise Deli on 13<sup>th</sup> ave. s. in Fargo.

Chapters One and Two, and a working outline for Living Clean are out for fellowship review and input until September 15, 2009. You can find the drafts at [www.na.org/?ID=Living\\_Clean\\_Project](http://www.na.org/?ID=Living_Clean_Project) and access with the password and user name of WSC2010. You can also submit your input online. WCNA 33 is just around the corner August 20-23, 2009 in Barcelona, Spain. The last world convention in Europe was in 1995 and the next will be in 2027. There are currently pre-registrants from 43 countries.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

June 19-21, 2009: Bis-Man 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Campout. Eagles Park  
July 17-19, 2009: 25<sup>th</sup> annual PIG ROAST, Gaylord, MN.  
July 24-26, 2009: Island Gig, RITH Area  
July 24-26, 2009 Midwest Zonal Forum, Columbus, Ohio.  
July 31-August 2, 2009: Hopefest 5, McGowan Farm, Mankato, MN  
July 31-August 3, 2009: Risin for Recovery Campout, Spruce Woods Park, MB  
July 31-August #, 2009: Stump Lake Campout: Stump Lake, ND.  
August 7-9, 2009: N.O.W. Campout  
August 20-23, 2009: WCNA 33 in Barcelona, Spain, Armor sin fronteras (Love without borders)  
August 22, 2009: World Unity Day  
April 25-May 1, 2010: World Service Conference 2010

In Grateful Service, Molly M.

**Alternate Regional Conference Member:** present w/written report

**Literature Committee:** present w/verbal report

Hello addicts,

You will all be glad to hear that our first literature order has been placed. We have also started the process of putting input into the new book being created. Lots going on this month. Come check us out @ 3910 25th St. S in Fargo on Thursday nights @ 9:15pm.

If you need any literature contact me @ 701-552-2417. I hope to be placing an order every 2 weeks, but we will have to see how it goes at first.

Forever grateful,

Tricia L.

#### **Group Reports**

**There were 11 Groups:**

1. K.I.S.S – Jeff K – Open positions: No – GENERAL REMARKS: Would like to see Lit sold at all NA functions
2. Friday Speaker Meeting – Molly M – Open positions: No
3. YPG – Jess H – Open positions: No
4. Serenity NOW! – Jason T – Open positions: No
5. Together We Can...Sisters – Cathy S – Open positions: No
6. H.O.W. – Chris M – Open positions: No
7. Poop in a Group – Kris O – Open positions: No
8. Break in the Day – Michael F – Open positions: No
9. It's A Good Thing – Scott S – Open positions: Yes – need alternates
10. Saturday Addicts Meeting – Tricia L – Open positions: No
11. New Path NA – Jeff G – Open positions: All

## Sharing Session Topics from the June ASC

### **Housekeeping:**

#### Elected Positions

- H&I Chair closed. Scott S elected
- Vice Chair, open. Frank H. questioned
- P.I. Chair, open. Jeff K questioned
- Secretary, open. No nominations

#### **Agenda from June ASC:** – see motions information on discussion

- Two week deadline motion – **see motions**
- Literature Committee to start stockpile of literature- **see motions**
- LAA website proposal: **-tabled**

### LAA Web Site Proposal

Purpose: To give access to members and addicts seeking recovery to online resources of the area.

Goals: To bring our outlying groups a feeling of involvement in the day-to-day workings of our area. By giving access to Literature (downloadable IP's),

Real time events postings (downloadable fliers)

Ability to add events of their own i.e.; group sponsored events

To help addicts looking to add a group to their city the information to get them started.

Structure:

Web coordinator (new Committee)

1. Monitor and point of contact for site
2. Appoint moderators for forum
3. Article submissions
4. Author authorizations
5. Content screenings

Costs: The cost of this is dependent on the plan chosen.

One year in advance is \$120, 2yrs \$216, 3yrs \$287.

501c3 can receive free hosting for life. (Separate costs involved) cost saving in the number of printed fliers, and distribution of the area minutes

Advantages:

Email accounts for each committee; with use of email forwarding can bring to each private email account

Content Management system allows any one to use system.

With little training can operate all areas of the site.

Each committee has access to their section.

Some features are but not limited too

Forum - place to discuss steps, traditions, etc

Meeting lists - search-able with mapping capabilities

Activities - listings search able events

Document access - down-loadable pdf's i.e. lit, fliers, minutes

Newsletter - emailed newsletter of the articles from the site

User submitted articles subjects are limitless

## Sharing Session Topics for the July ASC

Additional topics may be added and/or the order of topics changed

### Housekeeping:

#### Elected Positions

- Vice Chair, open. Frank H. nominated
- P.I. Chair, open. Jeff K. nominated
- Secretary, open
- Scribe, discussion

### Agenda for July ASC: – see motions information on discussion

1. LAASC Web Site Portal – Roger
2. Two week deadline – see motion – Jason T
  - Motion to amend deadline – see motion – Jeff K
3. Cancellation of monthly ASC – see motion – Jason T
4. Update guidelines on a quarterly basis – see motion – Kris O
5. Update guidelines electronically each time an update occurs – see motion – Jeff K
6. “Secret ballot” motion – see motion – Michael F
7. Joining a Zonal Forum – Jason T
8. Voting at the regional level – Jason T
9. Executive member mileage reimbursement – see motion – Jeff G
10. Discussion about Literature Guidelines – Trish L

\*\*\*\*\*Audit on ALL LAASC checking accounts following LAASC business meeting\*\*\*\*\*

### Motions from June ASC

- **Motion:** To add a date to Line 51 of the Guidelines to indicate the date it was last revise. Example: Revised 4/5/09. The date should indicate the date the most recent change was approved. - **Intent:** Avoid confusion over most current Guidelines. - **Made by:** Jason T. - **Seconded by:** Brianna A. – **MOTION PASSES**
- **Motion:** I would like to start a stockpile of Literature and would need \$1000.00 to start that stockpile. - **Intent:** Start stockpile of literature. - **Made by:** Tricia L. - **Seconded by:** Scott S. – **Motion Withdrawn**
- **Motion:** To approve \$828.75 for Literature Committee to start buying literature – **Intent:** To fund subcommittee – **Made by:** Kris O – **Seconded by:** Jeff K – **MOTION PASSES**
- **Motion:** To approve Literature Committee to have a bank account. – **Intent:** To be in cooperation with area guidelines. - **Made by:** Tricia **Seconded by:** Frank. – **SHARING SESSION**
- **Motion:** Change line on part 2 quorum to open the “Business of the Day” to include the two week deadline mentioned in other areas of the guidelines, will state “If GSR’S feel assured that all groups/meetings who want minutes have been sent minutes at least two weeks prior to the ASC, a motion may be made in writing to accept quorum.” - **Intent:** Clarify guidelines - **Made by:** Jason T. - **Seconded by:** Kris O. – **SHARING SESSION**
- **Motion:** Move to amend motion to state, “all groups in the area on the meeting list receive minutes.” – **Intent:** To serve all meetings & provide all meetings with most current information – **Made by:** Jeff K – **Seconded by:** Frank H – **SHARING SESSION**
- **Motion:** Change line under cancellation of monthly meeting stating meeting may be cancelled if minutes are not sent on time to *must* be cancelled. Will state “ If the minutes have not gone out to all members at least two weeks before the monthly meeting, the meeting must be cancelled by the Chairperson.”- **Intent:** To clarify Chairperson’s responsibility and to be fair to members who may be driving long distances to attend. - **Made by:** Jason T. **Seconded by:** Kris O. – **SHARING SESSION**
- **Motion:** Update guidelines on a quarterly basis with all changes that have been voted on by the ASC. - **Intent:** Keep guidelines current. - **Made by:** Kris O. - **Seconded by:** Brianna. – **SHARING SESSION**
- **Motion:** Have Jason update guidelines electronically each time an update occurs and print updated guidelines quarterly - **Intent:** None given **Made by:** Jeff K. - **Seconded by:** Tricia L. – **SHARING SESSION**
- **Motion:** Remove current wording under part 6: voting and 2. To be replaced by “only elections will be by secret ballot.” 3. All other votes will be made by raising hands – **Intent:** Undo current policy – **Made by:** Michael F – **Seconded by:** Frank H – **SHARING SESSION**
- **Motion:** To allow Executive committee members to receive mileage reimbursement for ASC meetings – **Intent:** In hard times as we are in; to help on the gas cost – **Made by:** Jeff G – **Seconded by:** Cathy S – **SHARING SESSION**
- **Motion:** I move we vote on Lit issue – **Intent:** To get it done – **Made by:** Jeff K – **Seconded by:** Frank H – **MOTION PASSES**
- **Motion:** Vote and Close (3:29pm) – **Intent:** – **Made by:** Jeremy T – **Seconded by:** Molly M – **MOTION FAILED**
- **Motion:** Close w/voting and beefs and bouquets (3:40pm) – **Intent:** – **Made by:** Molly M – **Seconded by:** Scott S – **MOTION FAILED**
- **Motion:** Close w/voting and beefs and bouquets (4:05pm) – **Intent:** To get it done – **Made by:** Jeff K – **Seconded by:** Frank H – **MOTION PASSES**

### Service Resumes

**Name:** Frank H - **Position nominated for:** Vice Chair

I have been clean since August 28, 1980. My involvement in AA service began almost immediately because my sponsor dragged me into it. Willingly of course. And I had no idea what we were doing. There was no NA in the town where I cleaned up. I became involved in NA in Bismarck in 1981 and NA in this area in 1981 as well. Have served in most positions at the Group level, Area Level and served as Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Policy Chair at the Regional level when the Region included ND, SD, MN and part of Canada.

The service I enjoy the most is sponsorship and doing Hospitals and Institutions work.

I love NA and cannot possibly give back enough. Love you all.

Frank

**Name:** Jeff K - **Position nominated for:** Public Information Subcommittee Chair

**TO:** NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS LAKE AGASSIZ AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE

**CLEAN DATE:** MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2008

**SERVICE POSITIONS CURRENTLY HELD:**

1. GSR FOR FRIDAY NIGHT KISS MEETING
2. CONTACT PERSON FOR NA HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE
3. PANEL LEADER FOR H&I FERGUS FALLS HALFWAY HOUSE MEETING WHICH I RUN EVERY 2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup>

THURSDAY OF THE MONTH

4. RUN CLAY COUNTY JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER MEETING EVERY 3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
5. TREASURER FOR BREAK IN THE DAY MEETING AT THE U. U. CHURCH
6. ATTEND BUSINESS MEETINGS FOR BREAK IN THE DAY MEETING ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH
7. ATTEND BUSINESS MEETINGS FOR THE KISS MEETING ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH
8. ATTEND LAASC MEETINGS ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH
9. RESPONSIBLE FOR OPENING FRIDAY BREAK IN THE DAY MEETINGS
10. ALONG WITH OTHER ADDICTS I HAVE HELPED RUN AN ADOLESCENT GROUP AT SHAREHOUSE

WELLNESS CENTER IN MOORHEAD

11. AS CONTACT PERSON FOR H&I, I HAVE ATTENDED MEETINGS WITH CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY COORDINATOR FOR PRAIRIE AND WITH THE SUPERVISOR OF THE CLAY COUNTY JUVENILE CENTER

12. ATTEND H&I SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS WHENEVER POSSIBLE

13. CURRENTLY SPONSOR SEVERAL ADDICTS IN NA

**WILLINGNESS TO SERVE:**

I AM WILLING TO SERVE AS PUBLIC INFORMATION SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR AND WORK CLOSELY WITH CHRIS O. (CURRENT PI CHAIR) AND DO WHATEVER I CAN TO GET OUR MESSAGE OF EXPERIENCE, STRENGTH AND HOPE OUT TO THE PUBLIC IN OUR AREA AND INFORM THEM OF WHAT THE NA PROGRAM HAS TO OFFER.

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING ME FOR THIS POSITION

IN GRATEFUL SERVICE

JEFF K.