

**Meeting Minutes for Lewis and Clark Area Meeting**  
**700 Club Minot, ND 2pm-5pm**  
**March 17, 2007**

**Attendance:** John F, Rob H., Bruce H., Swan L., Tony F., Mark, Saul H., Chad H., Andy W., Kim B., Deb J., Mike S., Jim A., Larine Z., Tom W., Karla B., Mindy Steve J.

Opened with the 12 Traditions read by Rob H., Mike S. read the 12 Concepts. Also, joined in the WE version of the Serenity Prayer. Roll call was done and introductions. John F. made a motion that the minutes be approved and Rob H. second it.

**Group Reports:**

**Jamestown:** Mon and Fri at 8. Meeting attendance around 10 and is slowly growing with 2-6 newcomers per week. New group in town sending their adolescents to the meeting. In April planning annual ice-off fish-out. Have a GSR but having problems getting them to commit to Area. Hopefully a Jail meeting in the future..

**Minot:** Friday Night Freedom Group (Saul GSR), meet on Sun, Tue, Fri. Meeting attendance has gone up dramatically in last few weeks. Adolescents being brought from treatment Centers seems to be the reason for in the increase, they come with chaperones who don't introduce themselves and this doesn't seem to be a problem with the group. March 31, 2007 at 8pm @CDU, Trinity will be hosting an open AA/NA meeting. Monday night youth meeting seems to be doing well and is wondering about passing the basket for chips. \$50 donation for the Area.

**Bis/Man:**

**Mon:** Adam S. GSR. No financial report. Attendance 10-12 and most of them are from Center, 1-2 newcomers. Finances are low but seem to be able to pay rent and need literature. Need Basic Text and Just for Today. Need multi year key tags. Question brought up that Salvation Army would accept anything at this time for rent. Also brought up maybe services in exchange for rent.

**Tues:** Larine GSR. Attendance 8 on average and have had 13 newcomers since January. \$25 donation for area. Attendance has declined. This meeting is now a candle light meeting. Rent is paid. Financial report as of 1/14/07 \$96.82 with a \$20 gas donation and area donation with an ending balance of \$21.82.

**Wed:** Chad H. GSR. Attendance 20+ and new comers are about 2 people per night. Rent is paid. Janitor at this building is shutting the meeting down early due to meetings running long, so to prevent this, will count off in groups and split up. Have over \$150 in account. There is a new chairperson.

**Thurs:** Rob H. GSR. Attendance 35-45 and newcomers average 2-3. \$90 in account after rent paid through June. \$20 donation to the area. Memorial fund for books. Flyers out for Bis/Man campout. Discussed maybe splitting up because ACS people have to leave at 9pm, and will bring up in group conscious meeting. Suggestion made to talk with ACS staff.

Fri: Keep the Faith Meeting. GSR Mike C. alternate GSR is Launie M. 10-15 attendance, 3-5 newcomers a week. Things seem to be going well. No financial report but rent has been paid.

Sat: Andy W. GSR. Attendance is average 20 and newcomers are about 8. Collection about \$15 a night. A van full is coming from the half way house, and nobody has stepped up to chair. Things are going well.

Sun: Mike S. alternate GSR. Attendance is up and down since BTC stopped attending. Chairperson is opening the church and leaving. Timmy P. GSR. Made comment that group is struggling somewhat. A checking account will be started on Monday, and some money was recouped.

Sun BTC: Steve J. reported that the meeting is going well and things are received well. No collection is taken due to it being an institution meeting. If going to this meeting, please watch content of sharing, we are going into a prison setting, be positive and live in the solution when going here!

### **Trusted Servant Reports:**

Chairman – John F.: LAASC will provide a speaker and a chair Friday night of the Regional Campout. John has been in contact with the Activities Chair from LAASC, Aaron C.

Vice Chair – Steve J.: brought up how groups can be self supporting or help themselves.

Treasurer – Saul H.: \$848.08 as of 3-17-07. In January wrote 2 checks, \$150 to NA Rec Fund for Am Vets and Bowling Alley \$108.28 to Teena C. for area meeting and P.O. Box, and as of 3-17-07 hasn't cleared yet. Larine Z. made a motion to donate \$100.00 to Region and Steve J. seconds it. No discussion. Motion passed.

Secretary – Deb J.: no report

RCM – Swan L.: April 22, 07 Sunday 12-4 is next RCM meeting in Fargo.

H & I – P & I/Outreach: Tony F. & Jim A.: sign up sheets going around for t-shirts. Blue ribbons to put on car. Packets that Tony F. put together Starter Kits for Minot. Headings for mailings were brought up and Jim handed out examples for the group to look at. Will be sponsoring NA trivia for campout. There is a possibility a Nar-anon meeting being started in Bismarck. Andy has info and address for Nar-anon and will give it to Jim A. Chip collection mentioned if anyone has extra to donate them if not sentimental. Had \$300, spent \$160 on packets and leaves \$140 for t-shirts which are \$20 a piece. Phone number for Alex in Fargo who is head of Fellowship Development Committee, Jim has contacted him several times and there has been no contact back. Passed meeting list around for updates and changes. Chad H. has a contact number for Dickinson to get in touch with them to see if they want to be involved in the Area business.

Activities Report – no report

**Old Business:** no old business

**New Business:**

\*Multi year key tags and literature for Monday night meeting in Bismarck. Larine spoke of using some of the memorial fund to help out and Thursday night did have a book order come in and they need to go through it and do some inventory. Bis/Man will hold a GSR meeting and decide how to get the groups what they need.

\*Eternity chip in memory of Teena C. and give it to her husband Mike C. Chad H. made a motion to buy the silver medallion and Rob H. second the motion, and possibly present it to Mike C. at the Area Campout. Saul will purchase it.

\*Mike S. nominated Kim K. for secretary, Kim K. accepted. Jim A. second it, motion passed.

\*Mike S. nominated Chad H. for Activities Chair, Chad H. accepted, and Jim A. second the motion, motion passed.

\*Chad H. did an update report on progress with the Regional campout. Last Saturday in March there will be a meeting at Mike C.'s house to see if there are people willing to help out.

**Discussion:**

\*What kind of literature should be at each meeting in Bis/Man. Larine suggested, Just for Today, Basic Text, NA Step Working Guide. Steve J. has made copies of the Step Working Guide and suggested that groups come to him or grab a copy and have the groups make copies of them. John F. suggested maybe focusing on handing out Informational Pamphlets since they are short and to the point for the newcomer who comes in and is looking for guidance.

**Next meeting will be May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007 in Jamestown, ND (meeting will start ½ hour early (1:30) to discuss last minute campout details.)**

**Bouquets:** good group work, lets keep working together, more meetings that are attended the more I learn and the more my eyes are opened, newcomer thanked the group for accepting them and teaching them. Grateful to be a part of service, we have come a long way and its interesting to see what happens at each meeting, glad to see people stepping up, good to see new people and good to see the regulars, in one word "amazing", one of our smoother meetings, Chad is doing a wonderful job with stepping into the activities commitment, "Thanks Chad!", no place I'd rather be, I get to laugh and that's important.

**Beefs:** the smoking

Jim A. made motion to close the meeting and Deb J. second the motion. Closed with the Gratitude prayer.