

**Lewis & Clark Area Service Committee Meeting**  
**Saturday February, 2nd, 2008**  
**Ramada Suites**  
**Bismarck, ND 2pm-5pm**  
***THANKS BISMARCK FOR HOSTING!***

**Attendance:** Steve J., Saul H., Kim K., Rob H., John F., Tony F., Mike C., Tom W., Scott M., Swan L., Karla B., Jim A., Austin J., Kyle H., Louis C., Paul P., Tim P., Verna M.

Steve J. called the meeting to order and the meeting was opened with the “WE” version of the Serenity Prayer. Karla B. read The 12 Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous. Kyle H. read the 12 Concepts of Narcotics Anonymous.

Jim A made motion to approve November meeting minutes and Scott M. second the motion. Motion passed. November meeting minutes were approved.

**Group Reports**

**Minot:** 3 meetings a week, 2 closed and one open. Attendance 20-25 people, newcomers frequent. Did not have a financial report but rent is being paid. Ideas are floating around and would like to do a St. Patrick’s Day dance.

**Jamestown:** numbers are up for attendance 20-25 approximately 54 newcomers since last meeting, and with the treatment center up there for juveniles there are a lot of newcomers. Have \$88.25 above their prudent reserve of \$150.00. Rent is paid to the end of February. Had 31 people attend our Holiday Potluck feast. Looking forward to 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Iceoff Fishout and hope to have a Frolf Tournament/Potluck worked out for summer. For the new meeting the 5:15 at 518 attendance has been 4 with 7 newcomers since last meeting. Getting started is slow. Average 4 per meeting still disorganized but planning to make the meeting a black light meeting. Pulled in approximately \$36.00 from the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition.

**Bis/Man:**

**Mon:** Chairperson position may be coming open. This meeting needs some support, needs to hear some strong sobriety messages. Needs literature and key tags. Due to construction, go to East door for the meeting, it is being held at the Salvation Army, signs will be put up at Salvation Army for directions. Suggestions were made that this meeting reach out to other meetings and they would help where they can.

**Tue:** attendance ranges from 4-10. Would like to be involved in a key tag order. Rent of \$25.00 will be paid this month, do have \$31.00 on hand. They need 2 “Just For Today” books. Had asked for 2, and was told we had to buy them, they do not have the money. The 2 they do have were given away. Voted in a couple different people to fill chairperson position. Have read the NA unity and Medications pamphlets.

**Wed:** \$60.00 in account, donated \$100.00 to Bis/Man Recreation Fund, donated \$50.00 to Area fund. If anyone is going to order key tags please contact Nicole A. Group is doing fine, numbers are up in attendance.

**Thurs:** The group is always growing 35-40. A lot of newcomers and a lot of returning sobriety. People seem to feel comfortable to come back to this meeting if they relapse. Group fellowship after meeting is still going. Made donations of \$50.00 to Area and \$25.00 to World Service Office.

**Fri:** no representation

**Sat:** attendance 15-20 people, 7<sup>th</sup> tradition is about \$14.00 a week and have no extra monies to donate at this time. Things are going well.

**Sun:** Attendance is 8-15 people. Meeting has been going well. No real financial report as treasurer is out of town. Pool league started and supported by Sunday night. See Kyle H. 258-3086 or Vicki 214-1934 for details if interested. This will be held at an alcohol free environment. This meeting has all positions filled. Bank account roughly at \$300.00. Will donate at next area meeting. Rent has been paid.

**Ft. Yates:** Requesting a form to register meeting with the WSO. Attendance is low since it is being held at the church and the meeting conflicts with church events.

**BTC:** nothing to report

### **Steering Committee Reports**

**Chairman:** Very proud of those that he is serving with and thanks each and everyone of them for doing such a wonderful job.

**Vice Chair:** nothing to report, still fitting into his new suit as Vice Chair.

**Treasurer:** \$1456.69 in account after receiving \$100.00 donations today at meeting.

**Secretary:** Will get group report forms out to groups who don't have email and will also update contact list and make sure they are emailed or printed out and handed out to people.

**Activities:** going to get the ball rolling for the Bis/Man campout. Will start with GSR meetings.

**RCM:** did attend the Regional meeting in Grand Forks. There is a forum on the website for other topics and issues that need to be looked at. The FDC chair has been absent for a while so there is nothing to report on that. Next regional meeting is going to be held in Minot which will be April 12, 2008. Flyers for spiritual refreshment were handed out to take back to groups.

**H&I/P&I:** \$169.68 current amount in checking. Mugs have come in and are selling at \$7.00 a piece. Do have the old mugs from the previous order that was incorrect and will be selling those for discounted price. Have new meetings in Beulah and Dickinson and Harvey and are getting starter kits to them. Sent around a sheet to sign up for those who are willing to help others that are coming out of institutions.

**Elections/Nominations:** no elections at this time

**Old Business:** nothing at this time

**New Business:**

1. Minot – Area Meeting, Dance, RCM. Would like to have a St. Patrick's Day dance and include Area Meeting and Regional Meeting and encourage fellowship and unity. A suggestion #1 was brought up to make arrangements to make it a weekend event and hold meeting on separate days. Suggestion #2 keep the event one day and if others would like to visit the 2 different meetings and seeing how NA works, make it a learning experience. Mike C. made a motion to include

- having our Area meeting (4pm – 7pm) in Minot on the same day as the RCM meeting April 12<sup>th</sup> 2008. Meeting place TBA. Kyle H. second the motion. Motion passed.
2. Steve J. brought up that we as an Area need to start having Service Information meetings. Set aside some time to start and make it a part of our Area. Motion was made to take this idea back to the groups and get feedback. Kyle H. second motion. Motion passed.
  3. Campout – will contact Stump Lake and try to get the similar set up as last year. Louis made motion made that we as an Area we are going to sponsor this campout, and we are going to put Chad H. in charge of starting planning, and let him run with it until he needs help from the area. Tom W. second motion, motion passed.
  4. Prudent reserve – We as an area need to decide what amount we want to set as a prudent reserve amount. Rob H. made the motion to start our prudent reserve amount at \$1000.00. Swan L. second motion. Motion passed.

**Location for Next Meeting:** April 12, 2008, place to hold meeting TBA from 4pm – 7pm.

**Beefs and Bouquets:**

**Beefs:** Lets try and keep our issues separate, things got all muddled up. Area vs. local issues can be confusing.

**Bouquets:** met some new people, this is a great place to be. Glad we set a prudent reserve. Was awesome to learn things. Love you guys! Our job is to spread the message and thanks Tony for your hard work! Good job to those who have helped start new meetings. Happy to see so many people participating. Glad to be part of the learning process.