

UMRSCA MINUTES OCTOBER 7, 2007

1. New Business

All financial requests were given to the Treasurer

2. Meeting continued with a Moment of Silence, Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions, and Twelve Concepts.

3. Introductions

Daryl F. - Web resource person

Norm C. - Interested Member

Karen M. – interested Member; appointed Secretary for the meeting

Dieter J. - Past Treasurer

Dennis P. – Interested Member

Wendy F. – Regional Delegate

Jim N. – LAASC RCM

Rob H. – LCASC Alternate RCM

Wes K. – Alternate RD/ Treasurer

4. Quorum Call

Guidelines were consulted with respect to Quorum. Because Manitoba has not had a RCM at the last 2 meetings, they aren't counted. Quorum of 50% was reached.

5. Chair's Report

Budget submitted for \$150 for 3 out of town RSC's.

Chair was unable to make the meeting because Chris, Activities Chair, was unable to cross the border.

Co -Chair's Report

Concern rose about Secretary not completing the last two RSC minutes.

There was discussion about the changes to the Guidelines regarding seating GSRs as voting members at RSC meetings. RCMs will discuss changes with their respective areas.

6. No Secretary's Report

7. Treasurer's Report

Corrections were made to the RD columns from 446.65 to 486.69 and 394.35 to 434.35. Actual Expenditures was 988.78. Amount remaining 2746.22.

Discussion about how much of the budget was spent.

Bank balance is 3690.18 instead of 3695.18 due to service charges.

Acting Chair suggests that the Treasurer's Report include numbers strategically placed before every line for easier reference.

Treasurer is meeting with Co-Chair to add him as a regional account signor and treasurer audit for the past year will be done at that time.

Activities audit for the past year still needs to be done.

8. Activities Committee

No report

Fellowship Development Committee

FDC is requesting funds from the Upper Midwest Region to set up a Literature Distribution Center.

The following concerns were raised by UMRSCA:

- Where did the request come from? Did any of the areas request it?
- Under Guidelines, subcommittees are not authorized to incorporate or form a service office.
- At present, areas go to their respective Literature Chair and committees to request Literature, which appears to be working at present.
- The Region has not delegated this responsibility to the FDC.
- A question arose, "How they will be assisting groups", as this was not included in the report.
- The five Starter kits that the region had decided to have on hand with FDC and how many starter kits were requested in the last fiscal year was not reflected in the report/budget.
- There is nothing in FDC guidelines with respect to setting up a literature distribution center.

- FDC needs to change their guidelines before venturing into a territory that is not part of their guidelines.
- What is happening with the Regional Meeting List?

The treasurer will forward the minutes to the Fellowship Development Committee by Thursday of this week.

The Guidelines require the chair to follow through and discuss this issue with the Fellowship Development Committee.

9. Resource Reports Website

Daryl explained changes in the guidelines and will provide everyone with a copy.

Research will continue into how to define the role of the Web Resources person. Recommendation was made by Wendy to change the guidelines to include Web as an officer position. John, please look into what changes this will require in the guidelines.

10. RCM Reports

LAASC

Request made that Lake Agassiz RCM request Jordanna H. to check her e-mail about changes to the Meeting List

LCASC

They are excited about their new secretary, as recording minutes are essential.

They are working on assisting Williston and Dickinson to attend their ASC meetings.

MASC

No RCM; no report

11. Regional Delegate Report

Five new service pamphlets from NA were distributed. Service oriented Pamphlets no longer have to be approved through CAR.

Request made to update group contact information for the upcoming CAR.

It is more efficient, in terms of cost, to bring a representative from Minnesota than from Canada for the Regional Inventory.

Website Basic Text approval draft is at www.na.org/conference/bt.

Draft of Youth IP will appear in CAR report or sooner.

CAR will be out on November 21st. GSR assemblies will be conducted in February or March.

Alternate RD Report

Please ensure that all groups update World Services as to how many meetings are taking place in the areas to reflect the growth of the region.

12. Elections - None

Next meeting the Treasurer and Co-Chair positions are up for election.

13. Old Business: Regional Inventory

(A) It is to be completed by August 2008.

Wes K. will follow through with Jim N. to secure someone from the Minnesota region to facilitate. Date of completion is late May to early June.

(B) Travel budget for facilitator is \$250.

(C) Tabled to ensure budgets discussed.

(D) Insurance for groups

Wes K. looked in to the rates. It does not apply to MASC. There will be more discussion at the next meeting.

14. New Business

(A) RCM's will discuss guidelines with the various areas with respect to Seating GSR's as voting members at RSC meetings.

(B) John is requested to include the following in our regional guidelines:

FDC Guidelines

Activities Guidelines (when we have some)

Website Guidelines

Daryl will add Subcommittee guidelines to the website.

Daryl will set up a Trial Forum and everyone is asked to try it out.

(C) Region nominates and supports Wes K. for Human Resources Panel with World Service. Chair Paul S. is asked to download the nomination form and complete by October 31st.

(D) Motion made and passed to dismiss Charles E. as secretary as found unfit according to P&G Section 4 paragraph A.

(E)Budgets

- FDC

Budget not approved as no member of FDC available to speak to their budget request/s.

- Treasurer \$100. Passed
- Secretary \$150. Passed
- Chair \$150. Passed
- Co –Chair \$100. Passed
- Regional Delegate \$400. Passed
- Regional Delegate Alternate \$2200. Passed
- Administrative \$450. Passed

Break down is \$200 for administrative costs and \$250. In travel expenses for facilitator for Regional Inventory

- Website \$204. Passed
- Total Expenditures are \$3754.
- Current Bank Balance \$3690.

15.No Disbursements

16.Next UMRSCNA meeting January 12, 2008 noon in Grand Forks. Site to be determined.

17.Meeting adjourned at 5:25 PM with Circle of Unity and 3rd Step Prayer.

Appointed for the Day Secretary

Yours in Service

Karen M.