

## Ozark Area Minutes November 17, 2013

Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer. The 12 Traditions and the 12 Concepts were read.

A motion was made to approve last month's minutes, motion was seconded. Last months minutes were approved, with corrections.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Administrative trusted servants in attendance:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chair: Pam M.</li><li>• Secretary: Suzanne S. (interim)</li><li>• Treasurer: Jackee P. (absent)</li><li>• Vice Treasurer Amanda R.</li><li>• RCM: Mike O.</li><li>• RCM Alt.: Ed H.</li></ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Vacant positions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Vice Chair</li></ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sub-Committee Chairs in attendance:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• H&amp;I Chair: Kim M.</li><li>• AASC Chair: Jocelyn B.</li><li>• Website Coordinator: Debra B.</li></ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Vacant Sub-Committee Chairs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Literature Review Chair</li><li>• PI Chair</li><li>• Outreach Chair</li></ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Groups in attendance:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• But Do it</li><li>• We Do Recover</li><li>• Miracles</li><li>• 5th tradition</li><li>• One Promise</li><li>• Against All Odds</li><li>• Straight Line Group</li><li>• Survivors</li></ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Absent Groups:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Point of Turning</li><li>• Stray Katz</li><li>• Spiritual Principles</li><li>• Together in Unity</li><li>• Native American Group NA</li><li>• Clean and Serene</li></ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Inactive Groups:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Under Grace (2)</li><li>• A New Way (3)</li></ul>

### **Reports:**

#### Chair Report:

No Report at this time.

#### Secretary Report

I am returning the check for \$49.45. Currently, I have not accrued this much expenses.

#### Treasurer's Report

Report is Attached.

#### RCM Report

Report is attached, along with motions that will need to be voted on and taken to Region in the month of January.

### Alt.RCM's Report

No Report at this time.

## **Sub-Committee Reports:**

### Hospitals and Institutions Sub-Committee:

Kim M., addict. H&I subcommittee met today, with most members present. The Traditions and Concepts were read after opening with the Serenity Prayer. We have exciting things going on in H&I. Robyn V. sent a report for Ozark Center. She reports a slight increase in attendance. Brandon K. application is being processed to fill the position vacated by Steve S. She says any females interested in applying to let her know. Applications have to be processed one at a time but we can add another female, hopefully in a couple of months. Also, Blair volunteered to take IP's & schedules to CSTAR at Ozark Center. Meri S. reports all meetings going well, with a great rotation. Our chairs are! Jail-Every meeting met and that is two meetings a week now women on Tuesday and men on Thursday. Brian thanked Meri S. because she made contact with Joplin City Jail and got us a meeting with them. Brian C., Alan F. and Kim M. met with them last week and we are now in the process of taking applications for people to get in the jail. The exciting thing is more people can now go and do H&I. Scott B. from Grove stepped up to be our new liaison for the City Jail! He brings previous H&I experience from Eastern Area in OK. Please take this back to your groups so if anyone is interested they can get an appointment to go in. I have a list going as well. Scott B. (918) 801-6919 the meetings will be on Mondays 7:30-8:30 and there will be both men and women meetings. Attaching what they gave us. Also, Brian C., Alan F., Jamie D. and Kim are having a sit down meetings. Lt. Karnes to share information. H&I Rocks! Kim M.

### Ozark Area Activities Sub-committee:

Hello Ozark Area, we opened our meeting with the Serenity Prayer. Our Chili Cook off was a success. After expenses we have a donation of \$226.65 to Area. Our committee decided that as individuals we were going to chip in for a meat and deli tray for SSP workshop on December 7th. Terry L. will make it fancy. Our New Year's eve function is at Galena Senior Citizen's center. The festivities are coming together. We ask to please announce so people who need to travel pass has time to get one. Raffle items needed. As for HOLP next meeting we will finalize our merchandise and flyers. Pre-order for hoodies will be taken. More will be revealed. In Loving Service, Jocelyn B. P.S. Our committee would like to obtain a storage unit for area supplies. Terry L. will get with Pat Day for pricing.

### Website Coordinator Report:

Report is attached.

## **New Groups Recognized:**

Liberty group from Miami that meets Thursday at 7 p.m. and Freedom group meets Thursdays at noon.

## **Group Reports:**

### But Do It

I'm Mike D., GSR for But Do It of Joplin. Our group meets every Wed. at 414 S. Virginia at 6:30 p.m. Our non smoking meetings are closed except the last Wed. of the month which is birthday night open to friends and family. This month Jackee P. is celebrating 18 years, and Dennis is celebrating 9 years! Our meetings still get nearly 30 addicts attending each week. Today, we have a \$50 donation for our area. In loving service, Mike D.

### Clean and Serene

Absent

### Point of Turning

Absent

### Survivors

Hello Ozark Area, I'm Angela S, serving as GSR for Survivors Group of NA. Our business meeting is the Saturday prior to area. Survivors meets every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at noon at 1330 Wall in Joplin, MO. Starting December 4th Survivors will be holding a Wednesday meeting at noon, all are non-smoking. We could really use your support. Our birthday meetings are the last Saturday of the month. We do have 1 birthday this month, Angela S is celebrating 18 months. Our meeting averages about 10-15 addicts. We welcomed 3 new home group members and added an activities chair. We have no donation at this time. Thank you for letting me be a part of. In loving service, Angela S.

### Together in Unity

Absent

### A New Way Group

Absent

### Spiritual Principles

Absent

### Under Grace

Absent

### We Do Recover

Hello Ozark Area, My name is Crystal W. I'm the GSR for We Do Recover group. We meet @ 1330 Wall St. in Joplin, MO. We have 20-40 addicts in attendance at our meetings. Smoking and open meetings are Monday through Sunday 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday night candlelight meetings are held @ midnight. Which are also smoking and open meetings. Attendance for our candle light meetings are range from 8-20 people. Second Friday of the month is a speaker meeting nonsmoking, and December's speaker is : Lorenzo T. We have our business meeting every second Sunday of the month. We open with the Serenity Prayer, then we read the 12 traditions and 12 concepts. Last Friday of the month is our birthday night also nonsmoking. This month birthdays are: Angela S. 18 months clean. Nothing to donate. We are having our Annual Thanksgiving Pot Luck dinner at We Do. It starts at 12 p.m. There will be football, food, fellowship. In loving service, Crystal W.

### Stray Katz

My name is Lonzie, and I am an addict. I am the GSR for the Stray Katz Group. We meet every Saturday at 6:00 p.m. at 24706 State hwy. 171, Webb City, MO. (Located at House Inc.) Our meetings are open/non smoking. We have our book study on the 1st Saturday of the month. Our business meetings are on the 3rd Saturday of the month. We will start having speaker meetings on the 3rd week of the odd months beginning January 18, 2014. This month's birthday is Jerry F. celebrating 2 years of clean time. Meetings are going well with an average of 30-50 in attendance each week. We have a \$20.00 donation this month. In loving Service, Lonzie J.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Tradition

Hello everyone, I'm Brandon K., an addict serving as GSR of Fifth Tradition. Our meetings meet each Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday at 6:30 at the New Creations Church on 19th and Connor, upstairs. It is an open, nonsmoking meeting. Attendance has increased in the last month with approximately 20-60 addicts. Our business meetings are scheduled for the second Tuesday of each month following the meeting, and our Birthday night is the last Tuesday of each month. We have recently filled several group service positions, and they are as follows: GSR, Brandon K., Alt. GSR, Debra S., and Secretary, Jenny B. Also, this month we will donate \$60.00 to area. We have no immediate upcoming functions. Thank you for allowing me to be of service! ILS (In Loving Service), Brandon K.

### Native American New Life

Absent

### Miracles

Hello Ozark Area, My name is Blair C, serving as GSR for the Miracles Group that meets every Friday at 6:30 p.m. at 1601 Wall Joplin, MO. We are an open non smoking meeting. The third Friday of the month following the regular meeting is our monthly business meeting and the last Friday of the month is birthday night. We have had approx 80+ addicts in attendance at each meeting this past month. We have a \$25.00 donation for Area this month. In loving service, Blair C.

### One Promise

Hello Ozark Area, my name is Johnny G. serving as GSR for the One Promise Group. We meet at 817 E. B.J. Tunnel Blvd in Miami, OK. Meetings are held at noon on Wed. and 8:00 on Friday. All meetings are open discussion except for the last Fri. of the month which is birthday/speaker meeting. This month Terry L. from Joplin it is also our eating meeting that opens at 7 p.m. Attendance at our Wednesday meeting is growing every week 15-20 addicts and our Friday meeting averages 20-30 addicts. We have a \$20.00 donation at this time. In loving service Johnny G.

### Straight Line Group

Hello everyone, I am Victora C. serving as GSR for the Straight Line Group. Our meeting location is at the Community of Christ Church 430 N. 21st Grove, OK 74344. We meet on Thursdays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. Saturdays are candle light. All of our meetings are open. On the last Saturday of the month at 6:45 p.m. we have group conscious. And of the first Saturday of the month we celebrate birthdays and have speaker meeting. We have no birthdays to celebrate in December. Our speaker in December is Michael C. from our group. Our group has had an increase of about 20. We are making a donation this month of \$20.00. Thank you for allowing me to be of service love you all.

### Against All Odds

Against All Odds is doing well. Attendance is between 10-30, depending on day of the week. There is a distinct possibility we'll be moving by the 1st of the year, but the most likely spot is one door to the south-right next door. We do not have a donation this month, as we'll have moving expenses soon. We hope to inform you of our move after our business meeting the last Sunday of the month. We also, want to thank our new area for the support at our annual Turkey Bowl. After our self-support for our move, we hope to bring a donation next month. In loving service, Sandy B.

### **Sharing Session:**

- Discussion on Ozark Area having a facebook page (revisited). Questions and concerns were brought up about anonymity. Facebook is not anonymous. Some solutions were discussed: contact world about guidelines concerning social media, have a disclaimer saying that anonymity will be broken on fb. Website coordinator will not be able to manage this page due to not having a fb page.
- Discussion on Secretary position being open.
- Mark J. updated the Phoneline: he added Miami, Grove and Pittsburg on the #3.
- Discussion on keeping the New Way group in Neosho on the schedule.
- A motion was made to wave the 2/3's vote for quorum to simple majority. Seconded and passed.
- Motion to keep New Way Group on the meeting schedule. Seconded and passed.
- Discussion on adding a meeting on the schedule that happens in a Girard treatment facility. Issues concerning that Girard may already be in a different area. Solutions were discussed and will be brought to H&I for discussion and then back to area.

**Old Business:**

- Pam M. for OASC Chair passed.
- Mark J. for OASC Vice-Chair passed.
- Amanda R. for Treasurer passed.
- Ray M. for Outreach Chair passed.
- OASC sub-committee budgets passed.

**New Business:**

- Motion for Area to pay for storage unit in the sum of \$120.00 every 7 months. Purpose: Storage unit to keep Area archives, and supplies.
- Motions from Region attached needs to be voted on.

**NEXT OASC MEETING @ 1330 Wall, Joplin, MO. On December 15, 2013 at 3 p.m. But Do It will be hosting.  
Subcommittees meet before the OASC Area meeting starting at 1 p.m.**

**GROUP and AREA Up and Coming Events**

- We Do Recover's Annual Thanksgiving Pot Luck dinner at 1330 Wall, starts at 12 p.m.
- Service Systems Project Workshop presented by: Rob B. December 7th, 2013 following Survivors noon meeting at 1330 Wall, Joplin MO. Please bring a covered dish.
- OASC New Years eve party. Galena Senior Citizen's Center in Galena, KS. More to come.