

South Suburban Fireside Area Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2009

Meeting opened at 7:00pm with Serenity Prayer by Area Co-Chair, Chris, with 9 addicts in attendance. Minutes of the January meeting were read and approved.

Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee

Matt read the H&I Dos and Don'ts; Chad read the 12 Concepts of NA service.

Collected 7th tradition of \$7.00 which was given to the church as rent.

Literature: (Garrett reported) We have plenty of literature but he left it at home.

Panel leader reports:

- Avalon: (Panel leader Vern reported) Going the same, could still use other people (especially women). Vern makes announcements at all the meetings he attends. Commitment is 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6pm in Egan.
- Cochran Recovery Center: (Will reported). Commitment is going well, have several people. They may be in need of a basic text. Brent noted they are putting NA literature in an AA rack, Will will talk to them about options. Commitment is 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm in Hastings.
- Lino Lakes: (Panel leader Dan reported) Going same/well. Have one person who needs to go to orientation.
- Hastings Detox: (Panel leader Chris reported) 4th Thursday of month at 7pm. Chris didn't make it last time but went well last time; people did a first step.
- Haven in Woodbury: (Panel leader Garrett reported) No change, next commitment is in May. Brent reported that adolescent commitment is going well, Haven has asked if we can find any younger females to speak; the addicts participating in that panel are working on this.

Old business:

- Brent reported that Chris was elected as H&I Co-chair at the area meeting. Looking to get people for a commitment at the treatment center in Farmington.

New business:

- Garrett reported that he's going to re-work the agenda to better match the current format.

Outreach:

- Meetings of Month: Never Alone is the meeting for the month in February (on Sunday the 15th). Chris suggested Woodbury Freebirds for March (Sunday, 3/15).
- Still need a new chair.
- Chris reported that ICC is looking for a place to hold the pre-conference dance. Chris will bring this up with Clear Eyes for possibility of having it at Langdon School.

Activities

1. Service Learning Day: Pat checked with her church, we can probably do something there; we just need to decide on a date so she can reserve it. Consensus was to go with Saturday March 28 from noon-6pm (with the learning day running 1-5pm). Brent suggested getting some people from other areas to share their experience so we can get some new perspectives; Brent and Kevin will look for some speakers. Kevin will work on a flyer and make sure the information is online.
2. Speakers
3. Food & beverages – what will we need? Agreed to go with hot dogs, chips, water/pop. Chad volunteered to work with concessions. Chris also volunteered to use his Costco account to help save money, he will look at cost and bring an estimate for area meeting.

4. 7th tradition should cover rent
5. Need a chair; Brent has a prospect.

Public Relations

- Brent mentioned that Goodhue Co. Jail had expressed interest in having a presentation to their staff educating about NA. It would be good to consider this in light of learning day.
- Brent expressed interest in the PR chair after he steps down as H&I chair.
- Chris reported that he has a printed list of the area treatment centers; Kevin also mailed this to all the GSRs on the area meeting minutes e-mail list. Chris will go ahead and make assignments to the groups for the next area meeting. Garrett suggested using this as a way to promote the learning day.
- Area inventory: Several groups have submitted them, hope to get some more.

New projects for the new year? Ideas are welcome/encouraged.

- Please consider donating 5th edition basic texts to take to treatment centers or jails. We have a letter from an addict in the Stillwater minimum security prison that the facility could use literature. If people have them to donate, please have GSRs bring them to area; Brent volunteered to collect them.

Motion to close by Will, second by Kevin, meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

South Suburban Fireside Area H&I Committee Agenda March 12, 2009

1. Opening
2. Introductions
3. Approval of minutes
4. 12 Concepts of NA Service
5. 7th Tradition
6. Hospitals and Institutions Subcommittee
 - a. H&I Introduction/Dos and Don'ts
 - b. Literature Report
 - c. Panel Leader Reports
 - i. Avalon
 - ii. Cochran Recover Center
 - iii. Lino Lakes
 - iv. Dakota Co. Detox
 - v. Haven (Woodbury)
 - d. Old Business
 - e. New Business
7. Outreach Subcommittee
8. Activities Subcommittee
9. Public Relations Subcommittee
10. Adjournment