



South Suburban Fireside Area Service Minutes

September 4, 2008

Region met with Area at 7:00 PM
Meeting opened at 7:55 PM by Kevin
14 members in attendance.

Introductions:

12 Steps read by Chris
12 Traditions read by Sage
12 Concepts read by Jocelyn

Call for quorum: 12 voting members
August minutes accepted. Motion by Brent, 2nd by Garrett
Passed 7th Tradition, collected \$ 9.85

GSR reports:

Woodbury Freebirds: 6:00 PM Sunday

GSR Garrett L.: present
Average newcomers: 2 Average Attendance:12
H&I Activities: announce H&I meeting
Pig Fund Raisers: none
Concerns: Need Women Sponsors
ASC Donation: \$40.00

Step by Step: 7:00 PM Sunday

GSR Jocelyn: present
Average newcomers: 1-2 Average Attendance: 16
H&I Activities: announce H&I, activities, & outreach
Pig Fund Raisers: GSR has asked for ideas and/or suggestions from group.
Concerns: none listed
ASC Donation: \$40.00

Never Alone: 7:00 PM Sunday

GSR Yvette B: not present, no report given
Average newcomers: Average Attendance:
H&I Activities:
Pig Fund Raisers:
Concerns:

Monday Night in the Grove: 7:00 PM Monday

GSR Kevin S.: present,
Average newcomers: 1 Average Attendance: 14
H&I activities: Could H&I do a presentation at our meeting September 29th
Pig Fund Raisers: none

Concerns: Need women sponsors
ASC Donation:

Monday Night Round Robin: 7:00 – 8:30 PM

GSR Tim B.: not present
Average newcomers: 3 Average Attendance: 20
H&I activities: announce H&I meeting
Pig Fund Raisers: announce
Concerns: none
ASC Donation: \$40.00

Ties That Bind Us: 7:00 PM Monday

GSR Ryan S.: present
Average newcomers: 3-4 Average Attendance: 20-25
H&I activities: announced
Pig Fund Raisers: none listed
Concerns: none listed

Tuesday Morning Recovery Group: 10:00 AM

GSR(?): not present, no report given
Average newcomers: Average Attendance:
H&I Activities:
Pig Fund Raisers:
Concerns:

T-N-T; Tuesday Nights Together 7:00 PM Tuesday

GSR James M.: present
Average newcomers : 1 Average Attendance: 10-12
H&I Activities: announce activities
Pig Fund Raisers: announce
Concerns: Need more information on the Area computer name.
ASC Donation:

Addicts In Recovery: 7:00 PM Tuesday

GSR (vacant): not present
Average newcomers: 2 Average Attendance: 10-15
H&I Activities: announce activities
Pig Fund Raisers: announce
Concerns: need GSR
PIG Donation:

Northfield NA: 7:00 PM Wednesday

GSR ?: not present, no report
Average newcomers: Average Attendance:
H&I Activities:
Pig Fund Raisers:
Concerns:

Midweek NA: 7:00 PM

GSR Sage: present
Average newcomers: 2 Average Attendance: 25
H&I Activities: announced
Pig Fund Raisers:
Concerns: Need more women sponsors, trouble with meeting place – may get kicked out.

Too Damn Early: 9:00 AM Thursday

GSR (Mark M.) : not present
Average newcomers:1 Average Attendance: 7
H&I Activities:
Pig Fund Raisers:
Concerns:

Young People in Recovery: 7:00 PM Friday

GSR (vacant) : not present
Average newcomers: Average Attendance:
H&I Activities:announce
Pig Fund Raisers:
Concerns:

Peace of Mind: 7:30 PM Friday

GSR Mary M.: present
Average newcomers : 3 Average Attendance: 20
H&I Activities: announced
Pig Fund Raisers: pass the piggy, Roadside clean-up Oct. 4th Farmington Hwy50 at 10:00 AM.
Concerns: need more members w/ more clean time, Sponsors.

NA Day: 7:30 PM Friday

GSR Jack M.: present
Average newcomers: 1-2 Average Attendance: 23-25
H&I Activities: make announcements
Pig Fund Raisers: announced
Concerns: none
ASC Donation: \$179.61 and 4 wire nuts

Still Waters Run Deep: 7:00 PM Saturday

GSR ?: not present no report
Average newcomers: Average Attendance:
H&I Activities:
Pig Fund Raisers:
Concerns:

Lakeville Basic Text Study: 9:00 PM Saturday

GSR (open) : present
Average newcomers: 2 Average Attendance: 15
H&I Activities: announced
Pig Fund Raisers: discussed

Concerns:

Basic Texts on Hastings NA: 7:00 PM Saturday

GSR.(Will C.): present

Average newcomers: 1

Average Attendance: 10

H&I Activities: announce, some members attend H&I commitments

Pig Fund Raisers:

Concerns: none

Clear Eyes: 9:30 AM Saturday

GSR.(Ann): not present

Average newcomers: 1

Average Attendance: 5

H&I Activities:

Pig Fund Raisers:

Concerns: Young meeting, needs support

Committee Reports: Scheduled meetings are at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Faith Methodist Church, 1530 Oakdale Ave., W. St. Paul, MN

Sub-committee's are merging responsibilities to cover what is needed in our Area.

Public Relations: chair needed.

RCM: (Skip H.): We did not meet quorum. We discussed different aspects of the project base projection. We broke down into small groups to discuss different area's of project that were given to us. Lot's of discussion. We will be going over revisions again next meeting.

Activities: (Laurah S.): not present

Hospitals & Institutions: (Brent F.) Meeting at 7:00 PM, 2nd Thursday at Faith Methodist Church, 1530 Oakdale Ave., W. St. Paul, MN

Concerns: We need addicts able to go into the jails & prisons (2 years off paper).

We may have a new meeting starting at the Dakota Co. Jail. No given time as yet, anyone interested will need to fill out form & turn it in. Get the form from Phil Drazkowski 651-438-4812. Also, if you are approached about carrying the message to hospitals or institutions please refer to H&I or PR committees rather than taking on a commitment. We also need addicts to help carry the message. We have the same addicts carrying the message , we need new blood to carry new measures of hope. Mock H & I presentation as topic for groups.

Female Treatment Center in West St. Paul: Tapestry, looking for females to carry the message so we can set-up a commitment.

4th Monday of the month: Red Wing Juvenile Facility: Buddy K., young people to carry the message.

Dakota County Drug Court, looking into H&I possibilities.

September 29th, meeting at Monday in the Grove for H&I panel.

Current commitments as follows:

2nd Tuesday of the month: Avalon, 6-7 PM Panel Leader: Vern B.

3rd Wednesday of the month: Cochran, Hastings 7 PM, Panel Leader: LeeAnn

3rd Thursday of the month: Lino Lakes Prison 7PM, Panel Leader: Dan W.

2 person presentation
4th Thursday of the month: Hastings Detox : 7 PM. Panel Leader: Chris C.
2 people share story
November 5th, The Haven, Woodbury 6PM

Outreach: (James M.) present, need a co-chair. Scheduled committee activities are the newsletter and select the meeting of the month.

Put out October newsletter, please contact me at 612-716-4449 or Jocelyn to add personal stories or monthly step contributions. GSR's please encourage your group members to submit contributions to the newsletter. We need submissions on the steps & traditions for the upcoming month and personal stories. Anything recovery related would be of help.

NEED volunteers to help write

Meeting of the month will be : Peace of Mind, Friday September 19 at 7PM

PIG: (Kyle M.): We still need volunteers. Meeting 1st Thursday each month before ASC. Having a contest for the PIG T-shirt design and slogan. Winners receive a PIG T-shirt and registration. Due in by October 2nd.

We also need all those that have held PIG positions in the past to please write a description of the position held so we can set up bylaws. Thank you.

The PIG committee needs support. Since last month 2 more positions were filled however the following are still open:

PIG co-chair
Co-treasurer
Pre-Registration
Co-Gate chairs (2)
Co-Security chairs (2)
Food chair
Co- Food chair
Breakfast chair
Co-Breakfast chair
Merchandise chair
Co-Merchandise chair
Activities chair
Co-Activities chair
Kids Activities chair
Co-Kids Activities chair
Concessions
Co-Concessions chair
Radio chair
Co-Radio chair
Outreach chair
Co-Outreach chair
Coffee chair
Co-Coffee chair

Old business:

New business:

Elections that are due:

Area needs 2 Regional Committee Members (RCM) Area still needs one more RCM. Region meets every other month February, April, June, August, October, December.

PR Chair - open

Group inventory results will be included in the area minutes when they get compiled. Still waiting on some meetings to please turn in their inventories. We all have a voice in how Area is run so please turn in your inventories as soon as possible.

We are presently trying to simplify the web address to our Area. More information to come. Skip H. motioned to take it back to your meetings and see what they think and if they have any suggestions. Kevin 2nd. Presently our web address is: www.ssfa.naminnesota.org

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance: **\$902.55**

Cash in:	ASC	PIG
7 th Tradition	9.85	
Group ASC Donations		
NA Day	179.61	
Freebirds	40.00	
Round Robin	40.00	
Step by Step	40.00	
Peace of Mind	25.00	

Total cash in: 334.46

Total Balance: \$1237.01

Cash out:		
Rent: 1 st Presbyterian Church:		30.00
TCASC- Phone-line:		50.00
SSFA PIG Committee		
Other:		

(Treasurer will need to purchase a receipt book soon)

Total cash out: \$80.00

Ending Balance:

\$1157.01

Announcements:

South Suburban Fireside Area's website is at:

www.ssfa.naminnnesota.org

You can have your group or committee function's & flyers put on this site by attaching them to an e-mail and sending them to: kevinmoy@comcast.net Acceptable formats include, Microsoft word, works, publisher, or excel, Adobe illustrator or acrobat (.pdf files) windows text files (.txt or .rtf) , or Word Perfect (word process only)

Motion to close by Will, 2nd by Sage