

Lake Agassiz Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous
Minutes from August 18th, 2018.

August's ASC was held in **Fargo at 650 2nd Ave. N.** on August 18th 2018. Attendance was as follows: John O, Shawn O, Erica R, Frank H, Tim B, Charles O, Adam S, Chris C, John S, Alex R, Theresa G, Eddie F, Robert L, Danielle K, Austin L, and Richard B. **The next LAASC meeting will be on 9/15 starting at noon in Fargo at 650 2nd Ave. N. There was not an ASC meeting in July.**

Part 2: Approval of Minutes

Motion: Motion to approve the minutes after corrections.

Made by: Erica R **Seconded by:** Eddie F

Content: To approve minutes.

Intent: To move forward with business.

Action: Voted 7-0-1, passed.

Part 3: Housekeeping

Elected Positions:

N/A

Positions Open for Nomination:

LAASC Vice Chaire

LAASC Literature Committee Chair

LAASC H&I committee Chair

LAASC Activities Chair

Secretary

RCM

Nominations:

LAASC H&I Chair: Sly W

LAASC Activities Chair: Chris C

LAASC RCM: Danielle K (is not offically nominated due to cleantime requirements but is being considered for the position)

Part 4: Reports

Chair: Richard gave a report.

Vice Chair: N/A

Treasurer: Shawn O gave a report

Regional comittee Member: Alex R gave a report.

Hospitals and Institutions Committee Chairperson: N/A

Public Relations Committee Chairperson: John S gave a report

Area Activities Committee Chairperson: Chris C gave a report.

Area Activities Committee Treasurer: See Activities Chair's report

Literature Committee Chairperson: N/A

See attachments for committee members that provided written reports or they may be included at the end of these minutes.

Group Service Representatives Reports:

Meeting Name	GSR	Open Positions	Meeting Concerns/Comments
Monday Night Candlelight		Gsr, Chair	In need of money or books
Recovery in Motion	Erica R	Chair, Treasurer	
Mixed Nuts	Shawn O		Don't do drugs.
Tuesday Night HOW	Austin L	Alt. GSR	
Rainbow Way NA	Theresa G	Alt. GSR	
That's It NA	AJ		
We Do Recover	Adam S		
Break in the Day	Eddie F		
It's a Good Thing	Chris C	Alt. GSR, Chair	

Part 5: Sharing Session

Discussion topics:

1. Everybody bring a friend!
2. Discussion: Immediate future of RCM Team. Will try to fill the open RCM position however still sending RCMA to the conference. Still coordinating the best mode of transportation. Discussion still open
3. Discussion: Immediate future of Sec. Position. Chair will distribute the mins until the

- position is filled or someone is willing to complete that task. Discussed to completion
4. Discussion: PR Committee upcoming Events, Creating more effective ways to spread NA message (Tear off flyers with the Area hotline phone number on it. Strategically placing around town). Designated point of accountability for creating a support list and interacting with the Sheriff's Dept. Discussed to completion.
 5. Discussion: Waving cleantime requirements for RCM position. Discussed still open

Motions brought Forward:

1. Motion by: John S

Seconded by: Chris C

Motion: To make the RP committee the point of accountability for the area in regards to dealing with the Cass County Sheriff's Dept and making of the support list.

Intent: To ensure a level of contact with the sheriff's dept and provide them with the services they desire.

2. Motion by: Chris C

Seconded by: Adam S

Motion: That moving forward only GSR with issues to bring to ASC provide a verbal GSR report. That the default method of GSR reports be in writing form.

Intent: To Streamline the GSR report process

*note: Discussion already happened but bc it will be a format change it will remain in the mins 2 moths before being voted on.

3. Motion by: Shawn O

Seconded by: John O

Motion: To change ASC Schedule to every other month

Intent: Yo make it easier to fill our service positions

*Discussion was not done yet

Part 6: Voting

1. **Motion to approve minutes. Intent: carry on with business. Passed 7-0-1**
2. **Motion in #1 of sharing session. Passed**
- 3.

Meeting: Finished all possible business. Meeting adjourned @ 4:30pm

Chair Report

Good Afternoon everyone

Welcome back, since we last met I resigned the contract with the church, it will expire Aug 2019.

Also I finished the open Lit Orders. So the group that had open orders before we decided to pause the Lit Committee function either have their order or coordinating with me.

We facilitated an order for our PR Committee, but I will leave the specifics to address during his report. I ask again to push the need for trusted servants at ASC. In our current situation we are limited and not able to provide all the services to the groups that we could if we had more trusted servants. As always thank you for letting me serve as chair for this maturing and rejuvenated committee.

RCM Team Report

Hey guys,

It was a wonderful camping experience where we had our most recent RSC, things are going swimmingly. We had some nominations for positions to get back on our election schedule.

Sly nominated for chair

Amanda for secretary

Nicole for RD

Shawn for RDA

Joe for activities

Co chair and fellowship development are both vacant.

Our RD and RDA will be attending the multi zonal forum online so it can be more cost effective.

We also discussed ways we can make more money at events and feel the area should be supporting the region as per our guidelines. The guidelines have been sent back for the groups to vote and we will be voting on this at the next RSC. The next RSC will be at the regional convention Sunday Nov 11th at 10am. Site to be announced.

In loving service

Alex R

Brian D

Note from Alex R: Unfortunately I had some life on life terms happen and I must resign from the RCM position, the check written to me from area I never took so that can be rewritten to Brian for the MZSS if the area still chooses. I am very sad to have to step away from both area and region, but I trust the process and know that Brian will do amazingly at filling in until a new RCM is found and will help any way I can in him doing so. Thank you to the area for allowing me to serve these last few years, it's truly been amazing and I am filled with nothing but gratitude.

PR Committee Report

Fellow Servants,

For the past 2 months the Public Relations Committee has been working hard on creating a flyer with the toll free number to post at various places around the community. The pr committee has asked for the areas and fellow any members for help in this endeavor to get these flyers out

amongst the community. We feel that the more people that participate in this will help the the contact information become available to the most addicts who need it. Also the Public Relations Committee has been working towards recovery reinvented on September 5th. Recovery reinvented is a seminar based around recovery put on by the North Dakota Department of Human Services and will have many professionals as well as recovery advocates in the Fargo-Moorhead Community present. Narcotics Anonymous has been invited to participate in recovery reinvented and we have begin preparing by purchasing the literature and Booth supplies that we will need that are listed in the public relations budget. We are excited about the upcoming things for the Public Relations Committee and will continue to make our best effort in carrying the message to the public in the future.

-John Shiek
PR Chair

LAASC TREASURER REPORT FOR AUGUST 2018

Hello everybody,

Since the last time we met in June.

Deposits (7 th Tradition) = \$1050

Our 7 th Tradition - \$500

Reimbursements - \$95

2 Help Line payments - \$120.01

At ASC;

Meeting Lists - \$103.63

Upcoming PR Event - \$282.62

Gas Reimbursement - \$ 52

Deposits (7 th Tradition) + \$150

Thanks for letting
Be of Service,
Always willing,
Shawn O.

Activities Committee Report

Lake Agassiz Area of Narcotics Anonymous

Area Activities Committee

To All in Recovery,

The Activities Committee is currently sifting through all the information resulting for 2018's NOW Campout. Our Treasurer is currently balancing our Activities account. The event's ledger will be finalized for submission at September's ASC. We have, to date, paid back all funds that I provided in preparation for the Campout. In addition, we deposited net 7,199.5 from funds collected at the Campout. We currently have one expense item outstanding. Last year one major complaint was the cost of firewood at Fort Ransom, that each individual camper was responsible for buying their own firewood at a cost of \$5.00/small bundle...a significant cost for many attending. This year the Committee provided a trailer load of firewood for the Campout, at a cost of \$50.00. An NA member picked up the firewood on his way to the event and paid for it out of his own pocket. He has not yet submit a receipt for reimbursement. In addition, the event has some merchandise that remains unsold. We originally ordered 36 pre-event t-shirts and additionally ordered 24 more t-shirts and 24 coffee mugs for sale at the event. We have pre-event tee's, To event tee's and 12 mugs remaining. Numerous NA members have inquired about remaining merchandise. Excess merchandise is available today for sale. (\$15/shirt, \$12/mug, \$25 for a shirt/mug combo.) I will also take some merchandise with me to the NA World Convention next week. There is an unofficial "Merchandise Swap" being organized at the Convention. Any excess NOW Campout merchandise that I can swap for merchandise from other Areas and Regions will result in future raffle and/or auctions items. We are currently exploring the possibility of switching banks to hold the Activities account. The only reason for considering changing banks is location. We are currently at Western State Bank. This bank has only two locations, both in West Fargo... which makes access a challenge. We are considering moving our account to Gate City Bank. This would result in no additional account costs and make access much easier for Committee members, as they have branches located throughout the Fargo-Moorhead and neighboring areas. We have questions in preparation for this move, primarily if the Lake Agassiz ASC has a Federal Tax ID number (EIN). If so, could the Activities Committee use it as identification for this account? Such a number would allow us to open this account without relying on an individual member's Social Security Number (SSN). Using an individual's SSN results in confusion with Committee member turnover and could add difficulty should some members have a less-than-stellar financial background. If the ASC does not have an EIN we would urge consideration of securing one. The process seems easy and the benefits seem multiple for both the Activities Committee and the ASC as a whole. The Activities Committee is still in need of an Alternate Chair, in hopes of a smoother transition when a new Chair is elected. The Activities Committee has one upcoming event on the horizon:

Lake Agassiz Area Fall Banquet: Date (sometime in October) and location have yet to be determined and will be discussed at our next Activities Committee meeting. Our next Activities meeting is scheduled for Wednesday September 12th. It will take place in Fargo at 6:00pm at Red Raven Coffee Shop.

In Loving Service

Chris Corbet Area Activities Chair

Submitted: 08/18/2018

Additional provided reports & service resumes included as email attachments.

Attention: A GSR or alternate can request reimbursement at 10 cents/mile if travelling from a

distance of 50 miles or greater, if funds are available.

LAKE AGASSIZ AREA ELECTION SCHEDULE

Position	Current Trusted Servant	Contact Information	Opens for Nominations	Nominations Close for Elections	Meeting	Date Elected
LAASC Chair	Richard B	928-308-0349	October	December	3 rd Saturday-12pm 1 st Presbyterian, 650 2 nd Ave. N Fargo	3/2018
LAASC Vice Chair	vacant		April	June	-refer to chair	
Secretary	vacant		January	February	-refer to chair	
LAASC Treasurer	Shawn O	218-684-0899	November	January	-refer to chair	4/2018
LAASC RCM	vacant		February	April	-refer to chair	
LAASC Alt. RCM	Brian D	701-715-6560	February	April	-refer to chair	2/2018
LAASC Parliamentarian	vacant		August	October	-refer to chair	
LAASC H&I Chair			May	July		
LAASC Area Activities Chair	Chris C	701-388-4064 cacorbet@cableone.net	July	September	9/12 6p @ Red Raven Coffee	3/2018
LAASC Area Activities Treasurer	vacant		July	September	-refer to activities chair	
P.R. Chair	John S	218-329-8802	October	December	2 nd Sunday of month 6:30p @ Red Raven	2/2018
Literature Chair	vacant		March	May		

H&I Chair Service Resume

LAKE AGASSIZ AREA SERVICE RESUME

Nominee: Shawn
Position Nominated For: Shawn
Nominated By: Shawn O
Seconded By: Chris C
Clean Date: 4-3-15

- > Do you have a home group in the Lake Agassiz Area? ~~no~~ Recovery in motion
- > Do you have a working knowledge of the 12 steps, traditions, and concepts? yes
- > Do you have an NA sponsor and do you sponsor NA members? yes, yes
- > Please list all group, area, regional and world service positions you have held, that you consider relevant to the area to which you have been nominated. Please include the positions served within the past five years and approximate dates of service for each position.
GBR Fall 2015-2017
Hand I committee Fall 2015-current
PR chair Spring 2016 - Fall 2017
Region Co chair Fall 2016-2017
Region Chair Jan 2018-current
- > If you have not completed a term OR have been removed from a service position in the last five years, please explain.
no
- > What resources do you believe you can bring to the position to which you were nominated?
3 years experience, willingness, dedication, communication
- > What life experiences (e.g. school, work, volunteer, etc.) have you had that you believe will help you serve in the position to which you were nominated?
communication, and 3 years experience
- > Have you reviewed the Guidelines and/or By-Laws in respect to this service position?
yes
- > Do you have the time and resources to fulfill this position? yes
- > Why do you want to serve in this position? This committee means a lotta my recovery
- > Have you considered how this commitment will impact other commitments and your personal life?
yes, I am current active in the committee now