

**Lake Agassiz Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous**  
**Minutes from May 19th, 2018.**

May's ASC was held in **Fargo at 650 2nd Ave. N.** on May 19th 2018. Attendance: John O, Richard B, Tim F, Brian B, Shawn O, Alex R, John S, Tim B, Chris C, Brian D, Andy P, Renee B, Erica R, Charles O, and Dave W. **The next LAASC meeting will be on 6/16 starting at noon in Fargo at 650 2nd Ave. N.**

**Part 2: Approval of Minutes**

**Motion:** Motion to approve the minutes.

**Made by:** Alex R **Seconded by:** Shawn O

**Content:** To approve minutes.

**Intent:** To move forward with business.

**Action:** Voted 8-0-0, passed.

**Part 3: Housekeeping**

**Elected Positions:** Andy P as H&I Chair. Voted in 9-0-0

**Positions Open for Nomination:**

LAASC Vice-Chair

Literature committee Chair

**Nominations:**

Andy P for H&I Chair. Voted to interview & vote on electing same day 8-0-0. No GSR opposed to voting the same day as nomination.

**Part 4: Reports**

**Chair:** Richard gave a verbal report.

**Vice Chair:** Position vacant.

**Treasurer:** Shawn gave a verbal report

**Regional Committee Member:** Alex R gave a verbal report.

**Hospitals and Institutions Committee Chairperson:** Newly elected.

**Public Relations Committee Chairperson:** John S gave a verbal report & written budget

**Area Activities Committee Chairperson:** Chris C gave a verbal & written report.

**Area Activities Committee Treasurer:** Position vacant.

**Literature Committee Chairperson:** Jordan gave his last report.

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

**Group Service Representatives Reports:**

| <b>Meeting Name</b>      | <b>GSR</b> | <b>Open Positions</b> | <b>Meeting Concerns/Comments</b> |
|--------------------------|------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Monday Night Candlelight |            | Gsr, Chair            |                                  |
| HOW                      | Brian B    | Treasurer             |                                  |
| Sherwood Group           | Wes K      | Alt GSR               |                                  |
| Recovery in Motion       | Erica R    | Treasurer<br>Alt. Gsr |                                  |
| Mixed Nuts               | Shawn O    |                       | Don't do drugs.                  |
| Tuesday Night HOW        | Jon T      |                       |                                  |
| That's It NA             | AJ         |                       |                                  |
| We Do Recover            | Adam S     |                       |                                  |
| It's a Good Thing        | Chris C    | Alt. GSR,<br>Chair    |                                  |

**Part 5: Sharing Session**

1. Everybody bring a friend!
2. Audit - still needs to be completed. Next month it will be.
3. Discussed concerns with the H&I subcommittee

4. Voted on our endorsement of Roxane G for Treasurer at the Regional Service Committee.  
Approved 5-0-3
5. *It's unanimous that GSRs felt we could not approve the prudent reserve with how the guidelines are currently worded. Jon T & Alex R wrote a motion amending this. Motion states, "To change Financial Policy (in guidelines) to state:*
  - a. *Point C: A prudent reserve of three months of the executive budget will be maintained.*
  - b. *Point D: The operating reserve will equal three months of total expenses of the main bank account. This includes executive, public relations, and health & institutions budgets.*
  - c. *Point E: Each LAASC meeting prior to the next UMRSC meeting, the LAASC will donate everything above the operating budget."*

*Intent: To have more clear & consistent guidelines. (Keep in the minutes for two consecutive months. This is month 2) **Seperate related motion made in February:** Motion by Chris C and seconded by Alex R reads, " to table the vote on prudent reserve changes to guidelines until one month after a treasurer is elected." Intent: This will allow for an active treasurer review and advice before any vote is taken. Passed with a vote of 7-0-0. This motion to change parts of the Financial Policy in our ASC guidelines was passed 9-0-0*
6. Where should we send the RCM team for their service endeavors? Tabled.
7. PR budget - John S brought a breakdown of the budget. We discussed and asked questions. Motion made by John S & Alex R, "To approve PR budget today (for 6 months ending in November)." Intent: To plan on knowing how much money the PR committee will need to function and be of service to the groups. Approved 9-0-0
8. Motion 1 made by Chris C & Charles O, "That we suspend the guidelines and not donate to the RSC." Intent: none given. Failed by a vote of 0-6-1. Motion 2 made by Shawn O & Alex R, "To donate \$500 to the Region." Intent: To continue the flow of funds but not strain us financially. Approved by a vote of 6-0-1

#### Part 6: Voting

1. **Motion to approve minutes. Intent: carry on with business. Passed 8-0-0**
2. **Motion to vote on H&I chair same day as nomination. Passed 8-0-0**
3. **Voted Andy P as LAASC H&I subcommittee chair. Passed 9-0-0**
4. **Voted on our endorsement of Roxane G as Regional Treasurer. Passed 5-0-3**
5. **Motion in #5 in the sharing session. Passed 9-0-0**
6. **Motion in #7 in the sharing session. Passed 9-0-0**
7. **Motion 1 in #8 in the sharing session. Failed 0-6-1**
8. **Motion 2 in #8 in the sharing session. Passed 6-0-1**
9. **Motion to close! Passed 8-0-0**

Meeting: Finished all possible business. Meeting adjourned @ 4p

Fellow Servants,

This month for public relations, the Public Relations Committee went into the Share House outpatient to give information to the clients on narcotics anonymous as well as provide them with Meeting Lists. It is the public relations committees understanding that this is something that hospitals and institutions previously would take care of, but at the request of the h&i chair the Public Relations Committee took the responsibility this month. Also we have begun to start making a booth so we can be a part of other public Forums on addiction and be present on behalf of Narcotics Anonymous. Also we will be printing a new batch of Meeting Lists after this month's area service committee after we find out what changes need to be made to the list. If anybody needs meaningless the Public Relations Committee is continuing to ask for people to contact us and we can get you the Meeting Lists.

Sincerely,  
John Shiek  
Public relations chair

#### RCM Team Report—May2018

Again, nothing new has happened as Region has not met since last month. The next meeting is next weekend at Spiritual Refreshment. I was given the information for the Multi-Zonal Service Symposium, so if this is something we want to do again it is November 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 4<sup>th</sup> in Omaha, NE.

Thank you, Alex R and Brian D

Hello everyone

I have information I would like you and your home group to consider for discussion at the next ASC. First, I apologize it was not addressed at ASC.

Since Saturday, May 19th the LAASC Literature Committee Chair completed his service commitment and stepped back. Per my understanding of my task as LAASC Chair, I said I would step in and keep providing Lit to groups in our area that placed orders through the committee. As I began to process orders I realized, when considering my other service commitments and the bank accounts I am or am not on, that me filling that role provides little to no oversight of that process. I would be able to sign for, deposit, and distribute Literature all on my own. I am not comfortable with that much independent control over so many NA assets with any person, myself included.

I will complete the open orders to the groups and committees that have started the ordering process, but I would implore the groups in this area to discuss possible different avenues going forward. That said the Lit Chair, Lit Distribution, and Lit Treasurer positions are open. Thank you for your consideration.

**LAASC Chair**

**Richard B**

Lake Agassiz Area of Narcotics Anonymous

Area Activities Committee

To All in Recovery,

The Activities Committee continues to attempt to encourage members to involve themselves with upcoming events. Gaining membership continues to be very slow. We attempted to meet twice in the last month, both in Fargo, with only one meeting happening. Last week's meeting failed to draw any in attendance, so in order to accomplish one task, we held a meeting via Facebook. We accomplished that task. Please continue to encourage your Group members to join in the efforts of the Activities Committee, especially if they like seeing events occur in the Lake Agassiz Area. The Activities account was balanced this morning, prior to ASC, so numbers below will be handwritten in. The current remaining balance in our account is \$UhKAwn There are still some charges that I personally incurred prior to gaining access to the account that I have yet to be reimbursed for. I continue to wait for an influx to this account before this reimbursement.

The Activities Committee has conducted one event since the last ASC:

Service Begins With Me: Saturday, May 5, 2018, at Bethesda Lutheran Church (401 40th Ave S in Moorhead). The event was held as scheduled. There were 24 addicts in attendance, with

9 newcomers given entry at either a reduced rate or free. We experienced a financial loss of \$3.30 in this event.

The Activities Committee is currently addressing the following two upcoming events:

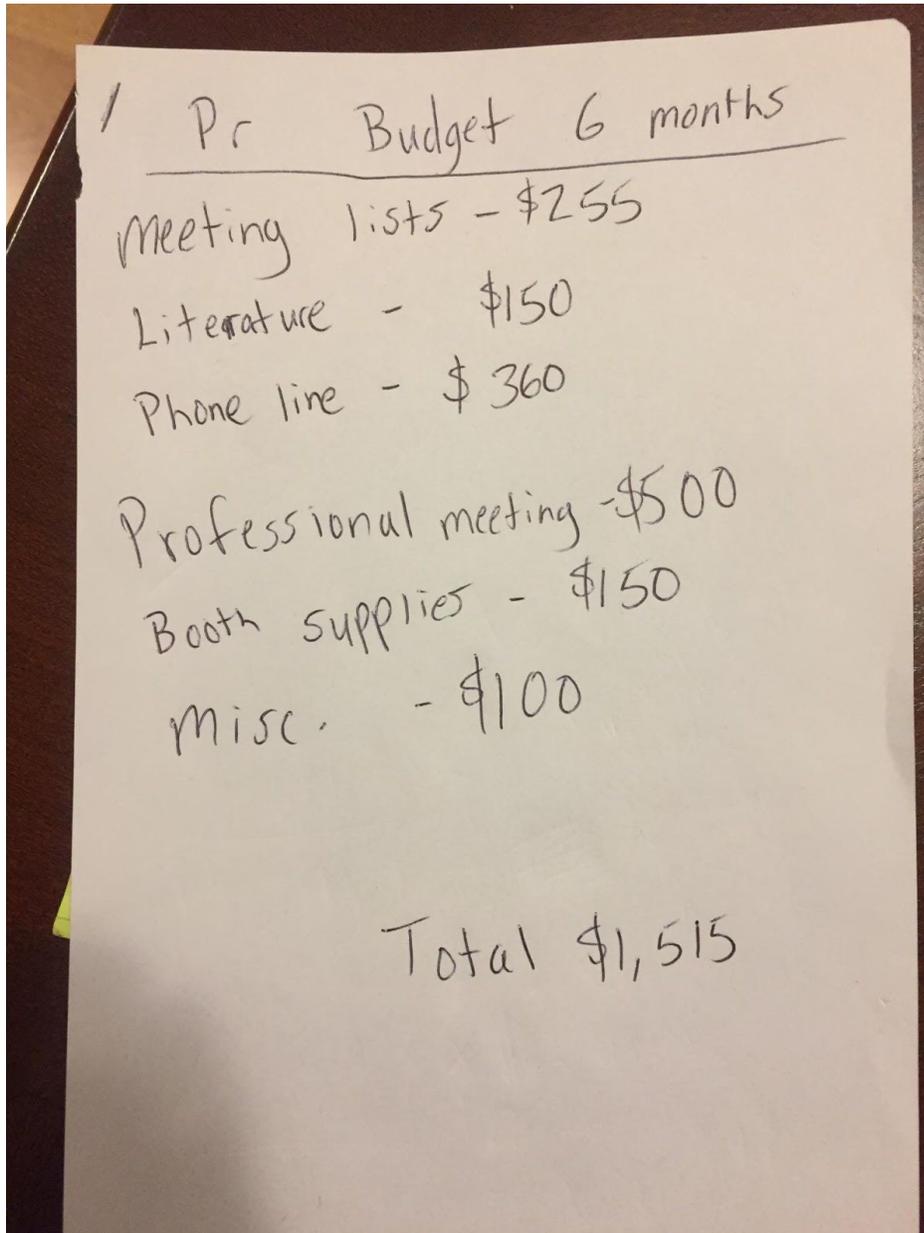
Unity Day: Monday, May 28, 2018 (Memorial Day) at Lindenwood Park in Fargo. This event is scheduled to be held as planned. Please remind your groups that this is a potluck. The Activities Committee will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and fixin's. All other food is potluck. Final preparations will be made at our next meeting. NOW Campout: August 10, 11 & 12, 2018 at Fort Ransom State Park. As last week's Activities meet was cancelled, a logo was chosen among two submitted in a virtual meeting via Facebook. Flyers are being distributed today and will be available, along with registrations and pre-event tshirts, at Spiritual Refreshment. Workshop topics and presenters, as well as speakers, will be chosen at our next meeting. Cost for the event will be \$35 in advance and \$40 on the day of the event, PLUS CAMPING.

Our next two Activities meetings are scheduled. We will meet Sunday, May 20th and

Sunday, June 10th. Both meetings will take place in Fargo at 4pm at the Red Raven Coffee Shop.

In Loving Service,

Chris Corbet Area Activities Chair



**Additional provided reports & service resumes included as email attachments.**

### 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               |                                       | October               | December                        | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday-12pm<br>1 <sup>st</sup> Presbyterian,<br>650 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ave. N<br>Fargo | <b>3/2018</b>  |
| LAASC Vice Chair                | vacant                  |                                       | April                 | June                            | -refer to chair   |                |
| Secretary                       | John O.                 | 218-831-2333<br>4johnoswald@gmail.com | January               | February                        | -refer to chair   | <b>2/2018</b>  |
| LAASC Treasurer                 | Shawn O                 |                                       | November              | January                         | -refer to chair   | <b>4/2018</b>  |
| LAASC RCM                       | Alex R                  |                                       | February              | April                           | -refer to chair   | <b>2/2018</b>  |
| LAASC Alt. RCM                  | Brian D                 |                                       | February              | April                           | -refer to chair   | <b>2/2018</b>  |
| LAASC Parliamentarian           | Jon T                   | tatrojo1@gmail.com                    | August                | October                         | -refer to chair   | <b>11/2017</b> |
| LAASC H&I Chair                 | Renee B                 | rberryhillslahs2009@gmail.com         | May                   | July                            | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday-<br>6:00 PM at Red Raven   | <b>2/2018</b>  |
| LAASC Area Activities Chair     | Chris C                 | 701-388-4064<br>cacorbet@cableone.net | July                  | September                       | 6/10 4:00p @<br>Red Raven<br>Coffee   | <b>3/2018</b>  |
| LAASC Area Activities Treasurer | vacant                  |                                       | July                  | September                       | -refer to activities chair  |                |
| P.R. Chair                      | John S                  | 218-329-8802                          | October               | December                        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday<br>(5/13) 6:30p @<br>Red Raven   | <b>2/2018</b>  |
| Literature Chair                | Jordan R.               | 701-781-2857                          | March                 | May                             | 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup><br>Saturday<br>12:30P @ Red<br>Raven                              |                |

