

GSRs - gas reimbursement is available upon request.

Any area group may request to have the LAASC Meeting in their own town by contacting the LAASC Chair or LAASC Vice Chair two months in advance of the month they wish to host.

## **LAASC of Narcotics Anonymous Minutes from August 2024**

Zoom Meeting ID: 230 938 119 Password: 123456

*April ASC was held at 401 N 7th St Grand Forks ND on 12/21/2024 at noon.*

*May ASC will be held at 121 9th St S Fargo, ND on 01/18/2025 at noon.*

*Region Wide Zoom Information can be found on [www.umnna.com](http://www.umnna.com)*

### **Part 1: Attendance**

*GSRs in BOLD*

**Michael S**  
**Karl M**  
**Wes**  
**Evan J**

**Shawn O**  
Jerry  
**Nick S**  
Maryn Y

Brandon

### **Part 2: Housekeeping**

**Approval of Minutes: 5-0-0**

**Nominations:**

Vice Chair: Maryn Y.

Open Position: Literature Chair, Alt RCM, Activities

### **Attention GSR Section:**

### **Part 3: Reports**

**Chair: Jon T-** Nothing to report

**Vice Chair: Maryn Y-** Nothing to report

**Treasurer: Christian-** Nothing to report

**RCM Team: Evan J-** Nothing to report

**Hospitals and Institutions Chair: Open**

**Public Relations Chair: Wes K-**

We met Dec 3, at H&C with primary focus on H&I agenda. The facilities that are being served at this time have all reported status with needs expressed to carry the primary purpose. We always need more literature to distribute, a part of that process is finding out if each facility does or can afford to give literature to addicts. Most places do not have that within their budgets. This is where we show some creativity and attempt to best utilize the resources available to us. We can

ask that a facility laminate the IP's we supply so they can be looked at and copied if needed.

One of the projects we are working on is creating a list of facilities and providers, as well as law enforcement, probation and parole, and human service centers that we can E-mail on a quarterly basis for updated information on the meeting schedule. In doing so we will also have a good idea of places and facilities that we may be able to serve in the future. We discussed facilities outside of the Fargo-Moorhead area. Recently the LAA provided some literature to the jail in Grand Forks. This is an area of interest as we may be able to set up a meeting within the jail at some time. We will as a committee make the appropriate contact via letter form and follow up with a phone call with the proper individual in charge of that sort of activity in the facility. There is an issue with unacceptable behavior at an NA meeting within the sharehouse Grand Forks location. We are still in the investigation phase of this situation and plan to address it when we have the best accurate information available.

We discussed the idea of a learning day, or event with a meal to draw people in to be made aware of hospitals and Institutions work in the Grand Forks community. There are dedicated NA members that have been doing a great job with their efforts within the area. It is important at this point to get others involved, either people who used to do H&I - or brand new to this form of service. It is up in the air as of today what and where we can do something to cultivate, if you call it that, the interest in H&I work.

We received notice that the meeting that was going on at the VA in Fargo is now shut down and no longer running. It will be off the meeting list by the time area meeting happens.

There has been a consistent core of attendance at PR meetings. We are at the point of going to use an actual format for the business portion of the meeting and go through the guidelines and discuss the various positions within the committee such as: secretary, H&I coordinator, meeting list coordinator and others. Basically, tighten up and be a notch more professional than the informal process we have been operating under.

The undertaking of the compiling of a list for the meeting list is a large task and takes some time. With that in mind, we will also be creating a "wish list" of places we would like to contact. This will be brought up at the first meeting of the month and compiled at the second meeting of the month in January. From that we will evaluate and prioritize our efforts to achieve the best aim.

The same type of list will be working to create ideas to best serve our communities. Bus ads, radio spots, TV spots, simple flyers hung up at places like, social service centers, laundromats, parole offices, and other places. This will hopefully take place in February. The struggle with flyers is maintaining them and having a list of where they are hung and how long they last. With that should we utilize the QR code on a flyer, put our phone line number on it. These are big questions with big responsibilities that will be discussed at the committee level, generally the second meeting of the month.

The status of the [laasmeetinglist.org](http://laasmeetinglist.org) app status, it is up and running with the most accurate information we have currently. Any updates should be sent to the email listed on top of the page. We have this paid for the year up to 2025, by that year end we will have something different in place. I have no idea what that looks like at this point, if there is an addict who is gifted in that sort of business, please reach out to the PR chair or one of its members.

Most of the projects and things that we are doing are project based and short term, as in until that phase is done. We do not require anyone to commit to a year of doing a single task on this committee. We invite anyone who is new to service work to attend and observe how this is working so far.

Our next meeting is on Jan 7 at 6pm at Hope & Coffee – the agenda will be H&I facilities and issues, if time allows other PR business may be addressed. We will be going over the do's and don'ts of H&I and have a mock interview to go into

a facility. If we have time, we will read different service positions within the PR committee, accept nominations.

The second meeting of the month will be Jan 21 at 6pm at Hope & Coffee – the agenda will generally be Public Information related. We will read about the different service positions and talk about specific tasks and terms of projects. We may have a few going at the same time with different people handling different project tasks. Both meetings will be available on zoom – we will figure out those details as they happen.

We ask if anyone has an idea, a facility in mind to contact, a warm fuzzy or even a complaint to please let us know via email to address on meeting list. If you or you know someone who may be an asset in an area that we are currently working on, please contact us. There is always something to do to help further our primary purpose.

Thank you for your trust and faith in us as a committee,  
The Dudes

**Activities Chair: Open**

**Literature Committee Chair: Open**

#### **GSR REPORTS:**

<b>GRS</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Service Meeting</b>	<b>Open Positions</b>
Nick S	Fargo Circle of Recovery	1st Saturday 5:15 pm	Yes
Michael Speicher	A Break in the Day	Third Friday of the month, 1pm	No
Shawn O...:	New Hope, Mixed Nuts and Stepping Stones	1st Tuesday of the month	Yes
Karl Manthey	Sherwood mens meeting	Monday before the 3rd Saturday	No
Evan J	Living in Recovery	1st Monday 6:30	Yes

#### **Part 4: Sharing Session**

1. Discussed predatory Response Guidelines
2. Discussed finding a platform to take online payments through LAASC for events.
  - Discussed filing a 501c3
3. Discussion on a learning day with activities
  - Even date set for March 15th for “Service Begins with Me,” in Fargo. Location to be determined.

Meeting Closed at 2:30 PM

**Election Schedule:**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Current Trusted Servant</b>	<b>Contact Voted In Term Ends Information</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Current Trusted Servant</b>
LAASC Chair	Jon T	nalaasc@gmail.com 8/2023 8/2024	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday 12pm	LAASC Chair	Jon T
LAASC Vice Chair	Maryn Y	Refer to chair 11/2023 11/2024	-refer to chair	LAASC Vice Chair	Maryn Y
Secretary	Joshua	Refer to chair 3/2024 4/2024	-refer to chair	Secretary	Joshua
LAASC Treasurer	Christian R	Refer to chair 11/2023 11/2024	-refer to chair	LAASC Treasurer	Christian R
LAASC RCM	Evan J	701-739-5364 11/2023 11/2024	-refer to chair	LAASC RCM	Evan J
LAASC Alt RCM	Vacant		-refer to chair	LAASC Alt RCM	Vacant
LAASC H&I Chair	Vacant	218-793-9279 1/2024 2/2026	-refer to H&I chair	LAASC H&I Chair	Anna B
LAASC Area Activities Chair	Vacant	9/2023 1/2025	-refer to activities chair	LAASC Area Activities Chair	Anthony O
LAASC PR Chair	Wes K	701-219-8502 11/2023 11/2024	-refer to PR chair	LAASC PR Chair	Wes K