SENANA ASC Minutes

August 2, 2015

**Attendance:**

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|  **Executive committee:** |  |  |
| Chairperson: | Kevin S. | Present |
| Vice chair:  | Open | Open |
| Secretary: | Lindsey | Present |
| Treasurer: | Wayne  | Present |
| RCM: | Open | Open |
| RCM-Alt: | Open | Open |
| H&I: | Jennifer G | Present |
| P.I: | Bekka | David (proxy)-present |
| Literature: | Amanda N. | Shawn(Vice Chair/proxy)-Present |
| Activities: | Paula | Present |
| Policy Chair: | Open | David R (Vice Chair/proxy) – Present |
| Ad-hoc | Open | Open |

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| **Groups:** |  |  |
| Sunday Morning Reflections | Debbie | Present |
| Sunday Ladies and Gents | Chad | Present |
| Sunday Solutions | Amy | Lindsey-proxy-present |
| Sunday Joyful Hearts |  | Absent |
| Monday and Friday Back to Basics |  | Absent |
| Monday Women’s Step Mtg | Shawn S.  | Present |
| Monday Road to Recovery |  | Absent |
| Monday Night Makin’ It |  | Absent |
| Tuesday VA 4 Recovery | Mike B | Present |
| Tuesday Show Me How to Live  | David | Present |
| Tuesday & Thursday T&T |  | Absent |
| Tuesday Let it Out | Paula | Present |
| Tuesday Night Remedy |  | Absent |
| Tuesday Never Alone | Allison  | Absent |
| Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday Back to Basics York | Joe | Present  |
| Wednesday Night Wild Women | Shelley | Kim-proxy-present |
| Welcome Home | Tim | Scott-Alt GSR-present |
| Wednesday Boys to Men | Zech | Present |
| Wed. Noon – Practicing These Principles | Chris | Present |
| Thursday Noon at Antlers |  | Absent |
| Thursday Night Undergrounders |  | Absent |
| Thursday One Promise/ Sat. Night Live |  | Michael-proxy-present |
| Thursday How & Why | Steve | Present |
| Thursday Fairbury New Hope |  | Absent |
| Friday Happy Havelock | John | Present |
| Friday Lost and Found | Eric | Absent |
| Friday Guardian Angels |  | Absent |
| Friday Night Candlelight |  | Absent |
| Saturday Morning Social |  | Absent |

**Visitors**: Nick, Tammy, David, Paul, David, Jeff, Howard, Dave

**Groups that would like to read report or bring up issues:**

Scott – Continually having problems with people smoking at the hospital at Welcome Home.

Chad- Our group (Ladies and Gents) discussed the controversial motion of paying the rent.

Shawn-Please remember when ordering key tags they come in bundles of ten. Thank you.

**Corrections to minutes:**

Secretary’s report:

* Motion to approve secretary’s minutes (Debbie), seconded by Scott. Approved as submitted.

Treasurer’s report:

* Motion to approve treasurer’s report (Scott), seconded by Joe. Approved as submitted.

**Executive committee reports**

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| Chairperson: | Kevin – Grateful to be able to serve. |
| Vice chair:  | Open  |
| Secretary: | Lindsey- Glad to be of service. |
| Treasurer: | Wayne |
| RCM: | Open |
| RCM-Alt: | Open |
| H&I: | Attached |
| P.I: | No report |
| Literature: | No report. Going well. World is on back order. Please look at your literature order form as some of the prices have changed.  |
| Activities: | Attached |
| Policy Chair: | No report |

**Nominations**

None

**Open for nominations are:**

Vice chair is an open position – please send nominations

RCM is an open position – please send nominations

RCM-Alt is an open position – please send nominations

Policy is an open position – please send nominations

**Elections:**

None

**Old Business**

**Motion #1:** To pay the increase in rent requested by the Unity room for ASC

**Intent**: To be responsible and pay rent

Submitted by: Joe Seconded by: Chad. Financial Impact: Increase in $25/month ($300/year)

Change in policy: No

**Motion Passes 8-2 at ASC**

**Open Floor:**

**GSR Involvement/Training –**
Chad - In this area there seems to be a combination of different things that lead me to believe that a GSR Training Day Workshop is needed. Some of the factors I have noticed are:
A sense of apathy or not caring during the ASC, misinformed/uninformed GSR’s concerning their responsibilities during the ASC, maybe even an aspect of fear about bringing up any topic that may cause ripples or repercussions from members of a different opinion.

Is there a need or want for this type of educated training?
Some of the things below might be issues that should be handled by those facilitating the training but I wanted to make others aware and get more input.
What are thoughts on whose responsibility it would be to put this on & fund it if it is deemed necessary?
Ideas on making it similar to H&I training where in order to be a GSR you should have attended a GSR Training?
What kind of parameters/guidelines should it follow?
Include a practice or mock ASC to get a hands on or interactive feel?

Chad-Wondering what this body thinks of a training/workshop? Lindsey- Knowing there are some new gsr’s and hearing some of their concerns. I believe training on a voluntary basis would be helpful. Chris- Being a new GSR, I find this would be very helpful and would appreciate it. Steve- At one time Activities would throw a learning day. John- Isn’t the training process part of what an alt-gsr supposed to do? Are we skipping a step? Kim- FYI there is a lot of information at the world service online that we can obtain. I also may have some information from region.

**ASC subcommittee request for budget increase**

Chad-Can a subcommittee increase the amount they pay for rent and just tell the ASC Treasurer to write a bigger check whether it falls within their budget or goes over the yearly amount? Or, do they have to make a motion, ask the permission of the groups who are the ones that supply them with the money to do everything they do anyway, and get their approval before paying a rent increase?
Whose responsibility is it to make these necessary motions?

Chad- I was curious if a subcommittee can increase what they pay for rent amount themselves. I believe that we voted on a motion that area pays an increase, so do subcommittees have to do the same? Jennifer – H&I rent went down, but for training days rent did go up. We did look outside this facility for other options. I just didn’t do it in time. Our guidelines say that we have a $10 budget for rent. How we approached it was the budget did go back to the groups for approval. Kevin- I went back and reviewed the budget for activities and I didn’t see one. Paula- At that point in time, I wasn’t part of the executive committee. We do have our own checkbook and treasurer so that may be why it was submitted that way.

**Subcommittee guidelines with ASC guidelines**

Chad- We have discussed this before but I do not remember any of the discussion or if there was an outcome or decision reached. I feel like each subcommittee should have guidelines specific to this area and specific to their respective committee. The guidelines that they have in place should be included in our area’s policy in order for transparency among the area and all subcommittees so there are no discrepancies or opinions on how the job gets done. If a subcommittee doesn’t have a specific local policy then it would need to develop one, submit it for group approval, and then make it available to the policy committee for addition to our ASC policy. With that said. I will be making a motion to direct the subcommittees to develop guidelines and submit them to the policy committee to be added into the area’s policy. Based on and taken directly from our current guidelines. (Section IX subsection 9 that reads “Subcommittees do not operate outside of the ASC direction and are accountable to the ASC and the groups.”

Chad- Each subcommittee should have their own guidelines but should be included with the ASC guidelines. Each subcommittee should have a locally devised guidelines with our area policy. They should be approved by the groups. For me, I would like to see them in one single place. Jennifer – I think that’s an excellent idea. The book was handed to me. I believe it would be a lot easier if we had a digital copy. It keep a standing policy with the ASC. Kim- I would be interested in seeing this area (an ad-hoc or combination of the subcommittees) the chair or vice chairs get together to help one another. It is a long process it takes a lot of time and commitment. Jake- If we want the policy to be transparent, it would be nice to have template to go off of. I don’t think it has to be a long process, if we had something to go off of.

**Regional Meeting lists**

Paul – If you would like me to bring regional meeting list, I am the regional outreach chair I would be happy to provide that.

**New Business:**

**Motion #1:** To change H&I Senana Guidelines Policy under Section-Qualification and Duties for officers, Subsection Panel Leaders, #3 to read: If three consecutive subcommittee meetings are missed, position will be resigned/removed.

**Intent:** To clarify the requirements and accountability of panel leader positions.

Submitted by: Jennifer G. Seconded by: Debbie B. Financial Impact: No. Change in policy: Yes

**Back to groups**

**Motion #2**: To relocate the SENANA ASC to the Berean Church. ASC will remain @ 2pm on the 1st Sunday of each month as defined by our guidelines.
**Intent:** To be prudent with this area’s Narcotics Anonymous donations and remain in accordance with our Primary Purpose to reach other addicts by carrying the message to more than we would by staying where we are at. Below is N.A. Literature that explains why we always evaluate our locations to determine the most efficient and cost effective facility to meet in.

According to and taken directly from It Works: How & Why 6th Tradition. “An NA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the NA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, or prestige divert us from our primary purpose.” Those who rent meeting space from other organizations need to take special care never to endorse, finance, or lend the NA name to the organizations from which they rent their meeting space. For instance, is the group paying substantially more to meet in a particular facility than it would somewhere else? Does this make it appear that the group endorses the facility in which it meets? Is the group better able to carry the NA message by meeting at that facility, or is the group funding an outside enterprise with its “rent” payment? When we devote our energies and funds to carrying the NA message, we free ourselves from distractions or confusion with the primary purpose of other organizations. (It Works: How & Why Tradition 6)
According to and taken directly from the 11th Concept. “NA funds are to be used to further our primary purpose, and must be managed responsibly.” Service funds aren’t easy to come by. To fulfill our primary purpose, we need all of the financial resources at our fellowship’s disposal. Our groups, service boards, and committees must make prudent use of the money we give them, refusing to spend money frivolously or self-indulgently. With NA’s primary purpose in mind, our services will avoid wasting money, using the funds they’ve been given to carry our message as effectively as possible.

Submitted by: Chad J Seconded by: Paula S.

Financial Impact: Savings/Reduction of $25/Month or $300 annually. Change in Policy: No

**Back to groups for Vote**

**Discussion on Motion #2**

Chad – There has already been discussion about this. I believe that paying more rent directly violates the traditions I mentioned. Berean church seems to have all we need at less cost. Paula – I have viewed the room that we would use, it is reserved in six-month blocks. There is enough storage available. We could have a written agreement (not legally binding) Shawn - Would all of literature have room? Paula – Yes Paula- I know there was some questions about accessibility? I think we would just need more planning. I would probably not be the contact person. Zech-Wi-Fi access? Rent amount? Paula –The rent is a donation only, I feel we have sustained $25.00 so I think that would be fair. Yes, there is also internet access. Chad- I want to clarify that this is the ASC only, not any subcommittees.

**Motion #3:** To put into guidelines that no panel leader (H&I) can serve more than two (1) year terms.

**Intent:** New Blood

Change in policy: Yes Financial impact: No

Submitted by: John Seconded by: Zech

**Motion withdrawn**

**Motion #4:** To have each and every SENANA ASC Subcommittee submit their respective committee’s guidelines/policy to the SENANA Policy subcommittee for addition and inclusion into the SENANA ASC guidelines/policy**.**

**Intent:** To ensure transparency between the ASC and each subcommittee. To also provide details of what each subcommittee’s mission are and how they go about accomplishing their goals. AND, to allow for convenience in locating any guidelines/policy measures related to this area. Based on and taken directly from our current guidelines. (Section IX subsection 9) That reads “Subcommittees do not operate outside of the ASC direction and are accountable to the ASC and the groups.”

Submitted by: Dave R. Seconded by: Chad J.

Financial Impact: NoChange in Policy: Yes

**Back to groups**

**Future ASC meeting(s):**

September 13th, 2015 2:00 pm at the Unity room.

October 4th, 2015 at 2:00 pm at the Unity room.

**Announcements:**

Happy Horseshoes Uni Park

Disc Golf – Sept 12th - Tierra Park -Lincoln, Ne -Contact Paula S

Back to Basics Campout – Oct 3rd – Wildwood Lake – Contact Paula S

York campout - Sept 18th, 19th, 20th -Recharge Lake York, Ne- Contact Joe G

**Executive Reports:**

**Chair Report:** No report

**Vice-chair Report:** Open position

**Secretary Report:** No report

**Treasurer Report:**

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|  **July 2015** |  |   |  |  |  |  |
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| **Income** |  |   | **Expenses** |  |  |  |
| **Group** | **Amount** |  | **Purpose** | **Amount** | **Check #** |  |
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| Sunday Morning Reflections |  |   | ASC Rent (monthly) | $25.00 | 753 |  |
| Sunday Night Ladies & Gents | $9.18 |   |  |  |  |  |
| Sunday Night Solutions |  |   | P.O. Box Rent (annually) |  |  |
| Sunday Night Joyful Hearts |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Mon/Fri Back 2 Basics | $22.00 |   | Public Information |  |  |  |
| Monday Women's Step Study |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Monday Night Makin It |  |   | H&I--Literature Only | $171.00 | 752 |  |
| Monday Road to Recovery | $42.00 |   |  |  |  |  |
| Tuesday Show Me How To Live | $10.00 |   | XC Expenses |  |  |  |
| Tues Vets |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Tues/Thurs T & T |  |   | RCM Travel to RSC |  |  |  |
| Tuesday Night Let It Out | $10.24 |   |  |  |  |  |
| Tuesday Night Never Alone | $40.13 |   | H&I Rent (quarterly) |  |  |  |
| Tuesday Night Remedy |  |   |  & training |  |  |  |
| Practicing These Principles | $23.00 |   |  |  |  |  |
| Wednesday Wild Women |  |   | Literature Rent (monthly) | $25.00 | 754 |  |
| Wednesday Boys To Men | $20.00 |   |  |  |  |  |
| Wednesday Welcome Home | $42.00 |   |  |  |  |  |
| Thursday Noon at Antlers |  |   | Policy Rent (quarterly) |  |  |  |
| Thursday One Promise/Saturday Night Live |   | Antlers - policy |  |  |  |
| Thursday Night How and Why |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Fairbury New Hope |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Thursday Night Undergrounders |  |   | **Other Expenses** |  |  |  |
| Friday Night Happy Havelock | $60.80 |   |  |  |  |  |
| Friday Night Lost and Found |  |   | ASC Secretary-Mailings |  |  |  |
| Friday Night Guardian Angels |  |   |  H & I |  |  |  |
| Friday Night Candlelight |  |   | H & I Training | $56.77 | 751 |  |
| Saturday Morning Social |  |   | US Postal Service |  |  |  |
| VA 4 Recovery |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Back to Basics - York | $40.00 |   |  |  |  |  |
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| **Other Income**  anniversary function |  |   |  |  |  |  |
|  activities committee | $150.00 |   |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |   | **Total Expenses** | $277.77 |  |  |
| **Total Income**  | $469.35 |   | **Previous Balance** | $2,644.25 |  |  |
|  |  |   | **Income - Expenses** | $191.58 |  |  |
| **Cash Outlay** | $0.00 |   | **New Balance** | $2,835.83 |  |  |
| **Bank Deposit** | $469.35 |   | **Statement Balance** |  |  |  |

**RCM:** Open

**RCM-Alt:** Open

**H&I:**  Hello fellow addicts, H&I is running smoothly. All facilities remain the same. We have a new Panel Leader for Lancaster County Corrections – Men: Dane W.

The following positions remain open:

**Vice Chair**

**Secretary**

**Panel Leaders for Touchstone**

**Panel Leader for LCC Woman** – I am currently serving in this position, but have been since June 2010. I am more than ready and willing to give this up.

**Panel Leader for NSP** - John M is currently serving in this position and has been for multiple years. He is more than willing to pass this on.

Our next subcommittee meeting is Sunday, August 9, 2015 @1 pm, here at the Unity Room.

We are going to be submitting a motion to go back to groups to change our policy regarding panel leader position:

**If a Panel Leader misses 3 consecutive Subcommittee meetings, their position will be resigned.**

We feel that the group’s should vote on this due to it’s a change in our policy.

In Loving Service, Jennifer G. (Chair)

**PI:** Hello family, my name is David I am an addict. New meeting lists are out they are printed on green, please dispose of earlier lists, they are not up to date. We encourage anyone and everyone to attend our PI subcommittee meeting, the Saturday before Area noon at Antlers. Please remember to contact a PI members if you change the time, location, or format of your meeting. If you would like something put on the website please email PI at **pi@sena-na.net****.** We thank this area for their continued service. In Loving Service, Bekka

**Policy:** No report

**Literature**: Shawn, addict. Everything is going well. Last month we filled all the literature orders. We have another lit order in right now, we should have had one delivered last week but world is on back order. It is due sometime this week. Please remember to key tags in bundles of (10) and look at your literature order forms, the prices have changed. I had an out of date order form, so be careful. I will have copies of updated order forms next week. Thanks.

**Activities:** Hello family! Activities committee last met on 7/26/15 at the Unity Room.

Topics discussed included:

-Pool party on 7/31/15

-New activities (horseshoes, potluck) on 8/15/15

-Frisbee golf on 8/12/15

-Back to Basics Campout on 10/3/15

-Possible re-location of activities committee monthly meetings and storage, due to increase in rent.

-Providing Senana activities committee guidelines to the ASC.

Our last function was the swimming party/speaker meeting which took place on July 31. Sheila H. from Hastings shared her experience, strength, and hope with approximately 75 addicts in attendance, a basic text was given to any addict with less than 30 days clean and there were approximately 100 people at the pool party. This event went well. Activities committee will next meet on August 16, 2015 at the Unity Room at 1 pm. Flyers are available for upcoming events. In Loving Service, Paula S.

**Group Reports:**

**Sunday Morning Reflections-** We have a new treasurer, Marylyn. Regional donation of $16.66. Area donation of $58.00. In Loving Service, Debbie B, GSR.

**Ladies & Gents-** Hello Family. My name is Chad & I am an addict. Our group meets every Sunday night at 6:15pm in the basement of BryanLGH West in Conference room “C”. Meeting content is going strong but we are looking for a few more people to commit to either a home group or a service position. We had a total of 161 addicts, 15 of which were newcomers. The 7th tradition brought in $148.39 for the month. It has been distributed in the following order to the following areas: $20.00 for rent, $105.35 to Literature committee to replenish supplies, $23.04 to the ASC as a group donation

\*\*\*We discussed the motion from area and final vote is below and will be given during old business. We do feel it necessary to mention that this was a controversial motion. Even though we are responsible to pay our bills, which is all this motion commands, there was also much discussion that it is wrong to use our donated money to pay an increase in rent instead of using it only to fulfill our primary purpose when there are other cheaper facilities available.\*\*\*

Our votes are as follows:

Area Votes:

Motion #1 – YES (2 For – 1 Against – 6 Abstain)

**Please join us and bring a friend who is searching for a meeting.**

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Chad J. (Lincoln)

**Sunday Night Solutions-**  No report

**Sunday Joyful Hearts** - No report

**Monday and Friday Back to Basics-** We had a great month for July at Back to Basics. Total attendance 100, with 8 newcomers. The 7th tradition brought in $75.00. We paid $10.00 in rent, supplies of $25.00. ASC donation of $40.00. Thanks for everyone’s help at Back to Basics. Steve H, treasurer.

**Monday Road to Recovery-** No report

**Monday Women’s Step Study-** Hello fellow addicts: The following information is for the month of July 2015. Attendance of 29, Newcomers 1, 7th tradition $27.00. We come with a literature order of $0.00. We paid rent of $20.00, this leaves us with an Area donation of $7.00 this month. We voted yes. Thank you. In Loving Service, Shawn S.

**Monday Night Makin It –** No report

**Tuesday Show Me How to Live Group –** Hello family, The Show Me How to Live group seen an attendance of 92, signed 9 cards, $7.50 in 7th tradition contributions, welcomed 2 newcomers, celebrated three 30 day, two 60 day, one 90 day, and two 6 month birthdays this month. In this past month we have seen less outside attendance than in previous months. Just a reminder that this meeting is at The Bridge treatment on Tuesdays at noon, and is full of individuals that could greatly benefit from your experience strength and hope.

In Loving Service, David S.

**Tuesday & Thursday T&T-** No report

**Tuesday Let It Out-** Total attendance of 219, newcomers 18, we made a literature order of $48.75, Total donation of $105.83, giving ASC $12.18. Ronna was elected as Alt-GSR. Motion #1 votes 3 (yes), (3) abstain.

**Tuesday Never Alone-** No report

**Tuesday Night Remedy-** No report

**Tuesday VA 4 Recovery-** 12:30 pm V.A. Recovery meeting, 3-5 people at each meeting. Everything seems ok, Mike B.

**Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday Back to Basics York –** Hi all, Things are going good in York. Some members celebrating clean time. We have a campout and speaker meeting coming up September 18th-20th. In Loving Service, Joe G.

**Wednesday Night Wild Women-** Wednesday Wild Women are going strong we had 115 in attendance for the month of July. We made an ASC donation of $34.31. We paid rent of 25.00 and had a literature order of $33.00. We had our group conscience and voted Yes to have ASC budget for rent be increased to $50.00 monthly. We also decided we will be having a monthly speaker meeting. In Loving Service, Kim R, proxy.

**Wednesday Night Boys to Men –** Great month of July at Boys to Men. We took in attendance of 56 and 4 newcomers. We collected $70.00 for the 7th tradition. We paid $20 in rent and are bringing $30.00 for ASC donation. In Loving Service, Zech I.

**Wednesday Welcome Home-** Attendance 188, Newcomers 9. Rent $20.00, Literature order of $38.00, ASC donation of $36.00. Wednesday Night Welcome Home Group of Narcotics Anonymous is doing well. We continue to have an issue with people smoking in the parking lot of the hospital, which is not allowed. In Loving Service, Scott W.

**Wed. Noon Practicing Principles –** For the month July attendance of was 32, newcomers 2. Literature $8.75 (9.00 received for BT, $11.75 cost, Chris H donated $2.75) Rent $20.00, $0.00 for ASC donation. Report submitted by: Brittany P, proxy.

**Thursday Noon at Antlers-**  No report

**Thursday One Promise Saturday Night Live-** We made an ASC donation for $304.00. In Loving Service, Michael Murphy and John C. Lee

**Thursday How & Why-** No report

**Thursday Night Undergrounders**- No report

**Thursday New Hope in Fairbury –** No report

**Friday Happy Havelock-** Hello family, I am John and I am an addict. Meeting has been going good. We had our 20 year anniversary. Attendance for July has been 133 addicts, 13 newcomers. 7th tradition distributed as follows: $140.00 Area, $40.25 Region, $20.25 World. In Loving Service, John. We voted no on the motion.

**Friday Lost & Found-** No report

**Friday Guardian Angels-** No report

**Friday Night Candlelight-** No report

**Saturday Morning Social-**  No report

UPDATED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TIMELINE:

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| Executive Position | Service Member | Date Started Position | Ending Date for Position | When Positions Need to Open at ASC |
| ASC Chair | Kevin S. | April 2015 | April 2017 | January 2017 |
| ASC Vice | Open |  |  |  |
| Secretary | Lindsey  | July 2015 | July 2017  | May 2017 |
| Treasurer | Wayne  | May 2014 | April 2016 | February 2016 |
| RCM | Open |  |  |  |
| Alt-RCM | Open |  |  |  |
| H & I | Jennifer G. | May 2014 | April 2016 | February 2016 |
| PI | Bekka W. | August 2014 | July 2016 | May 2016 |
| Literature | Amanda N. | February 2015 | February 2017 | December 2016 |
| Activities | Paula S. | April 2015 | April 2017 | January 2017 |
| Policy | Open |  |  |  |