

**Midwest Region Teleconference
Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2010
10:30 am CDT/11:30 am EDT**

I. Call to Order.

Sheila G. called to order the regular meeting of the Midwest Region at 11:30 am EDT/10:30 am CDT on May 15, 2010 in FreeConferenceCall. com.

II. Roll Call.

Sheila G. conducted the roll call. The following persons were present:

Donna D., GSR, Homewood, Illinois
Niki R., GSR, Muncie, Indiana
Mark C., GSR, Munster, Indiana,
Luanne K., GSR, Shawnee, Kansas
Tawnee V., Delegate
Kathy K., Alternate Delegate
Sheila G., Chairperson
Ron K., Vice Chairperson
Sharon s., Secretary
Joseph L., Treasurer
Lisa H., Springfield, Illinois

Tawnee said she has been told the Sterling, Illinois meeting has not met for a year and a half. Sheila noted that the GSRs for the Chicago, Elmhurst, Pana, Springfield (Thursday), Joplin and Tarkio groups have not participated in the past three meetings. She asked that Sharon follow up with those groups.

III. Approval of Minutes.

Sheila asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2010 minutes as distributed. Niki made a motion to accept the minutes; Mark seconded that motion. All were in favor. The minutes were approved.

IV. New Business

A. Face to Face Assembly

Sheila raised the discussion of the face-to-face assembly. Donna stated that she really enjoyed the assembly last year and thought that it was a good opportunity to meet other GSR's and Nar-Anon members. It was noted that Missouri is the halfway point for the four states. Niki moved to table the discussion until the next meeting. Donna seconded that motion. A roll call vote was taken. Donna, Niki, Mark and Luanne were all in favor. Motion carried.

B. Region's Goals

Tawnee stated that she is concerned about not having an established HI/PI Committee and a website. Joseph said that he had volunteered for that committee and had received an email from

Shane that he was establishing a Yahoo Group. Sharon reported that she had been in contact with local NA groups who were interested in forming a joint venture with Nar-Anon to increase membership in both fellowships. Sharon also suggested that we vote to allow Regional Service Committee members to serve as co-chairs of Subcommittees. Niki made a motion for committee members to be accepted as co-chairs. Donna seconded that motion. Donna, Niki, Mark and Luanne were all in favor. Motion carried. Niki volunteered to join the Convention Committee. Mark asked for contact information to give to another Nar-Anon member who is interested in the HI/PI Committee.

Sheila asked for nomination of co-chairs. Sharon volunteered to be co-chair of the Convention Committee. Donna moved to elect Sharon as co-chair of the Convention Committee. Niki seconded that motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. Motion carried. Email addresses for the Convention Committee co-chairs are:

Donna, ddockus@comcast.net

Sharon, shazza@charter.net

Tawnee nominated Joseph as co-chair of the HI/PI Committee. Donna moved to elect Joseph as co-chair of the HI/PI Committee. Niki seconded that motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. Motion carried. Email address for the HI/PI co-chairs are:

Shane, dshanehutch@cox.net

Joseph, MiscJose@sbcglobal.net

A discussion continued regarding upcoming conventions and the need for volunteers to man the Nar-Anon table. The SMRCNA convention is June 18 & 19 in Jefferson City. Donna stated that we have volunteers from their group to help out with the Chicago convention in July. Sharon stated that she and another person from her group will be attending the SMRCNA convention, as will Joseph and another person from his group. Joseph said that he was asked by some local NA members that Nar-Anon members register for the convention and pay the \$25 fee, although this is just a request, not a requirement.

Tawnee said that NA has a pig roast scheduled at Kankakee, Illinois State Park on June 19. They have asked to have someone from Nar-Anon speak. Anyone interested in speaking on June 19 should contact Tawnee.

Sheila asked that the GSRs announce to their groups the need for volunteers at the upcoming conventions.

Tawnee said that we are responsible for getting the information on volunteers for the SAMSA convention in Chicago back to WSO.

Niki moved that we table discussion of the convention in Chicago. Donna seconded that motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. Motion to table the discussion was passed.

V. Delegate's Report

Tawnee gave a brief report of the World Service Convention which she attended in April.

VI. Secretary's Report

Sharon reported that there is no longer a GSR for the Chicago meeting.

VII. Treasurer's Report

Joseph reported that we currently have \$602.66 in our account. The Treasurer's Report is attached.

VII. HI/PI Committee

There is no report at this time.

VIII. Convention Committee

Donna stated that Joseph has been a huge help in creating the Yahoo Group. She will be sending out invitations soon to join the group. The Yahoo Group name is MWRConvention@yahoo.com. Anyone wanting to join a Yahoo Group will need to have a yahoo email address. Donna reported that she has started a list of items needed for conventions.

IX. Old Business

As listed on the Agenda, GSRs unable to attend should notify the secretary or ask their alternate GSR to attend.

Any donations should be made to:

Midwest Region Nar-Anon
10209 St. Anthony Lane
St. Ann, Missouri 63074

The Springfield, Illinois Saturday morning meeting has closed.

The Matteson, Illinois group is asking for our support at their special event on August 21st from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Sharon stated that her home group, West County Seekers, is celebrating its one-year anniversary on June 7. There are already 2 NA speakers lined up.

X. Next Meeting

Tawnee asked if anyone would be opposed to the meeting starting earlier. It was suggested that it begin at 9 a.m. Niki moved to change the meeting time to 9 a.m. Luanne seconded that motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. Motion carried. The date for the next meeting is June 26, 2010 at 10:00 am EDT/9:00 am CDT.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am EDT/12:30 pm CDT.