

*Midwest Region Teleconference
December 17, 2011
9:00 am CST/10:00 am EST*

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IF YOU KNOW YOU WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND, PLEASE EMAIL SHARON.

Call to Order: Meeting opened at 9:05am Central time. Open with the
Serenity Prayer & Concepts of Service

Luanne apologized for her late attendance at last months meeting and thanked
Tawnee for stepping in for her until she arrived.

Roll Call 7 GSR's in attendance

Chair - Luanne - present
Vice Chair – Robin-absent
Delegate - Tawnee V – Present
Alt Delegate- Jan-present
Treasurer – Donna -Present
Secretary - Sharon S-present
Convention Committee – Paula -absent
HI/PI – David-present david left at 10:06
Elmhurst, IL – SoYoung -Present
Homewood, IL – Bill
Matteson, IL – Lenita S-absent
Naperville, IL – Marvin-absent
Rockford, IL – John – Present
Springfield, IL, Thursday – Linda - present
Worth, IL – Jeremy – absent
Avon, IN – Bertha – absent
Bloomington, IN – David - present
Camby, IN – Sharon W - absent
Muncie, IN – Niki R - absent
Munster, IN – Mark C - present
Valparaiso, IN – Lori S - absent
Shawnee, KS – Rod - Present
Wichita, KS – Shane H - absent
Des Peres, MO – Story - ABSENT
Maryland Heights, MO – Joseph - Present

St. Louis, MO – Janice -absent
Washington, MO – Scott P –absent

Approval of Minutes

Prior to approval Luanne welcomed John and Bill as new GSR's.

Corrections:

Chicago requested NO GSR instead of absent.

Tawnee opened last months meeting for Luanne

Bill was present

November 19, 2011

Bill motioned to approve the minutes with the corrections. mark 2nd Vote taken. 7 ayes, 1 opposed. Motion carried

Midwest Region Reports

Delegate's Report- 1.If the region is planning to send a delegate , the equalized expenses need to be sent to WSO no later than 12/31/11 as well as the minutes with the elections where the vote was taken to send a delegate.

2. Tawnee was contacted by WSO about a meeting in IN that isn't part of the region, they would like to be copied on all correspondence. Tawnee sent emails to all the inactive meetings in IN and also the new meetings that have not yet joined our region. Included were the CAR report, tally sheet and all information that was sent by WSO and a copy of the GLS. No response as of yet.

3. it was brought to her attention that she runs to WSO with problems that occur within our region. She would like to address that statement by saying that the role of the delegate is a form of communication between the region and WSO. When problems come up Tawnee goes to those that have more experience than her. That is what her program teaches her to do

4. Tawnee was contacted by a professional that they had participated with at ISNAC from Woodridge, IL. The facility is called Interventions. The closest meeting to that location is Elmhurst to her knowledge. Tawnee referred this info to Dennis who was going to bring it to his group.

Secretary's Report- none

Treasurer's Report attach email 530 should be 830. Donna to resend

Donna to include address

Tawnee mentioned that Outreach and Convention should be combined on the Gen. Ledger report and percentages should be combined. Donna agreed to make the correction and send an amended report to Sharon. This is the amended report.

Joseph stated that on the agenda it shows that all donations are to be sent to the secretary and asked why not to the Treasurer. Donna was going to ask for

them to be sent to her. Sharon confirmed she has a “walk-in” location nearby. Donna stated she does and will supply Sharon her address to be sent to all GSR’s.

Luanne stated from here on out, all donations go to Donna

Outreach Report-No report due to illness and stated that Paula had done the convention reporting forms and he was pleased with them. David stated that he will be contacting the IN convention people this week to let them know we’d like a room. He will also be putting a literature request in so there will be literature to distribute. There will also be a speaker at the convention. Luanne thanked David for his report.

Convention Committee Report-paula absent.

Luanne stated that the RSC worked together to come up with guidelines and forms. Luanne asked for discussion on the forms but before that thanked Paula for all of her work on them. Her hope is that the RSC will continue to take the 2 main goals of outreach and unity set by the GSR’s. And continue each month to work on something to pass along to the GSR’s so they can take them to their meetings. Luanne asked if anyone wanted to discuss the guidelines proposed by the RSC.

Discussion ensued.

Proposed changes are:

Change the wording to specify NA or Nar-Anon when referring to convention Chair.

Using the correct spelling of Nar-Anon on our forms.

Bill motioned to table this until January to give the groups time to review and give input.

Luanne shared that the topic the RSC will be handling at the next meeting is on Outreach, with the same type of guidelines or suggestions between the RSC and the GSR’s. This would then be taken to our groups to see if there are improvements to communication and outreach to the multitude of people that may benefit or need this program. To keep everyone in the loop as to where we are moving toward.

Delegate Attendance

Luanne stated that the next item of business is to discuss the delegate attendance due to the limited timeframe we have. Luanne stated that Tawnee will be attending end of quote. This was approved at our last assembly. Luanne stated in her personal opinion she would like to see Jan, the Alt Delegate attend also.

Due to the deadline this needed a vote today.

Discussion ensued.

Bill motioned to send the Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the WSC in 2012.
Mark 2nd the motion.

Luanne stated she will call WSO and inquire about Scholarship funds on Monday and let us know the result. Sharon asked that she also ask Cathy about using our debit card to pay for it so we don't incur nonuse charges this month.

Vote taken. All in favor. No opposed. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

Access to recording by gsr's.

Luanne stated that it appears that Joseph has an outstanding motion regarding research on the recorded phone conferences and members having access to the recordings. Luanne proposed that we not erase the tape until the January meeting. This gives the GSR's a time frame to put their motions in writing prior to the next meeting. This is regarding the ability to listen to the tape of the meeting.

Luanne stated that Sharon has access to the recording and is typing the minutes from the recording and distributing the minutes to the gsr;s in a timely fashion. Luanne stated that we used the recording feature at our last RSC meeting and it appeared to work very well. Luanne stated she went thru all the previous minutes for past few months and will leave this issue open to the GSR's . In January they need to be prepared with either a vote or a written motion on this issue.

Luanne asked Joseph if he wanted to reopen it to do so in writing. Listing all the pros, cons for it so that in January we can have a discussion and a clear and consise vote taken as compared to a murky vote regarding whether Sharon is a trusted servant or anything else. Luanne feels it's appropriate since the discussion carried over 2 meetings.

Discussion ensued.

Joseph will submit new motion in writing to reopen listing all the pro's and con's of doing so.

Roll Call Voting

It was brought up that we had voted on doing a roll call vote on all motions on the floor since we can't see a show of hands. This hasn't been done.

Discussion ensued and it was agreed that beginning in January we will do a roll call vote on all motions on the floor except for the close of the meeting.

Luanne asked Sharon to run thru the motions since the region formed and put them in a single document of just the motions. Whether they passed so that we can keep the current chair apprised of everything that was done before them and been voted on by the GSR's. That list she hopes would then be sent to all new groups in order for them to see the evolution of the region. This will help them decide to join or not join the region.

Website Discussion

Joseph motioned to have a separate independent website committee outside the umbrella of Outreach. To report independently at these meetings.

Bill 2nd motion in order to continue the discussion.

Discussion ensued.

Motion Restated.

Vote Taken

So Young YES

John YES

Linda YES

Mark Yes

Rod NO

Joseph Yes

Bill Yes

6 yes 1 No motion carried.

Rod shared a new group is forming in KC, MO and asked to apply for funding for literature. Information will be sent to Sharon for distribution and order will be placed. Menorship of this group was requested. If interested contact Rod directly.

Luanne thanked everyone for being present and their participation. Luanne wished everyone a wonderful holiday season.

Bill motioned to adjourn.

Luanne asked for feedback on how she is doing as new Chair.

PLEASE SEND ALL DONATIONS TO:

Donna Dockus
19542 Division Street
Mokena, IL 60448

Next Meeting - January 21, 2012