South Dakota Regional NA meeting

Date 03-05-23 Time 1:00 MT 2:00 CT Location - ZOOM

Attendance:

RD - Carol P RDA-open Regional Chair-absent Regional vice Chair- Drew B Regional Treasurer- Steve P

Regional Secretary - Jim K Convention Chair- (Carol P) Web-servant- Sandi

WRA CM - (Steve P) - WRA Alt ERANA CM (area disbanded) Sub Com. Outreach – John S

Guests: Chester Y, Drew L,

Open: Serenity prayer; 12 traditions; 12 concepts and introductions.

Quorum: Moved: Suspend quorum rule and accept participation of all present by unanimous consensus.

Reports:

Secretary: Minutes for 12-4-22 Zoom SDRNA Services meeting were read and accepted.

Treasurer: SDRNA Checking

Beginning Balance 8/31/2022 \$28405.56 No deposits Web fee \$217.00 Ending Balance 9/30/2022 \$ 8405.56 Beginning Balance 9/30/2022 \$8405.56 Deposit 10/17/2022 donation Other Side Group \$136.00 No payments Ending Balance 10/31/2023 \$8541.56 Current balance 12/4/2023 \$8451.56 No deposits No payments Balance forward March 3, 2023 8541.56 Check 1095 \$100 Heartland for web design Check 1096 to NAWS 1000.00 Deposit from convention 1349.68 Final balance: 8791.24

Chairperson: Absent due to illness. No report submitted.

Vice Chairperson:

Dear Family:

This report is being written post the March, 2023 RSC meeting. It contains the gist of the verbal report I gave at the RSC and a couple after-the-thought notes.

• As reported at the RSC, the guideline updates were still not complete. I have no excuse to offer on this aside from an extremely busy schedule. I did receive an updated version of the guidelines just prior to the RSC from Lilias which contain some information that I need to wrap these up. I am acutely aware

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that the guidelines are long past due. These will be getting my diligent attention over the next couple of weeks. I will be distributing the completed draft of the guidelines to the RSC members for review prior to their distribution to the ASCs for review and vote. I expect this process to be ready for a vote at the June RSC meeting.

- As noted at the RSC meeting, I was not willing nor ready to accept a nomination for the RSC Chairperson role. First, I owe the body a show of credibility in completing the guidelines before any type of nomination like that could be considered. It is a matter of honor and integrity. That honor has not yet been earned. Second, I am still becoming acquainted with the way the South Dakota RSC operates. The few meetings I have been able to attend have not yet prepared me to help guide the body. I was humbly prepared to accept a nomination as Vice Chair for a second term if the body would have me again in this role. They graciously accepted my willingness towards this effort, and it will be my pleasure to serve a second role. This will allow me to properly complete the guidelines and further my residency with the body which will be required in order to be fully prepared to take over the Chair role in a year, if the body so wishes at that time. In the meanwhile, I look forward to serving under Carol as Chair. This will be a good mentoring process.
- I was able to chair the March RSC meeting as Lilias was out sick. She did not have a formal report to present at the time of the meeting aside from the fact that she not willing to accept a second term as Chair. I thank her for the updated guidelines which she sent me. They will be helpful in my completing the revisions from this last year.
- I have also worked with Sandy on the revised web site in the three months leading up to the March, 2023 RSC. We were able to activate the RSC e-mails accounts at the current web site provider. Further, I was able to help Sandy in a technical advisory capacity on a few topics during our discussions with the woman who is doing the new web site design. I will continue to work with Sandy and the body as we move towards completion of the new web site.

I would like to thank the body for show of trust and patience with me as I have stumbled my way through my first term as Vice Chair. I continue to learn from you all.

In loving service, Drew B. SD RSC Vice Chairperson

RD: RD report

The zone met in Nebraska for a 3 day meeting. We went over the CAR and CAT with collaboration from all US regions and some from Europe as well. Each maker of a motion was available to give the maker's intent, which was greatly informative. I have attached the car motions and cat motions to the report, as well as the literature survey. I need to have all ballots returned by the 24th of March. Members may take the literature survey online as well at NA.org before April 1.

Plains States Zone has many things happening. Sponsorship Behind the Walls is expanding and is in need of sponsors. South Dakota is in need of someone to be our representative, which means attending a zoom meeting once a month. We also have a PR chair who is really getting involved in getting our message out! She is also working with Arizona and Ohio to get IP's on inmate tablets. This would be available throughout the zone, with each region providing some supervision. Therefore, WE would need to have a HI/PR person to help in those

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efforts. The PR committee is also working on making a service experience database. We are also making a trifold IP about what our zone is/does. It should be available soon.

The multizonal service symposium will be in Detroit later this year. More information is available on the zone webpage: pszfna.org. The zone forwarded \$8000 to NAWS. We had a super turnout for the in person meeting and had over \$1600 for the auction! As a zone, we now fund elected participants who are not funded by their region, so our prudent reserve has increased to 30% of the budget. This seems to work out well, as member contributions have increased tremendously, as have region and group donations.

Receipts of \$416.21 have been given to the treasurer for reimbursement for the zone travel.

Carol P

Alt RD: Open Position

Web-servant: March 2023 web servant report

The current web site continues to be maintained as is and is paid up until later this year. There is progress on a new web site build. A web designer has been found for the cost of \$500 for the build. This is well below the maximum budget for this project. Once the web site is done and goes live the web designer will continue to maintain the web site and will also maintain back up for recovery services should they be needed. The yearly cost of this service is \$500 which may be adjusted depending on the amount of time required for her to maintain and make requested changes in the future. Most of the site will stay the same as it is standard information provided by NA.org. The active parts of the web site will be documents such as RSC meeting notes, convention policy, events, and meetings. These will be available for maintenance by the web servant or web servant committee. A big Thank You to Drew B who helped with selection of a web designer and assistance on the technical end of this project!

Next steps: Emails will be set up. We will need to make decisions on which RSC members will need emails. The plan is to set up new emails in a way they can seamlessly be transferred between region servants with the proper log in information. We may keep the secretary email as a Gmail account depending on what happens with a Helpline.

A Helpline is not currently being listed on the web site as the status of a web site continues to be in question.

We will need to transfer our domains from Host Monster when we are ready to go live with the web site.

We will need to decide on what we would like to do with the Facebook page. Currently South Dakota Narcotics Anonymous Meeting Information is linked to the web site and the web site linked to the page.

Meeting information continues to be in question in some locations. Mitchell and Madison in particular have not been confirmed that meetings are active there. Jim K provided a lot of foot work in verifying and updating the meeting list on the east side of the state.

Square has been recommended as a service if we choose to take online payments for Convention registrations.

ILS, Sandi

Convention Chair 2023: The convention will be in Rapid City on September 15-17 at the Holiday Inn at the civic center, downtown. We were required to pay a \$800 down payment, so that leaves our balance at \$2400. So please get the information out to help get income in from pre-registration.

Carol P

West River Area:

Things are good in West River. We are doing well financially. Meetings are up and going around the Black Hills. H/I meetings are starting up again with 2 meetings open and 2 more to reopen soon. We currently have no Outreach projects.

Serenity in the Hills will take place in Hill City March 17-19. Hope to see you there. We have our Spaghetti sponsorship dinner scheduled April 15 at St Andrew's church in Rapid City.

We had the CAR/CAT presentation February 18th, with responses due by March 24, in order for our RD to carry our voice to WSC May 1-7.

Steve P

Project Groups Reports: Outreach No changes – no actions as of March 2023

Old Business: The revised Region Guidelines are pending.

Convention 2023. Carol (see report)

Current service opportunities: RDA position received no nominees as of this meeting and remains open.

Website development Sandi (see report) "Funding was approved at the December services meeting for development as a special project."

Region Budget: 2023 SDRNA SERVICES Budget:

Storage \$210

H&I/PR \$500

PO Box \$180

RD/RDA travel \$450

Web site \$500

Total Budget \$1840

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New Business:

Help Line: "West River helpline has been used statewide" - "only one member is manning that line."

"Google Voice works well" Drew B asked John S., Drew L., and Jim K. to work on a proposal for a state wide helpline. Jim K will seek to include Dustin S.

Meeting Listings on Websites discussion: NAWS and Zone contain differing lists and out of date information for some meetings. NAWS is far behind due to the overwhelming number of changes submitted post virus. "We need to lead our listings and feed that info to Zone then Zone to NAWS rather than the other way around" Sandi will research the BLMT form for submitting meeting changes.

Jim will forward email discussions with Barry at Zone to Sandi concerning methods to upload meeting changes.

South Dakota Region Meeting Information FB page: Suggested to keep it active and develop it further with link to the new website.

Federal Tax ID Discussion: - Web development questions about payments – Square was suggested as a good method for "Plug Ins". Fed Tax ID needed. Chester reported that he has a Tax ID registered as NA.

Tabled pending research.

Area Formation discussion: "Additional Area services committees can be formed with simple – less formal – smaller scope formats" "Area service meetings need to avoid contention and stress" "Proposals have been discussed in North Eastern SD about smaller Area focused on communication and outreach to small towns and new groups. Still in the discussion stage."

March Positions:

SDRNA 2023 Chair: Carol P nominated, seconded and voted in unanimously.

SDRNA 2023 Vice Chair: Drew B nominated, seconded and voted in unanimously.

June 2023 positions discussion: RD Carol is willing to serve one more term as RD but not 2 terms.

RDA will need to be filled.

Secretary: Jim k is filling a partial term as secretary and is willing to accept a nomination for the June election as secretary.

Web Servant:

Next Meeting: June 10, 2023 12:pm MT - 1:pm CT - Zoom