# **April Minutes 2024**

# Saturday April 14, 2024

Call to Order: Tammy 12 traditions: Lenore 12 Concepts: Ricky H JFT: Mark R.

## Roll call of Trusted Servants: (those present)

Chairperson

Vice-Chairperson

Regional Delegate

Regional Delegate Alternate

Vice Secretary

Treasurer

Vice Treasurer

**Outreach Chair** 

**Phoneline Coordinator** 

**Policy Coordinator** 

Webmaster

12 Step Retreat Chair

12 Traditions Retreat Chair

OCNA Advisory Committee #1 #2 #3

## **Roll Call of Regional Committee Members: (those present)**

**BLASCNA** 

**DASCNA** 

**FRASCNA** 

**GCASCNA** 

**KORASCNA** 

MEASCNA

MOASCNA

MVASCNA

SASCNA

**SBASCNA** 

SOVASCNA (New Southern Ohio Valley Area)

**STACSNA** 

SVACSNA (New Scioto Valley Area)

## **Administrative Reports**

### **Chair report:**

No Written Report

## Vice Chair report:

No written report

### **RD report:**

Hello family, it is certainly a pleasure to be able and willing to serve. Since we last met I have been through a back surgery which had me scared to say the least, it wasn't the monster I had created in my mind, so here I am.

On January 27, 2024, at the MZF there was in depth discussion surrounding the 501c3 for our zonal insurance policy, or provide info for what policies need to include, with brokers and policies to guide regions.

I wanted to gather more information from Jim B, our Zonal contact but have not been able to access the slack platform.

There have been questions posed

- What is the MZF and what do they Do?
- How do the MZF become more visible?
- Do your area use the hybrid model and if not why?

Four focus points,

At the MZF there was also talk about some of the work that's being done such as

- Guide to setup sponsorship behind the walls in regions or the zones
- MZF admin team members to attend regional area meetings to become visible
- Form a mentorship committee

During covid (Chicagoland) trying to assist with all the requests for help and people with experience came together to ease the burden.

There's is talk to start with a channel on Slack & see how it can grow Laurs M Chicago land will monitor channel and point of contact.

Please do not misunderstand the shared services that is provided by areas, regions, and zones are of utmost value.

MZF Workshop Increasing Value and Awareness of the MZF Interview Guide, January 27, 2024

- 1. Tell me the story of your first encounter with service in Narcotics Anonymous. It might have been hearing an H&I panel in a treatment center, a call to an NA helpline, or attending a convention or picnic. Describe the experience in detail. Where was it? What made it so memorable? How did it make you feel? What about it made you want to come back to NA?
- 2. Describe the most memorable service work you have done. How did it help addicts, NA groups, or the local NA community? What about it was so satisfying to you? How did it influence your recovery?
- 3. Tell me the story about a time when the MZF or another service body was providing a service of value to an NA member, group, area, or region. That service may have helped a member stay clean or helped a group carry the message. Or it could have been outreach to a new community that wasn't aware of or didn't have NA. Where and when did this take place? What made it so helpful? Describe some of the things trusted servants did to make this possible? What did you learn from this experience?
- 4. Imagine that you have woken from a deep, restful sleep, and it is 2029. The MZF has become a vital service body for the regions and communities they serve. When a region needs help, it reaches out to the MZF. People are excited to do service at the MZF. The MZF has resources and tools available to help NA communities in need. Imagine what this looks like. What are those resources and tools that the MZF can use? Name three services that the MZF is providing that regions and local NA communities find valuable. What has changed to result in this outcome?

### **Conference Participants**

We are having small group discussion that's focused on ideas forwarded by the Future of the WSC Workgroup. They are not consensus recommendations from the workgroup. They are ideas that have been discussed and seem worthy of further conversation. They are being offered in advance of the web meeting, so you have some time to consider them and so that you're ready to help your small group decide which to discuss.

Each group will choose one of the three topics to discuss,

Topic One: Collaborating on creating motions.

• Motions/proposals could be sent to the zone with an invitation for discussion and/or collaboration. Develop some kind of system to invite collaboration or signing on from a zone or more than one region.

- Reshape how we build motions, allowing conference participants to come together to create motions. Service bodies work together to develop motions.
- Create a discussion-based process that allows the conference to build consensus around ideas and develop proposals together.

Topic Two: Full WSC involvement & better use of the time between WSCs

- Create motions or proposals and launch topics for discussion through the planning process, which begins at the WSC meeting.
- Use the *CAR* survey as the sole mechanism for setting literature project priorities, rather than also having motions for specific literature pieces.
- Hold WSC forums to discuss CAR motions to see which need to be in the CAR and which don't.
- Determine what must be done in person and what can be done virtually.

Topic Three: Collaborative prioritization of motions

- Form a workgroup to review, refine, and prioritize motions.
- More pre-motion discussion to determine how much support a motion may have. If minimal support, the maker may decide to withdraw the motion prior to publication of the *CAR*.
- Release all motions in advance of the CAR and have an online polling process to determine what gets included in the CAR.

## **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. What do you think of these ideas, and do you have any others?
- 2. What ideas can we try to help make a three-year cycle more effective?

OCNA 40 May 24 - 26

Midwest Zonal Form May 31 – June 2, 2024 Hilton Rosemont Chicago O'Hare 5550 North River Road Rosemont, Illinois 60018 Rooms \$139 per night.

\$4700 to NAWS

### **MZSSNA**

The MZSS which was held in Detroit was a success ending with a bank balance of \$6,668.81 in the bank and \$2,668.81 over prudent reserve. The next MZSSNA will be held hosted by the Plains States Zonal Forum in the Fall of 2026. An Ad-Hoc committee was formed to update the Guidelines to reflect a new three-year cycle.

### **Message From Shirley Pius**

Hello – I hope you are in good spirits. We were contacted by a member interested in starting a new NA meeting in your region. Any support or information you can offer will likely be appreciated. Their contact email is below.

I talked to my sponsor, and we weren't really sure who to speak to about this because I live in Cincinnati, but Oxford has a separate area then the one here in Hamilton County after doing some research and finding no na meetings in oxford I felt this is what I need to do.

I will pass this information to the closest RCM.

ILS Marvin H RD Ohio

## **Secretary Report:**

Thank you all for the vote of confidence to step in as acting Secretary due to vacated position. Saturday Notes

- 1. that SVASCNA and SOVASCNA need to be reversed in position on Agenda as to keep rotation in order. Per Policy Cord.
- 2. Update Motion Log
- 3. Update and send lines of communication to RCM's Note I do not have all area updated information.
- 4. Nominations to be listed below for upcoming change in positions in July
- 5. OCNA donations will be forwarded to OCNA 40 per OCNA 41 chair Adam
- 6. RCMs to remind groups that flyers need to be on website to be covered under insurance.
- 7. Attendance in-person 21 Zoom 4

### **Sunday Notes:**

- 1. Nominations received for open positions. Positions with no Nominations, Vice Secretary, Vice Treasurer, Outreach Chair, Vice Webmaster
- 2. 9 Motions to update. MOTION 2024/04 goes to groups for Vote.
- 3. Attendance in-person 16, Zoom 8

Vice Secretary Report: Vacant

## **Treasurer Report:**

SEE ATTACHED PDF file -

## **RCM Reports**

### **BLASCNA Report:**

Hello family, my name is Tom, and I am an addict. Currently the RCM for the BLASCNA area.

The BLASCNA area is doing well and surviving on group 7th Tradition donations along with a successful TACNA 25 convention. We currently have 25 meetings in Lucas County and 2 in Fulton County. Two new early morning meetings closed after two months for lack of support and one women's meeting went fully open trying to get more support. We usually have 8 to 12 groups represented at our monthly ASC meeting. Elections for various positions were held in February. I continued on as RCM, Bondee R. is the area chair, there is no vice-chair nor secretary yet, Jerome C. continues on as Treasurer, we have started a new activities subcommittee with Gene H. as chair. Carmen R. is the new TACNA 26 chair, planning our next convention in 2026. Ronnie J. continued on as H&I chair and George O. was elected as the new phoneline chair. We have no PR or Outreach subcommittees. We purchase monthly about \$600 to \$1100 worth of literature from either the Michigan Regional Service Office or NAWS. We continue to do 7 H&I panels every week. We held TACNA 25 in February. After a rough start, where the ASC had to pay the remaining hotel bill and provide TACNA with some funds to cover pre-convention expenses. After the convention the TACNA treasurer returned the \$4000 dollar loan plus \$4000 that the convention profited. I have brought some flyers for a chili cook-off we are having next weekend.

I have also brought our area donation of \$300.00.

In Loving Service Tom B. BLASCNA RCM

## **COASCNA Report:**

No written report.

## **DASCNA Report:**

No written report received.

## **FRASCNA Report:**

Good morning,

I'm Martha B., RCM for the Five Rivers Area of NA. We do not have an RCMA at this time.

- The geographic area served by the Five Rivers Area is Greene and Montgomery Counties. Our area presently has 20 groups, with meetings.
- At our last Area Service Committee meeting, 11 groups were present.
- In the past three months, no new groups have been started in our Area:
- In the past three months, no groups have folded but one group switched to a different area.

### **Quarterly Donations and Expenses**

Monthly expenses for the Five Rivers Area at our last ASC meetings were \$397. Total donations from groups to the Area were \$414.60. We donated \$5468.53 to the Ohio Region this quarter.

There is currently a motion going back to groups to raise our prudent reserve from \$800 to \$1780 based on new budget proposals and an increase in service efforts by PR, H&I, and the Outreach subcommittees.

Our Area is currently working on a survey to send to groups to determine how they would like Area funds to be spent.

The FRASCNA Area is not incorporated and does not have a tax free status.

**Literature Distribution:** Our Literature Chair position is open. However, we have an addict who has been acting as literature Chair for years. He does not come to the Area meeting but is willing to meet addicts somewhere to collect money and deliver literature orders.

#### **Standing Subcommittees**

Local Services Subcommittee: Due to low level of participation in service, our Area created a Local Services Subcommittee. The LSC subcommittee meets the third Sunday of the month at 4pm on Zoom. Addicts who serve on the LSC all work together to support Area services: PR, H&I, PR, Outreach, Phone Line, Website, and Flyers are supported by the committee. We currently do not have a committee Vice-Chair or a Flyer Chair. We are not doing anything to post flyers at this time.

**Outreach:** Outreach is now hosting a "Meeting of the Month" where the Area hosts a pizza party. The purpose is to generate support for meetings who are struggling. Groups request to be the Meeting of the Month and I believe the meeting is chosen in the order in which they are received.

**Phoneline:** We do not get many phone calls, usually only one or two each month. We added a QR code to the website that takes addicts directly to our meeting schedule and so maybe that's helpful.

H&I: We have 3 H&I panels at 3 treatment centers. One each for men or women only, and one co-ed meeting.

**Activities:** Our Activity Chair is doing a great job and the committee has had lots of participation over the last quarter. The committee is hoping to have a speaker jam sometime this spring. This subcommittee meets the third Sunday of each month at 1pm on Zoom.

**Events:** We recently held our annual Spiritual Breakfast on March 30<sup>th</sup>. We had plenty of good food, an inspirational speaker from the GCASCNA Area, and a literature raffle. Participation was good enough that we were able to have a free function and still return \$285 of the original \$300 seed money back to the Area.

Our Area business meeting recently changed location from meeting in Bellbrook, Ohio. We are now meeting at the Mosaic Church at 350 N. Fairfield Rd in Beavercreek, Ohio 45430. Our Area Service Committee meets in person on the fourth Sunday each month at 2pm.

### **Innovations and Challenges**

We continue to struggle to fill positions at the Area level and Group participation isn't great. Open positions include Chair, Vice-Chair, Vice Secretary, Vice Treasurer, Literature, and RCMA.

As always, we need addicts with the willingness to serve! Unfortunately, just as with working the steps, one never gets the benefits unless they have the willingness to do the work. Also, there is a disconnect in Group participation. I have suggested we might get more group participation at ASC if groups had to come to pick up their literature orders but there was no further discussion on the topic

### TGIS (Thank God it's Spring!)

I received an email from NAWS about an addict who wanted to start a meeting and needed support. I'm not sure why I was contacted since the meeting would have been almost 180 miles away from me! Also, I was concerned about someone who didn't know how to start a meeting would need to contact NAWS. I would think they would ask for support from the meeting(s) they already attend, and wondered why NAWS didn't refer the addict to their local Area for support. Another addict was concerned that NAWS had immediately added the meeting to the BLMT even though the contact person didn't know haw to start a meeting. And hadn't held the first meeting yet.

Anyway, God loves recovering addicts. Thanks to service, I knew addicts closer to the town where the meeting was to be. I was able to contact an addict, who knew someone within 20 minutes of the meeting location. Addicts with experience were able to show up at the first meeting and helped with literature, etc. to get the meeting off on the right foot.

My home group is Never Alone. We meet in Yellow Springs on Saturday night from 7:30 to 9pm at 202 South Winter Street in Yellow Springs, Ohio. Spring is here and the meeting is ready to get back to a campfire meeting, weather permitting. The outdoor meeting is held at Twin Coach Apartments 320 Union Street in Yellow Springs. We have some challenges to resolve to make sure our meeting is respectful of the space as there were some issues with parking last year. More will be revealed!

Finally, on a personal note, I celebrated 18 years of recovery on April 1st.

Thank you for your continued patience, direction, support and encouragement.

Much love and gratitude,

Martha B. FRASCNA RCM

## **GCASCNA Report:**

No written report submitted.

### **HAMASCNA Report:**

No written report submitted

### **KORASCNA Report:**

No written report submitted

### **MEASCNA Report:**

Our Regional Committee Member Team
Regional Committee Member (RCM) – Angel M #740-403-6507
Regional Committee Member - Alternate (RCMA) – Justin G #740-258-1075

About The MEASCNA (Mid East Area) Area

The geographic area served by MEASCNA is Coshocton, Fairfield, Guernsey, Licking, Muskingum, Perry, Knox, Morgan, and Athens counties. Our area presently has 28 groups, 38 meetings, and 4 H&I panels.

At our last Area Service Committee meeting, 15 groups were present.

In the past three months, no new groups have been started in our area.

In the past three months, no groups have folded.

### **Quarterly Donations and Expenses**

Monthly expenses for the MEASCNA Area at our last ASC meeting was \$1,144.86. Total donations from groups to the Area from the first quarter was \$296.00. We are making a donation in the amount of \$300.00 to the Ohio Region for the 4th quarter of last year and the first quarter of this year. A donation of \$950.86 was sent to WSO.

MEASCNA is in the process of completing a financial audit. Literature and Merchandise audits are also being completed by an ADHOC committee of 5 trusted servants plus the treasurer and vice treasurer. The current reported treasury balance is \$16, 735.34 minus the \$300.00 Donation to ORSCNA and \$25.00 fee for registration to Steps For Change event. The current Treasury Chair is Doug H and current Vice Treasury chair is Heather M

#### Literature Distribution

MEASCNA purchases all literature from WSO. MEASCNA provides all literature to our groups and provides literature sales at events and many other areas. This last quarter, there was a deposit of \$1851.60 from Literature to MEASCNA. An audit has been completed of all literature to include inventory and finances. The current literature chair is Doug H

### Other Area Services

All positions are open for nominations in May 2024 for the service commitment starting in July 2024.

### **Innovations and Challenges**

- -Activities Committee held our annual St Patrick's Day event which was successful spiritually and financially with
  a profit of \$875.27. Several newcomers volunteered to be of service and our very own Kirby M was the speaker.
  He carried the message and inspired many with his experience, strength, and hope. The committee is currently
  working on the Free Summer Function event. The current chair is Katie O
- H&I currently has 4 commitments: Knox County Recovery Center, The Landing in Muskingum County,
   Muskingum County Jail, and Hickory Health in Cambridge (Guernsey county). There is a need for more members to help out with being of service in carrying the message in Cambridge. The current H&I chair is David C
- Outreach continues to visit groups throughout the area and assisting groups wherever needed. The current chair Dave D suggested that all groups have a GSR binder. The binder includes a listing of all groups in our area, a copy of GSR guidelines and suggested responsibilities. The binders were made and handed out to GSRs in attendance of the area meeting in March.
- -PR has been active in the community by placing meeting schedules in pamphlet holders around the area. PR will
  be present at STEPS FOR CHANGE event in Newark, on May 18,2024. PR has pens for distribution and would like
  to have pins soon. One of the groups plans to donate the pins. The current chair is Chad K
- -Scheduling/Webmaster continues to update meeting lists monthly. The area was informed that WSO is working towards a world website meeting finder. The current scheduling chair/webmaster is Brandon H
- -OCNA fundraising or donations encouraged by groups and area. Area is refraining from donations/spending until the financial audit is completed. It should be completed by May 1, 2024.
- -Events: The Free Summer Function will be held end of July or early August; watch the MEASCNA website for finalized details.

In loving service, Angel M

### **MOASCNA Report:**

### About The (MOASCNA) Area

The geographic area served by the (MOASCNA) Area is (Marion, Tiffin, Bucyrus, Fostoria). Our area presently has (11) groups, (#11) meetings, and (1) H&I panels.

At our last Area Service Committee meeting, <u>8</u> groups were present.

In the past three months, (0) new groups have been started in our Area:

(list new groups by name and include meeting day, time & location for each)

In the past three months, (0) groups have folded.

## Quarterly Donations and Expenses (to be reported each quarter)

Monthly expenses for the (MOASCNA) Area at our last ASC meetings were  $(\$ \ 0 \ .)$ . Total donations from groups to the Area were  $(\$ \ 0 \ .)$ . We <u>are donating</u> in the amount of  $(\$ \ 206.40)$  to the Ohio Region this quarter.

Currently, I have no financial reports

### Annual Donations and Expenses (to be reported at the January RSC)

Total expenses for the (MOASCNA) Area The sum total of donations from groups to the Area in (year) was (\$ 0). The cumulative total of donations from the (MOASCNA Area to the Ohio Region in (year) was (\$ .), and the cumulative total of donations to NA World Services (NAWS) was (\$ .0).

The (MOASCNA) Area distributes app. (\$ 0 . ) (in US dollars) worth of NA literature to H&I efforts each year.

This information was not provided when asked.

### **Literature Distribution**

### Other Area Services (to be reported each quarter)

Many positions have stepped down and there are a lot of positions available. Our activities new chair is filling in for many positions temporarily.

PR

Our website is still up and running and up to date.

We have 2 with 3 possible events coming up.

Flyers have been sent to webmaster.

Need volunteers for and psychedelic 60's, see Dylan. CROSSWAEH needs women volunteer, must be off probation for a year. Would like to bring more functions back, Pig Out for example. Would like to make current events bigger. Findlay has meetings, with no area. Would like to discuss inviting Findlay to join MOASCNA area. Diversity is our strength.

Report: P.O. Box is complete. MOASCNA has new letterhead, should anyone need it they can.

Beginning balance at last area was \$1,759.21. Area took in \$54. Balance of \$1,813.21. P.O. Box receipt was turned in. JH will be reimbursed \$82 for the year and keys. \$1,731.21.

Light Ahead in Upper Sandusky: Kristian reported the meeting could use support still being a new meeting.

Speaker Jam is. 50/50 and raffle. Speakers are set up. Main Speaker from Detroit. Sloppy Joe and Hot dogs. Looking forward to the event. Met with the owner of Venue 18 for psychedelic 60s. The owner is shutting the venue down for the day so there are no other events during our event. Speaker is set up. Flier is out. \$300 budget for speaker jam, will cover and get reimbursed. The Speaker Jam had an attendance of about 95 people and was able to have a collection of \$510.00. A flier for The campout has been attached to report and sent to webmaster along with the Psychedelic 60'sf

## **MVASCNA Report:**

Miami, Darke and Shelby Counties About 30 Meetings in our Area. Regional donation of \$328.90 We have a few open positions. Vice Chair, RCM and RCMA Vice H&I Vice Literature

Our next activity we will be holding an OCNA Fundraiser usually held in the Spring more will be revealed.

Thanks for letting me serve. We have one H and I commitment for. But we are working on another jail.

Public Relations did send out a survey to our groups asking are to be returned our area could serve the better. Surveys are to be returned our next area meeting next Sunday.

Our area guidelines were passed out at last area. A ADHOC community is being formed in February to go over and revise the guidelines.

## **PUASCNA Report:**

Hey family, I'm an addict called Nichole,

I apologize that I am not there today on the first day of the Regional meeting, but I do plan on attending tomorrow 4/14/24. Our area has been doing well! We have added a new meeting to our meeting schedule called "Clear Skies" which meets at 12pm at the Recovery Zone in Bellefontaine (440 S. St. Paris Street). It is a "rotating format" style meeting, and we are very excited to welcome this group to our area! A couple of the meetings in our area have adjusted their times as well, the "Recovery Junkies" group went from 12pm to 3pm, and the "Serenity on Sundays" adjusted their time from 5:30pm to 5pm. All of this has been updated on our meeting schedule and has been sent to the ORSCNA Webmaster to be posted on the ORSCNA website. We have been seeing our attendance grow in our meetings, averaging 15-20 addicts per meeting, as well as seeing about 2-3 newcomers per month.

Our area is hosting our annual Speaker Jam next Saturday, April 20th 1pm-8pm at the First Church of God (1000 E. Brown Ave. Bellefontaine, OH 43311), and we really hope to see all of you there! We plan on having a lot of good speakers attending to share for us, having a spaghetti and chili dinner, auction and 50/50 raffle, along with a clean time countdown at the end of the night! Our Activities Committee has been working really hard to plan and put this event on for the addicts out there who need an event and need some recovery, so we are hoping for the support from our region and from our fellow members!

That is all that I have to report at this time. Thank you all for your love and support of our area and thank you for allowing me to serve.

In loving service, Nichole K. PUASCNA RCM

# **SASCNA Report:**

Our Regional Committee Member Team
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Regional Committee Member- Alternative (RCMA) Craig S. 937-624-0160

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### About the SASCNA Area

The geographic area served by the SASCNA Area is Clark and Champaign county's, Our area presently has 13 Groups and 14 meetings.

### **Quarterly Donations**

We are making a donation in the amount \$500.00 to the Ohio Region this quarter.

### Literature Distribution

Literature is being sold by our new literature chair and with the help of his committee. Books are being sold at meetings and the area meeting.

#### Other Area Services

At this time we currently have these open area positions: Vice Secretary, Public Relations, and Convention. We are working to get all positions filled at this time.

#### Area Service Structure

Our area meetings are held every 3rd Sunday of the month at 2pm at 1557 East Main St, Springfield, Ohio, 45503.

#### **H&I**

At this time H&I goes into the Clark county jail and one local treatment center. They meet every last Friday of the month.

### Report

Hello family and thank you for allowing me to be of service. The Springfield area is doing well. Meetings are filling up as the warm weather moves in. A new noon meeting has recently opened on Mondays and Wednesdays at noon. The Friday meeting has recently moved out of its location, due to the Church moving out of the building. The meeting is currently meeting at 1101 East High street at 8pm. Our new secretary is learning her duties and will be sending those updates in the future. I will be sending the new info to the webmaster this weekend. All 13 groups were present at the area meeting in March. We Are hoping that we can fill our vacant convention chair position soon. With our next convention due to be in the fall of 2025, it will be here before we know it. Our area family picnic will be in August. Something new at our area meetings we have started to read the 12 concepts. Our intent is to help us with our service structure.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service, Craig S.

### **SBASCNA Report:**

April, 13, 2024

Sandusky Bay Area: we currently serve the Erie, Huron, Wayne, Ottawa, Richland and Sandusky areas. Our Area meets in Norwalk, Ohio at First Baptist Church at 4:30 PM 1st Sunday of the month.

Upcoming Activities: posted to our local website www.sbascna.naohio.org and the Ohio Region Website.

SBASCNA Speaker Jam and Potluck. April 13, 2024 Ebenezer Baptist Church 1215 Pierce St Sandusky, Ohio 3 PM-8 PM

Living Clean Group of NA 11th Anniversary May 15, 2024 Lunch at 11 AM (pulled pork) feel free to bring a side dish- not required .Speaker to follow at 12 PM. St Paul's Episcopal Church 87 W Main St Norwalk, Ohio 44857

Subcommittee Activity: Plans are being made for the Grill and Chill event this summer (held in Sandusky at Lyons Park) and the Chili Cook-off in the fall (held in Norwalk at the Reservoir)

Donation to Region: \$100.00

# **STACSNA Report:**

To: ORSCNA From: STASCNA Date: April 13, 2024

Good morning. STACSNA is the Stark, Tuscarawas & Carroll County area. We have meetings in 5 counties, including those already mentioned, as well as Wayne and Summit Counties. As of this time, we have 17 groups with 18 weekly meetings, including one virtual meeting. Our ASC meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month as St. Paul's Episcopal Church in downtown Canton, using a hybrid format. Recently, we've had about 2/3 of our meetings attend.

This has been a tumultuous cycle for us. Right after our last ORSCNA meeting, STACSNA learned that our Area treasurer had misappropriated all the funds in our Area account. We held an emergency meeting of our ASC, removed her as treasurer, and formed an Ad Hoc committee to begin pointing us back in the right direction. We are extremely grateful that our former treasurer has made full financial amends since then – or at least we believe she did. We will never know for sure, because she told us she burned the receipt book and destroyed some other records.

In the process of conducting our audit, it was discovered that a number of our bills had not been paid for many months. We lost our PO box due to non-payment, and rent for the room at the church where we hold Area Service had not been paid in a year. After meeting all of our financial obligations, our treasury is now quite low. Therefore, we have no donation for ORSCNA for this cycle.

We are pleased to report that this upheaval has done a lot to create unity in our Area. Members worked diligently together to resolve problems as they were uncovered. We were able to move our former vice-treasurer into the position of treasurer, and we elected a new vice treasurer. The Ad Hoc committee is working to complete the documentation necessary for our Area to become a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. We will also be changing banks, as our previous bank requires too high of a minimum balance to be practical for us.

To better serve our Fellowship, we created some new policy requiring that the treasurer make copies of the bank account statements available for review at each ASC meeting. We also made sure the incoming treasurer and vice-treasurer were aware that monthly reports need to be much more thorough than those previously provided. Both also stated their understanding that Area treasury materials, including checks, check registers, bank account statements, and receipt books are not their personal property, must be produced upon request, and may not be purposely damaged or destroyed.

Last month, we had two members step forward with willingness to become our PR chair. That election will be held this Sunday. We also have some members potentially interested in the Activities position.

H&I is also gaining some traction. We now have three H&I commitments: one virtual meeting with a men's correctional facility, one men's in-patient treatment facility, and one co-ed in-patient treatment facility.

This cycle, we welcomed the Pathway to Hope meeting in Wooster, which meets on Thursday nights. Previously, the meeting had belonged to the Sandusky Bay Area but decided it was geographically more practical to join STACSNA. Other meetings in Wooster already belonged to STACSNA, so this move creates unity and consistency. In March, the meeting hosted a speaker jam fund raiser for OCNA.

Despite not having an Activities chair, our Area is hosting a bingo night OCNA fundraiser next Saturday. We're calling it "Raise some money on 4/20," and emphasizing that we can stay clean and have fun on such a day.

We still have a few open positions at the area level. Unless something really bizarre happens, we will fill the PR position this weekend. The Vice-Chair, Activities Chair, and RCM-Alt positions remain vacant.

A list of our trusted servants has been sent separately.

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

In Loving Service, Jo D, RCM

## **SVASCNA Report:**

**Addict Named Matt** 

We are sorry that we were unable to attend the recent meet and apologies for our absence. Despite this, we are eager to share some updates with you, we are now serving Ross, Pike, and Vinton counties.

Currently, our area is home to 12 Narcotics Anonymous (NA) groups, hosting a total of 13 meetings weekly. We are thrilled to announce the addition of a new women's meeting, the "Empowering Women of NA Group." This meeting is held on Mondays from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM at 291 S. Paint St., Chillicothe, Ohio.

Our members have shown remarkable dedication in participating in service activities, and we are witnessing an inspiring trend of members achieving various milestones of clean time. Our Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) Committee continues grow, carrying the message of recovery into three different treatment facilities, extending hope and support to those in need.

We are also excited to share that we are in the process of developing our area website, which we hope to have operational by the time of the next regional meeting.

We would like to extend an invitation to everyone to join us in celebrating the one-year anniversary of the Scioto Valley Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous (SVASCNA) Spring Fling Speaker Jam. The speaker jam will be held on April 20th, 2024, at the Salvation Army Building located at 171 E. 4th St., Chillicothe, Ohio.

We are grateful for the opportunity to serve. Thank you for allowing us to share this journey with you.

### **SOVASCNA Report:**

New Area represented – Southern Ohio Valley Area Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous (Joe B. present)

### Subcommittee Reports

### **H&I Report:**

Hello all,

I missed old business yesterday due to our Central Ohio Area H&I Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser being held in Columbus. I forgot to email the secretary and chair to let them know I would only be attending today. My apologies.

The H&I Chairs met virtually on March 24, and 4 area H&I Chairs attended the meeting.

We discussed the purpose of our Regional Subcommittee and how we can work together to keep a list of facilities, maintain contacts, share resources and ideas as well as materials.

We also discussed the pilot Virtual H&I Panel that is running through Central Ohio Public Relations and how that may become a shared service across the region.

Chairs had the opportunity to announce upcoming events in their areas.

There are still 2 Areas that I do not have names and contacts for their H&I Chairs:

SOVASCNA - Southern Ohio SVASCNA - Scioto Valley

If the RCM is present, can you email me that information at: handi@naohio.org

The next meeting of the H&I Chairs in the Region will take place in person at the July Meeting on Saturday afternoon. More will be revealed once we find out the location. I will communicate with the chairs via email to announce the time and location.

Thank you for letting me serve, Emily T

## **Outreach Report:**

No written report submitted.

### **Phoneline Report:**

No written report submitted. Verbal-Townhall agreed to a lower amount on the renewal.

## **Public Relations Report:**

Position is vacant

### Webmaster:

Hello ORSCNA family,

As you can see, I'm back in Ohio! We had a great 4 months in Phoenix, but it's good to be home and good to be at this quarter's regional meeting.

Here are some of the things that were completed over the last quarter:

- 1. I updated the Sample Area Report on the website to indicate that the Lines of Communication should be a separate document other than in the Area Report. There were a few other small things that I cleaned up.
- 2. NAWS has officially stopped trying to keep their meeting database up to date and have switched over their meeting search web page and their phone app to now display links to local area, regional, and zonal websites. The NAWS website is <a href="https://na.org/phoneweb/">https://na.org/phoneweb/</a> and you can download the phone app through your phone's app store. Back in November I had provided NAWS with the necessary website information for the 26 areas and

- regions in Ohio which are contained in the Ohio Region's BMLT server. I recently sent them updated links which go directly to the meeting information pages instead of just to the website's home page.
- 3. If you click on the Meeting Schedule link on naohio.org, you will now go to a list of meeting information links for each of the 19 areas that we still maintain as well as a link for ALL of the meetings in the Ohio Region. I added this page because the dropdown menu on the old Meeting Schedule page has seemed confusing to some people. The menu is still there, but these links will be easier for people to get directly to the necessary meeting information.
- 4. I updated the password and cleared out the <a href="mailto:conventionchair@naohio.org">conventionchair@naohio.org</a> email address and worked with Adam D. so that he could access it. He and his committee have been using it regularly. Future convention chairs will be able to see all of those emails and it will serve as a source of information for them.
- 5. I added the new SOVASCNA area to the website including adding their existing meetings to the BMLT database. I provided access information and instructions to Joe B. and Emily M. I also removed the NWOASCNA and SEOASCNA information from the Areas page.
- 6. After Aaron R.'s OCNA AC report last quarter, I looked into what it will take to change our Statutory Agent with the Secretary of State as well as whatever needs to be done with the Attorney General. I believe all of this can be done online now for a minimal cost. I would like to have the Chairperson add an item to the Old Business agenda for today so we can decide what to do and who should do it.
- 7. I have put together the website statistics for the NAOhio website, the BMLT website, and the Spring Retreat website. They will be included with the minutes.
- 8. I emailed the Host Gator invoices to Sam.
- 9. I still need to get the new regional trusted servants using the email addresses that I set up.
- 10. As always, lots of flyer updates, meeting updates, and other requests for changes to the website.

If anyone has any flyers or meeting updates, sees any issues with the websites, or has any requests to add/change/remove content, please email <a href="webmaster@naohio.org">webmaster@naohio.org</a>.

Thank you so much for allowing me to serve.

In loving service, Mark R. ORSCNA Webmaster

## 2024 Fall 12-Step Retreat:

Hello ORSCNA family,

The 36<sup>th</sup> annual Fall 12-Step Retreat committee for 2024 is having its first committee meeting on 5/11/24 at 12:00pm at Tar Hollow during the Spring Retreat. I have confirmed all of the committee chair people and all of our positions are filled. I have also talked with several other people who want to get involved during the retreat. We will likely have our 2<sup>nd</sup> committee meeting before the July RSC meeting, but we usually schedule the dates and times for the remaining committee meetings at the first committee meeting.

As I mentioned last quarter, the dates for this year's Fall Retreat are 10/11/24 to 10/13/24. One of the first things that we normally do is decide on prices and then put together the flyer so we can start distributing it. So, keep your eyes open for the flyer near the end of May.

We started with a balance of \$3,056.33 and our current balance is \$3,306.33 after Doug H. was able to sell some of the left-over merchandise from last year. We will continue to try and sell off the remaining merchandise before the Retreat and that will likely get us near our normal \$3600 prudent reserve starting point.

I think that's about it for now!

In loving service,

Mark R.

Fall Retreat 2024 Chairperson

## 2024 Spring 12-Traditions Retreat:

We have made awesome progress on our financial goals and getting everything set up for May!! These are the minutes from our last committee meeting. Our last committee meeting before the event will be May 5 at 3pm at The Hope Spot of Greene County.

Opening: Begin with a moment of silence for all members to reflect on their involvement, thinking about who they serve and why. Follow with Serenity Prayer, Service Prayer, 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts for NA Service.

Read and approve the minutes of the last meeting.

Craig's the DJ, if no other can be found.

Next meeting on May 5th at 3pm is in person at the Hope Spot

Chairperson's report (review Committee progress to date and relay recent information).

All money to be turned in for Friday breakfast and t-shirts and hoodies.

Vice-chairperson's report.

N/A

Secretary's report.

N/A

Treasurer's report (update on income, expenses, and current balance).

Beginning balance: \$3,909.88

PO box paid for- now \$91 for months to hold this PO box.

\$11.01 in Venmo business account

\$2,217.21 in another account and transferred to our account.

Ending balance \$6,127.09

Subcommittee's reports (includes goals and progress of each committee).

Holly -

Placing shirt order at least 3 weeks before event

Preorder hoodies- 11 presale hoodies.

80 tshirts to sell- \$1,280

Need committee sizes for stuff.

Nick B.-

26 huggers. \$127 collected for t-shirts so far. Giving Holly sizes and money today 4/7.

Gators will need diesel filled before we return them. Will bring diesel cans with.

Bee -

Talked to Craig about soap and toilet paper and ready to go.

Gary -

Main speaker slot filled and waiting to hear back from 3 others.

Calling speakers to get them in time slots this week.

Craig -

Everything is good to go. Will do food order about 3 weeks before the event and pickup in Springfield and get at Tar Hollow at 3pm Thursday.

Have water, pop and energy drinks for merchandise room.

Willie -

Will be using T&D firewood in Laurelville for wood.

Will deliver to Tar Hollow. Danielle to meet them at 7am at the general store at the beginning of the state park.

Bekki-

Currently, have 11 people for special needs cabin.

Total of 87 people registered.

Registration to start at 3pm Friday.

Nick S.

A couple people to help with coffee.

To help with kitchen trash while emptying coffee filters.

Carrie

N/A

Old business carried over from last meeting.

N/A

New business to be undertaken before next meeting.

Need signs to show people how to get there. Amanda and Danielle to make/order 4 signs for event.

Need 3 Basic Textbooks to giveaway. Craig to supply.

Cash boxes to be purchased for merchandise room, treasurer, and registration.

Closing Prayer.

# OCNA 41 Report

The OCNA41 Convention Committee is off to a strong start. There is a lot of excitement and willingness from the area and committee. All positions have been elected except Convention Information Chair, there has already been great communication between sub-committee chairs and have started working together. We've had 3 meetings with consistent attendance. Convention committee meets every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month at 1pm and the sub-committees have their meetings scheduled. Schedule is available at <a href="naohio.org">naohio.org</a>

We have opened our bank account at 5/3<sup>rd</sup> and got our PO Box. Received a \$1,000 loan from HAMASCNA expected to be paid back by June. Webmaster provided access to the conventionchair@naohio.org email account to be used.

F&E has started and have 2 events scheduled already. First one on June 8<sup>th</sup> in Cincinnati and next one in Springfield. Already reaching out and establishing lines of communications with other area's activities.

While we have a lot in the works, I have been encouraging the committee to help get awareness of the current years OCNA in the spirit of unity and cooperation. Our committee has got a banquet table and most who can be are planning on attending. The committee is aware that we should not be fundraising or collecting money until the current years OCNA has been held. Committee members have been reaching out and supporting other areas in their fundraisers to be held for this year's OCNA40.

### **Current Action Items:**

- Still getting and reviewing bids from hotels (aiming for May this year to make decision)
- Receiving submissions for Logo/Theme (April 20 end date for new submissions)
- Discuss with Webmaster about OCNA Website
  - Look to get central point for information / flyers / registration.

I am humbled for the opportunity to be a part of something this big. I have been in frequent contact with OCNA AC, current years OCNA40 Chair and V Chair, as well as Convention Chairs from previous years and grateful for their support and guidance.

In Loving Service,

## Adam D OCNA41 Convention Chair

# **OCNA Advisory Committee Report:**

No Written Report submitted

# **Old Business**

**Elections for open positions** 

Secretary: Violet B. (11-0-0)

# **Open Positions**

- Public Relations Chairperson
- Vice-Secretary
- Vice-Webmaster

## Sunday January 14, 2024

## Reports

## **RD/RCM Report:**

Hello family, the RD, RCM meeting was full of shared services, experience, strength, and hope. We first discussed the forth coming motion to authorize someone to be the statutory agent which will include what tasks will be done and a time frame to have them completed. We came to agree to allow Martha to execute her willingness under the auspice of Mark R.

BLASCNA – This area is struggling with members not willing to advance their technical skills which means reports are handwritten or verbal making translation a needed thing. There are had a lot of different things going on with different subcommittees and now have someone stepped up and activities have a fresh start.

DASCNA – The Dayton area is revamping positions by inviting new members and older members to work together. This revitalization includes going over policy and capturing those that was voted in and recorded in the minutes but never made the update to policy. We are hopeful that this change will constitute change throughout our area.

FRASCNA – Plain and simple, we are challenge is getting members to serve.

GCASCNA – This area is doing well. We are in the process of filling positions and implementing an online training and doing a survey to analyze different problems and coming up with solutions to improve area based on that inventory. One thing, we do talk about service in a positive light. Our outreach efforts have attracted new members.

KORASCNA – Have an influx with people in treatment. However, after discussion in RD/RCM, there was a change in attitude. Our area is not so bad in comparison, every service position is filled. H & I must have their own meeting space. This area just started in the late 90's, the period when there was more participation. It seems, when not using brute force, there is more participation. Letting people make mistakes allows for growth. We even have to get a bigger building for area just to accommodate all interested members.

MEASCNA – The spring summer function is coming so stay tuned. The Tie dye and the real deal men's event is coming up so stay tuned for those as well. Outreach now handout GSR Packet. For our St. Patrick's event, newcomers got involved and there was questions as to if they should be able to participate in such capacity. One other struggle is trying to get increase of funds for the RCM to go to regional. What happened to being self-supported?

MOASCNA – Kirby is the chair for MOASCNA. Due to a death the RCM was not able to be present. The meeting in upper Sandusky have got started and average 8 – 10 people. The treasurer has resigned their position on short notice and under our situation, 2 hatting is very prevalent in this area. However, we are trying to get members to step up. May 4th The Psychedelic 60s event for the first time will not be in Marion but in Fostoria's Venue 18. H & I is functioning, yet the struggle is not many women with time to support. Do have women around with clean time but do not show up. Martha is willing to answer phone if the women in this area need to talk. Angel sponsor two women from this area and often meet via zoom. Trying to get activities back like the pig out. Looking to reach out to the Findley area that folded to see if they would join the MOASCNA Area.

MVASCNA – This area struggle with group donations and have no area chair or vice chair. Treatment centers, court orders, and halfway houses are making up majority of or participation. Having ruff time keeping trusted servants. Area chair stepped down focused on what other's thinks. When positions are changed, we do audits. H & Damp; I stepped down and NA was getting bad rap. Another area offered to have members from other area to support.

SASCNA – all GSR'S present at area meeting.

SBASCNA – a lot of open positions and some are two hatting. Meetings are getting by. Monday meeting closed, Tuesday started the spaghetti dinner and taco Tuesday. We have decided to keep taco Tuesday. There's a shortage of women

STACSNA – Due to technical difficulties, we were not able to get this member's input and we know she was present. Thank you for your dedicated service, Joe.

SOVACNA – Has no area, H&I, Outreach, or PR yet still being self-supporting

OCNA 40 May 24 – 26

RCM'S please take back to your area to send all fundraisers funds to be sent to OCNA 40 not OCNA 41.

Midwest Zonal Form May 31 – June 2, 2024 Hilton Rosemont Chicago O'Hare 5550 North River Road Rosemont, Illinois 60018 Rooms \$139 per night. Motion to fund the RD/RDA to the MZF \$1,000 The next RSC

July 13-14, 2024 Holiday Inn Conference Center\ 711 2 nd Street Portsmouth, Ohio 45662

In loving service Marvin H

## **H&I Report:**

Thank you for allowing us to use the zoom yesterday evening. We had 5 H&I chairs throughout the region attend and I am hearing back from chairs who were unable to attend but are interested in collaborating.

Last evening we discussed what's going well in each area and things that people were interested in getting feedback on.

We are going to meet virtually again 1-2 weeks before the next region meeting.

I still need contact information for the following area H&I chairs: Greater Cincinnati, MOASCNA, SBASCNA, & Scioto Valley

I sent a report yesterday to the secretary.

Thanks, Emily T 937-266-8383

## **New Business**

## **Nominations**

Chair - Tammy S.

Sam G.

Vice Chair - Lenore P
Secretary - Violet B.
Treasurer - Nonya W.

H&I - Emily T.

Phoneline Coordinator - Jo D.

Policy Coordinator - Dave L

Public Relations - Collette S.

Spring Retreat Chair 2025 - Rachel L

Webmaster - Mark R

# **Motions**

MOTION	DATE	Description	PASS/FAIL
2024-03	4/14/2024	Policy modify 4.3.4 Clarify lines of communication. Should be submitted each region.	Passed
		Change policy 4.1.8 Mileage to 90 instead of 125 for 1/2 room reimbursement per rcm	
2024-04	4/14/2024	non funded.	Groups
		Policy modify section 10 of Secretary responsibilities. To remove sending info to NAWS	
2024-05	4/14/2024	per their request.	Passed
2024-06	4/14/2024	Policy modify 4.3.4 What needs included in the lines of communication.	Passed
		Authorize Mark R to update Statutory Agent with Attorney General office of Ohio per	
2024-07	4/14/2024	requirements	Passed
		Fund RD/RDA for May 31-June2 for MZZ (Chicago) unused funds to be returned	
2024-08	4/14/2024	\$1000.00	Passed
2024-09	4/14/2024	Switch Zoom Email and Password to be used by officers more easily for meetings	Passed
2024-10	4/14/2024	Payment for hosting location as invoice unavailable at close of business	Passed
2024-11	4/14/2024	Policy Section 14.1, 15.1 RD/RDA term to 3yrs to match forum. Will now change 2026	Passed