

MZSSNA MINUTES
May 18th, 2022

Open with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer, followed by the Service Prayer.

Attendance:

Trusted Servants			Trusted Servants			Members @ Large
Chairperson	Mary B	A	PR (Local committee)	OPEN		Gina
Vice-Chair	Scott M.	P	Facilities	Stuart L.	P	Jennah
Treasurer	Sharon S.	P	Local Host	OPEN		Louis
Co-Treasurer	Randi B.	P				Troy
Recorder	Michelle B.	P				Mike
Arts & Graphics	Amanda M.	P				Pat
Merchandise	Andrea	P				
Registration	De L.	A				
Programming	Diane S.	P				
IT	Barry B.	P				

Introductions were made (see members at large in attendance above)

NA-versaries: Louis – 35 years

Approval of April Minutes: No objections

Reports:

Chair: No report

Vice Chair: Mary is not feeling well so I will be facilitating the meeting tonight. After the Theme debacle we finally chose the theme “Service is a Gift of Love.” Thank you to all those who voted again. Thank you to Amanda who patiently made so many changes to the Save the Date Flyer. I think we are finally ready to distribute it. Looking at the Timeline, should someone create a survey of potential topics for workshops and distribute it? I have a sample of the survey we did from the 2018 Omaha Symposium that I am including. I think that the Facilitator and past programming chair assist me (I was programming chair that year) in developing it.

- **Discussion:** Survey
 - Topic list shared
 - Survey ties the hands to those topics
 - May be too early and topics may be changing
 - Several mentioned missing the Programming meeting
 - 2 meetings have been scheduled and posted without any participation
 - Developing a survey monkey, using the list as a guide and using current topics as well
 - Will also include a comment section for alternate topics to be included
 - Posted in Services Solutions
 - No input yet from the main workgroup
 - May be early and topics may change, lack of attendance may be because its early and participation will likely pick up later
 - Utilizing a core group to assist so far, hand picking some people to assist so far

Secretary: No report

Treasurer: No report

Co-Treasurer: No report

Merchandise: Waiting on design to get started on bids.

Facilities: Nothing new since last meeting

Host: Open

Registration: No report

Programming: No report other than what was previously discussed above. Working on a survey. Next Meeting June 12th

- **Posted on MZSSNA SALCK Group**
- **Posted in What's App**
- **Will post in MZSSNA FB Page**
 - More active it is, the more it will show up
 - Need to post more MZSSNA Stuff to keep it current

Registration: No Report

Arts & Graphics: Submitted "Save the Date Flyer" Received some ideas from Michelle. If you have ideas without graphics, please send them and will find someone to put them to life or design. What is the time line supposed to be. Things feel early, but time also does creep up.

Timeline:

- Look at logos 13-14 months early
- Within the next 3 months
- Amanda will put some things together within the next 2 months
- Diane had submitted the theme & had thoughts on design logo and will submit something to Amanda

IT: Tried to have an IT meeting, but no one attended. One person forgot the other person emailed ahead and could not attend. Went ahead and made a copy of current website and will start working on it. It is about 6 years which is old for a website so its pretty ancient in website terms. I do need to get in contact with Daniel about the information for the mail chimp, because it is about time we send out the first mailer that has the save the date information.

Old Business

Nominations for open positions:

Host: No nominations.

PR to Professionals: Nomination: Jennah R. (Chair of the Michigan PR) Noted she thought she posted resume in Slack. Mentioned she is short of cleantime requirement. Will have 5 years next month.

Questions:

- You have contacts in the Detroit Area? Yes, the state-wide level of services is all interconnected
- How far is Lansing from Detroit? About 1 ½ hours
- Did you look over suggested guidelines? Yes
- Are you familiar with the PR Handbook of Narcotics Anonymous? Yes
- Have you ever resigned from a position? Yes, resigned from Activities position due to moving
- Willing to attend and resent? Yes

Any objections to electing Jenna to PR to Professionals Workgroup? No objections noted. Congratulations 😊

New Business:

Host Committee Concerns:

Host timeline – Doug, Amanda, and Barry to work on host timeline

- Have not yet met to look at the duties/timeline
- If we have volunteers why do we worry about policy
- New host Chair would be the most likely to be able to review/ revise the timeline?
- Have the guidelines been reviewed? Not yet; it seemed complicated in regards to duties.
- The guidelines are what layout what is required for the position.
- The timeline is a separate document. The only true requirement would be the guidelines. Timeline is used to help keep on track
- More specific list of things that would need to be done.
- If someone becomes host, then use the timeline for what the main body would or may need help with
- It may not be the same for every event and it a fluid document.
- Guidelines are not up for review, just the timeline
- Mike expressed he may take the position next month

Question: Do we need to meet this frequently?

Discussion:

- We have become more streamlined
- Programming, logos, does the timeline still make sense this far out
- We will be a year away in October (4 months away)
- People are planning these things in 6 months
- Tight timeline to get speakers, etc
- Some cannot make commitments that far in advance, travel, etc
- Perhaps every other month a couple of times
- Relevant topics in May, and then put the topics until last minute
- Having the advance planning helps so events are not overlapping in the Detroit areas
- Get areas and Regions to attend without conflicts

- Getting the logo in advance is reasonable so merchandise can start working on things
- We don't need to lose momentum
- We can meet for 30 minutes, allow opportunity for new members to join in
- If every other month & you miss a month, then if you have to miss another one, then its 4 months since you attend a meeting

Consensus to continue to meet monthly.

Meeting adjourned & closing 3rd step prayer led by Jennah R.

Next scheduled meeting: Wednesday, June 15th, 2022 6:30 PM

Respectfully submitted by Michelle B.