Multi-Zonal Service Symposium of Narcotics Anonymous Minutes
September 23rd, 2026

Open with a moment of silence, followed by Service Prayer.
"God, grant us knowledge that we may serve according to Your Divine precepts. Instill in us a sense of your purpose. Make us servants of your will and grant us a bond of selflessness that this may truly be your work, not ours, in order that no addict, anywhere, need die from the horrors of addiction."

Attendance:

Trusted Servants			Trusted Servants			Members @ Large
Facilitator	Scott M.	P	**Registration**	Amber C.		
Co Facilitator	OPEN		**Programming**	Amanda M. Cindi B.	P A	
Treasurer	Randie B.	P	**IT**	Barry B.	P	
Co-Treasurer	Kristin R.		**PR (Local committee)**	Tonia R.	P	
Recorder	Katie C.	P	**Facilities**	Ben T.	P	
Arts & Graphics	Alicia A.	A	**Local Host**	Ron Z.	A	
Merchandise	Bryan A.	P				

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

NA-versaries:
none

Approval of Minutes:
None taken for last week due to absence of recorder

<u>Reports:</u>
Facilitator:
It's getting it's like eight days away and I'm nervous and excited and looking forward to seeing you all in person

Co Facilitator:
OPEN

Recorder:
No Report

Treasurer:
I did put a copy of the latest bank statement for the first time in Discord, and I also put that our balance right now is 93.82.37

I paid Alicia half. We did deposit a $300 check from the Midwest Zonal Forum

So we've gotten a check from all three

I have a banner to pay that's 60-something dollars. I'll pay that tomorrow if I can.

And then I have talked to the hotel, not the hotel, but the catering company updated the credit card on file with everything

And then Ben told me something I've got to pay for the insurance

That's all I got.

Co Treasurer:
No report

Arts & Graphics:
No report

Facilities:
Hello Family
This is really going to Happen! Lol
This has been a busy week for me finalizing all the Hotel and Caterer Contracts.
Here is the finale wrap up.
*I got the Bosin switched to Rounds
*Tablecloth charge was reduced to $10 per table for the weekend.
*Got the Caterer finale Numbers to Lunch 72 Dinner 63 that includes the agreed 5 extra
*Got Danish, Coffee and Hot Tea added to the
Order only $300 of Coffee which breaks down to the following
3gal Friday PR 4gal Saturday Morning 3gal Sund Morning ...only Randie or I can order more coffee.
*Great news Water station only $50 a day
So Here are the Numbers
Friday $2333.61 Sat $2946.71 Sun $283.75 = $5564.07
that's includes 21% gratuity, Sales Tax and 3% processing Fee

I did get Francis and Tims room ...Question about how many Free room night are they getting and who was the others

In Loving being of Service
Ben T.

(This doesn't include the IT stuff)

Host:
No Report

IT:
the Zoom is going to be problematic. Hopefully. It'll work okay. That's about all I can say. Need to kind of know how many presenters we have online. So that I can plan a little bit better. I think we're meeting next Monday. Is that correct? Yeah, so we're just going to sort of play it by ear. We tested some things out in some different ways to do stuff over the weekend. So we'll, once we get into the hotel We'll try it out. You know, it worked fine in a small environment that it was in. But I'm wondering how the owl is going to work out in a larger environment. So that's what we're gonna have to play by year and that with the

microphones, you know, to make sure that the microphones are there. So, that's where we're kind of sitting there. Looks like the way it's going to work out is I have one person for one room, another person for another room, and then me in one room with some relief planned for all of us. But It looks like we do have the manpower to to make it work. Still just asking everybody that has an available laptop that has all the available USB and fire wire connections to bring them just in case we need extra ones The big part is the fire wire and HDMI connections. We don't plan on anybody using their laptops for presentations. That gets too problematic. I just wanted extra laptops available. think, you know, me and Denny worked on ours, so I know I got too good. And Cindy was going to bring hers and hers is a brand new laptop, so it should work okay. So And then the rest of the equipment that we're getting in. I don't know how much of it we're going to use, to tell you the truth. I'm gonna have people bring all the screens and everything, but we may be able to get by with With splitting the screen into two. Because that worked fine. in a campground So we'll see how that works inside the hotel. On their equipment and not mine. So that's kind of where we're sitting there. I'm kind of worried about the schedule. Hopefully I'll have the website or the web server fixed by then, because it's the entire Plains States web server that is the issue. I got a ticket with the company and they've really not done anything with it yet. But I think that's been a lot of our issues also with with are ordering, where we've had some of those problems. It's been In a nutshell. Okay. We have 74 processes running on the website and the maximum amount that's allowed is 75. So anytime Another process starts to run. It times out everything. Now the Plains States pays for a much bigger plan than I think they got us planted on it, and that's what I keep trying to tell them, because we had a new Web server or web company take over the company that we originally signed up with. So that's it in a nutshell. I can get into more details, but I think you can see the high end problem that we're having. So if we try to put the schedule on the website, we're going to have major issues. A workaround would be Well, see, that's just it. As soon as I give you a URL, we're kind of stuck. So I'm trying to figure it out before I have to give you the The QR code. That's gonna go on the back of the badges and then Because before then I could put it on another website. I can put just the schedule somewhere else. So that's kind of where we're at. I'm going to work on it all weekend long. If they don't Respond to me by email. I'm just going to sit on the on the On the on the helpline waiting for them to talk to me. That's the problem is I Really don't have time to sit on a phone with them right now until I have no other choice.

Merchandise:
Good evening MZSS Work Group,
For the past week we have continued to offer sticker packs, journals and tumblers for preorder.
We sold 2 journals and 2 sticker packs. As of today, tumblers are no longer offered online for preorder sale. Alicia asked me to contact several members who purchased custom tumblers and clarify their preferred names for printing.
I propose that the Merchandise Room be open:
• Friday from 8:30am to 8:00pm and 10:30pm 12:00am
• Saturday from 8:30am to 7:30pm and 10:00pm to 11:30pm
In Loving Service,
Bryan A.

Programming:
We met again on Monday.
And we're going to meet again on this upcoming Monday at. 6:30 will be our last.
programming meeting before the event.

We just kind of are zipping up the loose ends, like, um...
went over, like, who we still need the blurb from, and PowerPoints, and release forms, and so we're, um, thinking about sending out one more email.
maybe end of this week, I think. Um, and so, if there's any other...
things. I think we would just send them to presenters. But.
If there's other stuff that we need to do a general thing on too, I guess Lucy's probably the person.
for that. Um, but so, yeah, just went over some of those things, and then, um...
uh...
Uh, sometimes we... we were then looking at chair... the... the things that we do need chairpeople for, which would be the 7 a.m. recovery meetings, um...
The...
Friday night welcome intro before the history presentation, I think, is usually one of the committee members, um...
Opens the event, um, and Scott is doing Saturday night
Something on Sunday morning, when we do the NAWS update.
After that, we'll do some sort of wrap-up.
spiel.
Um, so I think...
Workgroup members for the Friday and the Sunday, and then, um, I wanted to ask Ron about, um... I couldn't remember if we've sometimes tried to.
Have local people do the chairing of the recovery meetings?
In the mornings, um...
Yeah, and I don't know if that's gonna work with... he's not even local to Wichita.
Um, so... I was hoping he'd be on here tonight, but I will reach out to him, um...
Separately and see, otherwise we'll just pick people that are registered and at the hotel, and...
want to get up early. Um, Charles said a whole bunch of people were coming from Chicago, and they could probably help with that, so...
I think we'll get that covered, but uh, yeah, I... is that a... I kind of saw some nods, is that a thing that we've...
Done local in the past, yes.
I'll see if that's something Ron can get his... the guy that was maybe the area chair or something for Wichita, or whoever was kind of helping locally, um...see if they're... if they'd be up for finding people.
Otherwise, we'll just kind of wing it when we get there.
And find people for those mornings.
Lucy used an old workshop format that will be in each room for each program for the presenters to read.
She submitted a draft.
In our programming workgroup, so if anybody has any...
updates to it that they think we need. Speak soon. You can just go into programming and do that.
Um, she's added in, um, something about...
Uh... no.
Social media posting. Yep. So there's something on there about that.
Um, but yeah, and I think, Scott, if you'd go in there and take a look at that. And make sure.
Okay, so I think Friday night and Sunday morning, and I don't care if we do that tonight or next Wednesday, but that's a thing that we need to decide in the main workgroup.
Um...
We have also not, um, just... we've, uh...
We are gonna do a one workshop or one speaker at the all gender luncheon.
Um, and then...

to...
uh...
I think they're 20 to 30 minute speakers, one, so three total on Saturday night, one from each zone. We haven't picked any of those yet, and we're fine with that, so we're gonna probably look at the registration list on Monday. Um, but also, in the meantime, if you guys have suggestions, um, from your zone, um, that you think would be...
Great. As a speaker on Saturday night, you can send those our way.
Yeah, we're gonna, I think on that email, have them for the presenters to print their own handouts.
and.
Just a few other housekeeping things of that nature for our email.
But I think that's...
Thank you for getting the tables in the round and tablecloths, Ben.
We were really glad about that.
Um...
Ask Verda. No, finish.
Okay, yep, that's it. Um, except for then I have another, uh, thing from Alicia, so it's technically not programming, but I would...
Also put that out there. Um, so, on the...
we wanted to... we talked about it on Monday, but we wanted to defer to the main workgroup, so we looked at the schedule that she had made.
um, for any other last-minute things, and um, both Ben and Cindy in Discord had mentioned just taking out all gender on the luncheon, and um...
Just putting lunch in.
We thought we should let the main workgroup handle that, because that wasn't really a programming.
thing, but I think... and my... my personal thought is, if it is because people have felt excluded, this time only, we should maybe put.
all gender, but then not in the future. But I also feel like if you've never been to MZSAs before, you're gonna be like, what the fuck does all gender mean? Like, why wouldn't... I mean, what is that? Like, nobody's gonna know we had a men and a women's thing separate in the past.
to where... and so, I guess...
to clarify for past MZSA people, or to not clarify for current MZSA attendees. Um, those were my thoughts on the... on the matter, um...
And that's all I have, so.

PR to Professionals:
Okay, greetings, family. We're looking forward to welcoming professional guests
On October 2nd, as we put the finishing touches on the presentation, we would appreciate your help with a few details. Could we please get the link, the Zoom link to send to the registered Zoom attendees in time to send it one day before the presentation? I'm not sure which Zoom link we're going to be using. And I just need to confirm with Ben, I think we talked about it last time that we will have a PR table At the front of the room, as well as the registration table at the back, and then do you need me to bring... I mean, I'll have, like, the Narcotics Anonymous table covers, you know, do you need me to bring tablecloths for that, you know, table to I, you know, I don't I don't know if if it's going to be it's probably not going to be rounds, right? It'll be like 6 foot table? Yeah, a rectangle. Okay. We do have cloths. Perfect. Okay, just need to make sure about that. And I don't know if it's possible, but we do have, you know, like a nice 4x6 vinyl banner that we could hang somewhere in the room for the presentation too The one that we used at the State Fair, Ben. I don't know what you think or if they're allowing us to put things like that somewhere.

Near the front of the room? Okay, and then regarding, okay, the PR Workgroup has discussed recording and reached a consensus that the presentations are this PR presentation should not be recorded because it is intended for professionals rather than members, and we cannot obtain recording releases from every professional and NA member who may present or participate And we appreciate your understanding for this decision. And thank you for all the signage and the support with the breakfast pastries and coffee. It's going to help make our guests feel welcome, and we really appreciate it.

Registration:
Good Evening MZSS Family,
I apologize for my absence tonight; there is something I have to take care of with my kiddo this evening. Please message me directly if you need anything from me. I will be on next week.

I think we are all set for registration. Alicia is working on the badges. Once the badges are finalized, I will reach out to Randi to see if she can order the badges pockets and lanyards for me. I just need to know if we think we need 200 or closer to 300 for those items.

As of this morning we have 116 On site Registrations, and 5 virtual registrations. I'm not sure how many On-Site Registrations we think we will get.

I do need to report it is unlikely I will be able to be in attendance on Thursday night for MZSS as I am still not working, but I will be there Friday morning early. I am still sorting this out.

ILS,
Amber C.

Old Business

- Co-Facilitator is open
- Alt merch email blast needs to go out
    - Alicia will make a quick image for social media
    - Add it to the homepage of the website

New Business

- We need to pay the hotel in advance
    - Have our credit card
        - Tablecloths/AV
- Will power points be tested prior to MZSS?
    - Yes
- Is there an exact time for alt merch?
    - Sunday morning
- Has anyone signed up for alt merch?
    - 2 submissions
    - Able to sign up on website
- Need closer to 200 or 300 registration badges?
    - Let Randie know by this weekend
    - Probably 200
    - Do 3 ¼ x 2 ¼ (smaller badge)

        - Vertical
- Can we get a room night for Amber for Saturday night?
    - Unanimously yes
    - We have 2 extra nights
- Order grocery sacks for pre-order merch?
    - $20 would probably get 200
- Order “Hi My Name Is” Stickers
- Will be putting something in the format to remind the people working to press record on the zoom meetings
- We will not be doing gendered luncheons this year
- Next programming meeting
    - September 28th

Next Meeting September 30th @ 6:30pm CDT

Zoom ID: 893 0694 9518

Passcode: 1953

Close with the 3rd Step Prayer