



## **November Minutes 2014**

Apologies: Niamh O (Events & Fundraising Chair); Caroline L. (Aisieri); Natasha F. (H & I Chair)  
Jennie H. (Trinity Treasurer).

**Attendance List:** Bert M. (Chair); Michelle W.(Secretary); Anoushka M.(GSR Trinity); John O( Treasurer); Paul J.(GSR we do recover ); Nakita B.(GSR GF); Mairead B.(Literature Alt.); Pam W.(Literature Chair); Mark C.(Member); Brendan O.(PR Chair) Thomas F.(GSR Waterford); Colin P.(ASR); Patrick C.(member); Dermot M.(GSR Killarney); Mike F.(member); Martin D.(member); Kathryn K.(member); Donnacha C.(GSR La Verna); Peter H.(Social Media).

## **Sub Committee Reports.**

**Area Treasurer:** John O

Opening balance: €3079

Donations: €526

Expenses: €493

Closing Balance: €3112

Prudent reserve total: €2856

Working Balance: €262.

No donation for region this month

**Public Relations:** Brendan O'B. (Chair), Paul N. (Webmaster), Peter H. (Social Media Advertisement), Paul J.(Poster Distribution Campaign)

This month has been spent preparing for the upcoming presentation in CIT on the 21st of November. The format of the presentation will be a PowerPoint presentation about NA, followed by two NA members (one male, one female) sharing their experience, followed by a Q & A session. There will be NA literature available at the presentation also. So far a secretary and female speaker have been arranged, and literature has been set aside.

#### PR Expenses:

Literature      31.00

Phone            10.00

Total:            41.00

Brendan O'B.

#### **Webmaster Report:**

There were 217 visits to the website in September.

If any group or subcommittee is looking for a @nasouth.ie email address, please contact Paul N.

The Meetings list Android App is now available, search for NA Ireland on the Google play store.  
Paul N.

#### **Social media update:**

It will take time to print the reports but basically we had had 3million ads delivered since June. We also had to change the style of the advert because of a change in the Facebook conditions. So we no longer have the NA south advert just an NA symbol. The change means that we are on a pay per click instead of pay per 1000 adverts so the number of adverts delivered is less but we should have more clicks.

Peter H.

#### **Literature report.** Pam W (Chair) Mairead B (alt)

Total sale for the month of October € 307.01

Total ordered €307.01

Balance is €0.00

Expenses €6.50 (printing)

#### Literature activities for October:

Apologies for a problem that occurred with the ordering of this month's literature, resulting in a delay in receiving the order. Our committee meeting was successful, all is going well.

Thanks to Martin D. for resolving the printer problem in the office.

**Next committee meeting is Sunday the 14th December at 12noon all welcome.**

## **Events & Fundraising:** Niamh O (Chair)

The chairperson has been contacted by members interested in forming a committee. A fundraising event will be held in February incorporating workshops in the day time.

Note a list of workshops are at the end of these minutes to send out to groups to decide what is the preferred workshop topics.

Next committee meeting is Sunday the 7th December all welcome.

**H&I Report:** Chairperson – position available, Vice chairperson Charlie, Secretary Anthony M

Positions to be filled St. Helens, Arbour House, Tabor Lodge

Written handover for position change

Cork Prison meeting could do with speakers from the Southern Area.

If you would like to get involved could you submit two passport photos, current address, past 10 year address's and date of birth. Clean time 1 year, male speakers.

Meeting is weekly on Friday mornings at 10am

No H&I group reports.

Please mention this at any other business in all Munster meetings: Many of the regular meetings to institutions are no longer being held as there are no members volunteering to do service. It is now critical that H&I get a chair.

## **Group reports:**

### **Cork City**

**Georges Quay:** Women's Meeting Monday 6.30-7.45

Average Attendance: 9

Group report: meeting going well, change information details on meeting list: no meeting on bank holiday Mondays. Contact details: 14 Georges Quay, Cork

Needs GSR

**Rutland Street :** Men's Meeting Monday 7pm No Report

**Hillside Solas : Monday 8.15pm**

Average Attendance: 20

Group report: Nakieta B. stepped in to fill the role of GSR at Group Conscience. Group going well, struggling to fill group service positions.

Donation: €40

**Easons Hill: Tuesday 6.15pm no report**

**Trinity: Tuesday 8.00pm**

Average Attendance: 28

Group report: Meeting going well, all positions filled.

The preamble will be amended to say that mobile phones are discouraged at the meeting. Apologies as the donation money has been unable to be handed to area, this will be amended next month.

From last month's area minutes the subject of the Literature office keys has been brought to Group Conscience, they are not evident among Trinity members.

**Churchfield : Wednesday 6.30**

Average Attendance: 13

Group report: Needs clean time support. Will be opening on Xmas day at 4pm.

Contact details: churchfield@nasouth.ie Churchfield Community Trust, Churchfield, Cork

Donation: €45

**G.F Strength & Hope Wednesday 8pm and Sunday 2pm**

Group report: Group is going well.

The GF unit is moving & NA will be losing the space to hold this meeting. It was discussed at Group Conscience on approaching the hospital to see the options available to the group, if there is a possibility of utilising a room elsewhere in the hospital. It is more than likely that this meeting will have to relocate before the unit closes in February. GSR will keep Area updated.

Average Attendance: 20

Donation: €95

**La Verna** Thursdays 8.00pm

Average Attendance: 30

Group report: Rent paid to date. Alternate GSR position available.

Donation: €87.01

**Dominican Centre:** Friday morning 11.30 - 12.30

Group report: Meeting is going well. Please can other groups announce at meetings that this **group urgently needs a treasurer**

**Rutland Street:** We Do Recover South Parish. Friday & Sunday 8.00pm

Average Attendance: 20

Group report: we do recover will be opening at 8pm on Xmas day. Jamie D. was voted in as the Friday night secretary. The group is introducing into the Friday night meeting the 12 concepts; the first week of this study group will be Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

Any other business: How to fill region positions? Region has their meetings in each of the 4 areas in Ireland. The idea of having workshops on these on-going difficulties & services via sponsorship.

Group contact details: wedorecover@nasouth.ie

Donation: €60

**Dominican Centre:** Saturday 3.00pm

Average Attendance: 30

Group report: **Group needs GSR**

Donation: €30

**Cork County**

**Fermoy:** Thursday 8.00pm No report

**Skibbereen :** Friday 8.00pm

Average Attendance:6

Group report: meeting going well, all positions filled, funds are healthy.

Group Announcements: Feedback regarding the posters that have been distributed by Paul J. It is requested by the group to apply a contact number at the foot of the poster, this group prefer not to do this as they feel it compromises there anonymity and the possibility of getting intimidating calls. They are however willing to add numbers to a national list that maybe be held by the NA phone line, that members can contact the Skibbereen members on that list to direct them to newcomers needing help and support going to their first meeting.

Donation: €38.90

**Youghal:** Nagle House Friday 8.00 Sunday 12.00- 1.00 No report

## **Kerry**

**Tralee Community Development:** Monday; Thursday; Friday & Saturday 8.00pm

**John Street, Dingle:** Tuesday 7:30 PM

Group report: The group had the pleasure of a visitor attending the group from United States, sharing their experience strength & hope.

Contact Tor 0872220853 or Bert 0831246634)

**Killarney Pastoral Centre:** Tuesday 8:00 PM & Thursday 7.30PM

Average Attendance: 6

Group report: group going well

**Listowel :** Friday 8:00 PM No report

**Talbot Grove :** Sunday 8:00 PM

Group report: group going well, getting a lot more attendance from non-residential members.

**Waterford City :** St John's Monday 6.00PM; Tuesday 8.00PM; Friday 8.00PM Saturday 1.00PM & Sunday 8.00PM

Group report: Group going well, numbers are steady.

Group want to get further clarification on ASR getting paid to go to the Belfast Convention.

Donation: € 95

**St Francis:** Wednesday 8.00PM

**Edmund Rice Centre:** Saturday 6.00PM

Group report: Group needs a GSR

Average attendance: 6

**Limerick:**

**Henry Street ; Br Russell House :** Monday; Wednesday & Friday 8.30PM;

**St John's Church :** Saturday 12.15 & 1PM; Sunday 6.30PM

Group report: Aileen W has finished her GSR position for Limerick but will continue to email & lodge money when donating & I will let area secretary know the group email when received so minutes can be sent to that email instead.

Treasurer - Ashley W & Larry H

No GSR at present

Literature - Lisa H

All meetings have secretaries & meetings going well except for Monday morning 11am. Possibly due to a meeting on Monday nights. We are giving Monday morning meeting another 3 months as new secretary voted in but will be checking monthly.

No reports for the following meetings

**Abbey field:** Monday 8.00PM:

**Tipperary**

**Nenagh:** Monday & Thursday 8.30PM

**Clonmel :** Tuesday Friday & Sunday 8.30PM

**Aisieri Cahir :** Wednesday 8.30PM

**Roscrea:** Saturday 5PM

**Ennis Friary:** Monday & Thursday 8.30PM; Saturday 9.00PM

**Shannon town, Clare :** Sunday 8.30PM

**Bushy park, Ennis, Co. Clare:** Friday 8:30 PM

**Any other business:**

**Old business:** The following region positions are still available, **urgently** needing to be filled:

Chair, Secretary, Vice-Chair, Vice-Treasurer, H & I Chair, Literature Chair, Parents & Carers Chair, Events Chair, Conv. Treasurer '15.

**Area Positions that need to be urgently filled:**

Vice Chair

H&I Chair

Outreach

Convention

ASR Alternate

**New business:**

- It was requested that the official minutes from region to be distributed to area. Also to rotate region to come to other areas in Ireland; it was discussed that the logistics of this may not be possible as there is the literature shop to be considered that needs to open for region?
- It was put forward to have a glossary of abbreviations that are used in meetings available .It was agreed that the Group Service Representative (GSR'S!) would ensure they minimise the use of abbreviations as it could add a sense of confusion to the newer members trying to get involved in service and feeling overwhelmed.
- It was suggested that area time be moved to accommodate members that travel far to attend area, the time of 1pm was proposed as a more suitable time, this will be discussed in next month's area.



- There was dissatisfaction from a number of members that the ASR was funded to go to the Belfast Convention. After discussion and acknowledgement that the decision had been already agreed through Area, the rational is that the ASR is expected to attend the convention to feedback to Area; therefore he needs to be funded.



- **Christmas Day Meetings Cork**

Christmas Day Meetings will take place at Churchfield 4pm & Rutland Street (South Parish) 8pm. Other areas are encouraged to communicate at next area arrangements for Xmas day meetings, so members can attend. Thank you.

- In February there is a proposed Events and Fundraising event, which will include a series of workshops.

**Can all GSR's** get feedback from upcoming group consciences ;please rate these topics 1 to 6 one being the topic you wish to be work shopped the most and 6 being the least.

1. operating the NA telephone
2. encouraging people to do service
3. unity common welfare comes first
4. service through sponsorship
5. fully self-supporting the 7th tradition
6. fundraising and events.

**Next Area Sunday December 14<sup>th</sup> 2014 3pm**

**Glossary of terms used in the minutes**

GSR      Group Service Representative

ASR      Area Service Representative