CMIA GSR/DCM MEETING November 11, 2005

Chairman: Rachel S., email: Chair@cmia32.org

Rachel S. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, A.A.

Preamble, and the Responsibility Pledge.

Secretary: Michael A. K., email: Secretary@cmia32.org

Roll Call:

- 57 GSR's and Alternates were in attendance.
- 7 New GSR's attended.
- 0 GSR's attended for their second time.

The 11th Tradition was discussed by Tammy W. and the 11th Concept was discussed by Mike K.

The 12th Tradition will be presented by Joe G. and the 12th Concept by Bruce H. in Adrian

Minutes were accepted with corrections.

Treasurer: Mark C., email: Treasurer@cmia32.org

Beginning Balance:			\$2,478.14
Income:			
Group Contirbutions		1,464.54	
Baskets		76.56	
Coffee Pot (GSO)		38.56	
Total Income:		\$3,079.66	
Expenses:			
DCM's	400.00		
Archives	50.00		
Secretary Seed Money (Mike K.)	149.00		
GSO (Coffee Pot)	38.56		
Forum Fund (2005)			
Corrections Literature (CMIA Lit)	500.00		
Host Expenses -	100.00		
Treasurer's Expenses (Mark C.)	48.37		

Total Expenses:	(1,285.93)	
Ending Balance:		\$4,271.87

Literature: Lyle T., email: Literature@cmia32.org

Beginning Balance	\$648.91		
Income:		Expenses:	
Sales	643.83	Purchases / AAWS	1,821.00
Committees and non- taxable	1,455.31	Purchases / Other	589.30
		Travel and Storage Exp.	135.00
Sales Tax	57.11	Taxes	157.94
Total Income:	\$2,464.32	Total Expenses:	(2,703.24)
		Ending Balance	\$409.99
		Inventory valuation	\$14,147.66

Finance Committee: Stanley P., email: <u>Finance@cmia32.org</u> Number of members present:

Beginning Balance	\$4,271.87
Expenses	1,011.56
Expenses "pending approval"	855.00
Ending Balance	\$2,405.31

Treatment Facilities: David B., email: Treatment@cmia32.org

Keith is still doing New Paths Intervention. We had two new members from Flint. Keith M. said that they are starting up the Exodus House in Flint to start a recovery House for drugs and alcohol patients. Keith is having his 5-year anniversary today so happy birthday Keith.

Archives: Jim D., email: Archives@cmia32.org

CMIA started in 1951. We attended the forum in Houghton a few weeks ago. Although I've been before, I always learn something new, get reminded of some things that I should be doing and a chance to see some friends from New York and other areas within our region. This also reaffirms that, one day at a time AA still works.

Special Needs: Jim M., email: <u>Specialneeds@cmia32.org</u> (No report submitted)

Corrections: Art M., email: Corrections@cmia32.org

(No report submitted)

Grapevine: Ron B., email: Grapevine@cmia32.org

(No report submitted)

CPC Committee: Chuck C., email: CPC@cmia32.org

We met with the PI committee and started with introductions with 19 people attending. We discussed the option of continuing to meet with the PI committee or seperately. Talked about the answering services from different districts and the need of a Central Michigan Area directory. Chuck brought up how the question of how can we bring more districts to the area level? Mike F. form Davison suggested setting up a table at Intra-Area explaining the project that the group is working on to attract people to come to committees. Bring DCM to visit our committee. Joe G. from district 12 suggested haveing GSR's to invite people to Intra-Area. Stanley P. nominated Christine for position of PI chair and she accepted, Chuck nominated Chris A. for secretary and Herman was nominated for alternate chair for CPC, Stanley will be alternate chair for PI.

Public Information: Stanley P., email: Pl@cmia32.org

(See CPC committee report)

Forum: Bruce H., email: Forum@cmia32.org

Of the people elidgble to be sponsored by are to go to the forum held in Houghton November 4th, only 11 were able to attend. The next forum will be in 2007 in the Chicago area.

Website Committee: Michael K., email: Website@cmia32.org

(No report submitted)

Registrar: Steve H., email: Registrar@cmia32.org

I attended the East Central Regional Forum. The records and info workshop was presented by Greg M., the GSO general manager. About thirty were in attendance. Many problems were presented and addressed. GSO's experience, is most problems are generated by home PC's. GSO has plans to change the structure of the database by late 2006. This will remove any need for CD's or floppy disc to update the records. The entire process will be held on the GSO website. All changes made by the registrar or the GSO will be done in real time.

State Convention 2005 Committee: Ron A. email: Mark C. - <u>Convention@cmia32.org</u> or Tracey G. - <u>Convention2@cmia32.org</u>

To wrap up the convention report, we had 767 paid registrations. There was a great response for donations from the groups for coffee and hospitality. After all the bills and seed monies were paid, we had an ending balance of \$5,704.07. At the State Wide we voted to increase the amount of seed for the next convention by \$1,000.00 due to the increased cost. Our guidelines require that the proceeds from conventions be divided among the three delegate areas (\$1,500.00), we then sent \$204.07 to the GSO. I would like to again thank the committee members and all the volunteers who helped at the convention and thank you all for your support.

GSR Orientation: Larry S., email: AltDelegate@cmia32.org

There was 7 new GSR's present. We discussed importance of group and duties of the GSR. Gave all Area 32 Hand Book and other literature then had discussion with question and answer session.

Delegate: Jesse W. P., email: Delegate@cmia32.org

(See Delegate Report Archives)

Delegate's Report 11/05

Old Business:

Regular committee reports were waived and the meeting was then turned over to Larry S., Alt. Delegate, to review and discuss the Area inventory taken last month. For results, see the attached report.

New Business:

Nominations were opened for two, 2yr positions on the finance committee, nominated were Joe G. and Chuck C. Nominations will be reopened at Adrian next month area assembly prior to elections

Announcements:

**Next Month CMIA will be meeting in, Adrian, MI, December 4, 2005

In Service Michael A. K.

C.M.I.A. AREA 32 INVENTORY FINAL REPORT NOV. 2005

The purpose of this inventory was to determine how well we are carrying the A.A. message of recovery through service in Area 32. Including ways Area 32 can improve on the format and services provided to the Area. Information from individual response will be held confidential. Included are a few comments from Area members.

- 1. Is C.M.I.A. carrying the A.A. message and service effectively to Districts? YES 67%, SOMEWHAT 27%, NO 6%. (no comments or discussion came from are body)
- 2. Is the flow of information from group to Area and Area to group occurring? YES 60%, SOMEWHAT 32%, NO 8%. (always room for improvement, overall flow of information is good)
- 3. Would you prefer Area Assembly to occur? MONTHLY 60%, QUARTERLY 21%, EVERY OTHER MONTH 19%. (after discussion, the sense of the Area body was continue monthly)
- 4. Would you like to see Area implement service workshops and sharing sessions at assemblies? YES 78%, NO 22%. (much discussion on this topic, suggestions included possible, workshops, sharing sessions, panels or leads)
- 5. Is C.M.I.A. getting a good cross-section of the A.A. community or are we only attracting a certain kind of person to service work?
 - YES 66%, NO34%. (no discussion from the body on this topic)
- 6. Does turnover in service seem excessive or do new members stick with us? <u>EXCESSIVE TURNOVER 57%</u>, <u>STICK WITH US 43%</u>. (comments included more activities such as workshops & sharing sessions could improve on the excessive turnover)
- 7. Does your District have regular meeting? <u>YES 93%</u>, <u>NO 7%</u>. Do you attend regular District meeting? <u>YES 55%</u>, <u>NO 45%</u>.
- 8. Does the Area make enough effort to explain the need and value of unity and service? YES 77%, NO 23%. (area doing good, workshops on unity and service may help)
- 9. Does the Area make enough effort to help those new to service learn and understand the Traditions and Concepts?
 - YES 78%, NO 22%. (one member stated, he had no idea of the twelve Concepts until he attended

- C.M.I.A., sense of the members agree we are doing a good job in this area).
- 10.Do you attend Area Assembly on a regular basis? MONTHLY 40%, Quarterly 20%, Annually 15%, Never 15%. (no discussion or comments on this topic)
- 11.If you do not attend Area on a regular basis, why not? <u>NO REPLY 50%</u>, <u>REPLIES 50%</u>. (comments-gas prices to high, conflicts with work schedule, have commitments to my church on Sunday, lack of personal commitment to this aspect of service, to much time wasted in chit chat, socializing & eating, tighten up the schedule, and many more.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE THAT PARTICIPATED IN THIS INVENTORY, AND THANKS FOR ALLOWING ME TO CHAIR THE INVENTORY.

In Love and Service, Larry S., Alternate Delegate Panel 55-Area 32