

West Tennessee Area Service Committee Minutes (06/25/2017)

WHAT DO WE NEED TO KNOW FOR OUR BUSINESS MEETING?

Motion: To nominate Sara S. as activities chair.

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- This motion was originally brought up last year, but the motion nor the votes were recorded in the minutes. This may be a repeat of something that you discussed last year, but we don't know if it passed or not. FYI.

OPEN POSITIONS:

[Archives](#)

[RCM Alternate](#)

[Public Relations](#)

[NA in May](#)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chair - Hi family! Sorry that we don't have any forms this month. Please write your report on a piece of paper. Include name and email please. Laughlin is out today and Mandy will be taking the minutes.

Vice Chair - Nothing to report

Treasurer - See attached

Secretary - Nothing to report

RCM - Hello family lots going on at region you can still fill out the survey til July 15 go to

natennessee.org/members and it is under Recent Regional Content

1) open positions Secretary and Treasurer

2) upcoming events like Surrender under the stars in Chattanooga sept 29-oct 1st and regional inventory before next VRC 8-5

3) and to discuss region going to quarterly meetings

4) to discuss the progress with ITCC with access to web meetings for regional

5) southern zonal forum will be meeting in our Region January

6) next PR meeting will be held 8/5 following regional inventory they do have access for people to join meeting via SKYPE

7) Also the following were voted on and or passed

Jim B Alternate Delegate

Tim C Regional Delegate

Julie as VRSC Chair second term

Lucy O as ITCC

The motion our previous RCM took to region regarding the WSC and the CAR/CAT tallies and report from the conference got deferred to p&p and forgotten and was never voted on and it will be remade next meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities - I'm Sara and I'm an addict... I'm filling in for Kate today as vice chair since she is at Spring River.. she will give a report on this next month.. I will be putting in a motion for myself to fill in the open Activities Chair position next month...

H & I - I'm keeping the seat warm for Penny while she's on vacay. All is well with H&I Subcommittee. Happy to report we still have all panels filled with the exception of La Paloma Men's (alt Tuesdays at 7:30 pm) and CAAP Men's (alt Thursdays @ 7:00 pm). We tabled old business to next month because of low attendance. We voted in Sara S. to lead a panel @ Compass every other Thursday @ 7. Amanda H was contacted about taking literature to Jail East. We voted to appoint Amanda H. to investigate their expectations and requirements. Please see Lucy O or Scott K to become panel members at SCDC. We are ALWAYS looking for new panel members to help carry the message to the still suffering addict. Our clean time requirements are 3 months to sit in, 6 months to share, and 9 months to carry your own panel into a facility. if you are interested we meet right before area every month at 1pm.

Literature - Everything is going pretty good. We ordered a bunch of pamphlets.

NA in May - Hi family. We received an additional \$55 from t shirt sales since last meeting. This is the last of any NA in May 2017 monies. This should, per policy, be added to the Basic Text fund.

My term as NA in May chair is officially over next month, and I am ready to turn over the reins to a new chair. Technically, if someone were to be elected next month, they would need to express willingness today. Historically, that has often not happened promptly, and has not been a problem, since the activities for next year doesn't really start for a few months. However there is a caution: Last year we were late enough getting started that we missed a window of opportunity to have the first batch of pre-event shirts ready before Christmas, and that in turn didn't allow time for a second run of those shirts. To avoid the problem we had, the committee needs to start up and be working on shirts (if that is what they are going to do for a fundraiser), probably by early September. So if someone is considering expressing willingness to chair NA in May 2018, please keep that in mind.

Newsletter - Greetings from the Clean Times. We are doing well. I held the last meeting and two people showed up. We really can use the support. We are currently working on the next issue. We are always looking for people to write on a subject, step, tradition, or concept. If you want to let me know. The next meeting is going to be held on Sunday July 9th @ the usual time and place, for those that don't know that would be 3pm @ Dunkin Donuts @ Poplar and White Station. Come on out and have your voice heard.

Outreach - Greetings from Outreach committee. Since I'm the sole member of outreach, I had a very good meeting with myself and my Higher Power. I've decided to continue the Outreach meeting of the month so if there's any meetings who are in need of support with low attendance and home group

members, email me at marcusmcdonald43@gmail.com. I've also been looking into the idea of bringing a meeting to a member who may be hospitalized, incapacitated or handicapped and can't make it to a meeting. I'm checking all the guidelines for that possibility.

GROUP REPORTS

Clean A.I.R. - Hello family! All is well at Clean A.I.R! We have taken on 4 new home group members this past month. Our meeting has no issues to discuss. We usually have 20-30 members per week and 2-4 newcomers a month. Our discussions continue to focus on recovery and solutions.

Cordova Hope - Hello family, all is well at Cordova Hope. we had 228 addicts in attendance last month, 19 of which were newcomers!

Desire - Desire is doing well, averaging about 50-60 in attendance each week with several newcomers each week as well. We are carrying the message with no issues to report.

Get Honest or Die - GHOD is moving! Starting July 3, we will begin meeting at Second Baptist Church, 4680 Walnut Grove Road. Enter off Walnut Grove, come to the first set of doors on your left and push buzzer for entry. We are still a literature based meeting on Monday nights from 6:30 to 7:30. Come join us.

Good Orderly Direction - Hey you guys! We meet every Thursday at 6 to 7:30. Now that it's hot we average 30 to 35 addicts a week. No new members and no birthdays.

High On Life - Greetings from High on Life where all is well. We are still a lit. study and still meet on Monday at 8:30 and would love to see you. We had 76 people come through our doors this month. That includes 2 newcomers and 2 new homegroup members that takes us to a total of 13.

Don't forget that we are having our July Fourth potluck on Monday July Third. The eating starts at 7:30 followed by the meeting at 8:30. If you would like to bring a dish see me or Mary N. If you would just like to come that is great. So, come on out and enjoy some good food, great fellowship, and rocking meeting. We also have two birthday celebration on July 31st Mary Michael R. will be celebrating 6 years and Paula celebrating her first year, so come help her celebrate.

Hope Dealers - Hey family, greetings from your friendly neighborhood Arlington meeting Hope Dealers. We have an average meeting attendance of 10-50 addicts including treatment centers and halfway houses. We would like to extend an invitation to more women to come to our meeting for an equilibrium of balance and diversity. We have our first birthday meeting coming up July 31st, Daniel M will be celebrating 5 years.

Hopenminded – No written report received.

Keep it Green - All is well at Keep it Green. We have average attendance of 40-50 per meeting with 2 newcomers this month. Home group membership continues to grow. One birthday this month - Mandy R. celebrates 2 years on July 7th. Literature order of \$51.00 and donation to area of \$49.00 for total of \$100.00

Lunch Bunch - I am the alternate GSR for Lunch Bunch. We've always tried to maintain a welcoming atmosphere, particularly for newcomers. We have 2-3 recovery facilities that attend our meetings throughout the week. Attendance is good. Tuesdays are designated as literature meetings and generated a lot of interest and participation. Our literature sales are steady. Basic Texts seem to always go like hot cakes. Our Sunday meeting, which starts at 2 o'clock and our Saturday meetings are usually the largest. Saturday meetings are 90 minutes and have a rotating format based in the literature (ex. step of the month, tradition of the month, reading from living clean and another week read and discuss IPs.

No Matter What - Hello family. We have in attendance 10 per day 3 days a week.

One is Too Many - Everything has been going real well at One is Too Many group. We had 2 newcomers this month. We have an average of 8 addicts per meeting in attendance. We have one new home group member with a total of 6 home group members. Our last Friday of the month has been really good with lots of powerful speakers. This Friday we will have Kerry T. as our speaker for this month. We have no one celebrating a birthday this month.

Primary Purpose - All is well at Primary Purpose. We have an average attendance of 25-35 addicts. We had 0 newcomers this month.

Saturday Night Alive - We continue to have 30-40 addicts per meeting but we are struggling with only 2-3 home group members and low attendance from addicts with clean time. Please come out and support us and help carry the message to a big group of newcomers.

Simplicity is the Key - Hello fam. All is well at Simplicity. We have an average of 45 addicts at every meeting. We have 1 birthday this month - Sam T. with 1 year on July 4th. Nothing else new to report.

Something Different - Hello family. All is well at Something Different. We have added 2 new home group members. We continue to maintain 15-20 meeting makers per meeting and have no birthdays to report for June. Please note, Something Different will be meeting June 26th at Grimes United Methodist Church due to the church needing all their space for VBS.

Spiritual Awakenings -Hello fam. SA continues to have 30-35 addicts. We are getting treatment centers every week with lots of newcomers. Would love to have addicts with clean time to come and share experience, strength and hope. We did add 1 new home group member.

Unity - As we all know, Unity has moved to Hernando Rd. and Brooks, Elvis Presley and Brooks. The group is seeking to be re-sign to area roster and eventually regaining voter status. The group is in dire need of support and has lost some attendance. But the good news is a lot of newcomers are coming along with tourists coming in town for Elvis's mansion who are looking for NA and are glad Unity is in the area. Further information on our transition will be updated at next area.

We Are Entirely Ready - Hello family. All is well at We Are Entirely Ready. We meet every Saturday from 6pm to 7:30pm. We have average between 15 to 20 addicts a week. We have no new members and no birthdays.

You+Me=We - All is well at You + Me = We. Our attendance for May was 104 including 4 newcomers. We continue to meet daily including holidays in the Cooper-Young area at 8 am. Please come out to share your experience, strength and hope.

OPEN FORUM TOPICS

Lucy O. - PP made a motion for area and two for region after CAR/CAR votes but motions were not in minutes. Do we need to revote on the area motion? Regional motions were deferred to policy and procedure but no results.

Christine - to clarify, we need to put number of pro, con and abstentions on each vote in the minutes, send area motion back to groups and regional motion to region so that they can be considered - about accountability and tracking what we are doing

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OLD BUSINESS

Motion: That \$2500 of basic text fund be sent to VRC35 as a donation

Groups In favor: 10 / Not in favor: 1 / Abstain: 3

Motion passes

NEW BUSINESS

Motion: To nominate Sara S. for activities chair

Made by Spiritual Awakenings

Seconded by Desire

Willingness statement: Hello fam! My name is Sara S. My clean date is 5/10/15. I am writing today to show willingness to become Activities Chair. I work steps with a sponsor who works steps with a sponsor. I attend meetings regularly and attend my home group on a regular basis. I am presently Vice Chair of Activities, GSR of my home group and hold a panel with H&I. I do realize that this is a year long commitment. I have never misappropriated any NA fund.

Next W.T.A.S.C.

meeting is 07/23/2017

Title/Sub/Group	Name	4-23-2017	5-28/2017	6-25-17
Administrative				
Chairperson	Christine J.	X	X	X
Vice Chairperson	James R.	X	X	X
Secretary	Laughlin T.	X	X	O
Alternate Secretary	Mandy R.	X	X	X
Treasurer	Michael H.	X	O	X
Alternate Treasurer	Amanda H.	X	X	X
Regional Committee Member	Amanda H.	X	X	X
Alternate Regional Committee Member	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Subcommittees				
Activities	Sara S	X	X	X
Archives	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Hospitals and Institutions	Suzanne C.	X	X	X
Literature	Jay R.	X	X	X
NA in May	Chris M.	X	X	X
Newsletter	David T.	X	X	X
Outreach	Marcus M.	X	O	X
	Jonathan M.	X	X	O
Policy and Procedures				
Public Relations	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Voting Groups				
Clean A.I.R.	Brad	X	X	X
Cordova Hope	Paul B.	X	X	X
Desire	Sarah M.	X	X	X
Doin' This Thing	Tony R.	X	X	O
Good Orderly Direction	William S.	X	O	X
High On Life	David T.	X	X	X
Hope Dealers	Marcus M.	X	O	X
Just for ToGay	Laughlin T.	X	X	O
Keep It Green	Mandy R.	X	X	X
Lunch Bunch	Will	X	X	X
No Matter What	Arnece	X	O	X
One Is Too Many	Sandra A.	X	X	X
Primary Purpose	Thomas R.	X	X	X
Saturday Night Alive	Michael H.	X	O	X
Simplicity is the Key	Kat G.	X	X	X
Something Different	Jennifer B.	X	X	X
Spiritual Awakenings	Sara S.	X	X	X
Step Write In 2	Jay R.	O	X	O
We Are Entirely Ready	Ben	X	O	X

You + Me = We	Karen W.	O	X	X
Harmony	Tim W.	X	X	O
Living Clean	April F.	X	X	O

Non-Voting Groups and Meetings

Farfromusen	Greg M.	X	O	O
Get Honest or Die		O	O	O
Starting Somewhere		O	O	O
Unity Group	Lamar	O	O	X
Thursday Nighters	Tracy P.	X	O	O
Welcome Home	Jason M.	X	O	O
G.I.F.T.	Frank S.	X	O	O
Hopenminded	Corey C.			X

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JUNE				
Monies Received				
Source	Literature	Donations	Tot Rec'ds	Basic Texts
	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Clean A.I.R.	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Cordova Hope	\$65.70	\$14.30	\$80.00	2
Courage to Change	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Desire	\$30.20	\$45.80	\$76.00	2
Doin This Thing	\$-	\$-	\$-	
FarfromUsin	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Get Honest or Die	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Gift	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Good Orderly Direction	\$5.00	\$-	\$5.00	1
Harmony	\$-	\$-	\$-	
High on Life	\$51.52	\$0.43	\$51.95	
Hope Dealers	\$24.70	\$1.30	\$26.00	3
Hopenminded	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Keep it Green	\$51.00	\$49.00	\$100.00	5
Lunch Bunch	\$327.76	\$-	\$327.76	7
Miracles Happen	\$-	\$-	\$-	
More Will Be Revealed	\$-	\$-	\$-	
New Beginings II	\$-	\$-	\$-	
No Matter What	\$67.15	\$73.85	\$141.00	5
Out of The Darkness	\$-	\$-	\$-	
One is Too Many	\$36.50	\$0.50	\$37.00	4
Positive Awareness	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Positive Image	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Primary Purpose	\$46.98	\$70.02	\$117.00	
Sat Nite Alive	\$-	\$13.35	\$13.35	
Simplicity is the Key	\$20.70	\$3.30	\$24.00	
Somerville Group	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Something Different	\$-	\$16.25	\$16.25	
Spiritual Awakening	\$29.15	\$10.85	\$40.00	
Step Write In	\$-	\$-	\$-	
The Attic	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Thursday Nighters	\$89.10	\$49.90	\$139.00	1
Unity	\$17.41	\$0.04	\$17.45	
We Are Entirely Ready	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Welcome Home	\$-	\$-	\$-	
You+ Me = we	\$13.85	\$-	\$13.85	2
	\$-	\$-	\$-	
	\$-	\$-	\$-	
	\$-	\$-	\$-	
	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Misc	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Sub Totals	\$876.72	\$348.89	\$1,225.61	32
Donations	\$348.89			
Literature	\$876.72			
NA in May donation	\$55.00			
Activities	\$-			
Subtotal Received At Area	\$1,280.61			
Prior Balance	\$9,803.67			
	\$-			
Available	\$11,084.28			

Expenses					
Name	Amount	Check Number			
			VOIDED CHECKS		
P.O. Box Rental (1 year)	\$-				
PI - Schedules	\$250.00	2235			
PI - Petty Cash Operating Fund	\$-				
PI - Travel Expense to VRC	\$-				
Secretary - Expense Reimbursement	\$-		Literature Expense		
Activities	\$-		H&I Literature	\$-	
Storage Rental	\$-		PI Literature	\$-	
Checks	\$-		Group Literature	\$876.72	
Newsletter-Expense Reimbursement	\$-		Add Lit	\$-	
Literature- Expense Reimbursement	\$-		rent	\$-	
Treasurer's-Expense Reimbursement	\$-		Starter kit Inst Mtg	\$40.92	
Policy - Expense Reimbursement	\$-		Sub Total	\$917.64	
RCM - Travel Advance	\$-		Lone Star Discount	\$-	
VRC 35 Donation	\$2,500.00	2232	Total Literature	\$917.64	
Safe Deposit Box	\$150.00				
PI Phone Line / Freedom Voice	\$8.45				
Literature (Florida Regional Office)	\$1,460.89				
VRSC, Inc. (Regional Donation)	\$-				
World Donation	\$-				
Reimbursement Brad H Website hosting	\$-				Basic Text Fund
Area Rent	\$20.00	2233		Beginning Balance	\$7,531.18
Glen H outreach	\$-			BT Count	32
	\$-			Ending Balance	\$4,821.58
	\$-				
	\$-				
	\$-				
	\$-				
Total Expenses	\$4,389.34				
Balance	\$6,694.94				
Set Asides					
Prudent Reserve	\$635.00				
PI Schedules \$250 qtrly \$83.33 monthly	\$-	Paid June 2017			
Newsletter \$25 qtrly 8.33 monthly	\$8.33	Paid May 2017			
Safe Deposit Box \$150 yr \$12.50 monthly	\$-	Paid June 2017			
PO Box Rental \$98 yr \$8.17 monthly	\$106.17	Paid May 2016			
Freedom Voice Phone Line	\$8.45				
Website hosting \$148.24 \$12.36 monthly	\$74.16	Paid Dec 2016			
Activities	\$400.00				
Outreach	\$5.54				
Tentative literature order	\$1,227.24				
NA in May Basic Text Fund	\$4,821.58				
Total Set Asides	\$7,286.47				
Available Cash	\$(591.53)				
Total Set Asides & Avail Cash	\$6,694.94				