

West Tennessee Area Service Committee Minutes (2/23/2020)

WHAT DO WE NEED TO KNOW FOR OUR BUSINESS MEETING?

Open Positions	Suggested Clean Time/Requirements
Area Chair	2 year clean time
Vice Chair	1 year clean time
Treasurer	3 year clean time with previous service experience preferable as GSR.
Outreach	1 year clean time with previous service experience in NA with 1 year commitment.

Motions to be voted:

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Seconded by: Saturday Night Alive

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The following terms for ASC officers expire in March: ASC Chair, ASC Vice-chair, ASC Alternate Treasurer

The following terms for subcommittee chair(s) expire in March: Activities, Literature, Newsletter

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chair- No report

Vice Chair- Hi family. While the natural progression is that I make a motion to be area chair since the position will be open next month, I will not be able to be nominated for the position. My dad is very sick, and I do not know what the next year will hold. I do not want to miss multiple WTASC meetings and need to step down early. I am sad to say this but I do not want to make the commitment and not be able to fulfill it. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Secretary- No report

Alt secretary- No report

RCM- Voting on NA World Service Conference Motions

I'm asking to be reimbursed for the food I purchased for the CAR/CAT workshop - \$56.54 - and for \$30 for Hope Church.

I'm disappointed in the number of GSRs who attended. There were 3 who attended for part of the time. If I had known that everyone who raised their hands when I was asking about dates were not going to come, we could have planned accordingly. We could have had a completely zoom/virtual workshop which wouldn't have cost anything. This is something to think about for the future. If the GSRs and other members who showed up for parts of the workshop – in person and by zoom – got helpful information, then it was worth it.

I have a few CARS/CATS available.

April 19 is the date the CAR/CAT tally sheets need to be in by.

There are a couple of ways to turn in your results

Fill out the paper tally, bring to next area, and I'll get it to them to the Regional Delegate

Fill out the online google form – link can be found at www.natennessee.org/car-cat-tallies

There are some important issues to be decided this conference and we the members of a chance to be heard. For instance –Should we pass a budget with over a million dollar deficit? What are the next books or IPs you would like to see available in NA?

Other regional business:

We need an alternate treasurer. Clean time requirement is 3 years. If anyone is interested, get with me and I'll give you more information like duties/requirements.

The NEXT Regional PR meeting is Feb 25 at 7:30 PM Central Time:

<https://zoom.us/j/744284345>

The NEXT VRC Guideline Revision Adhoc is Mar 2 at 8 PM Central Time:

<https://zoom.us/j/988537517>

JUNE 1-7 is PR Week!!! Take pictures at your PR Events, for internal use only!!!

Sent to me and I'll forward them on to NAWS

Please vote on this nomination in your homegroups/

Motion to elect Scot B for VRC 39 chair.

Clean date: 08/17/2008

1.) Please list all NA Service Positions you've held that you consider relevant to the position to which

you are nominated: Outreach Chair, H and I Chair, Activities Chair, Alternate RCM, RCM, Vice-Chair, Area Chair, Merchandise Chair for VRC

2.) What personal resources do you believe you can bring to this position: Service experience on Group, Area and Regional levels, Strong sponsorship / recovery network, and Working knowledge of NA steps and traditions

3.) Please Check appropriate box if you have –

Yes N.A. Sponsor

Yes N.A. Home Group

Yes Attend weekly N.A. Meetings

Yes Working knowledge of the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions of N.A.

Yes An understanding of the 12 Concepts of N.A. Service

Yes Knowledge of the N.A. Guide to Local Service

Yes Accounting & computer skills

4.) What life experiences (i.e., school, work, volunteer, etc.) have you had that you believe will help

you serve in the position to which you are nominated: I have had the pleasure of being on the front end of establishing multiple NA groups in the Midwest Tn Area, as well as with many different substance abuse programs through my work experiences. Work and School have both allowed me a great amount of experience with public speaking.

5.) Please include any other information you consider relevant: Any service position in the program of NA is an honor, this one being no different. I am looking forward to learning and advancing my service experiences, with the help of other, more experienced members. I have yet to accept a service position in the program of NA that I was not able to fulfill the commitment.

I'll have more in March. Lucy, 901-497-0691, lucy.owens@gmail.com Please don't hesitate to call, text or email if you have any questions about this report.

RCM Alt- No report

Treasurer- Open position

Alt Treasurer-

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities – No report

Archives – Not present

H & I – Hello, family,

H&I is struggling right now. Attendance and accountability are becoming issues with our subcommittee meetings and we need a lot of help. I have received a call from a contact at Arkansas Community Corrections in West Memphis requesting a panel, as well as a message from a contact at the West TN State Penitentiary in Henning requesting a panel. We decided by group conscience that it would be best to hold off, being that 2 panels at Grace House are still open, and 1 panel at Lakeside is still open. We are in desperate need of support and we will ask GSRs again to please take this back to your home groups and have them contact me. Even with an updated list of contacts given to all panel leaders we are still lacking willingness. Remember that clean time requirements are as follows: 90 days to sit in, 60 days to share, and 1 year to carry your own panel at a facility

Literature – No report

NA in May – Hi family,

The bake sale/chili cook off was a huge hit. We took in a total of \$1386 that day. \$301 from door entry, \$685 bake sale, \$340 registration and \$60 donation. Thank you all for everyone who helped to make this such a success. Next event is March 14 at Trinity United Methodist from 9am til 1130. It will be pancake breakfast with food starting at 9 followed by a speaker at 10. \$7 to enter but no addict turned away.

We now have pre-event shirts to sell. Every size is \$18 each. Chris and Christine are set up in the back to grab yours today. If not today, you will see someone harassing you at a future meeting until you buy one. First 40 to fully register for NA in May will receive a free coffee mug.

Please come support the pancake breakfast. Next time will be the actual even at Shelby Forest come May 1-3.

Newsletter – Not present

Outreach – Open position

Policy and Procedure – Greetings all,

I have started making punctuation and grammatical changes to the WTASC Guidelines. Once I am finished, I will notify area and upload the updated guidelines to NA-Wt.Org website.

Public Relations – All is well with PR. We had 7 members who attended our last sub-committee mtg. Upcoming on March 14, PR will be at a event at 1 pm at Cordova Library, sponsored by Serenity Recovery Center. Also, April 3, Pr will be at the Shelby Co. Opiate Workshop. Our new presentation board will be very useful at these events. On Feb. 28, PR subcommittee will attend the recovery/treatment meeting at Leadership Foundation at 10 am. On March 7, the PR subcommittee will meet at Dunkin Donuts on Poplar Ave, near W. Station Rd. Also we hope to orient the NA members who want to join helping out our NA helpline. Looking to purchase a projector and upcoming we will have a presentation at Shelby Co. Pretrial.

VRC 2021 Ad Hoc-

The Ad Hoc committee's nominee Scot B went to Region on February 2nd and showed willingness for Chair. His nomination was accepted by Region voting by Home Groups will occur before next area.

GROUP REPORTS

Clarity – Not Present

Clean Air- Not Present

Clean Steam- Hello Family, All is well at Clean Steam. We had 32 attend and 2 newcomers. We continue basic text study open discussion. One Birthday coming up next month Hunter R. will be celebrating 2 years clean on 3/14/20 at 7:00pm in Arlington. We have a lit order of \$49.50 and donation to area of \$20.50. ILS, Chris R.

Cordova Hope- Not Present

Desire – Hello family, all is well at Desire. Same packed house every Wednesday.

Doin this Thing- Not Present

Get Honest or Die – Hi family, All is well with GHOD. No issues besides some personalities jk. Still averaging 30 people or so with a couple of newcomers

GIFT – Not Present

Good Orderly Direction – Average 15-20 attendees per meeting. We meet Thursday and Friday.

Harmony- Not Present

High On Life – Greetings from HOL. We are doing well enough. We had 45 addicts come through our door this month including a rehab. We have no birthdays, no lit order, and no donation to area this month.

Hope Dealers – Not present

Keep it Green – Members and sober living= 25-50 at meetings; 2 newcomers. We carry a clean message of recovery.

Lunch Bunch– All is well at the Lunch Bunch. I am the new GSR. Will T. will remain temporarily as alternate. Other service positions that have been filled including: Gwen D, Treasurer, Vera D, Mon Chairperson, Homer K has switched Mondays & Miranda M has assumed the Friday chairperson position. We continue to serve the NA community 7 days a week . We welcome visitors, treatment programs, newcomers and all who wish to attend. ILS, Doug M.

No Matter What- All is well at no matter what. We have 4 new members. We have 5 newcomers with an average of 12 coming so we are growing.

One is Too Many – One is too many is doing well. We have 2 new home group members. We have an average of 10 in attendance @ each meeting. We had one newcomer this month. No speaker meeting this month. ILS, Susan V.

Plan B- Not Present

Primary Purpose – Not Present

Saturday Night Alive – Things are improving for Saturday Night Alive. We are happy to report that the number of group members has doubled since last area. Remember if you would like to share a bit of your story, please talk to me after area or email me at glen.harmon@outlook.com

Simplicity is the Key – Afternoon Family. All is well at SITK. We had a blessed month. Still carrying the message to the addict who still suffers. ILS, Geoff B.

Something Different – At something different we have been averaging 20-40 people per meeting.

Spiritual Awakenings- Greeting Family, All is well with Spiritual Awakenings. We now have 16 homegroup members. We have one upcoming birthday, KC S. will be celebrating 8 years on Friday, February 28, 2020. Come on out to hear or share experience, strength and hope. ILS, Tayler O.

Step Write In- Not present

Thursday Nighters – Hello family, all is well at Thursday Nighters. Meeting attendance is up. We will be celebrating 3 birthdays and welcome everyone to come celebrate with us.

Unity – Doing well, we are averaging about 15 a mtg & a treatment center once or twice a month. No change in our format, 1st tues, we have questions & answers, read/share from the living clean, the second tues, the third tues, read & share from the basic text, the fourth tues we have a speaker, meeting and we have a fifth tues. We have open discussion meeting. ILS, Darin M.

We are Entirely Ready – All is well at WAER. The message is strong. We average 15-20 per meeting. We have 3 newcomers. We have no birthdays.

Welcome Home- Welcome Home is asking for support please from women who are available to sponsor as we have several new women who are looking for sponsors. We are averaging 15-20 people per meeting. Book studies are on Tuesdays. We had 1 newcomer this month.

You+me=we- Not Present

Upcoming Birthdays

Clean Steam

Hunter R, 2 yrs, 3/14/2020

Desire

Lauren M, 9 yrs, 2/26/2020

GHOD

James R, 8 yrs, 3/23/2020

Neil M, 36 yrs, 3/23/2020

Keep It Green

Lewis J, 12 yrs, 3/27/2020

Lunch Bunch

Everett F, 1 yr, 2/29/20

Donna S, 21 yrs, 3/15

Vera D, 13 yrs, 3/28

No Matter What

Terry B, 38 yrs, 3/22/2020

Drew R, 7 yrs, 3/29/2020

One is Too Many

Henry B, 8 yrs, 3/13/2020

Something Different

Jennifer H, 1 yr, 3/9/2020

Spiritual Awakenings

KC S, 8 yrs, 2/28/20

Thursday Nighters

Shannon T, 16 yrs, 3/19/2020

Tony C, 1 yr, 3/19/2020

KAthryn G, 12 yrs, 3/26/2020

OPEN FORUM TOPICS

- NA in May T-shirts for sale

OLD BUSINESS

No old business

NEW BUSINESS

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Next W.T.A.S.C. meeting is March 22, 2020

Title/Sub/Group	Name	12/15/2019	1/26/2019	2/23/2020
Administrative				
Chairperson	Drew R.	X	X	X
Vice Chairperson	Sara S.	X	X	X
Secretary	Sarah M.	O	X	X
Alternate Secretary	Taylor O	X	X	X
Treasurer	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Alternate Treasurer	Leigh Ann F.	X	X	X
Regional Committee Member	Lucy O.	X	O	X
Alternate Regional Committee Member	Bill S.	OPEN	OPEN	X
Subcommittees				
Activities	Destin B	O	X	X
Archives	Terry B.	O	O	O
Hospitals and Institutions	Sam T.	X	X	X
Literature	Bronson R.	X	X	X
NA in May	Jonathan M	O	X	X
Newsletter	Juan S.	X	X	O
Outreach	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	
Policy and Procedures	Glen H.	X	X	X
Public Relations	Bill S.	O	X	X
Voting Groups				
Clean Steam	Chris R.	X	X	X
Cordova Hope	Robyn W.	X	X	O
Desire	Lauren M.	X	X	X
G.I.F.T.	Dawn L.	X	X	O
GHOD	Jonathan M	O	X	X
Good Orderly Direction		O	X	X
Harmony	David A.	X	O	O
High On Life	David T.	X	X	X
Hope Dealers	Laura S.	X	O	O
Lunch Bunch	Willie T.	X	X	X
Keep It green	Jerry	O	X	X
No Matter What	Scott J.	O	X	X
One is too many	Susan V.	O	X	X
Primary Purpose	Janice M.	X	X	O
Saturday Night Alive	Glen H.	X	X	X
Simplicity is the Key	Geoff B.	X	X	X
Something Different	Destin B.	X	X	X
Spiritual Awakenings	Kate G.	X	X	X
Step Write In	Vince H.	X	O	O
Thursday Nighters	Tony C.	X	X	X
Unity Group	Lamar G.	O	X	X
We Are Entirely Ready	Mancill W.	X	X	X
Welcome Home	Amie B.	X	X	X
You + Me = We	Karen W.	X	X	O
Non-Voting Groups and Meetings				
Clean A.I.R.		O	O	O
Clarity (was Farfromusen)		O	O	O
Plan B		O	O	O
Doin' This Thing		O	O	O