# West Tennessee Area Service Committee Minutes (08/28/2016)

### WHAT DO WE NEED TO KNOW FOR OUR BUSINESS MEETING?

**MOTION:** To nominate Penny B. for Hospitals and Institutions Chairperson.

**INTENT:** To occupy the position.

**MAKER:** Doing This Thing

**SECONDED BY:** Simplicity is the Key

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**REGIONAL MOTION:** Nominate Glen H. for VRC Chair

**INTENT:** To occupy a current open position

## **POSITIONS THAT ARE VACANT:**

OUTREACH CHAIR/ RCM/RCM ALT/ALT SECRETARY OF AREA (if Laughlin T. is voted in as Secretary)

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Regional Committee Member - VRSC 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, 2 Carter Plaza, Chattanooga, TN - Hello Family: All is going well with the West Tennessee Area. We voted in Lauren N. as the new Area Vice- Secretary, Glen H. was voted in as Our VRC 35 Chairperson, and is present for the nomination. He will present the Bid information for West Tennessee Area Service Committee (WTASC). Our outreach committee is setting up a capture the banner plan where we go to different groups to capture the banner by attendance numbers. Our Area discussed the Topic of TN sales taxes on NA literature and Johnathan M. Our Policy and procedure chair will be submitting motions to rephrase the wording in the by-laws to reflect suggested donations for literature. Literature purchases are an ongoing discussion. This will be my last trip to region as the WTASC RCM as the term is up and I will not repeat the commitment to this service position. They will chose another representative. I will be submitting a check for \$423.55 to the VRSC from the West Tennessee Area. I will also be submitting \$300.00 Cash for VRC 34 candy that I sold. I bring back two Abstention votes for Alex S. and Paul H for treasurer since it did not get back to our groups. It was not included in my written report.

# **Volunteer Regional Service Meeting**

## August, 7 2016

Meeting opened at 9:35am est with the Serenity Prayer. Ended at 4:25 central standard. \*\*Note: per the guidelines, the meeting is supposed to start at 9:30 AM central time (not eastern standard) There was a mix-up here. Efforts were taken to inform members of the early start time via email.

West Tennessee Area RCM Regional Area Report for 8/7/2016 George P. VRSC 9th meeting 2 Carter Plaza Chattanooga, TN Hello Family: All is going well with the West Tennessee Area. We voted in Lauren N. as the new Area Vice- Secretary, Glen H. was voted in as Our VRC 35 Chairperson, and is present for the nomination. He will present the Bid information for West Tennessee Area Service Committee (WTASC). Our outreach committee is setting up a capture the banner plan where we go to different groups to capture the banner by attendance numbers. Our Area discussed the Topic of TN sales taxes on NA literature and Johnathan M. Our Policy and procedure chair will be submitting motions to rephrase the wording in the by-laws to reflect suggested donations for literature. Literature purchases are an ongoing discussion. This will be my last trip to region as the WTASC RCM as the term is up and I will not repeat the commitment to this service position. They will chose another representative. I will be submitting a check for \$423.55 to the VRSC from the West Tennessee Area. I will also be submitting \$300.00 Cash for VRC 34 candy that I sold. I bring back two Abstention votes for Alex S. and Paul H for treasurer since it did not get back to our groups. It was not included in my written report. Comment from Secretary: Thank you George for your service!!!! Note: the issue of the votes not being sent out relates to the Secretary minutes time line. This issue is discussed in Open forum, was motioned in new business, and is currently out for a vote from groups.

# **RCM Action Section**

Personal: Prepare for next Region, a discussion on whether an entity can earmark money for particular subcommittees at Region. In this case, KISS Campout earmarked \$497.89 specifically for VRC, a subcommittee of the VRSC. Whether this is within the guidelines or not may be discussed at the next Policies and Procedure meeting. Check out the GNA H & I flyer: nanashville.org; Menu: Hospitals & Institutions. Create the buzz for the new Traditions Workbook coming out in October 2016. Make sure and turn in any candy money left over for VRC.

# **GSR Action Section**

To Groups and Areas: Get immediate feedback from groups and Areas regarding the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust Draft. Try to fill out survey. See Regional Delegate report for details. Survey that needs to be filled out: We would like to know if you Would approve the statement as written? Would approve the statement if revisions were made OR Would never approve a statement. Please provide And those revisions are \_ any additional input on the statement or other comments. Position RD RDA Other Region Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust Draft Letter: (Requires RCM ACTION) Draft Statement for delegate review by 1 September 2016. A statement from the WSC 2016 regarding NA intellectual property and the integrity of the NA Message. One of the most important topics we discussed at World Service Conference 2016 was the reproduction and use of NA literature as it relates to group registrations and local NA websites. Present were 215 Conference participants, including 16 World Board members, and Regional Delegates and Alternate Delegates from 112 regions, representing 40 countries and speaking 26 languages. As a Conference we were able to find consensus when it comes to protecting our intellectual property and the availability of a low cost Basic Text. 95% of delegates believe the Fellowship still affirms the rules contained in the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust (FIPT). 86% of regional delegates did not support the CAR motion that asked for a low cost Basic Text (This is the tenth time the WSC has been asked and did not support this idea). 83% of Conference participants see earlier approved versions of our Basic Text as meaningfully different than, hybrid versions that have never been Fellowship-approved. With strong support, we agreed on the following: 74% of delegates believe that NA World Services should not register groups that clearly intend to use material that is not NA Fellowship-approved in their meetings. 71% of delegates believe that NA World Services should take action to remove NA recovery literature from ASC/RSC websites, even if it means shutting down the site. And while there was support, this issue would benefit from more discussion: 63% of Conference participants want to say that NA groups use current editions of NA Fellowshipthrough their delegates at the WSC in any decisions regarding NA literature. NA recovery literature is copyright-protected and not available for editing. NA literature is not available for printing locally or for posting on local NA websites. The Group Booklet is also clear that NA groups use only NA approved literature in their meetings. As a Conference, we agree that groups who choose to use unapproved NA literature (most commonly, the gray form or the baby blue) in their meetings are in conflict with the guidance in the booklet and the conscience of the Fellowship. The NA program is one of honesty and integrity. At some point we must stand together as concerned members and insist that those who initiate and support these activities simply stop. As participants of WSC 2016, we agree that now is that time. There will likely never be unanimity on these issues, but it is our role to reflect the conscience of the Fellowship expressed at WSC 2016. We also believe this is echoed by the ongoing commitment of the NA Fellowship to the guidance offered in the FIPT. As the service body of NA to which is delegated the responsibility of reflecting the collective voice of the NA groups, we make the following requests: NA groups who are using literature in NA meetings that is not NA approved, please stop. Individuals who are printing, posting, and distributing NA literature (both approved and non-approved), please stop. Service committees who are posting NA recovery literature, please stop. We ask this in the spirit of unity, and in support of our collective mission to carry the NA message to the addict who still suffers. Ricardo J 615-397-3363 cardo1@bellsouth.net, Tim C 615-147-3855 Motion #--08-07-16-04 To approve PR's submitted budget. RCM Action: N Motion by: Jim B. Position: Knoxville RCM Seconded by Craig G. Position: Heart of Tennessee Area RCM Reads: "To approve the PR chair's submitted was budget as submitted in the PR report." Intent: "To provide accountability and responsibility." See PR report for a breakdown. Also, see Open Forum for a discussion on this issue. Result: Sent to groups for a vote. We need a response on the Public Relations Budget. The budget can be accepted as is, can be accepted without the PSA costs, or can be rejected altogether. Please come back with answers from groups. Also, get some feedback on what the groups would like to see out of billboards. (See open forum and new business). PR Budget (RCM Action)

approved literature. The FIPT is clear: NA literature belongs to the Fellowship as a whole, the groups are given voice

#	Cost			Total		
Travel	8		90			720
Hotel	8		120			960
Literature	1		350			350
Training Exp. 2		125			250	
PSA	3		350			1050*
Printing	4		125			500
Total						3830

VRC needs an arts and graphics chair plus a fundraising chair. VRC also needs some workshop speakers. Each Area bring 1 male and 1 female. 3 years clean time. Get feedback on the VRC Guideline Revisions process. What would groups like to see in the VRC guidelines? Research how zones work. Attempt to educate groups on how they work.

# **GSR Get Votes**

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• Bring Back group votes for Glen H.'s nomination to VRC 35 Chair Motion #--08-07-16-01 Glen H. For VRC 35 Chair RCM Action: take back to groups Date Received: 08/07/16

# **VRSC Service Resume**

Name: Glen H. Clean date: 01/06/2004 Total Clean Time: 12.6 years Position nominated for: VRC 35 Chair Term of Commitment: 1 year and 3 months Nominated by: George P. (WTASC RCM) Seconded by: Marcus (?)\* Please list all group, area, regional and world service positions you have held within the past five years and approximate dates for each period

of service: GSR 5 years/ VRC 31 Vice Chair/ PR meeting schedules. 5 years directed Recovery plays. Produced and directed NA haunted houses for 3 years.

If you have not completed a term as a trusted servant or have been removed from a service position in the past five years, please explain: . NONE.

What resources and experience (school, work, volunteer, etc) do you helieve you can bring to the position

What resources and experience (school, work, volunteer, etc) do you believe you can bring to the position for which you have been nominated: I have been a field manager of a district office before. I hired and fired my direct reports. I am an organizer. I work in information technology, so I will help transition to flash drives (the speaker stuff) versus CDs if applicable.

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Please include any other information which you consider relevant to your nomination: Since I got clean, I have been a committee member of overly VRC in Memphis. I have a working knowledge of the 12 steps, 12 traditions, and the concepts of NA service. I have never misappropriated or co-mingled NA funds.

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#### **Status Report from Glen:**

(1) In June, I formed the VRC 35 Planning Committee. During the first week of July, I was elected as the prospective chair of that committee. In our July Area Service Committee, I expressed my willingness to be nominated for VRC 35 Chair. There were no objections. (2) The first week of July, a couple of committee members and myself toured 2 hotels and request red bids using the bid planning worksheet. We did a third by email/phone call. (3) We have already received 2 hotel bids back and are well into preparing counter bids. \*The Secretary is not certain if this person is a member of VRSC or what position they hold. If they are not on VRSC, that would make this motion out of order. This may need to be discussed next Region.

Questions/Discussion from Floor: RCM: could you repeat after "VRC 34 vice chair"? A: Done meeting schedule for more than 5 years. RCM: I've been instructed to ask you guys, what are you all gonna do different next time? VRC 31 was in Memphis. Several Thousand dollars were nearly lost at last convention. VRC 31 fell way below room block and banquet tickets. VRSC was still liable. Thankfully, negotiations greatly reduced the debt. Nominee: We went for 225 room block and a 5 day convention last time. This time 125 room block and only a 4 day convention. Food and beverage charges were lower so we had to cover about 90 room nights and tons of food and beverages. I have the most experience. Also, coffee will only be \$100 per day. Sub: Did registrations indicate that having it on Thursday as well was prudent? Did the registrations indicate that that would be prudent? Nominee: I have the total number per day. Not for sure. In Pigeon Forge, Thursday was really light. Delegate: Glad you took up the opportunity. Are you guys willing to look at other Areas to see how they're doing it to be more successful? We're going back a ways. We don't wanna lose a ton of money, nor make a bunch either. Nominee: On Thursday, we are trying to do things lighter. Alt. Treas: Comparison sheet? Delegate: We had an excel sheet. Nominee: we had numbers prior to VRC 31. Somewhere somebody stopped paying for Quickbooks. We lost some stuff. VRC guideline revision committee chair: We will try to recover any lost data and incorporate that into the spreadsheet VRC is going to do. Also, talks about himself as being a strong negotiator. The entire room agreed. Alt. Del: you could also send in someone from the Regional to negotiate. Nominee: part of the last deal was to have the region help negotiate the hotel. No doubt, I could use some help. VRC member: I would be willing to work with em. Result: Glen's nomination sent back to groups for a vote. Side discussion: Ricardo brought up about coming up with a board of directors for the convention made up of old and experienced members. Result: Chair moved to Open Forum next meeting. • Bring back group votes for Julie H. VRSC Chair Motion #--08-07-16-02 Julie H. Motion to be Regional chair RCM Action: Get votes from groups, Date Received: 04/03/16

# **VRSC Service Resume**

Name: Julie H. Clean date: 09/28/05 Total Clean Time: 10.8 years Position nominated for: VRSC Chair Term of Commitment: 1 year Nominated by: Tim C. (Alt. Delegate) Second by: Vince B. (Chatt. RCM)\* Please list all group, area, regional and world service positions you have held within the past five years and approximate dates for each period of service: Treasurer for No Matter What 2011. CASC Chair 2 years; New Reality Group Treasurer 1 year to present and Alt. GSR. I chair meetings and Vice Chair for our Region and Program chair for Surrender.

If you have not completed a term as a trusted servant or have been removed from a service position in the past five years, please explain:

What resources and experience (school, work, volunteer, etc) do you believe you can bring to the position for which you have been nominated: I Social Work Student at UTC. I've been Chair at Area level.

Please include any other information which you consider relevant to your nomination: I have a sponsor who has a sponsor. I have worked all 12 steps a few times. I study the Traditions not just the ones on the wall but in our literature. I sponsor women.

Questions/comments from the floor: RCM: What was your clean date? Sep. 28, 2005. RCM: asked for clarification of positions. A: Went over it. RCM: She's served a year as vice-chair. Does she still have to be submitted? A: Yes. RCM: Are you able to tell motherfuckers to shut up? A: Yes.. And can do so with integrity. Result: Sent to groups for a vote. \*: NOTE: The original motion in its form was improper. No one noticed at Region. A home group (not an RCM) originally seconded this motion. The Secretary got a valid second from Vince B. Via email AFTER the discussion and introduction of motion. While this is not normal procedure, I felt that this was a function over form issue. The entire VRSC appears to be in support of Chair. If any feel like the motion needs to be nullified and the issue re-voted on, feel free to bring that up next Region • Bring back group votes for reducing the Secretary minutes delivery timeline from 21 days to 12 (guideline change motion). Motion #--08-07-16-03 Secretary minutes RCM Action: Bring back votes from groups. Motion by: Jim B. Position: Knoxville RCM Seconded by: Kip K. Position: Greater Nashville Area RCM Reads: Set the time frame for the Regional secretary to have minutes to the body within 12 days of the RSC. Original Provision as in Article VI, Section 2, C. Secretary, 2.e: "Mail and, or distribute copies of the minutes to each member of the VRSC, Subcommittee Chairs and Administrative Committee no later than twenty-one days following each Regional meeting." Proposed change to same provision: " . . . and Administrative Committee no more than twelve days from the actual day of the RSC (not to include the ACTUAL day of the RSC)." Intent: 12 Steps, 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts \*Note: The body on the floor decided to allow the Secretary to find the proposed quideline provision that requires change and include it (after the fact) in the motion. This required a slight change in the wording of the motion in order to fit the intent of the motion within the grammatical structure of the guideline provision. The Original motion read: "Shall present an accurate set of minutes of the RSC meeting no more than twelve days from the day of . . . ". The changes made do not appear to be of substance. There was some discussion during Open Forum on this topic. Also, this is a guideline change, so it requires 2/3 of groups who vote in order for it to pass. Result: sent to groups for a vote.

#### **Events**

Surrender Under the Stars September 23-25. See nachattanooga.com for details. Clarksville will be hosting a fund-raiser for VRC on the 15th of October. It will be a speaker jam and dance and we will have food and drinks available. Starts at noon and will end around 11 pm. Will be held at 1901 Madison Street Immaculate Conception school gym, Clarksville, TN. Recovery On The Ridge will be October 28-30th at Camp Montvale in Maryville, TN Surrender Night in White. August 27th 7pm-11pm. 701 Gallatin Road Madison TN (near

Nashville). Where Sweet Surrender meets. Speaker meeting followed by Dance. September 3rd new HOT (Heart of Tennessee) Area inaugural picnic. Volleyball, music, walking trails, frisbee golf. 11-3PM. Barfield Park in Murfreesboro TN. Start creating buzz for Unity Convention in 2017. Next SZF will be held at the MZSS Sept 23-25. In Milwaukee, WI. See SZF.org for more details. NA World Unity day is September 3rd. Take a moment and reflect on this way of life.

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

<u>Activities</u> - Hello, Friends and Family. The 80's dance/fundraiser was a success! Thank you to everyone who came and supported and provided loving service. Our next meeting is Thursday, September 15 at Cafe Eclectic at 6pm. We would love to see you there.

H&I - Hello, Family. All is well with H&I. We continue to carry the message to the addicts who suffer in hospitals and institutions. We do have four open panels which are: Compass (Youth Women)- atl Thursday nights, Lakeside (Co-ed)- alt Friday nights, Lakeside (Co-ed)- alt Sunday nights, CAAPS (Mens)- alternate Thursday nights. We are also happy to announce that we oriented 3 new panel members today, and that Gene L. and Chris M. have been approved to start attending the Shelby County Division of Corrections Panel. We also had some flyers made to hand out to GSR's to help easily explain to people how H&I works. Please put these with your literature in your home group. We also ask that you please help spread the message that H&I needs support of members that can help us in our journey of recovery, by carrying the message of NA to people who need it.

Newsletter - Hey guys, all is well with The Clean Times. We are in the end run of putting the final touches on the next issue and are looking ahead to the next one and are looking for people to write articles for it. Right now we are in need of Step, Tradition, and Concept Five. So, if you would like to write on one of these topics or know someone who can do it let me know. We can also put any and all events in every issue as long as they are within the time span. If you don't have an exact date that is alright as long as we can get in the newsletter. One last thing I have asked our esteemed treasurer for \$103.79 instead of \$25.00. Due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to go back to Clarke's Quick Print. Our next meeting will be Sunday Sept. 18 at Dunkin Donuts at Poplar and White Station at 3pm. Come on out and enjoy some coffee. No clean time required to be a part of the committee.

<u>Outreach</u> - Greetings from Outreach, Our last meeting was on Aug. 13 and we welcomed 3 new outreach committee members. The Capture the Banner kick off event was held on August 20th and was a great success! 14 homegroup members showed up with Banners and The Capture the Banner Game is off to a great start. The game will go through Halloween. We also teamed up with Activities to do an 80s dance and fundraiser. All proceeds with go to fund t-shirts for outreach. The t-shirts will be given to each sponsor/sponsee team who attend 3 out of 4 meetings for the area meeting of the month. The July meeting of the month was Doing This Thing and went very well. Doing Thing now has an additional 3 new homegroup members. The September meeting of the month will be GHOD. Our next Outreach meeting will be in September and the date will be announced soon.

Policy and Procedures - Hello, family. There was not a policy meeting held since last area. My excuse...twins. I am sure many of you understand. I did however contact NAWS. Thank you Lucy O. for the contact Steve R. Steve was quick to get back to me. I was checking to see if they offered a discount on bulk shipping which they do. Unfortunately, they do not charge tax and will not unless you are in the state of California. Last I checked, we are not. I could be wrong since I'm so sleep deprived. Since no tax is charged, this completely negated our plan to possibly order from NAWS. So, we are kind of back where we started. I also checked to see if the state mentioned anything about fundraisers and paying tax on items such as shirts, memorabilia, etc. I could find nothing. Options have been dwindled down to discontinuing the sale of literature at area level and home groups buy their own. We do think many will still not show at area if literature is sold. Area would still run if that were the case but voting groups would be less and probably not good for the area where a small home groups make the decisions. Another option is to pass a motion up to Region where they start selling it twice a year and we ordered in bulk. That could work but would need some planning on addicts, extra storage, and the fact an addict could hold quite a bit of money until Region. The last option is we say the hell with the State of Tennessee(I like it) and keep doing what we are doing and it to see if the state does anything. If I left one off, please let me know. I would like to hold a policy meeting Sept 10 at 11am at Starbucks Poplar/I240 to discuss what to do.

<u>Public Relations</u> - Hello, all. Things are still going well with PR, we had 0 addicts in attendance to the PR meeting today. This month we had 108 people call into the helpline and talked to about 10 live people. This will be my last month as PR chair

and I sincerely hope someone else will step up and take over for this position. PR is a huge part of carrying the message and needs to remain active. Please help build upon all the progress we've made in the last year.

#### **GROUP REPORTS**

<u>Clean A.I.R.</u> - I had a very positive experience when a newcomer shared a letter about how he felt coming into N.A. after being in "active addiction." No problems to note. Average attendance is twenty to twenty-five members. One or two newcomers every meeting. Bradley Davis (myself) is now the G.S.R. for Clean A.I.R., instead of Catherine.

<u>Cordova Hope</u> - Hello, Family. All is well at Cordova Hope. We had 193 addicts in attendance last month with seven of which were newcomers.

<u>Doin' This Thing</u> - All is well at Doin' This Thing. We continue to have a good number of newcomers and have added one new member to our home group. Also, we would like to thank the Oureach Subcommittee for making Doin' This Thing the meeting of the month last month. We added four new members because of this.

<u>Farfromusen</u> - Hello, Family. All is well at Farfromusen. We celebrated two birthdays last month. Seven newcomers. Average attendance of forty-six.

**G.I.F.T.** - Carrying the message, average attendance 8-10 addicts per week.

**Good Orderly Direction** - Greetings one and all. We have had a good turn out this month. Twenty-five to thirty addicts.

<u>Keep It Green</u> - Hello, Family. Keep It Green has had a regular attendance of any where from 20-32 per meeting, with the total of two newcomers this month.

**Lunch Bunch** - Group is doing well.

**No Matter What** - All is well at No Matter What. Our home group is slowly growing. Our best night is Friday with an average of fourteen people, Saturday and Sunday, August 5th. We had two newcomers last month.

<u>One is Too Many</u> - Three newcomers and two have returned. We are still struggling for people to come out to our meeting. We are participating in catch the banner and we have a speaker meeting on the last Friday of each month.

<u>Primary Purpose</u> - What up and Greetings from Primary Purpose! All is well, we have an average meeting attendance of 50-80 addicts. We continue to be a topic discussion meeting and welcome ALL!

<u>Saturday Night Alive</u> - S.N.A. is going great with forty to sixty each meeting. All the meetings, which take place here have moved to the basement. This is working out well because there are more seats. There is a meeting with the church and representatives of each home group here this Monday at 5:30pm.

<u>Simplicity is the Key</u> - Hello, Family. Everything is going good, no problems to report. Our average attendance is forty to fifty addicts every week. Kat G. is now the G.S.R.

<u>Something Different</u> - Hi, Family. All is well with Something Different. Three newcomers. And Monday after the Banner Kick-off, we had ten people in attendance just for this cause. So, thanks to the Outreach Subcommittee. Also, we started literature meeting for first fifteen minutes then for open discussion.

<u>Spiritual Awakenings</u> - Hey, Friends and Family. All is well with S.A. Three or four newcomers per meeting. Would love for you to attend and share some experience, strength, and hope! Come get our banner! We dare you!:-)

<u>Step Write In 2: Electric Boogaloo</u> - Greetings from Step Write in 2 Electric Boogaloo. We are doing well. As a warning, anyone who wants to get back any banners we capture will need to be prepared to write on step work.

<u>Thursday Niters</u> - Hello, Friends and Family. All is well at Thursday Niters. We are going strong every week with an average of 50-60 people in attendance with one to five newcomers in attendance.

<u>We Are Entirely Ready</u> - Averaging twenty-five people per week meeting. Two to three newcomers per month. I, Alvin Boyce, am now the G.S.R. for the group.

<u>Welcome Home</u> - At Welcome Home our attendance is now up to eight to fifteen per meeting. Two newcomers. We meet Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30pm and Sunday at 2:30pm. Please come join us and fellowship.

<u>You+Me=We</u> - The meeting has moved around at church; finally settled down to an air-conditioned room that is upstairs. Four newcomers every day. Still on the map...Recovery in the morning is a cool way to start the day.

### **OPEN FORUM TOPICS**

- 1. Moving the Area meeting--Concerns raised about difficulties with conflicting meetings with the church where we currently meet. We are having air conditioning issues and reliability issues with our room. Trinity United Methodist Church was recommended as a new venue as well as explore other churches as options. Glen proposed creating an ad hoc committee to consult with finding another option for area meetings. Glen scheduled the ad hoc committee meeting for next Saturday, September 10th at 4:30 at Trinity United Methodist Church.
- 2. Posting pictures on Social Media- taking pictures of people without permission and breaking their anonymity. NA has a social media pamphlet and it is suggested to have that read at meetings and events. A copy of the pamphlet will be brought to the next Area for GSRs to take back to their groups.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**TO BE VOTED:** Motion created by Spiritual Awakenings and seconded by Doin' This Thing to purchase twenty paperback versions of the Basic text and donate them to the Shelby County Jails.

**INTENT:** To offer N.A. recovery literature to those without the means of obtaining it.

**V.R.C. Chair statement** - VRC Chair be nominated in August and elected in October as bid proposal is presented, if possible. Prospective chair must be present and already have been elected by planning committee. They also must meet all the requirements.

I have over 12 and half years continuous abstinence from all drugs. I have 12 years of active service involvement in N.A. I have participated in 3 previous VRC committees. Around 1 year clean, I was Convention Information Chair. 4 years later, I was Arts and Graphics Chair and also directed the very successful play at eh convention T'Was The Night Before Relapse. And lastly, I was Vice-Chair of the last VRC which was in Memphis.

I have learned a lot about the process and guidelines by being very involved. I believe that I will be a successful V.R.C. chairperson with the help of a good committee.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**MOTION:** To nominate Penny B. for Hospitals and Institutions Chairperson.

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**MAKER:** Doing This Thing

**SECONDED BY:** Simplicity is the Key

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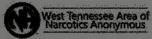
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- RCM
- RCM ALT
- ALT SECRETARY OF AREA (if Laughlin T. is voted in as Secretary)

Next W.T.A.S.C. meeting is 09/25/2016

Title/Sub/Group	Name	E-mail address	05/22/2016	06/26/2016	07/24/2016 8/28/201
Administrative			X	Х	XX
Chairperson	Chris M.		x	X	XX
Vice Chairperson	Christine J.		x		XX
Secretary	Jeffrey B.		A 7	X	
Alternate Secretary	Laughlin T.			X 0	XX XX
Treasurer	Michael H.		X	170	
Alternate Treasurer	Amanda K.		x	X	OX
Regional Committee Member	George P.		X	X	XX
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Subcommittees		the state of the s	V	?	XX
Activities	Kate G.		X		
Archives	Lucy O.		x	X	XX
Hospitals and Institutions	Scott K.		X	X	XX
Literature	Ryan K.		X	X	XX
Narcotics Anonymous in May	OPEN		x	X	
Newsletter	David T.		х	x	XX
Outreach	Marcus M.		x	х	XX
Policy and Procedures	Jonathan M		x	X	XX
Public Relations	James R.		X	X	XX
Voting Groups					
Cordova Hope	Paul B.		х	0	XX
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Harmony	Martini L.		0	X	XX
High On Life	David T.		X	X	XX
Keep It Green	Penny B.		0	X	XX
No Matter What	Drew R.		х	X	XX
One Is Too Many	Susan V.		0	X	xx
Primary Purpose	Marcus M.		х	X	xx
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Something Different	Amanda H.		x	X	ox
Spiritual Awakenings	Sara S.		x	x	xx
Step Write in 2: Electric Boogaloo	Grace N.		х	x	xx
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Outreach	\$-				
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New Area location adhoc Sat, 09/10/2016 - 4:30pm Trinity Methodist where SNA meets view (/content/new-arealocation-adhoc)



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A Vision for NA Service

Inspired by honesty, trust, and goodwill, we will join together to reflect on our worldwide Fellowship and the addict who still suffers. You may have an event, join together with friends, or just take a moment to yourself as NA members around the world to share the Serenity Prayer on this day of unity. No telephone link, no big event—just a moment and a prayer.



\* If the time isn't practical for you, at some point on Saturday, 3 September (hopefully in a meeting), feel the love of NA unity with a moment of silence, a prayer, and a sharing of NA energy—inspired by honesty, trust, and goodwill.



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