West Tennessee Area Service Committee Minutes (12/16/2018)

WHAT DO WE NEED TO KNOW FOR OUR BUSINESS MEETING?

Open Positions in our Area	Suggested Clean Time					
Alt Secretary	1 year					
RCM	3 years					
NA in May	2 years					
Archives	5 years					

TO BE VOTED:

Motion: Maker: policy Chair; Seconded by: Spiritual Awakenings

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Intent: Due to the fluctuating balance in the subsidy fund year to year, we would like to add a piece of literature to be purchased at a subsidized rate to further carry the message.

Next W.T.A.S.C. meeting is 1/27/2018

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

<u>Chair</u> – No report	
<u>Vice Chair</u> – No report	
<u>Secretary</u> – No report	
<u>RCM</u> - OPEN	
<u>Treasurer</u> - see attachment	
RCM, Alternate-	
VOLUNTEER REGIONAL SERVICE MEETI	NG
Alt Regional Committee Member Repo	<u>ort</u>
MEETING DATE	<u>November 25, 2018</u>
AREA REPORT DATE:	<u>December 16, 2018</u>
EMAIL	leighann1957@gmail.com

<u>A BIG thank you to Tonia L for representing West TN at the Region Service Meeting!</u> <u>Regional Nominations to vote on</u>

- Michelle W for Treasurer
 - <u>Resume included</u>
- Lucy O for ITCC
- Lidia S Outreach
 - <u>Resume included</u>

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- The next H&I Regional Meeting is Jan 10 at 5:30pm CST. Call in information below.
- <u>REMOTE ACCESS: https://zoom.us/j/106044852</u>
- <u>Topic: VRSC H&I</u>
- <u>Time: Jan 10, 2019 5:30 PM</u>
- The next VRC Guideline Revision meeting is Jan 5 at 11am CST. Call in information is below.
- <u>REMOTE ACCESS: https://zoom.us/j/820062184</u>
- <u>Topic: VRC Guideline Revision Ad Hoc</u>
- When: Jan 5, 2019 11:00 AM
- <u>A remote PR Subcommittee meeting will be held Sunday January 6. Call in information will be sent separately.</u>
- It was a very successful VRC36! The final report will be given at the February meeting.

- <u>VRC 37 is hard at work. The committee is coming together. I have attached the flyer for</u> preregistration and printed some out as well.
- <u>A billboard contract has been signed with a company in Chattanooga. We have a display near</u> <u>Finley Stadium. They are also working on another for Nashville. I have attached a picture.</u>
- I have information for discount printing at Office Depot/Max for NA business only.

STORE PURCHASING CARD

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:

Multiple homegroup position at previous homegroups, currently I am key holder, and chair on alternate months at Between the Lakes group.. I was ETROR area Secretary for 1 year. I have been an H&I subcommittee member

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:

Please include any other information which you consider relevant to your nomination:

I have a willing heart to help addicts receive a clear, concise message of narcotics anonymous. I am very much a people person and love meeting new members of NA, to be able to reach out to areas and let them know that they are never alone, and we as a Region want to help them and have tools in our tool box to do so would be an honor. I have an NA sponsor who has an NA sponsor, I work the NA 12 steps, I attend NA meetings, and have never misappropriated NA funds. I have read the attached letter and am willing to make the necessary commitment as a trusted servant of the Volunteer Region of Narcotics Anonymous, and if elected, pledge to perform the duties relative to my position to the best of my ability. I understand that any committee or person handling any NA funds is completely accountable for these funds at all times. I furthermore understand that the VRSC has the authority to pursue legal action against any individual found misappropriating these funds.

Signed: Lydia S. Date: 12/4/2018.

Date Received: VF	RSC Service Resume (Please print legibly in ink)
Name:Michelle Webster Clean date:4/7/00	Total Clean Time:18 years 7 months
Home phone: (615)_589-6296 Office/Mobile phone: (_) Fax: ()
Position nominated for: Treasurer	Term of Commitment: 1year
Nominated by:	Seconded by:
of service:	sitions you have held within the past five years and approximate dates for each period

_GNANA Treasurer 2015-2018, VRC Registration Chair 2014, KISS Kampout Treasurer 2014 (?) _VRC 36 Secretary, GSR 2013-2015_____

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: ____NA_____

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 had a checking account since 2002 and I have never bounced a check. I know how to reconcile a checkbook. I have had a few treasurer positions within NA and have never misappropriated NA funds.

Please include any other information which you consider relevant to your nomination: _____

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Signed: _____

_____ Date: _____11/23/18_____



SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Activities</u> – Hey guys, our catch phrase tournament went well. With Chad's Angels winning overall. We are gearing up for NYE and will be having a taco bar for dinner, speaker, recovery charades, and dance. The event will be 10 dollar for individuals, 15 for couples, and free for addicts in their first 90 days, We are asking GSR to organize 2-5 ppl teams in their home group to participate in charades. Please check out the details sheet for more info. We hoping to improve participation asking Home Groups to compete in charades. We will need \$400 for our event to pay for food decoration and rent.

Archives - Open

<u>**H & I**</u> – H&I is doing well. We have a new panel opportunity for women on Wednesdays from 7-8 at Salvation Army. All other panels are filled. Vice Chair is open and waiting to be filled.

Literature - No report

NA in May – Open

<u>Newsletter</u> – David addict all is well with The Clean Times. We had three people at our last meeting. Our next meeting will be held with Outreach and PR tentatively set for Jan 13th. Hopefully, we will have a better turnout. We need your support.

Policy and Procedure - No report

Public Relations - OPEN

Outreach –Hello family. All is well with outreach. We put on a newcomer workshop on saturday, December 8 from 2-5 pm at Trinity United Methodist. There were 20-25 addicts in attendance, including the 7 speakers. It went very well and I was even told by a newcomer that there should be done quarterly. Thank you to Ben C., Tayler O., Summerville, Sara S., Cote O., Debbie S., and Michael M. for being of service. There are still no subcommittee members with me so if anyone is interested please step up. The next event planned will be a service fair in early spring. Also, I have provided receipts-I was originally given \$60 but ended up paying an extra \$40 out of pocket for pizza, so I am asking area to reimburse me. Our next subcommittee meeting will be with PR and newsletter on January 13 at Dunkin. Thank you for letting me be of service.



GROUP REPORTS

<u>Clean Steam</u> - All is well at Clean Steam. We have had zero attendance. The group will continue meeting at 5670 Commander drive in Arlington TN for the time being now on Saturday night at 7:00 PM. No longer meeting on Wednesdays.

<u>Clean Air-</u> All is well at clean air. Average attendance is around 25. Strong home group membership. <u>Cordova Hope</u> - Hello family! All is well at Cordova Hope. We had an attendance in the last month of 191, 11 of which were newcomers.

Desire – Hello Family! All is well at Desire with a continuous high attendance including numerous newcomers and treatment centers in attendance. Debbie S. will be celebrating 27 years on 12/26 at Desire.

Doin This Thang - We have low attendance but its steady. Nothing else to report.

<u>Get Honest or Die</u> – All is well. Important: no meetings on Monday Dec. 24th and no meeting Monday Dec. 31st.

<u>Good Orderly Direction-</u> All is well at G.O.D. Attendance 20-25, 1 visitor, 1 newcomer, no lit order. No birthday for January, no donation to area at this time.

Harmony – All is well at Harmony. Attendance was 58 for the past month.

<u>High On Life</u> – David addict, greetings from High on Life. All is going well and we are still a lit based meeting. We had 106 addicts walk through our door this month including a treatment center. We have two birthdays coming up on Jan 7th Eric N will celebrate 11 years and on Jan 28th Mary N will celebrate 14 years and don't forget Ben E 12 years tomorrow night.

<u>Hopedealers</u> - Greetings Fam, All is well at Hope Dealers. Please come out to share or hear experience, strength, and hope.

<u>Keep it Green</u> – Keep it Green is doing well. We have 20-30 people at every meeting. We have one or two recovery houses each month. We need more hope group members but it is what it is.

Lunch Bunch – All is well at the Lunch Bunch. We continue to offer a welcoming atmosphere to all addicts 7 days a week. In addition to having Grade A #1 coffee, we also provide snacks from time to time. So far this month over 250 recovering addicts have attended. Birthdays: 1/2 Lamar G., 30 years

1/19 Kevin F., 11 years

<u>Miracles Happen</u> - Miracles Happen shut down as of 12/1 like it was reported last month. Old 5th edition basic texts and all lit is being donated to Salvation Army. I believe we are taking our somewhat new coffee maker to Trinity United Methodist Church to those meetings that take place there. After next, we had \$101 to be donated to area. Do what y'all like with it.

<u>One is Too Many</u> – One is too many is doing well, we have an average of 8 people in attendance at each meeting. No newcomers. We will have our monthly on Friday December 28, 2018.

<u>Plan B</u> – We average about 7 to 8 people a meeting. We also had 5 visitors from Texas and we would love some support.

<u>Primary Purpose</u> – All is well at Primary Purpose, we have an average attendance of 15-20 addicts per meeting. 2 newcomers last month. Come help Alex W celebrate 1 year clean tonight. This will be my last area meeting, i have took on another position with my home group. Dennis B will be the new GSR and Janice M will be alternate.

<u>Saturday Night Alive</u> – Saturday Night Alive is doing well, carrying an NA message and meeting our commitments.

<u>Simplicity is the Key</u> – Good afternoon family. All is well at SITK . We had q120 addicts attend our meeting this past month with 3 Newcomers and a few nurses .

Spiritual Awakenings - All is well at SA.

Something Different – We are averaging about 30 people per meeting, with an occasional newcomer or 2 per month. No changes to report. We are still considering a format change to possibly 2 literature based meetings per month.

<u>Step Write in</u> – Nothing to report. No lit order.

Thursday Nighters- All is well. Lots of newcomers and treatment centers.

<u>Unity</u> – Unity is alive and well, appreciate the area support.

<u>We are Entirely Ready</u> - All is well at WAER. The message is strong at WAER. We're averaging 15-20 per meeting. Attendance has dropped, It's that time of year. No newcomers, no birthdays,

Welcome Home- Things are going well at Welcome Home. We're having an average attendance of 15-25 people, 2 newcomers, 225 attendance. Tuesday night book story-working on getting enough literature so we can start reading out of the living clean book.

You+Me=We 121 attendees / 11 newcomers All is Good. We continue to have many coming from Drug Court. On 11.12.18...We had 2 U.S. Marshals show up down the hall asking if a certain person was in our meeting. Tammy nor I can remember an instance of this happening before. Advised them that this is an Anonymous program and we cannot identify anyone. They seemed fine with this and departed the property.

OPEN FORUM TOPICS

-Trouble with hot line will be checked on by previous PR chair, Area chair, and new PR chair

-Any one who has a place in mind for area to move to please check it out and bring the information to the next area on 1/27/19. FYI - To change the time area meets would require a policy change.

-It was discussed that there is nothing in the guidelines that states that NA in May has to be at the Shelby Forest.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion: Maker: Thursday Nighters; Seconded by: Simplicity is the key

Fund of \$75 to cover coffee, plates, and utensils for Christmas marathon meeting. The \$50 venue fee will be refunded through the 7th tradition.

Intent: Seed funds for Christmas marathon meeting.

Vote: passes: yes - 17, no - 4, abstain - 0 GSRs were able to vote on this motion at the time of submission.

Vote: passes: yes - 22, no - 0, abstain - 0 <u>Motion: Maker:</u> Primary Purpose; <u>Seconded by:</u> High on Life

To nominate Bill S as PR Chair.

Intent: To fill an open position for PR Chair.

<u>Willingness Statement</u>: My clean date is 12/6/2016. I am currently working steps with a sponsor who has a sponsor. I am also is working steps with a sponsor. I have never misappropriated any NA funds. I also participate in H&I.

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Title/Sub/Group	Name	10/28/2018	11/18/2018	12/16/2018		
Administrative						
Chairperson	James R.	x	0	X		
Vice Chairperson	Drew R.	x	X	х		
Secretary	Jennifer H.	X	X	X		
Alternate Secretary	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN		
Treasurer	Mandy R.	x	x	x		
Alternate Treasurer	Tonia L.	X	X	X		
Regional Committee Member	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN		
Alternate Regional Committee Member	Leigh Ann F.	х	x	x		
Subcommittees						
Activities	Brad H.	x	x	x		
Archives	OPEN	X	X	OPEN		
Hospitals and Institutions	Susan V.	x	X	X		
Literature	Laurie R.	X	X	X		
NA in May	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN		
Newsletter	David T.	x	X	x		
Outreach	Sam T.	x	X	X		
Policy and Procedures	Tayler D.	x	õ	X		
Public Relations	Bill S.	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN		
Voting Groups	Din C.	0.1 2.1	OT LIT	0.01		
Clarity (was Farfromusen)	Corey B.	0	0	0		
Clean Steam	Chris R.	X	X	x		
Desire	Tonya L.	X	x	x		
Get Honest or Die	Andrew M.	x	x	X		
G.I.FT.	Frank S.	x	X	0		
Harmony	Thomas B.	X	X	x		
High On Life	David T.	X	X	X		
Hope Dealers	Michael M.	x	X	X		
Hopenminded	Jessee S.	X	X	X		
Lunch Bunch	Corey P.	X	X	X		
Keep It green	Brooks S	x	X	x		
One is too many	Susan V.	x	X	X		
Plan B	Brandy C	x	X	X		
Primary Purpose	Thomas R.	X	X	X		
Saturday Night Alive	Glen H.	x	X	X		
Simplicity is the Key	Geoff B.	x	x	x		
Something Different	Bill S.	x	x	x		
Spiritual Awakenings	Sara S.	x	0	X		
Step Write In	Vince H.	x	x	X		
Thursday Nighters	Sam	x	x	X		
Unity Group	Lamar G.	x	x	x		
We Are Entirely Ready	Mancill W.	x	x	X		
Welcome Home	Ryan B.	x	x	x		
You + Me = We	Karen W.	x	x	x		
Non-Voting Groups and Meetings	THE STATE	-	-	~		
Cordova Hope	Paul B.	x	0	x		
Clean A.I.R.	Allison L	0	0	x		
Doin' This Thing	Brad B.	0	0	X		
Good Orderly Direction	Ben D.	x	0	X		
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Monies Received							
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Clean A.I.R.	\$	20.00	\$	50.00	\$	70.00	4
Clarity	\$	10.40	\$	0.60	\$	11.00	(
Clean Steam	\$	9.00	\$	5	\$	9.00	C
Cordova Hope	\$	248.50	\$	33.50	\$	282.00	2
Desire	\$	65.40	\$	100.00	\$	165.40	(
Doin This Thing	\$	10.20	\$	_	\$	10.20	(
Friday Night Step Writing	\$	-	\$	10.00	\$	10.00	(
Get Honest or Die	\$	58.60	\$	32.40	\$	91.00	2
Sift	\$		\$	-1	\$	5	
Good Orderly Direction	\$	-	\$	4	\$		
Harmony	\$	30.50	\$	5.00	\$	35.50	
High on Life	\$	22.00	\$	8	\$	22.00	C
lope Dealers	\$	6.80	\$	15.00	\$	21.80	C
Hopenminded	\$	41.50	\$	0.50	\$	42.00	5
Keep it Green	\$	23.45	\$	0.55	\$	24.00	1
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No Matter What	\$	3.40	\$	22.09	\$	25.49	C
One is Too Many	\$		\$	-	\$	-	
Plan B	\$	20.00	\$	22 (j	\$	20.00	4
Positive Awareness	\$	281.34	\$	18.66	\$	300.00	7
Primary Purpose	\$	18.80	\$	25.20	\$	44.00	0
Sat Nite Alive	\$	18.25	\$	39.75	\$	58.00	C
Simplicity is the Key	\$	10	\$	40.00	\$	40.00	C
Something Different	\$	140.70	\$	9.30	\$	150.00	7
Spiritual Awakening	\$	3.40	\$	16.60	\$	20.00	C
Step Write In	\$		\$	10.00	\$	10.00	C
Thursday Nighters	\$	5.50	\$	15.00	\$	20.50	0
Jnity	\$	13.25	\$	1.75	\$	15.00	C
We Are Entirely Ready	\$	3.40	\$	6.60	\$	10.00	0
Welcome Home	\$	39.92	\$	10.08	\$	50.00	0
∕ou+ Me = we	\$	42.20	\$	9.80	\$	52.00	2
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Misc	\$	17	\$	5	\$	72	
oub Totals	\$	1,269.81	\$	643.38	\$	1,913.19	46
Donations	\$	643.38					
iterature	\$	1,269.81		32) 43			
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Activities	\$	1					
Subtotal Received At Area	\$	1,913.19		321 121			
Prior Balance	\$	7,337.78		6			
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Available	\$	9,250.97					

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PI - Schedules	\$	250.00	2282		2		_	
PI - Petty Cash Operating Fund	\$	-		(4			
PI - Travel Expense to VRC	\$	2	í		_		-	
Secretary - Expense Reimbursement	\$	-		Literatur			_	
Activities	\$	400.00	2283	H&I Literature	\$	87.30	_	
Storage Rental	\$	17		PI Literature	\$	-		
Checks	\$	-		Group Literature	\$	1,269.81	L_	
Newsletter-Expense Reimbursement	\$	32		Add Lit	\$	0 - 33		
Literature- Expense Reimbursement	\$	17		rent	\$	172		
Treasurer's-Expense Reimbursement	\$	÷		Starter kit Inst Mtg	\$	9 - 9		
Policy - Expense Reimbursement	\$	<u></u>		Sub Total	\$	1,357.11		
RCM - Travel Advance	\$	18 L		Lone Star Discount	\$	250		
VRC 35 Donation	\$	<u> </u>		Total Literature	\$	1,357.11		
Safe Deposit Box	\$	S			4			
PI Phone Line / Freedom Voice	\$	8.45						
Literature (Florida Regional Office)	\$	845.96			13) 17		1	
VRSC, Inc. (Regional Donation)	\$	662.90			2			
World Donation	\$							
Reimbursement Brad H Website hosting	\$				Basic	Text Fund		
Area Rent	\$	20.00	2281		Begin	ning Balance	\$	4,526.8
Sam T Outreach	\$				BT Co	ount		4
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Balance	\$	7,063.66						
Set Asides								
Prudent Reserve	\$	635.00	5		3			
PI Schedules \$250 qtrly \$83.33 monthly	\$	-	Paid Dec 2018					
Newsletter \$25 qtrly \$8.33 monthly	\$		Paid Nov 2018		35			
Safe Deposit Box \$150 yr \$12.50 monthly	\$	75.00	Paid June 2018					
PO Box Rental \$120 yr \$10.00 monthly	\$	100 C 100	Paid May 2018		2			
Freedom Voice Phone Line	\$	8.45						
Website hosting \$148.24 \$12.36 monthly	\$	-	Brad H. donated 201	8	83. 10			
Activities	\$	345.73	296.64		0			
Outreach	\$	5.54			1			
Tentative literature order	\$	1,736.01			1			
NA in May Basic Text Fund	\$	4,197.93						
Total Set Asides	\$	7,063.66						
Available Cash	\$	0.00						
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HOME GROUP - RECOVERY CHARADES NYE 2018

We need each home group to build a team of 2-5 people to participate in Recovery Charades at this year's NYE event. If individuals want to create their own teams of 2 or more that will also be allowed.

Each team will be given a spiritual principal or recovery theme and asked to convince the audience what that term is without speaking and only using gestures. Examples of the terms are the following:

Humility, Acceptance, Home Group, Hope, Surrender, Faith, Tolerance, Patience, Love Newcomer, OldTimer

Rules:

Teams will be notified of the term about 10 mins before their stage time No words to be used whatsoever Can indicate how many words it is Can indicate "sounds like" Will have a total of 5 mins for the skit Audience's response time will be noted

Examples of skit:

Newcomer

An addict walks up to 2 others and looks afraid and confused and the 2 others confidently hug the addict and smile.

Humility An addict gets down on his knees and bows his head as 2 addicts stand over him.

Event Details: December 31st, 7 pm Dinner, Charades, and DJ'ed Dance Trinity United Church – *Keep it green, Thursday Nighters, Saturday Night Alive meetings meet.* 1738 Galloway

The WTASC activities subcommittee deals with creating activities for which recovering addicts may learn again to enjoy life in a safe, loving, and clean environment. The activities subcommittee carries out fundraisers, picnics, camp outs, dances, raft trips, etc

Chattanooga is hos VRC 37 November 28- December 1, 201	Openminded
Chattanooga Marriott 2 Carter Plaza ~ Chattanooga TN 3 423-756-0002 Room Rates \$129 Pre-resistration \$20	
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