

CONNECTICUT REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September, 29, 2012

VISITOR INTRODUCTIONS AND QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION – None

CALL TO ORDER

The CTRSCNA met at the Plainville Congregational Church, 130 West Main Street, Plainville, Ct. Meeting was called to order at 2:10 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity prayer. The 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts were read.

ROLL CALL

Eight areas were represented.

APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES

Secretary - Mary H. read the Old Business, Elections and New Business sections of the August minutes. The minutes were then accepted, and **passed**.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair – Absent, Mary read the report. Last month he was asked to obtain a number of insurance certificates for events happening in the region. All requests were fulfilled.

Schedule Recap;

8/25/12, Inventory Balance Adjustment- Ending Balance 14, 150

8/25/12, Ending Inventory-Income \$679.00

Chair does suggest a reconciliation of balances once a new literature chair is elected. Note; at the time report was written, he did not have the key to PO. Box, this information might be out dated if key has return to us. Chair is in contact with Melissa from Hitchcock printing, they received check for previous order and we remain in good standing. Next RSC meeting will be October 27, 12. Nov. – Jan. meetings will be hosted in GWA.

Vice Chair – Leonard S. read report, he attended, Regional PR and WSR. PR has Poster Drives going on across the Region spreading information about NA. They also discussed having a Learning Day. No one showed up for literature meeting, and there was no WSR meeting this month.

Treasurer's Report – Joey. read the report.

Opening Balance:	\$ 3,689.17
Donations Received:	\$426.42
Expenditures Total:	\$ 4,929.48
Donation to WSO:	\$ 1,041.09
Closing Balance:	\$3,689.17
Schedule Reserve:	\$3,000
Checkbook Total:	\$6,689.17

The financial statement was then accepted, and **passed**.

RD & RDA Report – Jimmy C. read the report. World Service Conference (WSC) can be downloaded from WSO website. RD & RDA can attend your groups or areas if you would like a presentation or just an update on what's new in NA. Elections will be held next month for RD and ARD.

NEZF: Next forum will be in January 2013

Webservant Report – Justin A. read report. All changes, posts, requests, and updates have been made to date. All areas need to be checking their e-mails regularly to make the forms effective. Webservant has the e-mails and passwords if anyone needs them. If you have an event that needs to be posted ASAP please let Webservant know when you sent flyer, and he will put a rush on them.(question were brought up concerning the process in accessing e-mail/schedule changes, was clarified by Webservant). All schedules info were sent to Vice Chair, (Vice Chair recently received key to Literature PO. Box and will following up).

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

BOD –Troy B. read the report. BOD follow-up to last month's discussion on back fees, were determined that the only monthly fee being charged by Bank of America is \$3.00. The fee is charged because BOD receives a monthly bank statement in the mail. The other \$30+ charge that has been appearing on the BOD Monthly Financial Report as a "bank processing fee" is in fact the monthly fee charged by Power Pay, the company used for credit cards processing account. The normal procedure is for the credit card processing account to be put in suspension mode from approximately March 1st until January 2nd. In suspension mode the monthly charge is \$1.95 which is the regulatory fee. On September 19th the Tech Director received an e-mail confirmation from PowerPay for seasonal closure until January 2nd has been processed. Viveca M. was elected Treasurer to the Corporation. Vice Treasurer OTF and Assist Tech Director is OTF 2 years required and have served on Convention Committee as Chair or Vice Chair. The BOD discussed with Chair of Registration the operation of a satellite Registration location that would operate during most hours when Registration is closed.

Convention – Absent, Troy B. read the report. Convention goal were read and / or pending completion reviewed and discussed. Viveca M. was elected Treasurer, Vice Treasurer is OTF. The website is up and running for registration and the hotel is available to accept reservations. Registration form have been issued to all RCM's for distribution, there are registration forms available here today. Please be sure to mention to fellowship the *Pre-Registration Contest*. Next meeting will be held 10/21/12 at 1:00, Mount Sinai Rehab hospital (lower level) 500 Blue Hills Ave, Hartford CT.

H&I – Phil D read the report. The Cheshire Correctional Facility's Addiction Service Coordinator postponed the Wednesday night presentation until the end of August which ran into and through September. We have discussed possibly starting around the 2nd week of October.

H&I submitted a financial statement for the Learning Day Budgeted money expenditures and a money order for the remaining amount of \$185.00. We also have a money order for \$300.00 for the sale of 25 T-Shirts, thanks to Tami Jo, to be reimbursed back to region for the seed money used from our Budgeted Merchandise Line Item.

Volunteer Liaison Tami Jo reported that she talked with Doug Kulmaz about Radgowski and Doug said it should be easy to get back started after a short time out. The Corrigan Facility has staffing constraints at this time.

Greater Hartford Area reported that they are looking for volunteers that are Spanish Speaking Yellow card holders to facilitate Carl Robinson Possibly on Tuesday or Wednesday. You can contact Joe C. @ 860-335-0374.

New haven, Danbury and Southern Fairfield County (SFC) areas all are in need of female support. The APT Foundation Presentation was cancelled because of no support from the women in SFCA. Crossroads in New Haven needs female support on Wednesday Nights from 7 to 8. Motion was made and passed unanimously to sell T-SHIRTS for \$12.00 each. Next meeting will be October 3, 2012, 7:30pm at the New Britain YMCA, 50 High St. New Britain, CT

Literature – OTF

Public Relation – Debbie D. read the report. 4 out of 9 areas present. Public Relation meets on the second Wednesday of the month at Meriden Public Library, Catlin St. Meriden CT. Open positions; Vice Chair, Phone line Coordinator, and Spanish Phone line Coordinator OTF.

WSR – Gerry read the report. WSR did not meet. Presentation was given at Regional Learning Day. WSR had one current Step-Guide reorientation but no new guides sign-up. WSR are in needs Trusted Servants and more Step Guides. The WSR commitments OTF are Chair, Vice Chair, Men's Coordinator Secretary and Recording Secretary. Next meeting October 18, 12 in New Britain

Policy Ad-Hoc – Adam H gave verbal report, met before RSC meeting. Continue with discussion on Policy, will meet at Adam's house next Sunday 1:00 for about an hour to continue working on Policy.

Unity Day Ad-Hoc- Debbie D. read report. Regional Unity Day was successful. There were almost 50 addicts in attendance. The event was hosted by WSR, H&I, and PR. Debbie would like to thank all those who showed up to make the day a success. She has attached a report listing the income and expense she received from Regional Treasurer. She is giving a check for the amount of \$152.09 to treasurer for unspent funds. H&I receipts will be added to final balance and sent to RSC Treasurer.

AREA REPORTS

Central Connecticut Area – Bill S. (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: Alt Treasurer, Alt.RCM and RCM

Activities: Annual Sponsor/ Sponcee, Dinner/Dance, Nov. 17, 12. 5:00-9:00pm

Fund Flow: \$ 0.00, Area Concerns: None

Greater Danbury Area –Robert M

Positions Out to Area: Vice-Chair, Chair, and Treasurer
Activities: Spiritual Brunch, Nov. 3, 12, 11:00am-4:00pm, 116 Newtown Rd. Danbury Ct
Fund Flow: \$0.00, Area Concerns: None

Greater Hartford Area – Cindy C. (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: Alt RCM, Secretary, and Vice Chair
Activities: Clean Choice Spaghetti Dinner, Nov. 11, 12, 3:00-6:00, St. Mary's Episcopal 41 Park St. Manchester, Ct
Fund Flow: \$663.40 Area Concerns: None

Greater New Haven Area – Absent

Greater Waterbury Area – Beverly H

Positions Out to Area: None
Activities: None
Fund Flow: \$0.00

Area Concerns: Check for \$45.00 to purchase schedules, has not cleared nor have received the schedules. Having a meeting at treatment facility removed from schedule.

Mid-State Unity Area – Al W. (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: None
Activities: Came to Believe 16yr Anniversary October 28, 12, 6:00-8:45 Middletown Ct.
Fund Flow: \$949.92, Area Concerns: None

Southern Fairfield Country Area – Tommy B. (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: Alt Treasurer, Vic Chair and PR Chair
Activities: Area Learning Day October 13, 12, 6:30-9:00pm Fairfield High School cafeteria
October 24, 12, 6:30-9:00pm Fairfield High School cafeteria
Fund Flow: \$0.00, Area Concerns: None

Tunxis Valley Area – Stephanie B. (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: RCM
Activities: Halloween Dance October 27, 12, 9:00-1:00, St Marks Church West Main St., New Britain Ct.
Fund Flow: \$1,200.00, Area Concerns: None

United Shoreline Area – Gail s. (RCM)

Positions Out to Area: Alt Treasurer
Activities: Halloween Party October 20, 12, 7:30- 11:00, 2nd Congressional Church, Broad St. New London CT.,
Thanksgiving Evening, Sesame St. Group, Nov. 22, 12, 6:00-9:00 Hazelnut Hill Rd, Groton Ct
Fund Flow: \$920.77, Area Concerns:

BREAK

SHARING SESSION

- ⊙ **Schedule change** (Gail S) what is the correct way to schedule changes/written forms suppose to done, not in policy? **A.** send to Webservant and it will be put in Policy in the future.
- ⊙ **Check for schedule not cash and schedule not received** (Beverly H) **A.** Treasurer will check why check was not cashed. Vice Chair will check PO Box as well to see if check is there.
- ⊙ **CCA asking for a list of all subcommittee** (Bill S) **A.** It is on website; also Vice Chair will print out and bring to next meeting.
- ⊙ **Who will be operating Satellite registration** (Mary H) Satellite registration will operate out of the coat room area if moves forward. The intention is to do this during most hours when registration is closed. In doing this it will let them know how many addicts register during main meetings and help registration. (Question went off track) to reserve seating conversation/ has registration considered the hour that registration is open? Maybe they can do shifts. Are there enough people on this committee? It was mention about insurance policy, having all addict register **.Q.** Will BOD run the satellite? **A. No.** If Registration Committee does not want the Satellite registration, why was it brought to BOD? **Q.** Who brought idea to BOD? **A.** Chair of Registration. **Q.** Will there be an added

expense to have satellite registration? **A.** No. **Q.** what does Convention Chair want to do about satellite registration
A. she is not here to answer the question. (After much discussion no outcome was reached on this issue).

- ⊗ **Having meeting removed from NA schedule** (Beverly H) meeting does not follow Tradition. Not fully self supporting/ maybe it can be an H&I commitment/ **A.** maybe PR can approach facility do to the fact that the facility may not know how to run meeting. **Q.** maybe it's an institution meeting and they do not have to follow traditions. (After much discussion no outcome was reached on this issue)

OLD BUSINESS

Motion#1(8/5/12) MS: Phil D (H&I Chair) Cindy C (GHA)

To move \$25.00 one time only, on H&I budget from the line item "Misc" to the line item merchandise, increasing it to \$725.00.

Intent; To be financially responsible to the vendor "Been Printed LLD" for the T-shirt quote

8/0/0 Passed

ELECTION: OTF

Chair- Clean time requirement is five (5) years. Completion of one commitment at the CTRSC.

Vice Chair-Clean time requirement is four (4) years. Completion of one commitment at the CTRSC

Secretary- Clean time requirement is three (3) years.

Treasurer -Clean time requirement is five (5) years. Completion of at least on NA treasurer commitment

Alt Treasurer -Clean time requirement is four (4) years.

RD -Clean time requirement is six (6) years.

NOTE: If there is an Alternate Delegate at the time for election of the Regional Delegate: the Alternate Delegate will qualify and leave the room. Voting will then take place. If the Alternate receives simple majority, they will become Regional Delegate.

Alt RD-Clean time requirement is five (5) years.

Literature Chair-OTF- Clean time requirement is three (3) years.

NEW BUSINESS; None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next RSC meeting will be on October 27, 2012, 2:00pm at the Plainville Congregational Church, 130 West Main Street, Plainville, Ct. (**Do not Park in front parking lot of the church**). Church Ave. is on the right; you can park on the street or in the back lot. Entrance to the church is on the side of the church.

The Meeting closed at 5:10pm.

Love to Serve NA,
Mary H.

Connecticut Region of N.A. Activities Calendar



SFFA- Area Learning Day Event, October 13, 12, 10:30-3:30, 695 Howe Ave Shelton Ct

USA- Halloween Party October 20, 12, 7:30-11:00, 2nd Congressional Church, Broad St., New London CT

SFFA- Free as an Eagle Celebrate 26yr, October 24, 12, 6:30-9:00pm Fairfield High School cafeteria

TVA- Halloween Party October 27, 12, 9:00-1:00, St. Marks Church, West Main St, New Britain Ct

MSUA- Came to Believe 16yr Anniversary October 28, 12, 6:00-8:45 Middletown Ct.

GDA- Spiritual Brunch, Nov. 3, 12, 11:00am-4:00pm, 116 Newtown Road, Danbury Ct

GHA- Clean Choice Spaghetti Dinner, Nov. 11, 12, 3:00-6:00, St. Mary's Episcopal 41 Park St. Manchester, Ct

CCA - Annual Sponsor/ Sponcee/ Dinner/Dance, Nov. 17, 12, 5:00-9:00, First Congregational Church, 62 Colony St Median Ct

USA- Thanksgiving Evening, Sesame St. Group, Nov.22, 12, 6:00-9:00 Hazelnut Hill Rd, Groton Ct

GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATIONS (THE ABC'S OF NA)

ASC – Area Service Committee
BOD – Board of Directors (for the CRCC, Inc. – Connecticut Regional Convention Corporation)
BT – Basic Text
CAR – Conference Agenda Report
CAT – Conference Approval Track material
CBDM – Consensus Based Decision Making
CCA – Central Connecticut Area
CTRCNA – Connecticut Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous
CTRSCNA – Connecticut Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous
FIPT – Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust
GDA – Greater Danbury Area
GHA – Greater Hartford Area
GLS (GTLS) – A Guide to Local Services in Narcotics Anonymous
GNHA – Greater New Haven Area
GWA – Greater Waterbury Area
GWSNA (GTWS) – A Guide to World Services in Narcotics Anonymous
H&I – Hospitals & Institutions
IW: H&W – It Works: How & Why (Green & Gold)
JFT – Just for Today daily meditation book
MARLCNA – Mid-Atlantic Regional Learning Conference
MRLE – Multi-Regional Learning Event
MSUA – Mid-State Unity Area
NEZF – North East Zonal Forum
OTA – Out to the Area
OTF – Out to the Fellowship
PI/PL – Public Information & Phone Line
PR – Public Relations
RCM – Regional Committee Member
RD – Regional Delegate
RDA – Regional Delegate Alternate
RSC – Regional Service Committee
SFCA – Southern Fairfield County Area
SWG – Step Working Guides
TVA – Tunxis Valley Area
USA – United Shoreline Area
WSO – World Service Office

WSR – Writing Steps for Recovery

