

Tunxis Valley Area Monthly Meeting Minutes **September** 2015

The TVASC met on September 13th, 2015 at the YMCA in New Britain. The meeting was called to order at 1:02pm in the usual manner. The 12 Traditions and the 12 Concepts were read and the 9th concept was read and opened for discussion.

- A member shared that this was a great concept in knowing what group conscious means, and that the minority opinion is still valuable. Group conscious means sometimes tabling things to invite a loving and caring God to help make decisions. It is the GSR's job to carry group conscious, not our own.

There was 21 of 32 groups present. (The Healing Starts Here is no longer part of our area so there are 32 voting members this month.)

Open Forum:

None

Committee Reports:

Chair: - Tito C. had nothing to report.

Vice Chair: - Garrett W. attended H&I and activities. Activities could use addict support.

Secretary: - Allyse M. read the previous month's minutes and they were accepted. (It was agreed upon in efforts to save time, and not be redundant that the secretary need not read all of the motions in minutes, as they will be re-read in old business.)

Treasurer: - Lisa A. not present. Treasurer report was read and accepted. Beginning balance \$834.80, Deposit \$383.38, Subtotal \$1218.18. Expenses \$234.49, Ending balance \$983.69 Prudent Reserve \$796.75, Actual Balance \$186.94.

Alt Treasurer: - OTF

RCM: - Devon B. read her report, Regional minutes at this point were still not available. Issues of the USSC having an unauthorized table at the pig roast were discussed and some education along with pros/cons was presented regarding the USSC. Flyers are not being picked up at region, or brought to area, or then brought by GSR's to groups. Discussion took place about the publishing of unapproved minutes. Brought back a motion to have workshops available 60 days prior to B month to allow more people access to workshops. (2) Motions were voted on at region. A motion passed to change distribution of minutes to 10 days. A motion failed to remove the AD from his position.

Alt RCM: - Jeremy Z. present. Brought up that the CAR report will be coming out on November 25, 2015. An idea was brought up to have workshops coincide with ASC.

Policy Chair: - John C. gave a verbal report and will submit a written one to be attached with area minutes. Clarified we will be voting on the draft policy as a whole, the area had previously voted to vote as one motion after a 90 day review period. Amendments will start in January because there is a 90 day period. Policy will be meeting September 29th at 7pm at the Tunxis Community College Library to do a final proof reading.

H&I:-Al A. read his report, Regional H&I chair stepped down and the position is OTF. Farrell treatment Tuesday night needs 1 male, and Saturday night needs 2 males. Next meeting will be Thursday September 17, 2015 at the Plainville Congregational Church, 130 West Main Street at 6:30pm.

Public Relations: - John H. read his report, IN NEED OF ADDICT SUPPORT. Vice chair is OTF. Reminder, PR moved to the Bristol Public Library, Meeting Room 2, at 6:30pm. Next meeting is September 16, 2015.

Activities: - Not present. Liane R. read report. There will be a Halloween dance October 24th @ 8pm. Thanksgiving/Christmas marathon meetings: must sign up BEFORE October TVASC, no swapping time slots, groups who signed up last year but didn't receive a time will be scheduled first. There has been a \$200 bank account overage for years, subcommittee decided to fundflow \$100 of it.

Agenda:

Devon stated there was not enough schedules and asked groups to share if they are small.

Elections:

Alt. Treasurer: - OTF. PLEASE ANNOUNCE AT MEETINGS.

Group Reports:

Back to Basics- Present. Fundflow \$35.

Brothers in Recovery- Present. Anniversary meeting November 18, 2015 6-7pm food, fun fellowship. 7-8:30 meeting, everyone is welcome. Alt GSR OTF.

Early Steppin- Not present.

Freedom Fighters- Present. Needs addict support.

Freedom to Live- Present. All commitments OTF in October. 25th Anniversary meeting October 14th, 2015 FFF 5:30, speaker 6:30. Fundflow \$75.

Friday Night Freedom- Present. Alt GSR OTF. Fundflow \$20.

Genesis- Present. Alt GSR and Treasurer OTF.

High on Recovery- Present. Needs supports with people with clean time. Needs addict support.

Issues- Not Present.

Latinos enRecouperacon- Present. Alt GSR OTF. Fundflow \$13.32.

Lifeline to Recovery- Present. Alt GSR OTF, GSR is up in November. Need addict support.

Live and Let Live- Present. Alt GSR OTF. Need addict support.

Making Headway- Present. Alt GSR OTF.

Monday Night Miracles- Not Present.

Miracles on Arch- Present.

Not Alone Group- Present. Fundflow \$49.

Principles before Personalities- Present. GSR and Alt GSR OTF. Fundflow \$52.60.

Promise is Freedom- Present.

Reach Within- Present. Alt GSR OTF.

Saturday Morning Surrender- Present. GSR and secretary OTF.

Skies the Limit- Not Present.

Spring into Recovery- Present. Alt GSR OTF. Anniversary party October 5, 2015.

Steps are the Key- Present. Alt GSR OTF.

Stop & Recover- Not Present.

Sunday Morning Serenity- Present. 20th anniversary party October 11, 2015 9-10am FFF, 10-11am speaker. Fundflow \$49.50.

Sunday Night Sanity- Present. Fundflow \$51.

Sunday Night Surrender- Present. GSR OTF. Fundflow \$20.

Thru The Steps- Present. GSR & Alt GSR OTF.

Top of the Hill- Present.

Trust the Dream- Not present.

Within Reach- Present. Alt GSR OTF.

Women with Hope- Present. Need addict support!! Fundflow \$15.

Old Business:

Motion #1-Made by Liane R. Seconded by Matt M.

When voting on motions, each group vote will be recorded by calling out group names and asking for their specific vote (yay, nay, abstain). Secretary will keep track of which groups vote and which do not on individual motions. That information will be included in TVASC minutes next to group attendance so groups can follow activity closely.

Intent- accountability amongst GSR's in the area, and transparency to better serve groups and the still suffering addict.

Failed: 10-13-0

Motion #2-Made by Lisa A. Seconded by Liane R.

To add in Add Section VII, Sub-Section H:

Number 2- to read as follows:

To help maintain financial accountability as well as allowing business to continue more efficiently; when a member requests financial reimbursement the following shall be submitted to the treasurer; the receipt, committee's/service board, the line item from the budget it is to be deducted from, and the person's name the check is to be written to.

Intent- to allow the treasure maintain financial responsibility to the TVASC expediting the flow of business more efficiently during the ASC meeting and enabling the person maintaining that particular budget financial accountability.

Passed: 24-0-0

Motion #3-Made by Lisa A. Seconded by Liane R.

To add in Add Section VII, Sub-Section H:

Number 3- To read as follows:

To help maintain financial accountability to the TVASC the treasurer may bring to the ASC any expenditures or requests for reimbursements he/she feels is unclear or questionable allowing for discussion and possibly a further vote of TVASC.

Intent- To allow the treasurer to maintain financial responsibility and accountability to the Tunxis Valley Area and the TVASC.

Passed: 23-1-0

Regional Motion #1- Made by Devon B. Seconded by Tammy W.

That the CTRSC (defined as Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Alt. Treasurer, RD, AD, any and all subcommittees and subcommittee chairs including PR, H&I, WSR, any and all adhoc committees, Exec Dir, Policy facilitator, any and all resource positions, web servant, alt web

servant, schedule facilitator, and any WSC nominee) not use **any social media** in providing NA services (services defined as all duties and responsibilities for trusted servants and subcommittees as set forth in CTRSC Policy.)

Intent- That we be in spiritual conscience with the principle of anonymity expressed in the 11th tradition and consistent with the 2nd concept which states the final responsibility and authority for NA services rests with the groups.

Passed: 13-10-3

New Business:

Motion #1- Made by John C. seconded by Heather S.

To vote on submitted Policy given to TVASC

Intent- to have a current TVASC Policy.

Passed: 20-3-2

Regional Motion #1- Made by Devon B. Seconded by Nayda L.

To have workshops available 60 days prior to B month.

Intent- to allow more people access to workshops.

Passed: 25-0-0

The Tunxis Valley Area meeting closed at 2:30pm in the usual manner. The next Area meets October 4, 2015 at the YMCA, 50 High Street, New Britain at 1:00 pm. Please announce positions that are OTF at the meetings you attend.