

**CONNECTICUT REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
June 12, 2014 (B Month)**

**VISITOR INTRODUCTIONS AND QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION:** Dara G, and Glovine new RCM GHANA

**CALL TO ORDER**

The CTRSCNA met in Middletown (300 Washington Street). The meeting was called to order at 2:06 pm by our vice- chair, Mary. After a moment of silence and the Serenity prayer, the 12 Traditions and the 12 Concepts were read.

**ROLL CALL**

Seven Areas were represented at roll call. The remaining two areas showed up before too long. All nine areas were represented. The Treasurer and BOD were not present. RSC Alt. treasurer, Alternate Web servant, Literature chair, and Writing Steps for Recovery chair are all Out to the Fellowship.

**APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES**

Jason read the Old Business, Elections and New Business sections of the May minutes. Adam pointed out the corrections needed for May minutes (vote counts and names added to elections).

See attached revised minutes with [corrections](#).

Motion M/S: To approve the May minutes as corrected. **8-0-0 PASSED**

**APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

**Treasurer** – Mary read the financial statement:

Opening Balance:	\$ 3,644.17
Donations Received:	\$ 2,169.04
Misc. Donations/Funds Returned	\$ 52.00
Expenditures Total:	\$ 2,360.50
Donation to WSO:	\$ 0
Closing Balance:	\$ 3,504.68
Schedule Reserve:	\$ 1,795.58
Checkbook Total:	\$ 5,300.26

Motion M/S: To approve the June Financial Statement. **Passed 7-0-1**

**WORKSHOP/PRESENTATION**

The Regional Delegate and Alternate Delegate presented information regarding the World Service Conference

**BREAK**

**SHARING SESSION**

- **No Registered trademark on meeting schedules-** Vice chair will look into this and get corrected
- **Trouble getting COI for events-** Howard shared concerns and suggested a possible position for this. Leonard apologized about being busy and getting the certificates out, he stated that he is not good at emails and will get better at emailing or calling those who are in need of COI.
- **Storage unit-** Leonard announced that we now have access to the storage unit for documents, etc. Adam shares concern of storing items that are used regularly, so that we have on hand rather than in storage.
- **August RSC location-** Libby will bring back location at July RSC
- **H&I fundraiser-** Dan: We have formed an adhoc for pig roast fundraiser and set a budget of \$580.00 to raise money for the pig roast event to appreciate those who serve H&I. Also states that there is limited time to do fundraiser spaghetti dinner because of timing with pig roast. States that if they don't get money from Region they will get the money somehow.

Jason: How about just getting a small amount of money for tickets and fliers only

Dan: We need rent and to buy food so that won't work

Adam: Raises concern of money, fund flow, subcommittee having events that generate monies without a mechanism in place for that

Mike: H&I doesn't have anything in policy that says events

Howard: Approx. year ago we asked about the T shirts in budget and is it a revolving seed or a one-time occurrence

Al: It was not a good idea for T shirts to be revolving seed when it was brought up a year ago, Asks body to direct subcommittee to have event or not.

Dan: Pig Roast event for H&I is modeled after a Monterrey function it does every year.

Allen: Policy doesn't say anything about holding events so either change policy or vote

Glovin: Asks why would H&I have a picnic they are to go into facilities and carry our message, not have picnics

Howard: H&I Committee Adhoc wants to show appreciation for those who serve the fellowship.

Renee: How about a learning day and see how support is and maybe that would better serve addicts rather than separate events in subcommittees

Nicole: We serve to give back not to be recognized, attends learning days to learn how to carry message and picnics and conventions for fun.

Leonard: Likes idea of learning day and we need to change policy for H&I if we are doing an event. Asks everyone to support H&I learning day if one is held.

Mary closes discussion and states that having this event not in H&I policy, consensus is not to have event

Jason asks if that was direction by this body and that H&I subcommittee will not be having event.

Agreed

- RDA hotel charge not in report, Tony explains that there was a mistake in the billing and NAWS was charged for the room. Tony is working on getting this straightened out
- **Reports to secretary-**  
Jason will email everyone asking for their reports  
Howard: suggests that we should have a meeting prior to the next RSC to get language about A and B month requirements into our policy and what to do with google groups in policy.  
Al: It is clear what to do on different months and motions passed why meet about it and a Google group isn't part of that motion.  
Jason: Google groups isn't same as motion and not everyone has email or a google account  
Donna: Google groups is just an information sharing group  
Mary- 3 days prior to Region reports are to be emailed to secretary
- **Do we need a RSC Lit Chair**  
Al: No one shows up to Lit and he even reminded MSUA lit chair that it's in their requirements to attend regional lit. Can we remove this position and create an adhoc for lit review when world is working on new project? We pay rent for no purpose and the schedules can be handled by vice chair of region.  
Darlene: GHA had lit committee which was disbanded, maybe having this position at RSC would help save on postage and shipping of Lit.  
AL: Our region doesn't store literature for sale  
Adam: Doesn't seem financially practical to have a Regional Lit Distribution center.

## OLD BUSINESS

### **Motion #1 (4/19/14) M/S RD/USA**

For the CT Region to financially commit to hosting the January 2015 North East Zonal Form meeting.

Estimated cost no more than \$2,000.00

Intent: To host NEZF

Passes 7-0-0

## ELECTIONS

- ❖ **WSR Subcommittee Chair – OTF. 2 year clean time requirement and 1 yr. served on WSR committee.**
- ❖ **RSC Alternate Web Servant – OTF. 2 year clean time requirement and 6 months prior RSC involvement.**
- ❖ **BOD At-large seat – OTF. 3 year clean time requirement and must be 18 yrs. of age and CT resident.**
- ❖ **Literature Chair-OTF. 2 year clean time requirement**
- ❖ **RSC Alternate Treasurer-OTF. 4 year clean time requirement, completion of at least one NA Treasurer Commitment and suggested active in CTRS for at least 1 yr.**

## NEW BUSINESS

### **Motion #1 (6/21/14): M/S MSUA/GDA**

**To Disband Region Literature Subcommittee position, form lit adhoc when needed and place requirements under RSC vice chair responsibilities.**

**Intent: To stop holding unnecessary meetings**

#### **Discussion:**

Libby: would like policy adhoc to see what to do with this

Mike: no point in sending to policy adhoc

Adam: recommends referring it somewhere for and overview on content. Possibly schedule resource person potition, need single point of accountability.

Ron: will require change in policy removal/creation of position

**Committed to Policy Adhoc**

**(Meeting 1 pm before July Region)**

**Next CTRNA meeting, July 19, 2014 @ 2:00 at Faith Lutheran Church, 300 Washington Street, Middletown, CT 06457**

The meeting closed at 5:00 pm.

In Service

Jason L

# Connecticut Region of N.A. Activities Calendar



EVENT/ACTIVITY	DATE	TIME	PLACE	HOSTED BY	CONTACT NUMBER
Sponsor/Sponsee Breakfast	7/26/2014	9 a.m.-12 p.m	76 Federal Street New London, CT	U.S.A. Activities	Cheryl [REDACTED] Cindy [REDACTED]
Basically Lit 6 Year Anniversary	7/26/2014	2 p.m.-12 a.m.	300 Washington Street Middletown, CT	Basically Lit Group	Alicia [REDACTED] Kate [REDACTED]
Fun Day at the Lake	7/27/2014	11 a.m.-	Camp Cedar Crest	GNHA	
Serenity on the Sound	7/27/2014	12p.m.-6p.m.	Short Beach Stratford, CT	SFCA Activities	Buddy O [REDACTED] Mike C [REDACTED]
SFCA Learning Day	7/28/2014	11 a.m.- 3 p.m.	CCAR Building 49 Cannon Street Bridgeport.CT	SFCA Executive Committee	Jay [REDACTED] Taffy [REDACTED]
No Joke On Oak 6 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	7/31/2014	5:30p.m.- 7 p.m.	Missionary Baptist Church 74 Oak St Middletown, CT	No Joke on Oak Group	
Tuesday Movie Night	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday July 15 Aug 19 Sept 16 Oct 21	6:30 p.m.	99 Redstone Road Manchester, CT	GHA	Mike [REDACTED]
Yankee/Red Sox Road Trip	9/13/2014	3:30 departure 7:05 game	1120 Silver Lane East Hartford, CT	GHA	
History of NA Conference 2014	9/12/2014- 9/14/2014	Friday 3 pm- Sunday 12 p.m.	Stamford Sheraton Stamford, CT	Basically Lit Group	historyofna2014.com

# *GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATION (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  
**FSS** – Florida Service Symposium (service conference)  
**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  
**NAWS** – Narcotics Anonymous World Services  
**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  
**WSLD** – Western Service Learning Days (service conference)  
**WSO** – World Service Office  
**WSR** – Writing Steps for Recovery