

CONNECTICUT REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
July 19, 2014

VISITOR INTRODUCTIONS AND QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION: No visitors introduced themselves

CALL TO ORDER

The CTRSCNA met in Middletown (300 Washington Street)

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 pm by Leonard

After a moment of silence followed by the Serenity prayer, Allan read the 12 Traditions and Jerry read the 12 Concepts.

ROLL CALL

8 areas were represented.

1 was not present.

APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES

Jason read the Old Business, Elections and New Business sections of the June minutes.

Motion (AI/MSUA) 2nd (GHA) : To approve the June minutes. **6-0-1 PASSED**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair – Hello Everyone,

I secured all the insurance certificates for those who requested them. When you need a certificate, you will need to provide; location, address, city, state and zip code. You also need to provide a contact person to whom the certificates need to go to. If the facility that you are using is already a meeting place, there is no need for a certificate. It will be provided if requested by the facility. I filled all the orders for schedules. We have 4,050 schedules remaining on hand.

In loving Service

Leonard

Allan asked why he had not received one yet for campout that he submitted weeks ago.

Leonard states he must not have gotten email and that if turned in today that he will have by end of week.

Vice Chair –

Attended PR and Literature, was not able to attend WSR. I went to PO Box and picked up mail. Met with treasurer this month and filled 2 COI requests.

Love to serve NA

Mary H.

Treasurer – read the report. **(June21-July 18, 2014 report)**

Opening Balance:	\$3504.68
Donations Received:	\$534.85
Misc. Donations/Funds Returned	\$ 1155.59
Expenditures Total:	\$625.78
Donation to WSO:	\$925.17
Closing Balance:	\$3644.17
Schedule Reserve:	\$2502.58
Checkbook Total:	\$ 6146.75

Motion Made by (GDA)/2nd (MSUA) to approve the November Financial Statement. **(6-0-1) Passed**

Regional Delegate (RD) –
North East Zonal Forum (NEZF)

Tony and I attend the NEZF on June 27-29, 2014 up in Albany, Tony is going to summarize most of the weekend in his report. The only thing I wanted to mention is that we decided to change the schedule of NEZF meetings to that from now on the NEZF will meet in April and October. Which means our region will be hosting the NEZF in April 2015 instead of January 2015 as originally planned.

I Don't want to take too much away from Tony's report, but the end result is that we (the Connecticut Region) has been given some great flexibility in planning the next NEZF gathering. And what we're going to look for is a facility where the NEZF can have workshops all day on Saturday with the possibility of a group or area hosting a dinner/meeting/dance type of event that Saturday evening. I will let Tony explain more about why this came about. But please bring this to your groups in your Areas.

Financials:

Travel 99.90 270 miles @ .37 mi

Lodging 193.78

Meals 35.38

Donation 50.00 Contribution for unfunded Trusted Servants

Total \$379.06

Convention Workshop

While it was in my report last month, I sent a separate email to the convention chair with the request for a time slot and to discuss the possibility of showing a video or two (like the ones we showed here) before main meetings.

NAWS NEWS

The June 2014 edition was sent out and is posted on na.org(<http://na.org/newsnews>). I made copies of the front "What's Happening ..." sheet so you can make copies for your groups. Most of NAWS News was a recap of WSC so there really isn't too much to tell you about from that.

I also received the Product News Flash, The IP #29 will be available soon as well as the Spanish edition of Living Clean. Also, all public relations materials are being updated with the 2014 statistics.

(http://www.na.org/admin/include/spaw2/uploads/pdf/catalogs/2014_Jun_Product_NewsFlash.pdf)

NA World Unity Day is scheduled for August 30, 2014 at 1 p.m. Eastern Time. There is no meeting to call into but we're all encouraged to attend a local meeting or have a gathering of our own, The point is that we will join together to reflect on our worldwide Fellowship and the addict who still suffers.

In Loving Service

Adam

rd@ctna.org

Regional Delegate Alternate (RDA) –

This past month Adam and I attended the northeast zonal forum. I attended both the TVA and MSUA bodies....I have brought all the copies from the TVA as their RCM was not in attendance. I have no expenses to report from the zone .coming up is the Multi Zonal Service Symposium in St. Louis, Missouri that I have booked a hotel room and a flight for myself and for the Public relations chair. My flight was 308 dollars to change a previous flight I had booked and Genes ticket came to 333..I am placing a request today for 641 in reimbursement for these flights. I also have been in contact with Elaine Wickham about never being charged for my portion of the hotel room at the WSC....she has emailed me a bill for\$858.33 for which the region can just send a check for \$702.27 and I am responsible for \$156.06 for staying an extra night

Northeast Zonal Forum:

Adam and I arrived Friday night early enough to have dinner with many of the other RDs which was a great time to make introductions and have some informal discussions about what's happening in our regions...at every opportunity I like to get some new phone numbers so I can messages the other delegates. Friday night officially opened with a reading of our Zonal history and some of the rules of behavior....there is still no biting or disrespectful language or attitudes allowed! We also jumped right into regional reports.

ABCD... has no regional PR... but is saving a ton of money instituting regional insurance NORTHERN NEW JERSEY... learning to migrate schedule data from current system to BMLT to provide seamless transition to new system...WESTERN NEW YORK... has a phone line meeting to log into thru their website!... JERSEY AND NORTHERN NEW JERSEY... participating in shared services to reduce costs... NEW ENGLAND... Vaping and DRT are hot topics as well as some areas instituting CBDM... NORTHERN NEW YORK.... now has regional insurance for 1900 a year saving one of their areas 2700..gearing towards being a service based region...their region used to just pay bills... their RD is being funded to go to multi zonal...there was also some discussion on what it is that we want from our zone... several members discussed how we want zone to be a support forum including a pooling of resources or at least a compiling of resources available...my input is that we should be sharing more experience as the last year I have attended I have seen many regions benefit from hearing about regional insurance policies and internet based regional phone lines and now even Mid-Atlantic has a WSR starting up now that Adam helped them with our guidelines....the service in our zone is definitely growing spiritually and in real life thru our interaction... some other regions feel we spend too much just to talk to each other but could see the benefits of possible having smaller geographic work groups such as a new England group a New York group and a Jersey or Pennsylvania workgroup... more will be revealed

SATURDAY WORKSHOPS:

Each region did a short presentation on different aspects of the WSC... not much new here but it reminded us of how confusing the WSC is and we discuss how we should be doing business more than we actually conduct business!! There was some support from the local fellowship and they put on a very good pot luck lunch for all the delegates... very refreshing to involve the local fellowship like that.

We also had a traditions workshop that several of the local fellowship stayed for and to me this was the most exciting part of the day... the interaction between addicts and the discussion of the traditions seems to bring the best out of each of us..

OPEN FORUM

There was talk of what we wanted to forward to NAWS as far as issue discussion topics... representation vs. delegation as well as effective communication again... these would be session profile ideas for regions to workshops. Prudent use of funds was talked about as well seeing ranch day at the WSC has still left an unpleasant taste haha... 22,000 doesn't feel prudent to many addicts. There was also more discussion as to how to engage more of the local fellowship whether it be to ask for a potluck lunch or more workshops... or service speaker jam on Saturday or unity day barbecue... new discussion on creating zonal resource pages for H&I and PR... much discussion on how zone needs to change as far as scheduled dates and different summer and winter events and focusing on needs of the zonal members/delegates.... The learning symposium might not have support for funding but our Saturday sessions could be all about service. In planning our future we talked about how during conference years we meet twice as well as many of us attending MERL or MARLCNA or both and this is not cost effective...ideas were discussed about a NORTHEAST ZONAL PUBLIC RELATIONS NEWSLETTER!!!!

STRAW POLLS... conducted to gauge support for the different ideas...

1>resource pool strongest support

2>changing dates to spring fall strong support

3>service symposium strong support

4>ideas for IDT... minimal support

5>collaborating within zone... support

SUNDAY

Elections were held congrats to Jaime V. new chair... Khalilah vice chair and Secretary Jenna Mid-Atlantic. Thanked all outgoing trusted servants

OLD BUSINESS

1>service symposium has no real financial or spiritual support but the long and short of all discussion and voting was to give more latitude to the hosting regions to set agenda and service delivery on Saturday STATING WITH CONNECTICUT IN 2015!!!! So Adam and I will be planning a mini service symposium or speaker jam for the Saturday event come April 2015

WEBSITE REPORT. Expecting an invoice soon. We need to have an appropriate contract with diligent invoice

LIST OF GOALS.....WEBSITE RESOURCE PAGE...Adam, Danny from Jersey, and I volunteered to compile a list of resources by region and each area and separate by type of subcommittee and by type of resource... this looks like it will be great for PR people to see who and where certain types of projects are happening and who has the experience

ROTATION: we are changing from winter / summer to spring / fall

That's all I can think of for now other than I was cruising websites and looking at event posters and saw one for a Stamford speaker jam that had a 50/50 raffle posted on it.. I contacted one of the trusted servants on the poster and Samantha from southern Fairfield and hopefully I humbly reminded the addict of how illegal gambling is referred to in the guide to local service and I forwarded them a screenshot of a discussion taking place on the Participants Facebook page.....a letter was sent out to the Oregon region from the Oregon department of justice in reference to illegal gambling and how each trusted servant on a flyer promoting this can face a 10,000 dollar fine....again more will be revealed I was informed the next day the group had an emergency business meeting to remove any reference from their flyers

IN LOVING SERVICE TONY F 8605120030

Discussion:

AI asked about research website and Anthony explained it

Dan- Wanted to know about why 50/50 is illegal

Anthony- responds that in most states because NA is a non profit, that this is gambling and illegal as they found in Oregon

Web Servant –

All meeting updates, calendar events and flyer links have been completed for the month.

As a reminder, please email all meeting changes/updates and area web site update requests to webservant@ctna.org

Please do not email me through my personal email or Facebook messenger

Grateful to Serve,

Donna H.

CTNA webservant

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

BOD –

I attended the BOD meeting on June 22nd. The USA position and one At Large position are vacant. The AT Large position is a one year commitment and is only open to previous members of the Board or Convention committee.

The Board has obtained a debit card and set up rewards at Staples account. The card was used to purchase two lap tops, one for the treasurer and one for the alternate treasurer. The cost of these computers and software fell within the budgeted amount. We are in the process of obtaining a tax certificate, which will exempt us from the sales tax on the existing computer purchase and future purchases.

Treasure Report:
Beginning Balance \$13,832.10

4 checks written
Check 1018 George Dillon Entertainment Rental \$45.00
Check 1019 Lady of Assumption Church \$45.00
Check 1020 Shane,Navteril CPA \$350.00
Check 1021 Ron Batkis BOD chair copies \$4.25

Closing Balance \$13,387.85

Thank you all for trusting me to serve,

Ron B.

Convention

We held out convention meeting on Sunday June 22, 2014 at The Church of the Redeemer,185 Cold Spring Street, New Haven.

All subcommittees are on track.

I've heard back from a few Regional Committee chairs about reserving time slots at the convention to hold a workshop. If you are still interested please see me before the end of the meeting.

In Loving Service
Leigh B



[REDACTED]

Literature –

Mary H read report; there were 4 addicts in attendance, GWA lit chair Scott G., GWA area chair Chris S., Stephanie.

Committee had discussion on issue below:

- In order to finish Service Schedule pamphlet, need to add date, correct information before printing of pamphlet (will try to complete for print by next Lit meeting)
- All RCM's had been asked to update all Schedule information and give to web servant (we will be printing very soon).

The lit committee is in need of addict support , all positions are OTF
Lit Chair 2 year clean time requirement

Love to serve NA
Mary H.

Discussion:

Questions from floor about scheduling updates, Mary stated that any updates need to go to webservant
Donna- Brings up service schedule and getting all the proper information is needed to move forward with this
Gene- Brings up outside sales issue of schedules to a facility
Leonard- Gave gene cost and box count so he could relay that to facility inquiring

[Next Meeting: Meriden Public Library, “ Cook Room” 105 Miller Street Tuesday September 16, 2014 at 7p.m.](#)

Public Relations –

We opened the meeting at 7:10 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Gene F. (Regional PR Chair) chaired the meeting.

The Twelve Traditions and Concepts were read also we read the 6th Concept in its entirety.

Chris S. read last month's minutes.

There were 12 addicts in attendance and 6 out of 9 areas were present.

We have several areas doing presentations this month with one area is doing it at a health fair. We also have PSAs (Public Service Announcements) airing on CPTV Stations, and Cox Cable in some areas of the state. We are trying to get the PSAs on Comcast as well. This is to help get our message out to as many addicts as possible. We are working with Rushford Middletown and Meriden doing monthly presentations to their IOP program. The Region had a total of 13 phoneline calls, professional call, 12th step calls and addicts calling for help. Several areas held successful poster drives. One area discussed putting schedules in newspaper. Areas are putting IP's and bookmarks in 3 police stations, 2 town halls, 1 Ambulance company, and 1 Pharmacy.

Phoneline – Sam H that we had used 264 minutes for this month so far, 636 minute last month and 66% of 180 minute limit is being used. Areas were asked to erase all previous messages stored in their mailboxes. Berto C reported no addict calls on the Spanish Phoneline.

Elections – Vice Chair, Secretary are OTF.

New Business – We are going to be reviewing the different Orientation packages to come up with one. This will ensure Consistency throughout the State. Maria M contacted a representative that stated that because we are a nonprofit organization, they would be willing to donate billboard space to us at the cost of the materials (\$150/time the billboard is put up). She stated that we would have no say in how long it would be up or where the billboard would be placed. Chris S made a motion Mary H 2nd that three billboards be purchased with the stipulation that there be accountability for the length and placement motion passed 4-0-0.

Posters were discussed, it was suggested that we put out to the fellowship that we are looking for a new poster design. Chris S volunteered to make a flyer.

There are two upcoming events: Multizonal Service Symposium in St Louis at the end of September (www.mzssna.org) and Western Service Learning Day in Sacramento, CA at the end of October (www.wsls.org), and Florida Service Symposium in March. Maria M made a motion Mary H 2nd that Tony F and Gene F represent CT regional PR at the Multizonal Service Symposium motion passed 4-0-0.

It was also discussed about world webinars. If you would like to become involved send an email to pr@na.org to become involved.

The meeting closed at 9:00 with a circle of hugs and prayers, followed by the Serenity Prayer.

See you there!

In Loving Service,

Gene Flannigan

[Next meeting will be held on August 13th, 2014 at 7:00 pm, 19 Catlin St, Meriden, CT. 06450](#)

WSR –

Six addicts in attendance, still in need of chair and secretary and we are optimistic that we will fill soon.

Motion was made to add to our commitments that one year of prior service in WSR a requirement.

One WSR member is now out of jail and asked to continue using email to write steps and this was discussed and left it up to the member on how they choose to work steps once out of facility.

Jerry

[Next Meeting : 2nd Tuesday of month, 381 Main Street Middletown, CT](#)

H and I-

We last met on July 2, 2014 at our usual meeting place, New Britain YMCA. We are currently making 79 presentations in our region. 8 of 9 areas were represented. 2000 schedules were distributed to the attending area chairs.

Old business: Proposed H&I pig roast and fund raiser. There was a question and discussion about rogue meetings from one of the areas. Discussion and satisfactory feedback was given to resolve any issues.

Elections: All trusted servant positions are currently filled.

New business: I received an email from Leigh B. from convention committee asking if we would need a room and slot for workshop. The time was decided upon and request for Sat. 10-11 am was submitted via email. We are waiting for a confirmation.

A question regarding social networking e.g. Face Book etc. to obtain speakers for H&I was asked, discussion followed and suggested to defer to world guidelines.

Revisited the H&I Pig Roast and explained the opposition from regional table. I instructed the adhoc committee to cease any planning of fund raisers and the event. Sub committee decided to look into it further from a policy stand point and we also discussed role and purpose of H&I. Members are planning on reaching out to Monterey area for possible guidance on subject as they have been facilitating a similar event for 29 yrs. .

[Next Meeting is Aug 6, 2014 at 7:30 pm New Britain YMCA](#)

Policy Ad-Hoc –

We met at 1 PM before the regional meeting 7/19/14. We came up with an idea about how to proceed with motion but we need 1 more meeting to work out the details. If available the meeting will be at 1 PM before the next Regional meeting. If you are interested in attending (the meeting may be another time and place) please email me at [REDACTED]

or call me at [REDACTED]

In Loving Service

Howard O.

AREA REPORTS

Central Connecticut Area – Allen C

Out to fellowship- Vice Chair, Webservant, RCM

Events: Poker Run, Sept 6th 9 am – 9pm (Flier available)

Fund Flow \$456.45

Greater Danbury Area – Mike Q (RCM)

Positions out to fellowship: Chair, Vice, H and I, Alt RCM

Events: Learning day September 6th Bennets Park, Bethel, CT

Fund Flow:

Area Concerns: We are starting our inventory process and aren't entirely sure which format to use. Any experience would be appreciated

Greater Hartford Area – No Report

Greater New Haven Area – Patricia

Positions out to fellowship: Alt Treasurer, Alt RCM, PR Chair

Events: Fun Day at the Lake@ Camp Cedar Crest 7/27 11am-7pm

Fund Flow:

Area Concerns: Open Positions, Area help to local groups

Greater Waterbury Area – Frank

Positions out to fellowship: RCM, Alt RCM

Events: Speaker Jam August 2nd

Fund Flow:

Area Concerns:

Mid-State Unity Area - Al

Positions out to fellowship: Chair, Vice, RCM, Alt RCM, Lit Chair

Events: Summer Volley Ball Picnic 8/23 Crystal Lake, Middletown, CT 12pm – 6pm

Fund Flow:

Area Concerns: None

Southern Fairfield Country Area – Absent

Tunxis Valley Area –

Positions out to fellowship: Chair, Vice, Alt Treasurer, Policy Chair

Events: Summer Bash 8/23 12:30-4:30, Strike Night Bowling 8/9 6:30,

Fund Flow:

Area Concerns: None

United Shoreline Area –Howard

Positions out to fellowship: Alt RCM, Alt Treasure, Vice Chair

Events: Talent Show 9/27 10 Huntington Street, New London

Fund Flow:

Area Concerns: Certificate of Insurance

BREAK: 3:15

SHARING SESSION:

Google Groups:

Howard- Quotes Concepts 6 and 7 and is surprised that this wasn't decided on region rather than it just happening. There was never a motion on the google group and has left group until it is decided within the region to use. He feels that it violates concepts and traditions in how it came to be and the secretary of region has a mailing list for info sharing.

Adam- NA service is full of members that had good ideas that became good practice. Had explained in prior email why it is a good idea to use google groups and that mailing lists that secretary replies to are usually not current or out of date and this was a good way to stay current to the members of region being updated in Google Group for RSC. Talked to web servant about creating a mailing list through CTNA site and we could possibly use that. Maybe we create a position for google group, for updating lists and have it be CTRSC Group and really I only created this so we could see how it works and if we want to make motion to make this a motion to adopt google groups for communication we can do that too. Really just wanted to allow trusted servants to communicate better.

Gail- Confused about what the issue is with this because it is just a way to communicate, why do we need a motion for policy?

Jason- It definitely helped me this month to get minutes out!

Al- Concern with group conscience so we make part of our process or not, needs to be official.

Leonard- Need total participation in process

Allen- Making a motion to add another process to policy will just have policy never be done or updated.

Patricia- Asks what google groups is

Donna- It's a form of communication, not sure what the big deal is. How about we wait and see in New Business if there is a motion and then see what to do

Gail- Concerned with google groups in policy being form of communication, what about people without computers or google groups?

Mary- Let's move on and discuss in New business because there is a motion

Certificate of Insurance:

Howard- Situation has been present for a long time about not being able to get COI, fellowship is at risk and it took him months to get his for an event. They have events without COI and this is insanity, changes need to be made before issues happen. We should create a position or chair needs to do his job or maybe someone else needs to do this, how come I am the only one pointing this out when we all have had issues with this?

Jason- Asks Howard why he is bringing this up again, because he did this last region and asks Howard if this is personal th the chair because it seems that way.

Patricia- We are beating a dead horse, we put in for COI for GNA and got ours right away!

Gail- Is there a form for COI to get rid of emailing only chair? Accountability issues and clears this up in advance.

Leonard- Will get form for next month Region to be included in minutes.

Mary- Addresses Howard about how rude his email was to her and he demanded a COI and if he didn't have it right away he was going to take further action. There is a process to COI, so if you are going to email me, Don't disrespect me!

We have a certain amount of insurance on what we are covered for and if we need more insurance for a specific event after proper info is handed in, maybe we can have Insurance guy come share with us about process.

Gail- The form with proper information on it would clear this up and it's a great way to get all info in.

PIPL/PR in our Policy:

Gene- states that in our policy that PR is still labeled as PIPL, would like to know if it is going to be changed.

Leonard- suggests sending to Policy ADHOC

Adam- already in works to be changed, housekeeping.

Clarity of A/B Months:

Patricia- I am just inquiring the difference and if someone could please explain.

Leonard- A month is all reports read, like we are doing this month.

B month no reports to be read and everyone is to email reports 3 days prior to regional secretary for input into minutes.

Al- Can't make GSR send reports just RSC Admin, but it would be nice if everyone emailed to secretary prior to region so if there is something to discuss the report is in.

Area helping struggling groups:

Patricia- Should Areas help groups that struggle financially? Some of our day meetings are struggling, there are groups that meet multiple days and have separate secretaries and treasurers, it was suggested at area to combine groups to help financial impact and it ended up getting tabled to policy. Suggestions?

Adam- The ASC is responsible to those it serves. But it's not automatic. But if motions are made and the GSRs approve, then that is the area conscience. But it's a case by case basis, and it's probably not in policy because it's a case by case basis and if the GSRs want to approve something then that's the area conscience

Gail- In USA the area gave a group money to help make rent before and it worked out. Suggest to groups to do fundraisers or something to help raise funds.

Jerry- At area he serves, a meeting was way behind on rent and the ASC paid rent so meeting wouldn't fold or hurt NA name with facility.

Al W- It isn't the money that is the problem it's the problem they aren't finding solution for .

OMAR- Day meetings struggle financially because participation is usually members in recovery houses or treatment centers and its hard to make rent sometimes. Each ASC is autonomous so what works for one may not work for another.

Tony- F.I.P.T. allows us to print our own literature that is not being sold, so maybe printing stuff for newcomers will help with costs.

Patricia- Doesn't want Old timers to fund group just to keep it going.

Jason- 7 th tradition says my own fair share, which may vary from member to member so if someone wants to put more money in the basket anonymously than that member can. The dollar doesn't stretch like it used to.

Mike- It works How and Why refers to this and cautions against always putting more in because that can be self will.

N.E.Z.F:

Adam- Hotel was a dump at recent Zonal and the hosting Region arranged holding meetings at local church instead of hotel, brought potluck lunch and it worked really well. It reminded us who attended of how we used to do service and pull together to make it happen. Over the years the Zonal Forum had progressed to hotels and food cost, etc. and it added to cost of weekend. We found that the local support for Zonal Forum is less because it is usually held at a hotel and the cost sometimes has members not attend.

Service Symposium usually is hosted in another state and the local RD, AD and PR chair would attend costing around 7-800 dollars to attend. So the idea came up to host one in the North East Zone so we wouldn't have to travel and cut costs. So we have been given the opportunity to kind of plan the next NEZF in April with that in mind. We are going to look into cost, what weekend would look like, maybe 3-4 service based workshops, etc. We feel that if we get the local fellowship involved with maybe a Saturday service workshop, Dinner and dance held at a meeting space... maybe like the one we are in which

hosts a Saturday night meeting. Please bring this idea back to your areas and groups for input on how we can try to make this happen.

Al- How much will group have to put out to host this event

Adam- Most likely nothing, we have a \$2000.00 budget already approved for the NEZF weekend in April.

Patricia- Participation started falling of years ago and maybe doing a dance that is half off so more would attend.

Jason- Basically Lit which meets Saturday Nights in this room has hosted many dinners and dances here and would be more than happy to bring this idea back to group about supporting this event.

Allen- NEZF policy looked pretty strict about hosting these weekends last time I looked at it. What would we have to put out to be compliant with Policy?

Adam- Some stuff in that policy like breakfast is usually included from hotel so that isn't an issue and it's a lot looser now and what happened this weekend really created unity.

OLD BUSINESS:

MOTION(6-21-14)

To disband Lit Regional Subcommittee and start adhoc for any literature that needs to be discussed. Schedule responsibilities to be shared by web servant and Regional Vice Chair.

Intent: To stop holding unnecessary meetings

Maker: Al W/ MSUA

Second: Mike [REDACTED] / GDA

Committed to Policy Adhoc

Remains in Policy ADHOC additional 30 days for review

Elections:

WSR-OTF 2 years clean time and 1 year service on WSR

Alt Web-OTF 2 year clean time and 6 months involvement on RSC

BOD AT LARGE- OTF 3 years clean time and must be 18 yrs old and a CT resident.

Lit Chair- OTF 2 Year Clean Time

Alt Treasurer- 4 year clean time and completion of 1 NA treasurer commitment and suggested 1 year active in RSC.

USA BOD Seat- OTF 3 years clean OTA (Out to that Area only until September)

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion #1 7-19-14

That the CT RSC officially sanction the ctrsc@googlegroups.com discussion list as a voluntary means of electronic communication by RSC participants. Responsibility for maintaining the list shall be one of the web servants responsibilities.

Intent- To ease communications amongst the members of the RSC. This would be voluntary, so it would not officially replace the responsibilities of the secretary or other trusted servants.

Maker: Adam

Seconded: Al W

Discussion:

Adam- Voluntary means of communication to make serving easier. Doesn't take away from current emailing of the secretary.

Patricia- Only one person has con to this so why does this require a motion? What about person that doesn't have computer access?

Adam- Wants this to be a voluntary group, just want it reflected in minutes what region decides so that there won't be brought up again later.

Dan: Where do we send reports?

Adam: This wouldn't take away from what motion stated on B month, the reports would still go to the RSC Secretary 3 days prior.

Donna- Keep it simple and use group as a way to communicate in our body rather than all the CC stuff with emailing, if one person posts something then anyone in group can see it.

Patricia- Informs chair that she would like to call this to a vote **6 in favor so vote is called**

Motion #2 (7-9-14)

To Create a detailed form for requesting a Certificate of Insurance and to make the form available at the CTRSC, attached to each month's minutes and be made available on CTNA website.

Intent: To simplify the process of requesting COI and to ensure all information necessary is complete.

Maker: Patricia/ GNHA

Seconded: Al/ MSUA

Discussion:

Mike- Is it available on website?

Patricia- Not yet due to cost

Donna- In Webservant Budget so will be added to website and RCM requesting and Chair will get copy of email

Dan- Will this create problems on web?

Allen- Will this change Secretary duties in policy?

Gail- Checks and balances to make sure of accountability of who is asking for COI

Omar- Its just a form

Al- For clarity RCM has to ask for COI

Motion Passes 7-0-0

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Presentation ideas for B Month:

"Planning our Future" NEZF/RSC (**Body selected this topic that AD will present on.**)

OR

"Roberts Rules of Order"

**NEXT RSC WILL BE HELD SATURDAY AUGUST 16th
1ST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
62 COLONY, MERIDEN, CT**

POLICY ADHOC WILL BE HELD AT 1 PM PRIOR TO RSC

The meeting closed at: 5:15

In Loving Service

Jason [REDACTED]

Connecticut Region of N.A. Activities Calendar



EVENT/ACTIVITY	DATE	TIME	PLACE	HOSTED BY	CONTACT NUMBER
Strike Night Bowling	August 9	6:30	Laurel Lanes 136 New Britain Ave Plainville	TVA	Mike L [REDACTED] Devon B [REDACTED]
Summer Bash	August 23	12:30-4:30	Paterewski Park Grant Ave Plainville	TVA	Mike L [REDACTED] Devon B [REDACTED]
VolleyBall Picinic	August 23	12-6 p.m.	Crystal Lake Park Middletown,CT	MSUA	Alicia [REDACTED] Gene [REDACTED]
Tuesday Movie Night	3 rd Tuesday Aug 19 Sept 16 Oct 21	6:30 p.m.	99 Redstone Road Manchester, CT	GHA	Mike [REDACTED]
Poker Run	Sept 6	9 am- 9 pm	WALC 48 Todd Road	CCANA	Joe G [REDACTED] Ted D [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