

**Connecticut Regional Service Committee Meeting Minutes
January 16, 2016**

CTRSCNA met at 5 Clapboard Ridge Rd Danbury CT (United Methodist Church), call to order by Adam at 2:02pm

Visitors: Jamie Visiting from Hartford

Sam Visiting from TVA

Michelle- Visiting from Waterbury

New RCMs- Brian- Midstate Area

Jeff- Alt RCM Mid State Area

Dana- Alt RCM Waterbury

After a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions were read by Michelle and the 12 concepts were read by Sam

Roll Call:

8 of 9 Areas present (Southern Fairfield Area Absent)

Approval of October month's Minutes:

Accepted 8/0/0

Executive Committee Reports: A Month- See attached reports

Chair: Adam standing in this month. Adam got the mail

Vice Chair: OTF

Treasurer:

Alfred -(December 2015 report) See attached report

Opening Balance:	\$3580.83
Donations Received:	\$1155.44
Misc. Donations/ Funds Returned:	\$48.00
Expenditures:	\$704.77
Donations to WSO:	\$498.67
Closing Balance:	\$3580.83
Schedule Balance:	\$2461.24
Checkbook Balance:	\$6042.07

Vote: 8/0/0

Alternate Treasurer: OTF

REPORTS:

Regional Delegate: (RD) - CAR workshops- United Shoreline and workshop at the convention went well. Approximately 3 hours long. Greater New Haven Area was scheduled for next Saturday (Jan 23) but has been postponed to an unknown date at this time due to the weather. Need a literature survey earlier- March 24th. MRLCNA is booked and registration has been sent in- Lancaster PA. \$98 reimbursement. Attended United Shoreline Area, South Fairfield County area and are securing a place for the next Region. Discussion on funding the RD and RDA to attend the WSC (World Service Conference) (Page 6 of the policy states RD and RDA to attend WSR and page 13 Under the direction of the table to fund for travel)

Alternate RD: (RDA) Not Present- See report

H&I: - 8 of 9 areas were present. Discussed budget, lack of support- dropped 7 commitments. Extensive discussion regarding bringing in presentations- down 50%. discussing possible ways to get people involved- Needs support. See Report

Questions: Can you get a list of facilities not being represented? Yes

Public Relation: Issue at Rushford that they didn't receive signed packets- didn't realize what H&I is. Discussed and voted on Budget. 3 learning days. Came up with a survey for the Region. Amendment to the PR Chair report:

The PR committee asked if the survey questions should be voted on and the chair determined that the RSC table would take a look at the questions and approve them at the table. See Report

Convention: Thank you for allowing me to serve. Brought recommendation for 2017 convention Chair. See Report

Policy Facilitator: Has a small budget of \$80. RD updated the policy changes and sent to Policy Facilitator. See Report

Question: Is the policy available at this time for handout? Not currently, but will be in the budget

Schedule Facilitator: OTF

BOD: Has not met yet, meeting on Feb 14. Were able to pay all invoices from the convention, but the treasurer report has not been finalized yet, so not sure if and how much will be able to donate to the RSC- See Report

Questions: Any word on the tax issue? Not yet- IRS has received and reviewing

Going to be working on the Survey in the coming meeting

Alcohol? Does it apply to all floors- the Executive Lounge is exempt

WSR: Convention workshop went well, but no step writers present to orientate. Re- Orientations were present. Looking to do a presentation at Niantic will work with H&I to coordinate. Received an email from someone in Buck County PA for possibly starting a committee similar to WSR. Will be in touch with them to help. Have gotten participation at the subcommittee!- See Report

Web Servant: Attended the PR subcommittee. Creating survey and will be on the website for addicts to take. Using Survey Monkey for the survey- cost is \$26 for 1000 responses. Continuing to work on updating emails- NA logo and 2 people contact numbers on the fliers.-

Minutes will be posted online as approved and unapproved- No names will be on the reports any longer to protect anonymity.

Alt Web Servant: OTF

Ad Hoc Learning Day: Not present

Break: 3:13

Resumed: 3:33

AREA REPORTS:

CCA:

Positions Out to Area: None

Activities and Events: Chili Cookoff/ Comedy Show Feb 13 5pm
Straight from the Hip Spiritual Breakfast Feb 13 8:30
Both at Emanuel Lutheran Church

Fund Flow: \$384.38

GDA:

Positions Out to Area: PR Chair

Area Concerns: No PR Committee

GHA:

Positions Out to Area: RCM, Secretary, Alt Treasurer, Alt RCM, PR, Activities

Area Concerns: In need of addict support- Too many trusted servants positions OTF

GNHA:

Positions Out to Area: Vice Chair/ Alt Sec

Activities and Events: CAR Workshop- January 23rd 10am-1pm St Peters Hamden CT
Dixwell Ave **POSTPONED**

Be Yourself Dance Feb 13 7-10pm St Michaels New Haven

Fund Flow: \$285.35 Dec

\$83.12 Jan

GWA:

Positions Out to Area: Policy Chair

Activities and Events:

Recovery in the Woods January 19th 7:30-9:30 North Congregational Church
Woodbury, CT corner of Rt 6 and Rt 47

2016 GWANA Family Campout Feb 28th 890 Bantam Rd on Rte 202 Bantam CT

GWANA event committee Valentine's Day comedy/ dinner dance 6pm-1am Feb
13th Hopkins Center 34 Hopkins St Waterbury, CT

Area Concerns: Carpe Diem meeting in the schedule/ Interest in holding a CAR
workshop

MSUA:

Positions Out to Area: Activities Chair

Activities and Events: CAR Workshop Feb 13 1pm 381 Main St Middletown

SFCA: Bill B

Positions Out to Area: RCM, Alt RCM

Fund Flow: \$133.87

Area Concerns: want to purchase 10 email addresses \$14 per year

TVA:

Positions Out to Area: Alt Treasurer

Activities and Events: CAR Learning Day Feb 27 12-4 147 W Main St New Britain

Comedy Show and Dinner April 2 6-12am 147 W Main St New

Britain

USA:

Positions Out to Area: Alt RCM

Activities and Events: Feb 13 2-6pm St James Episcopal Church 76 Federal St New

London

Sharing Session:

Moment of Silence:

RD Amendments WSC- Are you bringing amendments to the WSR?- Motion #2 should it be 3 motions? RD is bringing up to the WSR but already there are 2 RD's bringing the motion. Will get a conscience from the region first

Vote of Confidence- What does this mean? RD vote of confidence is acting on items that haven't gotten a regional conscience on - trusting delegates to act in the best interest of what the whole region wants, not self conscience.

Convention Committee- Recommending chair- deferred to elections

CAR Workshop-in Woodbury- Will be in touch with RD to schedule one

Check Signers and Policy-treasurer to be put on banking information- treasurer is now on the account and needs one more signature to put on the account.

Reminder convention Committee (policy change) Meets 2nd Saturday of the month starting at Kickoff meeting in Feb 2016

Carp Diem meeting- in schedule- violates traditions only supported by addicts in rehab facility- no trusted servants- motion brought to GWA to remove meeting from schedule was tabled until next area. Anyone from area going? Not paying rent- church is not concerned about the rent, but a church person is signing the papers. Treasurer from the area has been attending. Not fully self supporting. Guide to local service- look at the GWA policy. Possibly have PR go to the rehab facility and also to the church.

RD funding to WSC motion is needed? not looking to change policy, looking to have region pay the way for the RD and the RDA. since 2002 NAWS has funded the RD. Many regions are now saying thank you, but our region will fund the RD and want the RDA to be funded as well.

Question is does it need a motion or not? Bring it back to areas?

CAR Workshop-Hartford- how does it work? Do we host it or does the RD? If you want to host and fund the workshop, you need to ask your area and find a facility. RD is willing to do it and can do it in March- need a 5 hour block. Abbreviated motion list to be brought, not the actual CAR report for handouts.

Old Business:

Motion #2(11/21/15) M/S (GWA) / (TVA)

To send a survey of information about the convention location possibilities to the groups.

Intent: To have the groups and addicts have a better understanding of the convention process and the needs and to bring a full conscience on how the addicts feel about the possibilities.

BOD for 30 more days

Motion #3 (11/21/15) M/S(GNHA) / (GDA)

To consider moving the CT convention to a different hotel location other than the Hilton Stamford for 2019.

Intent: To best accommodate the needs and unity of the CT Region

Convention committee deferred to BOD for 30 days

Discussion: TVA discussed and did a straw pull- if the BOD wants to do this, then they are ok with the decision.

- Questions about putting alcohol away? Yes
- Can we contact hotels even though they didn't respond? yes- but hasn't been done
- This is the first time that only one hotel responded
- BOD continues to ask for our input, but seems that the RSC wants the input of the entire Connecticut Region
- Will bring to the BOD to create a survey for the CT Regional Fellowship for site selection

BOD for 30 more days

ELECTIONS:

Chair: OTF Clean time requirement is five (5) years

Vice Chair: OTF Clean time requirement is four (4) years.

Alt Treasurer: OTF Clean time requirement is five (5) years.

Schedule Facilitator: OTF Clean time requirement is two (2)years

TVA BOD Sam nominated and voted in

WSR: OTF Clean time requirement is two (2) years clean time

Alt Web Servant: OTF Clean time requirement is two (2) years clean time

Convention Chair- OTF Clean time requirement is five (5) years

Check signer issue: M/S GDA/ 2nd GNHA suspend rules of order to allow only one signer the treasurer for 90 days or until a second signer is elected into position. Motion failed 4/3/0

M/S TVA/ 2nd MSUA to suspend rules of order and have secretary be other signer on the checkbook until one of the other signers is elected in. Motion passed 5/1/1

New Business:

MOTIONS # 1-8 WERE TABLED TO GROUPS FOR 60 DAYS

Motion #1(1/16/16) M/S Treasurer/ MSUA

To approve the 2016-2017 Administrative Officers budget

Intent to follow the policy by having a budget

Motion #2 (1/16/16) M/S RD/ MSUA

To approve the 2016-2017 Regional Delegate and Regional Delegate Alternate Budget

Intent to follow policy and to be financially responsible and supportive of positions of Regional Delegate and Regional Delegate Alternate

Motion #3 (1/16/16) M/S H&I/ TVA

To approve the proposed Hospitals and Institutions budget for 2016-2017

Intent to allow H&I to continue to carry the message of NA into facilities and to comply with CT regional policy

Motion #4 (1/16/16) M/S PR/ MSUA

To approve the 2016-2017 Public Relations Committee Budget

Intent to follow policy by having a budget

Motion #5 (1/16/16) M/S WSR/ USA

To approve the proposed Writing Steps for recovery budget for fiscal year Apr 2016-March 2017

Intent To all the sub committee to function and to comply with regional policy

Motion #6 (1/16/16) M/S Web servant/ GWA

To approve the web servant budget for 2016-2017

Intent to follow the policy by having a budget

Motion #7 (1/16/16) M/S Treasurer/ MSUA

To approve the schedule Coordinator Budget

Intent to follow the policy by having a budget

Motion #8 (1/16/16) M/S Treasurer/ GNHA

To approve the Policy Facilitators budget

Intent to be financially responsible and fulfill policy requirements

Motion #9 (1/16/16) M/S RD/ MSUA

That adobe connect be exempt from our current policy regarding social media.

Intent: To further clarify, in writing, what forms or platforms for communication are not considered violating the CTRSC policy. NAWS uses Adobe Connect for the WSC Participant web meetings as well as the PR and H&I web meetings.

Vote 5/0/2 passed

Motion #10 (1/16/16) M/S/ RD/MSUA

MOTION #10 was withdrawn

That the Connecticut Region fully fund both the Regional Delegate and the Regional Delegate Alternate to WSC.

Intent: This in keeping with the 7th tradition which implies that funds for our service efforts should come from the Areas we serve and prevents our region from ever being beholden to another entity. Currently the only policy this could possibly affect is II.H. (page 1) which states "to provide the funds necessary for our RDA to attend the World service Conference of NA"

After much discussion on this topic, the unanimous consensus is that policy states that we fund the RD and the RDA to attend the WSR. Should we no longer be able to fund the RD at some time, then we can request NAWS to fund the RD.

Motion #11 (1/16/16) M/S TVA/ GNHA

To have events listed on the activities calendar to automatically be placed on the ctna.org calendar by web servant.

Intent:To keep the regional website calendar up to date and available to all addicts.

Chair committed to web servant for 30 days

Motion #12 (1/16/16) M/S GHA/ MSUA

To have secretary become an optional signer for checks

Intent Accountability for region funds

Chair committed to policy for 30 days to review what pieces of policy this would affect

REGION WILL BE MEETING AT Golden Hill Methodist Church, 210 Elm St., Bridgeport, CT. (Corner of Lafayette St.) FOR FEB, MARCH AND APRIL

Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm In loving service, Janette D

Connecticut Region of N.A. Activity Calendar

Event/ Activity	Date	Time	Place	Hosted By	Contact Info
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Car Learning Day	2/27/16	12-4	St Marks Church 147 W Main St New Britain	TVA	Devon 860.839.1295
Dinner Comedy Show	4/2	6pm-12am	St Marks Church 147 W Main St New Britain	TVA Activities	Devon 860.839.1295
CAR Learning Day	2/13	1pm	381 Main St Middletown	MSUA	Brian M 860.834.3204

Be Yourself Dance	2/13	7pm- 10pm	St Michaels 29 Wooster St New Haven	GNHA	Shawn C 203.836.6985 Dave C 203.819.0772
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