TUNXIS VALLEY AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE MARCH 2019 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

The TVASC met on March 3rd, 2019 at South Church in New Britain. Meeting was called to order in the usual manner. The 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts were read. The 3rd Concept was read and discussed.

There were 18 groups out of 27 present, 17 groups present had voting rights.

ELECTIONS:

PR CHAIR: OTF.

ALT RCM: Sarah was nominated and voted in. Congratulations Sarah!

Please announce any positions OTF to the groups.

OPEN FORUM:

- Connecticut Region of Narcotics Anonymous Website

The updated Regional Website is now live. Please be sure to check your groups info for accuracy and report back next month or directly to the webservant (webservant@ctna.org).

- Literature Chair

Central Area’s Literature Chair visited to go over the possibility of TVA placing orders together with Central Area. Since groups are autonomous, it will be at each groups discretion to utilize the possible collaboration.
The process for TVA would begin at the TVASC meeting where groups or subcommittees that choose to order this way will bring their literature order and payment. The trusted servant designated by TVA will compile the orders and forward to Central’s Literature Chair. With 2 areas combining orders, their will be a reduction in shipping costs, and orders that exceed a certain amount will also be eligible for a discount. Discounts received would be applied towards shipping and the remaining amount due for shipping would be split 50% TVA and 50% CCA. When the order arrives, TVA’s designated trusted servant will pick up the literature from CCA and divide each each groups order. The groups will be able to pick up their order at the following ASC.

This system would be cost effective to groups that struggle with collecting basket money for literature, but it should be noted that it may not enable groups to receive literature in a more timely manner. By combining 2 areas orders, assuming they total over $500.00, we will receive a significant discount that can be applied towards shipping.

EXAMPLE:

A $500.01 order would require $40.00 in shipping. But orders over $500 are discounted 6.5% ($32.50). Take the discount off the shipping charges ($40.00 minus $32.50) and shipping goes down to $7.50 ($3.75 per area). An order of $250 would require $30.00 shipping ($15.00 per area).

Orders totalling $.01 to $25.00 add $6.00 for shipping ($6.01 to $31.00 total with shipping)

Orders totalling $25.01 to $50.00: add $9.00 for shipping ($34.01 to $59.00 total with shipping)

Orders totaling $50.01 to $150.00: add 17% ($58.51 to $175.50 total with shipping)

Orders totaling $150.01 to $500.00: add 12 % for shipping ($168.01 to $560.00 total with shipping)
$500.01+: add 8 % for shipping / total before shipping is discounted 6.5% ($507.51 +)

We will be doing trial runs the next few months. If you would like to try this system, please bring your literature order and money order (made payable to TVASC) to the TVASC meeting. If you or your group members have any questions, please call Garrett 860-685-1677. The motion in new business in regards to this discussion is to put in place a trusted servant to facilitate the ordering process.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CHAIR: Present.
VICE CHAIR: Present.
SECRETARY: Present, minutes read and accepted.
TREASURER: Present, report read and accepted – see attachment for report.
ALT. TREASURER: Absent.
POLICY CHAIR: Present, Policy Chair is reviewing changes made to policy in previous motions and will post electronically when policy is completely updated.
RCM: Present, report read and accepted - see attachment for report. There are Regional motions involving budgets that groups need to vote on, see New Business.
ALT. RCM: Sarah voted in as Alt. RCM. Congratulations Sarah!
H&I: Present, Kevin read report - see attachment for full report.

PR: CHAIR OTF. See attached report.

ACTIVITIES: Present, Mike read report - see attachment for full report.

GROUP REPORTS:

BACK TO BASICS: Present, GSR and Alt. GSR OTF. $50.00 fund flow.

BROTHERS IN RECOVERY: Present, July 20th will be the annual picnic, need addict support.

EARLY STEPPING: Present, Anniversary party March 17th starting @ 10:30 at the BRC.

FREEDOM TO LIVE: Present.

FRIDAY NIGHT FREEDOM: Present, Alt. GSR OTF. Fund flow $52.29.

GENESIS: Present, 35th Anniversary party is April 19th - starting at 11, speakers @12. Cooper Hall at South Church.

HIGH ON RECOVERY: Present, Alt. GSR and Treasurer are OTF. Fund flow $25.00

ISSUES: Present.

LIFELINE TO RECOVERY: Absent.
MAKING HEADWAY: Present. $25.00 fund flow. Anniversary party in May, date TBD.

MIRACLES ON ARCH: Absent.

MONDAY NIGHT MIRACLES: Present. Anniversary meeting Monday March 25th, food-fun-fellowship from 6:30-7:30 meeting 7:30 -8.

NOT ALONE GROUP: Present. Fund flow $50.00

PRINCIPLES BEFORE PERSONALITIES: Present.

PROMISE IS FREEDOM: Present

REACH WITHIN: Absent.

SATURDAY MORNING SURRENDER: Absent

SPRING INTO RECOVERY: Present. Alt. GSR OTF.

STEPS ARE THE KEY: Absent.

STOP AND RECOVER: Absent.

SUNDAY MORNING SERENITY: Absent.

SUNDAY NIGHT SANITY: Present. All positions OTF for 30 days. March 24th - 15th anniversary 6-7 food-fun-fellowship, 7-8:15 ticket topic discussion meeting. Fund flow $100.
SUNDAY NIGHT SURRENDER: Absent.

THRU THE STEPS: Present. Alt GSR is OTF. Meeting in need of addict support

TRUST THE DREAM: Absent.

WITHIN REACH: Absent, $50 fund flow.

WOMEN WITH HOPE: Present. GSR and Alt. GSR OTF.

GROUPS WITH NO VOTING RIGHTS (need 2 consecutive attendances): Lifeline to Recovery, Miracles on Arch, Reach Within, Steps are the Key, Trust the Dream, Within Reach.

GROUPS ELIGIBLE TO REGAIN RIGHTS IN MARCH IF PRESENT: Friday Night Freedom.

GROUPS LOSING RIGHTS IN MARCH IF NOT PRESENT: Saturday Morning Surrender, Stop and Recover, Sunday Morning Serenity.

OLD BUSINESS:

+Regional Motion #2 Webservant budget 2019-2020

Maker: Webservant 2nd: GHA

To approve 2019-2020 Webservant budget.

Intent: To continue having a CT Regional website.
***PASSED

+Regional Motion # 5 RD Team budget 2019-2020

Maker: RD 2nd: TVA

To approve Regional Delegate team’s 2019-2020 budget.

Intent: To be financially responsible

***PASSED

+Regional Motion #6 PR budget 2019-2020

Maker: PR 2nd: SFCA

To approve Public Relations 2019-2020 budget.

Intent: To be financially responsible

***PASSED

+Regional Motion #7 RSC Administrative 2019-2020

Maker: Treasurer 2nd: GNHA

To approve RSC Administrative 2019-2020 budget.

Intent: To adhere to policy
**PASSED**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Regional Motion #1:**

To approve 2019-2020 Writing Steps for Recovery Budget

Intent: to be financially responsible

**Groups must vote**

**Regional Motion #4:**

To approve 2019-2020 H&I proposed budget

Intent: to ensure NA funds are distributed in the spirit of the 7th tradition.

**Groups must vote**

***PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT CONTAINING RCM REPORT FOR BUDGET DETAILS***

**TVASC Motion #1** Made by Jeremy Z. Second by Maurice M,

To add a literature position to the executive committee of TVASC or a literature subcommittee (whichever is deemed most feasible).

Intent: To improve literature ordering.

***Groups must vote - see Open Forum and Agenda for more information.***
AGENDA: Literature: Secretary will collect orders for the literature ordering trial. Please bring your literature orders and money order to April TVASC meeting

TVASC closed in the usual manner. The next ASC meeting will be April 7th, 2019 at 1:00 PM at South Congregational Church, 90 Main St., New Britain.

In loving service,

Liane R.
TVA H&I Minutes

February 25, 2019

We opened the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer. 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts were read. There were 12 members present, 7 members with voting rights. Two (2) addicts were orientated.

Chair report: Read and accepted. Next Regional H&I meeting will be held March 6, 2019

Secretary report: Read and accepted

Group reports:

- Bristol Hospital Sunday: Needs 3 female members.
- Bristol Hospital Wednesday: Panel Leader out to the fellowship, needs 2 female and 1 male members. Literature is getting low.
- Manson Youth Thursday: Doing well. Needs 2 male members. Literature is getting low.
- Bristol Hospital Saturday: Needs 2 female member. Literature is getting low.
- Farrell Treatment Saturday: Doing well. Has a full panel. Needs new readings

Old Business: Continued to discuss learning day. Going to look into locations for a picnic. Also discussed reaching out to activities and public relations if they would like to hold their learning day with H&I's.

New Business: Kevin M. will put together a literature order and let the TVASC Treasure know what we need for funds to purchase order.

Elections: None

The next meeting is on Monday March 18, 2019 at the Plainville Public Library, 56 East Main St. at 6:00PM. All are welcome!

Meeting closed in the usual manner.

In Loving Service,

Chantal G.
TVA ACTIVITIES SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES

Activities met February 19, 2019 and opened in the usual manner with the Serenity prayer. The 12 concepts and 12 traditions were read.

Elections:
Secretary: Joe M. was voted in last week.
Treasurer: OTF
Alt Treasurer: OTF

Treasurer Report:
There is no report as there is no treasurer or Alt and no events have happened so the account has remained the same. A check for $100 still needs to be paid to St. Mark’s old clergy for Thanksgiving Marathon. Korrin will try to contact Cheryl as she is now at South Church.

Old Business:
1. There was talk about amended policy so that some of the executive committee positions only need 1 year in NA service structure instead of 1 year experience in 1 year experience in Activities sub committee structure as there are not enough members trying to get involved that have served on Activities before.

New Business:
1. After looking over the Activities policy, there is no need to amended. The only position that requires 1 year experience in the Activities Subcommittee is Chair. The subcommittee agreed it was good how written.
1. A dance is wanted for the spring. If we can find a church, either St. MARk’s or Armenian Church of the Holy is available 4/20 or 4/27, it will be booked.
2. The subcommittee will look into literature to donate to Plainville Public Library in lieu of rent.
3. Grace Episcopal Church will be contacted to see if there is room there on the third Tuesday for Activities to meet. There is a large meeting that meets there on Tuesday and think that we good gain more support by meeting there. More to be revealed.

Activities closed in the usual manner at 6:35. Next meeting will be March 19, 2019 at 6 pm at Plainville Public Library.

ILS,
TVA Activities Subcommittee
The meeting began late, at 6:45 in the usual manner with the Serenity Prayer. Matt read the Twelve Traditions; Nick read the Twelve Concepts. There were 7 addicts in attendance.

**Elections:** Nick P. was elected to Vice Chair. 
Chair - OTF / Secretary - OTF / PR Orientation Coordinator OTF / Presentation Speaker OTF

**Chair Report:** Heather S. attend Regional PR.

**Secretary Report:** Matt Read Last Months Minutes

**Old Business:** business cards needed, Garette W. sending Nick Files needed to get quote for 5000 cards. Needle exchange and Aids CT are willing to put cards in bags. They have asked already for 2,000 going into Hartford Hospital. Nick P. will be getting quotes on cards. Needle exchange is willing to an NA representative do a ride along, in the works to have someone go and represent NA, hopefully we will have cards at that time. Poster drive is going on March 23, 2019 11am @ Bridge Community Church, Bristol CT. Pizza Afterward. All are welcome and ENCOURAGED to attend.

**New Business:** Heather S region chair mentioned getting polo t-shirts so all of PR would look uniform when out in service to NA. This is a regional discussion, not much info was presented.

The meeting closed at 7:45 pm in the usual manner. The next meeting will be on **March 20 at 6:30**, at the Bridge Community Church. **All are welcome.**

In loving service,
Nick P. (860) 357-7832
## TVASC Treasurer Report

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(Total of Budgets ÷ 12 = Prudent Reserve)

### STANDARD EXPENSE SCHEDULE

- **$60.00 Due quarterly (December, March, June & September for TVASC Rent of South Church)**
- **$140.00 Due every other month (Jan., Mar., May, July, Sept, Nov) for Schedules.**
- **$100.00 Due in June for TVASC US Post Office Box**

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**NOTE**
March 2019 RCM Report

Attended CRSC meeting February 16, 2019
8 out of 9 areas attended
Next RSC meeting will be held March 16, 2019 @ Middlesex Memorial Hospital, 28 Crescent Street, Middletown, CT
Alt RCM is out to fellowship
We had a fundflow of $240.74
The RSC opening balance was $5025.28. Donations received were $5288.33.
Expenditures were $1613.42. Fundflow to World was $3674.91. The RSC Closing balance was $5025.28 which is prudent reserve.
The new ctna.org website is up and running.

Old Business vote on RSC budgets

New Business

RSC Motion #1 (2-16-19)
To approve Writing Steps for Recovery budget (attached)
Tabled to groups for 60 days
RSC Motion #4 (2-16-19) to approve 2019 H&I budget
18-19 Budget $5,300 18-19 Expenses $2380.67 19-20 Budget $4,300
Tabled to groups for 60 days
In Loving Service

Tom R, TVARCM
Motion #1 (02/16/2019): to approve 2019-2020 Writing Steps for Recovery budget

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Maker: WSR  2nd by: MSUA
Intent: to be financially responsible
Motion: Table in Areas for 5th day
Maker: USA  2nd by: CCA

Motion #2 (02/16/2019): to amend CTRSC Policy VI.A.3.c.(a)
To Amend – Be an active member on Convention Committee with voting privileges. In the event no active member desires to serve as Chairperson, then any addict with the remaining qualifications that lives within the Connecticut Region may volunteer or be nominated and elected.
To Read – Have been an active member on the Convention Committee (not sub-committee) with voting privileges in the last five (5) years. In the event no active member desires to serve as Chairperson, then any addict with the remaining qualifications that lives within the Connecticut Region may volunteer or be nominated and elected.
Maker: Convention Committee  2nd by: TVA
Intent: to better serve the fellowship
Passed 7-0-1

Motion #3 (02/16/2019): to amend CTRSC Policy VI.A.2.a.
To Amend – Date and Time. The Convention Committee shall meet from February to January on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 1:00 p.m. The first meeting ("Kick-Off Meeting") shall be held in February. During the month of November, the Convention Committee will meet on the first and third Sunday and then beginning in December, will meet every Sunday, if necessary, until the Convention. The duration of each meeting will not exceed two and one-half (2 1/2) hours.
To Read – Date and Time. The Convention Committee shall meet from February to January on the 2nd Sunday of every month at 1:00 p.m. The first meeting ("Kick-Off Meeting") shall be held in February. During the month of November, the Convention Committee will meet on the first and second Sunday and then beginning in December, will meet every Sunday, if necessary, until the Convention. The duration of each meeting will not exceed two and one-half (2 1/2) hours.
Maker: Convention Committee  2nd by: TVA
Intent: to better serve the fellowship
Passed 8-0-0

Motion #4 (01/19/2019): to approve 2019 – 2020 H&E proposed budget
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