



Connecticut Regional Service Committee Minutes

September 21, 2019

The CTRSC met at **Middlesex Memorial Hospital, 28 Crescent Street, Middletown, CT**
The Chair opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.
The **12 Traditions** were read by **Mike R.** and the **12 Concepts** were read by **Jeremy Z.**

Visitors: Ron M., Al D.

@ Roll Call: 7 out of 9 Areas present

Recognition of New Areas - none

CTRSC Meeting Minutes (17Aug19) - Submitted and read by **Bill B.**

Approval of minutes as read:

Motioned: USA 2nd by: GNHA

Vote: 7.0.0

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Chairperson - absent, report submitted (see Reports section)

Questions/Discussion - none

Vice Chair - Submitted and read by **Andrew S.**

Questions/Discussion - none

Treasurer - Submitted by **Gail S.** read by **Andrew S.**

Questions/Discussion - none

Regional Delegate (RD) - Submitted and read by **Troy B.**

Questions/Discussion - none

Regional Delegate Alternate (RDA) - Submitted and read by **Bryan D.**

Questions/Discussion -

BOD - absent; no report submitted

SUBCOMMITTEE, RESOURCE & AD-HOC REPORTS:

Convention Committee Chair - Submitted by **George D.** read by **Bill B.**
Questions/Discussion - none

Hospitals & Institutions - Submitted and read by **Josh K.**
Questions/Discussion -

Public Relations - Submitted and read by **Adam H.**
Questions/Discussion - none

Policy Facilitator - Submitted and read by **Bob L.**
Questions/Discussion - there was discussion about personal opinion and comments in the Policy Facilitator's report.
Policy Facilitator apologized and will resubmit his report omitting any personal opinion or comments.
Further discussion on creating a policy ad hoc is on the agenda.

Schedule Facilitator - Submitted and read by **Heather S.**
Questions/Discussion - how often are new schedules printed? *every 3 months... 2 ~ 3 months.*
Web servant (Alt.) also explained that you can submit meeting changes online which would be published in the online meetings within a day or two... and would also be included in the next printing.

Web Servant / Alt. - Submitted and read by **Garrett W.**
Questions/Discussion - How to subscribe to web notifications. *At the bottom of each CTNA.org web page there is a "Subscribe for Weekly Updates" where you can enter your email address to receive updates.*
What updates are included in the email? *upcoming events, announcements, flyer submission*

Strategic Planning Workgroup - Submitted and read by **Marc L.**

WSR - Submitted and read by **Michael C.**
Questions/Discussion - none

Area Reports

Area	Status	RCM
CCA	OTF: RCM (Alt.), Vice Chair, Treasurer (Alt.) Events: Oct 5 th , Corn Maze 1:00pm ~ 3:00pm - https://ctna.org/areas/cca Oct 25 th , Recovery on Track - Fall Ball - 6:00pm ~ 9:00pm - Wallingford Nov. 9 th , Sponsor/Sponcee Dinner/Dance - https://ctna.org/areas/cca Concerns: None Fund \$0	John S.
GDA	OTF: Events: Concerns: Fund \$0	
GHA	OTF: RCM, RCM (Alt.), Treasurer (Alt.), Activities Events: Concerns: Filing Commitments Fund \$ 391.13	Chick K.
GNHA	OTF: Secretary(Alt), Treasurer, Policy Events: Oct 19 th , Chili Cook-off - https://ctna.org/areas/gnha Concerns: None Fund \$89.21	Brian M.
GWA	OTF: Vice Chair, BOD Events: Nov 2 nd , Halloween Dance (GWA Family Campout Fundraiser) Concerns: None Fund \$0	Christine T.
MSUA	OTF: RCM (Alt.) Events: Concerns: None Fund \$0	Tom F.
SFCA	OTF: Events: Concerns: Fund \$ 0	Claire B.
TVA	OTF: All Positions Filled Events: Concerns: None Fund \$0	Sara P.
USA	OTF: Secretary, Vice Chair, Treasurer (Alt.) Events: Oct. 26 th , Halloween Costume Party/Dance -7:00pm~10:00pm Concerns: None Fund \$303.59	Mike R.
Total Fund Flow		\$783.93

SHARING SESSION -

Troy B. (RD)

Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust (FIPT):

Presentation and explanation of the proposed revisions to the FIPT Operational Rules

OLD BUSINESS

Motion #1 (07/20/2019): to accept the 2019/2020 Schedule Facilitator budget

	2018-2019	2019-2020
Copies	60.00	60.00
Supplies	40.00	40.00
Postage	100.00	100.00
Workshops		
PO Box	100.00	100.00
Total	300.00	300.00

Maker: Schedule Facilitator **2nd by:** GHA

Intent:

Tabled to Areas - 60 Days (Vote due September RSC)

Amended: P.O. Box line item increased by \$6.00 to \$106.00

Vote: 6.0.0

NEW BUSINESS

Motion #1 (09/21/2019): to spend \$264.50 on pens for Public Relations. The money is already in the budget

Maker: Public Relations **2nd by:** GWA

Intent: to keep with policy re: voting on all expenses over \$250.00

Vote: 7.0.0

AGENDA -

Tommy F. (MSUA)

2020 CAR:

When does their AREA have to submit a check for the purchase of the 2020 C.A.R.?
Can be purchased directly from NAWS. Region will purchase copies for all RCMs & Regional members.

John S. (CCA)

Policy:

Would like to see a Policy ad hoc created.
*A Policy ad hoc will meet an hour before the start of the RCM meeting (Middlesex Hospital - In Bangtson-Wood Building) for the review of the current CTRSC Policy.
Info will be posted on CTNA.org web site.*

Troy B.

New England States Service Symposium:

A proposal was brought to the NEZF - to form an NEZF Service Symposium Ad Hoc - which failed. Troy would like the motion (Motion #2 (08/17/2019 in reference to *) be brought back to the floor. It remains tabled...

Troy inquired as to what further information were the RCMs looking for.
Cost, liability, financial impact, risk assessment.

* Service Symposium Proposal:

A proposal/budget presented for consideration to the Northern New England Region, New England Region & Connecticut Region of NA. To hold a New England States Service Symposium of NA (NESSSNA) over a weekend (Friday - Sunday) in the summer of 2020, at a location centrally located to all three Regions, Northern New England Region, New England Region & Connecticut Region of NA.

Vote: to table for 60 days for further information - 7.0.1.

Motion #2 (08/17/2019): to join in on the New England States service symposium

Maker: SFCA **2nd by:** GWA

Intent: as stated in proposal

Vote: Tabled for 60 days. (Vote due October RSC meeting)

ELECTIONS

Elections for the following Administrative Committee positions will be held at next month's (19 Oct. 2019) RSC meeting:

Chair

Vice Chair

Secretary

Treasurer & (Alt.)

BOD Seats:

CCA - OTF

GDA - OTA

GWA - OTF

MSUA - OTA

USA - OTF

BOD Positions OTF:

Secretary

Tech Director (Alt.)

Site Selection Director (Alt.)

Without any further business a motion to adjourn was made and 2nd.

Next RSC meeting will be held on **October 19th, 2019** @ Middlesex Memorial Hospital
28 Crescent Street
Middletown, CT

(Bangtson-Wood Building across from the Main Entrance)

REPORTS:

Chair -

I gave the key to Adam H. so he could retrieve materials related the PR subcommittee. Adam stated he would get the mail from the PO Box and give to the vice-chair to distribute to the appropriate trusted servants. There were 5 new requests for COI's last month. The Regional learning day was September 1st and we had a fair number of addicts turn out for the event. The good thing was there were people there who were not involved in service currently. Hopefully the event will attract new addicts to service. I want to thank Andrew, Garrett and all the other who helped to make this a successful learning day. I also want to thank the Vice Chair for covering me in my absence. I understand he did a good job.

Written History of CT NA Ad-hoc -

We continue to interview and have the interviews transcribed. We can still use more people to help with transcription. If you know of anyone who may be able to help please refer them to the NA website as all the information is posted there. While meeting with Steve W. in New York at the Open Arms area H&I learning day he turned over a considerable number of historical archives from both the Connecticut area meetings and the minutes from when Connecticut became a region. In his donation there is also a copy of the very first Connecticut NA schedule from 1982. Thank you Steve, for your generous donation and the service you have done for NA.

Vice Chair -

Our Regional Learning Day seemed to be a success, and I want to thank all those who found the time to attend and participate. It was, as usual, a beautiful day full of great fellowship and shared experience, which included several addicts who have never served at either their Area or Regional level.

We spent about \$350 of the joint ASC Learning Day and Regional H&I Budgets and had plenty of food for everyone. I would like to have some guidance from the RSC about storing the remaining non-perishable party wares in our storage unit for next year's Learning Day. Coffee cups, cutlery, plates and napkins should all be saved and utilized in the future.

Treasurer -

The RSC opening balance was	\$4,738.37
Donations received were	\$2,111.25
Expenditures were	\$ 921.72
Transfer from Schedules	\$ 96.05
Fund Flow to World was	\$1,129.33
The RSC closing balance is	\$4,738.37 (..the new Prudent Reserve after increasing the Ad-hoc Committee line item)

The Schedule opening balance was	\$2,662.25
Sales were	\$ 526.00
Expenditures were	\$ 92.20
Transfer to RSC	\$ 96.05
leaving a schedule balance of	\$3,000.00

The checkbook balance is	\$7,849.62
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**Connecticut Regional Service Committee
Treasurer's Report Summary
August 17, 2019 - September 20, 2019**

OPENING BALANCE:	\$ 4,738.37	
DONATIONS RECEIVED:	\$ 2,111.25	
MISC. DONATIONS/ FUNDS RETURNED:	\$ 96.05	
EXPENDITURES TOTAL:	\$ 921.72	
DONATION TO WSO:	\$1,129.33	
CLOSING BALANCE:	\$ 4,894.62	
PRUDENT RESERVE:	\$ 4,894.62	
*SPECIAL RESERVE:	\$ -	
TOTAL RESERVES	\$ 4,894.62	
PRUDENT RESERVE SURPLUS/DEFICIT:	\$ -	
EXPENDITURES		
PAID TO-	CHECK #	AMOUNT
CCAR-PR RECOVERY WALK	535	\$ 150.00
ADAM H-PR PHONE LINE	536	\$ 19.52
EXECUTIVE OFF SERV-RD REPORT/FIPT MATLS	537	\$ 59.99
BILL B-SECRETARY/VICE CHAIR COPIES	538	\$ 16.80
GAIL S-TREASURER COPIES	539	\$ 9.36
ST PETER PROMOTIONAL-PR TABLECLOTH	540	\$ 150.00
POSTMASTER-SCHEDULE PO BOX	541	\$ 106.00
SHANNON W-RSC LEARNING DAY	542	\$ 23.84
ANDREW S-RSC LEARNING DAY	543	\$ 346.26
Twilio	ACH	\$ 10.00
Halloo	ACH	\$ 29.95
Transfer to Schedules		\$ -
		\$ 921.72
MISC. DONATIONS/ FUNDS RETURNED		YEAR TO DATE
Funds Ret'd From Advance		\$ 22.69
Transfer From Schedules	\$ 96.05	\$ 96.05
Fund Flow from CRCC, Inc		\$ 3,425.91
Fund Flow from individual groups		\$ -
Fund Flow from Areas for Round Table		\$ -
Regional funds returned H&I T Shirts		\$ 650.00
AREA DONATIONS		
GREATER DANBURY		\$ -
SOUTHERN FAIRFIELD COUNTY		\$ 2,328.45
GREATER HARTFORD	\$ 22.81	\$ 1,479.59
MIDSTATE UNITY		\$ 496.12
GREATER NEW HAVEN	\$ 245.87	\$ 1,495.06
UNITED SHORELINE	\$ 1,013.21	\$ 2,523.48
GREATER WATERBURY		\$ -
CENTRAL CONNECTICUT	\$ 829.36	\$ 1,349.41
TUNXIS VALLEY		\$ -
Total Area Donations:	\$ 2,111.25	\$ 9,672.11
DONATIONS TO WSO		
		YEAR TO DATE
CK 0545`	\$1,129.33	\$6,524.01
MONTH END SUMMARY		
RSC Closing Balance:	\$ 4,894.62	
Schedule Closing balance:	\$ 3,000.00	
Check book balance	\$ 7,894.62	

CTRSC Treasurer's Report Budget and Expenditures
August 17, 2019 - September 20, 2019

	18-19 BUDGET	THIS MONTH	YEAR TO DATE
ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE	\$ 3,975.00	\$ 396.26	\$ 2,147.67
RSC Chair	\$ 50.00		\$ 8.68
RSC Vice-Chair	\$ 50.00	\$ 2.34	\$ 2.34
RSC Secretary	\$ 100.00	\$ 14.46	\$ 98.13
RSC Treasurer	\$ 150.00	\$ 9.36	\$ 60.66
PO Box Rental <i>Due July</i>	\$ 154.00		\$ 154.00
RSC Rent	\$ 240.00		\$ -
Regional Insurance Policy	\$ 1,186.00		\$ 1,041.00
Regional Learning Day (\$350 FROM H&I 08/17/19)	\$ 950.00	\$ 370.10	\$ 582.86
Ad Hoc Committee (\$625 SPW 08/17/19)	\$ 825.00		\$ 200.00
Storage Unit	\$ 270.00		\$ -
RD & RD-ALT.	\$ 4,693.44	\$ 59.99	\$ 1,294.32
World Service Conference/Workshops	\$ 3,118.44	\$ 50.73	\$ 773.52
Conference Agenda Reports	\$ 225.00		\$ -
RDA Airline Ticket for 2020 WSC	\$ 400.00		\$ -
CT Region Workshops	\$ 700.00		\$ 308.94
Copies and Supplies	\$ 250.00	\$ 9.26	\$ 211.86
WEB SERVANT	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 24.65
Website Hosting/Maintenance	\$ 600.00		\$ -
Report Copies	\$ 50.00		\$ -
Domain Name Registration (GoDaddy)	\$ 50.00		\$ -
Website Development	\$ 300.00		\$ 24.65
HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS	\$ 3,950.00	\$ -	\$ 2,250.00
Rent	\$ 300.00		\$ -
Copies	\$ 150.00		\$ -
Literature	\$ 300.00		\$ -
Workshops (\$350 TO ADM LRNG DAY 08/17/19)	\$ -		\$ -
Schedules	\$ 2,200.00		\$ 1,120.00
Workshop Attendance	\$ 1,000.00		\$ -
Merchandise Per Budget	\$ 1,200.00		\$ 1,130.00
Income	\$ (1,200.00)		\$ (650.00)
SCHEDULE COORDINATOR	\$ 99.04	\$ 106.00	\$ 116.85
Copies	\$ 3.04		\$ 4.47
Supplies	\$ -		\$ 6.38
Postage	\$ -		\$ -
Workshops	\$ -		\$ -
P.O. Box <i>Due October</i>	\$ 96.00	\$ 106.00	\$ 106.00
PUBLIC RELATIONS	\$ 4,720.00	\$ 359.47	\$ 1,239.61
Posters	\$ 500.00		\$ -
Rent	\$ 240.00		\$ 120.00
Projects	\$ 500.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 480.80
Literature	\$ 300.00		\$ -
Phoneline	\$ 600.00	\$ 59.47	\$ 214.77
Schedules	\$ 1,680.00		\$ 420.00
Secretary Expenses	\$ 100.00		\$ 4.04
Convention Expenses	\$ 300.00		\$ -
Workshop Attendance	\$ -		\$ -
Media Projects	\$ 500.00		\$ -
WSR	\$ 1,141.00	\$ -	\$ 377.62
Rent	\$ 120.00		\$ -
Stationery/Printing	\$ 275.00		\$ 271.62
Mailing Costs	\$ 500.00		\$ -
Literature	\$ 90.00		\$ -
Learning Day	\$ 50.00		\$ -
PO Box <i>Due May</i>	\$ 106.00		\$ 106.00
POLICY	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Copies of Policy Updates	\$ -		\$ -

**Connecticut Regional Service Committee
Treasurer's Report Schedule Information
August 17, 2019 - September 20, 2019**

SCHEDULE BALANCE INFORMATION				
OPENING BALANCE:	\$	2,662.25		
INCOME:	\$	526.00		
TRANSFERS FROM SUB COMMITTEES:	\$	-		
TOTAL INCOME (CASH PLUS TRANSFERS):	\$	526.00		
EXPENDITURES TOTAL:	\$	188.25		
CLOSING BALANCE	\$	3,000.00		
SCHEDULE INCOME INFORMATION				
		THIS MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	
SCHEDULE SALES	\$	526.00	\$ 2,286.00	
SUBCOMMITTEES	\$	-	\$ 1,540.00	
TOTAL:	\$	526.00	\$ 3,826.00	
SCHEDULE EXPENSE INFORMATION				
PAID TO:		AMOUNT	Date:	
HEATHER S	CK 0544	\$ 92.20	9/13/2019	
TRANSFER TO RSC		\$ 96.05	9/20/2019	
TOTAL:		\$ 188.25		

Regional Delegate -

NAWS

Narcotics Anonymous World Services Annual Report -The NAWS Annual Report outlining the financials from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 is now available online at www.na.org/AR2018. A link to this Report - in its entirety has been added to the Regional website and the "In Brief" version is attached to this Report. During this time period, \$5,431.45 in donations were made by the Connecticut Regional Service Committee (\$4,321.15); the one Area (\$159.41); five Groups (\$662.41); and Individual Members (\$288.48).

NAWS News - The September edition of NAWS News is also now available online at www.na.org/newsnews. A copy of this latest edition is attached. The September edition opens with acknowledging our loss in the passing of Mary Ellen P., a member of the 'World Board and resident of Connecticut.

Upcoming Fellowship-wide Events - For more information visit: www.na.org/nawsevents

Sponsorship Day: December 1, 2019

Fellowship-wide Web Meetings - For more information visit: www.na.org/webinar

All times listed are Eastern Time

Hospitals and Institutions: September 25, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

NORTHEAST ZONAL FORUM

I participated in the August web meeting for the Northeast Zonal Forum (NEZF). There were 10 of the 12 member Regions present during the entirety of the meeting and Northern New York was present for a period of time.

Links to the Project Plan surveys are now posted on the NEZF website www.nezf.org. For more information on the:

- ❖ NEZF Service Survey, please contact the Project Point-Person Bryan D.(bryandylewski@gmail.com); or
- ❖ NEZF Fellowship Development Survey, please contact the Project Point-Person Kris R. (naimmastay@gmail.com)

There were five Proposals considered and voted upon during the web meeting. The results of the votes were as follows:

- ❖ **Proposal 1 - To form an NEZF Service Symposium Ad Hoc - Failed**
- ❖ **Proposal 2 - RBZ Recommendation of Robert W. for World Board - Failed**
- ❖ **Proposal 3 - Add Statement of Accountability to the NEZF Guidelines - Tabled**
- ❖ **Proposal 4 - To require NEZF Admin Body to submit regular reports - Tabled**
- ❖ **Proposal 5 - To create NEZF PR T-shirts for sale at November NEZF - Failed**

The next fact-to-face meeting of the NEZF will take place at the Tri-State Regional Convention in Erie, Pennsylvania on November 1 -3, 2019.

CONNECTICUT REGIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

RCMs, please check with your Areas to determine if they would like to host a CAR Workshop and let us know by the November RSC meeting. The Conference Agenda Report will be out in late November and we would like to have the CAR Workshops scheduled by the end of December.

Proposed Revisions to the FIPT Operational Rules - As planned, we will review the proposed revisions to the FIPT Operational Rules and, if time permits, the proposed revisions to Bulletin #1 -Use Policy. Attached to this Report are the comments to the proposed revisions that were made by the 111 + participants during the last webinar' s small group sessions. Our review today will give the RSC an opportunity to share its thoughts on the proposed revisions which will be sent to the World Board for consideration during its October meeting, prior to the final draft of the CAR Motion on this matter.

Regional Delegate Alternate -

I attended the NEZF zoom call held on August 25th.

The Final draft of the North East Zonal Forum Services Survey is Complete . It is available at :

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NEZF> or at NEFZ.org under New Updates : What services do you want?

The survey is 9 questions and target to members of 12 regions throughout the North East Zone including Connecticut. Members of the Connecticut Regional service body , Area service bodies and any individual member are encouraged to take the survey.

The Survey will be live until December 31, 2019. And the results will be compiled and presented to the North East Zonal forum at the June 2020 face to face meeting.

The Connecticut Region may want to post the survey link to its web site and deliver the survey to members via email delivery.

I will forward the link to all CTRSC members by email so that you can easily delivery to your respective area bodies and members.

Convention Committee -

I was present for the last meeting and we had all in attendance except Entertainment whom sent a representative. As reported last meeting the secretary position is still out to the fellowship. Several areas stated that they do not have pre-registration forms and we ask that we get them to the areas and announce the importance of pre- registration. We did our first walk through with entertainment to plan out where their events would be held the committee appears to be on track with the timeline and looking forward to an awesome convention.

We will continue review the tasks with all subcommittee chairs, this is to ensure everyone is still aware of crucial dates during this year's planning stage.

If there are any commitments in need of help after today's meeting I and the vice-chair will be of assistance. And please reach out if needed as we get close to convention time.

Hospitals & Institutions -

H&I RSC met on Wednesday September 4th, 2019. Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer at 7:35. There were 6 of 9 areas present.

Vice chair held the meeting as I was not in attendance due to work travels.

The Young adult's program in Danbury unfortunately had to close down due to lack of support. There are a few other presentations that may face the same situation. According to minutes it seems there has been found coverage for Garner Cl. Also, there is beginning stages of a possible presentation at Walker Cl.

There is also a joint PR and H&I learning day October 5th hosted by SFCA committees. The location for that should be found on the events section of CTNA.org.

Other than that, H&I had 2 speakers and a brief H&I presentation as part of their portion of the Regional learning day agenda. There was 180\$ worth of shirts sold at the regional learning day. Plus, another 60\$ from GHA H&I chair. Whether I have the money order for that at this regional meeting will be contingent on logistics.

The money or that should have been mailed last month for \$110 dollars was not sent out due to issues with USPS in my building, so I have consolidated that with another two t-shirt sales, totaling the money order in hand at \$130. There are only sweatshirts left. And we will be able to fully reconcile at our next H&I meeting.

Our next meeting will be October 2nd @ 7:30pm at New Britain YMCA.

Public Relations -

The Connecticut Regional PR Committee met on September 11, 2019 at Trinity Church in Portland. There were 8 members in attendance. 7 out of 9 areas were represented (GHA, GNHA, GWA, MSUA, SFCA, TVA, USA). Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Mobile Meeting Coordinator are still out to the Fellowship.

The Areas are doing their thing. GHA and GWA had information tables at a couple of events. MSUA put an ad on a restaurant placemat. TVA is gearing up for information tables at a couple of events in October and asked for help from others in PR in being at the tables. USA has a new chairperson and plans on getting an ad on the TVs in supermarkets.

We had 176 calls and used 382 minutes (out of 1000) in August 2019. There was one call on the Spanish phonenumber. Here's the rundown on the total calls and the percentage of those that are strictly for meeting searches.

March 2019	April 2019	May 2019	June 2019	July 2019	August 2019
191 Total Calls	174 Total Calls	177 total calls	149 total calls	161 total calls	176 total calls
60 Yap calls	102 Yap (59%)	83 Yap (47%)	84 Yap (56%)	78 Yap (48%)	92 Yap (52%)

We received the table covers and used one at the Regional Learning Day. We also ordered 1500 pens (cost \$264.50) and those arrived last week as well. I wound up presenting at the regional learning day, explaining what we do, in general, as well as a couple of specific items. We also had a few individuals share some meaningful moments in PR service.

We discussed the convention workshop a little bit more and we'd like to get an 11:00am time slot and we'd like the title of the workshop to be "Carrying Our Message of Hope in the Community" in the convention program.

If all went as planned, this morning I went and setup for the CCAR Recovery Walk in Bushnell Park with the GHA PR Chair. And hopefully, a couple of members showed up so I could come to the RSC meeting.

We received no emails during the month and no professional calls on the phonenumber.

Our next Regional PR Committee meeting will be on October 09, 2019 at 7:00pm at Trinity Church (Brownstone), 345 Main St., Portland, CT 06480.

Policy -

I reviewed a good portion of the policy. I received some input and am grateful for the help on a few items, but it was also conflicting in nature. As I reported last month I put a google document up of our June 2019 policy for the purpose of soliciting input from any member of the fellowship who wished to provide input after announcing here it would be online and a link on the webpage. . Essentially the process used for the archive policy using a google document to open input up to the entirety of the region participate in the process. I and every member who wished to identify what subjectively were seen as consolidations or clarifications. The input was limited strictly to efforts to consolidate and identify any policies that the member read and believed the actual instruction in the policy might not be to do what an author intended it to do.

In this case I thought some space along with creating a single flowing though on motion postponements might be an improvement and save time finding the information.

Current:

- III.C.3.d.ii. **The first time the motion is made and seconded it is considered approved and the postponement will be for two months.**
- III.C.3.d.iii. **If the motion is offered subsequently, it must state the length of the postponement and requires a simple majority to be approved.**
- III.C.3.d.iv. **After the motion to postpone is approved (either the first or subsequent times), the discussion and amendment process shall continue; only the vote on the passage of the main motion is postponed.**

Alternative:

- III.C.3.d.ii. **The first time the motion is made and seconded it is considered approved and the postponement will be for two months. If the motion is offered subsequently, it must state the length of the postponement and requires a simple majority to be approved. Only the final vote is postponed discussion and the amendment process continue.**
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Current:

- IV.C.1.a.v. **A good working knowledge of the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions of NA.**
- IV.C.1.a.vi. **Leadership ability.**
- IV.C.1.a.vii. **Ability to organize.**
- IV.C.1.a.viii. **Ability to communicate.**

Alternative:

A working knowledge of NA's guiding principles.

Does it say essentially the same thing with less space?

Current:

- IV.B.1.a.vii. **It is recommended that no officer serve more than two (2) consecutive terms**

Alternative:

- IV.B.1.a.vii. **No officer may be elected to serve more than two (2) consecutive full terms. In the event no other suitable nominees or volunteers are present an officer may be elected to a third term on an ad hoc basis with the commitment considered open till such time as the year is completed or a replacement elected. No member shall serve a 4th consecutive term in any form.**

We never treated it as a recommendation and have had people continue on an ad hoc basis.....it has been pointed out that people can serve ad hoc for long periods if not left open and perhaps times have changed, and we should treat it as a recommendation.

Policy says what it says.....period. If it needs interpretation it is unfair to the membership. Policy that needs interpretation can mean one thing one day and another the next depending on the whim of the person with that authority. Myself I wouldn't want it. I place no value on this but question if the instruction was the intent of the originator as did others in the following but recommend deleting.

V.A.9 That any Subcommittee, Resource Position or Ad Hoc Committee that wants to spend NA funds in excess of \$250.00 submit a written request to the RSC at least 60 days in advance. The request must include an itemized breakdown of funds requested. (i.e. travel, lodging, tolls, event costs, merchandise, etc.) This request must be voted on before any funds are disbursed.

This policy identifies who it refers to the amount of money and the need for a written request in one clear instruction ending in a sentence.

Does it refer to previously approved line items?

It does not require a motion simply a written request.

It does not table to or postpone for area consideration it only states it be given 60 days in advance of disbursement. Because no reference to handling a motion is made as in the motion shall be tabled to areas for 60 days but instead simply says it must be submitted 60 days in advance there is no requirement the written request be in a motion. If a report includes a written request to spend already approved funds and is approved does that meet the requirement? It is in writing. The intent is not the issue the issue is the motion is subject to interpretation to a degree whoever does so can define it as "meaning" many things because of what it literally says. Policy is literal. There is more but I think that is enough to create challenges in applying this as written. It was made clear to me the purpose of this was accountability and before 250 dollars was expensed RCMS wanted to vote on an itemized request. It was never explained why only some trusted servants and not others needed to be held to that level of accountability. By adding the same language to the budget requirements, it would require the same detail. I had assumed there was not a desire to approve the same line item twice. If that is what you wish to do with some trusted servants only this will accomplish that " On budgeted expenses over 250.00 the region must be given an itemized written request including but not limited to travel, lodging, tolls, event costs, merchandise by Committee chairs, Resource positions and ad hoc chairs. The Treasurer shall disburse no funds till such a time as a second motion to approve those line items in that specific form has been referred to areas for 60 days and approved" That says you want to vote on some things in itemized form a second time from some members before spending the money . The following already requires budgets be itemized FYI does it not? It would require just ignoring procedures for reconsidering a previously decided motion which requires it be done by the prevailing side. The budgets are already supposed to be itemized

Current:

III.C.1.c. Any motion having financial impact on the Fellowship shall include an itemized estimate of expenses. (2/27/93)

Alternative:

III.C.1.c.1 Any motion requiring expenditures not currently budgeted shall be itemized and the line item that is the source of funding identified. If the expense requires an increase in the budget it shall be referred to areas for 90 days unless the Chair rules a timelier response is needed in which case for 30 days. (2/27/93)

The above is if we want to avoid the extensive sidebar discussions as happened a few months ago when attempting to provide a small amount of unbudgeted funding.

Current:

V.B.2.b. If a Regional trusted servant is budgeted to attend an event and that event should be canceled, the funds allocated for attendance of this servant shall be eliminated from this budget and prudent reserve adjusted accordingly

Alternative:

V. B. 2.b Travel in budgets requiring expenses beyond mileage shall include the event being traveled to and an explanation of the benefits to the Region when presented including, tolls, lodging, event costs. if budgeted travel does not take place the funds shall be removed from the budget.

Again though if the goal is to do a second approval process with some trusted servant expenditures none of the potential changes would be needed but you could always still require the itemization in the budget as well it already states they are to be itemized.....This being a resubmission I will add we will have an ad hoc an hr. before region to continue this project but at the end I will be making no motions. I will report recommendations and leave it to the voting members whether to act or not. This will be a quick review to allow anything to be completed before my term so I can leave you a current policy.

Schedule Facilitator -

2,375 meeting schedules sold within the Fellowship, totaling \$332.50
 3,000 meeting schedules transferred to RSC Subcommittees
 880 meeting schedules sold to outside customers, totaling \$176.00

# of schedules	Jul - 19	Aug - 19	Sep - 19	Oct - 19	Nov - 19	Dec - 19
BEGINNING	18,000	9,545				
Sold to Areas	4,000	2,375				
Subcommittees	3,000	3,000				
Outside Sales	1,455	880				
Sample / Recycled						
TOTAL SOLD	8,455	6,255				
New Schedule Printing			18,000			
REMAINING	9,545	3,290				

Web Servant & Web Servant Alternate -

We are still receiving submissions from the survey that we put up for the SPC (Strategic Planning Committee) and there is now 108 people registered. Please announce at meetings about the mailing list. I have had positive feedback on it, but not many people know it exists.

We have made a few more adjustments to the mailing list over the course of the last month and it is being sent out every Thursday at 6pm.

All emails have been responded to and all flyers submitted have been put up on the website.

We are still working on a more practical solution for event/announcement/etc. submissions as well as looking into a better solution for handling events. We have gotten some feedback from members about some issues with filling out forms and suggestions on having a form for announcements and other misc information, so we are working on making it so we can have different forms but keep it so it is manage-able (this is a more difficult task than it may seem).

We also have an issue that we are addressing with our events calendar where a feature that we were using is now only available as a paid add on. We are working on a new solution for this. The thought is if we are going to pay to have this feature, we should also look at other options which can offer us this feature along with other worthwhile features. We are hoping to find a way to get calendar events to be able to automatically populate into the email blast without having to take the current additional steps to achieve this.

We had 5,084 hits on the website in the past 30 days, so website usage is steadily increasing. Roughly 65% of those hits were for the meeting search.

Strategic Planning Workgroup -

We met on August 22nd at 700pm at the Portland Senior Center located on Waverly Ave in Portland just off main street. The meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

There were 5 addicts in attendance.

We are continuing to receive and review survey data responses from our members (175) responses.

We found that 8% of respondents have no home group and have not acquired a sponsor. 10% do not have a service commitment, 38% are active at their home groups, 21% at the ASC, 15% are involved on Subcommittees, and 5% at the RSC, and 6% have never held a service commitment at any level. 84% of respondents when asked found service to be enjoyable. However, when asked if they viewed service meetings as organized 55% responded were either neutral and or disagreed. And when asked if service was too complicated 42% responded neutral and or agreed.

Our email campaign to date has received 108 submissions. The level of engagement and how often individuals open and click on the link to view more information has changed little since last month, 40% are highly engaged, 19% will sometimes open the link and 22% rarely open and click the link.

We have begun to scout sites throughout the state for the December World Sponsorship Day event including Newington, New Haven, and Hamden. And will continue to review sites along with overall agenda and topics for the event.

Please keep in mind that the workgroup would like to continue to serve at this capacity and become a standing committee of the RSC body. We will be submitting a budget for the 2020 fiscal year in Dec along with the other committees.

Our next scheduled meeting will be held September 26th at 7pm Portland Senior Center on Waverly Ave in Portland. We will be continuing our discussions on survey data and how we can increase member involvement in upcoming workshops, learning days and annual events

We want to extend an open invitation to the fellowship and welcome your input and participation.

Writing Steps for Recovery -

Holy Trinity Church, 381 Main Street Middletown CT

9-12-2019 7:00 PM

Meeting opened by Sue G with a moment of silence followed by serenity prayer.

No new Step Guides were present for orientation.

12 Tradition read by Sue G.

12 Concepts read by Jim K.

Laura Beth C reported via text message: Men Step Writers- New Assigned 2, Continuing 6, 2 under 90 days.

Laura Beth C reported: 7 new male writers 13 continuing.

Joe G reported: 1 new female writer and 3 continuing.

Old Business:

Jim K's position as mail coordinator is completed, Position open to the fellowship.

Jim is fulfilling position until it can be filled.

New Business: - none

Motion to close at 7:30 p.m.

**CT Regional Service Committee
2019 Attendance Contact Information**

Admin Committee	Name	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Chair	Alex W.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Vice Chair	Andrew S.		X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
Treasurer	Gail S.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Treasurer (Alt)	OTF												
Secretary	Bill B.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X			
Regional Delegate	Troy B.	X		X		X	X		X	X			
Regional Delegate (Alt)	Bryan D.	X	X	X	X	X		X		X			

Area RCM

Central Connecticut	John S.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Central Connecticut (Alt)													
Greater Danbury				X									
Greater Danbury (Alt)				X									
Greater Hartford	Chick K.	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			
Greater Hartford (Alt)		X											
Greater New Haven	Brian M.	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X			
Greater New Haven (Alt)	Brian F.	X	X	X	X	X	X			X			
Greater Waterbury	Christine T.	X	X			X	X		X	X			
Greater Waterbury (Alt)	Brian M.							X	X				
Mid-State Unity	Tommy F.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Mid-State Unity (Alt)													
Southern Fairfield County	Claire B.		X	X	X	X	X		X				
Southern Fairfield County (Alt)		X	X	X									
Tunxis Valley	Sara P.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X			
Tunxis Valley (Alt)	Jeremy Z.	X	X	X	X	X				X			
United Shoreline	Mike R.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
United Shoreline (Alt)	Amanda H.						X	X	X	X			
RSC Quorum = 5		8	8	8	6	8	8	6	8	7			

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Sub & Resource	Name	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
H&I Chair	Josh K.		X	X	X		X	X		X			
PR Chair	Adam H.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
WSR Chair	Michael C.				X	X	X	X		X			
BOD Exec. Director	Howard T.			X	X		X		X				
Convention Chair	George D.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Policy Facilitator	Bob L.			X		X	X	X	X	X			
Web Servant	Bill W.	X	X	X	X		X	X	X				
Web Servant (Alt)	Garrett W.		X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
Schedule Facilitator	Heather S.		X	X	X		X	X	X	X			
Strategic Planning Workgroup	Marc L.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			