

TUNXIS VALLEY AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE AUGUST 2020 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

The TVASC met on August 2, 2020 on Zoom. Meeting was called to order in the usual manner. The 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts were read. There were 9 groups out of 26 present, 9 groups had voting rights.

ELECTIONS:

Vice Chair: OTF. Please announce at groups.

Alt. Treasurer: OTF. Please announce at groups.

Vice Policy Chair: OTF. Please announce at groups.

Alt. RCM: OTF: Please announce at groups.

Activities Treasurer – Sharon B. elected. Congratulations!

OPEN FORUM:

It was clarified that the Friday Night Freedom Group is not operating as a hybrid meeting. The Group is actually holding two separate meetings. One in-person at the meeting place and one still being held on Zoom. Attendees have the option of choosing either.

A question was asked, “A member was told that when the meeting reopens we have to register the meeting. How do we do that?” Answer: Any meeting opening back up will need to fill out the meeting information form completely and it will get back up on the meeting search. To go directly to Meeting Change Form Link: <https://ctna.org/meeting-information-form/> This is on the Regional website ctna.org. Click on the link and fill out the form.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CHAIR: Present. Nothing to report.

VICE CHAIR: OTF.

SECRETARY: Present. Minutes read and accepted.

TREASURER: Present. Report read and accepted. Beginning Balance: \$801.69. Deposit – Groups Fund Flow: \$322.90 Area Literature Order Deposit: \$0.00. Subtotal Bank Balance: \$1,124.59 Expenses: \$0.00. Ending Checkbook Balance: \$1,124.59. Prudent Reserve 25% of Budget: \$2,217.23. Actual Balance (1,092.64) BELOW PRUDENT RESERVE. Groups who have Fundflow for TVASC may send checks to: TVASC, P. O. Box 431, Plainville, CT 06062 or by Pay Pal to email address: Ronnpk@aol.com which goes directly into the TVASC Account.

ALT. TREASURER: OTF.

POLICY CHAIR: Present. Requested to be provided with the current Activities Policy. Heather will send it to Mike, Policy Chair for review. The new 2020 TVASC updated Policy has been posted to the TVA Area Page on Connecticut NA Region Website (ctna.org). When groups return to their meeting places, TVA will decide if we are going to print paper copies for groups. The new updated Policy is available to download online at: https://ctna.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/TVA-POLICY-May_15_2020_Final.pdf

VICE POLICY CHAIR: OTF.

RCM: Present. Report accepted. Region reviewed the meeting information form that needs to be completed by all meetings that are re-opening. Meeting Change Form Link: <https://ctna.org/meeting-information-form/>

The CTCNA Convention is postponed until January 2022. Convention Committee brought up the possibility of doing a “Virtual Convention” during the pandemic but it was voted against.

There was discussion about Areas trusting RCM’s to vote if Groups aren’t meeting.

Anyone who attends Region on Zoom has to go through the Lobby now and be screened for admittance as an extra safety precaution. This will be handled by the host.

ALT. RCM: OTF.

LITERATURE CHAIR: Present. Now accepting new orders. Holding Literature that was previously ordered until Groups return to their meeting places. If any Group has a specific need to obtain their Literature Order, please contact the Literature Chair Garrett W. 860-685-1677.

H&I: Present. Report read and accepted. See attached minutes. Tuesday Panel for Farrell Treatment needs 2 male members. Discussion about bringing in Speaker Tapes/CD’s especially to Hospital Facilities that have been closed to H&I coming in for so long and will most likely be the last to allow H&I back in again.

PR: Present. Report read and accepted. See attached minutes. Presentation Chair OTF.

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Meeting ID: 481-352-938 Password: 00000

Next meeting is August 19, 2020 at 6:30 on Zoom. Meeting ID: 833 1070 3097. (possibly may meet in Church Parking lot).

ACTIVITIES: Present. Report read and accepted. See attached minutes. Discussion about the possibility of upcoming Halloween Dance, Thanksgiving and Christmas Marathon Meetings. Need to find out the number of persons the Church will allow inside for an event in order to plan a Halloween Dance.

Next Meeting August 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. on Zoom. Meeting ID: 74349702654 Password: 4FrQVV.

GROUP REPORTS:

BACK TO BASICS: ABSENT

EARLY STEPPING: ABSENT

FREEDOM TO LIVE: ABSENT

FRIDAY NIGHT FREEDOM: PRESENT. Resumed meeting at Church and still also being held on Zoom.

GENESIS: ABSENT

HIGH ON RECOVERY: PRESENT. Meeting at the Rose Garden at Walnut Hill Park 6 pm Saturdays until able to return to the Church.

ISSUES: PRESENT. Meeting is re-opened at the Church. Meets Wednesdays at 7 pm.

LIFELINE TO RECOVERY: PRESENT. Meeting is re-opened at Right Now Ministries. Mondays 5:30 pm.

MAKING HEADWAY: PRESENT

MIRACLES ON ARCH: ABSENT

MONDAY NIGHT MIRACLES: ABSENT
NOT ALONE GROUP: ABSENT
PRINCIPLES BEFORE PERSONALITIES: PRESENT. Meeting in Rockwell Park until September.
PROMISE IS FREEDOM: ABSENT
REACH WITHIN: ABSENT
SATURDAY MORNING SURRENDER: ABSENT
SPRING INTO RECOVERY: ABSENT
STEPS ARE THE KEY: ABSENT
STOP AND RECOVER: ABSENT
SUNDAY MORNING SERENITY: PRESENT, Meeting is continuing on Zoom until further notice.
SUNDAY NIGHT SANITY: ABSENT
SUNDAY NIGHT SURRENDER: PRESENT
THRU THE STEPS: ABSENT
TRUST THE DREAM: PRESENT
WITHIN REACH: ABSENT
WOMEN WITH HOPE: ABSENT

GROUPS PRESENT WITH VOTING RIGHTS: Friday Night Freedom, Issues, Lifeline to Recovery Principles Before Personalities, Sunday Morning Serenity, Sunday Night Surrender, Trust the Dream.

GROUPS WITH NO VOTING RIGHTS: (need 2 consecutive attendances): Back to Basics, Early Stepping, Miracles on Arch, Monday Night Miracles, Not Alone Group, Promise is Freedom, Reach Within, Saturday Morning Surrender, Spring into Recovery, Steps are the Key, Stop and Recover, Sunday Night Sanity, Thru the Steps, Within Reach, Women With Hope.

GROUPS ELIGIBLE TO REGAIN RIGHTS IN SEPTEMBER IF PRESENT: High on Recovery, Making Headway.

GROUPS LOSING RIGHTS IN SEPTEMBER IF NOT PRESENT: Genesis, Freedom to Live.

OLD BUSINESS: Discussion took place at July TVASC meeting about our options for the August TVASC Meeting. The choices presented were: 1) Returning to South Church in person and following the rules set forth by South Church. 2) Developing a “hybrid” Meeting so addicts can choose to attend in person or by Zoom; or 3) Continue on Zoom and revisit the subject at next TVASC. One main concern was the current limit of 25 attendees and TVASC does not turn away any addict from attending. A straw poll was taken and it was unanimous that we will continue on Zoom for next TVASC and revisit the subject at next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: More discussion took place with members voicing their opinions in regards to their feelings about the safety and comfortability of returning to an in-person meeting for TVASC. It was brought up that there has been no change to the 25 PERSONS attendance limit for indoor meetings thus far. TVASC maintains the principle of not turning away any addict wishing to attend the meeting. There were no objections to meeting on Zoom for the September TVASC Meeting.

AGENDA: Motion made to postpone the next TVASC Meeting to September 13, 2020 as the first Sunday in September (9/6) is Labor Day Weekend Holiday. There were no objections.

TVASC closed in the usual manner. The next TVASC meeting will be September 13, 2020 at 1:00 PM on Zoom. Here is the Zoom link for September TVASC meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/124408128> Password: 06051

In loving service,
Doreen S.



TVA PUBLIC RELATIONS July 2020

TVA Public Relations met on July 15th at 6:30 via zoom. Opened in the usual manner.

Elections: Presentation Chair is OTF

Chair report: Steph got the supplies from the previous chair, and some of the proceeds from the sale of bracelets. There's no definitive news from the church on reopening, sometime in Sept. is still the approx. date.

V. Chair: No report

Secretary: Minutes read and accepted.

Old Business:

- We discussed holding the subcommittee meeting as a "hybrid", as many meetings are experimenting with this with positive results. We will need permission from the church to meet in the parking lot. Kim has offered to use her hot spot on her phone to provide internet connection for a laptop to access zoom for members that don't want to meet in person just yet.
- Presentations are still on hold.
- Now that Steph has the supplies, we can go through and find the list of locations of literature racks so we are ready to refill when we are able.

New Business:

- Phone line shifts were discussed. Adam will set us up with the phone line coordinator so we can map out the shifts. Before we do that, we need to dial in what requirements we want (or already have) in place for who takes shifts for the phone line for TVA and stick to that going forward.
- Bracelets: We will revisit what to do with the remaining bracelets and funds collected so far. Heather S. and Miranda D. will need to be contacted for their bracelets/funds.

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TVA H&I Minutes July 20th 2020

We opened the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer. 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts were read.

There were 4 members present, 3 members with voting rights. No addicts were orientated.

Chair report: Read and accepted.

Secretary report: Read and accepted.

Group reports:

- Bristol Hospital Sunday: Not meeting. No report.
- Farrell Treatment Tuesday: Now bringing in a Zoom meeting. Panel members are alternating speaking. Needs 2 male members.
- Bristol Hospital Wednesday: Not meeting. No report.
- Manson Youth Thursday: Not meeting. No report.
- Bristol Hospital Saturday: Not meeting. No report.
- Farrell Treatment Saturday: Not meeting. No report.

Old Business: None

New Business: Lap tops for Zoom meetings at Farrell house. Possibly bring a Zoom meeting in to Bristol Hospital. Looking into a fundraiser to raise money for lap top. Also brought up was speaker tapes/CDs to play for H&I panels when a meeting cannot be brought in.

In loving service
Jill



TVA Activities Subcommittee of Narcotics Anonymous

Meeting July 21, 2020

Opened at 6:00 pm with the Serenity Prayer.

ELECTIONS:

- Secretary and Alt. Treasurer are OTF

OPEN FORUM:

- Treasurer report: None
- Talk about the Thanksgiving and Christmas marathons.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Chair was sent to Area to get voted in and was voted in.

NEW BUSINESS:

We are sending are recommendation for Treasurer to Area.

Talked about staying on Zoom for another month. We will visit it next month.

Talked about Halloween Dance. We will re-visit next month. Have to wait to see about how many attendees we can have.

Motion: To call the church by September for possible in person marathon meetings for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

We will be meeting on Zoom August 18, 2020 at 6 pm.

ZOOM MEETING ID: 74349702654

PASSWORD: 4FrQVV

MOTION TO CLOSE AT 6:26 pm.

MEETING CLOSED WITH SERENITY PRAYER.

Next meeting is August 18, 2020 at 6:00 pm. On Zoom

{Normal meeting place is Grace Episcopal Church, 124 Maple Hill St., Newington CT}