



Connecticut Regional Service Committee Minutes
May 15, 2021

The CTRSC met virtually, using Zoom. The Chairperson opened the meeting at 2:00pm with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer. The 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts were read.

Roll Call:

Chair	John K.	X	Policy Facilitator	OTF	
Vice-Chair	OTF		Schedule Facilitator	OTF	
Secretary	OTF		Web Servant	Garrett W.	X
Treasurer	Gail S.	X	Alt. Web Servant	OTF	
Alt. Treasurer	OTF		Central Connecticut Area	Absent	
Regional Delegate	Troy B.	X	Greater Danbury Area	Absent	
Alt. Delegate	Al W.	X	Greater Hartford Area	Chick K.	
Board of Directors	Ron W.		Greater New Haven Area	Absent	
Convention	Joyce R.		Greater Waterbury Area	Bob L.	X
Fellowship Development	Marc L.		Mid-State Unity Area	Absent	
Hospitals & Institutions	OTF		Southern Fairfield County Area	Andy L.	X
Public Relations	Adam H.	X	Tunxis Valley Area	OTF - Nick P.	X
Writing Steps for Recovery	OTF - Sue S.	X	United Shoreline Area	Vanessa P.	X
			Ad-Hoc - History of CT NA	Alex W.	X

Recognition of New Areas: None

Secretary's Minutes: There were no minutes from April.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORTS

Chairperson: John K. – Report submitted.

Vice Chair: OTF

Treasurer: - Gail S. – Report submitted.

The RSC opening balance was \$4,454.75. Donations received were \$3,466.28. Expenditures were \$1,094.17. Fund flow to World was \$3,621.09. The RSC balance is \$3,265.77 which is Prudent Reserve.

The schedule opening balance was \$2,423.57. Sales were \$0.00. Expenditures were \$0.00 leaving a schedule balance of \$2,423.57

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The checkbook balance is \$5,689.34

No quorum so we couldn't vote on the report.

Alternate Treasurer: OTF

Regional Delegate (RD) & Alternate Delegate (AD): Troy B. & Al W. – Al read the report.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Board of Directors (BOD): Ron W. & Kayla H. – Absent. Report sent in.

Convention: Joyce R. – Absent. No report.

Fellowship Development (FD): Marc L. – Absent. Report sent in.

Hospitals & Institutions (H&I): Alex W. – Report submitted and read.

Q: I sent in the application. Will they do the ID cards on site? A: If they have photograph on site that's all they need. But I will ask the DOC Liaison to doublecheck.

Q: There will be two shirts this year... one is a pandemic shirt that will only be pre-ordered? A: We don't even have a design yet. Q: You will have shirts at the Pig Roast? A: Yes.

Public Relations (PR): Adam H. – Report submitted and read.

Q: Member in nursing homes see addicts who break bones, etc. and they are put on pain meds and then just cut off (and loose).

Q: A lot of Areas have done bus signs or billboards. Do we notice an increase in calls or attendance? A: No formal study done but informally we have never noticed any significant increase in either calls or attendance.

Writing Steps for Recovery (WSR): Sue S. – Report submitted and read.

There was some discussion about getting WSR info updated on the website.

RESOURCE POSITION REPORTS

Policy Facilitator: OTF

Schedule Facilitator: OTF

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Web Servant & Alternate Web Servant: Garrett W. – Report submitted and read.

Q: Where are previous reports? Are they on the site or not? A: I don't think they're on the site. We'll see what we can do to address that.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

History of NA in CT: - Alex W. – Report submitted and read.

Q: Thank you for the presentation at the Why It Works event. The early members came from AA and I think we maybe pushed out some of those members when NA really got going in the mid-80s.

Q: Are we trying to set something up through the website? Is this going to be an ongoing thing?

A: We have been interviewing longtime members who started the fellowship in CT. And we've gotten stories and documents and other memorabilia entrusted to us. So we want to scan it and get it up on the website.

Q: That Zoom reunion... was that public or private? A: It was during the Why It Works event. It wasn't planned... it just happened.

AREA REPORTS

CCA – absent.

GDA – absent.

GHA – absent.

GNHA – absent

GWA – Bob L. – 5 GSRs present. Quorum is based on average, so we hit quorum. PR no chair but meetings. H&I back into a facility. One new group in attendance (a virtual meeting). Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Policy, PR chair all OTF. Discussion about moving to physical and doing hybrid. Cinco De Mayo event was good. Campout happening in June. Brought up concern about convention being cancelled.

MSUA – absent.

SFCA – Andy L. – Chair had to step down but recommended another and that person was elected. One GSR reported to her group that we did that, and it was pointed out that it was in violation of policy that it should go out to the fellowship. Some groups are returning in-person.

TVA – Nick P. – Meet hybrid. Had about 15 GSRs present. RCM and Alt. RCM, Alt. Policy, Secretary, Activities Chair all OTF. Learning Day on 5/22. Moved meeting place a larger place and handicapped accessible and are switching to just in-person.

USA – Vanessa P. – PR Chair, Alt. Treasurer, and RCM are OTF. Rockfest on 5/22. Ad-Hoc to put together a convention.

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SHARING SESSION

- WSR Flyer – There was discussion that the flyer should just inform about service Narcotics Anonymous in Connecticut can provide and less about how our internal processes and service structure (the subcommittees). From an external perspective, we're all Narcotics Anonymous and they just need to know that writing the steps with inmates is a service that NA in Connecticut provides. Also, a mention that a larger business card type format might be better than a full-page flyer.
- There was also a questions for WSR... something about needing Spanish speaking members to write. Should they attend the meetings? Yeah, or just give them my number because we have an inmate waiting.
- Web Portal – The Webservant is going to work on a regional portal, with online forms for use during the RSC... motion form, sharing session form, disbursement request form, etc.
- Technical Development Committee – The Webservant brought up the idea of Technical Development committee or workgroup. There's been three of us doing it for over 2 years and it might be good to split the jobs up and get more people improved. Worst case scenario it stays the three of us. Various discussion about name workgroup vs. committee, policy changes would need to be made, etc. **Chair created an ad-hoc to come up findings. Garrett is chair of that.**
- Reach out to hospital to see if they have any idea when we might be able to meet in-person again. Alex will do that and cc: John.
- RD Report questions – can RCMs please email responses to RD/AD.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion #1 (02/20/2021): To approve the WSR Committee budget for 2021-2022

	2020-2021 APPROVED	2020-2021 SPENT	2021-2022 PROPOSED
WRITING STEPS FOR RECOVERY			
Rent	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Stationary/Printing	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Mailing Costs	\$500.00	\$186.85	\$500.00
Literature	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$60.00
Learning Day	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
PO Box <i>(Due May)</i>	\$130.00	\$143.00	\$146.00
TOTALS	\$1,270.00	\$329.85	\$1,056.00

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Motion #1 (02/20/2021): To approve the Fellowship Development budget for 2021-2022

	2020-2021 APPROVED	2020-2021 SPENT	2021-2022 PROPOSED
FELLOWSHIP DEVELOPMENT			
Rent	\$300.00	\$325.00	\$325.00
Copies	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
World Sponsorship Day Event	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Regional Assembly (Biennially)	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$240.00
Future Projects	\$260.00	\$0.00	\$260.00
TOTALS	\$1,450.00	\$325.00	\$1,475.00

We didn't have quorum, so we were unable to vote on business. To be voted on in June.

Motion #1 (03/20/2021) M/S: H&I/USA: To approve the H&I Committee budget for 2021-2022

	2020-2021 APPROVED	2020-2021 SPENT	2021-2022 PROPOSED
HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS			
Rent	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Copies	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Literature	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
Workshops	\$350.00	\$25.00	\$350.00
Schedules	\$2,700.00	\$0.00	\$2,700.00
Workshop Attendance	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Merchandise Per Policy	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
Income	-\$1,200.00	\$0.00	-\$1,200.00
TOTALS	\$4,900.00	\$25.00	\$4,900.00

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ELECTIONS

Vice Chair – OTF. 4 years clean time and completion of one commitment at the CTRSC.

Secretary – OTF. 3 years clean time required. Minutes need to be done within 10 days.

Alt. Treasurer – OTF. 5 years clean time and completion of one NA treasurer commitment required.

Policy Facilitator – OTF. 3 years clean time and six months active involvement in the CTRSC within the last two years required.

Writing Steps for Recovery Chair – OTF. 3 years clean time, minimum 18 years of age, and resident of CT.

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Alt. Webservant – OTF. 2 years clean time, and 6 months prior involvement in the RSC.

Schedule Facilitator – OTF. 2 years clean time, and 6 months prior involvement in the RSC.

NEW BUSINESS

- None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- None

Meeting adjourned at 3:42pm

Next RSC meeting will be held on **June 20, 2021** @ 2:00pm via Zoom.