

TUNXIS VALLEY AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE JUNE 2021 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

The TVASC met on June 6, 2021. Meeting was called to order in the usual manner. The 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts were read. There were 10 groups out of 27 present, 15 groups have voting rights.

ELECTIONS:

Secretary: Doreen S. re-elected.
Treasurer: Tom R. re-elected.
Alternate Treasurer: OTF.
Vice Policy Chair: OTF.
RCM: Ron M. elected.
Alternate RCM: OTF.
Activities Chair: OTF.

Congratulations to all elected Trusted Servants and Thank You for your service!

PLEASE ANNOUNCE POSITIONS STILL OUT TO THE FELLOWSHIP AT GROUPS.

OPEN FORUM:

Pat H., GSR for Genesis reported on the closing of Steps are the Key Group. He received a check from Steps are the Key Group's Treasurer and the check (with the Group's remaining funds) was given to the TVA Treasurer. The remaining supplies will be put in the TVA Storage Space with the exception of the "little blue books" which Pat asked for permission to give them to Genesis. There were no objections, so those books are being donated to Genesis Group.

Tom R., TVA Treasurer brought to our attention that the P.O. Box renewal fee has increased significantly. It was \$118.00 per year and has increased by \$28.00 to \$146.00. Voting on the expense change was done in New Business.

We are still waiting to hear on the status of Monday Night Miracles and Woman with Hope Group. Both groups are reported as struggling and close to folding. Both Groups will close if needed Addict Support does not take place as soon as possible. In regard to Monday Night Miracles Group as reported in the TVA Chair Report this month:

"Trusted members of the "Monday Night Miracles" group that meets in Bristol on Monday Nights asked me to mention to this area that they will not be able to re-open the meeting and many people have been asking about when it will re-open. **If someone would like to have an ad-hoc meeting to see if this is something that can be re-opened, that would be great.** The church is requiring names and phone numbers for contact tracing, which is why it has not been opened back up yet, but that shouldn't stop a meeting from opening, many groups still do contact tracing."

Regarding the new Polish Speaking Group Dany Rade: A motion will need to be brought to TVASC to vote in the group to join Tunxis Valley Area and be added to the roll call.

For any groups who have not seen this information yet: Any changes to a meeting will need to have the group 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. Report read and accepted. See attached report.

VICE CHAIR: Absent. No report.

SECRETARY: Present. Minutes read and accepted. It was brought up as a reminder of the motion that passed at TVASC Meeting 4-11-2021, that all reports from Executive and Subcommittee trusted servants must be emailed and received by the TVA Secretary by 7 p.m. the Saturday night before TVASC meets. If your report is not received by 7 pm the night before, it will not be attached to the email sent to all GSR's, Alternate GSR's, Executive Committee and Subcommittee Members prior to the meeting so that all will have a chance to review the reports prior to the meeting.

TREASURER: Present. Report read and accepted. See attached report. 6-6-2021 Actual Balance **\$338.49 ABOVE PRUDENT RESERVE.** **Please Note: Tunxis Valley Area is no longer accepting Fundflow by PayPal.** Fundflow may be turned in at TVASC Meeting in person at First Church of Christ, 830 Corbin Avenue, New Britain **OR** Groups may mail checks to: TVASC, P. O. Box 431, Plainville, CT 06062.

ALT. TREASURER: OTF.

POLICY CHAIR: Absent. No report.

The new 2020 TVASC updated Policy has been posted to the TVA Area Page on Connecticut NA Region Website (ctna.org). When the pandemic is over, 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: Position was OTF prior to today's (6-6-2021) meeting. Newly elected RCM Ron M. will assume the position and first report will be at July TVASC Meeting. See attached CT Region Reports that were submitted by TVA Chair.

Next Regional Meeting is June 19, 2020 2:00 p.m. on Zoom. Anyone who attends Region on Zoom has to go through the Lobby and be screened for admittance as an extra safety precaution. This will be handled by the host.

ALT. RCM: OTF.

LITERATURE CHAIR: Present. Report read. Literature Chair can only accept the completed order forms and Money Orders (payments) must be submitted with the completed order form. Orders can be picked up outside in the parking lot after the monthly TVASC Meeting at First Church of Christ.

For any group needing paper copies of schedules, the printable meeting schedules have been implemented. These can be found here <https://ctna.org/find-a-meeting/>. We broke the region up mostly by geographical areas rather than by ASC. This is partly due to some areas having some meetings that cross geographical lines.

The user-friendly TVA Literature order form (in both printable PDF **OR** Excel Spreadsheet with self-calculating format) is available on the TVA Area Page on ctna.org. This order form can be completed and emailed to Garrett, Literature Chair, for easy ordering. Please note: The Literature Chair must receive your group's payment for your order before he can place it. Here is the link (scroll down and find them under "Area Documents and Forms"): <https://ctna.org/areas/tva/>

H&I: Absent. Report was submitted. See attached Report.

PR: Absent. Report was submitted and read by Nick P., TVA Chair. See attached Report.

ACTIVITIES: Activities Chair and Vice Chair are OTF. Activities was represented at June TVASC Meeting by Sharon B., Activities Treasurer, who brought up concerns regarding Activities Subcommittee which were reported in New Business. No monthly report was submitted for Activities. **ACTIVITIES NEEDS ADDICT SUPPORT.**

Next Meeting is Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. on Zoom.

PLEASE NOTE NEW ZOOM MEETING LOGIN:

TVA Activities subcommittee meeting Meeting Virtually, Zoom Meeting ID: 869 5407 1711, Password: 06111

Join URL: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86954071711?pwd=TnpheWxxWTBVMU80a2ZxZUhaVjUvdz09>

GROUP REPORTS:

BACK TO BASICS: ABSENT

EARLY STEPPING: PRESENT. In-person meetings at Bristol Recovery Club, 67 West St, Bristol, CT on Sundays, 10:30 a.m.

FREEDOM TO LIVE: PRESENT. In-person meetings at Church of Christ, 1075 Main Street, Newington, CT 6:30 p.m. (in the Basement). THIS MEETING ALSO still available Hybrid on Zoom.

FRIDAY NIGHT FREEDOM: PRESENT. Meeting in person.

GENESIS: PRESENT. Secretary is OTF. Fundflow \$70.00

HIGH ON RECOVERY: ABSENT. Meeting in-person at First Church of Christ, 830 Corbin Ave., New Britain 6 p.m. Saturdays. GSR, Alt. GSR are OTF.

ISSUES: ABSENT. Meeting in-person at the Church, 55 Chapman St., New Britain, CT Wednesdays at 7 pm. Secretary, GSR and Alt. GSR OTF.

LIFELINE TO RECOVERY: ABSENT. Meeting in-person, 147 West Main Street, New Britain, Mondays 5:30 pm. GSR & Alt. GSR are OTF.

MAKING HEADWAY: ABSENT. Reopened at Bridge Community Church, 43 School Street, Bristol, CT, Thursdays, 7 – 8:15 p.m.

MIRACLES ON ARCH: ABSENT. **IN URGENT NEED OF ADDICT SUPPORT.**

MONDAY NIGHT MIRACLES: ABSENT. **IN URGENT NEED OF ADDICT SUPPORT.**

NOT ALONE GROUP: PRESENT. Secretary, Treasurer, GSR & Alt. GSR OTF.

PRINCIPLES BEFORE PERSONALITIES: ABSENT.

PROMISE IS FREEDOM: ABSENT.

REACH WITHIN: ABSENT.

RENEGADE RECOVERY: PRESENT. Alt. GSR is OTF. Meets at First Church of Christ, 830 Corbin Ave., New Britain. Thursdays 6 – 7:15 pm. Note: Renegade Recovery is also meeting on Sundays and Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at the Rose Garden at Walnut Hill Park for the Spring and Summer Season.

SATURDAY MORNING SURRENDER: ABSENT. Meeting at South Church, 90 Main Street, New Britain, Saturdays 10:00 a.m. Treasurer, and Alt. GSR are OTF.

SPIRITUAL SISTERS: ABSENT. Meeting on Zoom. Women's Meeting with Step Writing followed by sharing.

SPRING INTO RECOVERY: ABSENT. 7 pm on Mondays. GSR & Alt. GSR are OTF. Meeting at Walnut Hill Park in the Rose Garden for the Spring - Summer season as they do every year.

STOP AND RECOVER: ABSENT

STEPS ARE THE KEY: GROUP HAS CLOSED.

SUNDAY MORNING SERENITY: PRESENT. Meeting now in-person and on Zoom (Hybrid). Fundflow \$108.00

SUNDAY NIGHT SANITY: PRESENT. Meeting at South Church, 90 Main St., New Britain, Sundays 7 pm.

SUNDAY NIGHT SURRENDER: PRESENT. Meeting in-person. United Methodist Church, 99 Summer St., Bristol, 7 p.m. Secretary is OTF. Fundflow \$95.00.

THRU THE STEPS: ABSENT. Meeting is continuing on Zoom. GSR & Alt. GSR are OTF.

TRUST THE DREAM: PRESENT. Meeting reopened at Church. Treasurer and Alt. GSR are OTF

WITHIN REACH: ABSENT. Meeting at South Church, 90 Main St., New Britain, CT, Thursdays, 12:00 p.m.

WOMEN WITH HOPE: ABSENT. Meeting at South Church, 90 Main St., New Britain, CT, Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. Group is struggling and close to folding. **GROUP IS IN URGENT NEED OF ADDICT SUPPORT.**

GROUPS PRESENT WITH VOTING RIGHTS: Early Stepping, Freedom to Live, Friday Night Freedom, Genesis, Not Alone Group, Renegade Recovery, Sunday Morning Serenity, Sunday Nite Sanity, Sunday Night Surrender, Trust the Dream.

GROUPS WITH NO VOTING RIGHTS: (need 2 consecutive attendances): Back to Basics, High on Recovery, Lifeline to Recovery, Miracles on Arch, Monday Night Miracles, Principles Before Personalities, Promise is Freedom, Reach Within, Spring into Recovery, Stop and Recover, Within Reach, Women with Hope.

GROUPS ELIGIBLE TO REGAIN RIGHTS IN JULY IF PRESENT: NONE.

GROUPS LOSING RIGHTS IN JULY IF NOT PRESENT: Issues, Making Headway, Saturday Morning Surrender, Spiritual Sisters, Thru the Steps.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sharon B., Activities Treasurer brought up some concerns about how Activities has been operating during the past year and concerns about lack of sufficient communication among the Subcommittee. Other addicts in attendance added to the discussion of the concerns. It was decided to table the discussion until the next TVASC Meeting. If an Activities Chair and Vice Chair are elected at the June Activities Subcommittee Meeting, this may provide some resolution to the concerns brought up.

Nick, TVA Chair brought up the topic that we need up-to-date paper schedules available for PR, H&I and GSR's to distribute at TVA Groups. Also, schedules dated March 2020 or prior should be discarded as they are not reflective of accurate current meeting times and meeting places. It has been over a year since CT Region printed schedules and as an Area, we need to make them available. Ron M., newly elected RCM was asked to check on the status of CT Region resuming the printing of schedules at the next Regional Meeting.

Motion #1:

To approve the expense change on the Treasurer's Budget for the line item of the annual Post Office Box Renewal Fee which was \$118.00 per year and USPS has increased the renewal fee to \$146.00 per year, a \$28.00 increase. GSR's voted and this motion **PASSED**.

Motion #2:

Motion was made for TVA Area to print 1000 copies + additional copies as needed of the local schedule that is available on the CTNA.org website until the CT Region resumes printing the schedules. The expense for these copies will be paid from the Treasurer's Budget from the normally allocated line item for schedules (that normally is paid to Region for the schedules and has not been used in over a year). GSR's voted and this motion **PASSED**.

Motion #3:

Motion was made to postpone the next TVASC Meeting to Sunday, July 11, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. as the first Sunday in July falls on the July 4th Holiday. GSR's voted and this motion **PASSED**.

AGENDA: No Agenda items.

TVASC closed in the usual manner. **The next TVASC meeting will be July 11, 2021 at 1:00 PM. in person only at First Church of Christ, 830 Corbin Avenue, New Britain, CT**

In loving service,
Doreen S.



T.V.A.S.C CHAIR REPORT

JUNE 6, 2021

Sub-Committee Days & Time:

Activities: Meets on zoom 3rd Tuesday of the month from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Meeting ID: 869 5407 1711 Password: 06111

Chair and Vice-chair are OTF. This need to be addressed today on the agenda or new business.

Hospital & Institutions: Meets on 3rd Thursday of the month from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Bridge Community Church 43 School Street, Bristol.

Chair – Brandon M.

Public Relations: Meets on 3rd Wednesday of the month from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Bridge Community Church 43 School Street, Bristol.

Chair - Stephanie B.

According to the TVASC policy, in the absence of an RCM or alt-RCM it is the chair of the TVASC's duty to go to region and represent the area. I attended the Region Committee meeting on Saturday May 15. This will be the RCM report for our area:

1. There were not enough areas in attendance so we did not have quorum and were not able to vote on any business. The region fund flowed \$3621. To world and was mentioned that half of the staff at world has been furloughed.
2. H&I chair reported that they are making Pandemic T's which will have to be pre-paid if you want one, more details will be at next region and I will carry that back. They will also be doing Pig Roast T's as well. All H&I area positions are filled except for Hartford.
3. WSR (writing steps for recovery) needs step writers (required 2 years clean and completed your 5th step with an NA sponsor) Must also attend a regular step meeting.
4. The web servant is also looking into developing a committee that will work on the website and not rely on the 2 trusted servants that are currently working on it. The intent is to lighten the load of the servants now as there have been numerous requests for meeting changes and events to be posted. It will also give other addicts a chance to participate on the website.
5. Because there was no quorum, we could not vote in the WSR, FELLOWSHIP DEV., and H&I Budgets.

This was my first region meeting that I actually represented our area and took notes, so I may have left some things out, but I will attach all the region reports to my report. You can look through the information on your own.

What's Happening in our community?

Trusted members of the "Monday Night Miracles" group that meets in Bristol on Monday Nights asked me to mention to this area that they will not be able to re-open the meeting and many people have been asking about when it will re-open. If someone would like to have an ad-hoc meeting to see if this is something that can be re-opened, that would be great. The church is requiring names and phone numbers for contact tracing, which is why it has not been opened back up yet, but that shouldn't stop a meeting from opening, many groups still do contact tracing.

In service,
Nick P. 860-609-1119