



Connecticut Regional Service Committee Minutes
April 16, 2022, 2022

The CTRSC met virtually, using Zoom, Saturday April 16, 2022. The vice - chair opened the meeting at 2:00 pm with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer. The 12 Traditions were read by Gail S. The 12 Concepts were read by Douglas.

Visitors: Kim C. (SFCA web servant), Brigitte J. (new GHA RCM), Douglas (SFCA PR chair), Annie T. (Alt. RCM GNHA)

Q/A/Comments: None

Roll Call:

Chair	John K.	X	IT Services Facilitator	Garrett W.	X
Vice-Chair	Andy L	X	Alt. IT Services Facilitator	OTF	
Secretary	DeAne B	X	Central Connecticut Area	John S.	X
Treasurer	Gail S.	X	Greater Danbury Area	(Steven)	X
Alt. Treasurer	OTF		Greater Hartford Area	Brigitte J.	X
Regional Delegate	Troy B.	X	Greater New Haven Area	Phil T/Annie T	X
Alt. Delegate	Allyse M.	X	Greater Waterbury Area	Bob L (Kayla H.Alt. RCM)	X
Convention	Marc L.	X	Mid-State Unity Area	Adam H.	X
Fellowship Development	OTF		Southern Fairfield County Area	Len B.	X
Board of Directors	Ron W.	X	Tunxis Valley Area	Ron M.	X
Alt. Board of Directors	Kayla H.	X	United Shoreline Area	Steve K.	X
Hospitals & Institutions	Michael (Adrienne)	X	Ad-Hoc - History of CT NA	Alex W.	
Public Relations	(Al D.)	X			
Writing Steps for Recovery	Joe G.	X			
Policy Facilitator	OTF				
Schedule Facilitator	Heather S.	X			

Recognition of New Areas: None

Secretary's Minutes: report read and submitted.

- **Motion: M(MSU)/S(GWA):** To accept the Secretary's Report (**PASSED 9-0-0**)
- *****Any motions that are brought up during the RSC meeting, IT Services will email the motion maker the motion request form. All motions should be formally submitted to IT Services to archive, as well as to the secretary (secretary@ctna.org) so the motion can be accurately worded in the RSC minutes*****

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORTS

Chairperson: John K. – working on certificate of insurance for GDA spiritual breakfast

Vice-Chair: Andy L. – nothing new to report currently.

Treasurer: Gail S. – report read and submitted.

RSC opening balance was \$4508.27. Donations received \$4215.47 Misc. donations were \$255.00 (Free as An Eagle). Expenditures were \$1922.09. Fund flow to World was \$2548.38. The RSC balance is \$4508.27 which is the new prudent reserve.

The schedule opening balance was \$492.17. Sales were \$0.00. Expenditures were \$0.00, leaving a schedule balance of \$492.17

Checkbook balance is \$5000.44.

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Anyone needing reimbursement for expenditures can scan and email form with receipts to treasurer@ctna.org. Received flyers for Convention in California and Las Vegas. They will be available on the website.

- **Motion: M()/S():** To accept the Treasurer's Report.

Alternate Treasurer: OTF

Regional Delegate (RD) & Alternate Delegate (AD): Allyse – report read and submitted.

Q: Any special needs for location of the zonal forum meeting in October? Audio? Visual?

A: No specific requirement. Troy cut out. Troy will send any special needs to John or Dee.

Q: What is the last day to turn in any CAR report votes?

A: Can continue to send in votes until April 22nd.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Convention: Marc L. – report read and submitted.

Hospitals & Institutions (H&I): Michael B. (Adrienne) – report read and submitted.

Public Relations (PR): (Al D.) - report read and submitted.

Q: Is the video only running at one DMV?

A: It will be running at 3 locations, but one at a time on a rotating schedule.

Writing Steps for Recovery (WSR): Joe G. – report read and submitted.

Fellowship Development: OTF – no report.

Board of Directors (BOD): Ron W. – report read and submitted. GNHA, GDA, Alt Tech out to region, USA out to area.

IT Services Planning: Garrett W. – Report submitted and read.

RESOURCE POSITION REPORTS

Policy Facilitator: OTF – no report this month from the ad-hoc committee.

****Ad-hoc committee will meet monthly one hour prior to the RSC meeting until policy is completely updated****

Schedule Facilitator: Heather S. – report read and submitted.

Q: Since area isn't meeting in GHA in person, how do I (GHA) get schedules for the meetings that are now in-person?

A: Contact Heather and she will deliver the schedules. Cost is \$110.00 for 1000 schedules.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

History of NA in CT: - Alex W. – absent. In need of help transcribing interviews. If interested, please contact Alex.

AREA REPORTS

CCA: John S. – 10/20 areas present. FF \$536.78. OTF = vice-chair, alt. secretary, alt. RCM, and literature chair.

GDA: RCM OTF (Steven) – 8 weekly meetings. Spiritual luncheon (info on ctna.org website). FF \$176.08.

GHA: Brigitte J. – 2 new GSRs (1 new, 1 returning). FF to region. New H&I chair (Charlie B). Executive committee and H&I budgets OTF for 30 days.

GNHA: Phil – 15 voting groups in attendance. Having a GSR “shin dig” to discuss roles of GSRs and importance in service structure. FF \$231.75. Joe T. new vice-chair. OTF = alt. secretary.

GWA: Kayla H. – 4/11 meetings open. many positions filled. OTF = activities chair.

MSUA: Adam H. – 12 GSRs present. RD budget voted upon. All CAR tallies submitted. Gaming night in Portland – info on website. 12 Step Retreat well attended. FF ~ \$300.00. OTF = alt. RCM, PR chair.

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SFCA: Len B. – 12 GSRs in attendance. FF \$255.00 sent directly to region, by Recovery on the Park. OTF = vice-chair, alt. treasurer, alt. RCM, activities chair, GSR liaison, and literature chair.

TVA: Ron M. – 20/27 GSR in attendance. 19 groups with voting rights. Top of the Hill re-joined area. Many events and anniversary parties happening. Please see website calendar. OTF = all executive board positions, as well as subcommittee positions OTF for 60 days.

USA: Steve K. – hybrid meeting currently, but motion to resume in-person only. Some grievances regarding secretary overstepping her bounds as secretary. Reviewing policy and clean time for positions for ASC. Rock Fest 5/14 at McCook's Point Park in Niantic. OTF = treasurer, alt. treasurer and vice-chair.

SHARING SESSION

ADDING EVENTS TO WEBSITE: Policy has requirements for a flyer to be distributed. Flyers must contain the NA symbol, name of the group, area, subcommittee, or region, contact name and numbers of two trusted servants, date, time, and location of event. Pre-covid, flyers were brought to the RSC meeting. We now have the event submission form on the website. IT Services has the ability to add the event to the website without attaching the flyer if it doesn't meet the requirements.

Asking the region's opinion if events should be added to the calendar or wait until flyer meets all the requirements before posting anything on the calendar.

Q: Can we add the event to the calendar (provided it is a confirmed, legitimately sponsored NA event with base information given), then add the flyer after it has been rectified and approved?

A: Yes, it is easy to attach the flyer to the calendar, after the event has already been listed on the calendar.

IT Services is fine to make the call on posting the event and then attached the corrected flyer afterwards

RCMs – please bring back to areas the criteria for events and flyers being added to the website.

OLD BUSINESS

1.) **RD/RDA budget:** To be voted on at April RSC meeting. Gail briefly reviewed proposed budget. **BUDGET PASSED 8-0-0**

2.) **MOTION: M(RD)/S(MSU):** For the Connecticut Region, as a member-region of the Northeast Zonal Forum, to make a quarterly (every 3 months) contribution to the NEZF in the amount of \$125.00.

INTENT: To participate, along with the other member-regions of the NEZF, in making regular contributions to be used for the NEZF for projects and services throughout the member-regions.

*Amendment M(treasurer)/S(MSU): Provided it doesn't put us below prudent reserve. **OTF for 90 days (to be voted on in May).**

ELECTIONS

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

Public Relations Chair: OTF. 2 years clean time, and 6 months active involvement in the PR subcommittee.

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

Fellowship Development: OTF

GDA: B.O.D. – OTF

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GNHA: B.O.D. – OTF

*USA: B.O.D. – OTF (area).

*****RCMs please announce regional positions OTF at your area meetings*****

NEW BUSINESS

MEETING IN PERSON: Now that the mask mandate is no longer in effect, can we return to the hospital (Middlesex) for the RSC meeting? Do we know what the hospital's regulations are? It would be great to try and meet in person, even if it is a hybrid meeting. Distributing flyers, reports and schedules would be more "conducive for information sharing."

If the hospital isn't letting people in, would it be a good idea to look for alternative locations in the Meriden/Middletown area? Even though the hospital has all the IT equipment and PA equipment, we seldom need to use it, therefore any location would suit our needs.

USA: suggested a location in the Old Saybrook area that would welcome us if we're interested. Plenty of parking, chairs, tables, internet. Al D. to get information on availability and cost.

MSU: Connection to someone that works in the hospital. Even staff meetings must be specially approved. The odds of them letting an outside group in to have a meeting is probably slim.

It was suggested that the RSC body decide if they want to return to in-person meeting. If yes, then we need to find a location that can suit us. May consider returning to the old way of meeting where each area hosted the RSC meeting for 3 months. Then it becomes the responsibility of each area to find a meeting location.

RETURN TO IN-PERSON MEETING ONLY: STRAW POLL = 12-6-0. (Did not take a straw poll on hybrid meeting.)

Now that we will meet in person, do we want to do a hybrid meeting? Interest in hybrid meetings.

IT Services noted that unless there is PA equipment like in the hospital, would not facilitate a hybrid meeting

Anyone interested in hybrid meeting, please explore locations, costs, physicality of the room, amount of occupancy, services available (PA, internet) and bring findings to next month's RSC meeting.

A few addicts shared that their areas hybrid ASC meetings without issues.

One addict mentioned their area purchased equipment needed to hold a hybrid meeting, costing ~ \$100.00

Troy noted it would be prudent to have sufficient equipment and it should be purchased at the region's expense, not each area, if necessary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Motion to close: M(SFCA)/S(Schedule facilitator)

Meeting adjourned at 3:39 PM with a moment of silence followed by the Third Step Prayer.

Next RSC meeting will be held on May 21st, 2022 @ 2:00 pm via Zoom.

*****POLICY AD-HOC TO MEET AT 1:00 ON May 21st, 2022, VIA ZOOM*****