

West Tennessee Area Service Committee Minute (9/27/2020)

WHAT DO WE NEED TO KNOW FOR OUR BUSINESS MEETING?

OPEN POSITIONS w/ CLEAN TIME & REQUIREMENTS

1. **Area Chair**: 2 year clean time with previous service experience in NA with 1 year commitment.
2. **Secretary**: Suggested 1 year clean time with previous service experience in NA with 1 year commitment.
3. **Alternate Secretary**: Suggested 1 year clean time with previous service experience in NA with 1 year commitment.
4. **Alternate Treasurer**: 2 year clean time w/ suggested bookkeeping/accounting experience & previous service experience in NA with 1 year commitment.
5. **Outreach**: 1 year clean time with previous service experience in NA with 1 year commitment.
6. **Literature**: 1 year clean time with previous service experience in NA with 1 year commitment.
7. **Activities**: 1 year clean time with previous service experience in NA with 1 year commitment.
8. **Newsletter**: 1 year clean time with previous service experience in NA with 1 year commitment.
9. **H&I Chair**: 1 year clean time with previous service experience in NA with 1 year commitment.

Be sure to read the duties for each position which can be found on the www.na-wt.org page under Members that has links to the Area Guidelines and Subcommittee Guidelines for each above position.

MOTION(S):

Motion maker: Lucy O, RCM **Seconded by:** Cari B, Open Arms

Motion: To nominate Glen H for Policy and Procedures Chair

Intent: To ensure a position does not go unfulfilled

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Motion maker: Carl H **Seconded by:** Something Different

Motion: To nominate Carl H for Literature chair:

Intent: To fulfill an open position

Willingness statement: I Carl H. am willing to be of service with being literature chair a position I have held before I have a sponsor and working steps for the third time. I have knowledge with traditions and concepts.

Motion maker: GHOD **Seconded by:** Welcome Home

Motion: To nominate Jonathan M for NA in May char

Intent: To fulfill an open position

Willingness statement: My clean date is 7/27/17. I have a sponsor that has a sponsor. I work steps and I was chair last year.

Motion maker: Bill S **Seconded by:** Welcome Home

Motion: To express willingness to become PR chair

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Willingness statement:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Chair- Open position (Sara S. acting as) Today is my final day to act as area chair. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Vice Chair- Not present

Secretary- Today is my final day as area secretary. I am willing to help the next secretary learn how to complete the necessary duties but my term is completed.

Alt secretary- Not present

RCM- Since Region has not met since the first of August there is not much to report at that time.

Please ask your members and anyone you know in the Volunteer Region to fill out this short survey about the VRC. You can easily do this on your smart phone! www.tinyurl.com/vrc2020survey

We do need to submit a new nomination for VRC chair for the 2021 convention to be held in Memphis since Scot B resigned.

Here's a bit of news from NAWS about the Toolbox Project:

They have posted GSR Basics online at www.na.org/toolbox, along with two GSR report templates and the service structure diagram from A Guide to World Services in NA. The next focus of the project will be online meetings best practices and carrying the NA message effectively and virtually. To prepare for the creation of this much needed service tool they have started to gather resources relevant to virtual NA meetings here – www.na.org/virtual. They also hope to have a survey and discussion tools posted online

soon to begin the process of gathering your thoughts and ideas – please check the Toolbox Project webpage regularly for those resources!

Alt RCM- no report

Treasurer-

See next page for Treasurer Report spreadsheet breakdown

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2020

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Expenses					
Name	Amount	Check Number			
			VOIDED CHECKS		
P.O. Box Rental (1 year)	\$ -				
PI - Schedules	\$ 50.70				
PI - Petty Cash Operating Fund	\$ -				
PI - Travel Expense to VRC	\$ -				
Secretary - Expense Reimbursement	\$ -		Literature Expense		
Activities	\$ -		H&I Literature	\$ -	
Storage Rental	\$ -		PI Literature	\$ 65.90	
Checks	\$ -		Group Literature	\$ 616.06	
Newsletter-Expense Reimbursement	\$ -		Add Lit	\$ -	
Literature- Expense Reimbursement	\$ -			\$ -	
Treasurer's-Expense Reimbursement	\$ -		Starter kit Inst Mtg	\$ -	
Policy - Expense Reimbursement	\$ -		Sub Total	\$ 681.96	
RCM - Travel Advance	\$ -		Lone Star Discount	\$ -	
VRC 35 Donation	\$ -		Total Literature	\$ 681.96	
Safe Deposit Box	\$ -				
PI Phone Line / Freedom Voice	\$ 8.45	September			
Literature (Florida Regional Office)	\$ 2,161.37				
VRSC, Inc. (Regional Donation)	\$ 11.00				
World Donation	\$ -				
Reimbursement Brad H Website hosting	\$ -			Basic Text Fund	
Area Rent	\$ 30.00			Beginning Balance	\$ 7,514.69
Outreach	\$ -			BT Count	33
	\$ -			SWG Count	4
	\$ -			Ending Balance	\$ 7,262.74
	\$ -				
	\$ -				
Total Expenses	\$ 2,261.52				
Balance	\$ 7,487.01				
Set Asides					
Prudent Reserve	\$ 437.00				
PI Schedules \$250 qtrly \$83.33 monthly	\$ 83.33	Paid August 2020			
Newsletter \$25 qtrly \$8.33 monthly	\$ 91.63	Paid October 2019			
Safe Deposit Box \$150 yr \$12.50 monthly	\$ 50.00	Paid May 2020 (Due June 2021)			
PO Box Rental \$148 yr \$12.33 monthly	\$ 49.32	Paid May 2020 (Due June 2021)			
Freedom Voice Phone Line	\$ 8.45				
Website hosting \$148.24 \$12.36 monthly	DONATED				
Tentative literature order	\$ 983.91				
NA in May Basic Text Fund	\$ 7,262.74				
Total Set Asides	\$ 8,966.38				
Available Cash	\$ (1,479.37)				
Total Set Asides & Avail Cash	\$ 7,487.01				

Alt Treasurer- Open position

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities – Open position. (Destin B. acting as if w/ no report)

Archives – not present

H & I – Open position

Literature – Open position (Bronson R./ Geoff B. acting as if)

NA in May – Hi family,

Since last month, there were no more refunds to be made. We went ahead and paid for the trophies for next year totaling \$139.38. After all expenses, we were left with \$3,726.80 in the bank account. With us holding back \$1200 seed money for next year, we are donating \$2,526.80 to the Basic Text fund which is quite good considering no actual NA in May event. We still have t-shirts to sell if you want one. I am willing to step up again as NA in May chair and have put in a willingness statement. There is no new meeting yet.

Newsletter – Open position

Outreach – Open position

Policy and Procedure – My term as Policy Chair expires this month. If no one else steps up for this position today, I will run again.

On August 29, the Policy Sub-Committee held its last meeting via ZOOM. 5 people were in attendance. The main reason for this meeting was to create new guidelines for the Treasurer concerning the Area bank account.

We brainstormed on what is needed and the current Treasurer will follow-up with the bank. Our committee will be meeting again soon to continue working on this issue.

Public Relations – See below for proposal for MATA bus art

Memphis Transit Ads - Proposal Worksheet							
Date:	8/14/2020						
Prepared For:	Bill Shelton	Phone:	901-804-6651	Email:	ws873498@gmail.com		
Client:	Narcotic Anonymous						
Start Date:	???						
Interior Bus Posters	Number Of	Space Cost	Total Space	# Of	Total Showing	Production	TOTAL
Size: 11" X 28"	Units	Per Month Each	Cost Per Month	Months	Space Cost	Cost	Space/Prod
	5	\$25.00	\$125.00	3	\$375.00	\$100.00	\$475.00
Each unit is one poster on one bus.					Shipping	\$30.00	
					TOTALS FOR THIS SHOWING:	\$375.00	\$130.00
						\$505.00	
Proposal includes a one month free showing at the end of the paid contract term							
Units quoted above are subject to availability at the time an order is placed.							
WE MUST HAVE YOUR APPROVED ART IN HAND AT LEAST 15 DAYS BEFORE YOUR POSTING DATE							
Full Wraps & King Kongs may need a longer lead time. Please ask about the timing for your showing.							
MTA Does not design posters. Client will be responsible for providing finished art suitable for printing.							
If we need to employ an outside artists to design your poster(s), there will be an additional charge.							
ALL SPACE COSTS ARE NET & WILL BE BILLED TO YOU MONTHLY							
ALL PRODUCTION COSTS ARE A NET ONE TIME COST, MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE AND DO NOT INCLUDE SHIPPING							



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VRC 2021 Ad Hoc- This committee last met on September 1st via Zoom.

We discussed the resignation of the current chair Scot B due to his job. Leighanne F is stepping up to be VRC Chair again. She did a great job 4 years ago.

We are working on the hotel bids and hope to have them ready in time for the next Regional Meeting which is meeting via Zoom on Oct 11th. We technically are unable to fill any Committee positions since we do not have an actual VRC Chair but we already have people stepping up for many of the positions once we are able to vote them in.

We are thinking of having a 3 night convention starting on Thanksgiving afternoon and ending Sunday morning by Noon.

Our next meeting is Oct 1st via Zoom 6:00 PM. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87811926979> Meeting ID: 878 1192 6979 Dial-in available +13017158592,,87811926979# US

GROUP REPORTS

Clarity – Not present

Clean Air- Not present

Cordova Hope- No report

Desire – Not present

Doin this Thing- Not present

Get Honest or Die – Hi family,

GHOD is doing well with 15-20 people in attendance via zoom. At our last business meeting, we had four people willing to start holding face to face meetings but decided to hold off another month to discuss hybrid options and/or a separate zoom meeting. Nothing else to report.

GIFT – Hey NA Family, this is my first area meeting. Gift is doing good. We have had 2 newcomers, no new group members. Our attendance is usually 7-11 people at each meeting.

Good Orderly Direction – Not present

Harmony- All is well at Harmony. We meet in person Monday and Thursday at 7pm. We average 10-15 addicts per meeting. No literature order or donation for this month.

High On Life – Greetings from HOL. We are doing well and open for f2f meetings. We would love to see you guys masks and all. We are now meeting at Believing Church on Summer Ave. at the same time 8:30. So, come on out. We have no clean time celebrations this month. No donation and no lit order at this time.

Hope Dealers – Hello family, all is going well at Hope Dealers. We meet every Monday at 7pm in Arlington we continue to meet in person and practice all mandated precautions including wearing a face mask until

seated, 6 foot distance seating or 2 person per table seating, no coffee served, only kurig. Sanitizer readily available and hugging optional.

Keep it Green- Not present

Lunch Bunch- Lunch Bunch continues to meet in person 7 days a week averaging 14 people per meeting. All is well.

No Matter What- Not present

One is Too Many – Hey family! It's good to be back. One is too many is doing well. We have had 4 newcomers since the last time we met. We have no new home group members. We have an average of about 7-8 people each meeting.

Open Arms- . Open arms is going well and still meeting via zoom. It meets Tuesdays at 7pm.

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89450554899> **Meeting ID:** 894 5055 4899

Primary Purpose – All is well with Primary Purpose

We continue to carry the message to the still suffering addict. Our meeting averages about 15-18 attendees.

We have now begun In Person meetings again as well as a simultaneous Zoom Meeting both starting at 7pm on Sunday Night. The Zoom Meeting now has a passcode added which is listed on the Area website.

Saturday Night Alive – Hello everyone I'm an addict named Dennis. Unfortunately Saturday Night Alive is closing due to lack of homegroup members. I've kept it open for the past couple of months with many attempts in recruiting homegroup members. Our attendance was steady at 3-10 people weekly. The remaining literature is being donated to area. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Simplicity is the Key – Good afternoon, family! All is well at Simplicity is the key. We meet every Tuesday at 6:30 pm @Trinity UMC. Must wear mask, up to 20 people, we sanitize before & after the meeting

Something Different- Good afternoon, we have had 15-20 people attend our zoom meetings. We have no info on when we will be meeting back in person.

Spiritual Awakenings- Hello friends and family, all is well at Spiritual Awakenings. We have been back to face to face meetings for a few weeks now and average about 15 people per meeting. We look forward to seeing your face on Friday nights.

Step Write In- Not present

Thursday Nighters – No report

Unity – Unity is doing well with a rotating format every Tuesday at 7:00 pm. We have 15-20 in attendance every Tuesday. We could always use support. We continue to abide by the COVID guidelines and distancing procedures.

We are Entirely Ready – Not present

Welcome Home- We meet on Tuesday's & Thursday's at 530pm and on Sundays at 230pm. We meet in a cute little white house / recovery club at 3711 Pleasant Hill Rd, Olive Branch, MS. All face to face meetings, no Zoom!

You+me=we- No report

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

GIFT: Frank S, 29 yrs, 8-6-20

Harmony: Frank S, 29 yrs, 10-1-20

Primary Purpose: Cortez J., 24 yrs, TBD

Jeff L, 7 yrs, 9-27-20

Spiritual Awakenings: Kate G, 6 yrs, 10-30-20

OPEN FORUM TOPICS

LeeAnn shared that there is a Literature invoice for \$2100, but the groups only brought in \$600 today. If the invoice is paid the bank account would be negative \$722 even including prudent reserve. Bronson explained that he put in an order on 9/22 from March area for 2100. This is the first literature order since COVID-19 impacted the location of WTASC area. Typically the literature order is not so much higher than the money brought in for literature orders. A motion was put in to move money from the NA in May account to cover the remaining balance. After discussion, the motion was tabled. Leigh Ann will contact Florida RSO to discuss a payment plan, and there will not be literature orders placed until the bill is paid in full. There will be no money sent to region.

*Update, after Leigh Ann contacted Florida RSO there will be a payment plan in place to pay the \$2100 literature order.

Marcus discussed the need for guest speakers at Lakeside Behavioral Health System. This is separate from H&I and Marcus encouraged members to contact him if they are interested in sharing their experience, strength and hope.

OLD BUSINESS

OPEN POSITIONS are listed at the top of the minutes. Be sure to email your motion to the secretary if someone is willing to be nominated. Be sure to include the willingness statement in the email as well.

Motion maker: Something Different **Seconded by:** David A.

Motion: To nominate Destin B. for WTASC Chair

Intent: To fulfill an open position

Willingness statement: My name is Destin and I'm an addict. My clean date is July 24th 2017 I have served as the GSR for my home group. I've served as the activities chair for the last year. I've never misappropriated NA funds and I'm putting in the willingness statement to fulfill the open position as chair for the area.

Yes: 16 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Region Nominations:

- 1) Stephen Z for ITCC chair. Currently ITCC vice chair. He recently was RCM for Knoxville area.

Yes: 16 No: 0 Abstain: 0

- 2) Jesse O for H&I chair. Member of MidWest. He's attended several regional meetings.

Yes: 16 No: 0 Abstain: 0

- 3) Lucy O for Policy and Procedures chair. You know me.

Yes: 16 No: 0 Abstain: 0

- 4) Dell E for VRSC chair. Currently serving as regional chair. Willing to serve a second term. Our area voted for him the first time.

Yes: 16 No: 0 Abstain: 0

- 5) Michelle W for Treasurer. Currently serving as treasurer. Willing to serve a second term. Our area voted for her the first time.

Yes: 16 No: 0 Abstain: 0

- 6) Craig G for PR chair. Currently serving as PR Chair. Willing to serve a second term. Our area voted for him the first time.

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NEW BUSINESS

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Next WTASC meeting is October 25, 2020

Title/Sub/Group	Name	5/10/2020	5/24/2020	6/28/2020	7/26/2020	8/23/2020	9/27/2020
Administrative							
Chairperson	OPEN	OPEN		OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Acting as	Sara S	O	X	X	X	X	X
Vice Chairperson	David A	OPEN		OPEN	OPEN	X	O
Secretary	Sarah M.	X	X	X	O	X	X
Alternate Secretary	Taylor O	X	X	X	X	O	O
Treasurer	Leigh Ann F.	X	X	X	X	X	X
Alternate Treasurer	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Regional Committee Member	Lucy O.	X	X	X	X	X	X
Alternate Regional Committee Member	Bill S.	O	O	X	O	O	X
Subcommittees							
Activities	OPEN	X	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Acting as	Destin B		X	X	X	X	X
Archives	Terry B.	X	X	O	O	O	O
Hospitals and Institutions	OPEN	X	X	X	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Literature	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Acting as Lit Chair	Bronson R.	O	O	O	O	O	X
NA in May	Jonathan M	X	X	X	X	X	X
Newsletter	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Outreach							
Outreach	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Policy and Procedures	Glen H.	X	O	X	X	X	X
Public Relations	Bill S.	O	O	X	O	O	X
Voting Groups							
Clean A.I.R.	Kat R	X	X	X	O	X	O
Clean Steam	Chris R.	X	O	O	X	CLOSED	CLOSED
Cordova Hope	Robyn W.	X	O	X	X	O	X
Desire	Lauren M.	X	X	O	O	O	O
G.I.F.T.	Dawn L.	O	O	O	O	O	X
GHOD	Jonathan M	X	X	X	X	X	X
Good Orderly Direction		O	O	O	O	O	O
Harmony	Toni M.	X	X	X	X	X	X
High On Life	David T.	O	O	O	O	O	O
Hope Dealers	Marcus M.	O	O	X	X	O	X
Lunch Bunch	Willie T.	O	X	O	O	X	X
Keep it green	Jerry	O	O	O	O	O	O
No Matter What	Scott J.	X	X	O	O	O	O
One is too many	Susan V.	O	O	O	O	O	X
Open Arms						X	X
Primary Purpose	Janice M.	X	X	X	X	O	X
Saturday Night Alive	Glen H.	X	X	X	X	X	CLOSED
Simplicity is the Key	Geoff B.	O	O	X	O	O	X
Something Different	Destin B.	X	X	X	X	X	X
Spiritual Awakenings	Kate G.	X	X	X	X	X	X
Thursday Nighters	Tony C.	O	X	O	O	X	X
Unity Group	Lamar G.	O	O	O	O	O	X
We Are Entirely Ready	Mancill W.	O	O	O	O	O	O
Welcome Home	Amie B.	O	O	O	O	O	X
You + Me = We	Karen W.	X	X	X	O	X	X
Non-Voting Groups and Meetings							
Clarity (was Farfromusen)		O	O	O	O	O	O
Doin' This Thing		O	O	O	O	O	O
Step Write In		O	O	O	O	O	O
New Beginnings						O	O