

## West Tennessee Area Service Committee Minutes (2/27/2022)

### *Area Positions Terms and Election Dates*

#### Highlighted positions are currently open

<u>Area Position</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	<u>Nominations due</u>
ASC Chair	March	Nominations are open
ASC Vice-chair	March	Nominations are open
ASC Treasurer	March	Nominations closed
ASC Alternate Treasurer	March	Nominations are open
RCM	July	June
RCM Alternate	July	Nominations are open
Archives	September	August
ASC Secretary	September	Nominations are open
ASC Alternate Secretary	September	Nominations are open

<u>Subcommittee chairs</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	<u>Nominations due</u>
Activities	March	Nominations closed
Literature	March	Nominations are open
Newsletter	March	Nominations are open
NA in May	July	June
Hospitals & Institutions	September	August
Outreach	September	Nominations are open
Public Relations	September	Nominations are open

*We are asking the fellowship to bring willingness for the following positions to the area elections, in person or on Zoom. Please go to the following link to see the duties and requirements of the position: <https://www.na-wt.org/guidelines/>*

**Alternate Regional Committee Member:** Two years continuous abstinence from all drugs and two-year commitment, first year as Alternate, and second year as RCM.

**Area Chair:** Two years clean time with previous service experience in NA with one year commitment. Upon election resign from any AREA/GSR commitment.

**Vice Chair:** One year clean time with previous service experience in NA with one year commitment.

Upon election resign from any AREA/GSR commitment.

**Secretary:** One year continuous abstinence from all drugs with previous service experience in NA with one year commitment

**Alternate Secretary:** One year continuous abstinence from all drugs with previous service experience in NA with one year commitment.

**Alternate Treasurer:** Minimum of two years of continuous abstinence from all drugs with one year commitment.

**Literature:** One year clean time with previous service experience in NA with one year commitment.

**Newsletter:** One year clean time with previous service experience in NA with one year commitment.

**Outreach Committee Chair:** One years continuous abstinence from all drugs with previous service experience in NA with one year commitment.

**Public Relations Committee Chair:** one year continuous abstinence from all drugs with previous service experience in NA with one year commitment.

### Role Call

Title/Sub/Group	Name	12/19/2021	1/23/2022	2/27/2022
<b>Administrative</b>				
Chairperson	Terry B	X	X	X
Vice Chairperson	David A	X	X	X
Secretary	Pam R	O	X	O
Alternate Secretary	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Treasurer	Jonathon M	X	X	X
Alternate Treasurer	Kathryn L.	X	X	X
Regional Committee Member	Lucy O.	X	X	X
Alternate Regional Committee Member	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
<b>Subcommittees</b>				
Activities	Eric N	X	X	X
Archives	Mark VB.	X	X	X
Hospitals and Institutions	Chris R.	X	O	X
Literature	Carl H.	X	X	X
NA in May	Geoff B.	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Newsletter	Cari B	X	X	OPEN
Outreach	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Policy and Procedures	Glen H.	X	X	X
Public Relations	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
<b>Voting Groups</b>				
Clarity)	Gav	X	X	X
Clean A.I.R.	Kat R	X	X	X
G.I.F.T.	Pamela R.	O	X	O
GHOD	Thomas B	O	X	X
High On Life	David T.	X	X	X
Hope Dealers	Marcus M.	X	X	X
Lunch Bunch	Doug	X	X	X
Primary Purpose	George	X	X	X
Simplicity is the Key	Geoff B.	X	X	X
Positive Awareness	Dyna	X	X	X
Something Different	Amanda	X	X	X

Spiritual Awakenings	Hank Y	X	X	X
Thursday Nighters	Kathryn G.	X	X	X
Unity Group	Darren	X	X	X
Welcome Home	Amie B.	X	O	O
You + Me = We	Rick	X	X	X
Non-Voting Groups and Meetings				
Harmony	Roy		X	O
Desire	Paula J		O	O
Cordova Hope	Robyn W.		O	O
Keep It Green			O	O
No Matter What			O	O
New Beginnings			O	O
One is too many			X	O

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

**Chair-** We are really in trouble with willingness in this area. I would like to blame Covid but I have seen this starting to happen over the last 15 - 20 years.... Service in Narcotics Anonymous is a privilege and as long as I am clean is not “done”. Let's work together to make this a strong resilient area. We cannot do this alone, we need the entire fellowship to help!

**Vice Chair-** Due to a work obligation David will be unable to step into the Chair position at this time.

**Secretary** -Not present, Minutes were not produced last month. We tabled any open motions until this area. We will try to get the January minutes completed and submitted for approval in the next area.

**Treasurer** – Hi family,

We started off the month with the bank balance at \$9,808.39. At area, we had literature orders of \$668.28 with donations of \$143.22. Activities committee did a great job making money bringing their prudent reserve back up on top of donating an extra \$36. The total deposit made to the bank is \$1,247.50. All checks had cleared the bank since last area and now have two pending checks being \$30 for area rent and the \$225 we voted to donate to Region. H&I had an order of \$141.70. We have a tentative lit order of \$1,115.43. After prudent reserve and expenses, we have \$227.26 available left in the account. With H&I having started back up, it may get to the point soon where we are not able to provide H&I with what they are requesting unless we start seeing more donations. We did vote on halting the accrual of Newsletter and only keeping \$100 in there until Newsletter starts back up. That was \$133.24 thrown back into available cash which pretty much covered H&I this month.

ILS, Jonathan M

**RCM**- I'd like to schedule a workshop within the next month to go over the 5 motions we get to vote on this year for the World Service Conference. Since this year is another virtual conference because of COVID and the inability for participants to easily attend from outside the US, the number of motions to vote on is greatly reduced. The business will be only essential business plus voting on the draft of the Spiritual Principle a Day book. This workshop is for everyone but especially helpful for GSRs to attend so you can explain the motions to your group members. Of course, group members can attend as well. I don't believe this will take more than 2 hours. IS everyone ok with this being a virtual workshop on Zoom? (no opposition)

Date and time for Interim CAR/CAT workshop:

Sunday March 6 at 4 PM

Zoom ID 9013505030 PC NATN, phone PC 374794

All the links you'll need may be found here: <https://natennessee.org/2022-car-cat/>

Link to the powerpoints/videos/notes that you can use in your homegroup business meeting to explain the motions.

Paper tally sheet

Online tally form

Download the ICC (Interim CAR/CAT where all the motions are explained in detail)

Download or order a paper copy of the Spiritual Principle a Day book.

I'll report on the rest of the February regional minutes in the next couple of months. In the meantime you can download the minutes here: [natennessee.org/minutes](https://natennessee.org/minutes).

Please reach out with any questions.

Lucy O

901-497-0691

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Activities** - Hello from activities. Thanks to the teamwork of the committee we had a very successful Valentines Dance, in fact we are giving back the full \$400 of the set aside and a \$36 donation to the area for a total of \$436. Before the dance we took a vote on where to have the prom, the vote was between Holiday Inn, The Refuge, and Hope Church and The Refuge won the vote. We have two last events under my watch. On March 5th @ 5pm is the committee meeting at Pancake Shop and on March 19th @ 4pm is the Last Ride Pic-A-Nik @ Marquette Park. If you want to bring something, get with David T. No matter what, come out and have some fun.

ILS, Eric N.

**Archivist** - Nothing to report this month

**Literature** - Last subcommittee meeting we talked about getting by-laws on a single sheet. We also talked about another storage trunk, and did some comparable shopping. We found we really like from home depot @ around \$89 + tax. Our literature order total minus shipping discount was \$991.80. I wanted to also address new literature forms for all groups that are updated w/ new IP's & pamphlets. Please make a conscious effort to order some new things for your group rack. In loving service, Ricky V.

**Hospitals & Institutions** - Hello Family, All is well at H&I We are continuing to carry the message to 3 Facilities and correspond with administration at LSBH, MRC Youth and Grace

House. Lucy and I have also corresponded with prisoners via mail. We oriented 3 new members with Do's & Don'ts Panel

Need someone to help with Zoom at March H&I meeting

Requested a rack for LSBH - Lit order of \$141.70

Join us 6 - 7:30pm CST NAWS H&I Zoom "Behind the Walls" 850 5993 3566 pw 1953

ILS Chris R.

**NA in May** – Good afternoon family, We had our first NA in May Sub-Committee Meeting on 2/6/22. Elections were held and Amanda is Registration chair, Mandy R is Treasurer, Cari B is graphics and design, Thomas B is Kitchen and Suzanne C is programming. We will have a chili cook-off on 3/12/22 at 258 Merton where Lunch Bunch meets it starts at 2:00pm. We also plan on having a pancake breakfast on 4/9/22 location to be determined. Our next sub-committee directly after the chili cookoff on 3/12/22. In loving service, Geoff B.

**Newsletter** – Cari has resigned the position due to a lack of support and participation. This position is currently open

**Outreach** – open

**Policy and Procedure** – Nothing to report. Glen H.

**Public Relations** – open

**VRC Chair** - N/A

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**There were no motions vote on**

## **GROUP REPORTS -**

- **Clarity** - Hi Family, Clarity group continues to carry the message of recovery with a rotating format consisting of lit study, topic discussion and also speaker meetings. We have seen an increase in attendance with an average of twenty people. We have recently added 5 new home group members. Lit order: \$85.36 Donation: \$50 All is well. In loving service, Alison B.  
**3/7 1 yr Alison B.**  
**4/19 1 yr Craig S.**
- **Clean Air-** Hello family!  
Clean Air is slowly coming back to normal! We are now able to serve coffee. Average meeting attendance of 20 addicts plus some treatment facilities.  
**Upcoming birthdays:**  
**3/5 Mark VB with 16 years**  
**3/19 Susan S 32 years and Terry B 40 years.**  
No lit order and no donation to the area at this time. ILS, Kat R
- **Cordova Hope** - No report
- **Desire** – No report
- **Get Honest or Die** – All is well at GHOD, Average attendance is 13 - 15 people. Still zoom only

### 3/28 Neal M, 38 yrs

- **GIFT** – No report
- **Harmony**- No report
- **High On Life** –Greetings from HOL. We meet twice a week Monday & Thursday at 8:30pm & come from the lit for our topics. This month we had an avg of 15 people per meeting. We are growing and would love to continue and see new faces. We have no clean time celebrations this month. We also have a \$20 lit order and no donation to area for a total of \$20.  
ILS, David T.
- **Hope Dealers** – Greetings! All is well at Hope Dealers we meet every Monday in person at 7 pm in Arlington. Our meeting attendance has improved over the last couple of weeks. Thanks to all who support us! We have no literature order and no donation at this time. in loving service, Marcus M.
- **Lunch Bunch**– All is well at Lunch Bunch, we continue to meet seven days a week, attendance is up and social distancing is not always possible, so we ask attendees wear masks Lit order: \$343.16 Donation: \$16.84

### 3/28 Vera D, 15 yrs

- **Positive Awareness** - Hello Family, All is well at Positive Awareness. We are still meeting Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning as well as Friday night from 6:30 - 7:30pm. We are having great attendance lately. We have several newcomers this month as well as one new homegroup member. Lit order: \$82.00 In loving service, Dayna R.
- **Primary Purpose** – All is well with Primary Purpose. We continue to carry the message to the still suffering addict. Our meeting averages about 10-20 in attendance. In person meetings convene at 7pm on Sunday evenings at Grace St. Lukes Episcopal Church, 1720 Peabody Ave. Memphis, TN 38104. We are following the CDC and Church mask mandates and protocols. (Masks are required inside)  
George P celebrates 25 years at Primary Purpose on March 6, 2022  
All anniversaries are hybrid meetings  
Lit order: \$21.12 Area Donation: \$15.88 World Donation: \$37.00
- **Spiritual Awakenings**- Present but no report
- **Simplicity is the Key** – Afternoon family, Our attendance has picked up just a bit. We still continue to meet every Tuesday@6:30pm Trinity United Methodist Church.  
In loving service, Geoff B
- **Something Different**- Hey family all is well at Something Different we still average 8-12 in attendance and have had a couple newcomers. No literature and no donation  
In loving service  
Amanda H
- **Thursday Nighters** – All is well at Thursday niters, the church is still at 20 People and masks required if that changes I will let y'all know.

### 3/31 Shannon celebrating 18 years

### 3/31 Kathryn G celebrates 14 years.

ILS, Kathryn G

- **Unity** – We are doing well. We have 15 - 20 attending every Tuesday. We have a rotating format each Tuesday, 1st Questions & Answers, 2nd Read and discuss Living Clean, 3rd Basic Text study, 4th we have a speaker meeting, and if there is a 5th we have open discussion. Lit order \$53.40 Donation \$5.60
- **You+me=we-** No report
- **Welcome Home-** No report  
3/20 James M 1 year  
3/20 Ervin M 4 years
- **No Matter What-** No report
- **One is Too Many** – No report

## OPEN FORUM

**Area Zoom Account** - Discussed getting an area Zoom account, sub-committee and groups can request to use the account for meetings. The web committee will handle administration of the account.

**Discussing Unity** - Discussion was around addicts in our fellowship bad-mouthing other fellowships outside of meetings. Let's not speak poorly of other fellowships, we can stand on our own merits without degrading others.

**NA in May website** - We need to make sure that the NA in May website

## NEW BUSINESS

### **Housekeeping motions:**

Motion to get an area zoom account that would be administered by the web committee (within the PR Committee)

Motion passed 14 - 0 - 0

Motion to change the Newsletter set-aside from \$240 to \$100 for printing the newsletters (we have only produced an online newsletter and therefore have not used this in over a year)

Motions passed 14 - 0 - 0

### **Groups to vote on the following:**

#### **Nomination:**

#### **Activities Chair (two nominations)**

Intent: To fill the position to continue to keep the fun going

#### **Activities Chair (1st nomination)**

Laura S.

Clean date: 04/22/17

Willingness Statement:

Resume: I have willingness to be activities chair for the term. I have a sponsor that works steps that has a sponsor that works steps. I have never misappropriated funds. I have a home group and do service work and work steps.

I'm on the activities committee currently and have participated in it in the past. I'm committed to the fellowship and want it to thrive.

Thank you, sincerely grateful, Laura S.

### **Activities Chair (2nd nomination)**

David T

Clean Date: 2/2/2000

Willingness Statement: I am expressing my willingness to become chair of the activities committee.

Resume: I am currently GSR for my home group. Have been part of the PR committee and its chair as well as newsletter chair. I am currently the vice chair of the activities committee. I have a sponsor and have worked the steps. Last and certainly most important, I have never misappropriated any funds.

### **Treasurer**

Kathryn G

Clean date: 3/26/2008

Willingness Statement:

I have a sponsor and all that good stuff. I have been serving as alternate treasurer and am willing to move up to treasurer. I have never misappropriated funds and have experience as treasurer in other work capacities. ILS, Kathryn G

### **Alternate Secretary**

Della R

Clean date: 1/21/21

Willingness Statement:

I have a willingness to be Alt. Secretary for area. I have a sponsor that works steps who has a sponsor who works steps. I have never misappropriated funds. I have a homegroup and I've been GSR Alt. I've been Secretary for Activities and on the activities committee since August 21. I've chaired meetings and I do service work as well as I work steps with my sponsor. I love being a part of service in the NA program. In loving service, Della R

### **Literature Committee Chair**

Ricky V.

Clean date: 1/5/21

Willingness Statement:

For the last 4 months I have been taking on the vice chair for the literature committee role to be groomed to be properly trained in the revamping of the backlog of surplus inventory to



reorganize the inventory to be able to run as efficiently as possible. We have made great progress in updating the literature order form, getting and setting par levels and organizing an official literature subcommittee to make group conscience decisions. I am in the activities sub-committee and H&I sub-committee. It is an honor & privilege to be of service.  
Ricky V.

**MOTION:**

**Next WTASC meeting is March 27, 2022**

**In person at Hope Church or on Zoom**

**Meeting ID: 960 6484 5034**

**Passcode: 121212**