

West Tennessee Area Service Committee Minutes (08/28/22)

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	February
ASC Vice-chair	March	February
ASC Treasurer	March	February
ASC Alternate Treasurer	March	Nominations are open
RCM	July	June
RCM Alternate	July	June
Archives	September	August
ASC Secretary	September	August
ASC Alternate Secretary	September	Nominations are open

<u>Subcommittee chairs</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	<u>Nominations due</u>
Activities	March	February
Literature	March	February
Newsletter	September	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.

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

NA in May Committee Chair: two years continuous abstinence from all drugs with previous service experience in NA with one year commitment.

Outreach Committee Chair: one year 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	4/24/2022	5/22/2022	6/26/2022
Administrative				
Chairperson	Marcus M	X	X	X
Vice Chairperson	Suzanne C	o	X	X
Secretary	Della R	x	X	X
Alternate Secretary	OPEN	o	o	X
Treasurer	Kathryn L.	X	X	X
Alternate Treasurer		o	o	o
Regional Committee Member	Lucy O.	x	x	x
Alternate Regional Committee Member	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Subcommittees				
Activities	David T	X	X	X
Archives	Mark VB	X	X	X
Hospitals and Institutions	Chris R.	x	x	x
Literature	Ricky V	x	x	x
NA in May		x	x	OPEN
Newsletter	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Outreach	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Policy and Procedures	Glen H.	x	x	o
Public Relations	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Voting Groups				
Clarity	Alison B	X	X	X
Clean A.I.R.	Leigh ann	X	X	X
G.I.F.T.	Mandy B	O	O	O
GHOD	Thomas B	O	O	O
High On Life	David T.	X	X	X
Hope Dealers	Tracey K	X	X	X
Keep It Green		X	X	X
Lunch Bunch	Will T	X	X	o
Positive Awareness	Dayna R	X	X	X
Primary Purpose	George P	X	X	X
Simplicity is the Key	Geoff B.	X	X	X
Something Different	Della R	X	X	X
Spiritual Awakenings	Hank Y	X	X	X
Thursday Nighters	Kathryn G.	X	X	X
Unity Group	Darren	X	X	O
Welcome Home	Justin P	X	X	X
You + Me = We	open	X	X	O

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No Matter What		O	O	O
New Beginnings		O	O	O
One is too many	Susan	X	X	X

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Chair-In attendance but no report ILS Suzanne C

Vice Chair- In attendance but no report ILS Suzanne C

Secretary - I will not be running again when my term is up next month ILS Della R

Treasurer – We had a beginning balance of \$6460.09 the VRSC donation from last month of \$187.58 has now cleared. We have in literature sales \$748.14 and \$243.41 in area donations. We have a tentative lit order of for this month \$1314.14 We had a PayPal donation of \$104.85 our available cash is \$390.65 The basic text fund currently after today has \$2981.45 Please talk to your home groups about willingness for the alternate treasurer, it’s an open position now and treasurer position will be open in march and we will need time to train the new treasurer. We still need to get with the chair and vice chair to get their names on the bank account.

ILS Kathryn,

RCM-August RCM report to Area

Items to vote on

NOMINATION 1: Keith L nominated for VRC 41.

Clean date: 11/21/07

Group, area, & regional service last 5 years: group treasurer, GSR, answer area phone line, fellowship

development, & panel member, VRC merchandise chair, surrender under the stars merchandise chair

& programming chair.

If you have not completed a term as a trusted servant or have been removed from a service position in

the past five years, please explain. I have always fulfilled my service commitments.

What resources and experience (school, work, volunteer, etc) do you believe you can bring to the

position for which you have been nominated: I am very task orientated. I have overseen many multi-

million & construction projects through to completion.

Please include any other info which you consider relevant to your nomination: I am very passionate

about living the program of NA and I have never misappropriated NA funds.

NOMINATION 2: Callie G nominated for Treasurer.

Clean date: 6/30/15

Group, area, & regional service last 5 years: Homegroup: co-chair, chair, group alt secretary, group

secretary, alt recording secretary, recording secretary, alt treasurer, treasurer. Area: vice chair, chair, alt

treasurer, treasurer. Region: VRC treasurer, currently VRSC Alt Treasurer

If you have not completed a term as a trusted servant or have been removed from a service position in

the past five years, please explain. I have completed each term for every position the last 5 years. In the

spirit of transparency, in 2011 I relapsed while I was serving as regional treasurer. The service body

conducted an audit and every penny was accounted for.

What resources and experience (school, work, volunteer, etc) do you believe you can bring to the

position for which you have been nominated: I have QuickBooks experience in my business and previous regional treasurer position. I have been homegroup and area treasurer. I work steps consistently.

Please include any other info which you consider relevant to your nomination: Currently on step 8 for

the third time. I work traditions with my sponsor and study the concepts. I try to practice the principles

embodied in the steps, traditions, and concepts in all areas of my life and relationships. A part of my

willingness to serve this position is making amends for the harm I caused in 2011.

NOMINATION: 3: Chris B nominated for Alternate Treasurer.

Clean date: 2/27/10

Group, area, & regional service last 5 years: I have not served in a na capacity in the past five years

but previously served as treasurer, meeting chair, and H and I previously. I participated in chairing

and treasurer in another fellowship during the past 5 years.

If you have not completed a term as a trusted servant or have been removed from a service position in

the past five years, please explain. I was working in another program ACA to be specific.

What resources and experience (school, work, volunteer, etc) do you believe you can bring to the

position for which you have. I've been an accountant for the last 12 years. I've been senior accountant

at a health care company, accounting manager of a CPA firm, a CFO for a Telecommunications company,

and run my own accounting firm.

NOMINATION 4: Scott G for VRSC PR Chair.

Clean date: 6/28/18

Group, area, & regional service last 5 years: GSR, Area vice chair, Area pr, Home group treasurer, Area

chair, VRSC PR vice chair

If you have not completed a term as a trusted servant or have been removed from a service position in

the past five years, please explain. 2018 remove as area vice chair because he relapsed.

What resources and experience (school, work, volunteer, etc) do you believe you can bring to the

position for which you have been nominated: I manage 19 counties in TN for the company I work for. I

travel these counties often which gives me the ability to help reach other areas that need help routinely.

Please include any other info which you consider relevant to your nomination: I am driven by my passion to help carry our message as broad as we can. I have the practicing knowledge of the 12 steps,

traditions and concepts. I have a sponsor that has a sponsor that are practicing the steps traditions and

concepts.

NOMINATION 5: Lucy O for VRSC P&P Chair.

Clean Date: 1/21/87

Group, area, & regional service last 5 years: currently SZF Secretary and also Regional Policy and Procedure. Just finishing 2 terms as RCM.

If you have not completed a term as a trusted servant or have been removed from a service position in

the past five years, please explain. I've completed my positions.

What resources and experience (school, work, volunteer, etc) do you believe you can bring to the

position for which you have been nominated: experience at region and with the regional guidelines.

Please include any other info which you consider relevant to your nomination: willing to serve, although I'm also willing to withdraw my nomination if another willing member steps up who hasn't been involved at region and wants to be.

NOMINATION 6: Craig G VRSC Chair.

Clean date: 2/17/04

Group, area, & regional service last 5 years: Chair of HOTASC, Interim RCM for The HOTASC. VRSC

Policy and Procedures Chair, VRSC PR Chair, Panel Coordinator for Rutherford County Jail and

workhouse, I have been chair/meeting secretary for every group I have participated in. SZF PR coordinator.

What resources and experience (school, work, volunteer, etc) do you believe you can bring to the

position for which you have been nominated: I believe I can work well with others in service settings. I

am a very active member of Narcotics Anonymous, in both personal recovery and service work, I have

worked the 12 Steps, as well as study and live the 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts.

NOMINATION 7: Jimmy N VRSC ITCC.

Clean date: 12/7/15

Group, area, & regional service last 5 years: been involved at area level, been involved in H&I.

Never misappropriated funds.

What resources and experience (school, work, volunteer, etc) do you believe you can bring to the

position for which you have been nominated: I do computer stuff for a living.

Please include any other info which you consider relevant to your nomination: I have read the guidelines, I have read the VRSC guidelines

NOMINATION 8: Hannah M VRSC Secretary.

Clean Date: 5/8/13.

Group, area, & regional service last 5 years: She has served as group treasurer & coffee maker. She's

served as Area Secretary, Policy Chair and PR secretary.

What resources and experience (school, work, volunteer, etc) do you believe you can bring to the

position for which you have been nominated: I was a teacher for 5 years and now I am a systems

engineer, so organization and the ability to capture large amounts of detailed information are both

strong skills I carry. In both careers I frequently dealt/deal with technical documents so I am advanced

in Microsoft suite, specifically word and excel.

Please include any other info which you consider relevant to your nomination: I have the willingness to

serve and learn and would be grateful to give back what was so freely given to me.

Motion 9:

Change ARTICLE XII: FUNDING, Section 2: Pending Funds

Any funds not obligated or pending shall be disbursed to the WSC Treasurer.

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Any funds not obligated or pending shall be disbursed in this way: 10% to the Southern Zonal Forum and

90% to NA World Services.

INTENT: To support the southern zonal forum efforts to supply additional resources to regions and

areas within the region in their public relations and fellowship development efforts and other needs as requested. The southern zonal forum comprises 900,000 square miles and 10 regions in the southern central united states.

Still open positions:

H&I Chair

Outreach Chair

VRSC vice chair

VRSC alt Secretary

Regional Inventory

The regional did an inventory on August 6. The powerpoint is included with my report. It might be a

good tool to use here at some point.

The next region is Nov 27, 2022, 9:30 AM CT

Embassy Suites by Hilton Nashville SE Murfreesboro

1200 Conference Center Boulevard Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Zoom: 901 350 5030 PC: NATN, phone PC: 374794

The next In Between (Admin committee – all welcome) is scheduled for September 18, 4 pm central,

zoom 9013505030, pc: NATN (phone pc: 374794)

The next Policy & Procedure is scheduled for September 18, 5 pm central, zoom

9013505030, pc: NATN

(phone pc: 374794)

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities- Greetings from activities. We had a bowling night yesterday and had fun. The only issue is it would have been even more fun with more people. Our next event will be a trip to a haunted house. Details to be revealed. I am asking for \$200 of the committees set aside for our event in October. This will help pay the rent and help us start buying decor before it runs out.

ILS

David T.

Archivist – No report

Adhoc Archive Content Committee - Meeting held August 14th

Discussed How the Archives were begun/assimilated

Talked about how large the Safety deposit box is and if we should consider a new one. We will see how the next meeting goes and continue to use the current box or evaluate the size needed.

Discussed defining the electronic archives and where they should be kept.

Next meeting will be held at 6070 Poplar Ave Ste 300, @2:00anybody who wants to come needs to be on time due to triple security - building door, elevator, and suite. Someone will be waiting to go to the building door a little before 2 to let people in but then doors will be locked.

My gratitude speaks....

Terry B

901-277-0870

Literature- The literature forms have been updated and we now have new forms as well as a couple of new pamphlets for H&I an Institutional group guide so they can implement NA in their facilities. We also have a pamphlet about receiving medication/assisted treatment. We also added purple key tags for multiple decades and the pink one for 25 years clean. We have paper key tags available for H&I. The white book is back and on back order and will be available next area. Also JFT leather back gift addition is under miscellaneous on the lit form Literature order of \$942.84 ILS Ricky V.

Hospitals & Institutions -Hello Family all is well at H&I we continue to carry the message at various facilities throughout Shelby county. We are struggling with scheduling training at the local jails. We are nominating a new chair person for the upcoming year of service term. Thank you all for allowing me to serve. ILS Chris R.

NA in May – We have given the area our donation of \$3,901.08 from NA in may ILS Geoff B

Newsletter – Open

Outreach – Open

Policy and Procedure Greetings all,

Not a busy month for as I have been out of commission for most of August due to a total knee replacement. However, I worked with the Literature Chair to update the Literature Order Form and I uploaded it to our website.

This is my last report as Policy and Procedures Chair. My term ends today.

Thank You for allowing me to be of service,

Glen H

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Public Relations – Open

OLD BUSINESS We voted Rick A for RCM with 13 Yes 0 No 1 Abstain.

We voted Tammy for RCM Alt. with 13 Yes 0 No 1 Abstain.

GROUP REPORTS -

- **Clarity** - Hello Family.All is well at clarity. We continue to carry the message 3 nights a week w/a rotating format. We are averaging 15 people with 2 new home group members, with multiple newcomers. We encourage addicts w/significant clean time to attend our meetings to help carry the message to our newcomers and members from treatment facilities. 9/11 Alison B celebrates 18 months clean. 9/13 Toni M celebrates 1

year clean. Literature order of \$111.05 donation of \$50 for a total of \$161.05 ILS Colleen V

- **Clean Air-** We have 10 to 20 addicts every week, with regular attendance from treatment centers. We remain a hybrid meeting. We have 1 birthday Saturday 9/3 Larry H with 37 years clean. We have no literature order and a \$40 donation to area ILS Leighann F
- **Cordova Hope** - Good starting to grow again. Literature order of \$96.15 donation of \$36.85 for a total of \$133.00 ILS Barbie B
- **Desire** – not in attendance
- **Get Honest or Die** – not in attendance
- **GIFT** – Not in attendance
- **Harmony-** not in attendance.
- **High On Life** –Greetings from HOL we meet every Monday and Thursday at 8:30 pm. At least for now. Unless something drastic happens September 29th will be our last Thursday night meeting. We average 8 addicts per meeting this month. We have no celebrations, lit order or donation ILS David T
- **Hope Dealers** – Hello Family, Things are going well at hope dealers. We have an average attendance of 5 to 10 addicts per meeting. Literature order of \$10.60 donation of \$ 3.40 for a total of \$14. ILS Tracey K
- **Lunch Bunch-** Hi & Hello Family I am pleased to announce that Paula J voiced her willingness to do service as our GSR and was voted in at our last business meeting. I will continue to be the alternate. Amongst the other changes at the bunch Ricky V will be chairing the Thursday meetings. Homer K and Kerry T both have committed to the service of scouring the countryside for members to participate on our Q&A panels scheduled for the months that include a 5th Saturday. We are continuing to do our best to carry a clear message of recovery. We are earnest and steadfast in our efforts to provide a warm and welcoming atmosphere at our meetings where, in addition to having the best coffee in the United States, we also make snacks available from time to time. We've seen a recent increase in members from both men and women facilities in the area and we openly invite them to keep coming back. The Wednesday and Sunday meetings could use support from more experienced members. All of our meetings are, of course, literature based. We have one clean time celebration 9/17 Stephen K 9 years literature order of \$188.10 no donation ILS Will T
- **No Matter What-** not in attendance
- **Hopenworks-** Hello Family. All is well at hopenworks, we meet every Friday at 5:30pm at 3337 Summer Ave We have had an average of 14 addicts attend with few new members 4 attend this past month. We have a literature order of \$122.69 donation .31 for a total of \$123.00 ILS Chris R
- **Positive Awareness** - Hello family, all is well at positive awareness. We are still a literature based meeting 1st week of the month we will study out of the basic text, 2nd week living clean, 3rd week it works how and why, 4th week guiding principles and if

there's a 5th week it will be out of the step working guide or an ip.9/23 Ashley D celebrates 1 year clean literature order of \$60.98 donation of \$20.02 for a total of \$81.00 ILS Dayna R

- **Primary Purpose** -Greeting NA Family All is well with Primary Purpose. We continue to carry the message to the still suffering addict. Our meeting average 10 to 20 attendees. In person we meet at 7pm Sunday nights at Grace St. Lukes Episcopal Church. Ethan A 1 year 8/28 Suzanne C 10 years 9/18 literature order of \$20.48 donation of \$25.52 for a total of \$45.00 ILS George P.
- **Spiritual Awakenings**- All is well at SA 10 people per meeting with 1 newcomer no literature order no donation ILS Hank Y
- **Simplicity is the Key** – All is well at SITK we still need support on Tuesday night at 6:30pm at Trinity united methodist. No ann or special events literature order of \$40.00 area donation of \$0 for a total of \$40.00 ILS Geoff B
- **Something Different**- Hello family we are doing good we're averaging 10 to 20 addicts pre meeting continuing to carry the message to the still suffering addict we've been getting a treatment center every other week. ILS Della R
- **Thursday Nighters** – All is well from Thursday niters, we have had 10-15 people per meeting. No birthdays coming up.
ILS,
Kathryn
- **Keep it Green**- Keep it Green is still going strong and growing with an average of 10 to 15 addicts per meeting. With several newcomers in the past weeks. We'll keep the doors open. Literature order of \$26.20 area donation of \$20.05 for a total of \$46.25 ILS Jared H
- **Unity** – We are doing well. We have 15 to 20 in attendance each meeting. We have a rotating format each Tuesday of the month. 1st tues is Q&A 2nd tues is we read and discuss the living clean. 3rd tues basic text study 4th tues we have a speaker meeting and if there's a 5th tues we have open discussion.. Literature order of \$71.75 area donation of \$5.75 for a total of \$76.50 ILS Darin M
- **You+me=we** -We meet 7 days a week at 8am. It's a hybrid meeting where we've had 14 newcomers. 184 in attendance. We are drug court approved [reminder]. Literature order of \$0 area donation of \$20.00 for a total of \$20.00 ILS Rick A
- **Welcome Home** - Not in attendance.

[OPEN FORUM](#)

[We've received \\$3,901.08 from NA in May funds and at area we decided to take it back to the groups for discussions rather it be to fund the subsidy books or give some to the subcommittees](#)

[GSR'S Got the men & womens phone list for newcomers and theres star's by the names of people who are willing to sponsor.](#)

NEW BUSINESS

Motion To nominate Ellis R as a speaker for VRC 40

INTENT TO represent the WTSAC In the VRC 40

Maker George P

Seconded Lucy O

8/28/22 willingness statement

I Ellis R would love to travel to Murfreesboro Tn this fall for the Tennessee VRC as a workshop speaker. I have a sponsor who has a sponsor and we are all working steps. Murfreesboro has a special place in my heart and I would love to be there in loving service to our fellowship.

Thanks Ellis R

Motion To nominate Carl H as a speaker for VRC 40

Intent To represent the WTSAC in the VRC 40

Maker Dayna R

Seconded Della R

8/28/22 willingness statement

I Carl H have 16 years clean. I have a sponsor who has a sponsor and I have worked all 12 steps, 12 traditions and the 12 concepts. I've never misappropriated any NA funds.

Motion To nominate Andrew C as WT H&I Chair

Intent To fulfill an open position.

Maker Tracey K

Seconded Hopenworks

8/28/22 willingness statement.

My name is Andrew and I'm an addict. My clean date is April 18, 2019. I have a NA sponsor who has a NA sponsor. I work steps with my sponsor. I have never misappropriated funds. I have been a GSR and H&I panel leader in the heartland area of the Florida region. I'm declaring my intent to fulfill the position of H&I chair. ILS Andrew C

Next WTASC meeting is September 25, 2022

In person at Hope Church or on Zoom

Meeting ID: 960 6484 5034

Passcode: 121212

