

## West Tennessee Area Service Committee Minutes (03/24/2024)

### *Area Positions Terms and Election Dates*

Title/Sub/Group	Name	Phone Number	Email	12/17/23	01/28/24	02/25/24
Chairperson	Suzanne C	901-379-6077	suzannechambblis@gmail.com	X	O	X
Vice Chairperson	Gill	731- 343-0270		O	X	X
Secretary	Penny K	901-745-1020	pennybrucker@gmail.com	X	X	X
Alternate Secretary	OPEN			OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Treasurer	Kathryn L.	644-8751	kathryngarland1@gmail.com	X	X	X
Alternate Treasurer	Chris R.	901-734-8335		X	X	X
Regional Committee Member	Rick A	857-7076	clickforit22663@yahoo.com	X	X	X
Regional Committee Member Alternate	Tammy S		abr4u@gmail.com	X	O	X
<b>Subcommittees</b>						
Activities	OPEN			VAC	VAC	VAC
Archives	OPEN			VAC	VAC	VAC
Hospitals and Institutions	Ricky V.		scoobydoo.rv@gmail.com	X	X	X
Literature	Ashley			X	X	X
NA in May	Juan S.		juan2c1@gmail.com	X	X	O
Newsletter	Adeel			X	X	O
Outreach	OPEN			O	O	O
Policy and Procedures	Lucy O.			X	O	X
Public Relations	OPEN			OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
<b>Voting Groups</b>						
Clean A.I.R.	Leigh Ann	628-6145	leighann1957@gmail.com	X	X	X
High On Life	David T.	505-9076	heavyt2k12@gmail.com	X	X	X
Hope Dealers	Laura	618-7940	lssummers70@gmail.com	X	X	X
HopeNWorks	Chris R		Jc_russotto@msn.com	X	X	X
Keep It Green	Jared	828-4926	jarhead2936@gmail.com	X	X	O

Lunch Bunch		Doug/Paula	530-9046	Jacquezpaula@gmail.com	X	X	X
Primary Purpose		Cortez J.			X	X	X
Something Different		Amanda H.	288-9987	amanda.kremers@yahoo.com	X	X	X
Thursday Nighters		Kathryn G.	644-8751	kathryngarland1@gmail.com	X	X	X
Unity Group		Darin	315-7181	darinmadison53@gmail.com	X	X	X
Cordova Hope		Rex R		rexragland827@gmail.com	X	O	X
Welcome Home		Justin/Joelle		jcubb@gmail.com	X	X	X
Spiritual Awakenings		Josh W.			X	X	O
Clarity		David		davidbell121@outlook.com	O	X	O
GIFT		Mindy		minbutter@gmail.com	X	X	X
<b>Non-Voting Groups and Meetings</b>							
Positive Awareness		Dave. M.	848-3282	dave.mcdowell1966@gmail.com	O	O	O
No Matter What		Drew R		dru2tr@gmail.com	O	O	O
Harmony		Roy. C	403-2350	roy.cauthern@gmail.com	X	O	O
Desire		Dave			O	O	O
New Beginnings					O	O	O
GHOD					O	O	O
Back II Basics		Cassandra	786-2926	cassiemorris939@gmail.com	O	O	O
Daily Reprieve					O	O	O

**PLEASE READ ALL MINUTES AND OPEN ALL ATTACHMENTS TO EMAIL. STAY INFORMED.**

Opened at 2:04pm with Serenity Prayer.

Service Prayer: Leigh Ann

12 Traditions: Christian

12 Concepts: Eric

Purpose of ASC: Tammy

Quorum established

Prior months minutes approved.

**OPEN POSITIONS**(Please see attachment to minutes for positions descriptions, elections, and terms): Please take these back to your homegroups and help get the area support. Archives, Activities, Alternate Secretary, Alternate Treasurer, Outreach

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

**Chair**

In attendance, no report. ILS Suzanne C.

**Secretary**

In attendance no report. ILS Penny K.

**Treasurer:**

We had a beginning balance of \$6170.63 we have an ending balance in the book fund of \$2950.39 and our literature order from last month that will be paid of \$1718.04 We have in literature sales \$540.75 we had a \$385.87 donations and \$146.62 in PayPal donations. We have a tentative lit order for this month \$877.83 H&I had a lit order of \$198.44 We have available cash of \$220.41.

ILS,

Kathryn

**Please have your stuff together pre area, hand it to the treasurer and keep conversation quiet so we can concentrate.**

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Activities**

OPEN

### **RCM**

Verbal report given. **REPORT IS ATTACHED TO THE MINUTES**. ILS, Rick

Rick: We still need willingness for a VRC25 Chair. We have Juan willing to work on the hotels but we need a chair.

Kathryn: Is there any conflict with Craig being Alt. RCM and his other position that he holds.

Lucy: He said if it was an issue and the body wanted him to step down he would. However he can handle both positions with no issues.

### **Archive Committee –**

OPEN

### **Literature-**

Hello Family, all is well. The literature order total for this month is \$1,718.04. ILS, Ashley D.

### **Hospitals & Institutions:**

Greetings and salutations Family. The H&I Subcommittee is starting to thrive which is awesome. Positive feedback from all of the panel leaders. What we are harping on is building great relationships with these facilities. We have 3 facilities, Salvation Army Serenity, and Graceland which we are building great relationships with, and they are buying our literature. We had a member that donated \$100 to H&I and are brainstorming how to best utilize the funds. We also voted as a group to make H&I meeting time move back 15 minutes to 12:45PM, to help us facilitate the zoom setup and wrap up efficiently. ILS, Ricky.

### **NA in May**

Juan was unable to attend today. Gil gave a small report. Information for NA in May is on the website, NAINMay.com. The Chili Cookoff is Saturday at 1:30PM at the Lunch Bunch.

**Outreach:**

OPEN

**Public Relations:**

Public Relations Subcommittee report for 3-24-2024

The Public Relations subcommittee met on Zoom Saturday March 23 in order to discuss the state of the subcommittee and to discuss plans going forward. Present were Glen H and Bill S. The subcommittee discussed the state of the Libraries and the meeting schedule pickup and the next meeting time and place. It was determined that we need an in-person meeting. The meeting will be held at Grace Saint Luke's Church at 1720 Peabody on Saturday April 20. Please enter on the Lemaster side thru the Red door. The Lit order for the Libraries submitted by Bill S. will always be below 100 dollars. I will have the zoom portal open for those who want to join.

This is the PR zoom information

pr zoom 901 276 5483 passcode 121212

It will be Saturday April 20 2024 at 2:00 PM.

All are Welcome.

ILS,

George P.

**Policies and Procedures:**

I'm usually pretty good about reminding folks of things we should be doing according to the guidelines, but I missed this in January.

We should have announced that nominations should be solicited for the following positions at the February meeting: chair, vice chair, treasurer, alt treasurer, activities, literature, and newsletter. In February, willing members would have showed up and expressed willingness and go back to groups to be voted on and elected in March. We are 2 months behind on this (other than there was a nomination for treasurer).

The guidelines also state: An explanation of that position's duties and responsibilities shall be provided. (Document attached to minutes with detailed position duties and responsibilities.)

So the groups need to bring back nominations for chair, vice chair, alt treasurer, activities, literature, and newsletter. Please note: trusted servants may serve 2 terms, so current trusted servants can express willingness for another term if they have not served 2 terms.

Lucy

Suzanne C: Please announce these open positions at all of your homegroups.

**\*\*ADHOC FOR H&I SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT\*\***

After re reading we found 3 things that need to be amended

1. No addict seeking recovery should ever have to die from the horrors of addiction. (taking the word addict out)
2. To include the following sentence under bullet point #4  
“Limited to include the Introduction to NA, IPs and the White Booklet”
3. Panel Members - Take out the 2nd Bullet Point must attend (2) H&I Subcommittee meetings a year. Due to the folder that each panel member takes to the facility.

**Updates guidelines are attached to the minutes. Please read them with your homegroups this business meeting.**

**Newsletter:**

Not in attendance.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Motion 1

Maker: Thursday Nighters

Seconded By: Something Different

Motion: To nominate Chris R for Treasurer

Intent: To fill a position.

Lucy: Have you read the guidelines Chris?

Chris: No I have not.

Willingness Statement:

My name is Chris R. I am an addict. My Clean Date is 07/29/2017. I work with a sponsor who also has a sponsor. I have never misused NA Funds. I am expressing my willingness to be the 2024 Treasurer of the West Tennessee Area of N.A. ILS Chris R.

**VOTE ON THIS MOTION**

**MOTION PASSED: 13 YES**

Motion 2:

Alt. Regional Delegate Nominees

Craig: 12                      Emily: 0

1 abstention                1 abstention

Motion 3;

Greg for Regional Delegate

12 in favor

1 abstention

Motion 4:

James B for Alternate Secretary

12 in favor

1 abstention

Motion 5:

Check Signing Motion

Rick: Let me make sure everyone understands this motion completely. Lets say for example Lucy and myself go to a region meeting. If the Treasurer/ Alt Treasurer are not in the same place. In the event both signers on the account are not physically there it can be approved via Zoom/email.

13 in favor.

## GROUP REPORTS -

### Clarity

We average 11 per meeting with 7 newcomers this month. This is the second month that we have had a chairperson for every group in a row. We have a Lit Order of \$6.16 and a Donation of \$15.84 for a total of \$22.00. On 04/21 we have Sarah T with 1 year.. ILS, Christian T.

**LEFT WHEN QUORUM WAS RE ESTABLISHED (MARKED ABSENT)**

### Clean Air

Hello Family,

Our hybrid meeting is going well. Come and join us on Saturday nights at 8:00pm!

Guaranteed

recovery with addicts who are happy, joyous, and free! We have 1 birthday in March:

Debbie H

with 42 years on April 13th.

We have a lit order of \$26.93 and a donation to Area of \$30.07.

ILS,

Leigh Ann F

### Cordova Hope:

Attendance has been light lately. Everything else is going well. We have no Lit order and An Area Donation of \$20 for a total of \$20. ILS, Mark K.

### Get Honest or Die

Not in attendance.

### GIFT

Gift is gratefully, maintaining! We are averaging about 3-5 addicts in attendance

and 1 new homegroup member this month. We meet every Tuesday @ 7pm in Covington. We have a Lit order of \$10.00 and no Donation for a total of \$10.00. ILS, Pam R.

**Harmony**

Not in attendance.

**High On Life**

Everything is going well. Even though we need support we are having a Potluck for the Hell of It on 04/15/24 for fun and fellowship. We have no Lit Order or Area Donation. ILS, Eric N. .

**Hope Dealers**

.Hello family.

All is well at Hope Dealers.

We have an average meeting attendance of 6-13 members.

We have 2 new homegroup members! Our own Sherry W. Will be celebrating 31 years on April 29th!! We have no literature order and an area donation of \$40.

In loving service, Marcus

**Lunch Bunch**

. Shoutout to the West Tennessee Area of Narcotics Anonymous...

The Lunch Bunch is still flowing 7 days a week as a Literature-based meeting. We could certainly use support for our Sunday meeting which begins at 2 o'clock. Attendance on that day can be sparse. Our Wednesday meeting could use support from more experienced members since at that meeting there is generally an influx of newcomers from a treatment facility.

On March 30 the recovery meeting will end 30 minutes early to make room for the Chili Cook-off. The Chili Cook-off, of course, is a fundraiser for NA in May. So, come out for some recovery, food, fun and competition.

On April 20, we will be doing a group inventory to determine what is working and what can be improved in our ability to carry the NA message.

Birthdays:

4/13 Ricky Y—23 Yrs.

4/20 Donna S—25 Yrs

4/20 Gwen L—7 Yrs

**No Matter What**



Not in attendance.

**HopeNworks**

Hello Family

All is well at Hope N Works. We have an average meeting attendance of 14 addicts. We have one newcomer.

Literature Order \$0

Area Donation \$30

Total \$30

ILS,

Tracey K

**Positive Awareness**

Not in attendance.

**Primary Purpose**

All is well with Primary Purpose. We continue to carry the message to the still suffering addict. Our

meeting averages about 10-15 attendees. Thomas R will celebrate 9 years at Primary

Purpose 7:00 at

1720 Peabody Ave

Lit Order- \$19.18

Area Donation: \$13.17

Total \$33.38

ILS,

George P.

**Spiritual Awakenings**

Not in attendance.

**Something Different**

Hey Family all is well at Something Different still meeting on Monday evening at 7 pm and are a topic discussion meeting. We have added 1 new Homegroup member this month and for the last 3 weeks a treatment center has visited our meeting bringing our attendance up to 20-25. What a beautiful sight this has been! I feel hope! Our literature order is 39.16 and area donation is 34.84 total =74

ILS

Amanda H

**Thursday Nighters**

All is well at Thursday niters,

Shannon celebrates 20 years and Kathryn celebrates 16 years this Thursday march 28th. Trinity P will celebrate next month probably on May 2 but that exact date hasn't been confirmed

### **Keep it Green**

Not In attendance.

### **Unity**

We are doing well. Our attendance is still 20 to 30 members each Tuesday. The young ladies from Baby Love and the men and women from Lakeside come out every Tuesday. The last 3 Tuesdays we have had NA members from outside states, and we are not talking surrounding states either. They were visiting the city and needed a meeting. We are glad our doors were open for them and they thanked us for meeting schedules. We have a Lit Order of \$62.54 and a Donation of \$7.46 for a total of \$70.00. ILS, Darin.

### **Welcome Home**

Stepping Stones- Tues, Thurs, Sun

Total: 137

Avg: 11

New: 5

St. Tims- Mon & Wed

Total: 47

New: 1

Visitor: 2

Parkwood- Friday

Total: 10

On 04/21/24 we have Justin P with 3 years clean.

We have a Lit Order of \$26.18 and a Donation of \$45.00 for a total of \$71.81 via PayPal. ILS, Joelle

### **Back II Basics**

Not in Attendance.

**BREAK WAS TAKEN FOR FELLOWSHIP AND OTHER NECESSITIES**

## OPEN FORUM

We still do have quorum.

### THE OPEN POSITIONS ARE AS LISTED CURRENTLY:

CHAIR

VICE CHAIR

TREASURER

NEWSLETTER

ARCHIVES

ACTIVITIES

OUTREACH

ALTERNATE SECRETARY

ALTERNATE TREASURER

Gil: Addressed piggybacking to the area. What it is, and please try to work on these issues. I will be calling people out for this. It will cut down on the time in the area that is spent addressing the same thing over and over again.

Marcus: Phone list revision is needed, people relapse, people do not want to be on the list anymore, things change for various reasons.

LeighAnn: We have run out of phone lists. How do we get them?

George: Glen will update and I will print the list and bring them to the area to review. We can also send them to the secretary to put them in the minutes to be reviewed.

Amanda: We could take the willingness to sponsor off the list. Let the person call and ask if we are willing to sponsor.

George: As of now, this is going to be a function of PR. I am going to take care of the new lists.

LeighAnn: Outreach is an open position. They support the groups, we need to get some help from people in groups.

Chris: Meeting schedules and phone lists are important.

Marcus: Phone lists have proven to be useful to the newcomer. We can all do Outreach as members.

Tim: I want to start doing some asphalt recovery for our area. Travel and go to some meetings and conventions as a group promote some fellowship and light this area on fire.

Kathryn: Start with VRC in Knoxville.

**PLEASE DISCUSS ALL MOTIONS AND VOTE WITH YOUR  
HOMEGROUPS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion 1:

Amanda H for Outreach Chair

Maker: Something Different

Seconded By: Hope-N-Works

Intent: To fill a position

Willingness statement for Amanda H Outreach Chair

Hey family, my name is Amanda and I am expressing willingness to be an Outreach chair. I am currently GSR for my home group Something Different and have held many positions VRC Hospitality chair 2x VRC registration chair 1x and NA in May Chair and other positions on committee over the years as well. Area RCM one term I have not misappropriated NA funds and I have never vacated a position before the term was over. I have a sponsor who has a sponsor and I also have sponsees. My clean date is 5/21/2008

In loving service

Amanda H

**VOTE ON THIS MOTION WITH HOMEGROUPS**

Motion 2: Gil for WTASC Chair  
Maker: Clean Air  
Seconded by: Lunch Bunch  
Intent: To fill a position

#### Area Chair Willingness Statement

My name is Gil and I am an addict. I am putting in my willingness to serve as Area Chair. I have not misused NA funds. I have a sponsor and I am working the Twelve Steps. I have 15 years of experience of Leadership in my professional life, and I believe that I can leverage my leadership experience to serve the West Tennessee Area Service Committee. My clean date is May 27th 2022, I have served as Vice Literature Chair, and Area Vice Chair ILS, Gil

#### **VOTE ON THIS MOTION WITH YOUR HOMEGROUPS**

Motion 3: Suzanne for VRC Chair  
Maker: Clean Air  
Seconded by: Lunch Bunch  
Intent: To fill a position

Hi Family,

My name is Suzanne and I'm an addict. My clean date is 9/16/12. I have a sponsor who has a sponsor who has a sponsor. We all work steps. I also sponsor other women in the same way I have been taught.

I served as Merchandising Chair for VRC in 2021 and was on the Hospitality Committee at VRC in 2013. I've served on various committees for NA in May and have been Area Chair since March 2023. I have never misappropriated funds.

If voted in by our members, I would bring the same thing to VRC that I have to Area- the encouragement and support for committee chairpersons to allow them to do their jobs. Plus I love VRC and I'll bring that.

In loving service,

Suzanne C

#### **VOTE ON THIS MOTION WITH YOUR HOMEGROUPS**

Motion 4: To start the area meeting at 2:15PM

Maker: Tammy S

Seconded by: Will T.

Intent: To give time between H & I end time and the start of Area for members to get situated and those who attend both to have a break.

#### **VOTE ON THIS MOTION WITH YOUR HOMEGROUPS**

Motion 5: To approve the revised H&I guidelines as presented at area. Revised H&I guidelines attached to minutes.

Maker: Thursday Nighters

Seconded by: Something Different

Intent: To move forward with the needs of H&I.

**THESE GUIDELINES ARE ATTACHED TO THE PREVIOUS MINUTES SENT OUT. I DID NOT INCLUDE THIS MOTION INITIALLY. VOTE ON THESE WITH YOUR GROUPS.**

Closing Treasurer's report....Verbal  
Motion to close... yes

**\*\*SEE QR CODE BELOW FOR DONATIONS TO AREA\*\***

**Next WTASC meeting is April 28th 2024 @ 2pm**  
**In person at Hope Church or on Zoom**  
**Meeting ID: 960 6484 5034**  
**Passcode: 121212**



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