

**Knoxville Area Minutes
4/18/2020**

**Opened with SP
Traditions- Becca
Concepts- Ashley**

Group	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Beautiful Day	A	A	A	A						A	a	A
Came to Believe	P	A	A	A								
Changes	P	P	P	P						P	p	A
Dopeless Hope fiends		P	A	A								
Easy Does It	P	P	P	A						P	P	A
Glow in the Dark	A	A	A	P						P	A	A
HOPE	A	P	P	A						P	P	P
How We Live	P	A	A	A						P	A	P
Hugs not Drugs	P	P	A	P						P	A	P
Just for Today	A	P	A	A						P	A	P
Let Go	A	P	A	A						P	A	A
Little River Group	P	P	P	P						P	P	A
New Attitude	A	A	A	A						A	A	A
Nickel and Dime	P	P	A	A						A	A	A
Night Shift	P	P	P	A						P	P	P
No Name	P	P	P	P						P	P	P
Noon Thirty	P	P	A	A						P	P	A
One More 24	P	P	A	A						P	A	A
Practical Applications	P	P	P	P						P	P	P
Primary Purpose	P	P	P	P						P	P	P
Recovery at Work	P	A	P	A						P	P	P

Group Reports:

Recovery plug starting to gain new hg members GC is a week from today.

Reports

Chair: No Report

Vice Chair: No report

Secretary: No Report

Alt. Secretary: Vacant

Treasurer: on website

Alt. Treasurer: VACANT

RCM:

Hi everyone,

I have learned so much about myself and the fellowship from this position that you all trust me with. I thank you all for that. I think it would be awesome if I could pass along some of what I've learned, because we can only keep what we have by giving it away, right?

Alt. RCM is currently a vacant position, and it is looking highly probable that I will be moving out of the area before the end of the year. I will fulfill my commitment, but it would be good if someone could jump in to help and learn as well.

That said, I hope you have all been well during the past month. The only big thing I have to report is the deadline extension for CAR/CAT tallies. Our VRSC Chair, Dell E., sent out a note a few days ago:

Narcotics Anonymous Members and Trusted Servants of the Volunteer Region

Hello everyone,

I would like to encourage you and our fellow members to participate in the Conference Agenda Report (CAR) and Conference Approval Track (CAT) if you haven't already done so. The tally information can be submitted at www.natennessee.org (the web site for our Volunteer Region).

Click on "CAR/CAT Tallies" about half way down the page. This is where your group votes can be entered and forwarded to our Regional Delegate (RD), Alternate Regional Delegate (ARD), and Secretary to help make the conscious of our Region at the 2020 World Service Conference (WSC).

The submissions will be accepted up through April 24th, the day before the start of the WSC. There is contact information on the website for technical assistance or questions pertaining to the CAR/CAT report.

I urge you to do your part and let your groups voice be heard on the matters affecting this year's WSC. Thanks for your participation in advance. Your voice can make a difference.

VRSC Chair

Dell E

I'd just like to echo what he said there. If your group has not filled out the CAR/CAT tally it is incredibly easy to do, please get with your homegroup over the next couple of days and help guide the fellowship in the direction a loving God influences you.

In loving service,

Stephen Z

Alt. RCM: Vacant

Activities: Vacant

H&I:

We had 12 people at subcommittee this morning Chris B is V.Chair and Carrie P is secretary. We will be sending a letter to facilities to see if they want meetings virtually. They had one person oriented.

PR:

Already made the letter going into facilities and has a schedule made for Zoom meetings in the area. We are missing a few home groups on Zoom. Has been on regional and zonal PR meetings. Has an amazing subcommittee. Ordered a few things and planned some events for when all this gets lifted. Reach out if there is anything that PR can do.

KACNA: ABSENT

ROR:

Have wristbands and shirts to sale. If anyone wants to get involved please let us know.

P&P: Vacant

Inventory Task Force:

Not much new to report. We weren't able to meet as scheduled, due to the meeting we were going to support being temporarily closed.

Robert H. reached out to me last week with some area documents he found, area minutes from 2006-2013 and some old H&I info as well as some info about the area split that happened.

They have been uploaded to naknoxville.org and I'm currently working on an archives page so that people can refer back to them if they would like. The address is

www.naknoxville.org/archives and there is a link to it at the bottom of the services documents page as well.

Stephen Z

KAZM:

Is going very well. We average 75 people a day. Reaching people all over the world. There were some bugs but that has been figured out. GC on Sundays at 6 pm. Speaker meetings as well. It's going very well.

OLD Business:

ASC Motions/ Nominations

VRSC Motion

New Business:

Made by: No Name 2nd: Primary Purpose

To nominate Robert H as Area outreach chair.

Clean 10/19/05

Various levels of service

Has a sponsor who has a sponsor

Never misappropriated NA funds.

Has been the outreach chair before.

Intent: To fill a vacant position.

Open Forum:

Meeting house on Western is meeting outside 8-9 7 days a week.

Anything we can do to help facilitate sponsorship?

Workshop on sponsorship?

Announcements:

Meeting house is doing a fundraiser in about a month from now.

Next meeting is on 16MAY2020

AREA INVENTORY 2020

Opened with the Serenity Prayer

Went around the room and introduced ourselves.

Why Inventory?

Because carrying the message is so important, many groups take inventory periodically to help ensure that our primary purpose is still in focus.

What is your purpose of an ASC?

- Serve groups
- Provide Services
- Ensure the message is carried to those who need it
- Get people to meetings
- Help strengthen the meetings
- Foster Unity
- Connect Groups
- Link between other levels of service
- ❖ See guidelines

List what actions or services you do to fulfill that purpose

- H&I
- PR
- KACNA
- ROR
- Meeting schedules
- Website
- Phone line
- Link between service structures
- Supporting Groups
- Meaningful Discussions
- Area Inventory
- Collective Experience
- GSR orientations
- H&I orientations
- Workshops

Assets

- Website
- Phone line
- Meeting Schedules
- 7th Tradition
- Fundraising
- Throwing Parties

- A lot of meetings
- Number of active home groups
- Communication
- Effectiveness of ASC
- A good mixture of Clean time/ experience
- Carrying the message
- H&I/ GSR Training
- Commitment

Liabilities

- Denial
- Supporting other groups
- ASC Inventory
- Workshops
- Lack of understanding of policy
- Effectiveness of our Communication
- Lack of Outreach
- Too many events
- Too many Fundraisers
- Parties
- Unwelcoming
- Lack of participation in service
- Poor fund management
- Lack of Training
- Disunity
- Lack of Old Timers in service
- Lack of Understanding of Concepts and Traditions
- Warm body syndrome
- Lack of commitment/ Attendance
- Lack of Literature
- Negative Image of Service (OPTICS)
- 61 Pages of Guidelines
- Lack of Public Relations
- ASC meeting is rushed

Top 4

- Workshops/ Lack of Training
- Poor communication
- Use of Funds/ fundraising
- 12 traditions and 12 concepts

Solutions

- Lack of Training/ workshops- Blake V.
 - Have an Activities Chair to facilitate the workshops
 - List of topics for workshops
 - Consult with other areas of service about how to have a workshop (ask for help)

- Find ways to make them attractive (Optics)
- **Funds and Fundraisers- Point of Accountability- Dixon C.**
 - **Biggest expenses are conventions**
 - **Alternate ROR and KACNA**
 - **Strong Activities chair to do activities to promote unity**
 - **Self-support**
 - **Requesting outside fundraising (ASK FOR HELP)**
 - **Ask Groups to have the 2 conventions**
 - **Financial workshops**
 - **Read money Matters at the ASC**
 - **Prioritize services**
 - **Move KACNA and ROR under Activities**
 - **Fully fund Conventions**
- **Poor Communications- Point of Communication- Adam P**
 - **Strong PR committee**
 - **Detailed group reports**
 - **Send out ASC minutes in a timely manor**
 - **Outreach**
 - **GSR/ Trusted servant training**
 - **Contact list for ASC**
 - **Home Group meeting contact # on Schedule**
 - **Calendar of events on Website**
 - **GSR Reports more accessible**
 - **ASC Format**
- **Traditions/ Concepts- Point of accountability- Stephen Z**
 - **Study at Area**
 - **Attraction through workshops**
 - **Sponsorship**
 - **GSR Orientation**
 - **Workshops at Conventions**
 - **More Tradition and concept studies at meetings**
 - **Personally share experiences at meetings**
 - **Shatter the illusion that the concepts are only for service**
 - **Integrate the Guide to Local Service**
 - **Outreach Subcommittee**

Accountability and follow-up

- **Who is responsible to monitor and report back to the body?**
- **How will we monitor our progress?**
- **When are these solutions to be implemented? Deadline?**
- **Form a Task Force**