



TSNAC Business Meeting Minutes – July 21, 2018

Fellows present: Dana W, Tom S, Brian M, Susan D, Matt D, Regina E, Alex C, Jesse M, Ted B, Benjamin O, Don C, Dave U, Rita W, Ronald

Dana W. opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

- 1) Please turn off cell phones
- 2) Request approval of group to record this meeting for secretary use only
 - a. Unanimously approved. Susan D standing in for regular secretary Monica
- 3) Open the meeting with moment of silence/ serenity prayer / traditions
 - a. Ted B read the 12 traditions
- 4) Reading/Approval of last month's minutes
 - a. Dana W. read the minutes as written
 - b. Kimmie asked for prudent reserve to be changed to event fund in paragraph a of treasurer's report. In special needs report central office should be changed to central location.
 - c.
 - i. Regina moved to accept the Minutes with corrections
 - ii. Brian seconded
 - iii. Minutes were approved with corrections
- 5) Introductions – pass contact/sign-in sheet
 - a. Introductions were made and sign-in sheet passed around
- 6) TSNAC Chair Report – Dana W.
 - a. Attended PNC Conference – good conference with discussion on anonymity on social media. Any posts of coins, anniversaries etc. breaks that tradition.

b. Other issues will be part of new business. We have a table at the Gem State Roundup and will need volunteers to give Tom and Dana a break. There is also an alcathon at the roundup.

7) Treasurers Report – Tom S.

Beginning balance of \$3,364.60, ending balance of \$3,316.33. Full report was submitted at meeting. Tom reported there is a \$16.65 discrepancy in reports, but found \$16.00 in the meeting, which was 7th step contributions from last month's committee meeting. No pink can contributions again this month. \$691.65 contributions from groups, \$3,313.40 from barbecue proceeds, including return of \$500 seed money. Expenses including \$3,888.08 book order brought ending balance to \$3,316.33.

Dana noted he had been reimbursed \$150 (the gift card returned from the picnic) and requires no further monies.

8) Literature Report - Brian

a. Hard copy available at meeting. Brian read the report.

b. Brian had book order in truck for distribution.

c. Brian sent out inventory so all committee members could see what we had available.

d. Tom clarified his request for 12 x 12s Spanish copies down to 5 from the original 20 noted in the report.

e. A discussion ensued on who is doing meetings in the various prisons. We provide literature to prisons as requested. There is no stipulation that a TSNAC AA meeting be occurring there, only that prisoners asked for literature.

9) Corrections Report – Susan D.

a. Susan expressed it is summer and things are fairly slow.

- b. New volunteers trained during the IDOC trainings. A new Volunteer Sally trained and approved in three weeks and already doing service at the PRC. Susan is working on figuring out how to make everyone's approval as quick as this volunteer's experience.
 - c. Looking for additional volunteers. A great need is for a new volunteer at IMCI so when the regular volunteers Ed and Chris are on vacation we can still have a meeting.
 - d. As far as we know, seeing good attendance at prison meetings, no issues reported to chair, and the attendance at meetings means extra strain on the requests for literature.
- 10) Hospital/ Treatment Report
- a. Jared was absent due to work commitment. He reported to Dana that they have no problems.
 - b. Port of Hope still has no patients.
 - c. No additional literature requests
- 11) Bridge the Gap Report
- a. Tom read a resignation letter from Laura A.
 - b. Ted B expressed some interest in the post. Tom outlined the basic duties and time commitments involved. Jesse M also expressed interest but was concerned that he could not drive. It was established that this was not a barrier to the program.
 - c. Both Susan and Ronald expressed how important the program was to prisoners being released.
 - d. Regina asked where a volunteer would go who wanted to correspond with inmates. It was confirmed this is under the Bridging the Gap's mission.
- 12) Intergroup Report – Kimmie P.

- a. There are currently positions open on the committee – Secretary and co-chair setup position for the committee. The co-chair requires five years of sobriety.
- b. Next event is the Superbowl party in January
- c. Slippery when Wet – if you want to receive it by email please send an email to editor.slipperywhenwet@gmail.com. They are looking for articles – the deadline is towards the end of the month.
- d. There are openings on the hotline for the first Friday and Saturday of the month which need filled ASAP. Call Susanne at 208-919-0164
- e. August 4th is the Unity Day Picnic.
- f. The steering committee is looking into travel insurance for traveling to out of state and lighting outside central office.
- g. Kimmie also had a list of struggling meetings for anyone who would like to get them support.

13) Special Needs Report - Regina

- a. Deaf meeting has been moved to a more central location at St Michael's Episcopalian Church downtown on Saturdays. Please help distribute this information so this meeting can get better established.
- b. Geriatrics will be the next target population. Rita W has volunteered to help. Extended care homes, retirement communities and others will be contacted. Activity coordinators will be approached to help assess interest. Regina is sharing their approach to solicit more ideas and input.

14) Picnic Report

- a. Dana reported there will be a picnic next year.

15) Webmaster Report

- a. Regina reported on behalf of Dave who cannot due to work attend Saturday committee meetings.

- b. The webmaster needs help, especially from Brian, Susan, Tom, Dana and Monica to send emails to Dave, copying to Regina, with changes.
 - c. Look at reports on website if you are responsible for them to make sure they are correct.
- 16) CP/CPI Report – Tom
- a. Tom could not attend this month’s meeting. Tom has made himself available to help set up information tables etc. but communication has been weak.
 - b. They intend to have a table at the upcoming Gem State Round-up. Again, Tom hasn’t had direct communication on this, nor has the Round-up heard anything.
 - c. Community action fair is coming up at the Vinyard Church in Garden City, August 15th, 1 to 7 pm. A wide variety of resources are represented, and professionals come through and get information as well as parolees etc.
 - d. Seth mentioned that at CP/CPI the ASL representatives mentioned they are working on a brochure for doctor’s offices etc. on new deaf meeting. They are concerned if too many hearing people are involved it will fail to reach the real audience, and the deaf will feel alienated. They are looking for input.
- 17) Workshops (What are up-coming that we should have a presence at) - Dana
- a. Gem State Round Up – August 3rd, 4th and 5th, Boise.
 - b. Area 18 Fall Assembly - October 5th, 6th and 7th, McCall
 - c. Community Resource Fair – August 15th, 1pm – 7pm, Vineyard Church
- 18) Old business
- a. None
- 19) New Business
- a. Dana W will be gone from September 26th through 1st May. We have two more meetings before he will be absent. Dana would rather not resign from the position. A decision to replace him, or have an interim chair will need to be made.

b. Brian had several literature requests

Tom submitted 20 12x12s in English, 5 12x12s in Spanish and 5 Big books in Spanish for ISCI

Brian motioned to approve request, seconded by Dana and approved

Scott requested Spanish pamphlets for Job Corp. He requested 60 of each, but Brian requested we fulfil his request with what we have

Susan motioned to approve request, seconded by Dana and approved

Brian motioned to replenish Spanish pamphlet stocks to 60 of each, \$50 to \$100 cost. Dana mentioned we may need stocks for TSNAC table too.

Dana motioned to approve request, seconded by Regina, approved

Susan requested 10 12 x 12s for the CAPP facility

Dana motioned to approve request, seconded by Kimmie and approved

c. A discussion ensued on why TSNAC was not called H&I as the current name was confusing. Dana confirmed the name if changed had to be done on the Area 18 level

d. Regina will send Monica an editable copy of guidelines.

20) The basket was passed in accordance with the 7th tradition.

21) Dana motioned to close the meeting. Ted seconded. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 11.35 am