



TSNAC Business Meeting Minutes – September 15, 2018

Fellows present:

Regina 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.
- 3) Open the meeting with moment of silence/ serenity prayer / traditions
 - a. David read the 12 traditions
- 4) Introductions – pass contact/sign-in sheet
 - a. Introductions were made and sign-in sheet passed around
- 5) Reading/Approval of last month's minutes
 - a. Monica M. read the minutes as written
 - i. Brian moved to accept the Minutes with corrections
 - ii. Alex seconded
 - iii. Minutes were approved as written with corrections
- 6) TSNAC Chair Report – Dana W.
 - a. Dana not in attendance.
- 7) Treasurers Report – Tom S.
 - a. Written report available at meeting. Beginning balance \$5,294.09. Ending balance \$5,398.34. Tom notes that funds received from groups are often not identified as Pink Can contributions, and groups are encouraged to be sure those funds are correctly identified. Prudent reserve has been reestablished, as well as the BBQ and the event fund.

- b. Rand inquired as to purpose of prudent reserve. Tom explained those funds are used for emergencies. David asked about discretionary funds. Tom explained unplanned expenses that come up.
 - c. Susan motion to accept report as written. Matt seconded. All in favor.
- 8) Literature Report - Brian
- a. Hard copy available at meeting. Brian read the literature report.
 - b. This month's report does not reflect the literature approved to go to Tom. That will be on next month's report.
 - c. Brian has literature for distribution to Susan.
 - d. Brian has CD requested by Christine, which is in lieu of 20 Big Books normally distributed.
 - e. Literature requests need to be received the Monday prior to the meeting.
 - f. \$5,532.11 beginning and ending balance. No requests received.
 - g. Literature to Nampa Work Release Center, as opposed to Treasure Valley Work Release Center. Brian distributed the literature, but can't remember who it went to. Treatment Center literature will be distributed to Jared, and Jared will handle from there. Corrections will be distributed to Susan and she will track who and where things go from there. She will use Brian's literature report for tracking purposes.
 - h. Q4 distribution – Standing order just recently went out. VA has been removed, Port of Hope Big Book hard copies have been removed and replaced with 1 CD. \$3,363.08 total 4th quarter standing order. Pink can and discretionary funds not enough to cover 4th quarter. Discussion took place as to whether monies from prudent reserve or event fund should be used to cover 4th quarter standing order, or if the order should be downsized? Regina indicates the books come first. Tom indicates no other events scheduled for 2018. Brian says pink can, discretionary

and prudent will cover the standing 4th quarter order. Jared says Safe Haven and Allumbaugh can be removed from this order as literature was discovered at those two facilities. That gets cost down to about \$3,000. Susan says SICI has a supply of Big Books and those can be removed from 4th quarter order. Brian also has books in inventory that have been carried over, sitting in storage. Susan indicates Daily Reflections are very important for inmates, without sponsors and some without frequent meetings. Susan suggests going from full size to pocket size Big Books, although she doesn't like to see them lose the stories in the back of the book. Tom, motioned we dip into prudent reserve, Ted seconded. All in favor. Brian clarified that with Safe Haven, Allumbaugh and the Big Books for SICI removed, that brings approximate cost to \$2,850.

9) Corrections Report – Susan D.

- a. Susan and Matt distributed fliers at meeting.
- b. Susan says pursuant to Guidelines she is supposed to submit electronic report and she will start doing that.
- c. Meeting for new volunteers will occur at Alano Club first Saturday of every month. First meeting in September. Susan will email reports to Regina.
- d. They have a new volunteer for SICI and they are ready to go.
- e. TVWRC needed a third volunteer. VRC's don't necessarily know the needs.
- f. New VRC at one of the woman's facilities. She is very supportive of AA.
- g. ISCI does not have meetings being brought in from outside. The AA meetings are only inmate led.
- h. Tom suggests Susan communicate that meeting to Margo so she can post the information.

10) Hospital/ Treatment Report – Jared

- a. Moved some people around for meetings.

- b. Safe Haven is running smooth right now. Jared will try to focus some time on visiting Intermountain and getting organized.
- 11) Bridge the Gap Report – Jesse
 - a. Seth attending for Jesse. Some issues with the paperwork. Jesse very enthusiastic and great for this position.
 - b. Tom says report sent to him. 2 successful bridges.
- 12) Intergroup Report – Kimmie P.
 - a. Kimmie not in attendance.
- 13) Special Needs Report - Regina
 - a. Regina has ASL meeting going. She still needs help getting the word out.
 - b. Geriatrics will be the next focus.
- 14) Picnic Report
 - a. N/A
- 15) Webmaster Report
 - a. Regina says Dave cannot make it to these meetings. Reports are being received and posted.
 - b. Regina asked the group to determine what needs to be on the website. Regina will have him add the volunteer meeting back on the website. Regina asked the committee to visit the website and offer assistance. Jared asked about a webmaster contact on the website? daveheneise@yahoo.com
- 16) CP/CPI Report – Tom
 - a. Meeting this Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at City of Trees Church. Assembly 1st weekend in October in McCall. CP/CPI will be there.
- 17) Workshops (What are up-coming that we should have a presence at)
 - a. Area 18 Fall Assembly in McCall.
- 18) Old business

- a. Guidelines – Monica provided new Guidelines with the event fund language replaced. Tom suggested everyone review the Guidelines for comments and compliance, as well as proposed changes. Susan commented about literature paragraph in guidelines.

19) New Business

- a. Tom – Telephone for TSNAC has been up again and down again. The company we deal with provides a service wherein if someone calls and no one answers, a voice mail messages goes into a written message through Google. This company charges \$4.24 per month, but they want a \$20 reserve set up within the company in order to continue the service. Susan did a test run at their volunteer meeting. Jesse left a message, but she's not sure where that message went. Evidently, the telephone number has no email attached to it. System has failed since February. Tom says the email has been going to Monte. Tom has instructions to update the information. Susan proposes that someone take that information and have it updated, and she is willing to have the messages go to her, temporarily. Regina will take the information, update email to go to Susan. If two emails can be used, Regina will add hers as well. Regina will research other companies offering the same service. Susan has only ever received 2 messages and she has no idea when she was taken off. Onsip is the company. Regina will research and at least get the system working. Rand will also research that issue.
- b. As of today, we are \$1 short to pay the bill internally. Regina will make sure it's taken care of. Rand will have long term solution options at next meeting.
- c. Jared wonders if this is something central office could take care of with us. Margo said it must go through Intergroup. Margo said folks answering the phone at central office are not trained for Bridge the Gap or TSNAC.

- d. Regina believes one committee member should be responsible for this and test it monthly.
 - e. Tom says Jesse need not follow strict Guideline rules for treatment people. Treatment are short term and those folks should be processed more quickly. We should be able to deal with them on site and carry out the applications. Regina says other areas do treatment Bridge the Gap by phone. Suggests that once the phone issues are resolved, that could be done by phone.
 - f. Seth questions treatment center and sponsorship. Rules say you can't give phone numbers. Paula says rule says you can't sponsor while in treatment center. Matt says all preamble of TSNAC literature indicates the same thing. Seth wonders if that rule should be changed. Would like on agenda for next meeting. Susan says the same sheet is used for corrections. Susan can give number through VRC, but not to inmate. Work release center folks can have the phone numbers. Jared explained treatment center reasoning. Institution restrictions are higher than those in treatment.
 - g. Brian says committee member responsible to report back to home groups TSNAC needs, open positions and funds needed. Also explained pink can purpose.
- 20) Brian motioned to close the meeting. Paula seconded. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 11:34 a.m., with responsibility prayer.