



TSNAC Business Meeting Minutes – May 18, 2019

Fellows present: Dana, Monica, Tom, Bob R., Regina, Jared, Paula, Chris M., Chris F., Rand, Dave, Susan D.

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

- 1) Please turn off cell phones
- 2) Open the meeting with moment of silence/ serenity prayer / traditions
 - a. Chris read the 12 Traditions
- 3) Introductions – pass contact/sign-in sheet
 - a. Introductions were made and sign-in sheet passed around
- 4) Reading/Approval of last month's minutes
 - a. Monica M. read the minutes as written
 - i. Bob – Spring Assembly in Boise, not McCall
 - ii. Tom moved to accept the Minutes with change
 - iii. Paula seconded
 - iv. Minutes were approved with change
- 5) TSNAC Chair Report – Dana W.
 - a. No calls to redirect this month
- 6) Treasurers Report – Tom S.
 - a. Written report available
 - b. Based on last year's numbers, basically in line
 - c. As Bill Sees It made the lifesaving contributions for Pink Can
 - d. In line to make contributions as usual
 - e. Beginning balance \$4,611.30. Ending balance \$2,839.57
 - f. We were around \$2,700 last year at this time

- g. BBQ by Dog Pile should bring us into comfortable position – tomorrow night at 6:00 p.m. at Alano is next Dog Pile meeting
 - h. Kleiner Park - BBQ reserve at zero - \$300 for pavilion this year, for the number one spot with parking.
 - i. Jared moved to accept May report as read
 - ii. Regina seconded
 - iii. Report approved as written
- 7) Literature Report – Brian not in attendance
- a. Report was emailed. Dana read the report.
 - b. Brian’s group opposed to sending anyone to outside events, as TSNAC is continually dipping into prudent reserve for literature purchases.
 - c. Tom moved to skip inventory reports until next month. Rand seconded.
 - d. Approved.
 - e. Susan has literature available.
- 8) Corrections Report – Susan D.
- a. Volunteer meeting first Saturday of every month at the Alano Club at 10:00 a.m.
 - b. Volunteers going into each prison now. ISCC now has volunteers going in.
 - c. Some confusion with women’s prisons. Inmate movement resulted in 450 women with “term” sentences. Movement brings tension to the inmates. VRCs are also moving with the long term and short term prisoners accordingly.
 - d. Still lots of pressure on literature in the prisons. Largest need is money for books.
 - e. ACJ biggest need is BTG.
 - f. Unmarked Grapevines are needed and can be taken into facilities.
 - g. Chris was at volunteer meeting – 5 or 6 people attended.
- 9) Hospital/ Treatment Report – Jared
- a. Still need people for Life Ways (Old Safe Haven).
 - b. Left messages at Intermountain Hospital for teen meetings.

- c. Cottonwood Creek, new treatment center, in Eagle. Main focus now is mental health.
- d. Still working on VA coordinator.
- e. Intermountain going smooth. Easy to find volunteers.
- f. Alambaugh going smooth too.
- g. Central Office called and had one person calling to see if a meeting could be taken to Detox at St. Luke's. Jared left a message at nurse's station to see if the patient wanted a meeting.
- h. West Valley, Dane, Jared indicated that we are out of money. Dane indicated this committee supported West Valley two years ago and wanted to know why not now. Jared told him to find out if they are for profit. Dane wanted to know if he could get a discount on books through TSNAC. Dana says we order books WITH Central Office and that's where our volume discount comes in.
- i. Can groups donate books, as opposed to money, so they can donate books of their choice? Bob says groups can go by group conscience to do what they prefer. Donated books can be taken into the facilities. Storage is Dana's only concern with donation of books. Regina says JOTH wants to bring specific book to VA. Tom has concerns about groups jumping in and buying the books they want to donate. His concern is they will spend the money and then not make pink can contributions. Dana also concerned that direct donations to facilities will foul up standing orders and result in stock pile of books, and they also won't receive the discount TSNAC receives.
- j. Bob – simply put – we need a VA coordinator who can make inventory requests.
- k. If groups wish to change what we do, they should attend TSNAC meetings!
- l. District 3 says Area has \$2,710 per year for TSNAC attendance at events. Jared questions where that money is in our budget. Tom says we don't see any of the money. It goes to the Area business. We are TSNAC West Treasure Valley. Bob

believes the TSNAC Area West Chairperson should be in attendance at our meetings. That person has been invited. Area Chair appoints that person.

- 10) Bridge the Gap Report – Jesse – not in attendance
 - a. Tom indicated Jesse’s biggest need is Boise volunteers
 - b. Chris – Elmore County – talk of purchasing half way houses for inmates being released.
 - c. Tom says no BTG application in 3 weeks in the mail. Still concerned about the old forms at ACJ (white instead of pink).
- 11) Intergroup Report – Kimmie P. not in attendance
 - a. Report emailed – Regina read.
 - b. They have offered storage to Central Office for TSNAC literature.
 - c. Tom made a presentation to Intergroup about our telephone issues. He will provide more details once they report back. He looked at their storage unit. Climate controlled, a lot less money. Finding key was an issue. Moving of storage will be an issue to be discussed with Brian.
- 12) Special Needs Report – Regina
 - a. One connection made in the last month.
 - b. Her group is rotating trusted servants and she will be moving out of that position. She will roll into webserver.
- 13) Picnic Report - nothing
- 14) Webmaster Report
 - a. Regina hopes to be updating website, if she is elected webmaster. Still waiting on \$50 check from this group.
- 15) CP/CPI Report – Tom
 - a. Nothing to report.
- 16) Workshops (What are up-coming that we should have a presence at) - Dana
 - a. BBQ – Dog Pile meeting tomorrow.

- b. Gem State Round Up – August 9-11, Boise. We will attend.
- c. Area 18 Spring Assembly in Boise. Memorial Day weekend. Schedule needs to be done to man table. Kimmie volunteered last month. 9:00 a.m. set up near Central Office table. Saturday will be most important day. Table taken down Sunday at noon. Chris volunteered to man table, if someone will share the day with him. Keep sign in sheet for volunteers. Susan can do takedown on Sunday.
- d. Regina will work on old article for our elections, and will try to get that into Slippery When Wet and at table at Assembly. Nominations in August.
- e. 3rd Annual National Corrections Conference, Houston – Chris to attend?

17) Old business

- a. Tom printed motion for phone services. Solicit new phone service provider immediately. Keep same telephone number. Billing issues without providing service by old provider due to some sort of glitch. Last 15-16 months \$9+ billed per month.
- b. Jared seconded the motion.
- c. Discussion – Rand has information to alternate telephone providers. He will send email out to committee.
- d. Bob seconded motion to solicit new service provider.

18) New Business

- a. Tom will bring motion next month to completely eliminate this committee's participation in PRAASA.
- b. Chris – November 2019 - 3rd Annual National Corrections Conference costs - \$30 registration, \$40 banquet he will pay, hotel \$89 per night (two nights), taxes included? Flight \$300 he will cover half. Total \$548, he will cover about \$200 of that. Issue table for next month to review literature report.

19) Regina motioned to close the meeting. All seconded. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 11:29 a.m.