

UNAPPROVED WISCONSIN REGIONAL SERVICE CONFERENCE MINUTES

DATE: 11-20 & 21, 2010

PLACE: Milwaukee, WI

Area Round Table Discussions

- A. Current Cycle - Service System Workshop (info from MZF/World Service)
- B. Next Cycle

OPENING:

- A. Recovery Meeting @ no meeting this cycle
- B. Beginning of Conference Moment of Silence @ 10:00 am
- C. Reading of The Servant Worker's Prayer
- D. Introductions
- E. Roll Call: 11 of 14 active areas present at first roll call
- F. 7th Tradition
- G. Reading of the 5th Concept
- H. Review – Adjust Agenda
- I. Special Business

**Suspend order of the day: WSNAC Pool election will appear in correct location of minutes

TRUSTED SERVANTS REPORTS:

- A. **FACILITATOR:** Bob C
No report

- B. **VICE-FACILITATOR:** OPEN

- C. **JANUARY SECRETARY:** Linda C

Morning all sorry I was late, but I am here. Sorry again minutes for last cycle are not done. Will send around the contact list for you to note any corrections. I will not be able to attend tomorrow if we go past today, I have a self addressed and stamped envelope and some paper so if someone can take notes and mail to me.

In Loving Service Linda

- D. **JULY SECRETARY:** OPEN

- E. **TREASURER:** Rich M

Financial Summary:

Starting Balance for last Cycle	\$6,422.19
Income Last Cycle	+\$4,912.26
Expenses Last Cycle	-\$4,650.40
Ending Balance for last Cycle (Starting Balance this Cycle):	\$6,557.86
Deposits since last meeting:	+ \$1,064.64
Expenses since last meeting:	- \$ 197.85
Current Checking Account Balance:	\$7,424.65

General Summary:

- ?? The Hallo Communications (Phone Line) bill is was billed to Gene J's charged credit card one last time. . Hallo Communications now setup the billing such that the bill will be paid directly from the checking account. The first direct bill was charged in Oct.
- ?? I am still not a signer on the checking account. To minimize the number of changes to the account signers, I was waiting for the new Alt Facilitator position to be filled this meeting so all the signer changes could be done at once.
- ?? The outstanding funds from the previous Functions Chair still has not been deposited or given to the

treasurer. I have been told the money was given to another addict for deposit by previous Functions Chair and the other addict failed to make the deposit and has not been seen again. I was told the previous Functions Chair was going to make up the lost funds but it has not happened yet.

In Loving Service, Richard M

F. VICE-TREASURER: Debbie H

Hi Everyone, this is my last cycle here with you my term is complete. I will miss you all. 4 years at Region has been my most favorite service commitment. I am going into service retirement, but do hope to come back in a year or two.

In Loving Service, Debbie H

G. REGIONAL DELEGATE TEAM: Chris K RD, Bill O RDA

Dear Family, We attended the Service System Workshop in Detroit on September 17-19. The workshop was spread over 3 days. We came away with a much better understanding of the proposal. Since then, NAWS has developed a 90 minute session profile and PowerPoint for local use. With the assistance of Mark H, we will present the proposal after lunch in the round table session. NAWS is asking for input by the end of the year. If any Areas would like a workshop, please let us know and we will be happy to accommodate.

We asked for 40 of the proposal booklets. These were delivered at WSNAC. NAWS is asking \$1.50 per copy to cover printing and shipping. We are being asked to contribute \$60 to cover this.

As a part of the Service System weekend, NAWS provided some updates. At the WSC in April, NAWS was in phase 2 of its financial emergency plan. At that time NAWS had approximately 1 year's financial reserve. As of September in Detroit, they have entered phase 3 of the plan and will enter phase 4 by January. As of October, NAWS had approximately 2 months financial reserve. New update; I spoke with Steve Rusch at NAWS on Wednesday. The most current info is that NAWS is somewhere between phase 2 and phase 3. The financial climate has stabilized for the moment. We have a handout for you, sent by NAWS. They are not planning any layoffs as of now. They are not planning on the implementation of phase 4 at this time. Chris is attending the Midwest Zonal Forum this weekend in Peoria, IL. This is the planning meeting for the upcoming WSC cycle.

The Michigan Region has created new Public Service Announcements. We were given a DVD of them. We have the opportunity to have them customized for our own uses. We will show them to you and give you the contact information and prices.

The October issue of the NA Way will be the last time the paper copies will be automatically sent to all registered groups. The database has now been purged. Anyone wishing a paper copy will have to resubscribe.

The electronic subscriptions will not be affected. Bulk subscriptions will be available to service bodies. We have a hand out with more details.

There is a new NAWS Literature survey. We have copies for you and it can be easily accessed online.

<http://www.na.org/?ID=projects>

The Living Clean book project continues. Chapters 6 and 7 and the preface were released on October 1 for review and input. They will be available until December 31. The approval form of the entire book will be available in late April 2011. The materials can be downloaded at http://www.na.org/?ID=Living_Clean_Project WCNA registration will begin in "late 2010". Everyone attending will be required to have a registration badge. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged. Capacity is currently set at 16,000, but could be increased as needed. The 6th edition Basic Text in Spanish, complete with the stories, is due out in December, as well as a Spanish commemorative edition (hopefully). The large print Basic Text in English should be available now.

We haven't met with you as a team since July, and we miss that. We look forward to January, when we will meet together once again. Thanks for letting us serve.

Chris K. RD, Bill O. RDA

H. WRSO REP; Gene J

Report given by office worker

Greetings, Still no final word on when the move will occur, but we have had someone move into part of the warehouse on our side.

Big news for us was the robbery that occurred two weeks ago. We filed the appropriate police reports, and then submitted all of the documentation that the insurance company requested. The estimated \$11,500.00 loss included jewelry, WRSO products, and some of my personal items.

We have been to six conventions since July, but our next selling trip does not happen until GMUCNA in

February. We are hoping to get to some functions around the state between now and then. Literature sales through November 17th were \$78,695.03 (behind last year), while merchandise sales were \$26,807.45 (our biggest year yet).

Financial Information:

Literature inventory (at cost)	\$19,667.66
Merchandise inventory (at cost)	\$17,916.22
Accounts payable	(\$786.80)
Accounts receivable	\$2,127.74
Owed for copies	\$286.69
In bank/WRSC	\$6,878.18
Deferred payments to Gene J.	(\$21,547.31)
	\$24,602.38

In Service, Gene J

I. WISCONSIN NA CONVENTION ODD YEAR: Mark N

This years WSNAC appears to be a huge success. There were 697 registrations with about 120 indigent registrations. Merchandise ran out of coffee cups early but other than that seemed to have about the right number of other merchandise. There were 14 articles left at the end. Did not hear a lot of complaints about anything other than the coffee cups. Bottom line is and I will know more for sure at the wrap up meeting Dec 4th but I think the region can expect a good donation in 2011. Exact figures still are not in.

The big thing I will be looking for this cycle are the WSNAC pool names. I did send out a quick email to the WRSC reminding them that to be on the WSNAC board a person must have a service resume filled out and be elected to the pool by the WRSC. Then they must be in attendance at the WSNAC BOD meeting in January at the Radisson Paper Valley inn in Appleton.

I also sent an email out to the WRSC with information about next years WSNAC which will be held earlier in the year. September 30th to October 2nd at the Radisson Paper Valley. It will be hosted by Inland Lakes Unity Area and the website is already up and accepting online registration.

I will be checking for any current minutes that the WRSC secretary doesn't have. The WSNAC secretary has moved to Michigan. So, WSNAC is currently without a secretary.

Mark N

J. WISCONSIN NA CONVENTION EVEN YEAR: Gene J

Absent – no report

AREA REPORTS:

A. BADGERLAND: Mark N RCM

Badgerland elections were last weekend. I was no longer eligible to run for another term. It has been wonderful serving with all you great people. I have learned something from every one of you. So, thank you. I also have decided to take a years break from area level service to concentrate on doing a better job at other service. Diane H is going to be the 2011 RCM. We H. will be the RCMA. Neither could attend this cycle.

Badgerland has finally changed policy that will allow us to send a regional donation each month. The policy allows us to send 10 of all group donations. The treasurer will send that.

Here is something that I want on the board. It is a question being debated in Badgerland. Would it be okay for Badgerland to buy literature from Hazeldon or a group to send it's 7th tradition there?

Our PI and Outreach have now changed to be PR. Pr has done two conferences around Badgerland in September and October. They have represented the Wisconsin Region at both. Our PR chair Mark C has been working in conjunction with Billy O. to accomplish this. Mark C reports that both conferences have been a success. I have given our new Activities chair Chad G. Bobaloo's phone number and I have emailed Bobaloo myself so that they can work together on the winter ball.

Mark N

B. BASIC: INACTIVE

C. BIG RIVERS: Becky A RCM

Doing well we are switching to every other month this new year. We are having functions: New Years Eve –

Ringin in Recovery; Valentines Day – Social Networking Charity Stmtms. Our area did not like either of the clarity stmts. Elections are next month. Successful learning day – 7 groups

Becky A

D. CHIPPEWA VALLEY: Steve H RCM

NA groups of the CVA are doing well and carrying the message; addicts help each other stay clean and work a program of recovery. We started a new group that meets on Wednesday, 7pm at 76 E Central St in Chippewa Falls. The ‘We Do Recover’ group in Menomonie has moved back to its previous location at the ‘Leisure Center’. The group members of ‘Together We Grow’ in Eau Claire on Monday night; with the assistance of the GSR and the ASC, are attempting to resolve an ongoing difficulty. The same individual has chaired and handled all the group’s affairs for the past 9 years, apparently with blatant disregard for; the group conscience, accountability to the Area and the affect on NA as a whole. This person has been confronted on several occasions and we hope for a peaceful resolution.

There has been a shake up in our Area Service committee after the chairman and secretary resigned without notice at the Nov meeting. However; we don’t foresee any disruption in services as the Vice-Chair has stepped up to lead and all other vital offices are filled. Our Outreach service has become very active. This is especially important because the groups are so spread out over NW Wis. The Chair has coordinated and taken road trips to visit and encourage groups on the outskirts of the area and beyond. A meeting in Ladysmith was attended and expressed an interest in joining CVA. The Saturday Rice lake Group actually decided to join CVA but has yet to send a representative. 3 group’s along the Minnesota border in Bay City, Hudson and St Croix Falls; are also being checked into. Our committee’s literature; accounting and processing problems are being resolved. Order balance discrepancies with WRSO have been squared. To avoid future imbalances and confusion, the Chair strongly recommends that from now on, all orders go directly through the Area Literature office. Activity on the web site has increased. The link from NA.org has been corrected and meeting schedules on the world site have been updated. Area minutes for the past 12 months will be posted on our web site for review @ www.chippewavalleyna.org

To better serve the groups of CVA and improve the efficacy of Service meetings; the ASC continues to revise policy and has adopted certain standard rules of order. We are working to learn and adapt our conduct with the tools of decorum outlined in the ‘Guide to Local Service’ to help us “Make orderly collective decisions in a cooperative, respectful way in the spirit of the 12 concepts” (p104). A motion from Policy was passed to ‘implement an Area planning tool’ derived from the ‘PR Handbook/Effective Service Resources’ whereby an Area inventory will be conducted. Proper utilization of motion procedure is being put into practice and standardized GSR forms have been distributed as a guideline for groups to provide pertinent information. The Quandary of personally identifying oneself as a NA member at the level of public society, network websites; as it relates to the inherent principles of anonymity, has been brought to the awareness of recovering addicts in our Area. A few groups have discussed their conscience and the issue was addressed at our last ASC meeting. No clear consensus has been reached. However it is disturbing that the very issue itself causes so much divisiveness. We are donating \$50 to Region.

Thank you for your service: Jeff H

E. INLAND LAKES: Tim Shears RCM

ILUA has been well all the service positions are filled with PR up for elections. I have requested to be installed as a trusted web servant, we have a Valentines Dance Planned and a flyer will be out at January Region. There has been a miscommunication with region for the January RSC so I don’t have any idea what will happen. I have a request from a group for adding earthgroupna.org to our regional meeting list. Our area did not vote on 11th tradition clarity statement. Since I did not receive minutes I did not get a copy at last region.

In Loving Service Tim

F. INNER CITY: INACTIVE

G. KETTLE MORaine: OPEN RCM

Absent

H. MILWAUKEE: Jack M RCM, William M RCMA

Verbal only

I. **NORTH CENTRAL:** Nancy K RCM

There are currently 3 positions being held in our area: Treasurer, RCM & Secretary. No interest has been consistently shown about our area falling apart. Not sure what the problem is. My positions are complete in Dec and I am not living in Wausau. I was asked by NC to complete my commitments and I will.

Change is good! I currently reside in the WOCA area and I will attend their ASC and possibly assume a position there. As far as WSNAC 12 I don't have a lot of info about what's going on. I heard about this project thru Facebook, like many others. Best wishes to them. I do not have much to say or offer as comments. I have been present here just to announce the possibility of NCW disbanding. I suggest that if you know of anyone in this area please contact them for more info.

We did not vote on the 11th tradition statement.

Grateful to Serve Nancy K

J. **NORTHEAST:** Des W RCMA, David J RCMA

Hello region, it is an honor to be of service once again. Due to work commitments I was unable to attend the last regional meeting. Our area had a very successful function, Project Freedom. I had the pleasure of hearing Perry, from Woods & Waters area, speak at the function. I also had fun throwing Dave J our RCMA into jail. I must say that it was for a worthy cause and he was bailed out fairly quickly by another member of our area. All and all it was a lot of fun and we raised \$1,034.40 from the function. We should have a nice check for Region and World next cycle providing the creek don't rise and we don't lose our paddle. We are donating \$50.14 to WRSC and \$50.14 to NAWS this cycle.

We are very excited to have Billy and hopefully Jack, come to Green Bay for a workshop on "The Service System Zonal Forum". We encourage everyone who can attend to do so. It doesn't matter what area you're from, Please come on down or up or across depending on where you live. We feel this is a really important matter and we invite all areas to come and hear what is said.

We will have a game night and a potluck dinner from 5-9 pm after we finish the workshop that will start at 10:00 am. Pick up a flyer and plan on attending. If someone would like to spend the night after the function please see me for arrangements.

In Loving Service Des W

K. **NORTHERN LIGHTS:** INACTIVE

L. **ROCK RIVER:** Nancy M RCM, Steven Y RCMA

All is going well in the Rock River Area. We have an average of 15 out of 22 groups that attend Area on a regular basis. Our 7th Tradition for November was \$70.00, which I gave to our Treasurer.

Our Literature Stockpile chair has been busy working on lowering our literature stockpile by giving H & I and Outreach committees some extra literature. Functions held a Halloween party on October 30, 2010 which had a good turnout. They are having a Gratitude Dinner tonight in Freeport, IL. Literature Review held a workshop with only 2 addicts in attendance. They asked everyone to fill out the Literature survey and get the information to World. Our H & I Chair David K., has had a stroke and we are looking for someone to fill his position while he re-cooperates. We are still in need of panel coordinators. PR printed more schedules. Pr is also putting together a workshop that will be held at our Convention in 2011, the workshop will be Attraction VS Promotion. Digital Information is busy keeping our website up to date. Policy & Procedure is going through our polices and doing some re-arranging and house cleaning. The Spiritual Retreat has started working on our next Retreat. We cannot have the Retreat at the same place as this past July, if anyone knows of a nice but cheap place to hold our retreat close to the Rock River Area, please let me know. Since The RD lives in our Area we held 2 workshops on the Service System Project, a few addicts were in attendance.

Our Area looked over the two statements handed out last Region, we liked the second statement better.

P.S. I have flyers for our upcoming convention on the flyer table. Also I have a packet with flyers in them. Please help yourself to as many. Coffee pots are full and recovery is happening.

In loving service, Nancy M

M. **SCENIC BLUFFS:** Mike F RCM

Absent

N. SOUTHEAST FAMILY: Jeff P RCM

Good morning family, I'm happy to announce our area now has an active RCMA Timmer is with me today. Our area is still struggling to have our GSR's show up at our area meetings. We continue to try different ways of reminding people to show up. I do know our 2 newest meetings are functioning well they are "A Vision of Hope" (Friday in Racine) and "I Can't We Can For Freedom" (Monday in Burlington). As far as I know all the other meetings on our list are still in existence. We do have an upcoming function planned for Dec 11 "The Heart of NA Beats" at Zoe Church in Racine. Also we are in planning for another "Unity Picnic" for next summer. This is a combined effort of NA & AA in our area. I also have a \$100 donation this cycle.

O. WASHINGTON OZAUKEE COUNTY: Larry T RCM, Lee K RCMA

Good afternoon and it's another day to be clean and back involved with Region. In its infancy our area is doing well and all our area service positions are filled. We have a new meeting on Monday in Hartford @ 7:30. We held our first function on the 13th of November and even though it was small it was a success. We received \$575 literature credit from KMA "Thank You" and the packet from Region has been helpful. We have a function coming up in January on the 29th called Live the Steps or Die (flyer to follow). We will be hosting Region in March. We need to have our meetings listed under WOCA and have questions on how to do this and how to get our website started. We have given the two proposals for social networking sites and we are waiting for their response. We are making no Regional donation at this cycle.

Thank You Larry T and Lee K

P. WOODS & WATERS: Frank W RCM

Verbal report

Q. UPPER PENINSALA: Pat C RCM, Elaine E RCMA

Hello Region, Greetings from the Upper Peninsula Area. I want to thank everyone for coming to the UP for the last regional cycle. It was great to see everyone. Thank you for your support. Our little area in Michigan is alive and well. We have had a lot of turnover recently in our service positions, and it is nice to see some new blood. We are still having trouble in some areas, but we are doing our best at reaching the addict that is still suffering.

We did discuss the Social Networking issue at our last ASC. There is a large interest in this in our area. We did however not vote on either of the "clarity" statements. There was some confusion on whether or not these were finished copies. We do appreciate NEW's hard work on both of these. We as an area feel that they are a good start, but may not be a finished product or the only answer. The consensus seems to be as I would quote one member as saying "isn't this what we have world for"? This was stated as an IP was discussed. It is our feeling that the best way to tackle this issue would be to inform other addicts of the harm that this type of behavior could bring. We feel that the best way to do this would be through an IP. We feel that world is best set up to undertake a project like this.

We also have elected a new treasurer, and have nominations for a new chair, new PI chair and are looking at possibly combining H & I positions. H & I is one area that we are really struggling. We currently hold one meeting in a jail that is very poorly attended. We have decided for now to try to do our best to get literature out there. Our new treasurer is looking into starting the budget process for our area. This is a much needed portion of our guidelines that has not been done yet! We look forward to this.

As you may have noticed I do not have my RCMA at my side. Elaine is currently recovering from a shoulder surgery and I am not sure if she will be attending next cycle.

There is not much more to report. We will be making a 300.00 dollar donation to region this cycle. I also have flyers for our January "More will Be revealed Masquerade ball. Please take some and visit us in the great white north.

Thank you for allowing me to serve, Patrick

Break for Lunch – 12:20 pm

Reconvene at 1:30 pm

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION start time 1:30 pm

TOPIC: Service System Workshop (info from MZF/World Service)

- See scanned handouts

Closed AT 3:15 pm

Break 3:15 pm – Reconvene 3:30 pm

Suspend order of the day: WSNAC Pool election will appear in correct location of minutes

SUBCOMMITTEE / ADHOC REPORTS:

A. **ACTIVITIES** – Bob W – TIME

Absent

B. **OUTREACH** – OPEN

C. **PUBLIC RELATIONS** – 4:00

Verbal only

D. **POLICY** – John H – 3:35 pm

Howdy Folks, as you may have noticed I am unable to be with you this weekend. Because of schedule conflicts I am attending the Midwest Zonal Forum, although I do not have a elected position there I have been a participant there for a while. This meeting is the planning meeting of the MZF for the next conference cycle. I am aware this not the first RSC I have missed during my term as Policy chair. The last RSC I did not have the funds to make it. According to the guidelines my position may be declared vacant. I would be willing to serve out the rest of my term (till March) if the RSC wishes.

Now on with my report... Our nomination form has not been updated in a long time so, I have drafted a new nomination form you should have in front of you. It is formulated from the WSC pool form and I feel if we use this we can keep better track of the experience in our region. This has contact info and the amount of time at each position members served. The only thing I thought we may want to add is a question like... "How or what would you like to change and help work on during your term if elected?" Please give any input you may think of and/or I would be ok with it being accepted as it is. I have made all the changes to the guidelines we have reached consensus on. We will be printing the updated version in March.

I look forward to hearing from every one, and with your help maybe we can get the guidelines even more clear in line with what we do here.

In service (((HUGS))) John H

E. **HOSPITALS & INSTITUTION** – OPEN

F. **LITERATURE** – OPEN

Verbal note

G. **HOW TO ADOPT A DELEGATE FOR HOUSING ADHOC** – OPEN

Disbanded

H. **TECHNOLOGY COMMUNICATIONS ADHOC** – Bob W – TIME

Absent

I. **WSNAC TREASURY HELP ADHOC** – Jack – TIME

Disbanded

J. **SOCIAL NETWORK ADHOC** – Tim S – 3:55 pm

Verbal from adhoc team

K. REGIONAL CREATION OF NEW AREA STARTER PACKAGES ADHOC –Tim & Dave– 4:05

BASIC SERVICES

- A. Approval of last cycle minutes – Sept Minutes were not completed
- B. ELECTIONS:
 - WRSO pool – none
 - WSNAC pool – Elizabeth (Bits) Porter – voted in
 - Outreach – none
 - July Secretary – none
 - PR – none
 - Literature – Nancy M & Nancy K – decline
 - Facilitator – Lynn D – accept, Tim – accept = Lynn voted in
 - Vice Facilitator – Tim S – accept
 - WSNAC Rep even – Jack M – accept = voted in
 - Treasure – Rich M – accept = voted in
 - Vice Treasure – Debbie H – decline
 - H&I – none
- C. MOTIONS:
 - FINANCIAL MOTIONS: None presented

 - POLICY & BUSINESS MOTIONS: None presented
- D. BUDGETS: All budgets are due in Jan

Original list of Topics on board from reports

Lost Funds	Hazelton	Adding to Regional meeting list earthgroupna.org
		Donations to region – how working for other areas

Prioritized list of Topics by RCM’s

DISCUSSED IN ORDER CHOOSEN BY RCM’S

1. TOPIC 1 – 4:40
 - 11 2 regional functions funds collected were never turned in {Winter Ball & Paint Ball \$692.00}
 - 11 FINAL DECISION – Treasurer will send a registered letter with options for repayment
2. TOPIC 2 – 5:00 pm
 - 11 Area has group purchasing literature and sending donations to Hazelton
 - 11 FINAL DECISION
3. TOPIC 3 – 5:07 pm
 - 11 Add earthgroupna.org to our regional meeting list
 - 11 FINAL DECISION – tabled to next cycle to take back to areas
4. TOPIC 4 – 5:11 pm

- 11 Donations to region – how working for other areas
- 11 FINAL DECISION – information given to asking area

OTHER BUSINESS:

- ?? Read motions and other business to be sent back to areas.
- ?? Announce next meeting location; all other announcements.
- ?? Closed with a group hug.

CLOSE @ 5:20 pm

**NEXT WRSC IS TO HOSTED WSNAC HOSTING AREA
 IN APPLETON WISCONSIN AT RADDISON PAPER VALLEY HOTEL
 RESERVATIONS: 800-395-7046 OR WWW.RADISSONL.COM/APPLETONWI
 PLEASE SEE ATTACHED FLYER FOR MORE INFORMATION**

AREAS HOSTING WRSC SCHEDULE

JAN	2011	WSNAC Hosting Area
MAR	2011	2A WASHINGTON OZAUKEE COUNTY
MAY	2011	WSNAC Hosting Area
JUL	2011	3A BADGERLAND
SEP	2011	4A CHIPPEWA VALLEY
NOV	2011	1B SOUTH EAST FAMILY
JAN	2012	WSNAC Hosting Area
MAR	2012	2B INLAND LAKES
MAY	2012	WSNAC Hosting Area
JUL	2012	3B BASIC
SEP	2012	4B BIG RIVERS
NOV	2012	1C KETTLE MORaine