

**UNAPPROVED WISCONSIN REGIONAL SERVICE CONFERENCE MINUTES**

DATE: March 16, 17, 2013

Hosted By: Woods & Waters Minocqua, WI

**Area Round Table Discussions**

- A. Current Cycle – Telecommunications
- B. Next Cycle – Group Conscious IDT information discussion topic.

**OPENING:**

- A. Recovery Meeting @ 9:10 am
- B. Beginning of Conference Moment of Silence @ 10:23 am
- C. Reading of The Servant Worker's Prayer
- D. Introductions
- E. Roll Call: 14 of 15 active areas present at first roll call.
- F. 7th Tradition was not passed.
- G. Reading of the 6th Concept
- H. Review – Adjust Agenda
- I. Special Business – None
- J. Clean Time Birthdays were recognized

**TRUSTED SERVANTS REPORTS:**

**FACILITATOR: Marla M.** Present nothing to report.

**VICE-FACILITATOR: Open**

**SECRETARY: Nancy M.** Present, I am passing around a piece of paper to use as the contact list. I apologize for having to use the paper instead of the current contact list; I forgot to make a copy. I would appreciate it if you would e-mail me or hand your reports before the end of this Region. I have a couple of amendments to the minutes from January's 2013. PR Budget needs to be amended to \$584.00 per cycle for Conference and \$540.00 per cycle for administration Costs, for a total of \$3,500.00 for conference attendance and literature and \$3,235.00 for administration Costs. Also need to note that the information I listed in the minutes is wrong for the hosting of WRSC, the correct list will be in this cycles minutes.

**TREASURER: Becky E.** Read her report on the floor.  
**Report Attached in the e-mail.**

**VICE-TREASURER: Rod D.** Gave his report on the floor, no report submitted, note that we are still under our reserve.

**REGIONAL DELEGATE: Chris K.** Gave his report on the floor, no report submitted,  
 1. Separation of the RD and USSC rep. put this on the topic board. Make a position for this.  
 2. SSP Regional communications talk to surrounding regions. Put this on the topic board.

**REGIONAL DELEGATE ALTERNATE: Bill O.**

Dear Family,

I have been watching the Conference Participants discussion boards and some of the discussion has been very interesting. For example, there are 4 new Regions in Brazil and a 5<sup>th</sup> will be forming soon. These 4 Regions will likely be applying for seating at the WSC in 2014. Siberia will also be likely to apply again. Our members in Africa are looking into forming an African Zonal Forum. They are currently part of the EDM, but do not attend due to financial constraints.

There has been much discussion about the role the zones might play in the future. One model suggests zonal seating at the WSC. Each of the zones has their own agenda and direction and none are in a position to become part of the delegation stream. Some are geared more toward fellowship development and others are into translations. The EDM and Asia Pacific forums are geographically huge. Some have little or no direction at all. Are the zones in the US even relevant?

Seating at the WSC is just one of the conversations. The issue discussion topics are another. We have yet to have these conversations in our own Region. Collaboration and Group Conscience are integral parts of the Service System project. The Conference Agenda Report is only 8 months away. There will most likely be a proposal and maybe even motions from the Board concerning the SSP. It would be in our own best interests to discuss these topics. The WSC is only 14 months away. If we are not vigilant in these matters, we will not be prepared for the Conference. What will our role be in the future of NA both here in the US and globally?

NAWS held an online conference call meeting for Regional Service Offices. RD's and RDA's were invited to listen in. It lasted about an hour. I have the agenda and notes from the meeting and will include them in the minutes.

That's all for now, thanks for letting me serve, hugs, Bill O., RDA

**WRSO REP.: Chris K.,** Due to health issues, he offers his resignation to this appointed position. This is now an open position.

**WSNAC REP.: Clay C.,** Absent, not requested to be at this Regional meeting, will be requested to be at May's Meeting in Delevan WI.

#### **AREA REPORTS:**

**BADGERLAND:** Gave his report on the floor, no report submitted.

**BASIC:** Absent, no report submitted.

**BIG RIVERS:** Greetings everyone. We would like to thank Woods & Waters Area for hosting this cycle. It has been quite a while since region was held in Minocqua. All things considered, I would prefer to be here in June for the Journey's Convention when it's warmer. There is not much going on in our area. For the first time in many years, the Valentines function was very well attended. Our next event will be a service learning day, April 27, 2013. Coffee & donuts, lunch, and dinner will be served free of charge. Free overnight accommodations are available for those who wish to spend the night in La Crosse. There will be experienced workshop leaders from around the mid-west. We hope the areas in this region will support this venture and lend their experience, strength and hope with us. Our meetings

are strong and remain self-supporting. We have a young fellowship here and the more experienced members are carrying a strong message of recovery.

Thank You for allowing us to serve,

Harold L. RCM

Drew D. RCMA

**CHIPPEWA VALLEY:** Hello Fellow Addicts. My name is John; I'm an addict and RCM Alternate from the Chippewa Valley Area. I'm glad to be here as I understand that our area has been unrepresented for awhile. Things are going reasonable well with the area. We do have some unfilled positions, but this is pretty normal for a small area like ours. The important things get attended to and the message gets carried to the best of our abilities and resources. I understand there has been a communication issue. We had a taco feed February 16 that was hosted by the area activities subcommittee that was very successful. There were about 60 addicts in attendance and we were fortunate to have three great speakers from other areas. The next event that is currently being planned by our activities subcommittee is the annual July 4<sup>th</sup> picnic. It will take place on July 6<sup>th</sup> as this is the Saturday closest to the 4<sup>th</sup>. This event has a long tradition. It dates back quite a few years to the time other the St. Croix Valley Area, an area service committee that was in existence in the eighties, imploded and was subsequently replace by the current Chippewa Valley Area Service Committee. This function has always been held in Mount Simon Park on the Chippewa River in Eau Claire. We will bring some fliers to the next Regional Committee meeting in May. In service to NA John M.

**INLAND LAKES:** Gave his report on the floor, no report submitted. Asked why we are giving 5% to the USSC but don't have any representation for the USSC. It has been put on the topic board already in the RD report.

**INNER CITY:** Thank you to Woods & Waters for hosting WRSC. This is what's happening with Inner City:

Elections were held earlier this month. We have a new H&I chair. The secretary, treasurer, literature sales, PI, activities and RCM have all been elected for a second term. We also now have a RCMA, Gus W. The following positions are vacant:

- o Chairperson
- o Vice chairperson
- o Vice treasurer
- o Policy and Procedures
- o Outreach

The outgoing chairperson has agreed to stay as acting chairperson until some is voted in.

ICANA in conjunction with MASC held a Service System Project workshop. It was successful even though there was a funeral that day for one of our members. It was very informative and about 25 attended.

The date for the Greater Milwaukee Unity Convention (GMUCNA) has been set. The convention will be held February 21 -23, 2014. The venue is yet to be determined.

ICACNA XI – The Last Bash Dinner and Prom – *'Do You Remember'* 04/06/13 3022 W Wisconsin Av – Dinner served at 6pm.

ICACNA XI – *'The Journey Continues'* May 3-5, 2013 Crowne Plaza Hotel 6401 S 13th Street Milwaukee, WI 53221 For Reservations, call: 800-785-1038 Room Rate: \$89.00 per night plus tax. Adjacent to I-94 at the College Av Exit #319.

You will find these events at [www.wisconsinna.org](http://www.wisconsinna.org) and [www.namilwaukee.org](http://www.namilwaukee.org).

Thank you for allowing me to serve,

Carl K

ICANA RCM

[cjkna@wi.rr.com](mailto:cjkna@wi.rr.com)

**KETTLE MORAINE:** Hello from KMA

Meeting attendance is well in our area unfortunately service is not with open positions in our area.

Our upcoming functions are

April 20th NApril me

May 4th Hippied

June 1st KMA learning day

July 12-14th never alone in the woods

August 2-4th Unity jam

Our regional donation is \$112.00

In loving service Steve M

**MILWAUKEE:** Hello Family from Milwaukee Area. My name is Willie M. I am an addict. The MASC is currently working on how to make service more attractive. Our fellowship Development is adding other activities to our workshops, such as chili cook-offs, speakers and dance. We recently had a workshop on the Service System Project. We will be having many more and look forward to contacting Chris K. as well as Bill O. The workshop was a success in spite of the funeral proceeding of a loving member of our fellowship.

Our area is donating \$600.00 to the region \$300.00 for this cycle and \$300.00 for last cycle. Our area voted to donate \$300.00 per cycle to region and \$100.00 to NAWS. The donation topic will be revisited later in the year. We are watching closely Regional Finances and their needs. We have 3 events planned for the year so far. We have a Ne activities chair Joe M. He is already working on increasing activities for our Area. The three activities, flyers are on the table. The 10<sup>th</sup> annual campout and volleyball tournament May 31<sup>st</sup> thru June 2<sup>nd</sup>. The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual mini golf May 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, and the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fireworks @ Milwaukee lakefront, Wednesday July 3<sup>rd</sup> all in 2013. We are looking forward to doing workshops on the on the USSC and the SSP and to carrying all the new information to our area members. Thanks, Willie M.

**Break at 11:22**

**Reconvened at 11:37**

Discussed the rotation of the next few cycles for Region, here is a list of rotation:

May: Delevan WI at the WSNAC host hotel

July: Scenic Bluffs

September: North East

November: Inner City

**NORTH CENTRAL:** Hello Family,

Hope everybody is enjoying our winter wonderland, I personally couldn't be more sick of it.

The first thing our Area would like to know is, "if Region is broke, how do we save money?" One

suggestion we had was to have Region through "Go To Meetings" which is a teleconference and

personally I do not think would work for this body. Another suggestion was to try to have our meeting conducted in 1 day. How much does it cost Region to conduct this business in 1 weekend?

We have 7 out of our 8 active groups that are now registered with the USSC. Three of those groups would like me to represent them. I will need to talk with someone to help me regarding this process during one of our breaks.

We have a new RCM-A, Dave M. Hopefully we can get him to keep his position longer than the last 3!

Our Area also has a new secretary, John R...and again, we hope to keep him longer than the last!

We have 3 upcoming events:

1 – Spring Thing

2 – 2013 Freedom Jam, June 15<sup>th</sup> at Celebration Church in Stevens Point, WI. Frisbee golf tournament begins at 10 am, followed by an open jam from 2 pm – 6 pm. There is a double speaker meeting from 6-7:30 and then a Twilight concert from 7:30-9:30.

3 – Fun in the Sun on August 10<sup>th</sup>...same lake different location!

Lake Arrowhead – south lake center. Doors open at 10 am with a beach ball workshop, grilling, speaker and lots of fun in the sun!

Our donation for this cycle is \$844.36

ILS,

Jay S.

**NORTHEAST:** Hello Family,

I would personally like to say thank you for the opportunity to be able to serve here at Region, it has always been a learning experience. This will be my last Region – but I know I'll see ya around I'm sure. I didn't get to attend last Area because of my surgery. We discussed the tradition booklet at Area we are still discussing it. Allyn S. will be representing our area in the future, and I wish him well, he rocks. In loving service Trish C.

RCMA Allyn S. reported

We have "Cure for cabin fever function coming up March 23, Peshtigo at St Mary's Church. In the month of April we're thinking of doing a game night at the bridge. May 19 at Bay Beach in Cab we will be having our first Unity Picnic. June 16<sup>th</sup> at Bay Beach, July 21 Peshtigo Bage State Park and August 18<sup>th</sup> in Sturgeon Bay at Sunset Park. August 17<sup>th</sup> at North Bay Shore Park is Blues by the Bay Michael Murphy and the Mob.

H & I

Is still rocking, we still continue to carry the message in GBCI, Brown City Jail, Marinette City Jail, and all the treatment facilities. Our PR committee has brought in a lot of volunteers these past couple months to be of service in H & I area.

Our Area continues to grow, our meetings are overcrowded. These a few of us that are starting new meetings in Green Bay. Starting this Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6 pm at Grace Lutheran Church at 321 S. Madison St. Downtown clean will be a men's & all woman's NA meeting.

All of our positions are filled currently at the Area level.

**ROCK RIVER:** Donation: \$364.05

Open Positions: None.

Newly elected RCMA is Dana P.

Past Events:

- Our Valentine's Day event was well attended.

Upcoming Events:

- RRCNA 22 - Last Chance Dance, March 23, Flyers on the table, RRCNA registrations will be \$20 at the event. Info is also posted on event posted on the RRAGS website and Regional website
- RRCNA 22 Convention, April 26-29, Flyers on table, Info on RRAGS website and Area website.

Electronic registrations @ rragсна.org

RRAGS approved supporting the USSC including direct donations.

In loving service Rich M. RCM

**SCENIC BLUFFS:** Absent, no report submitted.

**SOUTHEAST FAMILY:** Good morning family, I'm an addict named Victor.

I don't have much to report. We started using the regional hotline and since last cycle I have responded to about 8 calls requesting meeting times and locations. I will be submitting updates for the regional mtg. list before we leave this weekend. I also brought flyers for an upcoming May event, our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Speaker-thon; Life is Worth Living, The NA Way. Event will be held at St. Rose School, 1032 Grand Ave. in Racine. \$5.00 donation per couple / \$3.00 per person. Food and beverages will be sold. Last but not least, I would like to introduce our new RCMA, Jeanie C.

In loving service, Victor H. SEFA RCM

**UPPER PENINSALA:** Hello Regional Family,

Greetings from the U.P.

Our Area Service is going to start meeting every other month. We haven't grown in numbers since the last time we met, but we are still hanging in there.

We are having our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Keep it Simple" Campout at Otter Lake near Munising on July 26-28. We have some flyers available, and will bring more to next cycle, so please take them back to your areas and promote coming to the U.P. in July. It is a great time to be in the U.P. We are looking forward to making this an annual event and will try to get it locked in with the campground to have it the same time every year.

Thanks to Woods N Waters Area for hosting this cycle, it's kinda nice to have a short 3 hour drive to Regional Service.

In loving service Lynn D. RCM and Elissa H. RCMA

And I was thinking that it would be a good idea if the information about the USSC voting procedure was shared with everyone here.

Put the USSC voting procedure on the Topic Board

**WOCA:** Good day to all from the WOCA area

The WOCA area is doing well our website wocana.org has been up and running for several months to the benefit of all addicts in our area and the region of N.A; I have been informed that the link is now active as I read this report.

WOCNA's First Annual Spring Fling will be on Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup> 2-11PM. A 12 step work shop, pot luck and a DJ Dance.

Our regular Friday night meeting will be hosting a game night after the meeting once per month after the meeting.

We have our third annual pig roast scheduled for August 10<sup>th</sup> 2013, more information to follow.

We would like to have someone who can give a presentation on the USSC possibly during the Spring Fling on April 6<sup>th</sup>. In Grateful Service: Lee K. RCM WOCA

**WOODS & WATERS:** Welcome to the Great White North, thank you N.E.W. for making this possible. Our meetings are going really good. Filling area trusted servant's positions. There will also be a Journey's Sub-Committee meeting after Region or at 4 pm. Our next function is a joint function with North Central Area in Wausau in April. Memorial Day campout in Bergland, MI, Flyers will be coming.

Journey's Convention in June. Please ask if anyone is interested in being a Main Speaker have them contact me Rodney W. at [roadtrip.nna@gmail.com](mailto:roadtrip.nna@gmail.com) 715-360-2048 or P. O. Box 303 Minocqua WI. Also

we need workshop chairs too.

Chair, Vice Chair, Activities and Policy are open positions. We also have Labor Day campout in Watersmeet MI. Topic for open form was selected to be telecommunications. In loving service, Rodney D.

**Break at 12:00**

**Reconvened at 1:32**

**WRSO Report March 2013 cycle.** Becky E. read the report

1. We are working on having an event in august for WRSO awareness. All donations received will be used to support H & I.
2. Reminder to all Areas:
  - Payment either received before the order or on the date of the order, if these two options are not able happen then areas have 10 days to pay after the order is placed.
3. Chain of command:
  - Who presents information to the areas and when. Please add to the board for discussion.
4. As of 02/14/2013 the WRSO was owed \$8,175.70
5. We are now serving an area in New York with literature.
6. We currently have 11 Conventions that we are confirmed to go to. We are also looking into going to additional conventions that we have found on the NAWS website. If an area would like the office to come and sell literature at your event send us an email at [wrso2@yahoo.com](mailto:wrso2@yahoo.com)
7. Steve E was elected onto the board. Currently we do not have any open positions, but the regional rep positions are open. Please take this back to your areas we need liaison's for the office.

Treasurer ask to discuss the issue about paying past activities chair for travel expenses to plan events in the Region, put on topic board.

**OPEN FORM:** Telecommunications: Get Region up to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, so that a RCM/RCMA doesn't need to be physically present at Region. Use Voice, Skype, discussed this issue. Discussed just trying it at least once to see if and how it would work. Lynn D. RCM from the UP volunteered to try this next Region in May through a conference call.

Discussed how this would affect policy and Region as a whole by the next few issues.

1. Hosting Area would need to have this technology available.
2. Put a limit on how many times they could use the new telecommunications per year.
3. What would the hardware needs will be?

Roger S. was appointed as Adhoc chair for Telecommunications sub-committee.

The U.P. made a proposal to test this next cycle (May 2013) to fully participate via a communication of their choosing. Proposal passed.

**Break at 2:49**

**Reconvened at 3:03**

**SUBCOMMITTEE / ADHOC REPORTS:**

**ACTIVITIES: Open**

**HOSPITALS & INSTITUTION: Open**

**POLICY: Harold L.** Between cycles I have worked with the Treasurer on the 2013 Budgets. The updated WRSC Guidelines are to be distributed this cycle. I have placed the updated guidelines on CD. I believe it would better to resolve any issues that remain with the Guidelines. After resolution I will make 15 copies as agreed last cycle and have them available for distribution this cycle. I will also email the guidelines to everyone on the contact list, so make sure your contact information is correct.

In Loving Service, Harold L. Policy Chair Pro-Tem

## **OUTREACH: Open**

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS: Wes H.**

Up dates have been being made in as timely fashion as possible, I must state again that by policy only the RCM's should be submitting requests for the calendar entries of events. A request has been made for the WRSC website to place a link to the USSC by RD / RDA team. That link should now be on the WRSC website. We are still grinding through placing someone to take over as head web slave, we are transitioning Dave D. into the web slave position and we have gotten some more help keeping up the website so things have been going better. Lee has told me that we still don't have the link up for the WOCA website on our links page. Roger informed me that it has been done. The meeting lists have not been printed yet due to causes beyond my control, but the good news is they will cost less than the projected cost. The Literature Chair has asked that the IP "Being of Service" be put on the WRSC website if this does not violate Regional policy. I have nothing further to report at this time.

### **LITERATURE: Carl K.**

First, I'd like to thank Woods & Waters for hosting WRSC. Here is your Literature Sub-committee report:

1 I have submitted the feedback to World on the Traditions Project. A .pdf copy of the e-mail is attached.

2 I will be distributing the IP *'Being of Service'* to all areas. If you don't require the allocated 100 copies, please consider donating some to areas that have more meetings. I went \$12 over budget. I will donate the overage. I also e-mailed everyone a pdf copy. I also asked Wes if it can be available on the WRSC website. I have also forwarded the IP to NAWS to be put on the NA website under the 'Locally Developed Resources' in the 'For Our Members' drop-down menu.

3 NAWS is seeking input on the SP – *'An Introduction to NA Meetings'* I have attached both the current SP version as well as the proposed draft. This will be added to the CAR in 2014. There is an online questionnaire link: <http://tradsproject.limequery.com/index.php?sid=54974&newtest=Y&lang=en>

You can find the entire Introduction to NA Meetings Project Page at:

<http://www.na.org/?ID=intromtgs>. You can submit your input to [worldboard@na.org](mailto:worldboard@na.org) or World Board, 19737 Nordhoff Place, Chatsworth, CA 91311. The deadline is 04/30/13

Thank you for allowing me to serve,

Carl K

WRSC Literature Chair

[cjkna@wi.rr.com](mailto:cjkna@wi.rr.com)

414-416-6253

**AD-HOC TELLECOMMUNICATIONS: Roger S.** (Just appointed this cycle)

## **BASIC SERVICES**



**Approval of last cycle minutes:** Minutes were approved as presented, with the following amendments: PR Budget needs to be amended to \$584.00 per cycle for Conference and \$540.00 per cycle for administration Costs, for a total of \$3,500.00 for conference attendance and literature and \$3,235.00 for administration Costs. Also need to note that the information I listed in the minutes is wrong for the hosting of WRSC, the correct list will be in this cycles minutes.

### **ELECTIONS:**

Literature: Carl K. was nominated last cycle, voted in this cycle.

Policy: Open Position

Co-Facilitator: Open Position

Actives: Open Position

Outreach: Open Position

H & I: Open Position

WRSO Rep: Open Position

WRSO Pool: Always Open

WSNAC Pool: Always Open

Nominations will be voted on next cycle:

RD: Bill O.

RDA: Harold L.

**MOTIONS:** None.

**BUDGETS:** None presented

### **Prioritized list of Topics by RCM's**

**TOPIC 1** – Position for USSC Representative, discussed duties, how many 1 or 2 or a team as this may be helpful. Travel to Area's to share information, what will the financial impact be, will need to look into this. What amount of participation should be expected? Coming to Region on a as needed bases. Have the RD Team work together with the USSC Delegate. Pass information to Region and Area's Policy will need to look into this as a position and what the guideline should be.

**Break at 5:00**

**Reconvened at: 9:04 Sunday**

**TOPIC 2** – Activity Chair reimbursement. After much discussion a proposal was made to pay the activity chair the \$211.75 for travel minus the \$2.41 owed from the function for a total of \$209.34. There was a block from a RCM, further discussion was held, the person blocking stood aside and the proposal passed. The treasurer was satisfied for the information given for the travel. This amount was in the Activities Chair budget.

**TOPIC 3** – There was a Power Point given on the USSC voting procedures. Go to the [USSCNA.org](http://USSCNA.org) website and move around in the site and get a feel for what it is about. All groups need to register; if you have already registered you will need to re-register. Each Representative gets to vote for the groups that they are representing. Results will be posted on the form board at [USSCNA.org](http://USSCNA.org). If you have questions, please don't hesitate to talk to the people that are involved and go to Region.

**Break at 10:23**  
**Reconvened at: 10:50**

**TOPIC 4 – Group Conscious IDT information discussion topic. We have no topic for open form next cycle; a proposal was made to have this as the open topic, passed.**

**OTHER BUSINESS:** None:

Proposal was made to close, closed with a group hug at 10:56

**2013**

**NEXT WRSC IS TO HOSTED BY**

**January:** WSNAC Hosting Site

- March:**
- a. Washington-Ozaukee
  - b. Inland Lakes
  - c. Woods & Waters
  - d. North Central

**May:** WSNAC Hosting Site

- July:**
- a. Badger land
  - b. Basic
  - c. Scenic Bluffs
  - d. Rock River

- September:**
- a. Chippewa Valley
  - b. Big Rivers
  - c. North East
  - d. Upper Peninsula

- November:**
- a. Milwaukee
  - b. South East Family
  - c. Kettle Moraine
  - d. Inner City

**We have no flyer for the next cycle, here is the information that I received at next Region.**

Hello Nancy,  
You can pass this information on  
For hotel reservations they call -  
**1-262-728-7950**

**Ask for reservations ext # 2970**

Thanks!  
Cindy S  
WSNAC BOD secretary