

WISCONSIN REGIONAL SERVICE CONFERENCE MINUTES

DATE: January 19 & 20, 2007 PLACE: Brookfield WI

I. OPENING.

- A. Recovery Meeting @ 9 am
- B. Beginning of Conference Moment of Silence @ 10:15 am
- C. Reading of The Servant Worker's Prayer
- D. Introductions
- E. Roll Call: 13 of 16 active areas present
- F. 7th Tradition
- G. Reading of the 12th Concept
- H. Special Business – Speak loudly hard of hearing participant in attendance

II. TRUSTED SERVANTS REPORTS:

A. FACILITATOR: John H

Howdy family I have lots of copies of participation action items, a definition of when “consensus exists” and a 2nd draft of orientation guidelines. I would like approval of the guidelines later today. I received some calls about responsibility at this RSC being hosted at the WSNAC convention site. In open forum we will hopefully get some clarity. I know all of you have been filling out your expenditure summary’s with all due diligence <big grin>.

You can hand in what you have so far to your treasurer and we can start compiling this info. We will have a round table discussion after lunch on “how areas are providing additional needs”. We then will have an open forum with WSNAC. Lastly it seems we have set a precedent and had 2 RSC’s in a row completed in one day!!! I was not able to attend last RSC and had great fear you were saving it all up for me. (I am the center of the universe you know)

After much writing and discussion with my sponsor I was convinced I was mistaken. Please don’t help me change that opinion. *Secretary note – see handout/attachment “Orientation Guidelines”

In Service (((HUGS))) John H

B. VICE-FACILITATOR: Bob C

No report

C. JANUARY SECRETARY: Linda C

I will be asking for a reimbursement this cycle for the following amounts \$37 for ink cartridge refills, \$4 for ream of paper, \$38 for copies made total request will be \$79.00.

On a personal note I need to hopefully find a room to share for tonight.

I do have printed minutes here on the table for Sept and Nov.

I will be sending around the contact list. The first time it comes around please make corrections on the last page with the empty lines on it. I will right away once it gets back to me I will make corrections and send it around a second time. If after that it goes out in the minutes incorrect it is on you not on me.

In Loving Service, Linda

D. JULY SECRETARY: OPEN

E. TREASURER: Debbie H

Hello all, well it’s my first session alone without Ray. But don’t worry he trained me well. I think the report this time looks better than last session, but if anyone finds a mistake please (kindly) let me know and I will fix it. I have budget forms for those who need them. According to our guidelines (Fs.01, page 19) they are due this session from each subcommittee chair except the delegate team. Also remember to fill out expense or advance forms as soon as possible, so that I will have enough time to process them.

*Secretary note – see handout/attachment “Treasurer Report”

In Loving Service, Debbie H

F. VICE-TREASURER: OPEN

G. REGIONAL DELEGATE: OPEN

H. REGIONAL DELEGATE ALTERNATE: Doc T

Good morning family thanks to the area for hosting us.

CAR Review – The CAR is downloadable for printing. So far, only one area has scheduled a review. Larry K has agreed to do a review for W&W and maybe the N.E. to relieve the RD team of time and travel. It would be expedient & resource saving if multiple areas could workshop a CAR review together examples: Inner City & Greater Milwaukee along with BACIC Area & S.E.F.A. to combine for one workshop for 2 areas. Will less than 75 miles for anyone to drive ... besides the RD team. We'd like to get all the reviews done by mid-March to be able to get all the votes tallied by the end of March. **Each addict that votes will count as one vote for each motion.** There area 12 motions and other questions that NAWS would like the fellowship to address. I've copied them, along with new Youth IP & Parent/Guardian that is awaiting approval at WSC.

I attended the GIRCNA as a participant & MZF member. Two round table workshops were conducted and I've added reports from Louis on those workshops.

MZF Notes

Elections: Bob M Co-Facilitator 3rd Qtr (till July); John Halverson 4th Qtr Co-Facilitator; Joe Yoder Web Contact 25+ years clean, owns web business RD more than one term; Blynn Morris Secretary Re-elected. MZF account balance \$1,592.53 10/31/07. Next Zonal Forum Kalamazoo MI – CAR/CAT on Saturday/MZF Sunday tentatively 1st weekend February 2008. MZF Labor Day Weekend, MN; Unity Day JJ will be in touch 2008.

Discussion Topics: 1) Proposal One – unless the Region or Area hosting the MZF meeting has requested some special topic prior to the publication of a flyer for the meeting, the MZF trusted servants will select and announce a workshop on wither one or more of the following: 12 Concepts and 12 Traditions or NAWS initiated items such as IDT's, the CAR or CAT material (as long as we hold a full MZF meeting) Approved. Better planning needs to be done. Formats need to be focused on to be expedient. How area we best serving the fellowship? Approved. MZF is a multi-regional information sharing forum. 2) Proposal Two – That the MZF establish formed planning practices as follows: 1. Long Range planning schedule. The MZF will establish, maintain, and publish a tentative schedule for MZF meetings extending two years into the future. This schedule will include as much detail as possible about locations, dates and workshop topics. (After WSC topics will be tentatively scheduled for the next two years). 2. Short Term planning. No later than 90 days prior to a meeting of MZF, the MZF co-facilitators working with the hosting region/area/RD will distribute a flyer detailing dates, locations, times, workshop topics, housing arrangements and other necessary information to the MZF membership. The flyers should also include the MZF logo; and this description of the MZF: The Midwest Zonal Forum (MZF) gathers together members from nine NA Regions in six Midwestern States to further the NA World services initiatives, to discuss problems and issues confronting NA in the Midwest, and to encourage application of the NA's 12 traditions and 12 Concepts. Anyone who attends the MZF meeting is welcome to fully participate. Accepted.

***Secretary note** – see handout/attachment “Building Strong Home Groups” & “Our Service System” & “Feb 08 CAR and MZF flyer”

I. WRSO Rep; Gene J

Report not submitted for minutes

J. WISCONSIN NA CONVENTION REP: Cindy W

Hello family, please accept my apology for missing the last WRSC meeting. This weekend is the first meeting of the WSNAC Board of Director's since the convention. The convention was well attended and enjoyed by all. WSNAC continues to gradually increase attendance when held in areas that have a large population base.

WSNAC 22: attendance 491 Lake Geneva, WI – WSNAC 23: attendance 416 Cable, WI, WSNAC 24: attendance 553 Oshkosh, WI

WSNAC 24 Final Report- The final obligation of all WSNAC host committees is to prepare a final report for fellowship review. When the WSNAC 24 report is complete it will be made available to the WRSC. Regarding

WSNAC 23 final report, it will be completed before next region. I do have all the registration data in report form if anyone would like a copy.

Registration Liaison – Each WSNAC Board member is assigned liaison responsibilities to the host committee. I am liaison to registration. There are two main tasks for the registration liaison: 1) Tracking the registration data, i.e. number of registrations sold in each category, number of people purchasing what types of meals, percent of people that pre-register, ect. The data collection tool (an Excel spreadsheet) has been standardized and each host committees registration chair is now required to use this tool when tracking pre-registrations and 2) Maintaining the mailing list. This requires updating the contact information every year in preparation for the next conventions mass flyer mailing. The registration forms are used as the update tool.

The fellowship selected the NorthCentral bid for WSNAC 26

***Secretary note** – see handout/attachment “Year End WSNAC Financial Report” & “WSNAC 2008 BOD Contact List” & “Approved 2008 WSNAC Exec Comm Budget” & “Convention Financial Sheets”

K. WISCONSIN NA CONVENTION REP. OPEN

AREA REPORTS:

A. **BADGERLAND:** Greg, RCM
Absent

B. **BASIC:** Kerry K, RCM & Pete T, RCMA

Hello family I am pleased to say we have 8 active meetings with an active literature meeting on Tuesdays 6pm. We have a new RCMA Pete T. We have a few functions coming up they are Feb 9th Snowflake Ball and Chili Contest, March 22nd H&I Learning say, July 19 & 20th WRSC in conjunction with a Midsummers Nite Clean and possibly a June Campout. I have been working on getting the Basic Area Service Comm to adopt the ways our WRSC functions. We have been working on a CAR review on our Tuesday nite literature meeting but as our RDA has mentioned I would like to see our area have a CAR review with our RD team with or without another area.

In Loving Service, Kerry K

C. **BIG RIVERS:** Gregg B, RCM

The Big Rivers Area is doing Great. Unity is growing and we have seen steady growth in the numbers of Addicts living the NA WAY of LIFE. We have began having a Speaker Meeting and a Dance every Second Saturday of the Month. The fact that we have done this with consistency has lead to an average of 50 addicts attending this function each month. The Big Rivers Area is also planning to implement a service meeting structure that mirrors Regions structure. We are hoping this would streamline our ASC and allow us to get more work accomplished. Our groups continue to support the Area and thus support NA as a whole with their time and funds. We have implemented a budgeting process and pre-approved discretionary funds to better make use of the limited funds provided to our service committee. We are planning a Basic Text Release party in October, in which we will make the new Basic Texts to all who want them.

The Area had a successful New Years Speaker Meeting and Dance sponsored by the Main Street NA Group. We are planning a Valentines Dance, I Can't We Campout, and Letting Loose. We hope you will feel free to step into any meeting or function in the Big Rivers Area.

We look forward to serving the Region in any way possible. We are donating \$422.80 to Region this cycle. We would like to thank Bob C and Ted B. for their service during the last Regional Cycle.

In Loving Service, Gregg B

D. **CHIPPEWA VALLEY:** Steve H, Chair
Absent

E. **INLAND LAKES:** Tony H, RCM & Brian I, RCMA

Hey family the RCM for our area had to step down because of the new job outside our area. I have been nominated for RCM, but right now I'm still RCMA. Area (I.L.U.A.) is doing well. Currently we have 3 positions vacant Outreach, Vice Chair & RCM. We are currently getting ready for our spiritual retreat in March 21-23 at Camp U-NAH-LI-YA Suring WI. We also have a scholarship fund for addicts who can't afford it,

along with a logo contest. Deadline is Jan 31st our newsletter is up and running also

F. INNER CITY: Melanii K, RCM

We the ICANA is doing very well our "We're Back Area Conference" is going very well and strong leadership has been the key. ICANA will be having elections in the month of February. Officers take office as of March all offices are open except Treasurer. I thank this body for the personal growth along with my home area.

Melanii K

***Secretary Note:** Suspend order of day for WSNAC rep report – report will appear in the correct minutes location

G. KETTLE MORAINE: Cath P, RCM

KMA hopes to see you at Live the Steps or Freeze function Saturday Feb 2nd at Holy Angels Church in West Bend. I have \$10 tickets available for the Chili dinner. Workshops in the afternoon, dinner at 5:30pm, speaker, dance and auction to follow. Flyers are out of Project Hope XIII – new location this year, Camp Y-Koda. Spring flyers here – please share with your GSR's. H&I subcommittee chair remains open. Strong PR subcommittee working on a panel presentation for professionals, got the phone line hooked up, and a KMA website is being discussed. We welcome a new Activities chair Eric M and Treasurer Andrea P. Strong representation of GSRs at area service and very positive response to the orientation subcommittee, reading concepts, traditions and other NA approved material to help new GSRs and others interested in learning more about area service. T&T group offers Forth Saturday of the month at 2pm Tradition workshop at 24-hour club in Thiensville. Open speaker meeting first Monday of the month at Hope House in Sheboygan 7pm. Open speaker meeting scheduled the forth Tuesday of each month in Manitowoc. Lots of recovery happening in KMA!

Peace and Love, Cath P

H. MILWAUKEE: Bill O, RCM, Bits P, RCMA

Hello Family; Welcome to Milwaukee Area. Milwaukee Area continues to prosper. Most of our Area Service positions are filled. We still have vacancies at Vice-Chair, Vice-Secretary, H&I, and Helpline. We have combined the Activities and Outreach Committees to form a new committee. It is called Act Out. We are continuing the process of an Area inventory using the Area Planning Tool. The Area inventory questionnaire has been distributed to the groups. The groups are responding with completed surveys. Our goal is to improve services and to further carry the message of recovery to the addict who still suffers. If any other Areas have done this, we would appreciate any input you may have and the benefit of your experience.

We would like to suggest a topic for today's round table discussion. This topic concerns members with special needs. What can we, as members and groups, do to attract, encourage, and accommodate members with special needs? We are specifically referring to the sight and hearing impaired. Is NAWS addressing this question? The Greater Milwaukee Unity Convention will be Feb. 15-17 at the Radisson Hotel Milwaukee Airport. Fliers are available. We are making early bird registrations available for the very last time today at the outrageously low, never to be seen again price of only \$15. Registration will be \$25 at the door. Register early and register often. We will have an outstanding program. Milwaukee Area also invites you to go "Tubing" with us on Sunday, January 27 at Sunburst Ski Hill. Some fliers and maps are still available. That's all for now.

In Loving Service, Bill O

I. NORTH CENTRAL: Willis C, RCM

It's good to be here and have our area represented. We have recently elected a few new trusted servants and we are anxious to get back in action!!! We are also pumped about hosting WSNAC in 2009!!!

J. NORTHEAST: Trish C, RCM

Hello family our area is having a open forum discussion on area inventory would like feedback. Also feedback on how to involve people into service work. Right now our area is running without H&I chair and hardly a committee of H&I as well. I also reported on the CAR report. Our area is looking for another area to do a CAR review please get hold of me to setup something. Upcoming events are on website. Also donation of \$433022 to region and \$216.1 world donation.

In Loving Service, Trish C

K. NORTHERN LIGHTS: Tim H, RCM, Pam, RCMA

Absent

L. ROCK RIVER: Chris K, RCMA, Marla M, RCMA

Howdy from Rock River and thanks for the warm weather and welcome! We are looking at changing our financial structure due to dwindling financial resources. PR & H&I continue to meet jointly and are going strong. We have cancelled our upcoming dances at the area level to save funds and work on pre-planning future functions. RRCNA registration flyers are available on the table. The date and location have changed. The convention will now be April 4, 5 & 6, 2008 at Cliffbreakers Resort in Rockford IL. Added 2 new meetings – Clean in the Park in Machesney Park IL and New Beginings in Beloit WI. Our groups are scheduling CAR review dates. The area will tally votes on March 9, 2008 so we can bring our totals to WRSC in March.

In Loving Service, Chris K

M. SCENIC BLUFFS: Mike F, RCM, Curt P, RCMA

Hi family Cold Turkey was a huge success. Thanks to everyone attending. Our prudent reserves are back to where they need to be, there is no donation for Region. We doubled our group representation at area last month woo hoo. There were actually 2 reps. All subcommittees are functioning without chairpeople. Positions that are filled are RCM, RCMA & Treasurer. We are contemplating a fund raiser for a Scenic Bluffs Helicopter, more will be reveled. So still despite our best efforts we are still recovering in the Jamaica area of the state. No worries mon H.P. is in charge.

In Loving Service, Curt P

N. SOUTHEAST FAMILY: Jeff P, RCM

Report not submitted for minutes

O. WOODS & WATERS: Paul D, RCM

I am the new RCMA for Woods and Waters area. The Woods and Waters Area currently consists of 25 meetings with new meetings in Washburn, Arbor Vitae and with the return of NA to Tomahawk. We are blessed with an influx of new members with the willingness to be involved in service. The new energy seems to have revitalized our area which has struggled for the past couple of years.

Our December 31 area service meeting was well attended and all subcommittee positions with the exception of Outreach are now filled. Rand W was elected as RCM but was unable to attend this conference. Victor R is our new H&I chair and it is especially nice to have that important position once again filled. Paul D was re-elected as area chair for another term. The function was also well attended and we got an excellent example of how quality music can help make a function a success. As always if not for the auction and raffle the dance would not have made a profit. We tried having subcommittees meet after area service but voted to return to starting area service at 1pm. Due to the size of our area geographically it was too difficult for people to show up at 10am.

Our relationship with the correctional facility at McNaughton is exceptionally strong and inmates are allowed to attend outside meetings and functions. We have dedicated service workers approved to transport and the facility trusts NA completely. There is an open speaker meeting at the McNaughton Correctional Facility on Saturday, February 2nd but you must be pre-approved to attend. If you are interested call Dave S at 715-477-0123 and he can tell you how to make it happen. The inmates really appreciate those addicts from the outside that attend and they make cake and offer refreshments. McNaughton is located between Minocqua and Rhinelander.

February 9th is our next function and is our 18th anniversary and Valentines Dance and speaker meeting. This function will be held in Washburn at a new facility for us. There are flyers available for that. The date is February 9th. Washburn is located north of Ashland and is right on Lake Superior. It would be great if you would join us as we celebrate 19 years of carrying the NA message to the Top of the World. There are lodging suggestions on the flyer as well. April 12th in Conover is our annual “Spring Thing”. The Journey’s Convention 7th journey has been a little interesting so far. We had an initial printing of 6,000 brochures printed for the second weekend of June’s date...the weekend it has been on every year since its inception. For some reason the hotel thought the second weekend of June was the 6th-8th. They had already booked the second weekend for a large wedding (which we tried to get moved). After distributing around 1500 brochures at WSNAC we

were faced with a dilemma: do we change facilities, go to the first weekend or keep everything the same except move to the third weekend of June. That is what we decided to do. Last weekend about 20 addicts from our area joined with two dozen people currently in treatment at the Koinonia Residential Treatment Facility and put stickers with the correct dates on 4500 brochures. It took us a couple of hours...we watched the Packer game and treated everyone to pizza. It was really neat as it involved all these newcomers and the fellowship and introduction to service was very special for them and for us.

So here's where we're at: The 7th Journey's Convention will be held June 20, 21 & 22, 2008 at The Point Waterfront Hotel and Resort. We were able to get our bands and musicians to agree to the new date so again we will feature the Michael Murphy Band, Brett and Frisk, Mama's Little Hippies and Head Over Heels. Everything else will still be the same too and we're hard at work to make this the best Journey's ever. If you booked a room your reservation is secure for the new date. Because there are some brochures out there with the wrong dates on them we could really use everyone's help in letting addicts in your areas and on your email lists of the new date. Next year we will return to the second weekend of June. There are brochures available here now with the corrected dates on them and there is a packet for every area. We apologize for the confusion and hope this doesn't affect anyone's plans. We encourage you to make your reservations with the hotel soon and for other lodging and campground information contact us. We are looking for speaker tapes/cd's and workshop leaders.

In Service, Paul D

P. UPPER PENINSULA: Lynn D, RCM

Greetings from the U.P. Our meetings seem to be doing fine but there is very little participation at the area level. We have a lack of GSRs and any participation of service work. We did have a New Years Eve function in Marquette that went well. At this point I don't know if I will be returning here.

In Loving Service Lynn D

Break for Lunch – 12:30 PM

Reconvene at – 1:30 PM

Open Forum topic requested by hosting area – Additional Needs and what are we doing
– Round table discussion 5 groups – idea lists from groups below

Brainstorming Lists – Special Needs:

Address area accessibilities

Recorded literature

Bring meeting lists to the schools for deaf

Have appointed signers

Contact the ADA to let them know they can attend meetings

Language barriers – lions club or jaycee clubs

Retirement home access to meetings

Do children fall under special needs? Is it a responsibility to supply childcare for single parent addicts

Approach the addict with special needs and ask what “we” as a group can do to meet their needs

Be willing to meet the special need

Bathroom facilities are adequate

Literature can get books on tape, brail

Nursing home ask PR to check w / them or shut-ins

Do “we” as a group really know that handicap accessible means as for our building

Respect the addict for being an addict

What are special needs? What would fall under that? Have guidelines to follow.

Define accessible?

Find out who / where they are

Local resource at workforce development

Education – us and them

Include local resource list in meeting list
Document resource pool

Interpreter
List of interpreters
Amplifier system
Disability – blind and hard of hearing, scared if they belong
Basic cassette – training, explain the microphone,
Information – ask them what they need

Define accessible
Can wheel chairs
Awareness
List of interpreters
Educating at area level
Ask them what they need
Open / welcoming
Brail or accessible-knowing where to get it
Talk to the person
Leadership
Communication
Resource pool-on web page
Business meeting topic
Blind friendly web page
Working help line
Meetings on cassettes
General awareness, extra time

Each group could have a list of resource centers that have services available
Include in your meeting format a line item of numbers for local resources (as a note for chairperson)

Speak up / speak clearly
Away from crowd / smaller groups
Being patient
Having it in the format for group
Announcing it
List of additional needs for literature to carry at area level
Making them feel more accepted
Keytags / medallions in Braille
Any addicts who interpret?
Contact treatment centers for more info / experience
Inviting them to share their message

Open Forum with WSNAC BOD

1. BOD presented idea of having WSNAC at same hotel for next few years. BOD wants group's opinion about deal presented by the hotel.
 - 1 1 BOD will compile information into page to take information back to the groups – request a decision at March cycle
2. Saturday function: there was a disconnect between the WSNAC BOD and Regional Activities subcommittee as to who was doing what for this function
 - 1 1 **Solution decision by RCMs** – Jan dance/function will be responsibility and fundraiser for WSNAC, May dance/function will be the responsibility and fundraiser for WRSC
 - 1 1 WSNAC BOD chair and Regional Activities chair will draft a set of guidelines to present to WRSC in March

- to avoid any confusion in the future.
3. BOD presented idea of investing in 3-6 month CDs to generate revenue from funds that area currently sitting in checking account for the next convention.
 - ⌈⌈ Floor expressed interest, requested BOD to gather detailed information to be presented to the floor next cycle.
 4. Addict requested a moment of silence to reflect to our purpose for being here followed by prayer.
 - ⌈⌈ Discussion

Break 3:25 PM – Reconvene 3:40 PM

SUBCOMMITTEE / ADHOC REPORTS:

Q. **ACTIVITIES** – 3:40 PM

Good Morning Family; I have had a very frustrating cycle since our last Region in Racine. I was invited at the last minute to the 2008 conv meeting I was contacted on Fri. meeting was on Sun. the time of meeting was supposed to be 2:00 pm here at Brookfield when I arrived here I asked at the desk about the meeting there no meetings scheduled at the hotel that day. I sat in the lobby until 4:00 members of committee started to show up. Prior to this meeting a flyer was sent out stating there was going to be a dance at Jan. Region. I asked at this meeting who was planning this dance, the committee said they would take care of it, at this time I told them to take care of it. I did ask for a copy of meeting minutes to be sent to me, and let me know when next meeting was to be held, I had to leave before end of meeting. I received a call from Greg M. on Thur. 17th Jan. asking if region was going to pay for a DJ for Sat nite I told him to submit a bill at Region Sat. I do have some ideas for a function in the spring if I remain Activities Chair if not I will pas my ideas on to the next Chair.

Thank You for allowing me to serve Frank

R. **MINUTES ADHOC** – 3:44 PM

When this adhoc was formed it was due to the lack of minutes in a timely manner. There was also some discussion about how the minutes are set up. I have handed out some info about minutes in previous cycles and there have been no discussions on the floor or by email about this adhoc. If the adhoc is completely about the timeliness of the minutes that was due to chaos in my life, this body can't do anything about that. If this adhoc is about the minutes setup then it needs to be discussed.

S. **PUBLIC RELATIONS** – 3:45 PM

Dear Family, The new Regional Directory is here. There are no significant changes for this edition. We have experienced a modest growth of 10 meetings since July. More than half of the Areas responded to the Excel file update system again. We thank you for your cooperation. We will continue to use it. With it, each Area has an Excel file of their meeting list which can be easily updated and modified for your own use. As usual, a distribution and growth chart will accompany your allotment of meeting lists. I received a check for \$416.35 and the final cost was \$439.56. I am requesting a reimbursement of \$23.31.

There were, however, a couple of issues regarding the posting and publishing of certain meetings. These issues will be addressed in the meeting list Ad-Hoc report. One note: Rock River Area has complied with the new Illinois State law prohibiting indoor smoking, and all Rock River meetings are now smoke free. This news arrived after the directory went to print. We have made a note of it on the Rock River page on the website. The webservants continue to keep the website up to date. It is currently operating smoothly and all requests for updates and postings are handled within 48 hours. Work on the new website goes slowly. Over the holidays, there has been little time for the web team to coordinate their efforts. Major changes have to be made to the meeting list display, the Area pages, and the calendar. It must then be incorporated into the new site. We can expect some tangible results in 2 cycles.

The Helpline Administrator advises that some Areas are letting their on-line voice mail message boxes on the Helpline website get filled and not accessing or deleting the messages. If your area is experiencing difficulty handling the on-line voice mail messages, you are asked to consider disabling the on-line voice mail system. This will serve to alleviate crowding of the on-line storage space, and also to not leave callers expecting a return

call when none will be forthcoming. This further serves to preserve our public image. We don't look very good when people leave messages and receive no response. We are further advised that, as the volume of traffic on the Helpline is increasing, we may need to upgrade our calling plan this year. The new admin budget will reflect this increase.

2008 looks to be a busy and productive year for Public Relations. We are already preparing for the professional conferences. To this end, we are implementing logistical "forward deployment" and submitting a request for the literature allocations for the WAAODA Conference and the mailing project. This will use up most the working reserve for January. The remainder will be spent with the WRSO for multi-language key tags and multi-language IP#1 for use at the conferences.

PR is planning a mass mailing project in cooperation with H&I. We plan to send information packets to various treatment facilities and other resources in the SW area of Wisconsin. There are currently no meetings in this part of the state. Our goal is to introduce NA to these communities and hope that this will lead to new contacts and starting new meetings. This part of the state isn't just underserved, it's not served at all.

We are submitting budgets for 2008. The admin budget reflects increased meeting list costs, and a potential need to increase our service plan with the Helpline. The working reserve budget(s) will need some discussion. There are a number of options, which affect the overall budget.

That's all for now. It is an honor and a privilege to serve Bill O

T. HOSPITALS & INSTITUTION – 4:17 PM

Hello Family, First of all, I have recently taken a position of employment in the Waukesha area, so basically stay in the Milwaukee area now.

Area Reports: I haven't received any reports from any areas. Attended the H&I meeting in InnerCity, and they have really picked up a number of facilities that they are serving. Their H&I efforts are very impressive in terms of facilities. I have asked the subcommittee to talk on the MSDF DOC Facility downtown. As stated on the previous report this was the facility that both the H&I chair and Regional PR chair did a presentation on. I still have no active subcommittee so it will be up to the RCMs whether the Regional H&I committee should provide a starter package for MSDF. I'm thinking 10 Basic Texts, 5 for the women floor, and 5 for the men's floor and IP's, Total estimated cost of \$300.00.

Regional News: Contacted by the regional PR chair to flood the Southwestern area with NA IP's to various treatment facilities and other places. Making a request that \$150.00 be budgeted from the H&I reserve, to go towards this effort. Still will be doing a presentation for the writing steps to recovery, during Project Hope function, hope to finally get copies of the guidelines out.

Haven't figured out a budget for next year, however and was well within my budget of last year. Again since I get minimum input from other area's H&I chairs, I will be relying more on the RCM's to help in the decision making process.

Thank You in Loving Service Tony H

U. POLICY – 4:23 PM

Absent – Policy chair will be here for March cycle

V. GUIDELINE ADHOC

W. ADDITIONAL NEEDS – 4:35 PM

Still working on compiling a list of handicapped accessible meetings (access to meeting room & bathroom)
Motion submitted for new business.

****Approval of Previous Months Minutes done at this time –**

September & November minutes approved by the floor

V. OLD BUSINESS:

A. ELECTIONS:

Facilitator – John H Declines, Bob C Declines, Kerry K Accepts – Kerry voted In

Jan Secretary – Linda C Accepts *Floor waves guidelines* - Linda Voted In
 Vice Treasurer – No nominations or volunteers
 RD – Doc is willing to fill position, needs a 2/3 majority to move into position from RDA – Doc Voted In
 RDA – John H Accepts, Gene J Accepts – John Voted In
 Activities – Frank Accepts – Frank Voted In
 Additional Needs – Chris K Accepts – Chris Voted In
 Literature – No nominations or volunteers
 WSNAC Rep Even yr – Cindy Accepts – Cindy Voted In
 WSNAC Rep Odd yr – Greg Declines, Trisa Accepts, Lynn D Declines – Trisa Voted In
 WRSO Pool – Willis Declines, Rich Accepts – Rich Voted In
 WSNAC Pool – Willis Accepts, Frank Accepts, John P Accepts – All 3 Voted In

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 Time 5:25 pm – motion to close for day – done

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 SUNDAY 930 am start
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**B. BUDGETS:** See Budget Attachments to minutes – Approved budgets Secretary, Admin PR, PR working reserve, H&I & Administrative team  
 \*Secretary Note: RD & RDA, WSNAC reps and Activities will present budgets in March

**C. OLD MOTIONS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**NEW MOTIONS:**

1. **MOTION 01-08.P1:** To use as backup printouts such as mapquest to validate mileage expenses along with of gas receipts.  
**INTENT:** To validate mileage expenses more accurately. Gas receipts do not represent actual miles driven.  
**Amendment to motion accepted:** re-written motion “Change Financial Reimbursement Guidelines working from “travel” to “mileage” and add the requirement of map miles along with a gas receipt.  
**MOTION PASSES** as amended
  
2. **MOTION 01-08.P2:** That conference participants from area hosting the regional meeting are not eligible for conference participation reimbursement.  
**INTENT:** Reduce regional costs  
**Amendment to motion accepted:** re-written motion “That conference participants driving within 20 miles of the regional meeting are not eligible for conference participation reimbursement.”  
**MOTION PASSES** as amended
  
3. **MOTION 01-08.P3:** Add to requirements of hosting WRSC – facilities be handicapped accessible.  
**INTENT:** To make WRSC accessible to any that want to attend.  
**MOTION FAILS**

**Prioritized list of Topics by RCM’s**

**DISCUSSED IN ORDER CHOSEN BY RCM’S**

1. Meeting List Online Protocol – 11:00 am  
 ¶¶ Who determines who is added for a meeting that in not are affiliated?

11 **Decision from floor** – Follow motion passed in March 2007 motion states to bring non-affiliated info to RSC for decision

2. Meeting List Adhoc – 11:08 am

11 Adhoc is dissolved job is done

11 Report submitted:

With the approval of the PR Web Group's proposal to change the nature of the meeting list display on the website and to launch the new website last cycle, we are now working toward these goals. The meeting list, calendar, Conference page, and Area pages all require major changes. The work goes slowly, as quality takes time, and we look forward to being able to produce tangible results in 2 cycles.

A new meeting in Wisconsin Rapids applied to the Region for inclusion on the meeting list and the website. This was done by way of email to Gene at the WRSO. This request was forwarded to PR. Wisconsin Rapids is served by 2 Areas. This Group had not yet decided to join either Area. This became a time sensitive issue, as the deadline for the printing of the meeting list was rapidly approaching. The issue was discussed on-line by the Web Group and several participants of the Meeting List Ad-Hoc. The original request was followed up 2 weeks later with a second request. The consensus was to honor the request.

Our reasoning was fairly simple. In the spirit of the Traditions, the 12th Concept, the motion passed in March 2007 (see below), and the time sensitive nature of the request, we felt that it could potentially be more harmful to not include the meeting. To deny this request could constitute governance, rather than service. The motion, as stated, is clear in its direction.

1. MOTION 01-07.N1: The WRSC shall include on its meeting list all active meetings within its geographical boundaries. Any NA group within the geographical boundaries of the WRSC regardless of area affiliation may apply to the WRSC for inclusion on the Regional meeting list. The WRSC shall use the criteria established in the guide to Local Service to determine a group's eligibility for inclusion.

INTENT: To fulfill the primary purpose of carrying the message of recovery to every addict. Provide a means for any NA group within the geographical boundaries of the WRSC to have access to the WRSC and the regional meeting list regardless of area affiliation. To fulfill the stated purpose of the 2nd tradition and the 12th concept which is to serve and not govern.

I take full responsibility for the decision to publish this meeting. While PR has not been given the authority to do so, the time sensitive nature of the request and the meeting list publishing deadline made an immediate decision necessary. There was no opportunity to consult with the RSC in its entirety. This serves to illustrate the need to determine protocols for the inclusion of non-Area affiliated meetings on the meeting list. So, the questions remain. How are these requests for inclusion on the meeting list to be handled? What is the decision making process going to be? Who, ultimately, makes the decision? (Put on board)

Another issue arose out of the Big Rivers Area. 8 of the 11 meetings in Minnesota have formed a new Area; The Vision of Hope Area. Big Rivers Area continues to carry the meetings on their meeting list and website. This new Area is part of the Minnesota Region. So what we have is a small portion of Minnesota being served by 2 Areas and 2 Regions. At the request of the Big Rivers Area, we are continuing to carry these meetings on the meeting directory and the website. We have included a notice on the BRASC page to this effect.

In Loving Service, Bill O.

3. Area Inventory Discussion – 11:09 am

4. Orientation Guidelines – 11:16 am

11 Went over guidelines as handed out to become part of RSC Guidelines

11 **Decision from floor** – Passed to be included in guidelines

5. Wheelchair Accessibility

**MOTION 01-08.P4:** 13.04A Change wheelchair to handicap accessible.

**INTENT:**

**MOTION BLOCKED FAILS**

6. Minutes Adhoc – 11:18 am  
    11 Adhoc is dissolved
7. One member wants addition to Pool  
    11 Pete voted in
8. WSNAC  
    11 Have not received the list of Hotel pros and cons  
    11 BOD 2008 WSNAC submitted budget **APPROVED**

**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 @ 11:30 am**

**NEXT WRSC IS TO HOSTED BY INLAND LAKES AREA  
 IN APPLETON WISCONSIN AT BEST WESTERN / MIDWAY HOTEL  
 RESERVATIONS: 1-920-931-4141  
 PLEASE SEE ATTACHED FLYER FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**AREAS HOSTING WRSC SCHEDULE**

|                  |             |                              |
|------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| <b>MAY</b>       | <b>2007</b> | <b>WSNAC Hosting Area</b>    |
| <b>JULY</b>      | <b>2007</b> | <b>3A BADGERLAND</b>         |
| <b>SEPTEMBER</b> | <b>2007</b> | <b>4A UPPER PENNINSALA</b>   |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b>  | <b>2007</b> | <b>1B SOUTH EAST FAMILY</b>  |
| <b>JANUARY</b>   | <b>2008</b> | <b>WSNAC Hosting Area</b>    |
| <b>MARCH</b>     | <b>2008</b> | <b>2B INLAND LAKES</b>       |
| <b>MAY</b>       | <b>2008</b> | <b>WSNAC Hosting Area</b>    |
| <b>JULY</b>      | <b>2008</b> | <b>3B BASIC</b>              |
| <b>SEPTEMBER</b> | <b>2008</b> | <b>4B BIG RIVERS</b>         |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b>  | <b>2008</b> | <b>1C KETTLE MORaine</b>     |
| <b>JANUARY</b>   | <b>2009</b> | <b>WSNAC Hosting Area</b>    |
| <b>MARCH</b>     | <b>2009</b> | <b>2C NORTHEAST</b>          |
| <b>MAY</b>       | <b>2009</b> | <b>WSNAC Hosting Area</b>    |
| <b>JULY</b>      | <b>2009</b> | <b>3C SENIC BLUFFS</b>       |
| <b>SEPTEMBER</b> | <b>2009</b> | <b>4C WOODS &amp; WATERS</b> |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b>  | <b>2009</b> | <b>1D INNER CITY</b>         |
| <b>JANUARY</b>   | <b>2010</b> | <b>WSNAC Hosting Area</b>    |