

WISCONSIN REGIONAL SERVICE CONFERENCE MINUTES

DATE Nov 17 & 18, 2007

PLACE Racine, WI

I. OPENING.

- A. Recovery Meeting @ 9:00 am
- B. Beginning of Conference Moment of Silence @ 10:20am
- C. Reading of The Servant Worker's Prayer
- D. Introductions
- E. Roll Call: 9 of 16 active areas present
- F. 7th Tradition
- G. Reading of the 11th Concept
- H. Special Business – RD resignation, message read on floor will appear in report location of RD report.
- I. Approval of Previous Months Minutes – No September minutes submitted to floor

II. TRUSTED SERVANTS REPORTS:

A. FACILITATOR: John H

Report read by secretary

Howdy Family, As I said at the last RSC meeting I am unable to attend this RSC meeting. I am attending the MZF meeting in Bloomington IL. I don't know if WRSC will have representation at the MZF this weekend. I can give a short report in January if the RDs wish.

For those keeping track this is the SECOND absence during my term and I am subject to removal if the RSC wishes. Please be kind to your vice facilitator... (I will hear about it, and I know where you live)

Next I will start with a reminder for everyone, to fill out the financial expenses survey for this cycle. We can't do it without all or you getting us the information necessary.

For those of you who are not aware as of yet... I have some sad news. Our RD (Deb W) will be resigning today. The process you will go thru is: First the RDs will attempt to give a vote of confidence for Doc. If he doesn't receive 2/3 majority vote the floor is opened for nominations. The RDs will then vote needing a simple majority (50%+1).

Because my report is first on the agenda and will not get a chance to comment later I wish to make a comment on it now. I know there are lots of members that can fill in for this cycle as RD. I will be at the WSC to support anyone the Region elect. This is no knock on anybody's abilities or willingness. I talked to many members about it when Deb got elected...Gene J, Larry K and many others....(Dianne H even has stated she might be interested)

I hope the RSC will elect someone who has NOT done it before. I personally believe the entire Wisconsin Regional fellowship would benefit from attending the WSC. Participating in what I like to call; "The United Nations of NA" has the ability change anyone and everyone in attendance forever! Lots of members here today have the ability to represent the Region.... it seem we all need to cultivate that willingness. We can do that by supporting the member in their efforts.

It is good timing the CAR season is upon us and will be easier for anyone can get the consensus of our region before the WSC. The MZF has a workshop in Michigan in late Jan early Feb with world trusted servants in attendance to go over the material. I personally will be there and will strive to help anyone with CAR workshops around Wisconsin when possible. As I stated, I plan on attending the WSC in APRIL 08 so, I can and will support whoever is elected today in their participation there.

After having said all that...If we have no new members willing to accept nomination to RD I would be gladly accept nomination and serve as your RD if it is HP will. I have no other service related issues to report on from last RSC till now. I will have my cell on if anyone has any questions please feel free to call!! (608) 577-7265 in service

((((HUGS))) John H

B. VICE-FACILITATOR: Bob

Present verbal report

C. JANUARY SECRETARY: Linda C

Minutes – 2 issues: 1) I did not receive this reports and notes in time to get them out in a timely manner as I was absent from Sept cycle region due to an emergency surgery. In the approval section I will note this. Next cycle we will have to approve both the Sept and Nov minutes.

I will pass around a contact list, please verify your information is correct. Please make corrections on the back page only.

In Loving Service, Linda

D. JULY SECRETARY: OPEN**E. TREASURER: Ray W**

Present verbal report

F. VICE-TREASURER: Debbie H

Hello everyone this cycle's report was prepared by me this time, so please bear with me if there are any mistakes, as I did not have time to work with Ray to fine tune it. Of course if there is an error I will correct it and provide new copies at next cycle. This is my one year mark as your vice treasurer and I Have enjoyed greatly working with Ray and hearing more about regional service.

In Caring Service Debbie H

G. REGIONAL DELEGATE: Deb W

Dear NA Family, It is with deep regret that I find myself in the position of having to step down as the RD for Wisconsin Region. I cannot continue due to health issues and advise from my Doctor. I am suffering from Post Stress/Trauma disorder ...and currently am trying to heal an ulcer. I also am experiencing panic/anxiety attacks. These are due to the stress of caring for my mother who has advanced Alzheimer's, and years of my husband's ill health. I have neglected my own health, and my body and spirit have decided enough is enough. I feel honored that this Region placed their trust in me, and apologize that I cannot live up to that trust. I have returned the MZF advance that I received last Region, to the Treasurer.

I will still be around the rooms of NA, and hope to be able to share recovery with you all.

PS Regarding WRSC minutes from Sept cycle I need to apologize. I did not get the notes and reports to our secretary until beginning of November.

In loving service Deb W

H. REGIONAL DELEGATE ALTERNATE: Doc T

Absent at MZF – report read by secretary

As you may be aware, I am @ MZF this weekend. I just read John's mail & Deb's mail to him. I'm willing to serve if asked. I'm willing to follow someone else, if needed.

WI Regional Service Committee Good morning Family Thanx to GIRSC for hosting us at this cycles meeting. May we all enjoy recovery at its best, "One addict helping another" this weekend.

WRSC is going thru the changes and is facing life on life's terms. We persevere.

Patti B. was forced to resign her RD position due to health issues. Her successor was forced to resign, for health issues, as well. Elections may be held this weekend to elect another successor.

The Vice-facilitator was forced to resign due to health and personal issues. Robert C. from the Big Rivers Area was elected and he is serving this weekend. Welcome Bob.

Tony H., the H&I facilitator has stepped up to the plate to carry the message to the "still suffering" and has been in touch with the Connecticut Region. The CRSC/H&I got in touch with Tony and shared how they are working with the incarcerated in being "anonymous" guides to working the steps. I am aware that MO region is doing this, as well. Some of the Areas in the WI Region have volunteers and steps will probably be taken to implement the system of working the steps with inmates. Several of us are very excited.

Public Info (Resource) has been to several conferences on mental health, addiction, and prisons. These include: Wisconsin Corrections Assoc. Conference (25th), on 17th of Sept. 2007, The National Rural Institute on Alcohol & Drug Abuse Conference in Menominee, WI on 3-7th of June. Wmen & Poverty was 5th&6TH OF Sept in Madison, WI, along with the WAODDA conference, and the 3rd annual Mental Health & Substance Abuse conference in Stevens Point, WI-23rd & 24th of Oct. Written Reports will be provided. At this time outreach subcommittee needs a chairperson as well as, Special needs.

We have added another area, the Upper Peninsula Area. Chippewa Valley Area has replaced the St. Croix Area. Thanx to WRSC for allowing Me to serve and this body, as well.

In love of service, Duane "Doc" T

I. WRSO REP: Gene J

Absent report was read

I wish to apologize to Region for failing to submit a Report in September. Between doing an inventory following my return from WCNA, having some repairs completed on my truck, and preparing for sales at SDRCNA (South Dakota) and NRCNA (Nebraska) I simply ran out of time. I will not be here again this month because the WRSO has been asked to sell literature and merchandise at GIRCNA (Greater Illinois).

Big news out of the Literature/Convention Workshop that Ray W. and I attended in Woodland Hills, CA from November 8-11. It was attended by persons involved with RSOs, regional and area literature sales, as well as Board members involved with literature sales. Conspicuous by their absence were representatives from RSOs in Minnesota, Chicago, Missouri, North Carolina, Philadelphia and New York.

At the time that the medallions were brought out with the Arabic numbers the alloy that was used for them cost just over \$6.00 per pound, but it has since risen to over \$16.00 per pound. We have maintained that the manufacturer needs to abide by the contract, so they have done a number of things (used a lighter "stamping", been less than diligent about finishing the medallions, etc.) to try to get us to back out of the deal. Therefore, World has decided to return to Wendell's (a previous medallion manufacturer located in Minnesota), which means that the dies need to be redone again. Between now and March, 2008 World will be conducting a survey to see if the Fellowship prefers Arabic or Roman numerals, as well as which alloy (bronze or the current finish). To vote you simply need to go to <http://www.na.org/surveys/index.php>. It is important to know that the nickel (silver) finish is what we currently use, and it appears that the price on this alloy will continue to rise in price. The bronze alloy has enough zinc in it so that it will not tarnish, but it is soft enough that nicks could appear if it was in your pocket with keys, change, etc.

There will be a price increase on a number of literature items, effective July 1, 2008.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Current Price</u>	<u>New Price</u>
<i>Twelve concepts of NA Service</i>	\$1.10	\$1.75
<i>Group Booklet, Behind the Walls, In Times of Illness</i>	\$0.63/\$0.52	\$0.81/\$0.70
<i>IP #25, Self-Support Principle & Practice</i>	\$0.26/\$0.24	\$0.48/\$0.46
Keytags	\$0.37	\$0.45
Medallions	\$2.35	\$2.75
Wallet cards – readings	\$1.05	\$2.25
Group Reading Cards	\$2.50	\$4.00
Small posters	\$0.80	\$1.25
Large Posters	\$2.45	\$2.85
Poster set	\$6.60	\$8.60

If the 6th Edition of the Basic Text is approved at the WSC in April/May it will be sent off for the final typesetting, and will be released in late October or early November of 2008. At this time it appears that there will be approximately 424 pages, it will be a ½ inch longer and ½ inch wider, but by using a lighter paper it will only be slightly thicker than the current edition. When it is released the cost of the hard cover, soft cover and the line-numbered large print will increase to \$11.00. New prices for the large print, CD-ROM and the audio versions of the Basic Text have not been established yet.

In addition to the Basic Journal and Sluggfest, which were discontinued a couple of months ago, the WSO will be discontinuing the large & small PI posters, individual audio tapes and gold-plated medallions (this will not effect the WRSO at this time) when the current stock is depleted.

The updated Public Relations Handbook, with tabs & resources, is \$8.50.

The Group Starter Kit now comes in a printed box. It includes the Group Treasurer's Workbook, The Group Booklet, white booklet, a copy of the NA Way Magazine, WRSO Literature Order Form, new group registration form, new group checklist, and IPs 1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 19, 22 and 25. The cost is \$5.80.

The 2008 Conference Agenda Report becomes available on November 21, 2008. Because it includes the Draft of the 6th Edition of the Basic Text the cost is \$11.00. It will also be available to be downloaded (without the

Draft material) from na.org. If Region wishes the WRSO to take care of this once again we need a current list of RCMs as soon as possible, as well as a preference of the complete version or a request that we can make copies of the downloadable version. If Areas wish us to do this we need to know that number of copies, and the version preferred.

During the workshop we discussed non-profit responsibilities, as well as the writing/reading of financial reports and the responsibilities of Directors on BODs. During the next couple of weeks the WRSO will be ordering materials that cover each of these topics in depth.

More information about the workshop will become available as soon as we receive the PDF file from the WSO which covers everything.

Financial status:

Literature inventory (at cost)	15,503.14
Merchandise Inventory (at cost)	19,771.19
Status with CSO	(1,538.43)
Accounts Receivable	5,663.49
Accounts Payable	(111.90)
Funds in WRSO/bank	<u>(815.82)</u>
TOTAL	38,463.67

I would like to repeat the fact that any group/Area orders that are picked up at Regionals, or at any other function/Convention that I am attending, are 6% Shipping & Handling regardless of the size.

Additional information regarding copy service

1. This is available to groups and Areas of the Wisconsin Region, as well as Region itself.
2. Our printer is capable of making color copies, but we will not offer this until we can establish costs.
3. Copies can be on white or (pastel) colored paper.
4. We need to receive a computer copy of the item, sent as an attachment, to gjurczyk@yahoo.com, at least one week before they are needed (two weeks if they are to be mailed).
5. Our printer is capable of making copies up to 8½ x 14 but we will not have these prices until we can check on paper and postage costs.
6. Costs, as of 4/1/2007, will be:

8½ x 11	\$.04 per copy
8½ x 11, if mailed	\$.05 per copy
8½ x 11, both sides	\$.06 per copy
8½ x 11, both sides, if mailed	\$.07 per copy

In Service, Gene J., WRSO

J. WRSO REP: OPEN

K. WISCONSIN NA CONVENTION REP: Cindy W
Absent no report submitted

L. WISCONSIN NA CONVENTION REP. OPEN

Break - Reconvene at 11:20ampm

AREA REPORTS:

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

Greetings from Badgerland Area. We are in a transitional phase at our ASC. Most of our administration committee will be stepping down with the new year. As of right now we have no nominees for ASC chair, vice-chair, treasurer, vice-treasurer, secretary or RCMA. Our H&I and Activities, Phonenumber subcommittee have incoming chairs all other positions open. We have several policy motions going back to the groups. Hopefully one of the benefits of these motions will be a much larger donations to this region.

In Loving Service Greg R

B. **BASIC:** Kerry K, RCM

Hello Region Basic Area is doing well. We have a new Activities chair and they're really pushing to have some great functions. Our area has been blessed by the starting of a new meeting. It's called step-by-step on Wednesday's at 7pm in Elkhorn WI at the First Congregational United Church of Christ, 76 S. Wisconsin St contact Tammy L 262-853-2663. We are having a holiday party on December 8th at Chapel on the Hill Lake Geneva. We have a tentative date set for our annual Snowflake Ball and chili cook off on February 9th. A few of us at Basic Area have been wondering if when we schedule an event are we suppose to check the regional calendar as to not hold a function at the same time/date as another area function?? We have a lot of new blood in our area service. It is wonderful to see the willingness and commitment from them.

In Loving Service Kerry K

C. **BIG RIVERS:** Ted B, RCMA

Currently in the Big Rivers Area we have been asked to carry the NA message to two recovery centers in the area where we have not been in the past. The area has agreed upon it and approved a projected budget for the upcoming fiscal period. We are taking action to support meeting in the area that are less supported than others. Upcoming events in the Big Rivers Area Ringing in Recovery II – New Years Eve speaker and dance – Friday Night Steppin to the Light 10:30pm speaker and potluck at 9:00 pm Dec 21st. – Monday night 7:00pm New Beginnings Annual speaker tape meeting Dec 24th.

A list of members willing to participate in H&I writing the steps from the area has been collected and will be given to the H&I chair.

Questions for region from the area include suggestion on how the area can improve the Outreach subcommittee. Request for a date on release of Basic Text availability to literature subcommittee. Information on non-profit ID through World or Region vs having local area separate non profit ID.

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

Absent

E. **INLAND LAKES:** Tony H, RCM

ILUA is doing well. Some meeting changes, but all and all is doing well. There are some openings at the area level. We have a nearly full participation at the area service committee in terms of group representation.

It is refreshing that and younger member came in reminding us of the clarity statement of NA.

That's all I have,

In loving service, Tony H

F. **INNER CITY:** Melanii K, RCM

Greeting Family from ICANA. Our area is doing very well our subcommittees area very strong, H&I has 2 new facility and looking forward to carrying the message. We are looking forward to the joint area meeting with Turkey Dinner with the area of Milwaukee.

Business sent to the floor of region: 1) What is Region doing for the area's as a whole with in the service work. 2) What effect leadership of business doing for the area of ICANA only sees a strong responsibility from PI and H&I at the regional level. So we ask what is the support chain of region doing to better serve.

Thank you for letting me serve, Melanii K

G. **KETTLE MORaine:** Dez RCM, Cath RCMA

Hello WRSC! KMA reporting here. I am glad to be back at WRSC. Our upcoming events are Live The Steps or Freeze (February 2, 2008), Project Hope (March 1, 2008), Napril Me (April 2008). Of course we will still have

our 2 campouts Never Alone In The Woods (July) and Unity Jam (August). We hope to see you at an upcoming KMASC function soon. We are also happy to report that almost all of our current service positions are full on an area level. We continue to come together monthly to discover what we can do for the groups. We currently have 17 meetings on our meeting list. Thanks for allowing us to serve. We look forward to many successful WRSC meetings.

Peace, Love & ((Hornz)) Dezz L & Cath P

H. MILWAUKEE: Bill O RCM, Bits P RCMA

Hello Family; Our thanks go out to the Southeast Family Area for hosting the Conference. Milwaukee Area continues to prosper. Most of our Area Service positions are filled. We still have vacancies at Vice-Chair, Vice-Secretary, and Helpline. We are continuing the process of an Area Inventory using the Area Planning Tool. The Area inventory questionnaire has been distributed to the groups. Our goal is to improve services and to further carry the message of recovery to the addict who still suffers.

Several topics for the January round table discussion have been offered. Our Area has experienced a few problems with the behavior of some young people attending meetings from a local group home. Their attendance is mandated by the group home. The behaviors range from apathy and disinterest to disruptive and inappropriate, including advances that have made some young female members uncomfortable. The suggestions in the new service IP are helpful, but specific information and solutions from your experience will be even more helpful. In conjunction with this, other questions have been raised. Does any conflict with our Traditions exist when a court, treatment facility, or group home forces unwilling attendance at our meetings as a part of their treatment? How can we ensure that we are acting in everyone's best interest?

Another 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 NAWA addressing this question?

Our annual free Thanksgiving feast will be next Thursday. You are all invited to attend. Some fliers are available. Jailhouse Rock will be on Saturday, December 8. Fliers are available. This is Milwaukee Area's only H&I fundraiser of the year. We hope to see you there.

The Greater Milwaukee Unity Convention will be Feb. 15-17 at the Radisson Hotel Milwaukee Airport. Please take fliers back to your Areas. We encourage you to register and make your hotel reservations early. Registration price increases after Dec. 1, and the hotel room rate increases after January 15. We will have an outstanding program.

Milwaukee Area is making a donation of \$250 to the Region. That's all for now.

Bill O MASC / RCM

I. NORTH CENTRAL: Kurt RCM

Absent

J. NORTHEAST: Trish C RCM

Hello Family, area has sent \$196.28 to WRSC for donation. Our area has two coming events New Year's Dance December 31st 2007 flyers available, also Chili-cook off Feb 9th 2008. 1st place WSNAC 2008 registration flyers also available. Project Freedom just held the Nov 10 was a success, awesome speaker. Also have update on area meeting list. A project upcoming is a area learning day with an event.

In Loving Service, Trish C

K. NORTHERN LIGHTS: Tim H RCM, Pam RCMA

Absent

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

Hello and thanks to SEFA for hosting this cycle. The area is having financial struggles and we are looking at ways to deal with this. Functions are happening though not in time for flyers to be brought to WRSC. H&I and PR are working closely together – carrying the message to new facilities. RRCNA is still in the planning. Our website continues to evolve. We have an adhoc looking at youth issues in our area.

M. SCENIC BLUFFS: Curt P RCMA

Hi family, our area seems to be going on despite ourselves we are recovering. Attendance at area is down the

groups are going strong and that's what we are all about. Cold Turkey is going to happen next weekend. Hey Rocky! Watch us pull a function out of hat! We have no donation this time, I think that's all for now if I missed something sorry more will be revealed.

In Loving Service, Curt P

- N. **SOUTHEAST FAMILY:** Victor H RCM, Jeff P RCMA
Verbal report only
- O. **WOODS & WATERS:** Frank W RCM, Victor R RCMA
Absent
- P. **UPPER PENINSALA:** Lynn D RCM
Absent

SUBCOMMITTEE / ADHOC REPORTS:

Q. **PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT** – 11:48am

Dear Family, The new meeting directory will be published for the January conference. We will again be sending out Excel files with what we currently have for your meeting list along with instructions for updating the list. The deadline for updates to the meeting list will be December 20. As always, we will make every effort to accommodate late submissions. We are requesting an advance of \$439.56 for printing costs.

The Web Group would like the approval of the RSC to post the Regional guidelines on the Conference page of the website. It has also been noted that the posted Conference Hosting guidelines are inaccurate. We have changed our RSC meeting format, but have not changed the hosting guidelines to reflect the changes. This has led to confusion for hosting Areas.

The Web Group met at WSNAC and discussed the meeting list and the new website. We are actively working on a new way to search and display meetings that will use a meeting search similar to that used by NAWS. We are also actively working on the prototype of the new website which we previewed last year. There are a number of items that we would like some direction with. We would like the input of the Areas to help us better serve the needs of the members.

(Put on board.)

1. We propose to change the nature of the meeting list display by using a search engine that will display all meetings within a specified geographical area. The search may be done by city or zip code. The search results may display meetings from several Areas. These listings will have a hyperlink to the appropriate Area page where the Area's complete meeting list will be displayed. Non-Area affiliated meetings in that geographical area will also be displayed.
2. The map on the site utilizes hot spots that link to Area meeting list pages and is difficult to manage. We propose to eliminate the hot spots and use a static map.
3. We propose to incorporate these changes into the new website.
4. We propose to launch the new site when the meeting list search engine, database, and calendar are incorporated. We will attempt to have a target date at the January RSC.

The Region once again supported the Recovery Rally on September 15. We support Badgerland's efforts to carry the message in this annual event with literature. Once again attendance was good and people stopped by the table for literature and information. Our thanks to the Badgerland PR Committee.

We attended the 33rd annual Mental Health and Substance Abuse Conference on October 23-24 in Steven's Point. The conference was well attended and most of the literature was distributed. Very little was returned. Our thanks to Doc T. for attending this conference and his dedicated service to the PR Group.

We also attended the 25th annual Wisconsin Correctional Assn. Conference in partnership with NAWS at the Kalahari Resort in the Dells. NAWS paid for the conference registration and provided much of the literature and several books and cd's to give away. The conference was well planned and well attended. We spoke with the president of the Association as well as the Administrator of the Corrections Department. Both were very cooperative and we shared some of our concerns and challenges with dealing with corrections. We now have

a contact in the Administrator's office. We distributed a good quantity of literature and look forward to returning again next year. We were given \$125 in advance to cover expenses. Our expenses were \$97.26. We are returning \$27.74 to the Treasurer. Our thanks to Mike F. and Curt P. for their valuable assistance at the conference and for the transportation. (See separate report.)

Our stock of literature has been depleted by the conferences. We are using the bulk of the working reserve to re-supply the PR Group for next year. We are placing an order with the WRSO for \$250 in literature. That's all for now. It is an honor and a privilege to serve.

Bill O.

Wisconsin Corrections Association Conference

On September 17 the WRSC Public Relations Group again partnered with NAWS to participate in the 25th annual Wisconsin Corrections Association Conference at the Kalahari Resort in the Wisconsin Dells. NAWS provided the exhibit space and much of the literature, as well as some books, cd's, and multi-language key tags to give away. The WRSC provided the rest of the literature, the hotel room, and human resources. The exhibitors were in the main hall. There were about 40 exhibitors.

The conference was attended by corrections professionals from all around the state, ranging from wardens and administrators to nurses, counselors, parole & probation officers, corrections officers, chaplains, community liaisons, and more. About 400 were in attendance.

The day was set up with the exhibitors in mind. The day started with a "breakfast with the exhibitors" followed by opening ceremonies. Attendees were encouraged to mingle with the exhibitors. We distributed about 100 professional packets provided by NAWS. The multi language key tags were a popular conversation starter. There was particular interest in the "Behind the Walls" booklet, as well as "In Times of Illness". We also gave away many "White Books" and "An Introductory Guide to NA". Many of these professionals did not know about H&I or other volunteer programs such as "Project Hope". We also gave away some mini books and NA literature cd's, complements of NAWS.

There was a luncheon in the same hall which we also attended, followed by "desert with the exhibitors". This was another opportunity for attendees to browse the exhibits and gather information. At the end of the day, there was a social hour with the exhibitors. There was ample opportunity for everyone to come by the exhibit during the day.

We had the opportunity to speak with the president of the association and the top Administrator of the Wisconsin Corrections Department. We explained some of the challenges we face as volunteers trying to carry the message to inmates. They were both unaware of these problems. The Administrator called the Chief of Chaplains to inquire about it. He assured us that it was in the process of being addressed. He further directed us to a liaison in his office for follow-up. This information has been given to the H&I Chair.

All in all, we reached many people at this conference, made contacts, and did our best to present a positive image of Na and recovery. We were well received, and look forward to attending again. This is a very good conference and we need to be there. Our relationship with the Corrections Department must be maintained. Our thanks to Mike F. and Curt P. for all their assistance in this successful presentation. It was an honor and a privilege to serve.

Bill O.

R. POLICY REPORT – 12:00pm

Good morning everyone, I don't have any housekeeping changes to report for the guidelines at this time.... I won't be here in January however if there are any housekeeping changes for January cycle I will send a report to the secretary prior to WRSC.... Subcommittee and Trusted Servant budgets are due in January and are part of guideline housekeeping, Please submit them in January so they can be of the revised guideline publication in March.

((HUGS)) Larry D.

S. WSNAC RSC PRESENTATION – 12:02

Thanks to SouthEast Family for hosting this cycle. It is always good to come back home to the area I was born, raised, used, got clean and was involved in service. All of the workshops at WSNAC were successful. Two out of three even happened. Our Service Structure and Project Hope were well attended. The ask it basket workshop did not happen. This was due to zero questions and zero addicts in attendance. This can be looked at in several ways 1) committee could have done a better job with awareness of basket 2) this region has

confidence in how we are operating and has no questions 3) do not schedule service based workshops during the bid presentation.

I have also learned through this experience that there needs to be more focus on world discussion issues. Thanks to all that assisted with this adhoc. You know who you are. I will now ask that this adhoc be dissolved as it has served its purpose.

See you at Cold Turkey

Of Grateful Service Mike F

Adhoc dissolved job done

T. ACTIVITIES – 12:04

Good Morning Family, I have been a little bit frustrated, I have asked repeatedly for some direction or ideas for Regional Activities so far have received none. Coming in to this conf. it had not been announced to where the 25th Annual Regional Convention would be held, it would have been nice to know as Jan. cycle will be held there and Region is responsible for an Activity and Fundraiser for the Region and plans have to be made and flyers made up and could have been distributed this cycle.

I would like to thank the members present at this cycle for their ideas and comments.

Yours in Loving Service Frank

U. HOSPITALS & INSTITUTION – 12:10

Area Reports: I apologize for not being to may the last cycle, work schedule. No report include for any area besides ILUA. Please give me contact information for all H&I Chairpersons in each particular area. I am currently involved in the ILUA H&I effort, the chair's effort to get facility reports and how to get member's involved. The ILUA's H&I subcommittee was disappointment that an H&I workshop was not included at the last WSNAC. It was decided to give project hope some more time. I have to my self this question, how do they I think member's even know what NA is about or that NA is a option, I truly believe no subcommittee is more important then another, but getting the rest of the fellowship to understand that, may take some time and effort. There is disappointment with this chair of the planning of the ask the basket, which was at the same time as the WSNAC bid, wasn't particularly anyone fault, but an improvement of communication is really need at all levels of service.

Regional H&I Work: Good news, The PR chairperson and I were in Milwaukee opening up doors to MSDF, (Milwaukee Secure Detention Facility) located in downtown Milwaukee. This facility houses parole/parole violators. The head chaplain runs the volunteer program that NA existed. All volunteers except one were from a particular religions organization.

The presentation went great, Bill provide overall history, what the NA program was about, all things related to public relations in Narcotics Anonymous. I was able to provide him with what actually happens in an H&I meeting, and how were share our experience in working the program of Narcotics Anonymous. Material was left for him and we are currently awaiting a call to set –up a presentation with the staff members. From the impression that was left is that he really wants us to start going in. He would like both a men and women presentation.

I will be submitting a form for reimbursement of mileage only for the meeting with official at MSDF.

It was exciting, and a prefect example of PR/H&I cooperation. I made personal contacts with both the Inner-City and Milwaukee Area H&I chairpersons and provide them with details on the way the meeting went. Inner-City does have the personnel to support that facility, Milwaukee chairperson wasn't sure if they had. They had absolutely no literature on NA in the facility; one floor had 250 and material on religion, but nothing on recovery. I have been told that the facility should be told to make an investment by buying their on material; another area told me that they don't need a lot of stuff, just some IPs, and someone carrying the message, my problem is we can't donate any books? I will let the areas figure that one out.

Regional H&I News: Spoke to a person that I believe is the central person when it deals with all programs in DOC facilities. I my conversation with her, they are working on a central data base list of volunteers, that way if you are cleared to do H&I at on DOC facility, there wouldn't be a problem doing H&I at another facility, you just need that particular facilities orientation on its rule. I also bough up the concern on the length of time it takes to get cleared, well with this data base, a person could go to a neighboring facility that has one sooner and get the orientation. Some other interesting news is that DOC is currently working on changing that policy of no contact with and probation or parole person until he is off paper. More information to come on the outcome.

Writing steps to recovery: Another thing that came out of this conversation was the requirements that would be needed or the screening process for the Writing Steps to Recovery Program, in which she would get back to me. I have been invited to do a presentation of the Writing Steps to Recovery Program at the next Project Hope function in March. By next cycle I hope to have an amended copy of the guidelines, since she was elected to stay as a work group of H&I. I have some people interested in serving on the committee and as step guides.

Next page contains information on NA Service committees that have a correspondence program. NA service committees have sponsorship or correspondence programs: Santa Cruz Area H&I, PO Box 1613, Capitola, CA 95010; Greater San Jose Area H&I, PO Box 23700, San Jose, CA 95153-3700; Queens Area Outreach Committee, Box 690205, E. Elmhurst Station, NY 11369-1507; NA Outreach, PO Box 140100, Edgewater, CO 80214; and Writing Steps for Recovery, Show-Me Region of NA, PO Box 15937, Overland, MO 63114.

RCM's: Could you have your H&I chairpersons contact me before next cycle if they would like their report included in the minutes. They should know that by including their report, that it may help another area that might be struggling with their H&I efforts, or may get some help if they or struggling with something in their H&I efforts. We share information in order to improve on our primary purpose, **"Carrying the message to the still suffering addict"**.

Your Trusted Servant Tony H

V. MINUTES POLICY ADHOC – 12:24

We were slotted to have time at Sept cycle to go over the information that was handed out in July meeting. My questions are do we want to slot time for Jan cycle and pass out the information again or have time this cycle?

Floor decision – pass out papers again, slot time in Jan cycle

W. MEETING LISTS ADHOC – 12:28

A large part of the problem with posting non-Area affiliated meetings on the website is where and how to post and display them. The current format for posting and display is Area intensive and therefore somewhat restrictive. The challenge is to post and display all meetings in a fair and objective manner that treats all meetings and Areas equally. The Web Group met at WSNAC and discussed this problem at length. We believe that we have a solution.

We propose the following:

1. We propose to change the nature of the meeting list display by using a search engine that will display all meetings within a specified geographical area. The search may be done by city or zip code. The search results may display meetings from several Areas. These listings will have a hyperlink to the appropriate Area page where the Area's complete meeting list will be displayed. Non-Area affiliated meetings in that geographical area will also be displayed.
2. The map on the site utilizes hot spots that link to Area meeting list pages and is difficult to manage. We propose to eliminate the hot spots and use a static map.
3. We propose to incorporate these changes into the new website.
4. We propose to launch the new site when the meeting list search engine, database, and calendar are incorporated. We will attempt to have a target date at the January RSC.

We are currently working on all these proposals, pending approval. The new site was approved last year, but was not ready to launch. Approval of this project will bring a major upgrade to the site and inject new enthusiasm into it. We now have the human and technical resources to accomplish this task and are excited about the potential of the new site.

Floor consensus approved vote for changes to meeting lists online

Bill O.

Break for Lunch – 12:35pm

Break - Reconvene at 1:45pm

V. OLD BUSINESS:

A. ELECTIONS:

WSNAC Rep 2 – none

Literature – none

Additional needs – Chris K accept – voted in

July Secretary - none

H&I – Tony nominated in Sept for position – voted in

B. OLD MOTIONS: None

C. BUDGETS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Original list of Topics on board from reports

Hosting guidelines in-accurate	Improve outreach	
Post regional guidelines on web	What is region doing for areas – better serve	Check calendar before setting up functions

ITEMS FOR JANUARY CYCLE

Roundtable topics – Behavior by Mandated Attendees & Special Needs

Adhoc Discussion – Minutes Policy’s

ELECTIONS:

Facilitator – floor moved to hold till next cycle for elections

Co-Facilitator – Bob accept voted in

Treasurer – Deb accept voted in

Co-Treasurer – none

WSNAC Rep odd year – none

WSNAC Pool – Larry accepts – Bits accepts – both voted in

WRSO Pool – none

RD – floor moved to hold till next cycle for elections

Prioritized list of Topics by RCM’s

DISCUSSED IN ORDER CHOSEN BY RCM’S

1. Improve Outreach – 2:24PM
 11 Area asking for advice for struggling meetings, they use flood meetings, but wondering what other areas are doing
2. What is region doing for areas – better serve – 2:45PM
 11 Area upset that minutes are late again and not posted on website and wants removal of secretary
3. Check calendar before setting up functions – 3:12pm
 11 The regional function list people setting up functions not checking the regional site
4. Post regional guidelines on web – 3:25pm
 11 Floor has approved the posting of the Regional Guidelines on the website
5. Hosting guidelines in-accurate – 3:34pm
 11 Floor already voted to approve the attaching of the current guidelines to the web so this topic is not needed.

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.

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 Time 3:45pm – motion to close for day – done  
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**NEXT WRSC IS TO HOSTED BY MILWAUKEE AREA
 IN MILWAUKEE WISCONSIN AT SHERATON MILWAUKEE BROOKFIELD HOTEL
 RESERVATIONS: 262-786-1100
 PLEASE SEE ATTACHED FLYER FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

AREAS HOSTING WRSC SCHEDULE

JANUARY	2008	WSNAC Hosting Area
MARCH	2008	2B INLAND LAKES
MAY	2008	WSNAC Hosting Area
JULY	2008	3B BASIC
SEPTEMBER	2008	4B BIG RIVERS
NOVEMBER	2008	1C KETTLE MORaine
JANUARY	2009	WSNAC Hosting Area
MARCH	2009	2C NORTHEAST
MAY	2009	WSNAC Hosting Area
JULY	2009	3C SENIC BLUFFS
SEPTEMBER	2009	4C WOODS & WATERS
NOVEMBER	2009	1D INNER CITY
JANUARY	2010	WSNAC Hosting Area