

UNAPPROVED WISCONSIN REGIONAL SERVICE CONFERENCE MINUTES

DATE: September 13 & 14, 2014

PLACE: WSNAC Hosting in Eau Claire, WI

Area Round Table Discussions

- A. Current Cycle –WSNAC Board
- B. Next Cycle

OPENING:

- A. Recovery Meeting
- B. Beginning of Conference Moment of Silence
- C. Reading of The Servant Worker's Prayer
- D. Introductions
- E. Roll Call: 12 of 15 active areas present at first roll call.
- F. 7th Tradition was not passed.
- G. Reading of the 2nd Concept
- H. Review – Adjust Agenda
- I. Special Business –
- J. Clean Time Birthdays were recognized.

TRUSTED SERVANTS REPORTS:

FACILITATOR:

Present, gave his report on the floor. Filed annual Corporation paperwork.

VICE-FACILITATOR:

Position is OPEN.

SECRETARY:

Absent with notice, submitted the following report.
Addict named Nancy,

Hello everyone, I am not able to attend this Regions cycle due to attending our Area's Spiritual Retreat.

Please make sure that you look over the contact list that Marla is sending around. Please make sure that you check the address and contact information for your position and for your area. This is important to keep them up to date. Also, if you are giving a report on the floor, please make sure that you hand in to Marla or e-mail me your report. If I don't receive it, I will only report that you gave a report on the floor, not the total content of what you reported.

In loving service, Nancy M.

TREASURER:

Report Attached.

Present, read the report on the floor.

VICE-TREASURER:

Present, no report submitted.

REGIONAL DELEGATE:

Present, no report submitted.

REGIONAL DELEGATE ALTERNATE:

Absent, submitted the following report.

Greetings everyone. There is not much to report this cycle. I will not be able to attend this cycle due to a schedule conflict. I notified the Regional Delegate and the WRSC Facilitator that I will be absent.

The participant discussion boards were fairly quiet until just recently. The discussion of Zonal Representation and the possibility of a national service body have been in the forefront of discussions the last couple of weeks. As in the past, the discussions initially involve personality differences. Eventually people shift back to the topic at hand.

Last cycle we had a USSC presentation. The main purpose for the presentation was to straighten out misconceptions and misinformation about the USSC to the membership of RRAGS. It was mentioned that the RRAGG was about to discontinue donations to the USSC. There are individuals in the RRAGS spearheading this movement. The USSC presentation was given for their benefit, however, those individuals were not in attendance at the presentation. It is truly unfortunate that individuals such as these would rather continue in the drama rather than have more accurate information in which to make decisions. I hope that these individuals and the lack of their attendance at the presentation are made known to their local fellowship.

Last cycle we began discussions regarding WRSC participation at the Midwest Zonal Forum (MZF). The bottom line is creating a vehicle (Zone) in which to shift from “individual regional representation” at the World Service Conference (WSC), to what in the future may be called “zonal representation”.

The Multi-zonal Service Symposium (MZSS) will be having numerous workshops and discussions about the future of NA in the United States. The Wisconsin Region has traditionally been at the forefront of discussions involving NA in the United States and around the world. The RD and I believe we should re-think our involvement and participation in the MZF. We feel it would be of great benefit to send one of the RD team to the MZSS. The RD and I are submitting financial proposals. (See attachment for proposed expenses) I hope this topic will be thoroughly discussed during this cycle. If the body wishes, a check for the proposed amount can be mailed to me, or I can submit all receipts at the November cycle for reimbursement. It is an honor to serve as a member of the WRSC RD team.

In Loving Service,

Harold L.
Regional Delegate Alternate

**PROPOSED REGIONAL EXPENSES
TO ATTEND THE MZF'S
SEPTEMBER 26-28, 2014**

The following is a comparison of cost between flying and driving to the event.

Round trip airfare: Minneapolis to St. Louis:	\$241.00*
Round trip mileage to airport:	\$77.00
4 Days per Diem:	\$120.00
Hotel (3 nights) Red Roof Inn:	<u>\$209.00</u>
Total Cost:	\$647.00

* Price may increase closer to departure date

Round trip driving to MZSS (850 mi.):	\$213.00
4 Days Per Diem:	\$120.00*
Hotel (3 nights) Red Roof Inn:	<u>\$209.00</u>
Total Cost:	\$542.00

WRSO REP.: ODD
Position is OPEN.

WRSO REP.: EVEN

Present, gave the following report.

The Wisconsin Regional Service Office Board of Directors met on August 18th, 2014 with two people absent (Terri J with notice and Rich M).

The office is has set up a nonprofit PayPal account and is the process of setting up an EBay store for our more unique and hard to find items. Our vice president enrolled in a embroidery class to be better informed as the office considered purchasing our own embroidery machine.

World has decided to discontinue several items: wallet card readings, Gift Edition Sponsorship, Gift Edition It Works How & Why, 25 pocket I.P. racks, black and brown leather covered journals. Once the current supply of these items is gone, they will no longer be available. The size of the Just For Today and It Works How & Why mini texts will be changing to coincide with the Basic Text mini. Along with the size change, they will be removing the magnifying glass.

A motion was made to add into our By-Laws that the Secretary has 2 weeks after the meeting to complete the minutes and send them out to the Board. BOD members have 5 days to accept or reject those minutes through email response. No response by any member of the BOD is considered an acceptance of the minutes as written.

Discuss began on how to reimburse for vehicle maintenance.

We next meet on October 19, 2014 at 100pm at the Oshkosh Service Office

Thank you for allowing me to serve, Wendy R.

WISCONSIN NA CONVENTION

We don't have a WSNAC Rep. Hotel block prices have been extended. Region wants convention flyer to get on the web calendar.

AREA REPORTS:

BADGERLAND:

Present, gave the following report.

Howdy Family:

A few items of interest in BASC. We have 3 new meetings Sun Prairie, Baraboo and Sauk City, check meeting list for times and location. The Baraboo meetings flip flopped a group conscience. Our business meetings changed its name and what are they want to be a part of. The next business meeting they changed back to Sick in the Sticks and went to Scenic Bluffs.

We are struggling to get trusted servants to participate in our proposed Guideline changes. More will be reviled. We have our function our (?cant read the name of the function) fliers on table.

In service, Hugs, John H.

BASIC: Inactive

BIG RIVERS:

Absent, no report submitted.

CHIPPEWA VALLEY:

Present, no report submitted.

INLAND LAKES:

Present, gave the following report.

Hello family,

ILUA is doing well. Today we have our annual Kronik Cup Volleyball tournament. All proceeds from this tourney have in the past been used to purchase Basic Texts to be place within any of the 8 facilities that our area serves through H & I.

The FDL groups had their "Unity" picnic on august 23, 2014. There will be a donation made to ILUA with proceeds from this picnic.

Upcoming functions:

November 1 – Halloween Function FDL, WI – flyers may be here, if not, check the wisconsinna.org page.

Possible upcoming Winter Retreat, PLEASE check web page.

Other than that, our area is continuing to plan upcoming functions such as the Spiritual Retreat, Disc

Golf tournament and our USUAL camping functions.

The H & I subcommittee members have also been meeting with the Wisconsin Resource Center to add this facility as our 9th H & I facility.

I was unable to attend the last area meeting due to a work commitment, and am unable to meet tomorrow due to our regional meeting today. Our RCMA was and is able to cover @ the area level in my absence.

I would like to add to the board a discussion regarding Rise Together; realizing this in an outside issue, but it has been invading our meetings, and I could use some guidance.

In Loving Service, dezzz G. ILUA RCM

INNER CITY:

Present, gave the following report.

Inner City Area Milwaukee

Area met on September 7, 2014 at 400pm.

Inner City had a success annual summer picnic over Labor Day weekend.

Two Inner City Groups, are hosting a Boys To Men speak a thon Saturday, Sept. 20th, at The 12 Step Club on N. Townsend in Milwaukee.

Prostitutions currently open at area are Vice Treasury, Public Relations, Policy and Procedure, RCM-Alternate, and Outreach.

Some meetings have officially closed over the summer while other meetings are stronger than ever. We have 28 meetings total with 7 falling over the weekends. There are 13 day meetings and 15 evening meetings

GMUCNA The Unity Convention between Inner City and the Milwaukee/Waukesha Areas will be held in February 6-8, 2015 at the Hyatt Regency Milwaukee Hotel in Downtown Milwaukee. Rooms are 89-99.00 a night until January 20, 2015. Hope to see you all there. This is one of my favorite conventions.

Flyers are available

Our next area meets Sunday, October 5th at 400pm

Thank you for allowing me to serve, Wendy R.

KETTLE MORAINÉ:

Present, no report submitted.

MILWAUKEE/WAUKESHA:

Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Hello NA Family,

Greetings from the Milwaukee/Waukesha Area. As has been reported our Area has been undertaking a major transition to a new vision of NA service in our area that includes local service boards/committees (LSB/LSC) and group support forums (GSF). Since our last regional meeting we held our first GSF and I am happy to report that it went well. We elected a GSF moderator who is not associated with facilitating local business meetings. Tomorrow will be our second GSF meeting and along with providing a forum for members and GSR's to discuss issues related to group level NA, we will also be holding a workshop on building strong home groups. Our LSB will be meeting in October and will run as a typical Area business meeting. Our administrative committee continues to meet monthly prior to GSF's and LSB's.

As we move forward in implementing this new way of providing service we find ourselves contemplating a name change for our Area. According to the NAWS naming conventions we should consider "Milwaukee County/Waukesha County Local Service Conference", our old name was "Milwaukee Area

Service Conference”. The controversy has sprung up around how simple or complex our new name should be. I wanted to ask this body for their experience, strength, and hope surrounding this issue. If you haven’t already spoke with me at the meeting and are reading this now, feel free to contact me with your opinions about balancing the needs of expressing our geographical boundaries and structure versus simplicity for the sake of our local members.

We have a new PR chair that has been active in contacting community agencies. We have good (not great) attendance at our PR subcommittee meetings and ideas and action are flowing.

Our activities and H&I subcommittees are also active and getting things done. We elected Bill (?) to lead the Literature subcommittee. We do not have an outreach coordinator. Our treasurer has informed us that he may be having a job related conflict with his duties and therefore he is asking that we work harder at finding a vice-treasurer to fill in for him in the event he steps down.

We have decided to raise our bi-monthly regional donation to \$500.00 per month and have done so starting with this cycle’s donation.

Our area has decided to send our RCM (me) and the RCMA to the Mutli-zonal Service Symposium in St. Louis.

We have finalized nearly all of the plans for the WRSC cycle hosted by our Area in November. Flyers have been passed out at the regional meeting. I have included a copy of the flyer with this report. The details are as follows:

- Where: Ramada Plaza Airport, 6331 S. 13th St., Oak Creek, WI (414)764-1500
- When: November 15-16, 2014
- Room rate: \$85.00/night (mention WRSC or Narcotics Anonymous room block)
- Recovery meeting/Entertainment: Speaker meeting @ 7pm, live band or talent showcase to follow meeting. Dinner is not provided due to restrictions by hotel.

I’ve requested funds for the allotted \$400.00 check to pay for the Hotel venue. I’ve received that check Saturday Afternoon (9-13-14)

ILS, Jeff F. RCM Milw/Waukesha Area

NORTH CENTRAL:

Present, no report submitted.

NORTHEAST:

Present, no report submitted.

ROCK RIVER:

Present gave the following report on the floor.

Hello everyone,

We held our annual area picnic on August 30th with great attendance. Our annual spiritual retreat is occurring this weekend and we hope they are having a great time.

We would like to apologize to Project Hope for stepping on their toes due to the fact that our convention will be March 20th-22nd. We had an issue with getting another date with the hotel.

We also have a Halloween Party coming up on Oct. 25th 2014. There are save the date fliers on the table for the convention, as well as fliers for the Halloween party.

Our area is no longer donating 7th tradition to the USSC, but we do have a group that donates directly.

In loving service, Kasey D. RCM

SCENIC BLUFFS:

Present gave the following report on the floor.

Scenic Bluffs Area continues to grow. There is a new meeting in Adams on Tuesday nights at 7pm at the Alano Club. We did have a Baraboo meeting move to Badgerland Area.

We held our first annual Burning Desire Picnic on Saturday, September 6th. Had a great turnout and wonderful weather. Cold Turkey will be held on Saturday, November 29, 2014 in Mazomanie starting with fellowship and snacks at noon. Flyers are on the table.

One of our groups is donating Basic Text the area high schools. Groups are starting to donate 7th tradition to ASC again. One of the groups sent a 7th Tradition to Region as well.

It is easier to tell you which positions we have filled: RCMA, Treasure, Activities, H & I

We are looking for some sort of letter t be able to send out to facilities to inform them of NA in the area.

Asking areas for information on who hosts and/or designs your websites.

Thanks for allowing me to serve. Shannon M

SOUTHEAST FAMILY:

Absent, no report submitted.

UPPER PENINSALA:

Present gave the following report on the floor.

Hello Regional Family,

The UP is still hanging in there. In fact at our last Area Service we had 4 GSR's.

We started taking nominations for all our positions for elections in October. I have reached term limits for RCM so this will be my last region as RCM. Hopefully, the RCMA, Jim will step into the RCM position and we do have a nomination for Joe as RCMA. So hopefully this will be the new team coming from the UP.

We had a discussion at Area about disbanding the Activities subcommittee and operating with Adhoc for specific functions that groups would like to see happen. So I guess we will try that for awhile. Part of the logic behind that is possibly more/different people will step up to commit to a function instead of being committed for an entire year and have to organize all activities. We are going to try it to see how it works.

I will miss coming to Region and seeing all your pretty faces, but I am sure I will be back.....

In loving service Lynn D.

WACO: Inactive**WOODS & WATERS:**

Present gave the following report on the floor.

Hello family,

Our function at Marion Lake in Waters meet MI. was a huge success and at our last area I was elected as the new RCM and Peter W. as the new RCMA. Our area had elected 2 co-chairs for the outreach position, Rodney W. was elected as the new activities chair. We still have vice treasurer, H&I, P.R, and Policy still open at this time. We have an influx of new comers getting involved with area service.

We have a couple of functions coming up in the near future. September 25th -28th in the presuile section of the Porky Pine Mountains. For the Porkies Spiritual Retreat please see flyers on the table. Our Halloween function clean and freaky is on OCTOBER 25TH at the lake tomahawk community center. We also have the spiritual retreat February 27th, 28th, and march 1st in Lac du Flambue. There are flyers on the table and the events are up on the regional and our area websites.

In loving service, Carl A. W.W.A.S.C

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:**SUBCOMMITTEE / ADHOC REPORTS:****ACTIVITIES:**

Position is OPEN.

HOSPITALS & INSTITUTION:

Position is OPEN

POLICY:

Present, nothing to report.

OUTREACH:

Present gave the following report on the floor.

Hello NA Family,

Not much to report. I realized this morning (9-13-14) that I did not have hard copies of our orientation guide available for new RCM's so I now commit to having 10 of these guides printed up and made available ASAP.

I have chosen to begin traveling to various Areas to meet addicts in different parts of our region and "reach out" by introducing myself as the Outreach chair for our region and asking if their Area may or may not be in need of services for the region. I am not being asked by Areas to visit them so I will not be asking for travel expenses.

ILS, Jeff F., Outreach Subcommittee Chair WRSC

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

Present gave the following report on the floor.

Hi everyone,

I had a very unproductive cycle this cycle. I have attempted to call Becky, but have not connected or received a return call. I have great frustration about not being able to change a meeting on the web page also I have an area that is having issues with their phone line and would be awesome if we can find a solution to that problem.

During the Public Relations focus I am just planning to do a brainstorming session to see what this body would like to see happen in this subcommittee in the next year.

I received a bill from Wes this morning for meeting list from awhile back it is \$465.92 I thought since it was during Wes's term & he didn't turn it in during his term then he should have to pay it, but in a closer look it is billed to WI Regional Service Conference so I think we should pay it. Although it has a \$51.38 freight charge in the future I would hope we can save that charge by having someone pick them up.

I also got a flyer from Wes about a 2014 Fall Conference October 5-7 in (?Greenbake?) looking to have us have a Info Kiosk since I just received this I am not sure it is feasible, if we do we will need literature, more will be revealed on that I guess.

In loving service, Jennifer M.

LITERATURE:

Present gave the following report on the floor.

Here is your Literature Sub-committee report:

- The Traditions Book Project (TBP): The workgroup held its first meeting and is preparing for their second in September. Following that meeting, the Introduction and Tradition One will be prepared for review and input beginning October 2014. Please continue to hold the Traditions Mini Workshops; we are especially in need of members' experience with Traditions 6 – 12.
- The TBP discussion board is now closed for Tradition 1. The board is still open for Traditions 2 – 12.
- For more info on TPB go to www.na.org/traditions. The site contains links for the TBP workshops and facilitator materials and a link to the discussion boards.
- I am available to help facilitate TBP workshops. If you are interested, please contact me.

Thank you for allowing me to serve, Carl K WRSC Literature Chair

H & I Adhoc

Present gave the following report.

Hello Family,

I was able to attend a meeting with all wardens of Wisconsin DOC & Wisconsin DHS since our last cycle. There was an outstanding issue of possibly removing NA meetings from volunteer group list. I announced that the representative was no longer serving in that capacity and I had been asked to inform them that NA expressed an apology for any misunderstandings. They accepted that and will continue including NA on their approved volunteer group list.

In Loving Service, dezzz G. Adhoc H & I

BASIC SERVICES

Approval of last cycle minutes: Minutes were approved as presented.

ELECTIONS:

H & I: Dezzz G. elected

Activities: Rodney W. elected

Nominations:

Facilitator: Chris K.

Co-Facilitator: Roxanne D.

Treasurer: Rod D., Dave

Vice Treasurer: Dave

**PROPSOALS:
NONE**

BUDGETS: ALL budgets presented but Delegate Teams..

Prioritized list of Topics by RCM's

TOPIC 1 – National Service Body

Discuss this at your areas, we support the USSC

TOPIC 2 – Multi-Zonal Service Symposium

Proposal: send Bill O. with John H. for \$392.25

TOPIC 3 – Mid West Zonal Forum

Do we want to return to full participation? Lets get report from Bill from MZSS and then decide. Activities & RD will spearhead hosting MZF next summer (July-Sept.)

TOPIC 4 – WSNAC Rep Attendance (odd/even)

Change elections in policy to January.

Change policy to reflect attendance at all RSC and WSNAC;s if odd yr Stay with convention even stays w/ Region.

TOPIC 5 – What does Region do for Area's?

Direct line of communication from World to Area's.

Service's H & I, PR, etc...

Assist other area's, get ideas/give ideas directly to other areas.

TOPIC 6 – Outside organization uses NA members and Literature. Goes into schools and charges for presentations, says its ok to drink and use some drugs, just not heroin.

Solution: PR needs to let schools and others know that we are available to do presentations.

TOPIC 7 –Hostile Takeovers – group left one area and joined another. Members from 1st area flooded groups business meeting and voted for group to go back to original area.

Set voting rules – be at X number of meetings before you can vote.

Post policy changes for X number of days before voting on it.

TOPIC 7 WRSC workshop at WSNAC

Ideas: Carl Integrity in Service IP development 1 hour

Jen Area round table discussion 1/2 hour

Dezzz H & I roll call 1/2 hour

OTHER BUSINESS:

NONE

NEXT WRSC IS TO HOSTED BY

2014 in Yellow

2015 in Red

January: WSNAC Hosting Site (2014)
 Plaza Hotel
 1202 W Clairemont Ave,
 Eau Claire, WI 54701
 (715) 834-3181
 Mention WSNAC for the Room Block Rate

March: a. Washington-Ozaukee
 b. Inland Lakes
 c. Woods & Waters
 d. North Central (2014)
 e. Rivers Edger (2015)

WSNAC Hosting Site (2015)

May: a. Chippewa Valley (2015)
 b. Big Rivers
 c. North East
 d. Upper Peninsula (2014)

July: a. Badger land (2015)
 b. Basic
 c. Scenic Bluffs
 d. Rock River (2014)

September: WSNAC Hosting Site (2014)
 WSNAC Hosting Site (2015)
 See above for hotel information

November: a. Milwaukee (2014)
 b. South East Family (2015)
 c. Kettle Moraine
 d. Inner City

Next Regional Meeting will be at:

Where: Ramada Plaza Airport, 6331 S. 13th St., Oak Creek, WI
(414)-764-1500

When: November 15-16, 2014

Room rate: \$85.00/night (mention WRSC or Narcotics Anonymous room block)

For more information contact Jeff F. RCM M/W Area (505)-417-5699.