

UNAPPROVED WISCONSIN REGIONAL SERVICE CONFERENCE MINUTES

DATE: July 18th & 19th, 2015

PLACE: Badgerland Area

Area Round Table Discussions

- A. Current Cycle – What does region do as a whole and what do they do as ASC's?
- B. Next Cycle – WSNAC

OPENING:

- A. Recovery Meeting @ 9:00 am
- B. Beginning of Conference Moment of Silence @ 10:08 am
- C. Reading of the Servant Worker's Prayer
- D. Introductions
- E. Roll Call: 13 of 16 active areas present at first roll call.
- F. 7th Tradition was not passed.
- G. Reading of the 7th Concept
- H. Review – Adjust Agenda
- I. Special Business -None
- J. Clean time Birthdays were recognized.

TRUSTED SERVANTS REPORTS:

FACILITATOR: Present, gave their report on the floor, no report submitted.

VICE-FACILITATOR: Present, gave their report on the floor, no report submitted.

SECRETARY: Present, read the following report on the floor.

Addict named Kasey,

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 me 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. If you need my email address it is on the contact sheet.

In loving service, Kasey D.

TREASURER: Present, gave a report on the floor, see attachment.

VICE-TREASURER: Not present, no report submitted.

REGIONAL DELEGATE: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Greetings everyone,

I would like to thank everyone in the WRSC for placing their faith and trust in me as your Regional Delegate, but I believe in, and will carry forward the team concept approach that we have used in the past with your Regional Delegate and Alternate Delegate; two sets of eyes and ears are always better than one. Numerous things have occurred since the last cycle, and I will try and keep this report as short as possible.

I was invited by the Rock River RCM to attend their ASC on July 12, 2015 to listen and answer questions posed by the Rock River Fellowship. The majority of the questioning involved regional support of the USSC. Members were curious as to what the USSC has done for the Wisconsin region. I stated that the USSC Outreach Guide was used by the Wisconsin Region Outreach Chairperson as part of a regional workshop. The results of that workshop were educational and informative due in part to that outreach guide. Questions were asked as to why the Rock River motion to stop sending funds to the USSC was not fully addressed last cycle. I explained that the WRSC utilizes consensus based decision-making and the Rock River motion was brought to the floor as a proposal. This proposal was blocked due to the fact that consensus had already been reached regarding donations to the USSC and all but one area consented to the proposal to donate 5% to the USSC. I also stated that right now there are not enough funds to forward to NAWS or the USSC.

RRAGS has formed an ad hoc committee to investigate up the possibility of changing to a different region. A major concern that was brought forward by the ad hoc committee was regarding the Wisconsin Region Treasurer reports. Their concern was that the treasurer reports were vague and lack transparency. I reviewed some of the past regional treasurer reports and I have to agree with the findings of the ad hoc committee. I therefore would like to propose that the treasurer report begin to show the itemizing of all income and expenses. Considering that we are here to listen to Wisconsin regional area concerns I find this proposal to be appropriate. I wish this to be placed on the topic board as a priority discussion. I believe this concern can be rectified and will foster unity between all the areas in the Wisconsin region. I will also be asking for mileage reimbursement for the trip to Rockford.

I am in the process of updating the status of the Wisconsin Region and will be adding the new Alternate Delegate to the Region Update Form.

The conference participation boards have been fairly quiet as of late. The majority of the threads involve timelines for submission of car motions. In reference to car motions, this body requested a motion be drafted to reinstate book one (the first 10 chapter) of the basic text to be distributed to institutionalized/incarcerated members of Narcotics Anonymous in the United States especially Wisconsin. Being that this is not a motion that would affect the world fellowship, it is my feeling that this motion would be rejected by the World Board. The World Board has emphasized that any motion or proposal submitted to the World Board that does not have worldwide ramifications would not be considered for the car report. In the future, I hope that all members of the WRSC be mindful that any motion/proposal, with the exception of motion/proposal to change the guide to world services, must be useful to the worldwide fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous. An alternative is that area and or regional H&I Subcommittees inform and supply institutionalized/incarcerated members with contact information for Narcotics Anonymous supported organizations such as "Project Hope" and "Project Freedom". These

organizations have been created to offer Narcotics Anonymous literature to institutionalized/incarcerated individuals in the United States.

As a member of Narcotics Anonymous, and a member of the Wisconsin Region, I see a flaw in the way we have been conducting business regarding subcommittees. First, the region agreed by consensus to hold a Regional Focus meeting during each RSC. This was developed to have a time where subcommittees can meet and exchange ideas and create proposals to be brought forward to the RSC for consideration. This has not happened for a very long time! What this has basically caused is the perception of the WRSC as having subcommittees of one person. This compromises our traditions in that; no one person represents Narcotics Anonymous. It was agreed upon many years ago that the RCM's are members of all WRSC subcommittees. I strongly suggest that this be placed on the topic board, discussed and resolved this weekend. Resolution of this problem could be meeting at the time indicated in our guidelines or even the creation of conference calls on a specific date and time.

Finally, the Wisconsin Region is hosting the Midwest Zonal Forum the last weekend of August. There will be World Board members present to discuss the future of zones in the United States and around the world. A dark cloud has been hanging over the head of the Wisconsin Region for far too long regarding participation in the MZF. I believe we're going to discuss and decide the future of Wisconsin's role in the MZF at the September RSC. I implore all RCM's or area representatives of the Wisconsin Region to attend this MZF in Wisconsin Rapids. Any RCM's or area representatives who do not attend should recuse themselves from the decision-making process regarding participation in the MZF. As members of Narcotics Anonymous we need to be responsible and accountable to all the members in the Wisconsin Region. I strongly encourage everyone to make every effort possible to attend the MZF weekend.

In loving service,

Harold L; Wisconsin RD

REGIONAL DELEGATE ALTERNATE: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Minnesota Region is looking to partner with another region(s) to share representation . In other words, they want to share an RD/RDA, their voice at WSC, and the associated costs with others. They don't know a lot of specifics. They want to work that out with their partner(s).

I would like to have this topic on the board for further discussion.

In loving service,

Marla MK

WSNAC REP.: ODD:

Resigned from their position and is now open.

WSNAC REP.: EVEN: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Good Day Wisconsin Region,

The WSNAC BOD meet at Chula Vista on March 21st and 22nd. Among many of the things we worked on and discussed were, some of Thursday's activities: Best Ball golf Tournament, teams of 4, \$18.00 per golfer, registration will be available on line soon @ wsnac.info. Otherwise registration will be open Thursday until 11 am. With a shotgun start at noon. Also there will be a talent contest from 9pm-11pm. WSNAC is bringing back Area you ready?..... THE GONG SHOW. That's right, each area will get 2-5 minutes to showcase their shticks. Bring the best you got.

The board has purchased a computer that will handle and process their affairs quicker and better. We trimmed and adjusted budgets, went through the make it better list, and we took a pool on the top 5 that each of us thought would be most important and took the top 3 of those and split up into groups and worked on those topics. The top 3 were 1). Merchandise and money handling, 2). Expand Newcomer program and 3). Responsibility clarity.

There are 111 current registrations, also the awareness function funds have been reduced from \$150.00 to \$125.00. And bingo will not be at WSNAC this year. The May 9th board meeting was cancelled as quorum would not have been reached.

The next meeting will be @ Camp-a-Bration July 25th and 26th in Marshfield.
Thank you for allowing me to be of service, John M.

WRSO REP.: Odd: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

I was unable to attend the June WRSO meeting at the Journey's convention as the time got changed to the same time I was chairing a workshop. Therefore I am submitting a copy of the WRSO minutes (see below), which were approved by the majority but not unanimously. The next meeting will be August 16th, 1pm at Jerry's house in Appleton.

In loving service, Becky S.

WRSO meeting: 6-6-2015

Attending Members: Steve E, Gene J., Shaw P., Frankie M, Jerry S, Shellie H,
Visitors: Sam S, Wendy

Old Business: Jewelry and flag purchasing are on hold for now. We are still working to get these items. We are also continuing to look for new ideas for shirt/hat designs that are new.

Reports

President: All seems to be going well.

Vice-President: We are looking into a new vendor for hot/cold coffee cups. The floor mats are not going to happen. The vendors are asking too much for them and that would leave no room for profit. I will be going with Gene to Iowa convention. We are looking at getting signage for the marquee outside to announce the office's location.

Treasurer/Office Mgr.: We missed a few conventions due to medical issues. The conventions were notified and understood the circumstance. I will be going to the convention in Iowa. After Iowa, the next convention will be in South Dakota in

September. Shaw and I will be doing the taxes that are due by the end of June.
Secretary: All members are receiving minutes. All is going well.

New Business:

- Minutes need to be o.k'd by board before going out to all recipients.
- The Secretary has 2 weeks to get the minutes out and members have 1 week to approve them. This allows enough time to get minutes to region.
- All current office positions were up for election and all members were nominated to and accepted their current positions.
- Wendy was nominated for the open at large board position. After some discussion, Wendy declined the nomination.

The next board meeting will be held on 8-16-15 at 1:00 p.m and the meeting will be held at Jerry S' house in Appleton. Anyone needing directions, please contact Jerry.

A motion was made to close the meeting and 2nd. The meeting ended with a group prayer.

AREA REPORTS:

BADGERLAND: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Hello Wisconsin Region,

Badgerland seems to be going through some growing pains, we are losing some GSR's who have had strong commitments for the groups and may not have a replacement GSR. We have also had to say good bye to John B. who has been the H&I sub-committee pillar for the area for 20+ years. (moved away).

March's balance was \$2895.69 and April's balance was \$3475.70. I have addressed the issue of the donations going to the WRSO, and they still have been sent to the office. The March donation was \$8.80 and April was \$65.10. Maybe June will come our way.

BASIC: Inactive, not present, following report submitted.

Basic Area is still alive and well! We're having a volleyball function today in Delavan.

All service positions filled except RCM/RCMA and H&I, although H&I rep comes to ASC. Still going into Walworth County Jail. We've had much better response from the web servant in posting events and meeting changes Kudos to Carl!

Currently there are 9 meetings in the Basic Area.

In loving service ,
Cindi A.
PR chair, Basic Area

BIG RIVERS: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Good Morning Fellow RCMs and Executive Board Members

The Big Rivers Area is doing well. We have approximately 21 meetings serving towns from Tomah to Winona. We have added two new meetings in Viroqua on Friday Nights and Hokah, MN. On Sunday Night @ 730 pm. Our H&I still carry meeting for Women and Men in the La Crosse County Jail and several other facilities.

The Big Rivers Area approved policy to donate 10% of balance after bills and prudent reserve. This cycle our donation to Region is \$38.70.

"I Can't we Campout" was held Fourth of July Weekend. Thanks to all members who showed up and made this a success.

We will also have Spirit in The Woods Campout at Goose Island Campground in the Fall.

We will also have the "Letting Loose" at Wyalusing State Park this Fall.

Our Area Service Meeting is Every Even Month at Coulee Council on Addictions (No Affiliation).

We also have a Speaker Meeting Every Month at Coulee Council on Addictions (No Affiliation).

As the RCM for the Big Rivers Area, I submitted an idea that we take an inventory of Areas to determine the Area needs for the Region. I did receive a copy of an Area Inventory from our Regional Secretary. I submitted this inventory to the Area GSRs and Trusted Servants. I will submit a copy with my report.

Plans for the MZSS, Milwaukee has been identified as a potential shortlist for the MZSS

The Decision will be made in August for the 2016 Site.

In Loving Service

Gregg B.

CHIPPEWA VALLEY: Not Present, following report was submitted.
Addict named Deidra,

I am the new RCM for CVANA. My apologies for not being able to attend this cycle. But I wanted to report out on where we are at.

Our last Activity was the speaker picnic on the 4th of July. It was attended by 50 addicts and many people felt the speaker was amazing.

Our PR committee has made contact with the Barron County drug court about the possibility of a presentation. More information will be passed on as it becomes available.

For H&I we continue to take meetings into two facilities. A biweekly meeting at the Black River Falls jail and a twice monthly meeting at Arbor Place in Menomonie.

At our last area, an addict representing a meeting in Ladysmith came and asked to be added to our Area/ meeting list. This brings our meetings up to 26 covering Eau Claire, Chippewa Falls, Menomonie, Chetek, Black River Falls, Rice Lake, and Ladysmith!

The last cycle of elections in June filled many positions, but we still have openings for a Vice chair, Treasure-alt, Secretary-alt, H&I chair and Alt, and Policy chair and Alt.

ILS,

Deidra S

INLAND LAKES: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Hello Family,

We recently had a new meeting from Berlin ask to be seated since last cycle. We have our Kronik Kup coming up September 12th. We also have the High Cliff campout on July 24-25th. Both flyers have been brought to region previously and are also available on our area website and the regional website.

Currently we have the following open positions- vice chair, treasurer, and vice treasurer.

We completed all of our changes in policy without 5th and final block voted in. we now have up to date policies, which we have not had completed in more than 20 years.

You may have noticed that Scott W. is sitting to my right. Yes, you guessed it, he is our newly voted in RCMA. This clearly makes me grateful as my term is up in March and I know my area will be well represented.

In loving service, Dezzz G.

INNER CITY: Present, gave a report on the floor, no report submitted.

KETTLE MORAINE: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Mandy R., former RCM

Hi Family,

I'm an addict named Mandy. Thank you to the Badgerland Area for hosting this cycle. I'm happy to be here one more time! Elections were held last week in KMA and a new RCM was not elected. Since I have fulfilled two terms and have moved to a new area, my service term as KMA's RCM has come to a close and the position remains open. The area did elect an RCMA and I am here today to introduce him and help him get acclimated. So, please welcome Will H. to WRSC and, with that, I'll turn it over to him to report from KMA.

Will H., RCMA

KMA has a number of open positions at area including Chair, Vice Chair, Vice Treasurer and RCM. I am the area's new RCMA. Jack K. has fulfilled two years as our Chairperson, and continues to act in that role until someone is elected. We have several Subcommittees without

Chairs including our PR and H&I subcommittees. We do have a new website subcommittee chairperson and I will share his contact information with Jennifer and Carl today.

On a group level, KMA's 13 groups continue to enjoy good attendance and do well in offering positive atmospheres of recovery. The Area, not unlike Region, continues to struggle financially. There was a motion at area to suspend all spending until the working reserves are met. That motion failed. One group asked that the treasurer begin to distribute a more detailed report (with line items clearly stated for expenses) on a monthly basis and that will be provided going forward. Additionally, one group asked for a financial audit and policy will be established to allow for an annual audit of the previous calendar year to be completed and presented at the February Area Service Committee Meeting. I realize we should know . . . but we would like the Regional Treasurer to please give us a list of the regional donations that have been made over the course of the last two years, if possible. If two years isn't possible, at least the last one year. I will get with the Treasurer on that during a break.

Next, Kettle Moraine Area received a communication - via Bill O. and Jennifer M. - from the president of a local recovery club that is putting on a Heroin Prevention Event called Recovery Rocks on September 26th in Sheboygan. The Keynote Speaker will be Wisconsin Attorney General, Brad Schimel. They wish to have someone from NA set up and man an information table and be available to answer questions from people attending the event. KMA has agreed to participate in the event in an effort to raise awareness about NA and carry the message to the still suffering addict. An adhoc committee has been set up to determine what literature will be made available at the table and to arrange for volunteers to be available for the event.

Finally, KMA held it's Never Alone in the Woods campout the weekend before last and, while I haven't heard the numbers yet, our Campouts chair reported that attendance was way down and the hope is to break even on the event. The next functions in the Area are the Unity Jam campout and a Unity picnic being put on by our Thursday Come as You Are group. Unity Jam campout is being held at camp YKODA from Friday, July 31 – Sunday August 2nd. Flyers were previously distributed for that campout, but I did bring a few today for your taking and it's available on the Region website as well. The Unity Picnic will be held on Saturday, September 12th and will include a disc golf tournament, volleyball, horseshoes and limited fish fry. Flyers are on the table. We invite you all to come on out and join us. Hope to see you there!!

That is all I have for this cycle.

In Service,
Will H.

MILWAUKEE/WAUKESHA: Present, gave the following report on the floor.
Wisconsin Region:

The Milwaukee Waukesha County Area is doing well and has only a couple updates for the Wisconsin Region.

Public Relations:

-PR is doing well keeping up with their current activities. PR put on a panel at the last area service learning day picnic.

-Drug Court reached out through our website and has asked for a presentation. PR is currently preparing that and working with them.

-Continuing to maintain the e-mail list for professionals in our community with updated meeting lists and information.

H&I

-H&I continues to have a vacancy in the subcommittee chair position, but is functioning well and maintaining their current location meetings with its members and panel leaders.

-Have been discussing reaching out the St. Johns Northwestern Military Academy for H&I meetings there. This is a continued project.

-H&I Pig Roast fundraiser in on August 2nd in New Berlin. Details on NAMilwaukee.org. If anyone wants to buy a ticket in advance, Jeff F has some!

Activities

-The activities chair position will be vacant after the next LSC as our current chair is moving to the Madison area.

-The 3rd of July event was well organized and attended.

-Jon is currently organizing a structure/guideline packet for each annual area activity as the outgoing activities chair for future activities chair.

Literature

-Doing well. Not much to report at all.

Misc.

-The LSC/GSF format we have adapted is doing well. The last GSF had a workshop on the pamphlet In Times of Illness. The next GSF will be on Why is Area Here/Service Structure of NA

-open positions: H&I Chair, Outreach Coordinator, RCM, Vice Treasurer

-regional donation: We do have a donation for the Region in total of \$250, however, the check is in Milwaukee. It will be mailed to the Treasurer Monday ☐

Proposals:

-We have three proposals to bring to the Region regarding WRSC meetings and budgets

Thank you for allowing me to serve,

Kelsey E.

RCMA MWCA

NORTH CENTRAL: Present, gave the following report on the floor. Once again.

I'd like to restate our purpose as a body.

ARTICLE TWO: Purpose

2.01

The purpose of the WRSC is to be supportive of its areas and groups and their primary purpose, by linking together the areas and groups within our region, by helping areas and groups deal with their basic situations

And needs, by serving as a communication link with and carrying the regional conscience to the World Service Conference,

and by encouraging the growth of the fellowship.

2.02

Any business directly pertaining to the welfare of an area's NA groups shall be dealt with on a priority basis and will be addressed in Special Business on the agenda.

That being said I'd like to ask how we are supporting areas by not allowing an area not to have a voice after that area has taken a group conscience of an issue affecting NA as a whole.

We need to be vigilant. By allowing poor procedures, personnel irresponsibility, self-will and ineffective use our or time as a body we are not helping our areas or NA as a whole. What we allow will continue.

I'm hoping that this cycle will follow our current guidelines and continue to carry the message of Narcotics Anonymous.

Next is the financial state of Region. North Central Area has voted to bring a motion to region to remove the word "Reserve" in line two conference participation reserve section F3.10 intent to use funds prudently as Article 5.01 states in Reimbursements;

Reimbursements (in priority order):

1. P.R./Web group
2. H & I
3. Literature
4. Outreach
5. Activities
6. Policy
7. Secretary
8. Conference Participation Fund
9. Treasurer
10. Facilitators
11. WSNAC Representatives
12. WRSC Delegate Team (administrative)
13. WRSC Delegate Travel

Lastly I will volunteer to set up a brief test for an electronic meeting of all WRSC members, date will be in last August.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave M. RCM North Central Area

The RD was acting as the facilitator when the issue arose, having looked at what occurred he realized things could have been done differently and gave an apology. The Rd sincerely hopes this will put an end to this issue and we may all move forward together.

NORTHEAST: Not present, not report submitted.

RIVERS EDGE: Not present, no report submitted.

ROCK RIVER: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

We held elections for our area and convention and both still have a few open positions.

Our adhoc for changing regions had met twice now. They've set a plan for gathering information and plan to visit all potential regions. An issue was brought up about the Wisconsin regions treasurers report not having enough clarity. We would like to thank the RD team for attending our last region. Most of our members found it very beneficial.

We have a 7th tradition of \$2,212.50.

We have a picnic coming up on August 22nd, 2015 from noon-5pm at Lockwood park in Rockford IL.

We also have a spiritual retreat coming up on September 11th-13th at Bishop Lane in Rockford Illinois. We would really love to see you all there. There are flyers and registrations available here today. We are willing to take any registrations today.

I would also like to welcome my new RCMA Dalton M.

In Loving Service,

Kasey D. RCM

SCENIC BLUFFS: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Our RCM, Shannon M., has stepped down and also stepped down as WSNCA rep.

We have many open positions and have increased groups by two.

We have 2 jail meetings (1 men's and 1 women's) in Columbia County in Portage and one men's in Sauk County in Sauk.

We have one of our groups having to get liability insurance and are getting bids and will hopefully have chosen one by the next region. For those who may in the future have to go through this. The policy is known as a general liability policy for civic organizations.

We did not have enough groups at area to send a donation to region. Scenic Bluffs will be hosting a picnic Sept. 19th with region meetings and WSNAC BOD in Wis. Dells.

Cold turkey will be in November and flyers were out last cycle as well as on the web calendar.

Thanks,

Vicki P.

SOUTHEAST FAMILY: Present, following report was submitted.

Good morning family, addict named Victor

RCM for Southeast family and I'd like to thank the Badgerland Area for hosting this cycle of Region. Nice hotel... I am pleased to announce that our area has a new RCMA. Her name is Becky S. I believe that our Area is hosting Region in November and we have several members involved in setting up that weekend. We are having trouble keeping our service positions filled, but we are maintaining our basic services to the Area. Also, there seems to be renewed interest

from some of our old timers in stepping up to fill some of these open positions. We've had a couple situations where addicts on house arrest requested letters attesting to their participation/attendance at meetings, only to be denied because these letters were not on NA letterheads. Are any other Areas experiencing this or something like this? Unfortunately we were not able to make a Regional donation this cycle, but I'm glad to be here and I am looking forward to attending the MZF next month.

In service,
Victor H.

UPPER PENINSALA: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Greetings from UPNA,

UPNA currently has 8 active home groups that are well attended. Our next ASC is August 1st, 2015 at 11:00am in Marquette.

Our outreach chair Joe F. has put together on "Asphalt Recovery" road trip to support our Gwinn Na home group meeting recently and is scheduled for another one this Monday July 20th at Manistique NA home group. A car load or two of addicts from various places around the U.P are going around and reaching out to support NA meetings throughout the U.P. I love his term "Asphalt Recovery" for this and a quote he used, "If you don't find recovery it's your own asphalt." We appreciate his efforts to promote unity and support.

Our ad hoc activities committee has joined efforts with Woods and Waters area of NA for a campout the weekend of "Bringing the UPNA & woods-n-waters Wi NA. Together in the yoopers native-northland on August 14th-16th on the shores of Keweenaw bay in Baraga, MI. I have brought flyers to be distributed for those interested and I'm sure maybe Rodney has some also.

In an effort to carry the message to incarcerated addicts in our schoolcraft county Jail I was able to collaborate with the sheriff's department there and a wonderful opportunity arose. The sheriff is allowing some addict inmates to come across the street to our Manistique "Light of Hope" home group to attend our meetings there. We are grateful for this opportunity to carry the message to those behind the walls.

Not much else to report from UPNA other than if I am not mistaken there was a proposal on the table from last cycle from our area that I believe policy was working with. We do have some more appropriate re-wording of the language in it available today or am interested in what the policy committee has worked with on it. The intent behind the proposal remains the same regardless of the re-wording. If this proposal could be addressed one way or the other this cycle, that would be great.

In loving service,
Jim F. UPNA RCM

WOCA: Present, gave a report on the floor, no report submitted.

WOODS & WATERS: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Hello Family,

Journeys convention was a huge success, we had about 460 people attend this year's Journeys. If you would like to be a speaker at next year's Journeys please send me a speaker tape.

We have a few functions coming up, we have Picnic in the park next weekend, we have a joint campout with UP 14-16th of August, Sept 7th is Serenity under the stars Volleyball tournament Sept. 29th, there will be a traveling trophy for the first place winner, and we also have the Porkies campout Sept 25-28. We have been receiving support from outside areas which is really cool to see. All fliers are on the table.

We have open positions at area which are vice chair, PR, and vice treasurer. I am happy to report that H&I has been growing in our area. They are scheduled to go back into McNaughton Prison and have sent intro guides out to other institutions. Houghton county jail now has a weekly meeting inside the Jail

In loving service
Carl A.

SUBCOMMITTEE / ADHOC REPORTS:

ACTIVITIES: Present, gave a report on the floor, no report submitted.

HOSPITALS & INSTITUTION: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Hello Family,

First of all it's a privilege to be here with all of you. Thanks for your willingness to be involved and a part of this service body.

I have worked to make a listing of the current H&I meetings. I will bring a document that has all of those listed next cycle. I will not be publishing the day or time that those meetings are occurring to prevent an individual who has not been security cleared from showing up at a facility without going through the proper channels.

Also next cycle will be my last region as H&I chair. I had planned on taking a second year and I wanted to inform this body I am unable to at this time. I will continue to be involved with region H&I, I am just unable to continue as a chair person. I will explain if necessary today but I am not comfortable putting it into a report that is printed and retained in minutes.

Thanks for allowing me to serve,
In loving service, dezzz G.

POLICY: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Addict Named Nancy,

Hello all,

Following is a list of issues that were looked at since last cycle.

1. Topic # 6 from Mays Regional Minutes

Proposal: Change the guidelines for the Secretary, Treasurer and Vice-Treasurer to "May not be an RCM". Intent: Avoid conflict of interest when conducting business at region when utilizing consensus based decision making.

The recommendation of this sub-committee would be to change this before the next elections, not now since two of the three listed are RCM's this would force someone to make a decision to resign at least one of their positions. This would not be spiritual making someone to choose which

position that they should fulfill. We can change this starting their next terms. Consensus was reached and the proposal passed.

2. Topic # 9 from Mays Regional Minutes.
Reprinting of orientation guide, I received the copy, but didn't compare it to the guidelines completely. Sorry for dropping the ball on this. I will have it looked at by the next cycle in September.

3. Topic # 10 from Mays Regional Minutes.
Reimbursement of WRSO Rep's.; The following are in our guidelines already:
Page 16 F3.04 "Mileage will be reimbursed at the following rate of \$.25 per map mile."
Page 16 F3.08 "Any Trusted Servant of the Region who would be reasonably thought to be entitled to reimbursement of expenses at a later date may request an advance to cover these expenses. This will be recorded as an advance with that Trusted Servant being liable for the full amount until a valid expense report including receipts, are turned in and/or until the cash is returned."

Thanks for allowing me to be of service.
In loving service,
Nancy M.

OUTREACH: Open Position

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Hi Everyone,

My report is simple, I didn't do a whole lot this cycle but I have talked to several people on things going on around the state. I would like to remind people that paying attention to details is of great interest to Public Relations. Example believing that your area does not use the regional phone line in your area but hand it out on current meeting list for your area means you are using it. The phone line is a valuable tool to many areas of this region and all though the bill seems high it is reasonable the services areas receive, if you do not feel your area is getting what it needs from the phone line please talk to Larry D he is more than happy to help people with this. Also I would recommend that everyone keep an eye on the web page meeting list both the online version and the printable version. With that said I would like to see the meeting list take on a new look instead of listing all the meetings I think it maybe a better idea would be to list all the phone lines with a list of towns by that phone number and web page for that are if appropriate, and the regional website and put this all on a card stock so it is more durable and professional looking, by doing this we would not have to print anything until we have changes in areas or we run out which could save money. In doing this committees and areas may need more meeting list from each area but I still believe this may be a better way than the current meeting list and worth a look. Now the budget I am very discouraged that it was not passed again and thought that the proposed was going to be in the minutes but I did not see it. I know a lot of areas pay for public information in their own areas but there are areas that are struggling and do not have funds for the request they are getting. I would like to ask all areas to keep the website informed with what is going in your area and work with them until it's on the regional calendar and check with the calendar before planning events lets try working together instead of against

each other. With all that said I wish my successor well, I wish I could say it has been a great pleasure to serve but that would be a big lie, Please be more compassionate to my successor, thanks for allowing me to serve, Jennifer Me

Web Servants Report

July 16, 2015

Hello Family,

First thing is a little house cleaning business, please send your fliers in either pdf or word format. We have been getting a few that have been taken with a cell phone and saved as an image file. This does work but the quality is poor and uses a lot more resources when printing.

Secondly we would like to extend an apology to BASIC AREA. During the KMA meeting list update done in June, BASIC meetings were mistakenly removed. We have been in contact with Basic and everything is back up to date. Which brings the next point; please verify that all the meetings on the regional site and the PDF version on the website are accurate and up to date. We have been updating the Tri-fold PDF in real time so that it can be the most accurate as possible.

There is something that may need this body's attention, come to find out Gene's credit card is how the website gets paid for initially. There has been conformation on this with gene and we might need to look at changing this. It may be smart to have this directly taken out of the regional account so that we won't be locked out of the website in the event of something happening. Thank you gene for bringing this to this bodies attention.

There have been a couple of features added to the regional site. There is now the "Just for Today" reading located on the right side of the home page under the search bar, and also on the home page is a "clean time calculator".

Finally, we have been working on a project to help reduce the PR budget, while also giving the region solid data as to where services could be used. Let me explain what we mean. We have constructed a contact form for the regional website that any professional can fill out and receive all related IP's plus the most current meeting list. This is all automated and once the form is filled out, the PR chair would get an email informing them of the request, and the user would receive an email response plus a zip attachment with IP's and meeting list. In the PR budget it was projected about 100 dollars per cycle for this information to be handed out, instead the professional could be directed to the site. Also it has been set up that every 30 days the PR chair and the web servants will receive an automatic list of all the people that filled out the request. This serves two purposes. We will have a better understanding of which areas have the most action with this, giving the PR chair an idea of which areas might need extra attention. The question of "what does region do for areas" is being addressed by getting solid data and services out to all areas in the Wisconsin Region. This new technology can also be adjusted to work in other WRSC Subcommittees. The form has been tested and the technical side is finished. We would like to begin using this technology with the approval of the areas in the Wisconsin Region.

In loving service

WRSC Web Servants

LITERATURE: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

Thank you to Badgerland for hosting this cycle of Wisconsin Regional NA. I am very excited to chair Wisconsin Region NA Literature Committee. Most important for all addicts in our Region to understand is how important their feedback on proposed Chapters of the Traditions Book Project is. The Traditions Book Project "Review and Input" is in full swing. The Review and

Input by the Fellowship of the proposed introductory chapter and subsequent chapters on Traditions One through Six has been closed as of May 31st. The fellowship can still give feedback on Traditions 7, 8, 9, and 10 through August 31st. Also as of July 1, Fellowship review and input of the proposed chapters on Traditions 11 and 12 as well as the closing chapter called All Will Be Well, is now open and will close on September 30th. In other words, please read and give your feedback on Traditions 7-12 and the closing chapter NOW through August 31. After August 31 only feedback on Traditions 11 and 12 and the closing chapter will be taken.

Where are these chapters and how is feedback given? Find a computer, smart phone, or tablet and enter www.na.org/traditions and you will see this page!

After a two-year conference cycle devoted to gathering ideas about what the Fellowship expected from a Traditions book, the 2014 World Service Conference adopted a project plan for 2014–2016 that includes the creation of a workgroup, actual drafting of the material, Fellowship review and input, and ultimately publishing an approval draft.

The process of gathering front-end input—members' ideas and experience with the Traditions to be used for drafting the chapters—concluded on 31 March 2015. Our sole focus now is conducting Fellowship review and input (R&I) on the draft materials. There are three designated Fellowship R&I periods:

Intro and Tradition One	Completed
Traditions Two through Six	1 March - 31 May
Traditions Seven through Ten	1 June - 31 August
Traditions Eleven, Twelve and closing	1 July - 30 September

Current Review and Input Drafts

- May 2015 R&I Cover Memo
- Intro - for information purposes
- Tradition Seven | Provide Input on Draft
- Tradition Eight | Provide Input on Draft
- Tradition Nine | Provide Input on Draft
- Tradition Ten | Provide Input on Draft
- Complete Third R&I Packet
- July R&I Cover Memo
- Tradition Eleven | Provide Input on Draft
- Tradition Twelve | Provide Input on Draft
- All Will Be Well | Provide Input on Draft
- Complete Fourth R&I Packet

If you have a problem viewing the drafts, we suggest you download the draft to your desktop and then open it with Adobe Reader. Some browsers like Chrome have their PDF reader which may not read the drafts correctly.

Traditions Book Project Discussion Boards

<http://disc.na.org/trads/>

Thanks for your participation!

Then click on the tradition you want to review and when you ready to give your feedback click on “Provide Input on Draft” next to the Tradition you want to give input on. You will be asked to provide contact information at the end of the review and you may be contacted for clarity and further input. Your opinion does matter! We write out literature as a Fellowship so please be a part of this process.

On July 1 the World Board sent out this letter reminding the Fellowship to get their input in early and that an Approval Form will be published in NOVEMBER 2015, please see the attached: We strongly encourage you to send input as early as possible—there’s no need to hold your input

until you've read the entire batch; a chapter at a time (or even a section at a time) is actually preferable. The sooner we receive your input, the more time we have to incorporate your ideas into the revisions. An approval form will be published in November 2015 as an addendum to the Conference Agenda Report (CAR).

Then..... once you have read this FINALIZED copy of the Traditions Book.... our RD/RDA will carry back our approval to the World Conference at the end of April 2016.

Since becoming Regional Literature Committee Chair, I have helped many addicts, groups, and people from several areas around our region understand the process or simply answer questions about this project. I was asked by the Journey's Subcommittee to hold a workshop at Journey's the beginning of June in Minocqua, WI which was a success and took the time while there to walk some individuals through the input and review process to take back to their groups or areas. I may attend two more areas' functions to hold workgroups on the Traditions Workgroup and Regional Literature formation. These invitations have not been finalized as of today or I would include them in the report for anyone to attend. Please watch the Wisconsin Region website calendar announcing any workgroups I may be hosting so that anyone can attend.

After the Review and Input of the Traditions Book Project is over at the end of September, I will concentrate on creating a draft on the Integrity of NA which this body asked Literature to work on last year. I have already discussed holding a work group at the Wisconsin Narcotics Anonymous Convention in October and am waiting for final word. At the close of business at our July 2015 Regional Conference I was asked to draft an Informational Pamphlet on the suggested process for an area to acquire insurance

I would like all areas in our region to know that I am available (with enough notice) as the Regional Literature to travel anywhere in the region and hold work groups with any addicts in our region because you are all a part of my subcommittee! Please take this back to your areas and groups and contact me so we can make sure that Wisconsin Region is well represented in future NA literature. I can be contacted at 262 309 8067 or wendywisconsin@gmail.com. I will be hosting a telephone literature subcommittee meeting on Wednesday, August 26th, 2015 at 730pm. Please refer to the Wisconsin Region Website at Wisconsinna.org for an agenda and an update on how you can phone in!

Thank you for allowing me to serve,

Wendy R. (Milwaukee/Waukesha Counties and the Inner City Areas)

Spiritual Inventory Ad hoc: Present, gave the following report on the floor.

WRSC 2015 Spiritual Inventory Ad-Hoc

(Suggested Format)

- 1) Gathering information
- 2) Listing the Issues
- 3) Developing Goals ("what" not "how")
- 4) Prioritizing Goals
- 5) Creating Approaches to reach the goals
- 6) Prioritizing Goals
- 7) Developing an action plan

Phone line Ad hoc: Not present, report was submitted but was not read on the floor.

Greetings in Recovery,

I apologize for not being there today, life on life terms have overtaken me lately,

with the passing away of my brother-in-law and recently a nephew (my brothers' son) but with NA and the help of good friends I am getting by. I also need to admit that I have only made contact with Jennifer M. and the Larry D., sorry Bill O. I just remembered that you wanted to help also. Larry and I met over the phone and while on our computers a couple of weeks ago, this was a very valuable time and I have gathered a lot of information since then. I am going to try to keep this report as short as possible, if you have questions please feel free to call me my contact information will be at the end of this report.

I. Some clarifications:

- a. In May RRAGS was the example of area used and I will use them again because they do add a unique twist to the system.
- b. Please remember as you read this that our system is set up so each area can build it to suit their needs. Really is gives the areas anonymity that is a cool thing.
- c. The issue discussed about minutes and one area taking up a lot of minutes really is not the point. As I have gone through the last 4 months of call logs and do not see any calls that jump out as too lengthy.
- d. HALLOO does not allow for existing numbers to be ported into the system, in the spirit of anonymity RRAGS has every right to keep their existing number.
- e. What happens with HALLOO is RRAGS was given an 800# through Halloo the call is forwarded to their number. First the call gets the greeting with options for them to use. The only minutes we are billed for is the forwarded call.
- f. In the case of the schedules that was shown in May and RRAGS has 52 due to the number of meetings in their area, these are actually the call rules. They tell the system what to do and are part of the plan.
- g. Something I have noticed in my research is that there are numerous calls from telemarketers, as we all know these calls are annoying and in our case expensive. Call blocking is not an option that I have seen on HALLOO.
- h. We have 19 extensions that are each areas 800#, these get monthly billed at \$4.95 an extension, or \$94.05 a month. There are also two charges of audio storage for 1 hour at \$2.95 each = \$5.90

The on line billing statement has been attached for you to review.

A brief synapses is:

Monthly Plan: \$69.95

TF DID (Extensions): 19 @ \$4.95 each \$94.05

Audio Storage: 2 @ \$2.95 \$ 5.90

\$169.90 without taxes/f

II. Questions:

- a. Does this body wish for me to continue research on this information for another cycle? Or do you wish to have someone else take over? (Could someone please let me know this decision, thank you.)
- b. Larry D. provided me with admin rights to HALLOO, is this body ok with me having these rights? I will only use this right to help any area with the system and make inquiries on questions. (Again can you please let me know about this decision? Thanks)

III. What needs to be followed up on:

- a. I have attached a basic price review of HALLOO and other VOIP Systems. It is my opinion from past experience, that by providing the Region with all the information possible then the RCM's and Groups can make informed decisions.
- b. Need to get clarification on "Out of Plan Minutes" & Call Blocking.
- c. And any questions that may come up.

IV. Closing Thoughts:

- a. In May I did not give this body my qualifications, a service resume is also attached.
- b. I will make every effort to be at the September Conference, if this body agrees for me to continue as the chair of this ad-hoc committee. I would ask for some time to do a brief presentation.

Thank you for this opportunity to serve the Wisconsin Region!

In Grateful Service,

Mark F.

(please see attachments for more information)

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION: What does Region do as a service body and for areas?

BASIC SERVICES:

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

ELECTIONS:

Public Relations: open

Outreach: Victor H.

WRSO Even: open

Pools:

WSNAC Pool:

Jennifer ME.

WRSO Pool:

Rodney W.

Nominations:

H&I: none

Proposals:

- 1). Region to remove the word "Reserve" in line 2 conference participation reserve section f3.10

Intent: to use funds prudently as article 5.01 states in reimbursements.

Consensus was not reached. The Issue was committed to the treasurer and policy as a conference call with all those interested. The issue was also taken back to groups.

The following two proposals were committed to policy:

2). For the Wisconsin region to seek more cost-effective means of conducting the regional service conference by seeking locations other than hotels to hold the WRSC, such as church basements, community centers or schools.

Intent: To save areas and the region money which can be used to carry the message to the addict who still suffers.

3.) For the Wisconsin region to remove policy language which requires RCM's hosting the WRSC to reserve a hotel block & clarify current language to clearly state that those RCM's who choose to host the WRSC in a hotel may reserve a courtesy block of rooms but are under no obligation to do so.

Intent: To help the region and the RCMs save money by allowing them to secure more affordable lodging.

4). For the Wisconsin region to seek means of reducing the number of WRSCs held each year.

Intent: to help the region to seek means of reducing the number of WRSC's held each year.

Proposal was committed to an ad-hoc.

5). Explore bringing back subcommittee meetings at region by allowing time for subcommittees to meet during region.

Intent: Place the focus back to the subcommittees.

Issue was committed to an ad hoc.

Topic Board:

TOPIC 1 – Shared representation: The Rd team is going to gather information at the MZF and present it at the next cycle.

TOPIC 2 – Web PR: what Ips and statement do you want to be available and presented to the professionals. Consensus was reached to make link live. PR and the Web group will get together and make a statement and chose Ips.

TOPIC 3 – MZF Function: Region will support the area function and a solution with the auction was found.

TOPIC 4 – Electronic meeting lists: Maybe we could reduce the number of meeting lists we currently print. H&I meeting list printing is under their budget and not part of PRs printing.* RCMs Ask Your area's how many meeting lists they would like for their areas. Not including H&I lists.*

TOPIC 5 – Itemize budget: This issue was taken care of and everything will be itemized in the treasurer's report.

TOPIC 6 – Two signers in the same house: Issue was discussed and no action was taken.

TOPIC 7- Meeting via Technology: Subcommittee chairs are going to try out using conference calling. Days, times, and other information will be put on the website for those who wish to join.

TOPIC 8- Book motion: Rd feels it would not be prudent to send a motion to be put into the CAR. An email will be sent to ask about printing the baby blues, and requesting more information about printing the first 10 chapters of the basic text.

TOPIC 9- Subcommittee Focus: At the next cycle at 9am Saturday subcommittees will be meeting.

TOPIC 10- WSNAC Spot: Discussion was held about what to call the workshop and content.

TOPIC 11- IP on Tobacco: Information that was read on the floor during the round table discussion will be attached to the minutes.

TOPIC 12- Insurance I.P: Discussion was held on finding solutions to making this information available to all. This was committed to the Literature Subcommittee.

TOPIC 14- Affiliation: How do we educate members about affiliation and not doing? Discussion was had with some solutions. Outreach was asked to attend the area with the issue.

TOPIC 15- Electronic policy changes: It's being asked that the policy chair update the minutes on the website when changes are made to keep them up to date. Policy agreed to do so.

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

BUDGETS:

Name:	Yearly Budget:	Working Reserve:
Administration	\$2,740.00	\$457.00
Conference Participation	\$8,100.00	\$1,350.00
Activities	\$2,100.00	\$350.00
H & I	\$780.00	\$130.00
Literature	\$720.00	\$120.00
Outreach	\$150.00	\$25.00
Policy	\$360.00	\$60.00
WRSO Rep	\$360.00	\$60.00
RD Team	\$1,752.00	\$292.00

P.R. budget was tabled until next cycle and was sent out via email to be taken back to groups.

Proposal to close: passed

NEXT WRSC IS TO HOSTED BY

2015 in Red

2016 in Green

January: WSNAC Hosting Site (2015)
Chula Vista Resort
2501 River Rd.
Wisconsin Dells, WI
855-800-3192

March: a. Washington-Ozaukee
b. Inland Lakes
c. Woods & Waters
d. North Central (2014)
e. Rivers Edger (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: See above for hotel information
WSNAC Hosting Site (2015)

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

Next Regional Meeting will be at:

Chula Vista
2501 River Road
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965.
(855)-388-4782