

January 2024 WRSC Minutes
January 20 & 21, 2024
Approved March 16, 2024

I. Opening -9:07am

- Moment of silence/Prayer
- Reading of the Service Worker’s Prayer - Patty M
- Read Concept 9 – Nichole M
- Introductions / Roll Call (12 in person, 10 on zoom)

<u>Trusted Servants/Area Representative</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Trusted Servants/Area Representative</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Co Facilitator A	Becky S	<u>Badgerland</u>	Elisia W
Co Facilitator B		<u>Big Rivers</u>	Deb W
Secretary/RA	Nichole M	<u>Chippewa Valley</u>	inactive
Co-Secretary		<u>Inland Lakes</u>	Ellen K
Treasurer	Rob T	<u>Inner City</u>	inactive
Vice-Treasurer		<u>Kettle Moraine</u>	Micaela
RD	Absent w notice	<u>Milwaukee/Waukesha</u>	Chris W
RDA	absent	<u>North Central</u>	Zac C
WRSO Rep Even	Vickie P	<u>North East WI</u>	inactive
WRSO Rep Odd		<u>River’s Edge</u>	Tamara E
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Activities		<u>SWANA</u>	inactive
Fellowship Development		<u>WOCA</u>	Jim L
H&I		<u>Woods & Waters</u>	Josh B
IT	Deb W	<u>Ad-hoc Archives</u>	Nichole M
Literature			
Policy	Patty M		
Public Relations	Cheryl H representing		

Also in attendance: Cindy (SEFA), Tamara E (River’s Edge), Sydney,

Clean Time Anniversaries! Anniversaries_Nov 21 – Jan 21 (Sunday) Chris W (3 years) 12/8/2020, Zac C (4 years) 12/16/2019, Rob T (9 years) 12/14/2014, Josh (5 years) 1/3/2019, Nichole M bellybutton birthday 1/7!

- **7th Tradition – Online members please use regional website Contributions – Wisconsin Region Of Narcotics Anonymous (wisconsinna.org)**
- **Review-Adjust Agenda – added time for WSNAC after lunch**
- **Approval of Minutes – November 2023 minutes approved as written**
- **Welcome Statement – read by Deb W(BRASC)**
- **Orientation RD Team/Secretary – message Nichole at secretary@wisconsinna.org with questions about Slack, reports, and other things**

II. Reports

Trusted Servant Reports

- A. Co-Facilitator A - Spoken
- B. Co-Facilitator B (OPEN)
- C. Secretary –

Good morning family. I want to thank you all for communicating with me as clearly as you do. It helps to keep the information gathered. I will not be in attendance for the May 2024 cycle so we will need someone to cover that month. Thank you, Paul A, for helping me with notes last cycle. The additional perspective helped to keep everything straight.

For future cycles if you submit your report using the [link](#), please make sure you receive an email of your report. That is your confirmation that the report was submitted correctly.

- D. Co Secretary (open)

- E. Treasurer - Hello family,

At this point, there is a total balance in our bank account of \$17,263.89 which reflects both the working reserve and the prudent reserve of \$13,858.00 and available balance of \$3,405.89.

With that being said...

NAWS and MZF were both paid in the last cycle for \$191.88 each, Naws has not cleared yet. PR expenses of \$395.

Deposited 1 check for 310 and last cycles 7th tradition of \$37 for a total of \$347.00.

There should be no other outstanding withdrawals between now and the next region. If we are overlooking something, we will report it.

Currently the signers on the account are Tyler L, Becky S, and Rob T. I have the checkbook with me.

Also enclosed is an excel spreadsheet that shows the activity since the last cycle.

Thanks for allowing me to serve,

Rob T.

262 455 0505 – please use my number for any questions you might have. I would ask that you use this number and let me know that you are.

Sincerely,

Rob Twardy

- F. Vice-Treasurer (OPEN)

- G. Regional Delegate - January 2024 WRSC RD Report

Hello Family,

Thanks to all of you for your continued service to the Wisconsin Region. I will not be in attendance this weekend, as my family is having my mother's 80th birthday party in Hurley, WI. As there is no way that I could be in two places at once and will be traveling on Saturday, I will do my best to check in during the day on Saturday but will not be available on Sunday at all. I also have a commitment with the RD Team on a Conference Participant call from 1 PM to 2:30 PM on Saturday, so I will be unavailable during that time on Saturday. I will do my best to be available during the day, please text me if you need anything. I cannot guaranty that I will always be available, but I will reply to text messages and voicemails, and I'll try to be logged in as much as possible throughout the day.

As far as things that are happening, I am going to allow Tyler to fill you in on any of the things that I miss in my report this month. Here are a few that I wanted to point out.

Our Regional Policy.

I do know that I met with the Policy committee and was happy to see such and organized and updated regional policy. I hope that you will all be able to vote it into place and that we can move forward with an up-to-date policy. I would suggest that careful consideration be put into revamping the budget portion of the policy, but that will most likely involve an ad-hoc committee and some

additional work with budgets from the subcommittees. Otherwise, great work team. I realize that policy is sometimes quite a thankless position, but please know that our current policy chair has done a great job organizing our policy and I think it looks great! Thanks Patty.

Current Web Servants.

I wanted to give a shout out and a thanks for your attention to some of the things that we have requested (including being able to attach documents to our reports). Also I wanted to make sure that whoever is hosting region next cycle, please send your event flyer to webservants@wisconsinna.org so that we can get that information out to our entire body, and make sure you get the support you would like in your area next cycle.

MZF (Midwest zonal forum) meeting in Fond du Lac this cycle

This meeting is happening next weekend in Fond du Lac, the business portion will take place at the Gratitude Club in Fond du Lac, and I hope that many of you will be able to attend and support the members from out of town who are a part of our zone. It is an exciting time in the United States and there is a lot of zonal collaboration work being done, so if you are at all interested in helping out or getting involved, please plan to attend. Our zone extends throughout 9 regions in the Midwest, and it is not often that we meet within our region. Let me or Tyler know if you have any questions or want to help out in any way at all. I am attaching a flyer to this report, and if you want to get a hotel reservation, the room block is only good through Sunday, Jan 21, so please act quickly, but the information is on the flyer. I will be sending out a flyer with a zoom ID as soon as one is ready as this is a hybrid meeting, so all can participate no matter where you are located.

World Convention in Washington DC

As some of you may know, the registration is open for the World Convention being held over Labor Day 2024 in Washington DC. There is availability for registration and hotel accommodations at the na.org website. I have attended several world conventions and would recommend this to anyone. It is a great way to see a large number of our Fellowship in one spot and experience NA in an exciting and collaborative effort. If you are interested in volunteering during the convention, there will be a volunteer form available soon. I have had the pleasure of doing volunteer service at world conventions and it has always been quite an enjoyable experience. I hope to see many of you there. Let me know if I can help out in any way at all with any questions you have.

Future of the WSC workgroup

I continue to serve on this workgroup, and at this time the reporting from this workgroup will only be done directly from the World Board reports and through the NAWS newsletter. If you do have any suggestions or ideas, please send them directly to me and I will do my best to bring them up during our upcoming meetings. The idea of this workgroup is to explore how to best represent the Fellowship as we move forward with the WSC (World Service Conference), and explore our new 3-year cycle.

Donation to NAWS from Wisconsin Region

As you will see in the treasurer report, the check that was sent to NAWS for our donation has not been cashed yet. I will be contacting NAWS on Monday to make sure that they received it. I do know that NAWS has been experiencing staff shortages, so it is possible that bank deposits are not processed as quickly as they used to be, but if there are any complications, I will let our treasurer know. I just wanted to be as transparent as possible to you, the members that I serve.

Monthly RD Team meeting.

This meeting continues to meet. Please attend if you are interested. It is important to note that there are not a lot, if any members attending and we are going to be asking for the position of AD (Alternative Delegate) to be filled from this body later in this year. Please if you are interested, start attending these meetings so we can help you to prepare for this position. The meetings are held

the 1st Thursday of every month at 7 PM, using the Regional Zoom ID.

I think this concludes my report. I know that if there are any missing pieces, Tyler will be on hand to fill in the missing pieces. Thanks again for allowing me to serve,

dezzz G

Current Wisconsin Regional Delegate

H. Regional Delegate Alternative

I. WRSO Rep Even - spoken

J. WRSO Rep Odd (OPEN)

K. WSNAC Rep Even - spoken

L. WSNAC REP Odd – spoken

Subcommittee and Ad-Hoc Reports

- Activities (OPEN)
- Hospitals and Institutions (OPEN)
- Information Technologies (I.T.) - Information Technology (IT) meets the last Sunday of each month at 6 PM via Zoom, in the room set up for subcommittees - ID 833 6261 3453 passcode wrsc All NA members are welcome! If you have questions or just want to see what IT does, it's online, just pop in!

After the January WRSC meeting, all the old area helpline phone numbers are being deleted, with the exception of SEFA's number, which they asked to be retained. All the phone calls are handled by the regional helpline volunteers, phone number 800-240-0276. You can help make sure the old numbers are out of circulation and every place is updated to use the regional number. We suggest the following:

1. Make sure your Area website and any printed material is changed over to the Region Wide Helpline number (800) 240-0276
2. Type in your Area old Helpline number into whatever search engine you use, Google etc.
3. Contact by phone or email the any place where the old Helpline number is listed and provide them the Region wide Helpline number (800) 240-0276.

Here is a list of the phone numbers which are being discontinued:

- (608) 258-1747 (Badgerland)
- (866) 579-7534 (Big Rivers)
- (888) 543-0924 (Chippewa Valley)
- (866) 635-2254 (ILUA)
- (888) 611-1813 (KMA)
- (866) 913-3837 (Milwaukee/Waukesha)
- (866) 590-2651 (North Central)
- (866) 285-7830 (North East)
- (888) 796-2737 (Rivers Edge)
- (866) 590-2648 (Scenic Bluffs)
- (888) 205-1671 (Ozaukee County)
- (866) 310-9077 (Woods and Waters)

If any major problems result from the removal, please contact me Right Away. email webservants@wisconsinna.org

I am also attaching a writeup on how to fine accurate meeting list information. It would help if you could share this with your Areas. (see pdf attachment)

- Literature (OPEN)

- Fellowship Development (OPEN)
- Policy -

The policy subcommittee met on 1/14/24 at 8:00 p.m. to review the updated document. The RD, Policy Chair, and WOCA RCM were in attendance. Policy was finalized as per the discussions and clarifications at the November WRSC meeting and subsequent Policy subcommittee meeting.

Policy has been submitted in PDF format. (see attachment)

In service

Patty M.

Policy Chair

- Public Relations –

The WRPR Sub Committee meets on the first Sunday of the month unless there is a conflicting Holiday. If there is a conflicting Holiday, then we meet on the second Sunday. The dates for 2024 were added to the calendar, along with the zoom link.

This month, we had two new Area PR Chairs present, one from Woods and Waters, and the other from Badgerland Area. We had a productive meeting, as usual.

I am unable to attend this cycle, due to a work conflict. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Dean H (reported by Cheryl H)

- Ad-Hoc Archives – the website archives have been updated. Nichole provided a demonstration on zoom share screen display. Storage for 7 years of published minutes per decision at November 2023 WRSC.

Break 10:13am- 10:30am

Area Reports

- Badgerland - Badgerland Area Committee met 1/14/24 and was facilitated by our new facilitator A, Jennifer, with our new Secretary taking notes. H & I chairperson position was filled. RCM position was filled. Budgets for 2024 were approved. There was a quorum present for conducting business. Positions to be filled are: Facilitator B, Alternate Secretary, Alternate RCM, Co-chair for H & I. Our donation to Region check amount was what was intended for World NA, World received the amount intended for Region. Badgerland will split the amount not paid to Region over the next two donation cycles in addition to whatever the current donation amount calculates to be.
Elisia W
- Big Rivers - Big Rivers Area meets the 2nd Saturday of even numbered months from 1-4 PM HYBRID at Coulee Recovery Center in La Crosse and via Zoom ID 868 7201 6840 passcode 2 (Yes, just the number 2)

We have been working on updating our guidelines which are now out to the groups to review.

In order to further our primary purpose and help addicts find recovery, we have added a new feature to our meeting list: courtesy listings. These are for meetings that are not members of our Area but would like to have their meeting on our meeting list. They might be members of another area, or just not want to be part of an area. There are no restrictions on distance from our area. ANY Narcotics Anonymous meeting which would like to be on our meeting list can do so by meeting the following requirements:

- 1) Come to our ASC and request it
- 2) Affirmatively answer the 6 questions from the Group Booklet to verify it is an NA meeting and is consistent with NA philosophies and Traditions,
- 3) Regularly (every 2 months) contact our Facilitator or PR Chair to ascertain the meeting is still meeting. Without regular contact we will remove the listing.

- Chippewa Valley – inactive
- Inland Lakes Unity Area - ILUA RCM Report 2024-01

ILUA Area Information:

1. Meetings
 - a. ILUA Total: 36
 - b. ILUA Hybrid: 5
 - c. ILUA Virtual: 1
2. Activities
 - a. 2024-01-20 ILUA Spiritual Connection Group hosting Taco Bar & speaker
 - i. When: Saturday, January 20th 2pm
 - ii. Where: 206 Club Menasha
 - iii. Bring taco fixin to add to taco bar
 - b. Spiritual Retreat
 - i. Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya
 - ii. Where: 13654 S Shore Drive, Suring, WI 54174
 - iii. When: Date: Mar 28 - 31 2024 Time: 3:00 pm - 12:00 pm
3. ILUA Service meetings second Sunday of the month at Solution Center 621 Evans St Oshkosh
 - a. Policy subcommittee @ 10am
 - b. PR subcommittee @ 10am
 - c. Subcommittee meetings @ 10:30 am
 - d. GSR training @ 11 am
 - e. GSR Meeting @ Noon
 - f. Area Meeting @ 12:30
4. Area Positions open: Alternate Treasurer, RCM Alternate, Merchandise, Vice Chair
5. Contribution sent to Region sent monthly

- Inner City – inactive
- Kettle Moraine - Hello Family,

During this last cycle KMA welcomed new servants into their positions. Last week Sunday we filled our last open position which was Outreach, we look forward to having a team of us attending meetings with low attendance or that are needing some direction in service. We also created an ADhoc and began an area inventory as we have not done one in several years. We are working through all of the concepts and will continue to do this. The purpose is to make sure we are fulfilling our purpose, serving our area to the best of our ability in a God centered way, and to teach the traditions in service work. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Best,
Micaela O

- Milwaukee/Waukesha - spoken
- North Central - Area service committee was held January 4th 2024 in Stevens Point

10 GSRs/GSRA /representatives were present.

We also had 11 Trusted servants present, 2 were excused absences and 1 resigned.

There is no discussion of group topics.

H&I reported the opening of Wood county jail for meetings but not enough volunteers for a marathon county.

We had a nomination for activities that we will vote on this cycle.

We had our financial and policy ad hoc for the year.

\$1,900.00 was donated to region and world.

ACTIVITIES

Come join us for Miracles 5

Feb 1st-4th at 1100 Imperial Ave, Rothschild, WI 54474

Annual Pancake Breakfast March 2nd

6:30am at 1210 E Grand Ave Wisconsin Rapids, WI

Rolling Into Recovery April 7th 3pm-6pm at 1200 S. Oak Ave. Marshfield, WI 54449

Flower Power

August 22nd -25th at

3301 Eau Pleine Park Road, Mosinee, WI

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Zac C

- North East – inactive
- Rivers Edge - spoken
- Scenic Bluffs – spoken
- South East Family

Good morning family.

All is going well in SEFA. At our last ASC we had nine GSRs in attendance. PR is the only open position for the area. There is an interested person, just not willing to commit yet.

We had a discussion about the phone line issue. SEFA is opposed to getting rid of all of the numbers. Our meeting lists are using a QR code that is printed on a business card as well as a 3x5 card that both contain 1-888-611-1817 on them. I'm not sure how many are in circulation. I can only guess, close to 1000. We feel that it would be a disservice to the still suffering addict to cancel this phone number.

Our H&I committee is getting back into facilities. We thank everyone that attended our "Pie in the Eye" fundraiser at the last regional meeting. It was a huge success.

We have an event planned for Feb. 17th called "Valentine's Day Bash". There will be four sets of speakers starting at 2:30pm with a dance to follow. I believe that a copy of the flyer has been sent out.

We are going through growing pains since we passed our newest policy. Moving to CBDM is throwing a curve ball to some members.

- SWANA – spoken, Area is operating as project based, flyer submitted to host March WRSC
- Washington Ozaukee Co. –
Hello Family,

We have some new people stepping up, both at the group and area levels. One position we are really pleased to have filled, is Fellowship Development. We are excited to be part of the Traveling Bags Tournament thru the various areas.

We have these two upcoming events.

1. Our Annual Bowling For Hope on March 2nd, 2024 see Regional Events.
2. Our Annual "Piggin Out" on July 13th, 2024.

Some of our meetings are growing, some stay the same, and others need help. Seems like the Nature of the Beast.

Yours in Service
RCM for WOCA

Jim L.

RCMA for WOCA

Patty M.

- Woods and Waters –

At our last meeting a motion that was made and tabled to go back to the groups was revisited, it was to add including mat/drt to the clean time requirement section of our policy and it was approved with a vote of 11-2-3.

Our current open positions are- Vice Chair, Policy, RCMA and Vice Treasurer.

Our next area service will be held in Rhinelander Wisconsin at the First United Methodist Church. It will be our Valentine's Day function with Journeys subcommittee at 1:30 and area service at 3. There will be a potluck meal speaker meeting to follow.

We voted to make a donation to region in the amount of \$500. I was going to bring the check to region when I attended in person but some family stuff came so I need to attend via zoom. We will get the check sent out in the mail the beginning of the week.

Sorry I am unable to attend in person, I was really looking forward to it, your fellow trusted servant in service Josh B.

**III. Elections
Open Positions**

- Co-Facilitator B
- Co-Secretary
- Hospitals and Institutions
- Vice Treasurer
- Activities
- Literature

January Elections

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- Co-Secretary
- Vice Treasurer
- WSNAC Rep Even – Rob D gave qualifications – ELECTED (2-year term)
- WRSO Rep Even – Vickie P gave qualifications – ELECTED (2-year term)
- WRSO Red Odd (1 year term because vacant)
- Fellowship Development – Chris W gave qualifications – Patty M gave subcommittee guidelines, ELECTED (1 year term)
- Public Relations – Dean H not present, PR committee voted for Dean to chair again, per Becky S/CoFac A, he can continue to serve by default and be elected next cycle since no other members expressed interest.

Pools

- WSNAC
- WRSO

Break for lunch 12:00 – 1:30

Roll Call after lunch

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Meet with WSNAC BOD – Mandy, Therese, Larry, Rand, Jenny, Mark, and a few names not heard...Mandy gave summary about WSNAC 39, they are working on final financials. WSNAC 40 is hosted by the WSNAC board. Location for 2026 was being discussed, straw poll was tied between staying at Chula Vista or finding a different location. Discussion of pros & cons.

We were asked to bring the information back to our Areas and bring a group conscience to March 2024 cycle. The second straw poll was 10-5 of staying at Chula Vista.

Questions about the options for WSNAC can be sent bestwsnacyet@gmail.com

- Comp room discussions revisited; WSNAC & WRSC are comped 30 rooms each in January and September that combine. This weekend we used 18, so 42 are available for September. Staff room rate is \$119/night. Members that chose not to share with other trusted servants need to pay half the bill.
- Discussion about hosting a retreat or recovery meeting, committees will discuss separately and send communication through reps.

Break for 10 minutes

IV. Financial Decisions

- A. Treasurer – **Report**
- B. Vice Treasurer - **Report**
- C. **Budget Discussions** – committees should submit budget
- D. Disbursements / Motions: none

V. Topics/ Discussion Board

January 2024 Topic Board

- ◇ Budgets in policy – Patty M/Policy explained the budgets are published according to the amounts provided. When new budget information is submitted it will be added to the policy document. Discussion of whether Treasurer should be tracking budget information. Agreement that Treasurer should track expenditures, and Policy publishes known information about the Subcommittee budgets.
- ◇ Phone lines – Deb W/IT provided stats for inbound phone usage of Area phone numbers. Areas are encouraged to retire their number to eliminate expense. Calls are still routing through Region's main phone line.
- ◇ WSNAC retreat or recovery meeting – Nicole F suggested starting with a meeting and working up to a retreat. Someone suggested we start attending a local meeting Friday evening. Then on Saturday we could have a meeting at the hotel with food & fun. **Proposal:** Have a recovery meeting with WSNAC at 7pm after the September 2024 WRSC Saturday session with pizza and bag toss to follow. **VOTE:** 8 consent 1 stand aside **PASSED**
- ◇ Scenic Bluffs hosting WRSC – will revisit in 2026, due to rotation.

Break for the cycle 3:35pm Saturday

VI. Closing business (Announcements, Next Meeting, Hugs, Prayer...)

Next WRSC will be hybrid on Zoom and Upland Hills Health Center, Dodgeville, WI - March 16 & 17, 2024 (see flyer on WRSC website)

RD Team meets online first Thursday of the month online, email RD team with questions.

PR meets the 1st Sunday of each month at 7pm. (Except when there's a holiday. Once or twice a year they reschedule to the 2nd Sunday.)

Helpline meets the 2nd Sunday of even-numbered months at 6PM

Policy meets the 2nd Saturday of odd numbered months at 8PM

IT meets the last Sunday of every month at 6PM