

UNAPPROVED WISCONSIN REGIONAL SERVICE CONFERENCE MINUTES

DATE: July 16-17th, 2011

PLACE: Madison, WI – Host: Badgerland Area

Area Round Table Discussions

- A. Current Cycle – Sound Financial Footing (expenses and donations) how Areas are getting their funds.
- B. Next Cycle – unknown topic

OPENING:

- A. Recovery Meeting @ 9:00 am
- B. Beginning of Conference Moment of Silence @ 10:15am
- C. Reading of The Servant Worker's Prayer
- D. Introductions
- E. Roll Call: 15 of 15 active areas present at first roll call
- F. 7th Tradition
- G. Reading of the 9th Concept
- H. Review – Adjust Agenda – Give overview of agenda: Remove RD under elections was elected last cycle.
- I. Special Business – RCM from NEWASC brought up an issue of an addict 13th stepping women in his Area. His Area/Groups are looking for experience, strength and hope. Discussion was held, these are the suggestions that came from the discussion.
 - a. Let the individual know that this behavior will not be tolerated.
 - b. Have women with clean time talk to the women that are being 13th stepped.
 - c. Addicts need to feel safe at the meetings
 - d. Use the SP's on disruptive behavior.

The body was informed that the printer and laptop was at Region to be used if needed/wanted.

TRUSTED SERVANTS REPORTS:

A. FACILITATOR: Lynn D

Good Morning Everyone, I want to thank Badgerland for hosting this cycle and setting us up here. I did make copies of the Addendum B Orientation Guidelines that I handed out, if people find these useful I will continue to do so. I have an idea to do a poster size map of our region and then ask the RCM's to help me place their Area name in the appropriate place on the map. I think this would be most helpful for new people to learn where everyone is in the Region.

In loving service Lynn

B. VICE-FACILITATOR: Tim S

Nothing to report.

C. JANUARY SECRETARY: Linda C

Additional notes from floor: Absent, Nancy M. volunteered to take notes for this Region. She asked that if the reports were not turned in to please e-mail them to Linda C. so that she can make sure that they are in the minutes for next cycle.

Email sent out prior to Region:

Hi Everyone I unfortunately have some family issues that will cause me to have to be home this coming weekend. I am sorry for this but it is unavoidable. If someone can please take notes, collect the reports and mail them all to me I will still put the minutes together.

I have been having phone problems for some months now, If you have called me and I did not reply it is because I did not get the message. I will be replacing the phone hopefully this weekend.

I will do a better job of checking my emails since I do not have a working phone at this time.

Linda

D. TREASURER: Rich M

Additional notes from floor: \$29.00 was collected for the 7th Tradition.

I informed the body verbally: When my term was up, I would NOT be accepting a nomination for another term. There needs to be a alternate treasurer soon so they can be trained before I leave my position.

In my absence MZF and NAWS donations were not made. I have written checks for the back donations to catch Region up on their donations to these bodies.

Rich M

E. VICE-TREASURER: OPEN**F. REGIONAL DELEGATE:** Chris K

Additional notes from floor: Requested \$454.30 to attend the MZF this coming September in Indiana, the same weekend as Region, request was passed. They also requested that the Delegate Internship be placed on the Topic Board. NAWS is now operating in the black they are in stage 2.5 moving closer to stage 2.

Dear Family, Warm love to the Badgers for hosting us and letting us into your burrow.

Service System Project update: Not much new to report. Please continue to spread the word about the project.

The 2012 Conference Agenda Report will include a set of "agreements in principle" related to the proposals to be voted on at the World Service Conference in April 2012. If those agreements pass, the BOD will present a project plan for some form of transition work group for the 2012-2014 Conference cycle.

World Unity Day will be September 4. NA members from around the world come together to share recovery, diversity, and unity. The 2 hour live hookup will cost \$50.

Once again, NAWS would like to remind us that NA members can make a one time or recurring contribution directly to NAWS through their website contribution portal. Details on NAWS website.

The "Living Clean" approval draft is still available from NAWS for \$8.50 or can be downloaded from an FTP site. All instructions can be found on the Living Clean page of the NAWS site. It will also appear as an addendum in the Conference Agenda Report. The final approval vote will be taken at the World Service Conference in April of 2012.

We would like to encourage any Area that wants a workshop on the Service System Project, the USFA, Rural Recovery, or any other of the numerous issue discussion topics to please make arrangements with your friendly neighborhood RD Team.

Chris facilitated a Service System Project workshop for BASIC Area on May 21. Chris would like to thank BASIC Area for the warm welcome and much love and the hot dogs.

Bill attended the MZF at Pelican Lake, MN on May 27-30. (See separate report.)

Bill also attended the Journeys Convention in Minocqua on June 10-12 to facilitate a 2 hour USFA workshop. The room was full and the attendees were engaged. The presentation itself took about an hour, followed by questions, answers, and lively discussion. The discussion didn't end at the end of the workshop, but carried over well into evening and into the next day.

The RD Team would like to discuss the idea of "Delegate Internship" to promote education and training on what is expected of a Delegate. We believe that the "ID" position/pool will allow members to learn and grow with us instead of from us. (Put on board.)

In the spirit of rotation, and since the MZF continues to schedule its meetings on our RSC weekends, the Delegate Team is once again forced to split its resources. It's Bill's turn in the barrel. Therefore, Bill will need funding to attend the next MZF meeting on September 16-18 at CIACNA in Indianapolis. Costs are as follows: hotel \$208.30, mileage 544 miles, \$136, per diem for 3 days, \$90, and registration \$20. Total=\$454.30 That's all for now.

Thanks for letting us serve. Chris & Bill

G. REGIONAL DELEGATE ALTERNATE: Bill O

Midwest Zonal Forum Report May 2011

Dear Family, I attended the Midwest Zonal Forum on May 27-30 at Pelican Lake MN. We arrived on Friday at the Fair Hills resort at about dinnertime. At 7:30pm we participated in a workshop titled "What is the MZF?".

Much information was given, many questions were asked, and there was an excellent discussion. It set the

stage for a later discussion on the floor of the business meeting.

On Saturday, we met from 10am till noon. This was for reports and to develop the topics for the Sunday session. From 2pm till 4pm, we attended a presentation on the USFA. There was some new information, and a brisk discussion. There was much open dissent as well as agreement. Among those who attended, the discussion went on well after the workshop ended.

On Sunday, we met from 10am till 3pm. The first topic discussed was our finances. It seems that the reimbursements for the trip to this MZF will just about clean out the Treasury. The members agreed that this was OK, and that there was enough time before the next MZF to recover.

The next MZF will be in Indianapolis, Indiana at CIACNA on September 16-18. This once again conflicts with our September RSC. I have been assured by the MZF that there is no conspiracy against Wisconsin, but one never knows...

The CAR/CAT MZF meeting will be in Perrysburg, Ohio on February 10-12. Plans are still being made. We have worked out a very aggressive agenda, and NAWS is being requested to attend.

Drug Court Surveillance: A member explained a problem of correction officers taking attendance at meetings to ensure that their clients were there. This has made many members in that Area very uncomfortable. One member suggested that courts cards are "implied surveillance". Another suggested a PR presentation to the appropriate agencies and explaining our Traditions and the difference between an open and closed meeting. The question of using Skype or some other electronic medium for attending MZF meetings was discussed. It was decided that much more research needed to be done before we could make any kind of decision. One member attended electronically and actually voted in an election.

What is the MZF? What does it do? After some discussion, it was decided that we will design and create an MZF information pamphlet containing much of the information available on the MZF website. Size and funding were also discussed. A draft is being made and will be discussed at the next MZF meeting.

The consensus based decision-making process was discussed. There was limited support for a proposed change in the stand aside and blocking protocols. We closed at 3pm.

At 3:30 I facilitated a Rural Recovery Workshop. It was a 1-hour workshop so we modified it to be an open large group discussion. There was a lot of participation, and I believe that those in attendance came away with a better understanding of the challenges and some new tools they can take home with them.

That's all for now.

It is an honor and a privilege to serve, Bill

H. WRSO REP; Gene J

Read report did not submit for minutes

I. WISCONSIN NA CONVENTION ODD YEAR: Des W

Additional notes from floor: Potential for more seats to be open on the BOD of WISNAC, Bids for WSNAC was put on the board.

Hello Region, It is great to be of service to the Region once again. Last cycle was a great learning experience for me personally. Both the WRSC & THE WSNAC BOD were meeting at the same time and I tried to relay the information, to the service body as I learned about it. I thought our secretary was writing the information, which I was relaying, down as I was speaking. I was wrong for assuming this & I should have checked with Linda. This is not an excuse but an explanation of why the report was not written. (Please send all hate mail, bomb and death threats to me not, Linda. This was not her fault.). I was wrong and I formally apologize to the WRSC for my actions. I will be more diligent in the future and try to relay this information to future WISNAC REPS.

The BOD sent flowers to Jack's funeral. Typically, corporations usually send flowers to the family of the deceased and since Jack was a current BOD member, we felt this was the right thing to do.

Several members might be leaving this coming year and there is the potential for a number of people to join the BOD. We meet on the weekend of the second Sunday. That is usually the weekend before Region, for those who are interested. The BOD put out a letter to Areas about Bid requirements, which I handed out. Cory will elaborate on these things more today.

The minutes, from the BOD, for May, have been approved and should have been sent to Linda.

The centerpieces will be a glass vase with the WSNAC logo etched on the out side. The inside of the vase will

have marbles, a Beta fish, and water for the fish. There will be a one of a kind vase, similar to the centerpiece vase just larger, that will be put for auction at the convention. There are some bugs to be worked out by the host committee but they will be resolved fairly easily; so no worries there.

The BOD is looking at hotels that can hold future WSNAC's.

Mark N is doing the web advertisements for the WSNAC banquet and magician show.

The BOD is looking at liability insurance. We are wondering if the current one is the best policy or not and they are looking into maybe getting a better policy.

The BOD went to a workgroup discussion format this last weekend, which turned out to be very productive and positive. We went over BOD guidelines, to improve, simplify, and clarify the guidelines; so that future members will have an easier guideline to go by. The WSNAC matrix, a block out line for the host committee to use, is also being redone to help future host committees. Both the guidelines and the matrix are on going projects that will great benefit the BOD, the host committee and the overall operations of WSNAC. Kudos, to the BOD, for having the foresight, to do this. Keep up the great work!

My overall thoughts are that the WSNAC BOD and the host committee are doing a fantastic job. The WRSC should feel very comfortable about the work being done now and for future WSNAC'S to come.

I would like everyone to know that our chairperson, Corey celebrated twenty years clean this last Sunday.

Please congratulate him on a job well done so far. Keep up the great job Corey. Thank you for your service to your area, WSNAC, and the region. We appreciate you.

In Loving Service, Des

J. WISCONSIN NA CONVENTION EVEN YEAR: OPEN

AREA REPORTS:

A. **BADGERLAND:** Dianne HRCM, Wes H RCMA
No Report

B. **BASIC:** Kerry K RCM, Neil B RCMA
No Report

C. **BIG RIVERS:** Jeff M RCM

Good morning family from the Big Rivers Area. The Big Rivers Area is alive and well and recovery is happening. A lot is going on with the warm summer months. The I Can't We Can campout was held the 1st weekend in June 3-5, 2011. The weather was fabulous and the turn out was good and fun was had by all! Our fall campout will be Let Loose 6 on Sept 2-5, 2011. See Flyer this is Labor Day weekend and the change this year is to a 3-day campout instead of 2. Registration is still \$40.00 it will go to \$60.00 on Aug 1st, 2011. This includes 3 meals a day, lodging and shelters w/heat, showers, bunk beds. If you want to tent camp there is an area adjacent to our facilities. Camp Wyalusing is a state park with 1,000's of acres with lots of activities for all. Our H&I chairperson is coordinating with Chippewa Valley's area H&I chairperson to find volunteers to do meetings in the Jackson Correctional Facility in Black Rivers Falls WI. Big Rivers lost volunteers though attrition and was no longer able to do 2 meetings a month on Monday nights. Hopefully by joining forces with Chippewa Valley we will be able to continue to carry the message of recovery at this facility. No donation to Region at this time.

In Loving Service Jeff

D. **CHIPPEWA VALLEY:** Jeff H RCM

Hello fellow trusted servants: our Chippewa Valley Area service committee has really come together and is firing on all 8 cylinders. Thank you to Regional members who have directly participated in offering us support and advice. We have negotiated an offer with the Best Western Arrowhead Lodge in Black river Falls to provide discounted guest and conference rooms for Sept WRSC accommodation. Details have been submitted to the treasurer for final approval and reservation. Flyers are available and we look forward to being your host.

In Loving Service Jeff

E. **INLAND LAKES:** Becky E RCM, Don S RCMA

Currently we have one open position and that is Outreach.

We sent the US Fellowship Assembly motions back to the groups in our area. We had a vote at area and their were 22 yes's, 1 no, and 1 abstention.

Thank you for letting me serve, Becky

F. **INNER CITY: INACTIVE**

G. **KETTLE MORAINE: Steve M RCM**

Hello from KMA. Our meetings are going well and have great attendance our ASC on the other hand is not doing well we have many open positions including chair, vice chair, vice treasurer, rcma, policy and public relations. Our next function is Unity Jam on Aug 5, 6 and 7th at camp Y-Koda near Sheboygan Falls. Our donation to Region is \$64.93.

In Loving Service Steve

H. **MILWAUKEE: Willie M RCM**

Good morning my name is Willie M I am an addict. I am now the RCM of Milwaukee Area. The RCMA position is open. Milwaukee Area is doing well our two recent functions the Putt-Putt event and the campout were successful. There will be two picnics hosted by local meetings in Aug. We have no new function coming up until Thanksgiving. A new function is in the works for a possible New Years Eve event. The Milwaukee Area needs more info about the USSC, will be looking to set up a workshop. All service positions are taken except two, Alt Treasurer & RCMA. Our area is strong with good participation of the GSR's.

Thank you for allowing me to serve Willie

I. **NORTH CENTRAL: Nancy K RCM**

Hi region family, my name is Larry and I am the RCM for the North Central Area. I am glad to be here at regions this week. We have a lot of exciting things occurring in our area:

- 1) We just started a new meeting on July 12th, 2011 at the Salvation Army in Stevens Point WI. This meeting will be held on Tuesdays at 7pm.
- 2) We were contacted by the Portage County Jail to see if we would be able to start a meeting in the jail. This is still in the planning stages. Our H&I chair, Clay, is working hard on this and he is here this weekend to attend the H&I workshop.
- 3) Our PR chair, Ted, is here this weekend as well. He is working on putting up Hotline Flyers in the North Central Area. North Central Wisconsin Hotline # is 1-866-590-2651. I brought a few flyers with me if anyone would like to take a look.
- 4) Our Activities chair, Megan, has worked with her committee to have a function on August 20, 2011 in the township of Rome, WI. I have flyers with me so please take them back to your area. The function is also posted on the NA function calendar.

Our area has been contacted by a NA member from the Woods and Waters area about joining forces with them and regions to host a campout/function in September. As of now, I'm unsure if we will do this as our next service meeting is not until next month. That's all I have for now.

In Loving Service, Larry

J. **NORTHEAST: Des W RCMA, David J RCMA**

HELLO REGION, It is great to be here once again. We had a great raft race and campout in Marinette. We will have another Unity Picnic Sunday. The groups are doing well and we are starting a new group in Wasawkee, just west of Marinette and Pestigo. The meetings in Keshena and Shawano are asking that they be formally put on the regional meeting list. They have met the requirements from our area and we would like to ask region to do so. We are sending \$218.75 to world and them same amount to region. My area has asked me to find out from the region how we get names off of the website. Maybe an open topic discussion topic subject.

In Loving service, Des

K. **ROCK RIVER: George D RCM, Kate RCMA**

I was elected RCM, Kate was elected RCMA

Spiritual Retreat Aug 19-21, Area Picnic Aug 6, Lit Review Co Fac still open, Reg Don \$99.77

Thanks for letting me serve George D

L. **SCENIC BLUFFS: Curt P RCM**

No Report

M. SOUTHEAST FAMILY: Jeff P RCM, Timmer W RCMA

Good morning family our last area meeting was on the 10th of July & was lightly attended again. Our newest meeting “Winds of Change” on Thurs at 5:00pm at the “Out Cast Club” in Kenosha, is going well and will appear on our new meeting list. We have 2 functions set – our July 30th is a combined NA-AA Unity picnic at Smolemski Park in Racine this is a 3rd annual. And SEFA’s 4th “Picnic in the Park” on Aug 20th at Macbride Park in Racine. Flyers will be on the table hopefully the weather and the turnout will be good. The other good news is we have a \$100 donation from SEFA.

N. UPPER PENINSALA: Pat C RCM, Elaine E RCMA

No Report

O. WASHINGTON OZAUKEE COUNTY: Rodney W RCM, Bruce T RCMA

No Report

P. WOODS & WATERS: Rodney W RCM, Cindy W RCMA

Hello family we have a campout in Washburn coming up Aug 11-12-13 in beautiful Washburn WI. Area service is at 11am Labor Day campout in Bergland MI on Lake Gogebic Sept 2-3-4-5. Our last area service was in June at Picnic in the Park in Marear WI. Most of our positions are now filled Cindy W is our new RCMA. Working on getting gossip out of meetings and to work together for this solution H&I treatment center in Rhineland & was well received. PR is planning mass lit mailing and Rand W is new Activities chair. We are struggling to overcome some obstacles and will by applying principles before personalities. Journeys was a huge success thanks to all of you. Thanks to Bill & Harold for presentation. \$50.00 donation, we have a new driver for picking up inmates at Mcnauthon Prison in Lake Tomahawk Thanks Doug F

In Loving service Rodney W

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION start time 1:46 pm

Where do we go to get addicts involved, financially and with service? Starts with Sponsor/Sponsee, show by example. Teach the Traditions and service work. Break down where the money goes. Why don’t groups contribute to Area? Have the Area go to Groups and ask questions. Do a group/Area inventory. Are Groups supporting the service that Area Provides? Are there services that aren’t needed? Trusted Servants tend to be old timers...while GSR’s tend to be newcomers. What have you done for me lately...kind of thinking. What does Area do? Are Groups not fully supporting Area? If two Area meetings are missed the Outreach committee goes to the Group. GSR/GSRA’s/Groups workshops. Badgerland RCM requested a Service Workshop. Have other Area’s come with their GSR’s. Pass the basket twice. Maybe the Groups don’t need Area; maybe it is time to disband. How is the Area spending its money? Groups are holding functions; they may be getting the function off the ground by going to the Area for some money.

End of Round Table, break for 15 minutes, reconvened the meeting with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.

SUBCOMMITTEE / ADHOC REPORTS:**A. ACTIVITIES – Elaine E**

Additional notes from floor: Asked the right way to get insurance, was told that as of July 31, 2011 the insurance that we have will end. WRSO will be getting new insurance. Not sure what the new insurance will require for coverage of functions.

It has been a few months since some of us have seen each other and I know for me it is my highlight of my trip to share and care with others and grow in my recovery and service. I know there have been a lot of things within our personal life’s and recovery family life’s in the last few months and my thoughts and prayers go out to us all. We as activities sub-committee do have a secretary Sarah from ILUA and co-chair Jeremy also from

that area and a few activities chairs that recently showed up at our last activities. Jeremy is currently working on a mass calendar of all events, and functions within the region. We are currently working on guidelines within the committee. I would hope that at the next hosting site we would have more activities chairs to attend the activities meeting. I also will be putting out fliers out this afternoon for R.C.M.S to take back to their activities chairs in their areas and also I will be putting out contact information so we can contact chairs if so. This helps Region to Area and Area to Region to communicate with each other on how they are doing within their areas regarding events, functions and carrying the message to the addict. If no one objects I will be using 100.00 for lunch out of the budget for this learning and growing experience. Well since our last visit I have return some phone call and e-mails from a few areas that were at the last activities meeting.

Woods and water:

Rodney from area was the activities chair and requested help in his Activities report for the Little Girls Point on Labor Day weekend in September. I did return a phone call to him he informed me that he is not currently the activities chair and sent me to Rand who is now currently the activities chair for that area. He then said he would get back to me and he would check in to it as he did and things were happening a little fast for a camp-out by September. I talk with some in the committee and we decided not to go for it and have them prepared something next year if possible. But, shared with him that could be something we could look into for next year.

Basic Area:

I have communicated with them by phone, I think it is pertinent that we as a body or possibly Gene may verbally touch on this, one if we have insurance two if we are non-profit or who is and if there are numbers or I.D. so the R.C.M. and can take this back to the areas activities sub-communities. I like to also ask the right way to get help for insurance or what would be your system to get insurance and how long before event.

U.P.N.A:

They are moving forward with their events and function and looking forward to their upcoming Spiritual reflection Retreat in August. They ask to please announce at your areas or groups for early registrations. Question that arises is to get some experience, strength and hope from other areas about having H.I. and Activities together as event, but separate? I know our primary purpose is to carry the message to the still suffering addict and it is not all about making money neither what we need funds to carry a message with literature, and also my opinion fun also because if I didn't see fun here I don't know if I would of stayed, just saying.

Chippewa Valley:

I have been communicating through e-mail and phone contact and recently they have gotten a new temporally activities chair addict named Christian. I have talk with her a few times and she shared with me about the hosting site and the recently activities meeting for the function and or workshop. They were thinking of having workshops at the same time as region and I like to hear your thoughts on this regarding this type of function. I know that all groups, areas and so on are autonomous but I know sharing and caring will help us in our recovery, service and personal life's. We have decided to do a conjunction function with them and like to ask for \$150.00 to contribute with the initial setup costs and we agreed to a financial 50/50 profit/loss split.

I.L.U.A:

We are currently in process of finalizing an event in Jan 2012 in conjunction with the inland lakes area. This event will be a winters retreat at Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya in Suring Wisconsin. The Dates of this will be Jan 19th thru the 22nd and the costs will be \$15 for Thursday night accommodations only. And \$70 in advance and \$75 at the Retreat for Friday thru Sunday and included are heated cabins, 3 meals sat and breakfast Sunday. Also included, the camp supplies winter outdoor gear, snowshoeing, cross-country Skiing, Ice skates, Sleds for the sledding hill and we ordered plenty of snow!!!! This is a laid back Retreat being held after the holiday rush and it is a great time to take some self time and recuperate. Look for a flyer next region.

Bagerland:

I am currently working with Chad from the Activities chair to have a conjunction function for Hug-A-Fool April fool's day. I was told that this region to that conjunction function with the area in the past. More will be revealed.

So in closing I just like to say thank you to Bagerland for the hospitality and the great time, with more to be had. Also, I hope to have reports from all the areas and contact information in the near future. R.C.M. please take the flier's I will soon provide and also contact list back to your areas and hope to see your activities chair

at next hosting sites for the Activities meeting. Finally, I like to work on keeping on working on for unity and structure --- in a goal of better communication with areas. Thank you all for allowing me to serve and learn as I go and ask questions. I can only learn when I listen and ask.

P.S. Just found out the copier is not working so I will work on this so there will be flier by end of day or morning

In loving service, Elaine

B. HOSPITALS & INSTITUTION – Marla M

There were 25 people from 8 areas present at today’s H&I round-up! We have a contact list of members. We discussed how to get more members involved in H&I, how to get literature for facilities and how to organize H&I subcommittees at the area level. Members feel that in person meetings are vitally important and want to meet in conjunction with WRSC twice a year, if possible. Our next meeting will be Sept 10, 2011 at 3:15 following the H&I Volleyball Tournament in Neenah, WI.

In Loving Service Marla

C. POLICY - Harold

No written report turned in. Chair has some concerns about discrepancies in our guidelines. He received some concern about doing work outside of Regions meeting, due to Region working under group consensus. What is the need for subcommittees if we do the work during Region? After much discussion was held on this, the question was asked how many Areas’s are using Group consensus decision-making process. Can the lone voice abuse using the “block”, but the lone voice still needs to be heard. Discussed the verbiage used Consent, Stand Aside, and Block, took a straw poll to change the verbiage, 9 voted to keep as it is. The question was asked...keep working on the guideline....yes was the response.

Proposal: Take orientation guidelines out of our guidelines and move to Outreach, passes.

Ten-minute break reconvened the meeting with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.

A request to suspend the order of the day was requested to revisit WSNAC Pool. The following addicts gave their service resumes: Elaine E., Lynn M., Harold L., and Cindy W. All were voted into the pool and all have resumes on file with the secretary except Lynn M who filled out one and it was turned in.

Back to Policy, RCM’s take back to Area’s the verbiage changes. Policy will work on updating and changing the Regions Guidelines.

Cory from WSNAC (see letter) explained the bid process. RCM’s take back to your Area’s if they want to host WSNAC

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SUNDAY 9:00 am start reconvened the meeting with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.  
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D. OUTREACH – Jeremy C

Additional notes from floor: Discussed having a workshop at WSNAC...Why are we here and who it benefits. The format of the workshop will be as follows: Brief History – Gene J., Current Function – Patrick & Jeremy, Services We Provide – Bill O. & Dez W., Who Benefits – Lee & Harold, Chairing the workshop – Becky. Have the information for this workshop at the September cycle. This should be an educational and information workshop.

I spoke with a member of the North Central Area at the Journeys Convention and they had said their area was slowly rebuilding and that they may have representation at the July region.

I called and spoke with the new Vise Chair of Inner City Area and at this time there is no RCM and RCMA. I asked her about what area functions were being held or planned and she responded that recently the Activities chair was asked to step down due to a lack of responsibility with funds. As a result she informed me that as of

now there are no functions planned and being held in the inner city area. I had extended an offer to her that I would help supply her with any info and event flyers that I receive at region until they are able to send a representative.

In Service, Jeremy Clark

E. PUBLIC RELATIONS – OPEN

Additional notes from floor: Meeting lists have been received. Looking into changing the format for printing the meeting lists for the jails. Gene J. will look over the PR guidelines.

Dear Family, The new Regional meeting directories have arrived...HOORAYYYYYY!!! Many thanks and much credit go to Becky E. for taking on this task. Great job, Becky. (As a side note, I received an email from our printer a few weeks ago informing me that we had already paid for an order last year that we never placed, so this order was already paid for in full.)

Gene and I attended the National Rural Institute for Alcohol and Drug Abuse (NRIADA) in Menomonie on June 12-16. We were greeted with even more recognition than last year, both personal and as NA. The venue for this year was changed, as the usual building was closed for renovations. The main gathering room and the workshops were in 2 separate buildings 2 blocks apart. This meant that the exhibitors had less contact with attendees than in previous years. We saw them in the morning for the opening plenary and break. We saw little of them the rest of the day.

Our presentation was on Monday morning of the conference, right after the opening plenary. There were 7 attendees registered. That might seem small, but that was just below the average of all the other workshops and tracks. The workshop went very well and was well received. Gene and I are already forming ideas for a 3rd workshop. We might even consider consolidating the previous 2 workshops into a mini workshop presented over 3 days in 1 ½ hour segments each morning. We spoke with many of the attendees as they stopped by our table in the mornings. We gave away a fair amount of literature and Gene sold some books. The word is getting out there to the rural communities. Over all, another successful conference, and we recommend that it be approved again for next year.

The Wisconsin Correctional Association annual conference will be September 26-27 at the Marriot in Middleton, WI. Once again we are asking the Badgerland Area to staff the exhibit. It looks like they are making a few changes that will make for even more time with the exhibitors. We are requesting funding for his conference and literature this cycle.

The Mental Health and Substance Abuse (MHSA) conference will be October 25-26 at the Madison Concourse Hotel in Madison. Funding for this will come in September.

Poverty Matters conference will take place November 17-18 at the Paper Valley in Appleton. More info as becomes available.

That's all for now. Bill

F. LITERATURE – OPEN

G. ADHOC REGIONAL BASIC BUSINESS – Lee

Read his report. Much discussion was held on this matter which this proposal was raised. Areas and or Groups may vote for any funds over allotted budgets that is necessary for the prudent functioning of subcommittee or trusted servant. Again after much discussion it was determined that we already have this in place in our Guidelines any RCM can as for any issue to be taken back to Area's/Groups. Facilitator stated that this Adhoc is no longer needed.

BASIC SERVICES

A. Approval of last cycle minutes – The minutes of May's cycle minutes were approved.

B. ELECTIONS:

RDA: Bill O. was elected. Note: Cindy W. was dropped from the election process due to the fact that she isn't here at this time. (Sunday 11:25am)

VICE TREASURER: OPEN

PR: Becky was nominated; she will come back next cycle with a decision.

LITERATURE: OPEN

OUTREACH: Jeremy was elected.

WRSO POOL: OPEN

WSNAC REP EVEN In honor of the previous it was proposed to leave this position open until next cycle.

H&I: Marla M. was nominated, election will be next cycle.

REGISTERED AGENT: Kurt P. accepted.

C. MOTIONS:

FINANCIAL MOTIONS:

None Submitted

POLICY & BUSINESS MOTIONS:

None Submitted

D. BUDGETS:

Prioritized list of Topics by RCM's

DISCUSSED IN ORDER CHOOSEN BY RCM'S

1. TOPIC 1 – Intern Delegates
?? Easier to teach while doing the job. Take time to train new people to step up to RDA, maybe an intern pool. Take people with the RD/RDA team to functions they attend. They could go to 1 or all functions. Mentorship works, top down, this would work more in line with our service system. Financial impact would be per-diem, maybe even Area's would fund. Team comes back with a financial impact per-diem and mileage and more information.
2. TOPIC 2 – Sub-Committee's at Region
?? Do we want to meet Sub-committees on Saturday with Region on Sunday, or have sub-committees meet at another time. We have put a schedule of sub-committees together for them to meet on Saturday during Region.
3. TOPIC 3 – Area's with more than one sub-committee doing a function
?? If we can't create unity between our sub-committees how do we create it elsewhere? Have policies in place to support this concept. Combined events, put funds into General fund, no ear marking of funds, funds come out of one bank account. Need to co-operate among ourselves. Remember our primary purpose.
4. TOPIC 4 – Skype
?? Using an electronic means for RCM's/Area's to attend Region. It will cost \$450.00 plus for the year. Go back to our Area's about this concept. Money that could be saved for traveling to Region could be used in better ways to fulfill our primary purpose.
?? FINAL DECISION - Chris K. will chair the Adhoc for telecommunications.
5. TOPIC 5 – Bid requirements for WSNAC
?? The Board of WSNAC has some concerns that only 1 bid has been received for WSNAC XXX. Bids need to be to the Board by August.
?? FINAL DECISION

OTHER BUSINESS:

- ?? Read motions and other business to be sent back to areas.
- ?? Announce next meeting location; all other announcements.
- ?? Closed with a group hug.

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AREAS HOSTING WRSC SCHEDULE

SEP	2011	4A CHIPPEWA VALLEY
NOV	2011	1B SOUTH EAST FAMILY
JAN	2012	WSNAC Hosting Area
MAR	2012	2B INLAND LAKES
MAY	2012	WSNAC Hosting Area
JUL	2012	3B BASIC
SEP	2012	4B BIG RIVERS
NOV	2012	1C KETTLE MORaine