

May 2023 WRSC Minutes
APPROVED 7/15/2023

I. Opening by dezzz (RD) 9:05 AM

- Moment of silence/Prayer
- Reading of the Servant Worker’s Prayer / Read Concept 5 - Patty M
- Introductions / Clean Time Anniversaries! Anniversaries
March 20 – May 21
(Sunday)
- Roll Call

<u>Trusted Servants/Area Representative</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Trusted Servants/ Area Representative</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Co Facilitator A		<u>Badgerland</u>	absent
Co Facilitator B	absent w notice	<u>Big Rivers</u>	absent
Secretary/RA	Nichole M	<u>Chippewa Valley</u>	inactive
Treasurer	Rob T	<u>Inland Lakes</u>	Ellen K
Vice-Treasurer		<u>Inner City</u>	inactive
RD	dezzz	<u>Kettle Moraine</u>	absent w notice
RDA	Tyler L	<u>Milwaukee/Waukesha</u>	Chris W
WRSO Rep Even	absent	<u>North Central</u>	absent
WRSO Rep Odd		<u>North East WI</u>	inactive
WSNAC Rep Even	Rob D	<u>River’s Edge</u>	absent
WSNAC Rep Odd	Jon F	<u>Scenic Bluffs</u>	absent
Activities		<u>South East Family</u>	Joe D/Nicole F
Fellowship Development		<u>SWANA</u>	absent
H&I		<u>WOCA</u>	Jim L/Patty M
IT	Deb W (Big Rivers)	<u>Woods & Waters</u>	absent
Literature		<u>AdHoc - Alphabet Soup</u>	Ellen K
Policy	Patty M	<u>AdHoc – 10th Concept</u>	dezzz & Tyler L
Public Relations	Dean H	<u>AdHoc – Digital Archive</u>	Nichole M

Deb W (KMA)

- 7th Tradition – Please use regional website [donate here](#)
- Review-Adjust Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
- Orientation – dezzz explained that May and July are virtual meetings also we use Slack for communication between cycles, request a link to join (secretary@wisconsinna.org).

II. Reports

Trusted Servant Reports

- A. Co-Facilitator A (OPEN)
- B. Co-Facilitator B (absent with notice)

C. Secretary – Good morning! Deb W (KMA) worked on the suggested duties for a Co-Secretary position. I was able to work with the IT Committee about some ideas for making the zoom link more easily accessible for these cycles. The link is listed in the events calendar for each Regional cycle.

Discussion about whether we have quorum for decisions, per Policy changes that have not yet been published, we do not need quorum for Consensus Based Decision Making. The committee agreed to submit changes for Policy to add Co-Secretary position to Guidelines.

D. Co Secretary – position does not exist yet

E. Treasurer - Greetings,

Our current balance as of 5/19/2023 is \$20,393.68 after a 5/2/2023 deposit from Marco for \$1,612.82. the deposit slip sent to me reads a deposit of \$1662.82 where the bank reflects \$50.00 less as one of the checks listed on the deposit slip couldn't be cashed. CK# 10995 for \$50.00 from NEW(?)

Check 5788 for \$75.00 on 4/11/2023 and checkn5789 for \$201.88 on 4/10/2023 cashed and cleared as reflected in the attached bank statements.

No other activity.

Having issues trying to have Quick Books reflect the bank statements. Dezz and I worked on this. I need help from Becky to hopefully make sense of this.

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 who you are.

Sincerely,

Rob Twardy

(See two bank statements attached to the minutes)

		20393.68	Balance reported in May 2023 Regional Treasury report	
5/2/2023	DEP	1612.82	Deposit from WRSO - 50.00 difference waiting to hear from Marco	
		18780.86	Balance reported in March 2023 Regional Treasury report	
2/28/2023		18533.47	Feb 28 Balance (bank statement)	
3/20/2023	5787	-380.58	dezz G	RD expenses
3/20/2023	DEP	1747.56	7th Tradition and area deposits (\$1500.00 from Woods and Waters, \$26.00 7th Tradition, \$221.56 from KMASC)	
3/21/2023	5786	-75.00	Becky S	conference participant
3/21/2023	Debit	-47.45	paypal	zoom
3/22/2023	5784	-75.00	Deb W	conference participant
3/23/2023	Debit	-400.00	Twilio	Twilio
3/23/2023	5785	-75.00	Nichole M	conference participant
3/24/2023	5783	-170.26	Larry A	Admin Fees
			Checks not cashed yet	
11-Apr	5788	-75.00	Dylan W	conference participant
4/10/2023	5789	-201.88	Matt L	PR Supplies

Discussion of not renewing QuickBooks license at the end of this month. Unsure of cost currently, there is a popup each time the Treasurer is logging in notifying of a renewal notice.

The decision was to not renew the license at this time. The Treasurer is more comfortable with Excel spreadsheets and bank statements.

F. Vice-Treasurer (OPEN)

G. Regional Delegate & Regional Delegate Alternative

May 2023 Regional Report from Wisconsin RD

Hello family,

Since we last met in March, we have traveled to the World Service Conference and are home to report the happenings. We also conducted several CAR/CAT presentations. We will be submitting for a reimbursement for a tiny bit of excess funds due to the price of airfare going over our planned budget (244.70). We will not be submitting for any food costs at this point, as we concluded that we had to eat whether at home or in California (even though it is more expensive than Wisconsin).

Wisconsin Regional news!

We are still using slack, but it is only a holding place for messages within the past 90 days. It is our understanding that we will be hosting an archive page with our past minutes and other information on our website for anyone who wants to see how we conduct business in Wisconsin NA. Here is the link you can use to join our Slack Channel, please do so, as this is a great way to stay connected between cycles. [JOIN SLACK LINK](#). If this does not work, please send an email to rdteam@wisconsinna.org and ask for another invite, we will get it sent out immediately.

We are scheduled to meet next in July, on July 15 and 16. At this point, Tyler will be available and dezzz may be out of town, but will be available for any questions that come up.

The Wisconsin Regional service office is still open. Please email them and find out how they can help you with what you need at this time (wrso2@yahoo.com). With the changes to the price of literature, please make sure you are using the most current copy of the order form. It does not appear that the newest order form is on the website, so please contact the office directly for this information.

Midwest Zonal Forum News.

The next meeting for the MZF is scheduled for August 18 and 19, but the location has yet to be released.

As soon as we know, we will get the information out to everyone. Remember that the MZF always meets with a hybrid option. Wisconsin is slotted to host the MZF in a hybrid form in January 2024. Currently there is a bid being formed in Fond du Lac, The bid should be put together and presented to MZFNAs at their August meeting. Also dezzz was named as the representative to work on the workgroup for the future of the WSC from the MZF. She will begin this work and meet with the other representatives from the other zones to present any new ideas. If you have anything you would like to contribute, let dezzz know. She is happy to get your feedback and ideas heard. And she is honored that the MZF is allowing her to take this position.

The 3rd occurrence of the Multi Regional Service Learning Days is being planned (tentatively 4th Q 2024).

There will be a meeting on April 11 at 6 PM CDT, we will post the zoom ID in slack, or if you don't use slack, but are interested, email us and we will get you the information. Please get involved. We all have something to give.

NA World News

Here is a link to the new NA portal, which has all the World Service Conference information that you need. [WSC 2023 – WSC Portal \(worldna.org\)](http://worldna.org)

We are also attaching the WSC Summary of Decisions, which lists all the outcomes of the motions from this cycle of the WSC. Here are the big announcements:

- Virtual meetings are now recognized as meetings by the entire fellowship of NA
- WSC will not be meeting on a 3-year cycle (hybrid) with a virtual meeting happening in between the cycles
- Anthony Edmondson announced he will be retiring as the Executive Director in December 2024, at which point Becky Meyers will be taking his place while NAWS begins to search for the next

Executive Director, which may be in place in 2026 timeframe.
The rest of the information can be found in the summary report.

Final Thoughts

The next world convention is set to happen in Washington DC August 19 – September 1, 2024. Start planning now to attend this event. It will be amazing. Registration is not open yet, but the dates are set and if you want to keep watching on na.org for more information, you can.

It is further encouraged that if you want to get this information when it is released that you go to www.na.org/subscribe and complete the registration to receive the information announcements from NAWS as they are released. This is a great way to get plugged into all the changes that continue to happen within our Fellowship.

The term for this RD Team is up in March of 2024, between now and then, we will be meeting to discuss a go forward plan for the placement of those who want to serve as members of the RD team that will best suit our region. Please let us know if you are interested in helping with that planning. You can email us at rdteam@wisconsinna.org

In Loving Service,
Regional Delegate Team
dezzz G and Tyler L

H. WRSO Rep Even

I. WRSO Rep Odd

J. WSNAC Rep Even – spoken report

K. WSNAC REP Odd

L. AdHoc 10th Concept – dezzz & Tyler reported no progress yet

M. AdHoc Alphabet Soup – Ellen K is planning to have meeting 1st Wednesday

N. AdHoc Archive – Nichole M has been in communication with Tim B (web host) and the IT subcommittee

Subcommittee Reports

- Activities (OPEN) – **discussion about having a speaker event for the September Regional/WSNAC session – Jon F will bring request for room to WSNAC BOD**
- Hospitals and Institutions (OPEN) – dezzz reported that inmate tablets at Oak Hill and possibly throughout Wisconsin will begin having NA white booklet & IP digital literature available.
- Information Technologies (I.T.) –

IT Subcommittee report May 20, 2023

We had elections within the subcommittee. Trusted servants are:

Website Coordinator: Vacant – Tim B appointed pending new blood

Events Coordinator: Jane W

BMLT Coordinator: Mike R

Helpline Coordinator: Erin M

Open positions: Vice Chair, Secretary, Website Coordinator. We would LOVE to have more volunteers whether for these positions or members at large. We could use helpline volunteers, we need website volunteers, we need members.

Anything tech related you are interested in - training provided. Release your inner geek! We meet virtually the last Sunday of each month at 6pm. Talk to me or Tim or email webservants@wisconsinna.org we'd love to hear from you!

At WRSC in March, our proposal for listing meetings that are not affiliated with an Area was approved, and we were asked to add it to our guidelines. We added the following language, under the BMLT Administrator duties.

Maintain database for meetings unaffiliated with any Areas as follows:

- List as Independent Group Meeting (IGM).
- Request the nearest geographic Area to attend a meeting to verify that they are an NA meeting after which they would be published.
- Require that they contact the BMLT Coordinator at least once a month to verify they still exist. After 3 months with no contact they'd be unpublished.

While we were looking we found an error in the list of maintained email addresses. What did say wrsrna@wisconsinna.org should be wrsr@wisconsinna.org

These changes were written by, and approved by the subcommittee. I posted them on the Policy Slack channel. Is there anything else I need to do to get them into the official Guidelines?

We need a current copy of the Guidelines to put on the website. We have July 2022. We were told the changes from this winter needed to be approved before they are officially updated. I thought they were approved last time? If not, can this happen? Or can Policy provide a copy with whatever is current but the subcommittee guidelines updates that have been approved?

We were asked whether we could put the conventions on the calendar without being asked. As Concept 5 tells us, For each responsibility assigned to the service structure, a single point of decision and accountability should be clearly defined. We decided that in order to be sure we have the accurate information, as well as have the flyer in the calendar, we need to receive the information from a responsible party. Please send your events for the calendar to webservants@wisconsinna.org .

BLMT:

- The map to meetings don't always work correctly with abbreviations. Mike and Tim did go through and fix this on all the current listings! If you update a meeting be sure to spell out all words. (Road, Avenue, etc.) Country should be "USA".
- In my last report I had misunderstood and so misreported the updating with World's meeting list. When you update the BMLT, it will immediately update the WRSC and any other meeting lists that use the BMLT, including the BMLT meeting finder app. NAWS does not use the BMLT, and both their meeting finder app and the NAWS site will will not be updated immediately. If you do nothing, they will reflect updates after an average of 30-45 days. If you need it updated sooner, you can email groupupdates@na.org and it will be done within a day or two. You need to include your World Committee Code number in the message, along with whatever changes you need made.
- There are currently (April 2023) 44 unpublished meetings on our meeting list. Sometimes meetings are unpublished while they work out a temporary situation, but it's not meant to be a permanent thing. Is the body ok with us deleting meetings that have been unpublished for over a year?

ILS, Deb W webservants@wisconsinna.org

Discussion about adding 5 known conventions on the events calendar even if flyer is not submitted to the committee to prevent double booked weekends. IT Chair will bring discussion back to the committee for consideration, RD added that working to support unity is encouraged. The Secretary mentioned that the events calendar is abbreviated for even months (ending June 11, August 13, etc) and that some members are still having trouble finding the zoom link on the events calendar so maybe we could list the event differently. IT Chair will look into possible changes.

- Literature (OPEN)
- Fellowship Development (OPEN)
- Policy – spoken report
- Public Relations

WRPR Report

April/May 2023

Greetings and Salutations, WRSC.

The last couple of months have been very busy, as usual. We worked on revising/updating the WRPR Guidelines. I will submit the finished product to the WR Policy Sub-committee. A lot of work went into this project, but it was well worth it.

In April, Matt provided PR information at an event in Wisconsin Dells that was well received and attended. Also, on the first Friday of the month at noon, the sub-committee hosted a PR event via Zoom.

I am slowly learning the ropes of this sub-committee. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve the Wisconsin Region.

ILS,

Dean

Area Reports

Badgerland –joined meeting before lunch

BadgerlandNA RCM May 2023 Report

- 1) All groups are up and running post covid, all growing, some thriving, one struggling;
- 2) We're in the black financially;
- 3) Struggling to get addicts to step up as Trusted Servants for Area: Presently all critical positions covered with leaders wearing multiple hats;
- 4) "Recovery In Real Life" group developing a visual artist coop to encourage addicts to show their art work. More info to follow.
- 5) Annual UNITY Picnic June 3 in Evansville flyer attached.

- Big Rivers - spoken
- Chippewa Valley - inactive
- Inland Lakes Unity Area

ILUA RCM Report 2023-05

ILUA Area Service Information:

1. Meetings

- a. ILUA Total: 36
- b. ILUA Hybrid: 5
- c. ILUA Virtual: 1

2. Activities

a. 2023-05-27 ILUA Softball Tournament

When: Saturday May 27 starts 9am

Where: Memorial Park, Appleton

b. Summer Bowling Bash

When: June 17 starts 6pm

Where: 275 N Washburn St Oshkosh

c. High Cliff campout

When: 2023-07-21

Where: High Cliff Part Sherwood

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. Positions open: Alternate Treasurer, Activities, RCM Alternate, Merchandise, Chair, Vice Chair
- 5. Information passed along to GSRs
 - a. Learning Days information
 - b. WSC results
- 6. Motion passed to update ILUA policy adding CAR Talley to RCM section
- 7. Contribution are sent Region sent monthly Changing policy titles •

Why does region have Co-Fac A and B?

Received bulletin from NA world for Fellowship Services Mail FSTeam@na.org

Received bulletin #33 USA Liability Insurance Bulletin December 2006:

https://www.na.org/?ID=bulletins/Bulletin%2033_Jun07.pdf

World Convention 1. Has room block been announced?

2. Will be informing GSRs to subscribe to NAWS email

- Inner City - inactive
- Kettle Moraine - Hi family,

KMA has been doing a lot for outreach in Sheboygan lately. We had a game night and currently are working on an outreach committee. Our next functions are attached. We've been working on capture the flag within our area to foster more unity and carrying the message. Our subcommittees meet before area. I will not be there this weekend. If there are any questions feel free to reach out. Deb and Nate from KMA will be there to represent.

In loving service,

Kristen B KMA.

- Milwaukee / Waukesha – spoken

MWASC MAY REPORT

Elections:

We have the following positions available that will be voted on in June:

Facilitator

Co-Facilitator

Fellowship Development

Vice Secretary

Activities:

We completed the Taco Bout It event on May 5 th . It was a huge success with close to 100 in attendance.

The Waukesha Alano Club hosted a Mother's Day Brunch that was also a big success. Many people attended and enjoyed it.

Upcoming Activities:

Our area is hosting a Pool League, which will also include the Inner City Area. Matches will be held from June through August. Teams can be formed together as a group, or if wanting to participate individually, your name can be pulled from a hat, and then be placed on a team. Please contact Greg R. at rogginator@gmail.com for more information.

The 20 th Annual July 3 rd Firework Event will once again be held at Milwaukee's Lakefront. This has been a large popular event for our area. Camping overnight on July 2nd is an option.

The H & I Fundraiser Pig Roast hosted by the Monday Night Surrender Group will take place on August 6th at Valley View

Park in New Berlin. It will be held from 12:00-5:00pm rain or shine. Tickets are \$15.00 for adults and \$8.00 for children under 12.

The 13th Annual End of Summer Cookout will be held on August 27th from 12:00-5:00pm rain or shine. It will take place at Sheridan Park, Picnic Area 2 in Cudahy.

There is a cookout being planned by the Wednesday Night Surrender Group and the Thursday Night As Yet Unnamed Group. More details will be available when details are finalized.

Misc. Information

Our area has discussed a couple of issues that we would like to be brought up in the Topic Board.

The first one is involving the mileage reimbursement. Our area wants to have that matter re-visited.

The second matter is our area Vice Treasurer is concerned that the WSNAC Treasurer's report is never discussed or made available to Region or areas. There is concern of there being a lack of transparency with this issue, and therefore wishes to have this matter also be discussed.

- North Central - absent
- North East - inactive
- Rivers Edge – absent two cycles
- Scenic Bluffs - absent
- South East Family - spoken
- SWANA - absent
- Washington Ozaukee Co. - WOCA May Report

Hello Family,

As an Area we are doing well. Ozaukee County has is awaiting Orientation for new Females to do meetings in the Jail. Washington County Jail started the AA meetings on 5/10/2023. They will see how that works and will start NA meetings in a few weeks. The Captain that runs the jail said that he has all new deputies since Covid and it is a learning process for them.

We are looking forward to our Annual Piggan Out Event August 12th, 2023 at Lac lawrann Conservatory in West Bend. We have flyers on the events section on the Wisconsin Region website along with the wocana.org web site. We will be roasting a pig this year.

Yours in Service

RCM for WOCA

Jim L.

RCMA for WOCA

Patty M.

- Woods and Waters - absent

III. Elections

Open Positions

- Cofacilitator A
- Vice Treasurer
- WRSO Rep Odd
- Activities
- Fellowship Development
- Hospitals and Institutions
- Literature
- Co-Secretary – Deb W (KMA) gave qualifications and was elected!

(No July Nominations)

Pool

- WRSC
- WRSO – Dean H gave qualifications and was elected!

Break for lunch 11:57 am Return at 1PM

Afternoon Roll Call

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IV. Financial Decisions

- A. Treasurer – **Report (see above)**
- B. Vice Treasurer - **Report (vacant)**
- C. **Budget Discussions – nothing to discuss**
- D. Disbursements / Motions – nothing to discuss

V. Topics/ Discussion Board

May 2023 Topic Board

- IT requested to delete unpublished meetings over a year old

BMLT admin is asking permission to delete meetings that were marked as an unpublished meeting over a year ago. Discussion for clarification, these are meetings with no trusted servant and with no edits in the database for over a year. Consensus to communicate with the impacted Areas and Secretary of Region will share the emails as needed.

- M/W Area - Mileage reimbursement

RCMA of Milwaukee/Waukesha requested that we revisit the vote from March 2023 “mileage will be reimbursed up to \$0.45/mile”. Discussion about how Area’s voted. **WOCA Proposal: change policy F 3.04 to read “Mileage will be reimbursed at the following rate, of \$.45 per map mile.” VOTE: consent 6 stand aside 1 PASSED**

Conference Participation rate increase discussion, “F3.09 re WRSC participation reimbursements: F3.09 Any WRSC participant as defined in Article 4.01 and 4.02 and any WRSC elected trusted servant as defined in Article 5.01 may request funds for participating in the WRSC meeting for up to \$75.00 per regional meeting. The Conference Participation Fund shall be broken down into three \$25.00 sections; they are as follows: Saturday, until Lunch; Saturday, Lunch until close of business. Sunday, until ending of the Conference weekend. All participants attending the full conference are eligible to receive \$75.00. Participating expenses are limited to travel, lodging and /or meals.” Discussion from a variety of experiences. The Policy committee will be reviewing potential clarification around why members need to prove hotel costs for reimbursement. RCMs can discuss this topic with their areas.

- M/W Area concerned about WSNAC Treasury report not being provided clearly.

RD Team will send a written request for the WSNAC Board to submit a written Treasurer’s report for the members of Wisconsin Region.

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

Next meeting is on Zoom July 15/16 beginning at 9am Saturday. Link on WRSC website

VII. March Committee Focus: Outreach and Public Relations – not discussed.

Business closed 5/20/2023 at 2:23pm