

## UNAPPROVED WISCONSIN REGIONAL SERVICE CONFERENCE MINUTES

DATE: September 21, 2013

PLACE: NEW Hosting AREA at Green Bay, WI

### **Area Round Table Discussions**

- A. Current Cycle – RD Team Issues
- B. Next Cycle – Service System Project

### **OPENING:**

- A. Recovery Meeting @ 9:10 am
- B. Beginning of Conference Moment of Silence @ 10:15 am
- C. Reading of The Servant Worker's Prayer
- D. Introductions
- E. Roll Call: 15 of 16 active areas present at first roll call.
- F. 7th Tradition was not passed.
- G. Reading of the 9th Concept
- H. Review – Adjust Agenda
- I. Special Business – None noted.
- J. Clean Time Birthdays were recognized

### **TRUSTED SERVANTS REPORTS:**

**FACILITATOR:** Present, informed the body that she passed the incorruption papers to Policy, Harold L. to fill them out.

**VICE-FACILITATOR:** Present, Treasurer will be adding Vice-Facilitator to the checking account soon.

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

Please make sure that you look over the contact list that I am sending around. Please make sure that you check the address and contact information for your position and for your area. This is important to keep them up to date. Also, if you are giving a report on the floor, please make sure that you hand in to 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.

In loving service, Nancy M.

**TREASURER:** Present, read the following report on the floor.

We are still under our reserves and budget, we still will not be forwarding any funds on to the USSC or NAWS.

WRSC TREASURERS REPORT 9-19-13

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

BALANCE AS OF 7-18-13     \$5993.33

DEPOSIT 7-30-13	\$787.31	
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		\$6780.64
CHECKS		
5284	\$75.00	
5285	VOIDED	
5286	\$75.00	
5287	\$50.00	
5288	\$75.00	
5289	\$107.88	
5290	\$75.00	
5291	\$475.50	
5292	\$75.00	
5293	\$56.14	
5294	\$200.00	
		-----
		\$1264.52
AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS:		
HALLOO COMMUNICATIONS	\$174.01	
08-05-13		
HALLOO COMMUNICATIONS	\$197.69	
		-----
		\$371.70
BEGINNING BALANCE:	\$5993.33	
DEPOSITS:	\$787.31	
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		\$6780.64
CHECKS CLEARED:	\$1264.52	
AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS:	\$371.70	
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ENDING BALANCE:		\$5144.42

**VICE-TREASURER: Open Position**

**REGIONAL DELEGATE:** Present, read the following report on the floor.

Dear Family,

There is much to report this cycle. Harold and I have been researching our proposal to compel a new NAWS inventory. There is an enormous amount of data to review. We remain convinced that a new inventory of NAWS is necessary. Many of the thoughts of other Delegates on the discussion board suggest that they may be thinking along the same lines, without actually coming out and saying it. We have contacted a couple of these RD's and we believe that this idea will have additional support as it develops. The proposal itself will be short and simply written in such a manner as to leave no doubt as to its meaning. The intent will reflect on the changes that came about as a result of the last one 20 years ago. It will be in the rationale that we will explain that some of the results of the last inventory have yet to be implemented. This has resulted in the issues that are currently being discussed, such as WSC seating, Alternate Delegate attendance at the WSC, Delegate funding, the size and complement of the conference, and the SSP. This must be stated succinctly in 250 words or less.

What we have so far...The inventory shall be conducted by current and former RD's and a number of WB members, to be determined and selected by the RD's.

1. Eligible RD's must have attended at least one WSC as RD.
2. No new literature projects will be proposed or approved during the inventory process.
3. No new project plans will be proposed or approved during the inventory process. Only a continuation of pre-existing projects may be considered.
4. If approved, a separate proposal for implementation must be decided.
5. A separate project plan including financial impact and duration of the project will appear in the CAT.

However, no proposal of this magnitude is of any value without a plan to implement it. We will, therefore, also have to develop a project plan detailing just how this inventory will be carried out. We believe that it should be current and former RD's and select WB members that actually conduct the inventory. Additionally, there must be a proposed timeline for conducting the inventory, how the results will be tabulated, and who will do it. This is a huge undertaking, and to develop it well will require time and help. However, we believe that we can have these proposals ready and approved by you in time for the 2016 CAR. We ask for your approval to continue.

Speaking of 250 words or less, the WB kicked back a couple of Regional Proposals because the word count was over 250. However, the WB was counting the proposal itself, the intent, and the rationale. This happened just before the World Convention. These Regions were scrambling to rewrite their proposals. The discussion boards lit up, reminding the WB that the 250 count was agreed to at the 2010 WSC. This was a direct result of one of the motions presented by...yep, you guessed it...Wisconsin. I posted a rather scathing message on the discussion boards. The WB eventually realized that they were in error, but not before inconveniencing several Regions. Harold will have more on that.

The June and August NAWS News both announced plans for various recommendations that will be in the CAR. They were also announced at WCNA in Philadelphia. Harold will give us the details.

I have spoken with Amanda from Iowa about the Multi-Zonal Service Symposium. I relayed our regrets that we will be unable to attend or financially support this effort. I also told her of the idea to steal the agenda and do it ourselves. She asked to be invited if we do so.

At each WCNA a new membership survey is launched. Although I cannot find the specific link on the NAWS website, it is supposed to be in the "For the Public" heading. Here is the link to it. It will be available online until Dec. 31, 2012. Feel free to make copies and circulate them to members. They can be mailed in to NAWS.

<http://na.org/?ID=2013-survey>

There are also some new tools for the SSP project. It is a 64 page all inclusive document. I am including it for the minutes. You can also download it at <http://na.org/?ID=servsys> Scroll down to [Complete Tools Sept 2013](#)

This 62 page tool also contains the "Basic Facilitation Guide", and "CBDM Basics", all updated as of September 2013 and available separately on the same page.

Also under discussion is the role that the Zonal Forums might play in the future. The WB has suggested that the Zonal Forums might take on a different role in that they may become part of the delegation stream. The WB would like to see Alternate Delegates no longer serve at the WSC. They would like to see the Alternate Delegate play a more pivotal role at the Zonal Forum. This would mean that the primary training ground for the Alternate Delegate would be at the Zonal Forum. They further suggest that if the Alternate Delegates end up being banned from the WSC, then the Zonal forum and other like venues will become the primary training for the Alternates. What that would mean is that Delegates to the WSC

might, in the future, be selected from these Zonal Forums. The WB has also suggested that the number of Zonal Forums in the United States be reduced from 8 to between 3 and 6. This would mean that we would almost be forced to participate in a Zonal Forum just to be represented at the WSC. It would also mean more travel expenses to attend a larger Zonal Forum. It would also mean that we would almost certainly lose our seat at the WSC. Does it seem reasonable that if...

- A. Alternate Delegates are no longer allowed at the WSC and;
- B. Alternate Delegates are encouraged to take the lead at Zonal Forums and;
- C. A new delegation stream is chosen from the Zonal Forums and;
- D. These "Delegates" would represent Zones rather than their Regions and;
- E. These same "Zonal Delegates" would then represent their respective Zones, then;
- F. Just what is the elected Delegate supposed to do?

So just how is an Alternate Delegate to achieve a level of experience that engenders the trust and support of a Region if they are no longer allowed to attend the WSC as full participants? Will the Alternates still be accorded "Conference Participant" status as regards the Conference Participant Discussion Boards? This decision could change the face of Regional leadership as we now know it. It strikes me that if an individual is not allowed to participate at the WSC, then that person is NOT a "Conference Participant". That changes our Regional leadership structure. Many Regions see their Delegates as a "Team". The team approach has worked for us for at least the past 5 years. We continue to employ this mindset with a new "Team". Harold and I strive to be as interchangeable as possible. What one cannot do the other can. And when we are together, we are even better. The working idea is that we compliment each other's skill sets. To create a delegation stream through the Zonal Forums would be to negate this "Team" approach. It would redefine the roles of both the Delegate and the Alternate. It is important that we discuss this and all the other proposals and recommendations the WB is making. We need to become conversant with these issues and develop a conscience so that Harold and I will be prepared for the discussion that will take place at the Conference.

It has been suggested on the discussion boards that NAWS might increase member contributions by being more transparent and forthcoming about how NAWS is spending our contributions. Just where is the money going? The Annual Report is a bit vague. How many Basic Texts were sent into prisons? Here are just a couple of things NAWS does not do very well.

- 1) Explaining to the fellowship the services it provides, and;
- 2) Making a case that these services are of value to everyone.

NAWS keeps asking for more funds, yet they don't explain what they do with these funds. It seems that NAWS spends these funds faster than they are generated. Just what services do these funds provide? What services are needed that require additional resources? What services are not being provided because of the shortfall? If we all felt that our contributions were being used wisely and responsibly, we might see an increase from our kind, grateful, and generous members. A couple of suggestions have been made. Do you have any? Maybe we can implement some of them right here in our Region. The worst that can happen is that nothing changes...

On September 8, I went to SEFA with Carl to present a Service System Project workshop. It took about 90 minutes with questions. About 6 members attended. It was well received.

It seems that in many Areas the members know very little about the SSP. It may be too late to get on the WSNAC program with an SSP Workshop this year, but it's not too early to begin thinking about it for next year. What better way to get the information to the members? After the WSC, new session profiles and PowerPoint presentations will be made available. The Region has not had a Regional presence at

WSNAC for several years. It would be good for us to plan a presentation of some sort for next year's WSNAC.

In case you were wondering about these discussion boards, here are a few stats...As of September 15, there were

- 10 general headings
- 160 separate threads
- 2,593 posts
- 181 members
- 66 of those members actively post.

Each of these posts comes to my inbox. They contain a link to the thread where it is posted. I have received as many as 64 posts in one day. One of these active members has posted 357 times. Another has posted 326 times. And yet another has posted 211 times. There seems to be a small cadre of people who have much to say about everything. Does anything about this sound familiar?

I know this is a lot to process. Harold has a lot more. We need to start discussing these issues right away. The CAR will be coming out after our November RSC. That leaves only the January and March RSC's for discussion about what is actually in the CAR and CAT. Some of this stuff is still years away, but it's still on the table and it is potentially our future. We will need specific direction on many of these issues. The discussions at the WSC will be many and varied. Each of these topics is a separate discussion. What will you want us to do? How will you have us vote? This is not a time to just turn us loose and tell us to do what we think is right. We cannot just attempt to "level the playing field". This time we need you to tell us what you think. We will give you the best information we have, as well as our best judgment based on the information and our knowledge of what other Regions are thinking and saying. But we still need you to provide direction and guidance. These are your decisions to make. This WSC is going to be difficult and contentious. I wish I could make all this more palatable and simple. The ugly truth is that it is neither. We won't get an understanding of all this until we sit down and discuss it at length. We cannot afford to wait until the last minute. I truly think that it would be in our best interests to sit down and begin to discuss these issues either today or tomorrow. Put it all up on the board. We cannot afford to put this off.

As always, it is an honor and a privilege to serve, Hugs, Bill O.RD

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

It is good to be back and of service to the Wisconsin region. As the RDA stated in his report, there is an abundance of issues that need to be discussed at the regional level. I was fortunate to be able to attend WCNA 35 in Philadelphia. The world board held a question & answer forum on Saturday. I was in attendance at the forum. There appeared to be minimal concern and questions about NAWS increasing shipping prices and increasing the price of literature. The following recommendations for shipping increases will become effective January 1, 2014:

- Orders under \$25.00, increase from \$5.00 to \$6.00
- Orders from \$25.00 to \$50.00, increase from \$7.00 to \$9.00
- Orders from \$50.00 to \$150, increase from 15% to 17%
- Orders from \$150 to \$500, stay at 12%
- Orders over \$500, increase from 6% to 8%

As noted in the NAWS News, the World Board has delayed price increases since 2008 hoping that contributions and sales of the Basic Text would increase or at least remain stable. Neither has

happened. NAWS plans to raise the cost of the basic text by 5%. Almost all other items in NAWS inventory will be increased by approximately 10%. The following is a condensed list of literature price increases:

- Basic text from \$11.00 to \$11.55
- Just for today from \$8.10 to \$9.00
- It works: How & Why From \$8.10 to \$9.00
- Sponsorship book from \$7.40 to \$8.25
- Step working guides From \$7.70 to \$8.50
- Living clean book from \$8.75 to \$9.75
- Medallions from \$2.90 to \$3.20
- Key tax from \$0.48 to \$0.53
- IP's From \$0.22 to \$0.24

The Service System project (SSP) field testing has come to an end. NAWS has changed the name of “group support unit” (GSU) to “group support forum” (GSF); “local service unit” (LSU) to “local service conference” (LSC); and “local service board” will remain the unchanged. Questions were raised about the SSP and its future. The World Board stated they are scaling back the SSP and intends to submit either a recommendation or a motion to approve GSF's, LSU's and LSB's for implementation and transitioning to these bodies. They would not discuss “intermediate” service bodies or State/National/ Provincial service bodies, stating they were still in discussions about those service bodies. If approved at the WSC, a new project plan would be submitted in the upcoming CAT. It will be interesting to see how much this new project will cost the fellowship. A question was asked to about a U.S. National Service platform; the board deflected the question, stating they are looking at the U.S. zones and a possible reduction from 8 zones to 3 - 6 zones.

Another discussion was about Drug Replacement Therapy (DRT). A question was asked for the world board to give their stance on this subject. board members who answered this question stated that that our literature expresses the World Board's position on this subject. In the service pamphlet written by the world board (NA Group & Medication; SP#5) it specifically states that an addict who uses any drug to help with withdrawal symptoms is not clean. Board members then side-stepped any further discussion by stating that this is a local NA community issue and should be discussed there.

An incident occurred prior to the convention where 3 Regions submitted proposals for inclusion in the CAR. The board rejected these proposals stating that the whole proposal exceeded the 250 word limit. This is not what the Guide to World Services states. The board member who made the mistake stated that the proposals would be accepted as written and made a public amends for their actions. The forum participants loudly applauded the amends.

The most contentious discussions involved delegate funding and alternate attendance at the WSC. The following is a summation of those discussions. The World board is going to make a recommendation that will eliminate delegate funding and make it the responsibility of the regions to fund their delegate. They also stated that they would fund regions on a “need only” basis. This recommendation is being made because of the huge cost of NAWS funding all the delegates. The board would not elaborate on what their definition of “need only” means. Hopefully at the conference we will find out what “need only” means.

**WRSO REP.: Open Position**

**WISCONSIN NA CONVENTION:** Not requested to attend this cycle.

**AREA REPORTS:**

**BADGERLAND:** Present, read the following report on the floor.

All is going smoothly in the Badgerland area. We have 25 meetings and 19 are currently active at area in the last 2 months. We have several open positions, including treasurer, secretary, RCM, RCM-A, outreach, and policy. We have nominations in October and elections in November so hopefully we'll fill many positions. We have no donation this month.

Thanks for letting me serve, Liz B

**BASIC:** Absent, no report submitted.

**BIG RIVERS:** Present read report on the floor, no report turned in or e-mailed.

**CHIPPEWA VALLEY:** Present, read the following report on the floor.

It's going reasonable well in the Chippewa Valley for Narcotics Anonymous. We recently had several picnics to wrap up the summer that were hosted by groups.

The good news is that we continue to grow and are adding new meetings to our meeting list. Menomonee has become active again after some dormancy. Three meetings are happening, and a GSR from those meetings attended our area service meeting last Saturday. Chippewa Falls has a new meeting on Saturday just starting up and Black River Falls now has three meetings.

We were visited by Tammy, the WSNAC BOD president. She updated us on the 2014 plan to hold WSNAC in Eau Claire. We are excited to be having the Regional Convention in our area; it's been quite a few years since the last time.

The less good news is that the area service committee has some key open positions. We do not currently have an area chair or vice chair. However, the important work seems to get done. Our recently H & I chairperson is doing a great job of coordinating and rebuilding.

On October 26 we will be having an H & I fundraiser. The theme will be Zombies and there will be a prize for the best Zombie. Of course, you don't have to be undead to attend. All are welcome.

Donation of \$75.00. In Service to NA John Mitchell RCM - CVANA

**INLAND LAKES:** Present, read the following report on the floor.

I am newly elected as the RCMA for Inland Lakes Unity Area and our RCM asked me to give the report today as I was in attendance at my area's last ASC meeting. We now have insurance to cover all of our upcoming functions. The insurance is costing us roughly \$235.00 per year and all functions are covered provided that our ILUA logo is placed onto the flyer and we have the understanding that any and all food preparation will not be covered under the insurance policy.

At our last area service our secretary resigned so we are currently in need of anyone willing to serve as secretary. We also have the following positions open at this time – Vice chair, secretary, outreach and campout and retreat. Keep in mind that we are currently taking back to groups a motion to combine campout and retreat with our activities chair person.

We have an upcoming event coming on November 2, 2013 at the same location as previous years, Sacred Heart Church in Fond du lac. Flyers will be here today, please help me to get them out for within your areas as I understand that this is late timing for getting this flyer out. We will also have flyers at WSNAC, but please help us to spread the word.

We just had our H&I Volleyball fundraiser and had 11 teams participate. From the team registration alone, we will be able to place a minimum of 25 Basic Texts into our 11 meetings within our boundaries. We also had 4 speakers who spoke during the lunch break of this event. All 4 of them received the H&I message while behind the walls and 1 member was still incarcerated but out on a day pass and chose to come out to hang out with us for the day.

We also found out that there is a meeting happening within a facility WRC in our area boundaries where the inmates are holding the meeting on their own with books that were placed within the facility in the library.

In Loving Service Dezzz G –ILUA RCMA

**INNER CITY:** Present read the following report on the floor.

Thank you to Northeast Wisconsin for hosting WRSC. This is what's happening with Inner City:  
 WRSC will be held in November at the Ramada City Centre, 633 West Michigan Street, Milwaukee, WI 53203. I have an update flyer for WRSC in November. The RCMA, who is no longer eligible to serve, was in charge of the entertainment for the evening. Because of the timing and my upcoming schedule, there will not be time to get replacement entertainment. I will have two speakers for the conference. Also, because there was not quorum at area this month, I was not able to get approval for printing flyers (and this flyer was not approved by ICANA). I sent everyone a .pdf version and I have one hard copy for the each area, the trusted servants and subcommittee chairs. See you in November! If you have any further questions, please call me at 414-763-3954 or 414-416-6253 or the email below.

Thank you for allowing me to serve,  
Carl K ICANA RCM [carljkrusa@gmail.com](mailto:carljkrusa@gmail.com)

**KETTLE MORaine:** Present read report on the floor, no report turned in or e-mailed.

**MILWAUKEE:** Present read report on the floor, no report turned in or e-mailed.

**NORTH CENTRAL:** Present read the following report on the floor.

Hello Family,

Things are going well in the North Central Area. We have a donation this cycle of \$600.00. We have started to donate soft cover basic text to the Portage county jail. The H&I chair is working hard to get more books into more facilities.

As far as questions from the area, they want to know how many board members are there at world. The RD had mentioned that they would like to make a proposal to reduce the number. Also can web servants just scan flyers and post them. On August 10<sup>th</sup> there were 3 functions but only 1 showed up.

The outreach chair has been doing an excellent job reaching out to struggling groups. One of those groups is Antigo. They seem to have a very mixed message there and after many attempts to reach out were not sure what to do there.

Thanks, ILS, Jay

**NORTHEAST:** Present read the following report on the floor.

Hello Family, were grateful to host the regional conference this weekend. The NEW Area is doing well. WRSC donation is \$72.00. Our Activities Chair Jill T. will be stepping down after 2 years of service in Oct., so our Area is on the hunt for someone to fill that position. Upcoming functions are as follows: Project Freedom out H & I function to raise money for the Jails and Institutions in our area is November 9, 2013 at Calvary Lutheran Church. Then we will have our New Year's Dance December 31, 2013 right here at Nativity Church. We had a great turn out this past August for Blues by the Bay. In PR we



continue to carry the message in all our Treatment Facilities and Jails. This month we voted in a new PI chair Irene E. We are hopeful now that we can carry that message of recovery and inform schools and doctors about the disease of addiction.

Last month at Area we voted in a new RCMA Susan B. most of the Area positions are filled. We do not have a Outreach Chair. Lastly tonight after the conference we will be putting on the Southern Fried Rock Function. There will be a potluck, speaker and a Dance and DJ. In loving service, Allyn S.

**RIVERS EDGE:** Present read the following report on the floor.

Good morning Family,

We do not have an RCM but are present here to learn about regional conference and to assure we are involved in our communities.

Our H & I has a Women's & Men's Narcotics Anonymous in Marinette Co. Jail, Marinette WI and will be starting in Menominee Co. Jail, Menominee, MI. we have enough volunteers. 6 groups with a Tuesday meeting in Gladstone MI., on our meeting list, and our supporting a new meeting in Amberg WI.

Sundays at 7 pm at Presbyterian Church. I have some meetings list with me.

Our ASC meetings are the last Wednesday of the month at 6 pm at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Marinette, WI.

The group will be voting in vice chair and a new logo next area.

Current positions filled are Chair Julie K., Vice Chair open, Sec., Denise E. Tres., Tina G., Lit., Matt G., H & I Matt P. and H & I Vice Chair Trish C., Activities Dev C.

**ROCK RIVER:** Present read the following report on the floor.

Donation: \$34.94

All Positions in are filled (including Outreach).

Last weekend our area held a spiritual retreat.

Because of the lack of lack of knowledge on SSP in our area, RRAGS is holding a workshop on October 13th. I didn't bring fliers. If you are interested in attending, check the Calendar on the RRAGS website ([www.rragsna.org](http://www.rragsna.org)) or see me during the break.

We have one upcoming event, An 80s Dance Party (Halloween speaker dance) Saturday Oct 26<sup>th</sup>, flyers on the table. In Loving Service Rich M

**SCENIC BLUFFS:** Present read the following report on the floor.

Hi Family,

I am Elizabeth and I am addict. Scenic Bluffs Area is struggling. We are beginning to grow mall with our struggles but a work in progress. We have a number of positions open. Cold Turkey is coming in November 30<sup>th</sup> in Macromere, WI Chris K. is our speaker and the band is out of Madison.

We currently have 5 groups & 9 meetings. We have two meetings that need support our Wednesday night Living Clean meeting in our Treatment Center at St Clare in Baraboo. Possible start a new meeting on Saturday. We are in our local treatment center the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month. In loving service, Elizabeth S.

**SOUTHEAST FAMILY:** Absent, no report submitted.

**UPPER PENINSALA:** Present read the following report on the floor.

Hi Family,

All is well in the U.P. We will be having all of our elections at October Service.

We did some Outreach to the group in Iron Mountain, they are interested in coming to Area and getting involved and connected to Area. Right now they have 2 meetings, Sunday and Wednesday at 6:30pm cst

at the Cornerstone Church. Their meetings seem to be going strong, and they are asking for some help with direction. That is exciting for UPNA to have more groups become involved.

Our next function will be our New Years Eve function, I will have flyers next cycle.

We do not have a donation. In Loving Service, Lynn D.

**WACO:** Present read report on the floor, no report turned in or e-mailed.

**WOODS & WATERS:** Present read the following report on the floor.

Hello Family, Thank you North East for hosting.

Woods & Waters is doing good we had our Labor Day campout at Marion Lakes and was well attended. Meetings are doing well. H & I is meeting regularly and going into Vilas County Jail weekly. Most of our positions are filled. Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> is our Porkeys Campout at (couldn't read where) flyers are on the table. Clean and Freaky Halloween Dance Oct 2th in Lake Tomahawk. New Years Eve Dance in Rheinlander.

Journeys elections Rand W. as Chair and will be meeting at Lean & Freaky in October to vote in Committee Chairs. Please take back to your Area's that if anyone is interested in being a speaker at Journey's Please have them send us tapes or CD's.

**Break at 11:52 am for lunch**

**Reconvene: 1:30 pm**

#### **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:**

1. Delegate Funding, World looking at stopping funding the RD, this is probably going to happen. The fellowship will be making the decision; the discussion boards are showing fellowship support on this. The spiritual Principle of Self-Support is the main reason behind the discussion boards. The majority of the RD's are supporting this. Discussed how do we get those that can't afford to fund their RD's to the World Conference? There are no guidelines on what the need for funding is from NAWS. Do we want our Delegate funding to be from World or by the Region? Took a straw poll Question was Support the idea for Region funding? Straw poll showed strong support for this idea.

2. Should the RDA be involved with the Zonal forums? Use Zonal for training for RDA going to the World Conference. World would like to limit only RD's on the floor of the World Conference. A question about this is how does the RDA support the RD at the conference if something happens to the RD? How does the RDA learn what to expect and what happens at the World Conference if they cannot attend the World Conference? Straw poll all those in favor of eliminating the RDA at the World Conference. Straw poll showed strong consensus was not in favor. In other words this body still wants the RDA to go to the World Conference.

3. Should World still have a moratorium on seating Regions? This was discussed and a straw poll was taken. Should World continue the moratorium? Straw poll was to lift the moratorium.

**Break at 2:50 pm for lunch**

**Reconvene: 3:00 pm**

#### **SUBCOMMITTEE / ADHOC REPORTS:**

**ACTIVITIES: Open Position**

**HOSPITALS & INSTITUTION:** Present read the following report on the floor.

Hi Family, I am Elizabeth and I am an addict. Hospital and Institutions has been busy. I currently have been communicating with 11 Areas out of 17.

I have 4 Areas that are currently looking for me to travel to give training and guidance & support.

I also have been talking with Jeff in Outreach about combining our efforts together to bring NA to those who are isolated.

Also Chippewa Valley Area is looking for me to bring some addicts to demonstrate a panel presentation & do questions and answers. Dos & Don'ts. So I am really excited about the event.

I am in the process of doing a data base for Hospital & Institutions and I will be contacting all H & I Chairs prior to region for updates if I don't receive an update I will be contacting the RCM's.

My goal is in helping Areas setting up H & I, training, Guidelines etc., also in keeping up with a data base. I am asking for guidance on the floor today to be doing a H & I newsletter/discussion board in place of Facebook page which I fell would be more productive in sharing experience strength and hope and shares questions & answers.

I am very excited on how H & I is turning out. This is my passion and I continually pray for my Higher Power to help me carry his will not mine, to help these Areas grow strong. I am grateful to serve this Region. In loving services, Elizabeth S.

There were questions about the newsletter, do we want one? H & I would like to communicate with each other using Facebook or our website. May be use the Ad-hoc Hardware & Services to look into this. RD stated that he would look into using a message board he will bring back information next cycle. Policy Chair read our policy on this from the guidelines 10.09 which states "Subcommittees shall not use social networking sites for communication."

**POLICY:** Present read the following report on the floor.

It is good to be back with my extended family again. There seem to be 2 issues pending regarding the position of USSC Representative. I would thank the WRSC for taking the time to approve the grammar changes to the Guidelines last cycle. Regarding the USSC Representative, there appears to be 2 separate situations pending Group Conscience.

1). A proposal was made to create the position of USSCNA Representative. This was taken back to the Areas / Groups for discussion and conscience which the RCM's hopefully have today. This subject has lingered here for at least 4 cycles. I strongly suggest a conscience be taken today.

2). If consensus is reached, we will need to vote for the already written additions to the Guidelines. (Because this will change Guidelines, 2/3 majority is required for approval). If there is not a consensus, this is obviously a moot point.

Please, let's take care of these matters today.

In Loving Service,  
WRSC Policy Chairperson

**OUTREACH:** Present read report on the floor, no report turned in or e-mailed.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Absent, e-mailed the following report that was read by the Secretary.

Hello Family, sorry I couldn't be there but I have to request weekends off at the beginning of the year and when we didn't follow the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday rule guess what happens. I am covering the state on 24 hour stand-by with a 4 hour fix time frame that precludes my being with you. Whining over. The web servants have been working to keep the online meeting lists up to date. If there are errors and/or omissions please contact me directly via email so I can remind them to update that entry. A request to have someone speak to the students of the Empire School of Beauty was received by NAWs and sent to Bill O. who forwarded it on to me. I spoke to the students as an addict explaining that no one person represents NA as a whole, that I was just someone in recovery who was sharing their experience of what it was like, what I am doing today and what has changed and continues to change for me as a result of what has been

shared with me by other addicts. I spoke to effects that we as using addicts have on the people who have contact with us, what they need to do to heal themselves of the effects of our disease and what changes as we recover. It seemed to be well received judging by the people that came up to me after I had finished speaking. The other request that was sent to Bill O. wanted \$60.00 for a day or \$150.00 for the weekend and could you please come golf with us. Much as I like to golf I just can't see asking other addicts to pay for it. We are viewed as vendors and we don't sell our way to recovery for the very limited amount time we are allowed to have with the people that attend that conference. I feel there are better ways to spend addict's money to carry the message of recovery. The efforts of the web servants are moving forward to change our website seems to have lost momentum. I will be contacting them to see what I can do to regain our forward push to update the website; RCM's please let the talented people in your areas know that this is their website as well and that they offer thoughts and suggestions of what they would like to see in the WRSC website. Thank you all for allowing me to be of service. I will see you all the next time, so this is fair warning. Wes H.

**LITERATURE:** Present read the following report on the floor.

First, I'd like to thank Northeast Wisconsin Area for hosting WRSC. Here is your Literature Subcommittee report:

1 Traditions Book Project ([http://www.na.org/?ID=trads\\_project](http://www.na.org/?ID=trads_project))

A There are two new workshops on the Traditions Book project

I. A full 90 minute workshop

II. A shorter 20 minute workshop.

Each workshop focuses on one tradition of the group's choosing. If you choose the shorter workshop you could do 4 traditions in an 80 minute time frame or all 12 in four hours. All the necessary materials can be found on the website. As in the previous workshop, I am willing to travel to any area to facilitate the workshop.

B There is much discussion on the discussion board. I encourage you to sign up and talk about this. Let's put Wisconsin's handprint on this new piece of literature. <http://disc.na.org/trads/>

Time is short! NAWS would like to have the input by the end of the current WSC cycle (2014) to begin writing the book in the next WSC cycle 2014 – 2016.

Thank you for allowing me to serve,

Carl K WRSC Literature Chair [carljkrusa@gmail](mailto:carljkrusa@gmail.com)

**AD-HOC Hardware and Service:** Absent, no report submitted.

## **BASIC SERVICES**

**Approval of last cycle minutes:** Minutes were approved as presented,

### **ELECTIONS:**

H & I: Elizabeth S. and Dezzz G. were nominated last cycle; they both went over their Service Resumes. A ballot vote was taken and Elizabeth S. was elected.

Policy: No nominations or volunteers open position.

Activities: No nominations or volunteers open position.

WRSO Rep's Odd & Even: No nominations or volunteers open position.

Co-Treasurer: Dave M. was nominated he red his Service Resume. A ballot vote was taken and Dave M. was elected.

WRSO POOL: No nominations or volunteers.

WSNAC POOL: No nominations or volunteers.

**Nominations for next Cycle:**

Facilitator: Mark S. was nominated.

Vice-Facilitator: No nominations or volunteers.

Treasurer: Rod D. was nominated.

Co-Treasurer: Dave M. was nominated.

**PROPOSALS: From May, 2013** Direct WSNAC BOD to have WSNAC at the same central place and have WSNAC put on the convention instead of looking for hosting Area's. A Proposal was made to take this back to your Area's. There were no Blocks, 9 Stand asides, Facilitator declared the proposal, failed.

From July, 2013, A proposal was made to create the USSCNA Rep., proposal was blocked, proposal, failed.

**BUDGETS: None presented**

**Prioritized list of Topics by RCM's**

**TOPIC 1** – There will be an SSP workshop at WSNAC to be done by the RD/RDA.

**TOPIC 2** – Proposal for World Inventory, we would like the RD/RDA team to pursue this for the CAR in 2016.

**TOPIC 3** – Discussion Forum on webpage do we want this done? Straw poll, strongly agreed. Make one for each sub-committee and elected trusted servants.

**TOPIC 4** – Outreach Native Indian Reservation in South Dakota, Outreach Chair withdraws this issue, will discuss this in sub-committee.

**Region concluded at 4:51 pm Saturday, September 21, 2013.**

**OTHER BUSINESS: Next Region will be held at the following hotel:**

**Ramada City Center**  
**633 West Michigan Street Milwaukee, WI 53203**  
**Phone: 414-272-8410 Fax: 414-272-4651**

**Room rates: \$89.00/night for single or double**

**Free parking for persons rooming at hotel ONLY**

**November 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**Mention WRSC when booking; cutoff date is October 15, 2013**

**NEXT WRSC IS TO HOSTED BY**

**2013 in Pink**

**2014 in Yellow**

**2015 in Red**

**January:** WSNAC Hosting Site  
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**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:** WSNAC Hosting Site (2014)

**November:** a. Milwaukee (2015)  
b. South East Family  
c. Kettle Moraine  
d. Inner City (2013)