

# September 2024 WRSC Minutes

September 18-19, 2024

**I. Opening:** 9:30am

**Moment of silence/Prayer:** Rob T

**Reading of the Servant Worker's Prayer / Read Concept 1**

**Introductions / Clean Time Anniversaries July – May 19 (Sunday)** Becky s 35 years - Elisa 32 - Patti 35 years

Roll Call

<u>Trusted Servants/Area Representative</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Trusted Servants/Area Representative</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Co Facilitator A	Present	<u>Badgerland</u>	Present
Co Facilitator B	Open	<u>Big Rivers</u>	Present
Secretary	Absent with Notice	<u>Chippewa Valley</u>	Present
Co-Secretary	Absent	<u>Inland Lakes</u>	Absent
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Vice-Treasurer	Open	<u>Kettle Moraine</u>	Absent with Notice
RD	Present	<u>Milwaukee/Waukesha</u>	Present
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Activities	Absent	<u>SWANA</u>	Absent/Inactive
Fellowship Development	Present	<u>WOCA</u>	Present
H&I	Open	<u>Woods &amp; Waters</u>	Absent
IT	Present		
Literature	Open		
Policy	Present		
Public Relations	Present		

**7th Tradition:** Please use the donation button on the regional website to donate.

**Review-Adjust Agenda:** RDA position changed to AD.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes approved and will be sent to the Webservants.

**Orientation:** Consensus Based Decision Making explained to the body Co Facilitator A.

**Welcome Statement:** Read by Deb W.

## II. Reports

### Trusted Servant Reports

**Co-Facilitator A:** verbal report

**Co-Facilitator B:** Position is Open

**Secretary:**

Hello all!

This report is your invitation to submit your reports using the link at the bottom of this message. If you submit a report and do not get an email of your report, a problem has occurred, and we need to let IT know ASAP.

Reports are automatically sent to the Trusted Servants email list. Any new members wanting to get added to that list should email [secretary@wisconsinna.org](mailto:secretary@wisconsinna.org).

Any new members wanting to be of service to the region, including being in the WSNAC or WRSO pools, should complete this form <https://wisconsinna.org/wp-content/uploads/wrsc-service-resume.pdf>.

WRSC meets next Saturday in hybrid using Zoom and in person at Chula Vista. According to policy, agendas should be sent this week.

I will not be attending in person, so I will need someone to volunteer to take notes in person because keeping track of the conversation is very hard without some help. From what I can tell, we are not using Slack anymore, so please let me know if you have any questions about that platform.

July's minutes were sent and posted, please let me know if you have not received them.

Thanks to the people who covered for me in July.

ILS,

Nichole

### **Co Secretary: No Report**

### **Treasurer:**

Hello family,

At this point, there is a total balance in our bank account of \$21,668.54 which reflects both the working reserve and the prudent reserve of \$15,698.00 and available balance of \$5,970.54.

With that being said...

NAWS and MZF were both paid in the last cycle for \$331.70 each, neither has cleared yet.

Two checks cleared. \$264.26 for t-shirts and \$584.76 for Conference and WRSO Literature order.

No deposits this cycle.

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

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

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

Thanks for allowing me to serve,

Rob T.

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

**Vice-Treasurer:** Position is open nothing to report.

**Regional Delegate:** Verbal report given.

**Regional Delegate Alternative:** Position is open with nothing to report.

**WRSO Rep Even:** No Report

**WRSO Rep Odd:** No Report

**WSNAC Rep Even:** Verbal Report

**WSNAC REP Odd:** No Report

### **Subcommittee and Ad-Hoc Reports**

#### **Activities:**

Here are a list of events I would like to submit:

All of these events would likely happen in 2025

1. The Fun with Flags starting in January
2. Open mic night in each area with judges and top three in each area face each other. Kind of like AGT.
3. Scavenger hunt
4. Escape Room
5. Free zoos across wisconsin, there are a bunch.
6. Paintball
7. Battleship tournament, the board game. Maybe other board game battles, can also be used at some events.

I will be attending zoom and as of now I had 2 others in subcommittee but now only one. Will be attending End of Summer Campout but plan on attending Region via zoom.

**Hospitals and Institutions:** Position is open nothing to report.

#### **Information Technologies (I.T.):**

IT meets the last Sunday of each month at 6PM via Zoom. We use the subcommittee zoom room: 83362613453  
Password: wrsc

Things are going pretty well right now.

Our annual budget is \$1540, monthly \$128.33. We will be sending one month's budgeted amount to our phone company, Twilio, for the helpline number. Our phone bill has dropped so much due to the elimination of the unnecessary area numbers that this should cover us for somewhere around 10 months. (The bill varies a bit each month depending on usage.) A year ago this amount would have covered less than 3 months! The only numbers we still have are the regional helpline number 1-800-240-0276 and SEFA's number they asked us to retain. Checking the log, it seems SEFA's number hasn't got any calls since April, are they fully converted to the Regional number now?

Now that are website administrator is a special worker, he does not know when the minutes are approved or approved with changes, so that they can be posted on the website. After discussion at the subcommittee, we decided that the person who knows best when they are approved and with any needed changes is the Regional Secretary. So we bring a proposal to update the policy as such: Add to Secretary duties, item 9: Send copies of approved WRSC minutes to [webservants@wisconsinna.org](mailto:webservants@wisconsinna.org) to be posted on the website.

I was also directed to ask the RCMs whether we have discretionary funds budgeted for tasks like printing flyers. We had a flyer encouraging people to join IT and someone wound up printing it out of their own pocket because we weren't sure whether it was in the budget.

On that note, IT NEEDS VOLUNTEERS! We are old. Where are all the young techies with fresh ideas? Come join us! If you have enthusiasm but not the education, we'll teach you. If you think you can do it better, please DO. All you need is some curiosity and a cell phone. Pop in to the meeting!

Literature (OPEN)

Fellowship Developmentz: Verbal Report

Policy: Verbal Report

**Public Relations:** Great NA recovery things happening within the Public Relations community. Our own Matt L and Mike R was able to give a presentation at the World Convention. We generally study and discuss the PR handbook. We are available to help Areas when requested, please join us the First Sunday of the month at 7:00pm CST.

**Ad-Hoc: Hybrid:** Ad Hoc dissolved

## Area Reports

**Badgerland:** The August Area Meeting was held and had reports from the GSRs present. There was not a quorum so no other business was conducted. September Area Meeting was 9/8/24. We had 2 trusted servants step down from their positions. Currently, Secretary, Activities, and Public Relations positions are open. We have begun the process of securing a location for 2025 camp out over labor day weekend. October area meeting we will be nominating members to fill all area positions as of Jan 1, 2025. We will be nominating members to serve as Secretary, Activities, and Public Relations chairs for the remainder of 2024. H & I subcommittee will meet Sept 22 at 12pm at Goodman Community Center, Madison. World is asking for additional donations to help cover their service costs. We have 2 new meetings added in our area. Financially this area is solvent.

**Big Rivers:** We had elections in August. I am continuing for a 2nd term as RCM. We have many open positions. One challenge is different viewpoints on how to keep NA relevant in the current times. While we have unity of purpose, we don't always have unity of direction.

Tim has redone our website and it is awesome! THANKS Tim!

We meet hybrid the 2nd Saturday of even numbered months from 1-4. In October we changed to the 1st Saturday, Oct 5, to avoid a conflict with WSNAC. The Zoom ID is 868 7201 6840 passcode 2

**Chippewa Valley:** Verbal report given.

**Inland Lakes Unity Area:** Absent no report received.

**Inner City:** Verbal report given.

**Kettle Moraine:** Good Morning Family! Tentatively the hotel block we have for November Regional service is The Inn on Maritime Bay in Manitowoc. Following regional service we will be having our Attitude of Gratitude function!! I hope to see some of yall there.

Currently our area does not have an activities & campouts chair so there was an Adhoc created for the Attitude of Gratitude function and Live the Steps or Freeze.

Outreach and Merchandise are also vacant thankfully we have been collectively handling each of these.

Outside of that I have nothing to report and look forward to seeing you guys in Manitowoc in November. Friendly reminder Regional service will be at Lighthouse Recovery Community Center in Manitowoc.

**Milwaukee / Waukesha:** If anyone has info about posting on streaming channels to get our message out, PR would like help .H&Is jailhouse rock is being planned. Starting our Area Fun with Flags and using our own [milwaukeeena.org](http://milwaukeeena.org) site for information.

**North Central:** Verbal Report

**North East:**

Hello,

My name is Trevor E and I am an addict. I was recently elected to serve as NEWASC's area RCM. This is my first Regional committee meeting and am excited to be a part of it! Also excited to bring NEW back to region- I've been told it has been a minute!

We are starting to fill some of our empty seats within our areas committee.

Also, recently we have added a few new meetings in our area:

Monday nights, Tuesday nights, Wednesday nights and Thursday nights have all joined our area- giving us at least one meeting a day in person and 2 a day in person for most days. We also have Zoom meetings on several days.

Upcoming Events:

October 5th "Falling into Recovery" from 11am-3pm. We will have the first hour as hybrid from 11am - 12:15 available via zoom for those who can't make it in person. During that time slot will be 3 speakers- 1 from area, 1 from region and 1 from world. The rest of the time will serve as a learning day for service in NA. We should have a nice blend of newcomers and old timers and will have 8 different learning stations with a passport to be stamped as you visit each one. At the end of the day we will be handing out gift bags with cool NA trinkets for those who have their passport completed.

November 9th will be "Project Freedom" which is yearly fundraising event for H and I.

These Flyers are available on our website at: [newna.org](http://newna.org).

Andrew S area RCMA is in attendance with me. He is also attending his first regional committee meeting.

We also have a couple of items to bring up during open forum regarding NA language/ etiquette as well as an LGBTQ meeting qualification notation question.

In loving service,

Trevor E

### **Rivers Edge: Absent**

**Scenic Bluffs:** Scenic Bluffs Area did Learning Day with the subject being Sponsorship. It was attended by around twenty people with two speakers and a picnic. We have also added two new meetings so that we now have a meeting for every day of the week. Attendance at meetings has been an up-and-down affair with a general increase in attendance. We still have a number of service positions open at this time. We have a donation of \$351.14.

### **South East Family:**

At our last ASC, there were 9 of 17 groups represented.

We are currently going over our policy regarding groups not being represented at ASC. We are modeling it after RSC policy in regards to inactive status so that it doesn't affect our quorum.

SEFA is currently holding our unity picnic today. It was scheduled before the correction was made with the RSC weekend on the calendar.

Nominations are happening next month for all positions except for RCM and RCMA.

We are planning the "Pie in the Eye" H&I fundraiser. It is going to be in November or December. More information will be forthcoming..

ILS, SEFA RCM team

SWANA: Absent no report received.

Washington Ozaukee Co.: Email Report

Woods and Waters: Absent no report received.

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### III. Elections

#### Open Positions:

Hospitals and Institutions: None

WRSO Rep Odd: None

Literature: None

Co-Facilitator B: Dez G. was elected

Vice Treasurer: None

Alternate Delegate: None

#### Pools

WSNAC: Rob T. was elected

WRSO: None

#### IV. Financial Decisions

- A. Treasurer: Report
- B. Vice Treasurer: Position is Open
- C. Budget Discussions: None
- D. Disbursements / Motions: None

#### V. Topics/ Discussion Board

1. **WSNAC Topic: Various topics have been done in the past. Suggestions for the topics were “What Can A Region Do for You” and various IDTs. A workshop including these topics to be held at WSNAC was tasked to the RD Team.**
2. **Activity Ideas: The Activities Committee is looking for ways include recovery in the following ideas: Board games, card games and sports. The bags tournament from last year could be a function. Considering doing a function with Fellowship Development.**
3. **SEFA Phonenumber: The last phone call received to the SEFA phonenumber was in April. SEFA RCM didn't feel like they were able to make a decision on discontinuing the phone line without consulting the are first.**
4. **Update meeting minutes: The regional minutes are not getting updated on the website. It currently isn't defined where the Secretary should send the minutes to have them but on the website. Proposal to add to the Secretary duties and responsibilities to send the approved minutes to the webservants email.**
5. **Language in meetings: Thoughts on language on getting out of hand when doing clean time in terms of the funny sayings. Meeting by meeting decision based on autonomous. Some churches don't allow those type of statements and that is addressed in the format.**
6. **Meetings want to be noted as LGBTQ friendly: A meeting can be listed as LGBTQ via the BMLT. All meetings should be LGBTQ friendly, and Bulletin #18 is great resource on this topic.**
7. **How to keep NA Relevant: Discussion on how to keep service in NA relevant. Will add this topic to the discussion at WSNAC workshop.**
8. **Discord: Slack fits the mold needed for communication between cycles but doesn't get utilized. Slack also doesn't keep archives unless subscription is acquired. Discord keeps all conversations and documents. Slack isn't needed do to not being utilized and already having archives on the regional website. Proposal to no longer use slack and not replace it with anything else. Consensus reached and policy will be updated.**