

**Wisconsin Religious Collaborative
Board of Directors Meeting**

September 19, 2022

Minutes

Roll Call

Pat Cormack, SCSC	President	Present
Diana De Bruin, OSF	Vice President	Present
Theresa Sandok, OSM	Secretary	Excused
Sue Ernster, FSPA	Treasurer	Excused
Angelo Collins, OP	Board Member	Present via Zoom
Sharon Glumb, SLW	Board Member	Present
Rose Jochmann, OSF	Board Member	Present
Mary Ann Pevas, OP	Board Member	Present
Sharon Pollnow, CSA	Board Member	Present via Zoom
Jean Schafer, SDS	Board Member	Present
Julie Tydrich, FSPA	Executive Director	Present

Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Religious Collaborative was called to order by Pat Cormack, SCSC, at 9:30 AM at the motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Cross, Green Bay, Wis. The meeting was recorded. Theresa Sandok, OSM, will draft the minutes from the recording.

Prayer

Sharon Glumb, SLW, led the group in an opening prayer.

Approval of Agenda

Diana De Bruin, OSF, moved, and Rose Jochmann, OSF, seconded the motion, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Preliminary Orientation for New Members

Pat Cormack, SCSC, showed a PowerPoint presenting an overview of the Wisconsin Religious Collaborative. Pat and Julie Tydrich, FSPA, will provide a more comprehensive orientation for new members at a later time.

Approval of Minutes

Sharon Glumb, SLW, moved, and Rose Jochmann, OSF, seconded the motion, to approve the July 18, 2022 minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Sue Ernster, FSPA, provided the July 2022 balance sheet and income statement prior to the meeting. As of July 31, 2022, net assets totaled \$262,146.08. YTD revenues totaled \$75,184.98, and expenses totaled \$7,845.26, for a net operating gain of \$67,339.72, putting us ahead of budget by \$14,690.00.

Diana De Bruin, OSF, moved, and Rose Jochmann, OSF, seconded the motion, to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

Update on GHR Grant Proposal

GHR is offering current grantees a final, relatively small grant to assure that the supported organizations can continue to make progress. At our last meeting, the WRC board suggested using the grant to purchase various services from St. Luke Institute. Following a discussion with Beth Davis, marketing director at St. Luke Institute in Louisville, Pat Cormack, SCSC, drafted a proposal for a grant of \$16,400 (Attachment 1). The proposal includes a two-year group subscription to SLIconnect, custom-designed online presentations, and consultation for leaders. Kathleen Mahoney, representative of GHR to WRC, will present our proposal to the GHR board on September 20.

Conversation re: Commissary

Sharon Casey, OP, and JoAnn Showalter, SP, addressed the board via Zoom on the topic of a commissary. Sharon described how the Tacoma Dominicans arrived at the decision to enter into a covenant relationship with the Presentation Sisters and later to request a commissary from the Presentations. JoAnn Showalter, SP, the commissary for the Tacoma Dominicans, described her work as a commissary. The session was recorded and will be posted on the members-only section of the WRC website.

Lunch Break

Executive Director's Report

Julie Tydrich, FSPA, provided a written report prior to the board meeting (Attachment 2). She informed the board that board minutes, finance reports, and the PowerPoint from the September 8 Zoom meeting on the Emerging Futures Collaborative in Australia are posted on the website. She asked board members to send her photos of community activities to post on the website.

LCWR 9 Legislative Network

Julie asked for clarification about whether the board wanted her to sign on to LCWR 9 Legislative Network statements on behalf of the WRC. The board agreed that Julie would not sign on to such statements since that would be redundant; WRC members are also members of LCWR 9 and, as such, may sign on to Leg Net statements on behalf of their own communities. Julie also asked for clarification about the purpose of her attendance at Leg Net meetings. The board sees her purpose primarily as one of communication between the WRC and Leg Net. Julie will replace Rose Jochmann, OSF, as the WRC liaison with the LCWR9 Legislative Network.

Review of Advisory Committees

Following discussion, the board agreed to disband the Governance, Mental Health, and IT Advisory Committees, to table the Staffing and Management Advisory Committee, and to limit the focus of the Formation Advisory Committee to ongoing formation. Julie will inform the members of those committees of the board's action and thank them for their service.

Pat Cormack, SCSC, observed that the Health Care Advisory Committee has never met. She will send an email inquiring who would like to be part of the conversation on health care.

Update on ED Position

Julie said that in view of her election to a leadership position in her community, she can work only halftime for WRC. She recommended that her salary be reduced to half. The board will address this matter at the November meeting.

November Board Meeting

The board will meet 9 AM–3 PM, Monday, November 7, preferably in Portage, with Madison as a second choice. Members may arrive the night before. The GHR grant will cover expenses. The bulk of the meeting will focus on planning around the topic of

governance. We will invite Marlene Weisenbeck, FSPA, to facilitate the conversation. Pat will ask Sharon Price, RSM, who serves as Transition Manager for the Australian model, for descriptions of the roles of commissary and community coordinator and what a community needs to accomplish to prepare for completion. Pat drew attention to Sharon's video presentation in the RCRI toolbox, 2022 Fidelity to the Journey Workshop, Session III.

Next Meeting

9:00 AM–3:00 PM, Nov. 7, 2022, at a hotel near Portage or Madison. Prayer: Rose Jochmann, OSF.

Future Meetings: 9:30 AM–2:30 PM.

Jan. 30, 2023 Zoom. Prayer: Theresa Sandok, OSM.

Mar. 20, 2023 Annual Meeting, La Crosse. Prayer: Diana De Bruin, OSF

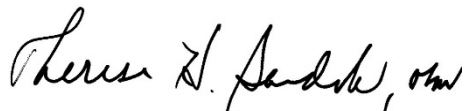
May 15, 2023 Joint Leadership Teams, St. Francis. Prayer: Mary Ann Pevas, OP

July 10, 2023 Location TBD. Prayer: SDS

Adjournment

Mary Ann Pevas, OP, moved, and Jean Schafer, SDS. seconded the motion, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Theresa Sandok, OSM
Secretary, WRC