

**Wisconsin Religious Collaborative  
Board of Directors Meeting**

**May 13, 2024**

**Minutes**

**Roll Call**

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| Pat Cormack, SCSC        | President          | Present |
| Sylvia Anne Sheldon, OSF | Vice President     | Present |
| Theresa Sandok, OSM      | Secretary          | Present |
| Sue Ernster, FSPA        | Treasurer          | Present |
| Rose Jochmann, OSF       | Board Member       | Present |
| Mary Ann Pevas, OP       | Board Member       | Present |
| Sharon Pollnow, CSA      | Board Member       | Present |
| Jean Schafer, SDS        | Board Member       | Present |
| Jeanne Tranel, OP        | Board Member       | Present |
| Donna Williams, SLW *    | Board Member       | Present |
| Julie Tydrich, FSPA      | Executive Director | Present |

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\* Representing Marie McKenna, SLW

**Call to Order**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Religious Collaborative was called to order by Pat Cormack, SCSC, via Zoom at 9:35 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mary Ann Pevas, OP, moved, and Rose Jochmann, OSF, seconded the motion, to approve the March 25, 2024 minutes. Motion carried.

**Financial Report**

Sue Ernster, FSPA, presented the treasurer's report. As of March 31, 2024, assets totaled \$483,582.53. There were no liabilities. YTD income totaled \$141,353.71 and expenses totaled \$55,475.14, for a net gain of \$85,878.57.

Sharon Pollnow, CSA, moved, and Jean Schafer, SDS, seconded the motion, to approve the financial report. Motion carried.

### **Joint Leadership Teams Meeting**

The Joint Leadership Teams Meeting convened at 9:55 a.m. Donna Williams, SLW, led the opening prayer. Dr. Emily Cash from St. Luke's Institute in Louisville, Ky, addressed the topic: "Skills for Leadership: Engaging and Nurturing Discernment for Future Leaders." After the presentation, participants moved into break-out sessions for discussion, followed by large group sharing.

### **Lunch Break, 12:00 p.m.**

The Board of Directors meeting reconvened at 12:45 p.m.

### **Follow-Up Items from Morning Session**

Pat Cormack, SCSC, will check on which member institutes do not plan to use their six hours of consultation with St. Luke's and report back at the next meeting. Those hours will then be made available to other member institutes. Julie Tydrich, FSPA, will check with member institutes on recommendations for facilitators for teams or chapters and report back at the next meeting.

### **Budget**

The budget decisions reported here took place at the executive session.

Julie Tydrich, FSPA, has offered to serve pro bono as part-time executive director. The board agreed to accept this generous offer, which eliminates the need to budget for salary and benefits. In place of the previous dues formula, which was based on a combination of community census and retirement funding, the proposed budget includes single payment of \$6,000 per member institute for the year.

Theresa Sandok, OSM, moved, and Sylvia Anne Sheldon, OSF, seconded the motion, to approve the FY 2024-2025 budget, which includes a base fee of \$6,000 per member institute. Motion carried.

The WRC will not collect dues for the second half of the current fiscal year. Those institutes that have already paid dues will have the money refunded, unless they choose to donate it to the Collaborative.

### **Approval of the WRC Governance Committee Charter**

Mary Ann Pevas, OP, and Theresa Sandok, OSM, presented a draft of the WRC Governance Committee Charter to the Board for approval. The board made the following amendments:

1. Under Members and Meetings, move the section on quorums up from number 6 to number 2.
2. Under Duties, insert as a new number 2: “To explore the potential benefits for the WRC to become a Public Juridic Person (PJP), with the possibility of the WRC supplying the commissary for member institutes.”
3. Also under Duties, revise number 6 to read: “To submit a request to the WRC Executive Committee if funds beyond those budgeted are needed to carry out the work of the WRC Governance Committee.”

Theresa Sandok, OSM, moved, and Sylvia Anne Sheldon, OSF, seconded the motion, to approve the WRC Governance Committee Charter as amended. Motion carried.

A copy of the Charter is appended to these minutes (Attachment 1).

#### **Future Meeting Dates**

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Time</b>         | <b>Place/Type</b> | <b>Prayer Leader</b>     |
|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| 29-Jul-24   | 9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m. | Lake OSFs         | Rose Jochmann, OSF       |
| 7-Oct-24    | 9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m. | Zoom              | Theresa Sandok, OSM      |
| 25-Nov-24   | 9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m. | Zoom              | Sylvia Anne Sheldon, OSF |

#### **Adjournment**

Sylvia Anne Sheldon, OSF, moved, and Sharon Pollnow, CSA, seconded the motion, to adjourn. The meeting, inclusive of the executive session, adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Theresa Sandok, OSM  
Secretary, WRC