

**Wisconsin Religious Collaborative
Board of Directors Meeting**

May 15, 2023

Minutes

Roll Call: Joint Leadership Teams

Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes
Patricia Bogenscheutz, CSA
Madeline Gianforte, CSA
Sonia Miley, CSA
Lael Niblick, CSA
Sharon Pollnow, CSA
Peg Spindler, CSA

Sisters of Mercy of the Holy Cross
Pat Cormack, SCSC
Kathy Lange, SCSC

Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi
Diana DeBruin, OSF
KD Strandell, OSF

Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration
Marcia Baumert, FSPA
Georgia Christensen, FSPA
Marie Des Jarlais, FSPA
Sue Ernster, FSPA
Julie Tydrich, FSPA

Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Cross
Mary Kabat, OSF
Jane Riha, OSF

Sisters of the Divine Savior
Patrice Colletti, SDS
Mary Lee Grady, SDS
Sheila Novak, SDS
Jean Schafer, SDS
Mary Evelyn Zimbauer, SDS

Racine Dominican Sisters
Chris Broslavick, OP
Agnes Johnson, OP
Maryann McMahan, OP
Mary Ann Pevas, OP

Sisters of the Living Word
Sharon Glumb, SLW
Marie McKenna, SLW
Carrie Miller, SLW
Ruth Platte, SLW
Kris Vorenkamp, SLW
Donna Williams, SLW

Servants of Mary
Sean Fox, OSM
Theresa Sandok, OSM
Barbara Thomalla, OSM

Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters
Angelo Collins, OP

Call to Order

The annual joint leadership teams meeting of the Wisconsin Religious Collaborative was called to order by Pat Cormack, SCSC, at 9:35 AM via Zoom.

Prayer

Mary Ann Pevas, OP, led the group in an opening prayer.

Presentation by Dr Emily Cash, Psy.D.

Dr Emily Cash from St Luke’s Institute in Louisville, Ky, addressed the topic of “Communication in Community: Skills for Establishing Trust and Healthy Interpersonal Relationships.” Following the presentation, participants moved into break-out sessions, followed by large group sharing.

Lunch Break, 12:00–12:45 PM

Roll Call: Board of Directors

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

The board of directors convened at 12:45 PM. The business portion of the meeting paused from 1:00 to 2:00 PM for a presentation by Mary Jo Nelson, OLVM, to the joint leadership teams about the various steps an institute needs to take before requesting a commissary. Following her presentation, the business meeting resumed.

Approval of Agenda

Diana De Bruin, OSF, moved, and Sharon Glumb, SLW, seconded the motion, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Sharon Pollnow, CSA, moved, and Mary Ann Pevas, OP, seconded the motion, to approve the March 20, 2023 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Sue Ernster, FSPA, presented the treasurer's report. As of March 31, 2023, net assets totaled \$292,260.84. YTD revenues totaled \$191,695.90, and expenses totaled \$81,024.10, for a net operating gain of \$110,671.80. Expenses incurred in April for the website will be shown on subsequent reports.

Sharon Glumb, SLW, moved, and Angelo Collins, OP, seconded the motion to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Budget Draft

Pat Cormack, SCSC, presented a budget draft for FY 2023-2024. The draft assumes a top salary of \$111,905 for the new position of Director of Shared Services and that 75% of the budget will be paid from member dues. We will not know the precise amount of dues each member institute will pay until this year's NRRO figures are available. However, based on last year's NRRO figures and current census numbers, institutes are likely to see an increase of between \$2,000 and \$7,000 in annual dues.

Some members expressed concern about whether their institutes could afford such a significant increase. Others said that they might be willing to make additional contributions, if needed.

The board agreed to postpone a vote on the budget until this year's NRRO numbers are available. Sue will let members know what numbers on the NRRO form to report.

Search for Director of Shared Services

Pat Cormack, SCSC, said that the Search Committee will meet on May 24 for a conversation on how we can reinvigorate the search process. She asked board members to be creative about reaching out to potential candidates. Information about the position is on the landing page of the WRC website.

Board of Review

Angelo Collins, OP, presented a draft of a document entitled "Review Boards During the Investigation of Allegations of Sexual Abuse," which outlines policies and procedures for

creating a board of review, as needed, from among WRC board members. Following discussion, Angelo agreed to tweak the document and bring it back for consideration at the July board meeting. Board members are asked to send suggestions to Angelo by June 20.

Future Meetings: 9:30 AM–2:30 PM

Sept. 18, 2023 Location TBD. Prayer: Sharon Pollnow, CSA

Nov. 6, 2023 Location TBD. Prayer: Sinsinawa OP

Next Meeting

9:30–2:30 PM, July 10, 2023, via Zoom. Prayer: Jean Schafer, SDS.

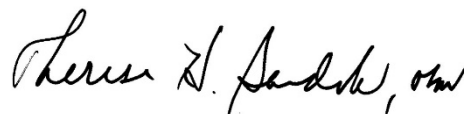
The meeting will include a conversation with Lynn Jarrell, OSU, and Janice Bader, CPPS, on issues related to governance and completion. That portion of the meeting is open to all leadership team members of WRC institutes.

Farewells and Adjournment

Pat Cormack, SCSC, expressed thanks and bid farewell on behalf of the board to Sharon Glumb, SLW, Diana DeBruin, OSF, and Angelo Collins, OP, for whom this was the last meeting. She invited them to make the motion to adjourn.

Sharon moved, and Diana and Angelo seconded the motion, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 3 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Theresa Sandok, OSM
Secretary, WRC