

Board of Directors Meeting March 5, 2020

Milwaukee, WI

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"Start now. Optimize later. An imperfect start can always be improved but obsessing over a perfect plan will never take you anywhere on its own."

James Clear, author of Atomic Habits

"Once you start your pursuit ... paths you never saw before will emerge."

-- Ray Dalio, Founder of Bridgewater Associates



Project Plan Update

- Adjusted timelines based on continued learnings
- Identifying phased results and deliverables
- Renewing vigor with Advisory Committees in March
- Continue regular updates to Board and begin posting program and Advisory Committee updates to website



Program	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20	Feb-20	Mar-20	Apr-20	May-20	Jun-20	Jul-20	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20
A. Staffing and Management Program															
A1. Administrative Resource Library															
A2. Pastoral Care Program															
A3. Assessment Package															
A4. Fleet Collective															
B. Health Care Agency Collective															
B1. Health Care and Aging Housing Program															
C. Ongoing Formation Portal															

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C1. Mental Health Program															
C2. Initial Formation															
D. Social Justice Portal															
E. Archives Practices															
E1. Archives Partnership															
F. IT Support Program															
G. Governance Program															

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Website Updates

- Added FSPA Ecology-related social justice programs to WRC Social Justice page and call for other submissions: https://www.wrcollaborative.org/resources/upcoming-events.cfm
- Posting monthly Google Analytics usage reports: https://www.wrcollaborative.org/wcr-members-only/siteanalytics.cfm
- Added Minutes section to LWCR pages: https://www.wrcollaborative.org/lwcr-members-only/regional-meeting-minutes.cfm
- Added misc. photos added to home page and created rotation
- Usage:

Dec 51 users, 200 page views Jan 18 users, 44 page views Feb 48 users, 347 page views



Nonmember/Network Connections

- Teresa Maya and Susan Mika, separate discussions but both in San Antonio region. Shared some process and tools used in our needs assessment and project planning and prioritization with Teresa Maya with follow-up discussion to continue.
- **Beatrice Eichten**, OSF, Little Falls MN (correction to location)—Discussion about the upcoming LCWR meetings and how our journey relates. Committed to staying connected. She mentioned the possibility of convening a discussion group of people working on these journeys after the results of all the regional meetings are assessed. Either way, we will remain in contact.



- Veronica Blake, small US Region of the Sisters of Mary Reparatrix (SMR)-Introduced by Mary Hughes for consultation on working with lay staff. They have
 12 sisters with a median age of 82 and are forming a council with a lay
 coordinator. I will continue sharing any information and guidance I can with her
 and to report to you as I learn more about their model.
- Kate Asselin, CCA Project, developing project to provide shared services for a group of Carmelite monasteries across the US, very interesting and in roughly same stage of development as WRC. We will continue to be in regular contact and share information. The project is funded by a one-year GHR grant. Will be applying for implementation grant next. Mentioned Kathleen (?) from GHR grant contact is looking to form a committee of people working on these types of collaboration and I confirmed I would like to be included. We're sharing network contacts and process steps. She is going to launch the advisory committee model and I am going to review her IT proposal to see if it's a model we may want to follow.

Upcoming Presentations & Meetings

3/30	LCWR 9 Legislative Network, Madison—attending meeting
4/20-4/22	Holding dates for LCWR 9 Meeting participation as needed
5/6	WITRI, Oshkosh—providing WRC presentation
5/12-13	Servants of Mary, Middleton—providing WRC update
6/17	Sisters of the Living Word, Arlington Heights—providing WRC update
8/5-8/6	Sharon Price, RSM, Catholic Religious Australia, Milwaukee
9/28-10/1	RCRI Conference, St. Louis—participating in panel

Non-member pricing/process/policy

- Reaching out to S. Virginia Ann Wanzek and her leadership team at Sisters of the Resurrection in Chicago to continue discussion regarding membership possibilities and information needs
- Building information sheet to provide to potential members or those who inquire



Personal Ongoing Formation

Reading:

- "Religious Life: The Challenges for Tomorrow": I am finding it revelatory. I am learning new terminology and vocabulary. It is slow-going since it is such deep and meaningful learning for me.
- Harvard Business Review, Dec 2019 issue "Cracking the Code on Collaboration."

Webinars:

- American Society for Association Executives LeadHERshift Online Seminar Series, "Empowered Women and Leadership Presence.
- GRF CPAs and Advisors Webinar, "Easy Ways to Engage Your Board in Fundraising." Susan Schaefer, CFRE, Principal at Resource Partners Online, focuses on helping organizations achieve grants so good connection.
- Pathable presents "The Value of Volunteer Subject Matter Experts at Association Events."
- Network: Creating a personal network for support and collaboration

Thank you for your support and partnership!



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