

Arkansas Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous Minutes
Day 1, August 1, 2026, Hosted by AWOL

RSC meeting began, August 1, 2026 @ 1:30 p.m. with Serenity Prayer

The Twelve Traditions were read by Violet M., Twelve Concepts were read by David D., 1st 2 paragraphs of Tradition 2 were read by Robert W., and the Definition was read by Aaron W., and Purpose of the Regional Service Committee was read by Sarah T.

Roll Call: Quorum Met

RCMs or their Alternates

ARVANA	Violet A	Present
AWOL	Debbie G.	Present
CAASCNA	Chad M.	Absent
CRANA	Zenia P	Present
FUACNA	Angie F.	Present
NWAANA	Crystal S./Heidi B.	Present
ORACNA	Aaron W./Robert H..	Present

Administrative Committee Trusted Servants

Chair	Laurie S.	Present
Vice Chair	Jennifer E.	Present
Regional Delegate	Alicia A.	Present
Alternate Delegate	Star M.	Present
Secretary	Amanda V.	Present
Secretary-in-training	Angie F.	Present
Treasurer	David D.	Present
Treasurer-in-training	Crystal S.	Present

Standing Subcommittee Chairpersons

Policy and Procedures	Wendy B.	Present
Convention Committee Chair	Vacant	
Communications Coordinator	Jennifer B.	Present
Ad Hoc: Basic Text for Jails Project	Crystal S.	Present
Ad Hoc: Communications Policy	Jennifer E.	Present
Ad Hoc: Public Relations	Wendy B	Present

RSC REPORTS

Secretary Report -

Angie F.

Old business, new business, open sharing, and elections from ARSCNA May 2026 Minutes were read. The information presented was supported.

Correspondence Report -

David D.

- 3 bank statements
- 2 donations from What a Change group

Beginning Treasurer's Report -

David D.

Ending Balance Last RSC

(\$1294.93)

Bills Paid

(Cleared)

- | | |
|----------------------|--------|
| • May Statement Fee | \$5.00 |
| • June Statement Fee | \$5.00 |

• #1344 Convention Committee	\$2000.00
• #1345 Jennifer B	\$49.63
• #1346 Jennifer B	\$65.00
• 5/5 Anytime Mailbox	\$6.00
• 5/7 YMC	\$143.00
• 6/8 YMC	\$143.00
• 6/22 Twilio	\$10.13
(Outstanding)	
• 2-8 Courtyard Sherman (SZF Travel)	\$291.54
• July Statement Fee	\$5.00
• Aug Statement Fee	\$5.00
<u>Deposits</u>	
(Cleared)	
• 5/3 May RSC	\$1472.74
• 5/18 FUACNA	\$18.11
• 6/8 CAASCNA	\$84.95
• 6/24 WAC	\$83.55
(Outstanding)	
• 7/14 FUACNA	\$502.17
Reconciled Bank Statement:	\$5311.80
Prudent Reserve:	(\$2333.75)
Accruals:	(\$4607.70)
Travel Fund (Rolling total):	(\$699.18)
Working Balance:	(\$2328.83)



RD/RDA Report -

Alicia A./star

See Below "Arkansas RD-AD Team Handout"

RD presented the RSC body and attendees with a WSC video report.

Flipbook Link: <https://heyzine.com/flip-book/5d496b3be7.html>

WSC Video Report Link (long): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BCBpuJ8P84I>

Hey friends!

During WSC, Alicia and I agreed that she would report on the business of the Conference while I would report on some of the things I learned through the experience.

I've had a lot of learnings from attending WSC and serving as part of the Delegate Team. Most of them will eventually come to you as proposals for ways we might improve, so I won't take much time with them here.

One thing that became increasingly apparent is that there is much we could do to make service more attractive and accessible. I have three proposals that focus on reducing some of the financial and logistical barriers to service. I'm confident we'll have plenty of discussion when those come before the body, so I won't get into the details right now. (Don't worry—I'm not just asking for more money. Please laugh.)

One idea that came out of this experience is creating a Delegate Team Playbook for future trusted servants. We have had to figure out many aspects of the role as we've gone, and some of that learning could be captured to make the transition easier for those who come after us. For example, it took me nearly a year to discover that one of the primary methods Conference participants use to communicate has its own app, and then additional cuss words to learn how

to use it effectively. Documenting that stuff could help future Delegate Teams spend less time figuring stuff out and more time serving the Region.

Another lesson for me is the importance of the Delegate Team functioning as a true team. While I'm not sure any policy can create that, I believe we should intentionally foster a relationship built on collaboration, mutual support, shared learning, and presenting a united front in our service to the Region. The strength of the Delegate Team has a direct impact on the Region's confidence in, and benefit from, its representation. Looking back, I know there are things I could have done differently, and I imagine the same is true of anyone serving in this role.

Finally, I also believe it matters how we conduct ourselves when representing Arkansas at zonal meetings, workshops, and the World Service Conference. We represent not only ourselves, but our Region. I hope we are known for listening as much as we speak, contributing thoughtfully, respecting the autonomy and conscience of the bodies we visit, and participating in ways that strengthen relationships throughout Narcotics Anonymous. Star M.

Administrative Committee Report

At the end of my interim term in 2024, I wrote that I hoped we would respond to the results of the regional inventory in the coming year. Well, it's been two years and two full terms, and I have news.

Nine (9) regional inventory responses were received and the results reported to the RSC in February 2025. The results generated unanswered questions and we didn't plan actions in response to the inventory. As I look back at those results now and review what we've done over the past two years, in 8 meetings, it seems to me that we did live our way into meeting some of what was named in the inventory.

INVENTORY RESULTS NAMED:

- Three most important things the RSC can do to help Areas and Groups: increase educational options, improve communication, and focus on home group needs.
- Three goals for RSC over the next 3 years: workshops, outreach/PR and something more practical...

WE, the RSC and ARKANSAS REGION HAVE:

1. Expanded resources on the website.
2. Conducted workshops throughout the region and virtually.
3. Trained phoneline volunteers and responded to incoming calls.
4. Kept the meeting list and website accurate and operational.
5. Changed to a virtual mailbox to save resources and improve services.
6. Placed Basic Texts in all county jails in AR that would receive them.
7. Researched and purchased liability insurance coverage for all groups and meeting locations in Arkansas.
8. Created a PR ad-hoc committee whose recommendation is coming forward today.
9. Created a communications project that fully reviewed and revised guidelines and policies and procedures. Convention guidelines are in that process now.
10. Navigated the resignation of RD, electing new servants and participating fully in the service structure, including an interim WSC and WSC 2026, the SZF, co-authoring a WSC motion, and recommending a member for the RBZ process for World Board service, and more. The Delegate team created handouts in an attempt to make the wealth of information and opportunities for participation in the fellowship as a whole, digestible for members.
11. We chose to self-support by paying the travel expenses of our RD to the WSC.
12. Hosted a wildly successful regional convention and increased the budget to meet increasing costs.
13. We continue to practice consensus-based decision making and grow in unity.
14. I'm sure I've missed something, and ask for grace in that.

WOW. I'm proud of us, and that feels good. It hasn't always been easy-we are a passionate crew. And, there is more to do and we are on our way! Specifically, there is some unfinished business: "M2025-05-05: For the CC to add the YAP text feature to our phone line services so that members or potential members can text our toll-free number and receive upcoming meetings via text." This turned out to be more complex than we imagined, but let's see it through.

It's been an honor to serve with you. Joyfully, I leave you in fabulous and outrageously capable hands!
In love and service, Laurie S.

P.S. Per the archiving policy (appendix C): I am turning over to Jennifer E. the paper archives that I have from 8/2022 - 08/2025. Shredding the rest.

AREA REPORTS

ARVANA -

Violet A.

- Number of Meetings: 52 each week
- Number of Groups: 8 member groups and 1 loner group
- H&I Meetings: We go to Lakepoint for both men and women weekly in Russellville. Gateway (women) and Harbor House (men) in Fort Smith are both once weekly and then we go into Lumina in Van Buren once per month and into Horizon in Booneville once per month also. We are no longer going into Sebastian County Detention Center for men or women due to lack of participation that meets the jail's requirements. We are currently unable to go into Crawford County Detention Center or Johnson County Detention Center still and this is due to a lack of available members.
- Trusted Servants: Chair - Benn T; Vice Chair - Benn T; Secretary - Amber E; Treasurer - Glenna S; RCM - Violet A; RCM A - Amber E; H&I/PR - Open with Benn T and Violet A covering currently. Hanging in the Fort Convention Chair - Nick N; Men's Retreat Chair - Torger L; Women's Retreat Chair - Shelby H; Cove Lake Chair - Terry S;
- PR Activity: Printed ARVANA meeting lists for all HIPR facilities and for committee members to use in the community. No other activities besides filling the current literature racks at other locations.
- Other Activities: RAW had their anniversary speaker jam on July 11th in Fort Smith, and it was successful, but had a low turnout. Friends for Freedom had their anniversary speaker jam on June 20th in Russellville. The Master Blaster hosted by the Grateful Heads last weekend was amazing and had a great turnout. New Way is hosting their Ice Cream Social on August 23rd at VFW in Van Buren from 2-6pm. Cove Lake Campout, Let's Spend the Night Together is coming up in October.
- Specific Problems: We are struggling with PR and HI activities and participation by area members. We have facilities wanting us to come in but we do not have enough participants.
- Assets/Strengths: We have lots of meetings and activities coming up. We have updated the arscna.org website with these.
- Update to History of NA in your area: Straight Forward, RAW and Yellow Frogs are now meeting 422 N Greenwood Avenue across from Sally Ann's. This is great for the groups to finally have that uncertainty dealt with and be moving forward in the new building. All groups are meeting downstairs currently. We also have no more meetings being held by the loner groups in Ozark and Waldron. These have been removed from the website.
- Plans for the coming year: See activities listed above. Trusted servants started their new positions in June 2026 and we are only lacking an HI/PR chair currently. ARVANA will

host ARSCNA in November at 3911 N O St in Fort Smith AR. There are lots of local hotels/motels and a Holiday Inn.

- Donations: Check for \$300 donation.

AWOL -

Debbie G.

- Elected Servants: GSRA Debbie G
 - Group has 8 open positions anticipated to be filled soon
- 15 open meetings, 1 closed meeting with good attendance
- Monthly birthday night celebrations are well attended
- AWOL offers support to Women of Hope meeting at 5:30pm on Fridays
 - Jasper and Newton Co NA meetings no longer meet
- Have a donation

CAASCNA -

Absent

CRANA -

Zenia P.

Hello family, I have sent an email about the meetings that need to be updated. Leachville needs to be removed and Bono added. CRANA currently has 36 meetings a week. We currently have all services positions open.

We have one group that has closed after 22 years. Leachville groups have closed their doors due to no meeting place. We do have a new meeting at 5:30-6:30 in Bono at 239 E College Corner, Bono, AR called Just Say No Bono.

Activities in our area:

- Cope Without Dope Women's group is having a 3-hour float trip
- August 8th meeting at 2114 North Church St., Jonesboro, AR 72401 at 8pm
- Cope Without Dope has a monthly gathering outside the meeting
- There is a BBQ/game night on August 22nd at 5:30pm
- Labor Day Breakfast on Monday, September 7th at 10am
- Bono is having a Pizza Party & Clean Day Celebration
- Pocahontas is having their annual Peace in the Park on September 12th, 2026, from 9am-4pm at Old Davidson State Park outside Pocahontas.

H&I: CRANA is currently scheduled every Wednesday to carry the NA meeting into NEARC Recovery Center. There is a local service that is in the process of opening a men's detox/rehab center in Jonesboro, AR, and they have requested that we bring a meeting into their facility. We'll let everyone know more as our H&I moves forward. Also, the women in our area are in the process of filling out applications to take a NA meeting into the Women's RPF in West Memphis. More will be revealed on that as well. This will be a once per month meeting with the prison that houses 400-500 women.

-Zenia

FUACNA -

Angie F.

Hey everyone,

The Foothills Unity Area currently has 3 seated groups and 3 loner groups:

- County Line Recovery group is no longer meeting
- Point of Freedom in Batesville (4 meetings)
- Vision of Hope in Batesville (2 meetings)
- Recovery Connection in Searcy (9 meetings)
- Ties That Bind (Hybrid - 2 meetings)
- Seeking Serenity (2 meetings)
- Active Change (1 meeting)

- 20 meetings in our geographical area

Area Service Committee:

- Facilitator: Laurie S
- Co-Facilitator: Angela M.
- Secretary: Dawn M.
- Treasurer: Sheran G.
- RCM: Angie F.
- Alt. RCM: Vacant

Subcommittees:

- Activities: Brooks C.
- HIPR: Dani M.
- Outreach: Tony B.

The Activities Committee is planning our next Winter Convention which is held in January. A flyer will be available soon.

H&I continues to carry the message by bringing a panel meeting to Arisa, a treatment center in Searcy, every Friday at 6:00 p.m. Public Relations (PR) maintains and stocks IP racks at the local police station, DHS, the health department, and Arisa. HIPR has been meeting regularly to improve our PR efforts in reaching addicts in the 5 counties our area serves. Several members participated in a flyer day in all five counties. Each team documented where they placed flyers, so later they can check if phone numbers were pulled from the flyers, and to replenish if needed. HIPR recently presented a slideshow to our Area to inform members and practice their presentation skills.

Outreach continues to do an excellent job visiting home groups across our Area

As mentioned at our last RSC, this year marks Recovery Connection's 40th anniversary, and a celebration is planned for September 12th.

ILS, Angie

[NWAANA](#) -

Crystal S.

Donations

- NWA Area & Group Donation Total: \$858.65
 - ASC Check 1520: 427.72
 - ASC Check 1523: 323.12
 - New Beginnings Check 199: 29.53
 - New Beginnings Check 201: 48.55
 - New Beginnings Check 207: 29.13
- **Meetings**
 - 32 meetings a week
 - 8 seated groups
 - 2 loaner groups
 - New Fayetteville meeting - FN Serene
- **Trusted Servants**
 - Chair - Glenn B
 - Vice Chair - Stephanie H
 - Treasurer - Aj D nominated
 - Treasurer in Training - Open

- Secretary - Misty H nominated
- RCM - Crystal W nominated
- RCMA - Charles nominated
- Activities Chair - Nikki F
- HIPPR - Meagan E
- **H&I Meetings**
 - H&I in 1 local treatment center
 - Working on Wash Co Jail and Benton Co Jail
- **PR**
 - IP Racks
 - Intro to NA for drug court bi-monthly
 - Booths in Aug and Sept
- **Activities**
 - 2nd Friday of every month 8 PM-12 AM New Beginnings Game Night
 - August 15th: Living Clean Chicken Cook Off
 - September 5th: New Beginnings Tye-Dye Party
 - September 19th; Livin Clean Ride for Recovery
 - Oct 2-4 Light My Fire - New Life
- **Problems or Situations**
 - No Matter What, Therapeutic Value and Peaceful Dozen are experiencing many new comers and have requested help carrying the message
 - New Beginnings is looking for their Red travel banner. Please ask, around and report back to Crystal or new RCM.
- **Assets/Strengths**
 - Area is going great, all positions are currently filled
 - New members showing interest in service in the area

Returned votes to Region

Elections

Nominations Close in May

Chair: Approved

Jennifer E- CAASCNA, automatic

Treasurer: Approved

Crystal S., NWAANA, automatic

Secretary: Approved

Angie F., FUACNA, automatic

Vice Chair: Approved

David D., CAASCNA

Secretary-in-Training: :Approved Shanon A., CAASCNA

Treasurer-in-Training: Closed

Policy Coordinator: Closed

Violet A -ARVANA

Convention Chair: :Approved Chuck B - NWAANA

Communications Coordinator: Closed

ORACNA -

Aaron W.

- Number of Meetings: 38
- Number of Groups: 8
- Trusted Servants:
 - RCM-Aaron W.

- RCMA-Robert W.
- PR Activity: Limited and grouped in with H&I. Discussions had about forming a subcommittee.
- Assets/Strengths: Willingness to serve, look for solutions, and toward unity
- Update to History of NA in your area: New meeting-Recovery Connection in Malvern, SPRH has added a 6pm daily meeting
- Plans for the coming year: Continue to serve and grow in number and unity

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Communications Coordinator -

Website: There is a link so that any group, campout, or service body can “submit an event” directly at www.arscna.org. Please use this link even if you don’t have all the details or a flyer yet. It will help other Areas to show support by not scheduling several events on the same date when possible.

BMLT: All meetings have been updated that were received.

Phoneline: Updates to the NA Screens will be submitted to the answering service, to include the new members of the RSC. I will be facilitating a Phoneline Orientation for AWOL in Harrison, AR, on August 1, 2026 at 10 AM. I will be adding trainees from today’s training to the Patch List while making updates, pending they meet all the requirements. All phoneline volunteers must meet the 1-year clean-time requirement and have phoneline training every 2 years.

Calls per Area received: Below is a list of the calls received by the answering service, via email, as recorded.

- 5/07/26-Caller requesting to speak to someone in the Eureka Springs area. The caller was transferred to 5 different phoneline volunteers’ numbers, one answered and stated they “knew nothing about that area” the call was then transferred to 4 different voicemails, before a volunteer responded and returned the call.
- 5/08/26-Caller is requesting information on starting new meetings in a couple of counties. Caller was patched through to a volunteer after receiving one person’s voicemail.
- 5/12/26-Caller was looking for contact information for the Louisiana Region. Caller was transferred to the Communications Coordinator, but the caller hung up. The call returned and was transferred to a phoneline volunteer which was able to assist the caller.
- 6/23/26-Caller requesting help with getting meeting attendance verification in virtual meetings. Caller was patched to Communications Coordinator which was able to assist the caller in this matter.
- 7/06/26-Caller reports that the wrong number was given for ARVANA rep. The call center reported this matter to the Communications Coordinator and she followed up with the RSC member. The error was corrected with the answering service immediately.

Twilio: The ARSCNA debit card has been added to our Twilio account. Twilio sent the Communications Coordinator an email stating that they charged ARSCNA’s card \$10.13 on 6/18/26 to bring our balance back up to \$30.00.

Social Media: I am including the links to our social media accounts.

- <https://www.facebook.com/arscna/>
- <https://www.instagram.com/arkansasnarcoticsanonymous/>

Thank you for entrusting me, Jennifer B.

Policy Coordinator-

Fully revised RSC Policy, Treasurer’s Manual, and Social Media Manual have been posted on the ARSCNA website. We need to make sure the Secretary has “original” files in the archive. The Policy Chair does not have editable files, and the Vice Chair will send to them. Policy will also address adding language into the policy pertaining to the insurance policy. Last time the

treasurer's term was adjusted for the budget date, it could be moved instead of the treasurer's term. We must make time to conduct an audit. There is an assumption that this will take place prior to the next treasurer assuming responsibility. Policy wants to know if the original motion to address the communications that led to an Ad Hoc has been fulfilled. The policy revisions are a constantly revolving process.

Wendy B.

Basic Text for Jails Project Ad Hoc-

Budget:

November RSC

- Requested: \$76.00
- Packaging: \$31.50
- Remaining Balance: \$44.50

February RSC

- Requested: \$200.00 (shipping costs)
- Total funds available \$244.50
- Actual shipping cost: \$125.28

May RSC

- Remaining Balance: \$119.22

August RSC

- Remaining Balance: \$119.22

Meetings

- No meetings - List was distributed

Special Shout Out

- | | | |
|-----------|----------|---------------|
| • Laurie | • star | • Wendy |
| • Shannon | • Violet | • David |
| • Angie | • Brad | • Jennifer |
| • Sarah | • Sean | • Chris |
| • Alicia | • Misty | • Many Others |
| | • Heidi | |

Current Status

- 66 paperback Basic Texts received
- 24 packaged and sent on 2/17/26
- 31 jails followed up on
- 16 Books remaining to send
- Google Sheet Updated and cleaned up
 - 60 total Jails
 - 40 Jails that will accept books
 - 6 Jails will not allow books
 - 14 Jails will allow for Virtual Books (includes Jails that also accept physical books)
 - 7 Jails will only allow Virtual Books
 - 6 Jails we were unable to get direct answers from

Next Steps

- Mail Remaining books
- Will try to reach out 1 more time to the unknown/unreachable jails
- Updated clear Excel with detailed information (How should we archive)

Communications Ad Hoc-

We met several times, and Chuck's input was very helpful in ensuring that we stayed consistent with the nature of the policy. I have been busy and have not yet completed the final revisions. I commit to finalizing them, sending them to Chuck for review, and submitting them before the six-week administrative check-in.

Public Relations Ad Hoc-

In relation to M2026-05-02: To create a Public Relations Adhoc to brainstorm methods for reaching non-member addicts returning a project plan to RSC by August 2026.

- Zoom meeting on May 30th announced at May RSC; reminder sent day of; 2 in attendance plus one at close out
- Focused price range on PR annual line budget of \$350
- Chose matchbooks over stickers, magnets, or business cards as most likely to reach non-member addicts' hands
- Explored multiple source options and settled on www.promotionalmatches.com
- 2000 matchbooks contained in 100x 20-pack trays are ready to order for \$378; estimate invoice attached
- Edit to include NA logo trademark on back cover; (maybe) We Can Help?
- Shipment could be available at November RSC for Areas to disperse (gas stations, pawn shops, etc.), being mindful of Public Relations protocols
- Wendy passed around mock-ups of the matchbooks that will be ordered and distributed between areas.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

ELECTIONS

- Chair: Jennifer E., CAASCNA
 - **SUPPORTED**
- Treasurer: Crystal S., NWAANA
 - **SUPPORTED**
- Secretary: Angie F., FUACNA
 - **SUPPORTED**
- Vice Chair: David D., CAASCNA
 - **SUPPORTED**
- Policy Coordinator: Violet A., ARVANA
 - **SUPPORTED**
- Convention Chair: Chuck B., NWAANA
 - **SUPPORTED**

OPEN SHARING

- A consensus was made to change the order of the day due to the November RSC and Conference Participant Meeting (1:00-2:30) being the same day.
 - RSC Business 9:00-12:00
 - Lunch 12:00-1:00
 - RSC Workshop 1:00-2:30

- Discussion centered on changing the RD/AD nomination timeline and creating an AdHoc Committee to evaluate the Delegate Team's role.
- Nomination window options discussed for the Delegate Team, and consensus was to keep nominations open until November and vote in February.
- Draw for Convention Responsibilities
 - Programming - ARVANA
 - Entertainment - Central
 - Registration - FUACNA
 - Merchandising - Ouachita
 - Hospitality - AWOL
 - Serenity Keepers - Crowley's Ridge
- star discussed **"Time at the Table"** and rotation of service.
- Wendy introduced the concept of potentially dividing Communication into more than one committee such as Phonline, Website, etc.

End of Day 2 - Closed with the Serenity Prayer @ 6:20 p.m.

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NEW BUSINESS

- Budgeted Request: \$24.20 to Jennifer B. (Communications)
- Budgeted request: \$378.00 to Wendy B. (PR)
- Budgeted request: \$924.02 to Alicia A. (SZF Travel)
- M2026-08-01: \$110.96 for RD Travel Reimbursement to RSC
 - **SUPPORTED**
- M2026-08-02: \$162.66 for Communications Coordinator Travel Reimbursement to RSC
 - **SUPPORTED**
- M2026-08-03: \$119.32 for Secretary Travel Reimbursement to RSC
 - **SUPPORTED**
- M2026-08-04: To follow in the footsteps of WSC, SZF, and the other service bodies by providing a hybrid participation option whenever the Arkansas Regional Service Committee meets in person, except when the nature of the business requires members to be physically present (such as audits or other circumstances determined by the RSC).
 - INTENT:
 - Increase accessibility for trusted servants across the Region.
 - Reduce travel expenses and financial barriers to participation,

- Improve attendance and continuity of service.
- Allow members to participate when illness, work, family responsibilities, weather, or distance would otherwise prevent attendance.
- Utilize readily available technology to better serve the fellowship.
- Additional Context:
 - I am currently declining the nomination for RD due to the financial burden of attending all of the required meetings. We can call them dogs, which often seems to invite dismissive reactions, or we can recognize that I have dependents at home with no nearby family to care for them. Just as someone else might need to arrange childcare, I have to arrange pet care in order to participate. I'm asking that we consider who we are missing at the service table because of factors we are not accounting for.
 - The Arkansas Region covers a large geographic area, and attending Regional meetings often requires significant travel, time away from work or family, lodging, and other expenses. While face-to-face meetings remain valuable, today's technology makes it possible to include trusted servants who would otherwise be unable to participate.
 - Providing a hybrid option does not replace in-person meetings or discourage attendance. Rather, it expands access by allowing members to participate remotely when circumstances prevent travel. This can reduce costs for both individual trusted servants and the Region while increasing participation and maintaining continuity of service.
 - There are also practical situations where a hybrid option benefits the fellowship, including severe weather, illness, family emergencies, work conflicts, or unexpected travel limitations.
 - Certain activities—such as audits or other functions requiring physical presence—may still need to be conducted entirely in person. This proposal recognizes those exceptions while encouraging the Region to make hybrid participation the standard whenever practical.
- **REFERRED TO A PROJECT PLAN (ADHOC) COMMITTEE**
 - Chaired by Laurie S., Communications Coordinator-Elect
 - M2026-08-05: To follow the example of the World Service Conference & Southern Zonal Forum (and potentially other service bodies) by holding some meetings fully virtual. Suggestion is to alternate Arkansas Regional Service Committee meetings between in-person/hybrid (if passed) and fully virtual meetings.
- INTENT:
 - Improve stewardship of Regional resources.
 - Reduce travel expenses for both the Region and trusted servants.
 - Increase accessibility and participation.
 - Reduce barriers to Regional service.
- Additional Context:
 - Virtual: February, August
 - In-person: May, November (Stick to current location rotation)

- **REFERRED TO AREAS**
- M2026-08-06: To establish an official Arkansas Region Narcotics Anonymous Facebook group (and potentially other social media, if desired) as an **additional** communication tool for the Regional Service Committee.
 - INTENT:
 - Improve the Region's ability to communicate timely information to the fellowship.
 - Increase agility in sharing announcements, opportunities, and Delegate Team updates between Regional meetings.
 - Supplement written reports by sharing shorter, more digestible pieces of information.
 - Support RCMs by providing another avenue for carrying information back to their Areas and Groups.
 - Increase awareness of Regional service efforts and encourage greater member interest & engagement.
 - Utilize a communication platform that many members already access regularly while continuing to maintain traditional communication methods.
 - Additional Context:
 - One of the primary responsibilities of the Delegate Team is to facilitate communication between the Arkansas Region and the broader service structure. I found myself excited about news and happenings OFTEN and I wanted to immediately share them back to the fellowship I'm serving rather than wait 3 months to produce a long report that no one will read. I found myself sharing news only on my local area's group (because I do not belong to or even know of all the facebook groups related to the AR Region groups & areas - and that would be a lot of cross posting!), but that never felt consistent with the spirit of serving the entire Arkansas Region.
 - We do some cool things - but we can't tell each other about them until our quarterly meeting - and then RCM's have to wait until their Area meets again...creating the potential for lost context and momentum. Then, when we do report - the delegate team to this body or RCMs back to Areas - there's an overwhelming amount of information that is just not digestible for most folks' attention spans.
 - An official Regional Facebook Group (and potentially other social media, if desired) would provide an additional trusted location where members could receive timely announcements, learn about Regional activities, and stay informed between meetings. Rather than relying on numerous independent Area and Group Facebook pages—or hoping information is passed from one page to another—the Region could communicate directly with the fellowship through a single, consistent source.
 - A Facebook Group, rather than a Facebook Page, is proposed intentionally. Facebook is designed to prioritize Group content in members' news feeds, making announcements more likely to be seen.

Members can also choose to receive notifications when new information is posted, making it a more effective communication tool for timely updates.

- This proposal is not intended to replace RCMs, Regional reports, or the Regional website. Those communication methods remain essential, especially considering not everyone uses social media. Instead, it recognizes that information moves slowly through the service structure, and is sometimes lost when attention spans wane.
- Ultimately, this proposal is rooted in our commitment to accountability, transparency, and effective service. By improving the flow of information between the Regional Service Committee and the fellowship, we strengthen our ability to carry the message, encourage greater participation in Regional service, and better fulfill our responsibility to those we serve.
- **Spiritual Principles this motions is based in:**
 - **Inclusivity** – Acknowledges that members consume information differently. Some benefit from detailed reports, while others better retain information through shorter, more frequent updates. Offering multiple communication formats helps make Regional information more accessible without replacing traditional methods. It also lowers barriers to participation.
 - **Choice** – Participation is voluntary. No member is required to use Facebook to participate in NA. By making information available through multiple channels and in multiple formats, members have the opportunity to choose how they receive and engage with Regional information.
 - **Responsibility** – The proposal recognizes that the Delegate Team and RSC have a responsibility to communicate effectively with the fellowship, not simply to produce reports. Carrying information includes considering how members are most likely to receive and engage with it.
 - **Open-mindedness** – Recognizing that communication methods evolve and that service can adapt while remaining grounded in NA principles.
 - **Humility** – The proposal acknowledges that lengthy quarterly reports may not be the most effective way to reach members and is willing to consider a better approach.
 - **Integrity** – The proposal attempts to align communication practices with the Region's stated responsibility to keep the fellowship informed. (I'm sure there are many more, but this is already a 3 page proposal! What can you think of?)

- **SUPPORTED**

- M2026-08-07: To reschedule the May Regional Service Committee meeting during years in which the World Service Conference is held. The meeting date should be adjusted to

occur after the World Service Conference and before the next Southern Zonal Forum meeting whenever reasonably possible.

- INTENT:

- Ensure the Delegate Team is able to attend both the World Service Conference and the Regional Service Committee meeting.
- Provide the Arkansas Region with a timely report on the World Service Conference while discussions and decisions are still fresh.
- Allow the Region to receive and discuss the World Service Conference report before additional information from the Southern Zonal Forum is added.
- Reduce unnecessary scheduling conflicts for the Delegate Team.
- Improve the Region's ability to respond to or act upon information coming from the World Service Conference.

- Policy & Procedure Changes:

- Update the meeting schedule to provide flexibility for the May Regional Service Committee meeting during World Service Conference years.
(ROTATION OF MEETINGS p8)

- Additional Context:

- Under the current Regional calendar, the Delegate Team is attending the World Service Conference when the May RSC is held and is therefore unable to attend that meeting. As a result, the Arkansas Region does not receive a report immediately following the World Service Conference.
- By the next Regional meeting, the Delegate Team has typically also attended the Southern Zonal Forum and likely 1 - 2 conference participant meetings. This means the Region receives reports from two significant service bodies at the same meeting, creating a large volume of information to communicate, discuss, and process at one time.
- Rescheduling the May RSC during World Service Conference years would allow the Delegate Team to attend the May Regional meeting rather than miss it. This would give the Region an opportunity to receive a dedicated World Service Conference report while the information is still fresh, ask questions, and provide guidance before the Delegate Team attends the Southern Zonal Forum and Conference Participant meetings. If the first post-WSC workshop is intended to focus on the Conference, it would also be beneficial for the RSC to be held approximately two weeks after WSC, allowing delegates time to prepare a thoughtful report while ensuring the discussion remains timely.
- At the following Regional meeting, the Delegate Team could then report separately on the Southern Zonal Forum. Presenting these reports independently gives each body of work the attention it deserves and improves the Region's ability to understand, discuss, and act on the information being presented.

- An additional benefit is that funding for Southern Zonal Forum attendance would no longer need to be approved as far in advance, allowing the Region to make those decisions closer to the event.
 - This is not uncommon. Tejas BlueBonnet reschedules their RSC meetings on WSC years, and I'm aware of other groups and areas that adjust a service body meeting for regular, infrequent events.
 - **SUPPORTED**
- M2026-08-08: Change 11b in the Financial Policies section of the Policy Manual
 - From: "Food expenses should not exceed the per diem rate established in the Guide to World Service and must be accompanied with receipts."
 - To: Personal expenses directly related to travel should not exceed the per diem rate established in the Guide to World Service and must be accompanied with receipts.
 - INTENT: To reduce financial barriers to service by allowing greater flexibility in how delegates use existing per diem reimbursements for travel-related personal expenses, while remaining within the budget and reimbursement limits already established in the Guide to World Service.
 - Policy & Procedure Changes:
 - 11b in the Financial Policies section of the Policy Manual
 - Additional Context:
 - Serving as a delegate is a significant commitment of time, energy, and personal resources. This proposal seeks to remove unnecessary barriers to participation by allowing delegates flexibility in how they use their allotted per diem funds for travel-related personal expenses.
 - This change does not increase the budget or reimbursement limits currently established by the Region or the Guide to World Service. Rather, it allows delegates to use the same allotted funds in ways that best support their ability to serve.
 - For example, one delegate may spend most of their per diem on meals while traveling, while another may choose to spend less on food and use the remaining allowable amount toward necessary travel-related support expenses such as childcare or pet care. In either case, the total reimbursement remains within the same established per diem limit.
 - This proposal recognizes that trusted servants have differing personal responsibilities and financial circumstances, and that increased flexibility may help make service more accessible to a broader range of members willing to serve.
 - **REFERRED TO AREAS**
- M2026-08-09: To create a task group to review the responsibilities and duties of the delegate team and determine what the local fellowship needs and wants of this team.
 - INTENT: To ensure the Region is using our resources responsibly to support our needs.
 - Additional Context:
 - Chaired by David D., Vice Chair with RD, AD, and all RCMs participation

- Goal of Deadline: February
 - **REFERRED TO A PROJECT PLAN (ADHOC) COMMITTEE**
- M2026-08-10: To nullify the May 2026 RSC proposal (M2026-05-01) changing the treasurer term and define the fiscal RSC year as beginning with August RSC.
 - INTENT: To coordinate budgeting with an overlap of incoming and outgoing treasurer and to start the budget year with election of trusted servants.
 - Policy & Procedure Changes:
 - Pg. 12, "Terms of Office" remove #3
 - Treasurer Manual:
 - Procedure #11 revise the budget at the August RSC
 - Remove "last...of the year"
 - Notes: New budget each August
 - Remove "November"
 - **SUPPORTED**

NOMINATIONS

- Regional Delegate: Nominations remain open until November (vote in February)
 - star m. (FUACNA)
 - Alicia A. (NWAANA)
- Alternate Delegate: Nominations open
 - Terry B. (ARVANA)
- Secretary-in-Training: Nominations remain open
- Treasurer-in-Training: Nominations remain open
- Communications Coordinator: Nominations closed
 - Laurie S. (FUACNA)

ANNOUNCEMENTS



- All events with flyers are attached below
- Let your areas know that NA promotional matchbooks for PR are on their way to them following the November RSC Meeting.
- The order of the day for the November RSC Meeting hosted by ARVANA has been changed. Reference the flyer below.
- August 15, 2026 Just Say No Bono Phonline Workshop
- November 14th, 2026, CAASC Activities Basketball Tournament

REVIEW OF INFORMATION GOING BACK TO AREAS

- M2026-08-05: To follow the example of the World Service Conference & Southern Zonal Forum (and potentially other service bodies) by holding some meetings fully virtual. Suggestion is to alternate Arkansas Regional Service Committee meetings between in-person/hybrid (if passed) and fully virtual meetings.
 - INTENT:
 - Improve stewardship of Regional resources.
 - Reduce travel expenses for both the Region and trusted servants.
 - Increase accessibility and participation.
 - Reduce barriers to Regional service.
 - Additional Context:

- Virtual: February, August
 - In-person: May, November (Stick to current location rotation)
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 - This proposal recognizes that trusted servants have differing personal responsibilities and financial circumstances, and that increased flexibility may help make service more accessible to a broader range of members willing to serve.
 - **REFERRED TO AREAS**
- **Vote on Nominations:**
 - Communication Coordinator: Laurie S. (FUACNA)
- **Open Nominations** (Close in November)
 - Regional Delegate: star m. (FUACNA), Alicia A. (NWAANA)
 - Alternate Delegate: Terry B. (ARVANA)
 - Secretary-in-Training
 - Treasurer-in-Training
- **Draw for Convention Responsibilities**
 - Programming - ARVANA
 - Entertainment - CAACNA
 - Registration - FUACNA

- Merchandising - ORACNA
- Hospitality - AWOL
- Serenity Keepers - CRANA

UPDATED TREASURER'S REPORT

Starting Working Balance:	(\$2328.83)
Area/Group Donations: (Total)	\$2017.75
ARVANA	\$300.00
AWOL	\$200.00
CAASCNA - ABSENT	\$0.00
CRANA	\$0.00
FUACNA - EARLY	\$0.00
NWAANA	\$750.84
ORACNA	\$624.10
New Beginning	\$107.81
What A Change	\$35.00
Turnovers: (Total)	\$0.00
Returns of Budget: (Total)	\$1084.34
• Alicia (WSC)	\$348.76
• Alicia (SZF)	\$59.64
• star (WSC)	\$15.94
• star (SZF)	\$660.00
Updated Working Budget:	\$773.26

Final Treasurer Report

Updated Working Budget:	\$773.26
Budgets Given:	(\$1326.22)
• Jennifer B (Communications)	\$24.20
• Alicia A (SZF Travel)	\$924.02
• Wendy B (PR)	\$378.00
Reimbursements:	(\$0.00)
Money Motions: (Total)	(\$392.94)
• Amanda V (Travel Fund)	\$119.32
• Jennifer B (Travel Fund)	\$162.66
• Alicia A (Travel Fund)	\$110.96
Updated Balance:	(\$945.90)
Final Balance:	(\$945.90)
Donation to NAWS (50%):	\$0.00
Donation to SZF (40%):	\$0.00
Travel Fund:	\$0.00
Final working Balance:	(\$945.90)
Current Checking Balance\$24:	\$6689.73

PLANS FOR NEXT MEETING
ARVANA, November 7-8, 2026

ARSCNA 1-YEAR ROTATION SCHEDULE

November 2026	ARVANA*
February 2027	CAASCNA
May 2027	CRANA
August 2027	FUACNA

**The order of the day for the November RSC Meeting hosted by ARVANA has been changed.
Reference the flyer below.*

End of Day 2 - Closed with the Serenity Prayer @ 1:16 p.m.

2026 ARKANSAS BUDGET

(Amounts budgeted based on expected quarterly expenses = annual budgeted amount (\$)/4)	Amount Budgeted 2026	Feb 2026 Actual Spent	May 2026 Actual Spent	Aug 2026 Actual Spent	Nov 2026 Actual Spent	Total Spent	Remaining Balance
Secretary	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$50.00
RD(CAT/CAR PRINTING)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
Rent/Hosting	\$1,200.00	\$200	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$200.00	\$1,000.00
SZF(Travel x 3 Zonal Meetings)	\$3,000.00	\$1,611.54	\$0.00	\$924.02		\$2,535.56	\$464.44
HIPR	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$378.00		\$378.00	-\$28.00
Phoneline (Answering Service) - Autodraft ACH Monthly	\$1,800.00	\$429	\$429	\$429		\$1,287.00	\$513.00
Twilio Phone # - Autodraft Debit	\$150.00	\$10.66	\$20.76	\$10.13		\$41.55	\$108.45
Policy and Procedure	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$300.00
Treasurer	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$25.00
UPS Store Mail Forwarding	\$160.00	\$36.69	\$35.01	\$6.00		\$77.70	\$82.30
Starting Kits	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$600.00
Fellowship Development	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$1,000.00
SZF (Hosting/Event Programming)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
Communication Coordinator	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$49.63	\$24.20		\$73.83	\$326.17
Inmate Correspondence	\$300.00	\$22.41	\$13.64	\$0.00		\$36.05	\$263.95
TOTALS	\$9,335.00	\$2,310.30	\$548.04	\$1,771.35	\$0.00	\$4,629.69	\$4,705.31
PRUDENT RESERVE		\$2,333.75					

ANNUAL ACCRUALS

	ACCRUALS - Budget 2026 Totals	Feb 2026 Starting Balance	Feb 2026 Spent/Added	May 2026 Spent/Added	Aug 2026 Spent/Added	Nov 2026 Spent/Added	Total Accrual Balances
RD WSC Travel (Dispersed Feb 2026 - budgeted annually) - \$250 quarterly (Maximum = \$3000.00)	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$250.00		\$723.50
RD WSC Travel (SPENT)			-\$2,776.50				

AD WSC Travel (Dispersed Feb 2026 - budgeted annually) - \$250 quarterly (Maximum = \$3000.00)	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00		\$1,101.10
AD WSC Travel (SPENT)			-\$2,398.90				
Website (Paid Feb RSC) - \$57.75 quarterly	\$231.00	\$195.05	\$57.75	\$57.75	\$57.75		\$137.35
Website (SPENT)			-\$230.95				
UPS Box Rental (Paid Feb RSC) - \$27.50 quarterly	\$110.00	\$168.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$168.00
UPS Box Rental (SPENT)							
Insurance (Paid Feb RSC) -\$780.00 quarterly	\$3,120.00	\$0.00	\$875.00	\$685.00	\$780.00		\$2,477.35
Insurance (Spent)							
TOTALS	\$3,841.00	\$5,863.05	-\$3,973.60	\$1,242.75	\$1,337.75	\$0.00	\$4,607.30
QUARTERLY ACCRUAL	\$960.25						

2027 ARKANSAS BUDGET

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Secretary	\$50.00						\$50.00
RD(CAT/CAR PRINTING)	\$0.00						\$0.00
Rent/Hosting	\$1,200.00						\$1,200.00
SZF(Travel x 3 Zonal Meetings)	\$3,000.00						\$3,000.00
HIPR	\$700.00						\$700.00
Phoneline (Answering Service) - Autodraft ACH Monthly	\$1,800.00						\$1,800.00
Twilio Phone # - Autodraft Debit	\$150.00						\$150.00
Policy and Procedure	\$25.00						\$25.00
Treasurer	\$25.00						\$25.00
UPS Store Mail Forwarding	\$100.00						\$100.00
Starting Kits	\$600.00						\$600.00
Fellowship Development	\$1,000.00						\$1,000.00
SZF (Hosting/Event Programming)	\$0.00						\$0.00
Communication Coordinator	\$400.00						\$400.00
Inmate Correspondence	\$100.00						\$100.00
TOTALS	\$9,150.00						\$9,150.00
PRUDENT RESERVE		\$2,287.50					

ANNUAL ACCRUALS

	ACCRUALS - Budget 2027 Totals	Nov 2026 Starting Balance	Nov 2026 Spent/Added	Feb 2027 Spent/Added	May 2027 Spent/Added	Aug 2027 Spent/Added	Total Accrual Balances
RD WSC Travel (Dispersed Feb 2029 - budgeted annually) - \$250 quarterly (Maximum = \$3000.00)	\$1,000.00	\$723.50					\$723.50
RD WSC Travel (SPENT)							

AD WSC Travel (Dispersed Feb 2029 - budgeted annually) - \$250 quarterly (Maximum = \$3000.00)	\$1,000.00	\$1,101.10					\$1,101.10
AD WSC Travel (SPENT)							
Website (Paid Feb RSC) - \$57.75 quarterly	\$231.00	\$137.35					\$137.35
Website (SPENT)							
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UPS Box Rental (SPENT)							
Insurance (Paid Feb RSC) -\$875.00 quarterly	\$3,500.00	\$2,477.35					\$2,477.35
Insurance (Spent)							
TOTALS	\$5,841.00	\$4,607.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,607.30
QUARTERLY ACCRUAL	\$1,460.25						

Arkansas Delegate Team Handout - August 2026

RCMs: please share this page with your Area and give to GSRs

Regional Delegate Report — August 2026 RSC

Regional Delegate — Arkansas Region

WSC 2026 Report

How Arkansas Voted

- Arkansas votes on all five CAR motions were submitted prior to the conference following the February RSC.
- Supported IP #21 revision, Staying Clean in Isolation
- Supported 2026-2029 NAWS Strategic Plan
- Supported WCNA moving to 5-year cycle starting 2028, Dublin
- Supported directing World Board to explore book-length literature on inmate tablets • Co-made amendment to AI interpretation motion (research/pilot instead of immediate implementation, plus private server addition) — **amendment did not pass**. The original motion also failed. [Full vote details available on request or at na.org/conference]

Motions of Note (Adopted)

- WCNA moving to 5-year cycle beginning 2028 — carried
- Tablet literature project plan directed to World Board — carried

Small Group Workshops / New Idea Discussions

- Top 4 prioritized topics discussed: Tradition 11 policy change, Group Booklet/GLS revisions, Welcoming Newcomers, Making Service More Welcoming and Relevant
- Arkansas submitted several new ideas including CP webinar timing for international CPs, WSC decision-making process on amendments, WSC orientation for new delegates, and inclusivity considerations

Future of the WSC

- Three-Year Conference Cycle project plan approved — full evaluation before WSC 2029 decision • Future of World Convention project plan approved — financial sustainability model in progress • CAR survey process now replaces individual project-plan motions going forward

In-Person Experience

- Several 1st time RDs at the WSC
- Multiple Zonal videos
- Round table discussions during breakout sessions
- See pages from FLIPBOOK visual debrief available via RSC Drive (link <https://heyzine.com/flip-book/5d496b3be7.html>)

WSC 2026 Debrief Youtube Video

- Link to the video we watched today <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BCBpuJ8P84I>

WSC EXPENSE REPORT

Full itemized WSC 2026 Expense Report submitted to the RSC treasurer. Below is a summary of the expenses.

RD Budget vs. Actual — \$3,000 RSC RD Budget

The RSC budgeted \$3,000 for RD travel to WSC 2026, covering airfare, hotel, food, airport transportation, and parking. Hotel cost is split equally between the RD and AD. Parking at the departure airport was not needed, saving the RSC that cost.

Expense Amount Airfare (pre-paid by committee) \$775.40 Hotel — RD

portion (1/2 of \$1,997.80) \$998.90 Food & Drinks (10 days including 2

travel days) \$628.44 Transportation — Rideshare from airport to WSC

\$25.00 Parking at departure airport \$0.00 **Total RD expenses \$2,427.74**

RSC budget for RD travel \$3,000.00 **Under budget \$572.26**

Note for Future RSC Bodies and Audits

WSC 2026 is the first cycle in which the Arkansas RSC voted to fund the Regional Delegate's travel to the World Service Conference. In prior cycles, only the Alternate Delegate travel was funded by the RSC. Because both the RD and AD attended WSC 2026, the hotel cost was shared equally between the two delegates. The hotel expense appears only in the RD Expense Report since the RD paid the full bill from the RSC disbursement. For budgeting and accrual purposes, future RSC bodies should continue to estimate and allocate hotel costs at one-half per delegate, reflecting the NAWS-standard assumption that each delegate is covered for only their portion of shared lodging. When actual expenses are reported, the full hotel amount should remain in either the RD or AD report for accurate reconciliation, with the split noted clearly for audit transparency.

Keeping this split visible in both budget estimates and expense reports will allow future RSC bodies to make informed decisions about travel funding for delegate cycles when one or both delegates attend.

SOUTHERN ZONAL FORUM — JULY 2026

- World Board presentations for IDT development have been requested — before or after member Regions discuss IDTs at RSCs. More will be announced, but let me know if you are interested.
- SZF bringing formal mentorship request to US Collaboration, proposing to pilot Zone-to-Zone mentorship model

- NA Texas — statewide collaboration and website across multiple Texas regions.
- SZF purchased 2 cases (50 Basic Texts) for the Lonestar Region H&I at their request

- The Louisiana Young People Convention raised \$20K–\$30K due to great turnout and support.
- NAWS had a booth at the All Rise Conference in Nashville, TN this past week. Lack of

communication with the local fellowship while planning the booth sparked a discussion. As a result, NAWS contacted the local KC fellowship ahead of their vendor booth at the NAADAC conference at the end of August, and is working with the nearby fellowship to support that booth. Questions can be directed to the right person on request.

- New operating budget created based on actual previous numbers. As a result, a contribution to NAWS of \$4,385.62 was made.
- SZF FD and PR meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm (see flyer)
- A PR presentation was given to the Choctaw Nation with SZF PR support.
- Next virtual PR training: September 12, 10am–12pm (flyer and details coming soon)
- SZF is going to try out Discord as a communication channel to compare with Slack (more will be revealed)
- Craig G appointed facilitator until regular election cycle (previous 2 interim facilitators)

- stepped down after 1 SZF meeting)
- Need to vote on SZF positions:
 - PR Coordinator — Jennifer S. (Red River Region)
 - FD Coordinator — Kristin (Show Me)

Future SZF Dates (all meetings virtual or hybrid):

- Fall SZF 2026 split into 2 meetings:
 - September 23, 2026 — fully virtual
 - October 4, 2026 — at MZSSNA
- Winter SZF 2027 — fully virtual
- Summer SZF July 23-25, 2027 — Mississippi Region hosting in Flowood, MS (same weekend as their 50th Anniversary celebration)

US ZONES COLLABORATION

- Active task group underway on fellowship development for rural, isolated, and marginalized communities and members — directly relevant to Arkansas — worth staying engaged.

MZSSNA — OCTOBER 2-4, 2026, WICHITA KS

- Getting closer — registration and hotel deadlines at mzssna.org
- Workshop facilitators and volunteers still needed

RD/AD SCHEDULING AND STRUCTURE ITEMS

May RSC Absence

- RD and AD both missed May RSC due to WSC attendance — can this be anticipated and rescheduled in future years when this conflict is known in advance?

November RSC / CP Meeting Conflict

- The November RSC meeting falls on the same date as a CP meeting — this same conflict now also applies to the next upcoming RSC meeting and CP meeting overlap

RD/AD Onboarding Gaps

- Discussion needed: incoming or nominated RD/AD do not have clear information on what the role actually expects of them — SZF is developing an onboarding/orientation framework for Delegates

CP MEETING UPDATES

- CP meetings scheduled through April 2027; intention to add discussion-focused sessions between formal meetings
- Audio recordings now available on na.org for the Basic Text and Intro Guide; JFT meditation book audio in progress
- NA Projects & Surveys volunteer sign-up open — categories include PR service, new recovery literature (disruptive/predatory behavior), literature revisions (gender-neutral/inclusive language), generational and cultural diversity, service tools (group and area service, separately), DRT/MAT, WCNA 39 speaker evaluation, translations, technology, proofing/layout
- Current CP focus: feedback on new/revised service tools — group service recently discussed, area service next meeting

IMPORTANT DATES

- September 5, 2026 — Unity Day
- WCNA 2028 Dublin — dates not yet finalized, contract unsigned, will be announced once signed
- November 12-13, 2027 — Interim WSC (virtual)

- April 22-28, 2029 — WSC 2029

ZONE CONVENTIONS — FOR YOUR CALENDAR •

- Show Me Camp Convention — Sept 18-20, 2026, Camp Rising Sun, Keiser MO •
- Volunteer Region Convention — Thanksgiving weekend 2026, Murfreesboro TN •
- Show Me Region Convention — Oct 16-18, 2026, Columbia MO
- Mississippi Convention — Oct 16-18, 2026, Pearl MS
- Tejas Bluebonnet Convention — Feb 12-14, 2027, Austin TX
- Texas State NA Convention — May 28-30, 2027, Denison TX
- Kentuckiana Region Crichnap — first weekend of April 2027
- Arkansas Regional Convention — Nov 19-21, 2027, Eureka Springs
- Lone Star Region will not hold a 2027 convention

In loving service, Alicia A., Arkansas RD