

## SDRNA Meeting Minutes June 2025

June 7, 2025 12:09 pm

Opening Prayer

12 Traditions Steve P

12 Concepts Bonnie D

Service Prayer Carol P

### **Attendance**

Chairperson Drew B

Vice Chairperson open position

Treasurer Steve P

Secretary Carol P

RD Carol P

RDA Bonnie D

Webservant Alex

Convention Chairperson Becky

Project Facilitator Helpline Carol

Sponsorship Behind the Walls absent

USE AREA

RCM absent

RCM alt absent

WRA AREA

RCM Steve P

RCM Alt absent

New Area- Welcome Rural Recovery Area

Area Facilitator Troy A

Visitors in Attendance

### **Reports:**

## **Chair**

### **SDRSC Chairperson Report – June, 2025**

Dear South Dakota RSC Members:

This will be my last meeting serving as the body's chairperson. As I mentioned during the

March, 2025 meeting, I was willing to take another nomination if no one else stepped up. It has

come to my attention that there is a nominee for the post, so I am going to step aside to allow

for a rotation in position.

There has been very little to report since the March, 2025 RSC meeting. My understanding is

that there was an additional meeting a couple weeks ago regarding the formation of the

possible new ASC in the Waterton / Aberdeen / Sisseton geographic area. I was not able to

attend this meeting as my wife had surgery in that time frame. Further, I have been on the road

for work or other matters for much of the last three weeks. I am not sure of the outcome of that

meeting coming into today, so we will need to look to others to fill in that information.

I have talked to some of the current RSC trusted servant, and will be working with the new

Chairperson and / or Treasurer this coming week to update the credit card on record with the

RSC Zoom account. The account is current tied to my credit card. This needs to be changed to

be tied to the new Chair's credit card or the RSC checking account (done using the RSC

account banking login credentials). I would like to complete this matter within one week, with

June 15 being an ideal deadline. This allows for clean transfer of this matter.

Another topic that will need to be addressed is that the Zoom administrative login credentials

should be changed. The account uses two-factor login credentials (a requirement of the Zoom

administrative platform). The account login credentials are current held by our Web Servant

and me. I would suggest that Alex, the RSC Web Servant, work with the incoming Chairperson

to change the login credentials. I am willing to answer any questions on this topic, but the

change of login information should be handled between the forthcoming Officers only for sake of

security and transparency. I will be deleting the login credentials from my personal password

database no later than June 15, 2025 so I will not be able to assist in this regard post that date.

It has been a pleasure to serve the South Dakota regional in the positions of Vice-Chairperson

and Chairperson over the last three years. I look forward to being of service in the near future at

a more local level as we work to help establish a second meeting in my home town of Custer. I

thank you for the fellowship and shared commitment towards our primary purpose as we work

to help carry the message under the unique set of circumstances we face in South Dakota.

In loving service,

Drew B.

**Secretary** read old and new business- approved

**Treasurer**

Treasurer Report SD Region June 2025

## **Region Account**

### **February**

Beginning Balance	1/31/2025	7010.53
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February- no activity

Ending Balance	2/28/2025	7010.53
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### **March**

Beginning Balance	2/28/2025	7010.53
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Deposit

Convention	+3572.04	
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Areas	+ 883.14	+4455.18
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Checks

1505 NAWS donation	-1400.00	
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1506 Heatland internet	- 617.26	-2017.26
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Ending Balance	3/31/25	9448.45
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### **April**

Beginning balance	3/31/2025	9448.45
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No Activity

Ending Balance	4/30/2025	9448.45
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Outstanding check \$235 to Anytime Storage for yearly storage unit will be reflected in May's statement. We also have the post office box to pay in the amount of 210.00, due June 30.

## **Convention Account**

Beginning Balance	2/12/2025	8572.04
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Check 3572.04 proceeds to region	-3572.04	
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Deposit donation from group	+ 300	
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Balance 3/12/20025	\$5300.00	
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No activity in April or May statements

Final balance	\$5300.00	
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**RD**

RD Report to SDRNA June 2025

I did not attend physically the zone in Texas, as travel has become more difficult for me. Bonnie will include those festivities in her report.

According to the NAWS update, the NA World Services Annual Report is now available. The annual report is a review of our activity for the fiscal year 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2024. Each year, information about the growth of our fellowship, literature sales, fellowship development, the office and staff and your contributions are compiled and reported. In the annual report, numbers tell the story of our efforts to carry out our vision for na service.

World Unity Day is September 5, 2025. For 24 full hours beginning 9/5/25 at 9pm pacific Time, there will be events, workshops, games, videos, speakers and more will be hosted by World Board and NA Zones around the globe. All will take place via ZOOM. Check out our progress in this endeavor via NA.ORG follow-ups. If you do not already subscribe to NAWS updates, it is easy to accomplish by going to NA.ORG and subscribe. You will receive all of the updates at the NAWS offices concerning our fellowship.

Thank you for letting me be of service to this wonderful, expanding fellowship! My heart is so full to see the growing membership and unity within our region. I look forward to being involved with the PR event in Sioux Falls as well as in Spearfish this year. I will always be of help to answer questions and provide insight to the following RD and RDA.

Yours in Service,

Carol P

**RDA**

Hi family,

I attended the zonal meeting in Abilene TX March 28-30. I unfortunately missed the morning

sessions Saturday due to getting food poisoning but was able to make it to the afternoon

sessions & the Sunday business meeting.

-Zone forwarded \$6107.22 to NAWS.

-SBTW is still in need of support. There is 1 active incarcerated male sponsee in Nebraska but

they have been receiving mail from 3-4 prisons in Nebraska (including the women's prison), 1-

2 facilities in OK, & 1-3 facilities in TX.

-PR & HI seem to be doing fairly well in most of the regions so if there is ever any questions on

how to get things going, please let me know b/c I am sure I can pick the brains of those

RD/RDAs 😊

-There seems to be a lot going on with revisions of NA literature.

-The H&I basics service pamphlet is going to be split into 3 separate documents & the first

titled "Corrections" has been updated & is available for input/feedback.

-IP #21 "The Loner - staying clean in isolation" is being revised with a draft open to

feedback.

-Other discussion topics are also listed on NA.org for member input (Gender neutral &

inclusive language in NA literature, disruptive & predatory behavior, DRT/MAT as it relates

to NA, revitalizing NA service committees).

-Unity day is Sun Sept 6th

& NAWS will be hosting a 24/7 meeting

-Something for the RCMs to bring back to their area's is the fact that other areas within

regions are funding their RCMs to be able to attend zonal meetings. This seems to be a great

way for them to gather further info since they are able to actually network with others

instead of just relying on the RD/RDA. And they get to have fun!

-Zone now has a new logo that unifies things from all of the states. Feel free to take a look at

it on the pszfna.org website.

-The next zonal meeting will be in our state, in SF July 25-27! Thanks to Alex who was able to

get the flier uploaded onto our website. I can always use more helpers but have started

establishing a small group through the USENA activities group. I will work with Carol as to the

PR presentation since the zonal PR chair may not be able to attend. I have started sending

out email invites to the community to attend this & will send out a reminder email next month

a few weeks before hand. The workshops that I chose were: DRT/Harm reduction, Unity in

Service, Attracting Members to Service, & Planning Session basics.

-Dates were decided for the next few zonal conferences: Dec 5-7 in IA, Feb 6-8 in KS, May 3-9

at WSC, & July 17-19 in NE

-I am at a currently at a place financially where I am able to accept ownership of half of what I

spent to attend zonal, so am only requesting \$221. Below is the breakdown of what was

spent: Airbnb \$181.75, Hotel in OKC (trip there) \$49.29, Hotel in Wichita (trip back) 57.02, Gas

\$139.69, tolls \$14.22 for a total of \$441.97.

ILS,

Bonnie

### **Webservant Facilitator**

Hello my name is Alex, and i am a addict.

I have a few things to report on today starting off with the facebook page. The Facebook page has been going well. In the last 90 days (March 9- June 5) we have seen 3,476 views a increase of 1759%. 171 interactions a increase of 4175%, and 22 new followers a increase of 633%. The post with the convention flyer had the highest number of people reached @ 273.

I was in contact with Heartland Solutions about the "For Professionals" tab not working on the web page but has been updated and is now working. I also had asked about adding a donation page to the website. Something like the [namontana.org](http://namontana.org) page has. This is the response i did receive from Trisha.

Good Morning Alex!

I've done many donation pages exactly like the one you linked too. We already have the form capability, we just have to add a Square account. There is no cost to the organization from my side of things to add this capability.

For the organization, you guys have to open a Square Account and add your organizations bank account. Once you have a Square account setup and tied to the bank account, I ask that you send me the login information, and if you have 2 factor auth setup in the square account to add my cell number as one of the numbers that can get the code sent too. That allows me to log in and out of the square account while I do testing of the form, and to "link" it to the website. The website "logs in" to square and gets permission to process the payments, then the website stores the authorization to work automatically. Just to reassure anyone that asks, I can't access your bank account directly with it being linked in square, and I don't store the login information anywhere once it is linked to the website. And if the person can't get my cell number added to two factor auth, I'll do it when I get login info.

Square is pretty easy to setup, just go to Squareup.com and sign up. If at any point it asks you to pay for a service, upgrade to a pay service or setup some sort of website, decline. The part of square you want is free except for the credit card processing fees, which it will tell you what they are once you are in. Most are 2.9% + .35 transaction fee, averaging 3.5% per transaction.

Once you have a Square account setup and send me the login info, I will setup the donation form on the site and test it. I do ask that the organization require a



minimum donation of \$10-\$25, what that does is discourage credit card scammers from using your form as a testing site for their fraudulent credit cards. I had an organization that didn't put a minimum on and Square will lock the account if it looks fraudulent by running \$1 transactions. So to implement some security I have Google Auth and a minimum setup on the form.

FYI - Once all setup when a person donates, the website sends the person a receipt, the webmaster/or treasurer gets a notice that a donation goes through, and if you have square setup right, it will just move the money to your account overnight. Works pretty slick!

Let me know if you have questions.

Thanks,

Trisha Ryken

I told her that i would that this information back to the region and get back with her.

I have not received the 2nd quarterly report for the web page yet so i do not have that today.

Zoom meetings have been going well.

Two meetings have been removed from the list Mission and Deadwood.

Thank you,

Alex C

**Convention Chair**

## Convention Chair Report

Date: June 7, 2025

We have been meeting monthly, and here is an update on our planning progress:

🕒 All main speakers have been confirmed, and we are now beginning to plan for the workshop speakers.

🕒 Registrations are available on the SD NA Region website, and printed copies are

being distributed.

🕒 The Speaker Jam, where we will draw the raffle winner, is scheduled for June 28th in Pierre, SD. We have secured speakers from every area. The event details

are posted on the website. So far, we have sold 52 out of 100 raffle tickets.

🕒 I will have registration forms available for each region to take back to their groups.

🕒 The event will include a free-will donation lunch, speaker meetings, and a small

auction.

🕒 Merchandise is being ordered.

🕒 Our upcoming focus will be on the PR presentation and a walkthrough of the venue with the Holiday Inn.

Thank you for your continued support and participation.

In service,

Becky

## Helpline Facilitator

Not as many calls this month. I will add 2 people from Sioux Falls and Becky from Belle Fourche to the answering log.

## Sponsorship Behind the Walls no there

Use RCM

USE RCM alt

## WRA RCM

West River is holding its own. We are financially able to plan and operate on a good financial budget. Our annual budget is about \$4100 for the annual budget. We donate once a year to Region, Zone and World in the amount over budget in the bank account with 1/3 going to each level.

Currently our HI takes meetings into Pennington County Jail, The DOC unit on Creek Drive, and to Care Campus, an inpatient recovery center. We lack the number of people who can pass a background check to increase our HI efforts.

Our Unity commitments are doing great. We had Serenity In the Hills, our annual event, in March with great success and support from members of NA from Wyoming, Sioux Falls, Aberdeen and other cities. We thank all who attended. Today one group had an annual Kick Ball event in the park. It was a warm sunny day for that event. Another group will hold the Sheridan Lake campout during the Sturgis Rally. It will be 10 days of fun in the sun! The Black Elk Peak Hike will follow in the early fall.

We are hosting the convention in Spearfish this year, and look forward to being able to share the beauty of the Black Hills during that event.

Again, we are always looking for members to become involved with the planning process for these events.

Service brings unity to our area, region, and world services. We ask ourselves, how can we make being of service be more enticing to new members. If anyone has any ideas on this, spread your wealth of information. I am sure all of us could benefit from increased numbers of members in service.

In Service,

Steve P

## WRA RCM ALT

RR Representative Organized for 1 year with chairperson and secretary set for offices. Will let region know as the area forms. The area requests to be seated in the region.

### **Open Forum**

- Changing name of Webservant to technology facilitator
- Change dates of elections to be 2 times a year, 6 months apart to June and Deember, to take office at next region meeting.
- Change date of Convention Chairperson to December to facilitate the

planning of the next convention.

- Square for use of online donations: lots of discussion
  - Make sure it is noted that only members of NA can contribute
  - Square account will take 3.5% of donations
  - Do we need to be a non-profit status to not pay taxes? Per internet review, only \$600 can be taken in per year without paying taxes.

### **OLD Business**

- **Elections**

**Chairperson** Carol P unanimous

**Vice Chairperson** tabled

**Regional Delegate** Bonnie D unanimous

**Alternate Delegate** Becky S unanimous

**Secretary** tabled

### **NEW Business**

- Credit card for zoom payment will change from Drew's account to Carol P's card until we can get it organized to have payment come from checking account.
- Donation on website- needs to be discussed at home groups bring back areas' ideas on moving forward with this idea.
- Payments to be made today:
  - Bonnie reimbursement for Texas Zone \$442
  - Bonnie for Zonal PR \$250
  - Becky for PR at convention \$250
  - USPO \$210
  - NAWs \$2450 to have prudent reserve to be \$5610
- Seated Rural Recovery as new area in SDRNA.

Next meeting September 6, Zoom meeting, 100 central and 12 noon mountain time.

Closed with moment of silence

## THINGS TO TAKE BACK TO AREAS/ HOME GROUPS

### Policy changes

- Changing name of Webservant to technology facilitator
- Change dates of elections to be 2 times a year, 6 months apart to June and December, to take office at next region meeting.
- Change date of Convention Chairperson to December to facilitate the planning of the next convention.

**These will be voted upon at the September meeting, please bring your area's vote.**

### Not policy related:

- Donation button on website
  - We may need to become a nonprofit status to not be burdened with taxes
  - There is a fee of 3.5% for each transaction
  - Must have labeled donations for NA members only
  - See who is liable for taxes, individual members of region?

Let region know if we should go forward, and on what topics- non-profit, square- both or neither.

2.Areas should discuss funding RCM's to go to zone. Many regions within our zone do so to help people understand and take part in the activities that zone does. It is a great way to have people become involved in that level of service. Bring back your area's ideas and thoughts on the subject.

Zones are becoming more and more a part of the service structure and will continue to grow in that aspect.

Sponsorship behind the walls report added:

I apologize for my absence this last Region as we were celebrating our 22nd wedding anniversary & I totally spaced it. Below is my report for SBTW ~

Co-Postal Coordinator Sidney has resigned due to some life stuff, Rhonda is still our postal coordinator & checked the mail on a weekly basis with the PO Box in OK

Still no new letters from female sponsees

Mail is still being reviewed & redelivered via post office box in Texas which is delaying all mail in and out of all facilities in the region

Our communications coordinator Amanda M had been reached out to by reentry facility in IA re: SBTW & Amanda is working with Mateo, our IA liaison to direct info there way

IA is hosting in person SBTW workshop & training May 31st

Julia B present & interested in being the new co-postal coordinator & will

provide her service resume & we will vote at the next SBTW meeting June 11th

In Loving Service

Sharleen