

CRSC Minutes March 28, 2021 - Louis S

Meeting opened with readings at about 12:05 pm

- I. Minutes for February 28 were consented to with revision proposed by Jeff A.

Note: all documents may be viewed at Chicagona.org. Go to Regional Information and **CLICK** on Archives.

- II. Mid City Area concerns**

A change in order of business was consented to allowing representatives from the Mid -City Area to express great displeasure over the comments and manner of acting by the CRSC Secretary Scott S. The MCA representatives shared a list of grievances from the former RCM who resigned at the February CRSC meeting following a heated exchange with the CRSC Secretary. In addition to the concerns about the Secretary, they were also concerned about a member of the CSO Board of Directors receiving reimbursement for ride shares to and from his home and the CSO—a matter than had not gone back to Areas for a vote. They were also concerned about the lack of reports from the CRSC Secretary, which the former RCM had repeatedly requested.

A lengthy discussion ensued, and the Secretary was given the opportunity to defend himself. It was explained that the decision to reimburse the BOD member was made by the CRSC in May 2020 to allow the BOD member to avoid public transit during a pandemic. The problem of monthly CRSC report distribution was discussed. It was pointed out that there had been snafus with posting the reports on Chicagona.org, a matter that has since been corrected. It was also pointed out that only a few reports are sent in to the Secretary before the CRSC meeting.

Following the discussion, the Mid City Area requested a vote of no confidence against the Secretary, per Article 9(B) of the CRSC policy, which requires that these matters be taken up immediately. After further discussion, the vote of no confidence was held. Removal of the Secretary was not consented to, as required by policy. However, the Secretary resigned. Secretary Alt Louis H assumed the role of Secretary until an election can be held in May.

- III. Trusted Servant Reports**

Facilitator Report – Oscar was absent, Sam presented – Discussed the concert expense from CRC 32 and providing the transaction summary showing funds paid and received. Also attended BOD meeting 2/9/21.

RD Report – Charles and Valarye. Written report. Visited Mid City Area on March 14. West Suburban Area has requested a visit on April 27, South City Area on the June 8. Has 12 more Areas visit left to arrange. Attended the Midwest Zonal Forum on March 20. Chicagoland Region is scheduled to host the MZF meeting in November. Is attending the Multizonal Service Symposium in August. Check report for lots of news from NAWS.

BOD Report- Jeff A. Written report. Board trusted servant positions were filled in February. Jeff A was reelected General Manager. Richard V. was elected Financial Manager. A BOD member resigned, and new pool members are needed. A flyer has been distributed. CSO Store Manager and Co-manager positions are vacant.

BOD Financial Manager-Richard V, Written reports. Illinois Annual Report submitted, working on IRS 990 and State AG990. Needs volunteers for Saturdays at the CSO. Loss in February narrowed to \$785.06. See written reports and complete financials for January and February, 2021.

HIPR Report: Laura M. Detailed report. Public information can be followed on Instagram: chicagolandregionna. PR week will take place in the first week of June. Webtech Joe presented how to use the website. See detailed written report. RCM's are asked to bring updated policy for H&I PR portion back to the groups to come back and vote on.

CRC 34 – Angela D. Written report. CRC34 and Winner’s Circle was a successful Collaboration fundraiser. CRC34 Presents Jazzy Spring Fashion Show April 17th 2021 ZOOM ID 4434606109 PW CRC 34

Policy Report – Samir. Proposing that CRSC make a monthly donation to NAWS of 10% of Area donations to CRSC. Decided against having a CRSC debit card, recommending the Region use the CSO card when necessary.

Treasurer Report: Tracy M provided a detailed spreadsheet showing the transactions. Highlights: Received \$16,194.99 from CRC XXXIII and sent CRC XXXIV \$10,000 in seed money. \$1317.12 in Area donations, most of which were not reported by the Areas in the monthly reports. Received \$500 from the CSO as loan repayment. Opening balance: \$26,551.14. Closing balance: \$31,431.83.

IV. Old Business

A. Topic: CRSC donation to NAWS

The Policy Committee proposed changing policy to 10% of all Area donations to the CRSC.

After considerable discussion, the following was consented to:

1. \$40.00, which represents 10% of March donations reported during the Area reports at the CRSC meeting would be sent to NAWS.
2. RCMS will inform the Areas that CRSC intends to put in policy that a monthly donations from the Areas, presently 10%, will go to NAWS
3. The Policy Committee will consider whether the number should be increased.

B. Topic: Should the CRSC issue a debit card to the Treasurer?

Policy Committee returned the recommendation that no debit card be issued. In those situations where a credit card is needed, the CSO will provide the credit card and the CRSC will reimburse it for any expenses.

After discussion, the Policy Committee’s recommendation not to get a debit card was consented to.

V. New Business

A. Topic: Monday night meeting Message in the Music in We Do Recover On-line Area

Meeting called "Message in the Music," We Do Recover Online Area, on Mondays at 8:00 pm was unpublished on the Chicagoland Region meeting list due to the broadcasting and use of outside/illicit material, violating several Traditions as well the Group Booklet.

Several people expressed the view that, by presenting and discussing songs and videos that are preapproved, this meeting was essentially endorsing outside enterprises in violation of the 6th Tradition. Others suggested that, if there were a Tradition violation, what is the harm? Does it really effect NA as a whole? It was also pointed out that it's really an Area's matter, and the WDRO Area decided not to take any action. The issue is moot because the meeting list on Chicagona.org no longer lists the meeting. It was suggested to the meeting that it change to being a workshop or NA event, which are not necessarily bound by the Traditions in the way that groups and meetings are, but the meeting insists on calling itself a meeting.

A proposal was consented to that the CRSC should not list this meeting on Chicagona.org and that it should notify NAWS and others not to list this meeting.

B. Topic: that the June meeting of the CRSC be suspended and a training seminar take place instead

The CRSC consented to suspend the June 2021 meeting of the CRSC and to convene training workshops on using IT resources in the Chicagoland Region and on RCM training. Louis H agreed to organize these workshops.

VI. Attendance

Facilitator	Oscar W, absent
Facilitator Alt	Samir C, present
Secretary	Scott S, present
Secretary Alt	Louis H, present
Treasurer	Tracy M, present
Treasurer Alt	vacant
RD	Charles, present
RDA	Valarye, present
BOD Rep	Jeff A, Richard V, present

Area attendance sheets. Please note dollar amounts are taken from the RCM reports and may show up in Treasurer Report at a different date or even a different month. The secretary report will only reflect donations and lit purchases that are written down in that month’s report. Thank you.

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Area	At Reg.	Donation	Lit	Comments
Fox Valley	N			
Joliet	y		\$ 34.00	
Illinois Valley	N			
Lake Borderline	N			
Mid City	y			Concerns about Secretary, BOD transportation, and availability of reports Needs trusted servants. Virtual Speakathon on April 10. Service Through the
Near West	Y	\$ 100.00	\$ -	Pandemic is a Must
North City	y	\$ 148.43		Creativity Night March 28. Nature Walk at Botanical Gardens April 25
North Suburbs	y		\$ -	Area meeting moving to ST. David’s Church 2410 Glenview RD Glenview IL 60025. Needs Trusted servants
Small Miracles	N			
South City	Y			Concerns about Regional Donation to NAWS.
SWANA	N			
South Suburbs	Y			Doing merchandise inventory. Will update meeting info
We Do recover Online	Y	\$ 150.00		CBDM webinar
West suburbs	N	\$ -	\$ -	Needs trusted servants. Changing ASC location