

**WWA Board MEETING MINUTES**

**MEETING:** Monthly Call

**WWA Monthly Meeting (September)**

Thu, Sep 17, 2020 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CDT)

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**PURPOSE:** Monthly Teleconference

**Wisconsin WIC Association**

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<b>Location:</b>	<b>Start Time:</b>	<b>End Time:</b>
9/17/20	Teleconference	12:00 PM	1:00 PM
<b>Facilitator/Lead:</b>	Aryn DeGrave	<b>Minutes Prepared by:</b>	
<b>ATTENDEES (checked in attendance)</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Angela Roltgen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kara Kerrigan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ellen Ellingsworth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gabriela Mucha
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shawn Handfelt	<input type="checkbox"/> Calli Bemis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Miller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Camen Haessig
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kristina Ingrouille	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aryn DeGrave	<input type="checkbox"/> Elisabeth Pohle	

<b>Items/Actions to Be Discussed</b>	<b>Outcome/Notes</b>	<b>Action Items &amp; Person Responsible</b>
Welcome and Approval of Meeting Minutes (Aryn)	Kara approved minutes, Kristina seconds	
Treasurer's Report (Ellen)	PayPal: 169.28 Business Prime account: \$31,539.52 Business Checking: \$5588.19 (emailed in by Ellen)  Still waiting on a few NWA scholarship forms for reimbursement for the conference, possibly waiting for 2 more. Everyone else was reimbursed. (A total of 7 people received scholarships)	
<b>Committee Reports:</b>		
<u>Membership (Angela/Kara)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Membership Survey results</li> <li>Board position openings</li> <li>At Large Applications, Regional Reps</li> <li>Vote in the WWA reps (we will do this at the end of the meeting)</li> </ul>	We ended up keeping the membership survey open for a few extra days than anticipated; however it resulted in 30 responses.  <b>AT LARGE REPS:</b> we are in need of 3. The survey results are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Kristina Ingrouille 80%</li> <li>· Angela Ellis 77%</li> <li>· Marisela Krupp 67%</li> <li>· Shawn Handfelt 57%</li> </ul> ** Elisabeth and Aryn originally had decided to keep the application open a few additional days, which allowed 2 additional applicants to apply. Based on our bylaws, the votes of the WWA members stands. ** Shawn will still be applicable for the 2021 NWA Leadership Conference. We continue to encourage participation on	Kara: will post Membership Survey results in FMR.  Aryn/Elisabeth: Contact and inform those who were voted in as At Large Reps and Regional Reps. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set an onboarding meeting for the newbies</li> <li>• Invite to October Virtual meeting</li> </ul>

	<p>committees.</p> <p><b>Northern Rep:</b> Suzanne Polacek. (<a href="mailto:spolacek@healthfirstnetwork.org">spolacek@healthfirstnetwork.org</a>)  <b>Western Rep:</b> Sarah Nix (<a href="mailto:sarah.nix@co.buffalo.wi.us">sarah.nix@co.buffalo.wi.us</a>)</p> <p><b>LISTSERV:</b> There are 17 people that need to be added to our Listserv</p> <p>SURVEY WINNERS: 5 names were randomly selected for the \$20 amazon giftcard.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <a href="mailto:ksislo@co.oneida.wi.us">ksislo@co.oneida.wi.us</a></li> <li>2. nalcar@milwaukee.gov P52</li> <li>3. kengstrom@lacrossecounty.org P16</li> <li>4. jhavel@oneidanation.org project 12</li> <li>5. smckenzie@mhsi.org (project 4)</li> </ol> <p>Ellen is assisting with getting these people their prize.</p> <p>Kara also reported on some of the other results from the survey, including the possibility of having a virtual WWA conference next year, suggestions on topics, and even a fun survey question identifying all the amazing things WWA has done this year.</p> <p>Overall, the membership survey was a success.</p>	
<p><u>Finance (Ellen)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scholarships for Sept NWA conference</li> </ul>	<p>~7 scholarships were awarded for the NWA Breastfeeding and nutrition virtual conference</p>	
<p><u>Professional Development (Kristina/Kara)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apparel sale updates</li> <li>• WIC virtual Conference 2020 updates (Trivia questions?)</li> </ul>	<p>Apparel sale: FMR posts have been going out for advertisement. We are half way through the month for the Apparel sale.</p> <p>Trivia questions: Kristina is finishing up on getting these together for the WI WIC virtual conference, hoping to have ~5 questions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- When did we first establish?--- 1980's?? (this was suggested by Jennifer, Reach out to her for further information on this question.</li> <li>- What are the 4 committees?</li> </ul> <p>If you have any suggestions on other questions, please reach out the Kristina and share them! These questions should help others understand what WWA does and how they can get involved.</p> <p>WI WIC Virtual Conference: NWA will be presenting and only 1 person is able to present. We believe Elisabeth is on-top of this task. EP will possibly have a PowerPoint Presentation set up...We [the board] is currently unsure what Elisabeth has planned. Suggestion: Give a brief overview of all the things we did this year—this can show that we are an active group and we encourage participation through committees etc.</p> <p>The virtual conference is just around the corner!! Thank you to all who have helped out with this in any way!!! (especially Kristian for putting in so much work!)</p>	<p>Kristina- contact Jen Johnson to keep apparel sale in the FMR</p> <p>Everyone- Send trivia question suggestions to Kristina</p> <p>Aryn/Kristina- Contact Elisabeth to make sure she is connected with Jen Johnson for the Virtual Conference presentation.</p> <p>Everyone- Make sure everyone in your projects(support staff, nutrition, BF peers, etc.) are registered for the conference. It was listed in the FMR!!</p>
<p><u>Advocacy (Aryn)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advocacy Week 2020</li> <li>• Any other updates</li> </ul>	<p>Advocacy week is now in full swing.</p> <p>This year, Aryn took the initiative to advertise more through Mailchimp emails and through facebook posts. Unsure if this is creating more participation or awareness, but it's something to try.</p>	

	<p>Others on the board indicated that they like the daily Email and daily posts, and that is was a good idea to do.</p> <p>Today Congress is voting on the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act. We had 2 people head to DC earlier in the year to advocate for this Act. We are excited to see the vote results and we hope it passes!!!!</p> <p>Jennifer asked if we had posted anything for WIC Waivers Work... there was a few small posts so far but suggested we do a bigger one.</p>	
<p><u>Communication (Gabriela)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Website (Ellen)</li> <li>• Facebook (Everyone/Aryn)</li> <li>• Newsletter (Ellen)</li> </ul>	<p>Elisabeth suggested to post on our Facebook page regarding Hispanic Heritage Month. Possible recipe with WIC foods??</p> <p>#WICWAIVERSWORK--- we should put out a post relating to this. Everyone on the board, please send a picture of you with a sign that says “WIC WAIVERS WORK” and we will post it to the Facebook page.</p>	<p>Everyone: send picture of yourself and or coworkers for WIC WAIVERS WORK to Aryn, will post on Facebook this week.</p>
WAHLDAB (Gabriela)	No Updates	
LACC (Aryn/Jennifer)	No Updates	
NWA Updates (Jennifer)	<p>Today’s meeting included the following discussions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- WIC Wavers, Decision may not come until 28<sup>th</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup> this month.</li> <li>- Midwest: a few states had added chocolate milk and yogurt in tubes , they were reporting some of the findings from adding these to their food benefits.</li> <li>- Transition out of the Waiver extension: discussed what plans are in place or forming for going back into the office. Suggesting only do bloodwork and measurements at the clinic, and have the nutrition portion conducted over the phone; whether the participant stays in their car or goes back home.</li> <li>- FMNP redemption rate: anticipating lower redemption this year d/t families scared to go to the markets.</li> </ul> <p>Jennifer suggests that the chair or vice chairperson represents Wisconsin during the NWA meetings since there will be someone taking over for Jennifer as the regional rep. This is a future suggestion. NWA hosts monthly meetings via video, the WWA rep (possibly the chair or vice chair) will then gather info for the state. Jennifer had also been having monthly meetings with Lisa Murphy to keep NWA/WWA/WI WIC connected.</p> <p>Suggestion: we should consider sending more request updates to our Listsev about NWA/WWA--- this will show our members how we connect and give members the opportunity to bring information/ questions/concerns forward to bring up in meetings. This may make it easier to report back to NWA if we have more statewide feedback.</p>	
<p><b>Other:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Virtual Meeting set for October</b></li> </ul>	<p>It is suggested that when we have our virtual meeting, we would like everyone to have video on so we can see eachother.</p>	

Next meeting: <b>WWA Fall Meeting, Virtual on Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>, 8:30-12pm</b>		