

Arkansas Delegate Team Handout - August 2026

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Regional Delegate Report — August 2026 RSC

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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