

SNAPSHOT of THE ZONES OF

Based on information provided by zones
February 2023 and updates post WSC



Plains States Zonal Forum

6 seated regions
0 unseated regions
1,226 meetings

member regions include

Best Little

Iowa

Mid-America

Nebraska

OK

South Dakota

Zonal Meetings

Virtual

twice a year
(average length 3 hours)

Hybrid

twice a year
(3 days long)

Consensus-Based
Decision Making

Trusted servants
2-year terms

Established
1995



INFORMATION

Purpose

The Plain States Zonal Forum fulfills these purposes:

- We coordinate services between our member regions.
- We provide an opportunity for discussion and exchange of information on problems and issues confronting NA.
- We facilitate communication, cooperation, and growth among regions in the Great Plains of the United States and NA World Services (NAWS).
- We help regional delegates prepare for the biennial World Service Conference and learn from each other, former delegates, and other experience trusted servants.
- We assist local NA members or communities who have questions about NA service or how to handle challenging situations.
- We conduct workshops and learning days on various topics in NA service.
- We sponsor multi-regional events with participation from NAWS.

Focus

The focus of the PSZF is Fellowship development through workshops/IDTs, training for delegate teams, sharing best practices, Public Relations, and Sponsorship Behind the Walls.

At the start of each cycle, after the election of trusted servants, they conduct a planning session where members are asked for input by their delegates. A Zonal Assessment Workshop PowerPoint is used during this meeting. The ideas generated from this meeting are sent to a workgroup for further development. The details are brought back to the member regions for a vote.

Services

The services that the zone provides:

- Zonal website with Basic Meeting List Toolbox (BMLT) support to all regions
- Zonal website with a Yap server for phoneline services
- Access to three Zoom meeting accounts
- Calendar and scheduling available for any service body of any group, area, or region within the zone
- Funding available for literature, booth rent, etc. for professional conferences located within the zone
- Funding of Sponsorship Behind the Walls (SBTW) for any facility located within the zone
- PR to Professionals event on the Friday of hybrid zonal meeting
- CAR/CAT workshops with World Board participation (if available) that is open to all members

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Facilitator

Co-facilitator

Secretary

Treasurer

PR Coordinator

IT Coordinator

Sponsorship Behind the Walls

COLLABORATION

The zone does provide opportunities for collaboration in their member regions but no projects have taken place this cycle. They support and attend the Multi-Zonal Service Symposium (MZSS) and work with the Collaboration of US Zones.

SUCCESSSES

During the pandemic, the zone added an additional Zoom account for local service bodies to use. They also started hosting a virtual recovery meeting, which continues today. They provided weekly, then monthly, training sessions for groups on how to host virtual meetings. Because of these actions, members gained a better understanding of the zone and the services they can provide.

FINANCIAL

Their biennial budget for 2022–2024 is \$11,311 and is funded by group, area, and region contributions and biannual fundraising auctions at hybrid zonal meetings.

The trusted servants and delegates are funded through their member regions. PSZF can provide funds for travel and lodging if regional funds are not available.