

**NFHS TOPIC SELECTION MEETING**  
Hyatt Regency – Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
August 6-8, 2021

**Friday, August 6**

**9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Wording Committee Brunch Meeting**

Chair – Nicole Cornish	2021	Jennifer LeSieur, OR	2022
Dustin Rimmey, KS	2022	Colton Gilbert, AR	2022
Eric Oddo, IL	2023	Sam Normington, WA	2023
Colleen Mooney, PA	2023		

**10:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Registration and distribution of meeting materials**

**11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Orientation for first-time attendees/delegates**

**11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Attendees on their own for lunch**

**12:45 p.m. Snack Bar (Pretzel Bites, French Onion Dip w/Chips, Mini Brats)**

**1:00 p.m. Opening General Session**

- Welcome
- Review of the topic selection meeting schedule
- Introductions and roll call of state delegates
- Ratification by states of the 2021-2022 Water Resources topic resolution
- Introduction of the Wording Committee
- Introduction of topic reports (topics subject to change)\*
  - China
  - Climate Change
  - Global Geo-Political Crisis: Emerging Technologies
  - Global Health Security
  - Latin America
  - Russia
  - Treaties
  - United Nations – Peacekeeping
  - United Nations – Standing Army
  - Women’s Rights
- Announcement of Marshall Subcommittee assignments
- Break

**1:45 p.m. Marshall subcommittee work sessions (approximately 90 minutes)**

- Group 1
- Group 2
- Group 3
- Group 4

**3:45 p.m. Reconvene for 2<sup>nd</sup> General Session**

- Report of the Marshall Subcommittees

- First vote - A straw vote is taken-The area must receive 25% support of those present and voting to be sent to Wording Committee Work Session

**6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Group Activity (Dinner, Local Entertainment)**

Just a 15-minute walk from the Hyatt Regency along Milwaukee's award-winning Riverwalk is the [Milwaukee Public Market](#), a dynamic shopping experience featuring Wisconsin's finest artisan cheeses, wines, meats, produce, spices, confections, candies, and various ethnic cuisines. We will dine in a private room in the elegant second floor palm garden, and enjoy savory appetizers before a satisfying dinner. After dinner, debate coaches and scholars -- who appreciate the importance of spontaneous listening and responding -- will participate in fun, funny, and interactive entertainment facilitated by [Improv MKE](#).

**Saturday, August 7**

**7:30 a.m. Wording Committee Breakfast Meeting**

**7:30-8:30 a.m. Breakfast**

**8:30 a.m. Resolution Wording Session**

Authors of topic reports are asked to attend while their report is being discussed **All delegates are *urged* to participate throughout the day**

**Noon – 1:00 p.m. Wording Committee Lunch  
All Other Attendees Lunch**

**1:00 p.m. Wording Committee Work Session continues-as needed**

**TBA Reconvene for 3<sup>rd</sup> General Session**

Wording Committee Chair reports resolutions selected to the general assembly- Discussion and proposed amendments are in order

Second vote (to eliminate those topics without significant support - 33% of those present and voting)

**3:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. Explore and Enjoy Milwaukee, Wisconsin -**

Link to Milwaukee Deals page, which will provide attendees discounts at participating restaurants and local shops:

<https://www.visitmilwaukee.org/milwaukee-deals/>

**Other Ideas - <https://www.visitmilwaukee.org/>**

Brewers Game at Miller Park

Harley-Davidson Museum

Milwaukee Public Museum

City Tours MKE

Wisconsin State Fair

**Sunday, August 8**

**7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Breakfast**

**8:30 a.m. Final General Session**

Submit potential new topics via form by 9:30 a.m. to Rich Edwards

Revised resolutions distributed to delegates

- Discussion
- Roll call of state delegates
- First ballot (to select seven final topics – voting delegates only)
- Discussion
- Second ballot (to select six finalist topics – voting delegates only). If the total of the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> place topics is not equal to or greater than the 5<sup>th</sup> place area, this ballot is final and the top five topics are placed on the final ballot
- Discussion
- Third ballot (to select five final topics to be submitted for the national vote – voting delegates only)

Business Meeting

- Topic report process
- Site for 2022 – Kansas City; 2023 – Portland; 2024 – Eastern Rotation
- Bids for 2024 & 2025 meetings – explain process
- Report on new topics
- [Volunteers to author topic reports for 2022](#)
- International Actor Discussion

Open Forum – discussion and new business

Noon

**Meeting adjourns**