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To the member of WSSA,

January is a month of new beginnings. It is the new year, new budgets for most counties and this year a new governor. It has been a long time since we have had a new governor, and for a lot of people this means "change". It will also mean change for WSSA as well as we head into 2003.

The Executive Committee in it's January meeting did make some changes. One such change was the ownership of the website. WSSA now will own it's own site. I would like to give much thanks to Cheryl Bahr for the work she did on the site and letting WSSA use her site. There are many things that we will be able to do on the new site, please keep checking the site out.

The Executive Committee was asked by E.S. Workforce Development to look into the RMS system that has been instituted by the Department. The committee did review the material and at this time feel that we need to let it go along and see what is produced. The one thing that we did feel was important and that we would have something to say about is the way the callers ask the questions. We would like to you to listen and let us know if they really understand what it is they are doing and also let us know if there are any inappropriate comments made by the callers.

Another issue was brought to our attention. We have no one running for president-elect, secretary and parliamentarian for the 2003-2004 year. We realize that these positions require a commitment of time and in many cases, money, since the counties are pulling back their support. But we need good people to keep this association going in to the future. I would urge anyone who has had even the slightest thought of running for one of the offices to please nominate your self, or if you feel uncomfortable with this have one of your friends nominate you. This can be done on the website. Please, don't hesitate to try it, you will like it.

If you have any comments or questions please feel free to email me at: [dennis.wittig@co.columbia.wi.us](mailto:dennis.wittig@co.columbia.wi.us) or give me a call at 608-742-9206

Thanks

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