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TO World Service Conference 1987

FROM: Michael Lee, Chairperson
 World Literature Committee

RE: Chairperson's Report #2

DATE: May 1, 1987

INTRODUCTION: I would like to begin by expressing my gratitude to the World Service Conference for selecting me to serve as Chairperson of the World Literature Committee in the 1987-88 year. I am grateful for the trust you have shown in me and I will try my best to be of service to the Literature Committee and to the Fellowship as a whole in a way which will be beneficial to the addict who still suffers.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: The World Literature Committee for the next year will be made up of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson elected at this Conference, two Trustees appointed by the Board, the elected and appointed members of the Literature Review Committee, those World Lit. members elected at this Conference and six additional members chosen by drawing. We have been informed that the Board of Trustees has made its appointments and selected Bo Sewell (Georgia) and Sydney Rosen (So. California) to serve on the Literature Committee. Both attended the meeting today. The Committee also conducted its drawing today and six additional members were chosen. They were:

Linda Lundgren
Paul Butterbaugh
Micki Hatfield
Terry Ott
Bonnie Harvey
Mark Earl

Colorado
Georgia
Indiana
Virginia
Pennsylvania (Tri-State Region)
Oregon/So. Idaho

I'd like to welcome all the new committee members and say "hang in there!" to those continuing from last year. Together I think we can work together as a productive team and turn out some good work this year.

COMMITTEE DELIBERATIONS: The Literature Committee met this morning from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. A lot was discussed and we will be presenting three motions to this Conference for adoption. One of the purposes of this meeting was to consider input received by the Fellowship. We would like to encourage RSR's at future Conferences, and throughout the coming year, to please send their input to the Committee.

Welcome to N.A.: The Committee discussed the input which was received on

this pamphlet and made several revisions in the pamphlet. The motion we will present to the Conference contains the changes agreed upon by the Committee.

Fourth Step Guide: The motion which was committed to the Literature Committee was discussed in our meeting today. We have a motion to present in this regard. The intent of the Committee is to ask the Conference to classify the old Fourth Step Guide as "unapproved," and give consideration to the new Fourth Step Guide which was distributed by the World Literature Committee at this Conference in approval form.

Literature Committee Guidelines: Although our discussions on the guidelines have been limited thus far, we realize that a great deal of work will need to be done. For this reason, we have tentatively scheduled a meeting in early June to plan for completion of the items on our worklist and begin discussions on revising the guidelines. We have only one motion to present to this Conference today with regard to the guidelines.

FUNDING AND BUDGET: As I briefly mentioned above, the Committee expressed a need for a meeting prior to the July quarterly workshop. I will discuss this with the Administrative Committee and, with their consent, set a date and schedule the meeting. One aspect of the Committee's discussions this morning was to finance the travel and lodging expenses of the Committee members for this important meeting. I have two comments to make with regard to the budget: 1)According to information received from the WSC Treasurer, and contrary to what I incorrectly reported in Report #1, the World Service Conference has reimbursed the WSO for all World Literature Committee expenses in the past year; 2)The World Literature Committee's budget for 1987-88 will contain a footnote advising that line items will be adjusted in order to pay the travel/lodging expenses of Committee members as needed.