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FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:

Motion 1: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition) by making the following changes (*clean time requirements for WSC Administrative Committee members*).

Page 20, Item A, add: "4. Has eight (8) years clean time."

Page 20, Item B, add: "3. Has eight (8) years clean time."

Page 20, Item C, add: "3. Has eight (8) years clean time."

Page 20, Item E, add: "5. Has eight (8) years clean time."

Further, that these changes be reflected in other service guides and handbooks as needed.

Motion 2: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), page 22, by deleting the sentence, "The January meeting is an opportunity for the chairpersons to jointly review the material being included in the Conference Agenda Report."

and add the following language:

"At its January meeting, the Joint Administrative Committee will expand its membership to include the WSO Board of Directors, the World Service Board of Trustees, the chairperson and vice chairperson of each WSC Committee, and members of the WSC Administrative Committee. All members will be able to participate fully at this meeting.

All motions and reports submitted for inclusion in the Conference Agenda Report will be reviewed at this meeting. The committee will, upon two-thirds concurrence, have the authority to place therein the actual motions or reports to be published as the annual World Service Conference Agenda Report.

The Joint Administrative Committee will report all actions pertaining to the Conference Agenda Report to the participants at the WSC annual meeting."

Intent: To delegate the necessary authority and responsibility to the expanded membership of the Joint Administrative Committee to assemble, review and approve all material to be considered for inclusion in the Conference Agenda Report. This is to insure that the Conference Agenda Report contains only that material that is prepared in acceptable form for action by the WSC and/or the fellowship.

Motion 3: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), page 29, the WSC action passed 4/26/88 referring to the updating of statistical information, by inserting the language "and/or forms" between "information" and "on" in the second sentence.

Intent: To provide further clarity regarding last year's motion which allowed for the update of statistical information, but not for the update of forms. This motion would allow committees to utilize the updated statistical information on the forms in their publication.

FROM THE JOINT ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:

Motion 4: To amend the language in the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), page 21, in the first paragraph following 4.F., by deleting the language that has been underlined: "The basic purposes of these committees are to collect, clarify, define and state the decisions of the Fellowship within specific areas of concern and to initiate and coordinate actions based on these decisions." and inserting in its place the words, "the World Service Conference."

Intent: To more accurately reflect the appropriate relationship of WSC Committees to the WSC.

Motion 5: To refer I.P. #R-18, the *N.A. Group Starter Kit, Newly Revised*, back to the World Literature Committee to be placed on the "A" list for further revisions.

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Intent: The revisions accomplished by the WSC Literature Committee were due to the request of other WSC committees and only updated certain information in this LP. In order to be more useful to newly forming groups, further revisions are needed in the sections that were not updated. This action is also recommended should the WSC take action to approve the proposed revisions, as it requires WSC action to place an item on the "A" list.

Motion 6: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), page 46, Addendum 5, "Approval of Service Material," by deleting the word "original" in the first sentence of the first paragraph, and deleting the second paragraph in its entirety. Replace the second paragraph with the following language:

"A final draft of the work will be prepared by the originating WSC committee and submitted to the expanded Joint Administrative Committee prior to its January meeting. The Joint Administrative Committee will then be responsible for reviewing the submitted work and determining if the submitted material is ready for WSC consideration and approval. If the submitted work is found to need additional work it shall be referred to the appropriate committee or board for further work. If, however, the submitted work is recommended for WSC approval it shall be distributed to all WSC participants at least ninety days prior to the annual WSC meeting with notification that it is pending WSC approval. Upon approval of two thirds of the WSC participants, the handbook, guidelines, or changes to the guidelines shall become Conference approved and included in the WSO inventory.

Intent: To allow WSC Committees to prepare service materials and submit this type of work through a reasonable and thorough approval process, utilizing the resources of both the Joint Administrative Committee and the WSC participants.

FROM THE WSC POLICY COMMITTEE:

Motion 7: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition) by replacing the note at the top of page 6 with: "Note: Although individual area and regional guidelines differ regarding which participants may vote, these service committee meetings are open to the Fellowship."

Intent: Several areas and regions have pointed out that current language in the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* does not reflect the actual practice of their local N.A. community. The proposal above allows the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* to better reflect the diversity of experience within our fellowship.

Motion 8: That the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), be amended on page 8, (Election of ASC Officers) by deleting from the first paragraph the first three sentences. Insert the following language as the first sentence of that paragraph: "Committee officers should be elected from members of Narcotics Anonymous who have prior service experience such as GSR, group secretary, group treasurer and/or subcommittee member."

Intent: Current language in the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* is confusing. Attempts in some areas to comply with current language have severely hampered the conduct of business at the area service committee.

Motion 9: To add to the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), on page 19, I.C., a new paragraph: (7.) "In the absence of a duly elected committee chair, the Conference will recognize the duly elected vice chair of the respective committee."

Intent: To provide for continuity of service in the event a WSC Chairperson must be absent. When one of last year's chairpersons had to leave the Conference unexpectedly, we found we had no provision for the succession of the vice chairperson.

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Motion 10: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure (1988 edition)*, page 19, by adding after the first sentence of I.D.: "When RSR/WSC Committee chairs are not on the floor of the Conference, duly elected alternates/vice chairs may vote, make motions, or address the Conference. [No member may speak on a motion more than once unless others desiring to speak on the motion have exercised their opportunity. Committee vice chairs and RSR alternates are considered to be the same 'member' as their respective chair/RSR when acting as a participant.]"

Motion 11: To further amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure (1988 edition)*, page 19, after I.H., by adding: "NOTE: Under the Rules of Order of the WSC, no member may speak on a motion more than once unless others desiring to speak on the motion have done so: WSC committee vice chairs and RSR alternates are considered to be the same 'member' as their respective WSC committee chairs/RSRs when acting as a participant. (WSC Rules of Order may be obtained from the WSO)"

Intent: The above two motions would increase the participation of the RSR alternate and the WSC committee vice chairperson at the annual meeting of the Conference. The goal of the WSC Policy Committee in submitting this motion is to allow the RSR/RSR alternate and the chair/vice chair to function as a team.

Motion 12: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure (1988 edition)* by adding at the end of page 23: "CONDUCT OF BUSINESS AT THE CONFERENCE: The World Service Conference utilizes an adapted version of Robert's Rules of Order, entitled "WSC Rules of Order," to provide an orderly way to conduct business. An understanding of the principles and appropriate use of parliamentary procedures serves to insure the orderly conduct of business as well as to protect each member's rights.

CONFERENCE WORK SCHEDULE: The WSC follows a yearly work schedule which utilizes a committee system in order to facilitate an orderly and open review of ideas that may result in proposals for Fellowship action. Most of the actual work is done by the Conference committees during the year between the annual meetings.

The work year starts with the first meeting of the new Conference committees held on one of the last days of the Annual Conference meeting. This is the organizational meeting of the committee and is used to establish work priorities and assignments. (NOTE: The Conference may also expressly direct committee priorities).

The Conference holds two or more workshops during the year, where the bulk of full committee work is done. These workshops allow each committee to meet and work for several days, and also afford an opportunity for interaction between the committees when their work overlaps.

The location of the workshops is changed for each meeting in order to bring these workshops out to the Fellowship. The Fellowship is invited to attend the committee meetings at the workshops as observers, but direct participation is usually limited to a single evening's "open forum."

Between workshops, committee work is accomplished by assignments to individuals or to task groups. Committees may also utilize conference telephone calls to conduct parts of their work.

Special meetings of committees, apart from the joint workshops, may be necessary from time to time. Such special meetings should be scheduled with the concurrence of the Administrative Committee, and are subject to the availability of funds. In order to avoid unnecessary expenditures, special meetings should be kept to a minimum.

INPUT TO THE CONFERENCE: The Conference committees are intended to be the work force that digests and refines ideas suggested to them and submits to the Conference a finalized project or proposal. The committees are not expected to work alone or think of everything. The Fellowship is

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encouraged to keep informed of work the committees are doing (via the *Fellowship Report*, the *Newsline*, or committee minutes) and to submit their ideas and suggestions. Any member of the Fellowship may submit suggestions and ideas, and every member is encouraged to do so. These ideas (called INPUT) may be sent by a member, a group, or a service committee or board. Written input may be sent to the committee in care of the WSO.

Although the vehicle of direct input to the Conference Agenda Report by Regional Service Committees is possible (see "REGIONAL MOTIONS" below), regions are strongly encouraged to work through the Conference committee system for their input. Experience has shown that the utilization of the broader base and experience of the Conference committees allows for more adequate discussion and consideration of Fellowship concerns. It should be stressed that two-way communication between the committees and the Fellowship is essential."

Intent: The above motion results from the Committee's review of a document committed to the Policy Committee during the 1987 Conference, entitled "A Proposal for Guidelines for the Operation of the World Service Conference," which addressed a wide gamut of topics. Sections of the Committee's work were approved at last year's meeting of the Conference. The above motion and the motion that follows will complete this document, which includes "WSC Rules of Order." This motion adds language that clarifies the Conference work schedule, specifies what form of Robert's Rules of Order is to be used, and delineates the role that WSC Committees perform in reviewing input.

Motion 13: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition) by adding the following section titled "Regional Motions" after the section above titled "Input to the Conference":

"REGIONAL MOTIONS: In addition to the mechanism of input described above, Regional Service Committees may submit motions for WSC consideration. The process for consideration of regional motions is as follows:

1. Regions submit motions to the WSC Chairperson, who assigns them to the appropriate WSC Committee(s) for study, review, and where appropriate, recommendation and possible action at the WSC. Each WSC committee chairperson is responsible for bringing the assigned regional motions before the committee for consideration prior to action by the WSC in order to develop committee recommendations.
2. Motions received prior to the publication of the Conference Agenda Report are printed in an appended section of the report entitled "Regional Motions--Assigned to Committee." They will not appear on the Agenda's "Action Item List" of issues requiring action or decision at the upcoming Conference.
3. The region initially proposing the motion is responsible to bring it to the floor of the Conference if the region desires the Conference to take some action. This action might include the adoption or revision of a policy or might include the assignment of a new project to a Conference committee or service board.
4. Once the motion has been moved and seconded, it belongs to the World Service Conference. At this point the WSC has several options. It can adopt the motion and begin its implementation. It can also refer the motion to committee for further study and report, or may simply wish to table or defeat the motion outright. In any event, an individual region may propose actions or projects, but cannot in and of itself compel a WSC committee or board to implement its suggestion. Such action may only occur as a result of a Conference directive.
5. Motions which are committed by Conference action to a world service committee or board should be the subject of reports, discussions and recommendations in *Fellowship Reports*. Direct communication between the world service committee or board chairperson and the region originally proposing the

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motion should occur with regularity. It might also include other interested parties such as the region who proposed the motion to commit the matter to committee.

6. Unless specifically instructed to do so by the WSC a world service committee or board is not required to return the committed motion to the floor of the Conference for action. They are, however, required to report throughout the year on the status of the regional motion which was committed. They are also required to inquire of the region originating the motion as to their concurrence with the committee's action.

7. Should the region originally proposing the motion be dissatisfied "with the committee's action, they may, through written opposition and request, have the WSC Chairperson include the motion, its intent and committee recommendations in the next Conference Agenda Report as an item on the Action Item List."

Intent: The above process is the WSC Policy Committee response to the following motion, committed at WSC '88: *"That the right of any region to put forth agenda items for WSC consideration remain unconditional, and that these items be included in the Conference Agenda Report."*

Motion 14: Should the WSC Policy Committee propose requirements on the formation of new regions and the seating of those regions at the WSC? Note: If your region answers in the affirmative, please send specific suggestions to the Conference with your RSR.

Intent: The WSC Policy Committee has been grappling with the issue of the formation of new regions for several years, and still cannot reach a consensus. Our work to date has produced documents of a guiding/experience-sharing nature only. While these documents present thought-provoking questions regarding the most practical delivery of services to our members, they fall short of our original goal. We have been unable to agree upon guidelines or criteria for the Conference to utilize in determining whether to accept or reject a region's application to become a voting participant of the Conference. A significant faction of the committee opposes the establishment of any restriction upon a service committee becoming a voting participant of the WSC. It appears that the establishment of such criteria will require a direct mandate from the fellowship. Hence, the above question. We urge the fellowship to show us the direction in which to proceed.

In accordance with current Conference policy, regions seeking recognition and seating at the Conference are required to submit a letter to the Policy Committee for presentation to the Conference. We have received ongoing communication from a new region formed within the State of California. This is included on the following page for your information.

FROM THE WSC LITERATURE COMMITTEE:

Motion 15: To approve the *Handbook for Narcotics Anonymous Literature Committees, Revised* (Addendum I) as a replacement for the existing handbook.

Intent: One of the World Literature Committee priorities for the past eighteen months has been to revise and update the World Literature Committee handbook and guidelines. The efforts of an ad hoc committee, general literature members and the World Literature Committee produced a handbook which is a further improvement of the existing handbook. It became a priority item because the current handbook is outdated and offers limited guidance and experience. We feel this handbook will be very helpful for our area and regional literature committees. The adoption of this handbook will allow us to refocus all our energies into the steps and traditions book.

Motion 16: To approve the following amendments to the World Literature Committee guidelines, as published in Addendum 1 to the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), and as Appendix C in the existing *Handbook for Narcotics Anonymous Literature Committees*.

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Amendment A

Delete from Section 2.A.(4.): "Two members of the Board of Trustees and one member of the Board of Directors may be added by mutual agreement between their respective board and the WLC."
and replace with the following:

2.A.(4) "Two members of the Board of Trustees and one member of the Board of Directors appointed by their respective board."

Amendment B

Add to Section 2.B.(2.) a paragraph (c.):

(c) "Regional Service Representatives (RSRs) and RSR Alternates may become general members upon request to the WLC Chairperson."

Amendment C

Add to Section 3.D., Requirements, a paragraph (3.):

(3) "Be an RSR or RSR Alternate who requests general membership."

Amendment D

Delete Section 7, "The Evaluation Committee," and replace with the following:

"7. The Evaluation Committee has the responsibility of reviewing all new literature proposals and recommending where each item should go in our service structure for proper development.

The evaluation committee recommends placing literature on one of the work lists (8, C or D), referring it to another Conference committee, or returning it to the originator. They review new literature proposals as they are submitted, and review literature on the D-list periodically. All recommendations of the Evaluation Committee are reported to the WLC for approval.

Three to six members, as needed to handle the work load, are recommended by the Chairperson and approved by the WLC. They serve one Conference year. No more than two members from the same region can serve on this committee. Initially, and if incoming material requires, additional members may be chosen to serve on this committee. When the workload decreases, some of the members assigned to this committee may be asked to serve elsewhere within the WLC by the Chair."

Amendment E

Delete Section 8, "The Literature Development Work List" (including its description of its work lists) and replace with:

"8. The Literature-Development Work List: The World Literature Committee's work list consists of four stages of development where all Narcotics Anonymous unapproved literature is catalogued. The WLC places items on the B, C and D list and recommends pieces to be placed on the A-list by the Conference Literature lists of each developmental stage will be published in the Conference Agenda Report for fellowship information and consideration. The A-list is reserved for selection by the WSC.

A-List (Items for Final Development)

The A-List consists of those items which the Fellowship would like to see developed into N .A. Conference-approved literature. An item remains on the A-List until the piece is approved or otherwise disposed of by the WSC. The A-List generally consists of no more than one major work (book length) and four pamphlets. The WLC recommends to the Conference the maximum amount of material which the committee can handle, taking into consideration factors such as the length of the material on the list,

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and whether the piece is being worked on by the fellowship (review and input) or by the WLC (preparation of a review or approval-form draft).

B-List (Items Awaiting Final Development)

The B-List contains items from which the fellowship makes choices to fill openings on the A-List. These are items which have generally been developed as C-List items to the state where they are ready for final development and are awaiting placement on the A List.

C-List (Ready for Regional Development)

The C-List consists of material that needs more fellowship writing and input to bring it to a first draft stage. C-List material is assigned to regional literature committees whose responsibility is then to create the forum and atmosphere where members of their region can write on the assigned project. Working groups of the WLC may also work on this material. No regional literature committee will work on more than one C-List item at a time.

D-List (General Development)

The D-List contains all other unapproved items that have been submitted as possibilities for Narcotics Anonymous literature. These are items which are available for assignment to members, groups and area literature committees at the discretion of the WLC Chairperson and Vice Chairperson."

Amendment F

Delete the existing Section 9, Paragraphs A and B, and replace them with the following:

"9. Review Form Literature

A. Time: Review form books are sent out to the Fellowship for a minimum of twelve months, review form pamphlets for a minimum of six months. Review form literature may be returned for consecutive review periods in an original or revised draft, if fellowship input indicates it is necessary, or as recommended by the WLC. The WLC may recommend that a piece of literature be out for review for more than the twelve or six month review period.

B. Use: Sold only to registered area and regional literature committees and groups where no ASC presently exists. Not for use, display or distribution in N.A. meetings. The fellowship is strongly encouraged to get involved with literature review and input at this stage. It is generally for use and development within area and regional literature committees."

Amendment G

Delete the first paragraph of Section 11 and replace with the following:

"11. Revision Committee: This is a committee of WLC members which undertakes initial revisions of those items of approved literature for which sufficient input has been received. Each Conference year the Revision Committee will receive a copy of all input received to date on all items of Conference-approved literature. The committee will then make a recommendation to the WLC if it feels an item has received sufficient input to initiate a revision. As a resource group, the Revision Committee's completed work will be sent back to the WLC Administrative Body for review and handled in accordance with the Literature Development Process."

Amendment H

Add the following to the end of Section 12:

"Whenever the WSC adopts a piece of literature which is a modification or revision of an existing piece of Conference-approved literature, the WSO will begin printing the revised edition and discontinue

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selling the prior edition in the shortest reasonable period of time. For the sake of unity, clarity, and a common understanding, Narcotics Anonymous groups are encouraged to use the most recent edition in their meetings."

Intent: The above amendments to the World Literature Committee guidelines are basically housekeeping changes to clarify specific sections of the guidelines. They also address most of the motions that were committed to the WLC at last year's Conference. Amendments "A" and "H" are the responses to committed motions. The remainder are WLC proposals for the guidelines. At the Conference, in the interest of saving time, we will introduce a single motion to approve all of the amendments to the WLC guidelines. We have listed the amendments separately for your consideration. If you accept all of the amendments then simply vote yes for the motion to approve the amendments to the World Literature Committee guidelines. The World Literature Committee is unanimous in their decision to present these amendments for your approval.

Motion 17: To approve I.P. #R-18, the *N.A. Group Starter Kit, Newly Revised* (Addendum 2) as a replacement for the existing I.P.

Intent: The purpose of revising the *Group Starter Kit* is to update information. Although the WLC Revision Committee's recommendations were reviewed and approved by the WLC, the Joint Administrative Committee and the Board of Trustees feel the work is in need of additional revisions. The WLC agrees but would like to see this present work accepted so new groups can have the value of the new information. Therefore, the WLC has also placed the *Group Starter Kit* on our "B" list to provide accessibility if a major revision is warranted.

Motion 18: To approve the following as the World Literature Committee's "A" work list for the 1989-90 Conference year.

- 1) *It Works: The Steps* (prepare review form).
- 2) *It Works: The Traditions* (prepare review form).
- 3) For Those in Treatment (prepare approval form).
- 4) In Times of Illness (prepare approval form).

Intent: This list consists of the maximum amount of material that the World Literature Committee feels can be developed by the committee during the 1989-90 Conference year. It is the Literature Committee's recommendation that the WSC approve this worklist. The Conference may, however, make changes to the list. Should the WSC choose to add any item of literature to the "A" list, a piece of equal length would have to be removed in order for the WLC to have a responsible work schedule for the coming year.

FROM THE WSC PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE:

Motion 19: To approve the pamphlet, *Public Information And The N.A. Member* (Addendum 4).

Intent: In response to requests from P.I. subcommittees to provide a uniform pamphlet which eliminates the need for each subcommittee to devise their own. Also, to further awareness of the need for individual members to work with P.I. subcommittees instead of undertaking individual P.I. efforts.

*See JAC Special Report Section, #III., page 36.

Motion 20: To amend *A Guide to Public Information* (revised 4/88) by adding the section titled "Speaking To Non-Addicts" (Addendum 5).

Intent: To create resource information which will enhance public information work when making presentations to non-addicts.

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Motion 21: To amend *A Guide to Public Information* (revised 4/88) by adding the section titled "Mass Media Public Information Preparedness Inventory" (Addendum 6).

Intent: To create material which will enhance public information work when utilizing mass media.

Motion 22: To amend *A Guide to Public Information* (revised 4/88) by adding the section titled "How To Develop Billboards/Bus Benches and Transit Signs" (Addendum 7).

Intent: To create resource material which will assist P.I. subcommittees in working with billboards, bus benches and transit signs.

Motion 23: To delete Section 4, pages 68 through the first paragraph on page 70 of *A Guide to Public Information* (revised 4/88), and replace with the section titled "Keeping The N.A. Fellowship Informed" (Addendum 8).

Intent: To clarify material in *A Guide to Public Information* and thereby simplify P.I. efforts connected with learning days and workshops.

Motion 24: To delete "Guidelines for Cooperative Efforts in P .I. in Overlapping Areas or Regions" on pages 12 and 13 of *A Guide to Public Information* (revised 4/88), and replace with "Guidelines For P.I. Cooperative Efforts" (Addendum 9).

Intent: To clarify the material in *A Guide to Public Information* and thereby simplify P.I. efforts concerned with overlapping areas or regions.

Motion 25: To amend *A Guide to Public Information* (revised 4/88), by deleting on page 15 the following text:... Replace with:

"The purpose of an H&I meeting is to carry the N.A. message of recovery to addicts in hospitals or other institutions who do not have full access to regular Narcotics Anonymous meetings. H&I Panels, except for those in longer term facilities, are intended to simply introduce those attending to some of the basics of the N.A. Program.

When local members of groups see the need for an H&I meeting at a facility the local H&I committee should be contacted. H&I meetings are a function of the H&I subcommittee. Individuals should not take it upon themselves to do H&I work. Groups should only do it in places where an area H&I committee hasn't been formed yet and seek guidance from their regional H&I committee. At these meetings, outside participation should be limited to the panel members who are invited in advance.

For a more comprehensive look at Hospitals and Institutions service work see the *Hospitals & Institutions Handbook*, which is available from the World Service Office."

Intent: To clarify material in *A Guide to Public Information* and make P.I. literature consistent with H&I literature.

FROM THE WSC H&I COMMITTEE:

Motion 26: To approve the revised *Hospitals & Institutions Handbook* (Addendum 10), to replace the existing publication.

Intent: To provide the fellowship with more comprehensive information about the structure and function of H&I subcommittees and the delivery of H&I services.

Motion 27: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), in the section related to regional service, page 8, paragraph 2, by deleting the sentence: "Addicts who cannot attend regular meetings are served through an RSC Hospitals & Institutions subcommittee." Then by changing in the next sentence, "A third basic" to "Another basic".

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Intent: This sentence depicts an inaccurate function of regional H&I subcommittees. RSC H&I subcommittees offer support services for the area H&I subcommittees, who in turn directly carry the message. The RSC may perform some outreach functions, the revised statement in motion #27 gives a more accurate picture of RSC H&I's role in terms of carrying the message. It would be redundant here to make that statement again and the text will flow well with simply a deletion.

Motion 28: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), in the section related to regional service, page 9, paragraph 3, last sentence, by deleting: "Institutional work is the responsibility of an RSC, and is usually handled by one or more subcommittees." Then inserting: "Hospital and Institutional work on the regional level is the responsibility of the RSC H&I subcommittee, with assistance from the RSC P.I. subcommittee, as needed."

Intent: The sentence is used to support the statement in this section that some RSC functions "relate directly to carrying the message." RSC H&I committees offer support services for the area H&I committees who in turn directly carry the message. The RSC may perform some outreach function, the revised statement gives a more accurate picture of RSC H&I's role in terms of carrying the message.

Motion 29: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), in the section - related to regional service, page 9, paragraph 4, by deleting the sentence: "Large quantities of literature are often supplied to institutions and hospitals though in some cases this is handled through a separate institutional fund."

Intent: This sentence depicts an inaccurate function of regional committees. Most contact and disbursements to institutions would be handled through the area H&I and/or P.I. committee(s). Also the reference to a special "institution fund" is no longer applicable with the action of the Conference in 1987 to discontinue the use of the H&I can and place the responsibility of H&I funding onto the service structure.

Motion 30: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), page 17, paragraph 5, list of committees, by changing "Institutional Committee" to "Hospitals and Institutions Committee." To further amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), page 21, list of committees E, by changing "Institutional Committee" to Hospitals and Institutions Committee."

Intent: At the time of the original publication of this manual this may have been an accurate title but it no longer is applicable to the H&I committee as we know it today.

Motion 31: To amend the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* (1988 edition), page 22, paragraph 5 by deleting:

INSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEE: "The World Service Conference INSTITUTIONAL Committee acts as a resource to regions, areas, groups and individual members in their efforts to carry the message into institutions such as jails, hospitals detoxification centers and recovery houses. It's goal is to help avoid Tradition violations while carrying our message to those who cannot come to us." and inserting:

HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE: "The basic purpose of the World Service Conference Hospitals and Institutions Committee is to collect, clarify; define and state the decisions of the Fellowship within the scope of H&I work and to initiate and coordinate actions based on these decisions. The WSC H&I Committee acts as a resource to regions, areas, groups and individual members in their efforts to carry the message to addicts who do not have full access to regular N.A. meetings. Its goal is to help uphold our Traditions while carrying our message to these addicts. The committee will also serve as

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a resource for H&I related matters with individuals, organizations or associations outside the Fellowship."

Intent: The proposed wording more accurately reflects the actual functions and purpose of the WSC, H&I Committee.

FROM THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ADDITIONAL NEEDS:

Motion 32: That an Additional Needs advisory panel of the WSB Internal/External Affairs Committee be created. This panel will have as its primary purpose the maintenance of communication with existing area and regional additional needs committees. This panel will become active upon the dissolution of the WSC Ad Hoc Committee on Additional Needs, and will remain active until such time as the WSB Internal/External Affairs Committee can offer appropriate alternatives to this arrangement. Each month this panel will report all its communications to the WSB Internal/External Affairs Committee in hopes of furthering an understanding and accommodation of additional needs members' concerns. This panel will be composed of two N.A. members with a good understanding of additional needs who will be appointed by the chairperson of the Board of Trustees. An administrative budget for this panel will be included within the budget of the Board of Trustees. Expenditures will be managed by the chairperson of the Board of Trustees. Funds will be included in this budget for transportation, lodging and miscellaneous expense of the two advisory panel members incurred in attending meetings of the Board of Trustees when appropriate, and other meetings/workshops that may be desirable. Additional administrative funds will be budgeted for the panel's telephone and mailing expenses. The WSO will provide additional administrative support to facilitate operation of the panel and the fulfillment of its responsibilities.

Intent: By shifting the issue of additional needs to the Board of Trustees, it is felt that these concerns may now be more effectively managed. Further, by having the option of a small number of members knowledgeable in the area of additional needs, in an advisory role, this would in turn only serve to strengthen their ability to carry out this task. This would also facilitate and serve as a bridge toward our ultimate goal of mainstreaming this issue into the existing service structure.

Motion 33: To dissolve the WSC Ad Hoc Committee on Additional Needs.

Intent: The majority of the WSC Ad Hoc Committee on Additional Needs, as well as the chairperson of that committee, feels strongly that the issue of additional needs in the fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous has now reached the level where a separate ad hoc committee is no longer the most effective vehicle with which to address this issue.

FROM THE WSC BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Motion 34: It is moved that: "At the 1989 WSC, the Conference elect only three members to the Board of Trustees for five year terms, elect not more than one member to the Board of Trustees for a one year term and elect not more than two members to the Board of Trustees for a two year term.

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At the 1991 WSC and all subsequent meetings of the Conference, the Conference elect only three members to serve for five year terms and fill vacancies in other positions as necessary, but in no event, more than two additional Trustees in a specific year. During the transition years, additional vacancies that result from reasons other than normal rotation will be filled for the specific period of time of the vacancy, rather than for a five year term automatically."

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Intent: To bring the Board up to full strength, and to ensure continuity of service experience by staggering the elections to fill vacancies. To avoid having more than three Trustees elected for five year terms during any single Conference and filling only some of the shorter year terms each year until a full complement is achieved.

Motion 35: That the Board of Trustees incorporate into the purpose and function of the Internal/External Affairs Committee of the Board the "Additional Needs" and similar special needs of N.A. The Board Internal/External Affairs Committee will use non-trustee members with expertise in "Additional Needs" experience, strength and hope as resource to issues that arise.

Intent: To clarify the assignment within the activities of the Board of Trustee committee system described in the *Temporary Working Guide To Our Service Structure* where Additional Needs and similar special needs of N.A. members will be accomplished.

FROM THE WSO BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Motion 36. That the WSO be instructed to include in the WSO inventory various items of merchandise (including jewelry and other popular items purchased by N.A. members) that contain representations of the N.A. logo for sale to members and service committees.

Intent: To provide the appropriate legal protection of the N.A. logo. To enable the WSO to fulfill its responsibility to protect the trademark and copyright property of the fellowship. To end the private marketing of such merchandise for personal gain and the misuse of the N.A. logo in this way. To diminish the controversy surrounding the current unrestricted production and sale of merchandise containing the N.A. logo, providing a method by which such materials can still be available to those members and committees desiring such items.

FROM THE REGIONS

Motion: "That the WSC ask the WSO to make the translation and publication of a Spanish edition of the Basic Text into a top priority."

Intent: So that we can reach the large population within our region and the fellowship as a whole that reads and speaks Spanish (proposed by the Florida Region).

Motion: "That the World Service Conference commission a cost;..benefit analysis of the Conference quarterly system." ·

Intent: At this time of great financial difficulty facing our fellowship, we believe that it would be beneficial to evaluate this process and try to determine if this is the most productive and useful way to spend our resources (proposed by the Upper Midwest Region).

Motion: "That the WSO reduce the cost of the individual subscriptions of the *Fellowship Report* by 50%."

Intent: That individuals not have to bear the cost of producing the *Fellowship Report*. The difference between cost to service committees (\$.46) and individual cost (\$3. 75) is too great (proposed by the Mountaineer Region).

Motion: "That the right of any region to put forth agenda items for WSC consideration remain unconditional, and that these items be included in the *Conference Agenda Report*."

Intent: To allow the fellowship to see and vote on motions before they are presented on the floor of the WSC. So WSC remains directly responsible to those they serve through the service structure (regions, areas, groups, members) (proposed by the Chesapeake and Potomac Region).

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Motion: "That the daily meditation book, *Just For Today*, be placed on the WSC Literature Committee priority list for 1989."

Intent: To make available to the fellowship an important piece of N.A. literature suitable for daily use in the practice of Step Eleven (proposed by the Wisconsin Region).

Motion: "That the I.P. #18, *N.A. Group Starter Kit*, have the words, "Why Are We Here?" inserted on page six, item six, between lines (b) and (c)."

Intent: To restore the original form of this I.P. now that the fellowship has approved the revisions in the White Book (proposed by the Wisconsin Region).

Motion: "That the voting delegates of the WSC receive a copy of the list of qualifications for all those individuals nominated for election at the Conference."

Intent: To assist those voting in keeping track of all the information about those who are nominated (proposed by the Wisconsin Region).

Motion: "That the WSC Literature Committee undertake or delegate the responsibility for the creation of an I.P. on the spiritual and recovery benefits of participation in service work."

Intent: So . that members can become aware of the underlying principle and meaning, in spiritual terms, of giving it away to keep it (proposed by the Wisconsin Region).

Motion: "That at the WSC all voting participants will vote their conscience by written ballot."

Intent: To put into practice the spiritual principle of the Twelfth Tradition by maintaining personal anonymity (proposed by the Wisconsin Region).

Motion: "That guidelines for conduct/participation at WSC meetings be available for those attending."

Intent: So new members will have information on the structure of these meetings (proposed by the Wisconsin Region).

Motion: "To have a time and place set aside for recovery meetings to meet the needs of the WSC meeting participants."

Intent: Make recovery available and keep our primary purpose in mind during the Conference meetings (proposed by the Wisconsin Region).

Motion: "That the times and places of open forums within the subcommittees be part of the agenda of activities at the Conferences."

Intent: To encourage participation (proposed by the Wisconsin Region).

Motion: "That at the WSC, WSC quarterly, and World Convention, those who drink coffee pay for it."

Intent: To defray costs to the fellowship (proposed by the Wisconsin Region).

Motion: "That all participants at world Conferences wear name tags to identify what position they hold."

Intent: To assist members who have business to conduct in locating the appropriate individuals (proposed by the Wisconsin Region).

Motion: "That in the Narcotics Anonymous Basic Text and other N.A. literature, the words, "physical challenge" be added to the list at the end of the second paragraph of "What Is The N.A. Program?"

Intent: To let those persons who have these difficulties know that the N.A. program is for them, and that they qualify for recovery (proposed by the Wisconsin Region).

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Motion: "That guidelines for world service administrative positions contain clean time requirements."

Intent: To insure that we have requirements (clean time) to serve as trusted servants on the world level executive body (proposed by the Southern California Region).

Motion: "That regional motions which have been accepted and are on the action item list be counter signed by another member of the executive body of the submitting region."

Intent: To promote and preserve unity on the Conference floor while conserving time used for debate (proposed by the Southern California Region).

Motion: "That the WSC Policy Committee place on its priority list for 1989, the research and investigation of the "Principle of Rotation" and present a full report to WSC 1990."

Intent: To promote the rotation of trusted servants, and thus increase the accessibility of those positions (proposed by the Southern California Region).

Motion: "To instruct the WSO to start producing key tags commemorating N.A. birthdays."

Intent: To insure that members and groups which cannot afford medallions have a means to commemorate N.A. birthdays (glow in the dark type is suggested) (proposed by the Southern California Region).

Motion: "Be it resolved that only RSRs (or their equivalent) be voting participants at the WSC. Non-voting participants (WSC Officers, WSC Committee Chairpersons, Trustees, and WSO Chairperson) may make motions or address the Conference. Be it further resolved that only RSRs (or their equivalent) vote on this issue."

Intent: To insure the democratic and spiritual ideal of group conscience, throughout the service structure; to present the true will of groups, areas, and regions -- without the influence of those who stand to lose votes at the WSC (proposed by the Florida Region).

Motion: "That subcommittee chairs and executive members (chair, vice chair, and treasurer) of the WSC not have a vote at the WSC."

Intent: Our subcommittees are supposed to be responsible to those they serve. If a subcommittee or executive committee member votes on issues affecting N.A. groups, they are in essence directing or dictating to the very groups which they are meant to serve. This motion would not allow these servants, whether they are right or wrong, to have undue influence on N.A. as a whole, allowing our groups to make their own choices and mistakes on issues pertaining to N.A. as a whole and perhaps grow from it (proposed by the Connecticut Region).

Motion: "That only RSRs or their regional equivalents may be the only voting participants at the World Service Conference. The World Service Office manager, The World Service Office Board chairman, the members of the Board of Trustees, World Service Committee Chairs, and the World Service Conference Administrative Committee members may make motions or address the Conference."

Intent: To insure that the World Service Conference is directed by the Fellowship and not by its servants (proposed by the Buckeye Region).