

## 2004 CAR Motions

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Motion 1: To approve the book, Sponsorship, contained in Addendum A.

Intent: To have a fellowship-approved book on sponsorship available to our members.

Financial Impact: The cost of creating this material has already been incurred. The only additional costs that will be incurred by adopting this motion are initial production costs for the book, which would be minimal.

Policy Affected: None.

*Maker: World Board, page 13*

Motion 2: To replace the existing IP #11, Sponsorship, with the revised draft contained in Addendum B. This motion would also approve the replacement of the text from the entire Sponsorship IP that currently appears in *An Introductory Guide to Narcotics Anonymous*.

Intent: To replace the existing informational pamphlet with a more current version and reflect this replacement in *An Introductory Guide to Narcotics Anonymous*.

*Maker: World Board, page 13*

Motion 3: To replace the three quotes in *Just for Today* from the existing IP #11, Sponsorship, with material from the proposed IP as follows:

- February 8 would now read, “ ... an NA sponsor is a member of Narcotics Anonymous, living our program of recovery, who is willing to build a special, supportive, one-on-one relationship with us.”
- March 13 would now read, “A sponsor is not necessarily a friend, but may be someone in whom we confide. We can share things with our sponsor that we may not be comfortable sharing in a meeting.”
- March 26 would now read, “In seeking a sponsor, most members look for someone they feel they can learn to trust, someone who seems compassionate...”

*Note: This motion will only be offered if motion 2 is adopted.*

Intent: To make changes needed for *Just for Today* to reflect current fellowship approved literature.

Financial Impact: While we are also keeping our *Just for Today* inventory low pending conference action, we would most likely replace these pages when we need to reprint each language version of the book.

This may take longer but will minimize the financial impact.

Policy Affected: The full text of the pages that would be affected can be found in Addendum D.

*Maker: World Board, page 14*

Motion 4: To approve work on revisions to the Basic Text, Narcotics Anonymous, that includes:

- no changes made to Chapters One through Ten,
- the addition of a new preface to the Sixth Edition preceding the current preface (the current preface will remain the same and be titled “Preface to the First Edition”),
- the replacement of some or all of the current personal stories, in order to better reflect the broad diversity of our fellowship, and
- a brief introduction to the revised personal stories section.

The timeframe for this work will be two conference cycles, from 2004 to 2008, including a six-month review and input period. The approval form of the Sixth Edition Basic Text will be distributed as an appendix to the 2008 Conference Agenda Report for a minimum of 150 days.

Intent: To conclude the six-year process that the fellowship has been engaged in regarding potential revisions to the Basic Text.

Financial Impact: For the *Sponsorship* workgroup, we budgeted \$114,000 for the 2002–2004 conference cycle; actual costs were approximately \$57,000. This was primarily for travel for workgroup members.

We expect the Basic Text project to have similar costs. A budget will be a part of the detailed project

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plan for this project, which will be sent to conference participants in January.

Policy Affected: None.

*Maker: World Board, page 20*

Motion 5: To change the maximum number of members for the World Board from “up to twenty-four” to “up to eighteen” and to reflect that change in the World Board External Guidelines in *A Guide to World Services in NA*.

Intent: To reduce the maximum size of the World Board.

Financial Impact: We budget for the maximum number of World Board members, currently twenty-four. Reducing the maximum size of the board by 25 percent would reduce the budget allocation for World Board travel by 25 percent. For the 2002–2004 conference cycle, this budget allocation was approximately \$100,000 for eight board meetings, the World Service Conference, and two world conventions. The actual expenditures are typically under budget.

Policy Affected: This action would directly amend the following WSC policies: *A Guide to World Services in NA* Page 14, World Board External Guidelines Membership The World Board will consist of up to twenty-four eighteen members elected by at least 60% of the World Service Conference.

*Maker: World Board, page 22*

Motion 6: To eliminate specific language about standing committees, except the Executive Committee, from the section Committees of the Board in the World Board External Guidelines in *A Guide to World Services in NA*. These changes would also be reflected in the section on General Duties and in the chart representing the world service structure.

Intent: To revise the description of the World Board’s internal structure in *A Guide to World Services in NA* to better reflect current practices.

Financial Impact: This motion would have little to no direct financial impact.

*Maker: World Board, page 23*

Motion 7: That a moratorium be placed on changes to Book One of the Basic Text beginning at WSC 2004 and ending at WSC 2010.

Intent: To safeguard the content of Book One of the Basic Text for a period of three conference cycles.

*Maker: Show-Me Region, page 30*

Motion 8: That no changes be considered or made to Book 1, Chapters 1 thru 10 of the Basic Text from WSC 2004 until the start of WSC 2014.

Intent: To preserve the foundational portion of our Basic Text for ten years.

*Maker: Free State Region, page 31*

Motion 9: To direct Narcotics Anonymous World Services, Inc. to create a Book One version of the 5th Edition Basic Text (approved April 25, 1991) and make it available for sale at the same price as other language versions available in Book One only.

Intent: To provide an alternative version of the English Basic Text.

*Maker: Buckeye Region, page 32*

Motion 10: To set aside WSC Policy, and a workgroup be created to review, edit, and submit for approval at WSC 2006 the Tradition Working Guide developed by the Lone Star Regional Literature Committee.

Intent: To create a plan to develop a specific piece of recovery literature to add to our literature inventory that helps membership learn the principles in the Twelve Traditions.

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*Maker: Lone Star Region, page 33*

Motion 11: To allow the limited (fair use) reprinting and quoting of the NA Fellowship approved copyrighted literature by registered NA Service Boards and Committees that have a presence on the Internet.

Intent: To allow registered NA Service Boards or Committees who have a presence on the Internet to utilize traditional Narcotics Anonymous language in the fulfillment of our primary purpose.

*Maker: Southern California Region, page 35*

Motion 12: To adopt the following as fellowship approved:

- All keytags, chips, and medallions in the colors and corresponding time frames currently available from NAWS. Presently available from NAWS are keytags and chips as follows; welcome white, 30 days orange, 60 days green, 90 days red, 6 months blue, 9 months yellow, 1 year moonglow (Luminance white), 18 months gray, multiple years black, and medallions in bronze, biplate, gold plate, silver and 14 K gold for 18 months, 1-45 years, and eternity in English and bronze 1-20 years in Spanish, French, Brazilian/Portuguese
- Furthermore, to delegate to NAWS the authority to produce non-English keytags, chips, and medallions corresponding to their English counterparts with the text appropriately translated as deemed practical by NAWS as conference-approved items
- As fellowship approved items, keytags, chips, and medallions would require that NAWS present proposals for any changes to these items in the Conference Agenda Report. Minor design and material changes would not require fellowship approval.

Intent: To obtain fellowship approval for these item because of their use in the groups and recovery meetings.

*Maker: Carolina Region, page 36*

Motion 13: To rescind the voting rights of the World Board members at the World Service Conference.

Intent: To allow only Delegates, representatives of the members of the Fellowship, to have the conscience in the decision making process.

*Maker: Wisconsin Region, page 38*

Motion 14: To change the percentage required for election to the World Board from 60% to 51%.

Intent: To create a lower percentage requirement for electing World Board members.

*Maker: Lone Star Region, page 39*

Motion 15: To direct the World Board to develop a project plan, timeline, and budget, for WSC 2006 about lowering the cost to all participating regions by 25% for all World Service events. These events shall include: the World Service Conference, World Service Meetings, and the Worldwide Workshops. This plan will not include any World Convention.

Intent: To consider a project that reduces the cost of world service events to regions.

*Maker: Lone Star Region, page 40*

Motion 16: To direct the World Board to develop a project plan, timeline, and budget, for WSC 2006 about the creation of new WSC Rules of Order based on Consensus Based Decision Making as it applies to the World Service Conference.

Intent: To consider developing a standard for consensus based decision making at the World Service Conference.

*Maker: Lone Star Region, page 41*

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Motion 17: This proposal seeks to change the trustor of the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust, and if adopted, would require that this proposal be sent out for a six-month review and input period which ends before June 2005 and then be presented to the fellowship in the 2006 Conference Agenda Report. To reduce the total number of representatives and to provide for equal geographic representation at WSC 2008, the current regional delegate representation will be replaced by fellowship representatives. The World Service Conference shall be comprised of a maximum of 72 fellowship representatives:

- Up to 18 from North America
- Up to 18 from Europe
- Up to 18 from Asia/Pacific Rim
- Up to 18 from South/Central America

Intent: To implement the following parts of Resolution A as adopted by the fellowship at WSC 1996. To reduce the total number of representatives. To provide for equal representation from all geographic entities.

*Maker: Minnesota Region, page 42*

Motion 18: To create geographic districts and define the selection of fellowship representatives.

The following geographic districts shall be created:

- Asia and Pacific Rim District – all regions participating in the Asia/Pacific Forum.
- European District – all regions participating in the European Delegates Meeting.
- North American District – all regions participating in the Autonomy Zonal Forum, Canadian Assembly, Midwest Zonal Forum, Mountain States Zonal Forum, Northeast Zonal Forum, Plain States Zonal Forum, Southeast Zonal Forum, Southern Zonal Forum, Western States Zonal Forum.

• South and Central American District – all regions participating in the Latin America Zonal Forum  
Fellowship representatives at the WSC shall be selected by the entities currently known as zonal forums. Each zonal forum shall select these fellowship representatives by a method of their own choosing and forward the names and contact information of their selected fellowship representatives to NA World Services. These fellowship representatives shall be recognized at the World Service Conference beginning at WSC 2008. The Zonal Forums shall each choose the following number of fellowship representatives:

- Asia/Pacific Forum: up to 18
- European Delegates Meeting: up to 18
- Latin America Zonal Forum: up to 18
- North America: up to 18 selected as follows
  - o Autonomy Zonal Forum: up to 2
  - o Canadian Assembly: up to 2
  - o Midwest Zonal Forum: up to 2
  - o Mountain States Zonal Forum: up to 2
  - o Northeast Zonal Forum: up to 2
  - o Plain States Zonal Forum: up to 2
  - o Southeast Zonal Forum: up to 2
  - o Southern Zonal Forum: up to 2
  - o Western States Zonal Forum: up to 2

*Note: This motion will only be offered if motion 17 is adopted.*

Intent: This motion creates and defines geographic districts and provides a method for selection and recognition of fellowship representatives. It also establishes points of accountability for selection of fellowship representatives.

*Maker: Minnesota Region, page 43*

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Motion 19: To direct the World Board to develop a project plan, timeline, and budget, for WSC 2006 for the implementation of the following sections from Resolution A:

- To reduce the total number of representatives
- To provide for equal representation from all geographic entities; and,
- To encourage a consensus-based decision-making process.

Intent: To further the process of implementing Resolution A.

*Maker: Lone Star Region, page 44*