

NAR-ANON WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE 2023

### **CONFERENCE OPENS**

### Friday – April 28, 2023 – opened at 6:00 am PDT / 9:00 am EDT

- The conference opened with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer
- The 12 Steps, Traditions and Concepts were read
- Daily SESH Reading
- Announcements
- Roll Call 43 voting members: 29 votes = 2/3 votes, 22 votes = simple majority

### **PROCEDURAL VOTING / INFORMATION SESSIONS**

Minutes of Thursday, April 27, 2023

Motion made to accept minutes as corrected

### **PASSED by Unanimous Consent**

#### MOTION 04: In the Guide to World Services, WSC Standing Rules of Order, item #1, make changes as indicated:

World service committee chairs have voice limited to their committee report and questions regarding their committee's activities

Each World Service Committee shall be represented at the Nar-Anon World Service Conference (WSC) with a Delegate and an Alternate Delegate who are entitled to participation - by attending the Conference in-person or by virtual means - with a voice and vote. Each World Service Committee chair will also provide a committee report and may respond to questions regarding their committee's activities.

Vote on Motion 04 by 2/3 votes (29 votes) MOTION 04 FAILED – 7 in favor

Recess for break at 7:00 am, reconvene at 7:15 am

#### MOTION 05: In the Guide to World Services, Standing Rules of Order of the World Service Conference (WSC), Rule # 1, page 16, make the changes as indicated:

Add this as the last sentence of Rule # 1:

The use of a combination of technology and translations is authorized to allow members who do not speak English as their primary language to hear what is discussed and speak during the World Service Conference.

Vote on Motion 05 as amended by simple majority (22 votes) **MOTION 05 AS AMENDED PASSED – 40 in favor** 

#### MOTION 29: In the Guide to World Services, page 16, WSC Standing Rules of Order, Rule 1: add this new sentence as the last sentence:

The use of a combination of technology and simultaneous translations is authorized to allow members who do not speak English as their primary language to hear what is discussed and speak during the World Service Conference.

MOTION 29 WAS DISPOSED OF - SAME AS MOTION 05



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# MOTION 30: In the Guide to World Services, page 18, section "Floor Motion Criteria", paragraph 7, revise the last sentence so the paragraph reads:

The New Business session of the World Service Conference deals with budgets, projects planned for the next cycle, approval of service material presented within the CAT timeframe, and the evaluation of new ideas which have come about during the current conference, including changes to conference approved recovery literature as mentioned above. After discussion of ideas and floor motions which have come about during the current conference, the World Service Conference decides <u>at the current conference</u> whether these ideas or proposals will be; <u>adopted (carried) and effective at the conclusion of the conference, rejected (failed)</u>, included in the CAR for the next conference cycle, or whether no action will be taken.

Vote on Motion 30 by 2/3 vote (29 votes)

### MOTION 30 PASSED - 33 in favor

# MOTION 06: In the Guide to World Services, section "WSC Standing Rules of Order," page 17, Item 11, make the changes as indicated below so it reads:

Any motion submitted in the CAR for the current conference and approved at the conference becomes effective at the conclusion of the conference, unless otherwise specified in the motion. Regarding floor motions which have come up during the current conference, the conference decides whether these ideas or proposals will be; adopted (carried) and effective at the conclusion of the conference, rejected (failed), included in the CAR for the next conference cycle, or whether no action will be taken.

Recess for break at 8:15 am, reconvene at 8:45 am

• Roll Call at 8:45 am, 44 voting members present: 30 votes = 2/3 vote, 23 votes = simple majority

Vote on Motion 06 as amended by 2/3 vote (30 votes) MOTION 06 AS AMENDED PASSED – 37 in favor

MOTION 07: Motion to "Amend Something Previously Adopted" by changing the name of the "prayer composed at World Service Conference 2016" to "Third Step Prayer" in the 2016 World Service Conference Minutes regarding floor motion #3 and in the 2018 World Service Conference Minutes on motion #3.

Reference is made to:

2016 World Service Conference Draft Minutes, Monday, May 2, 2016 (p. 2), Floor Motion 3 2018 World Service Conference Final Minutes, Saturday, April 28, 2018 (p. 2), Motion 3 **OUT OF ORDER** 

# **MOTION 08:** In the Guide to World Services, Introduction, page 4, 2nd paragraph, make changes as indicated.

The Guide to World Services is a resource for service bodies in every country committed to providing services to the Nar-Anon Fellowship. Due to cultural differences, geography, national, or provincial law, or the developmental state of a particular Nar-Anon community, parts of this guide may be <u>incompatible</u> inappropriate for use. Therefore, each Nar-Anon community can organize services in any way that works. Examine In these cases, after a group <u>conscience</u> conscious, examining the service needs among those <u>effected</u> affected groups, areas, regions, or NSOs to discover what works best, for each such community. The services selected by the group conscience of each Nar-Anon community are acceptable, even if they are not yet described in a Nar-Anon service manual, -so long



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as it truly serves our one purpose and does not oppose or contradict the Nar-Anon Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, Twelve Concepts of Service, and the Nar-Anon Mission and Vision Statements. adjustments may be made, provided these adjustments are consistent with Nar-Anon's Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, Twelve Concepts of Service, and the Nar-Anon Mission and Vision Statements <del>authorization</del> has been obtained from Nar-Anon's World Service Office (WSO). In observance of Tradition Four, the Nar-Anon World Service Office requests to be informed of any such adjustments. For further information, contact Nar-Anon WSO.

Motion made to move to the Committee of the Whole and seconded requiring a simple majority (22 votes) MOTION PASSED– 40 votes

Parlimentarian, who acted as Facilitior, presented the Rise and Report: conference agreed to adopt this amended language

Vote to approve Motion 8 as amended by 2/3 vote (30) MOTION 08 AS AMENDMEND PASSED - 42 votes in favor

Recess for break at 10:50 am, reconvene at 11:11 PM

**Presentation** World Pool-election presentation describing the election process, there is one candidate for this election cycle.

# MOTION 62: Make the following changes within the Nar-Anon Guide to Local Services, Introduction, page 1-1, paragraph 3:

This guide is a resource to those in every country committing themselves to providing services necessary to carry the message to the families and friends of addicts. Parts of it may prove to be inappropriate incompatible for use because of geography, national or provincial law, cultural differences, or the developmental state of a particular Nar-Anon community. Therefore, each Nar-Anon Community can organize services in any way that works... Examine the service needs among groups, areas, regions, or National Service Offices to discover what works best for each such community. The services selected by the group conscience of each Nar-Anon community are acceptable, even if they are not yet described in a Nar-Anon service manual, so long as it truly serves our one purpose and does not oppose or contradict with Nar-Anon's Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, Twelve Concepts of Service, and the Nar-Anon Mission and Vision Statements. If this is the case, <del>certain</del> adjustments may be made to this guide to meet the needs of the group **or** service body, provided these adjustments serve our one purpose and are consistent with Nar-Anon's Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, and Twelve Concepts of Service, Nar-Anon's Mission and Vision Statements. and authorization has been obtained from the Nar-Anon World Service Office. The services selected by the group conscience of each Nar-Anon community are may be acceptable, even if they are not yet described in a Nar-Anon service manual. In observance of Tradition Four, the Nar-Anon World Service Office requests to be informed of any such adjustments. For further information, contact Nar-Anon WSO.

Motion made to extend day by 30 minutes made and seconded **PASSED by Unanimous Consent** 



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Vote to accept Motion 62 as amended by 2/3 votes MOTION 62 AS AMENDED PASSED – 42 in favor

# MOION 09: In the Guide to World Services, page 5, after the term Regional Service Committee (RSC), add the following as indicated:

AD HOC OR SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

<u>Groups, through motions at assemblies, or the World Service Conference, may temporarily delegate</u> to structures, specific responsibilities for which a standing committee is not needed. Areas, Regions, National Service Offices and World Services may create Ad Hoc Committees to fulfil a responsibility assigned by the groups or an unanticipated need that may be of assistance in fulfilling our primary purpose. These committees will submit a report to the structure that delegated the responsibility at the end of the activity for which they were created. After review by the responsible committee, all such reports will be made available to the membership

#### OUT OF ORDER

MOTION 10: In the Guide to World Services, section "Nar-Anon World Services," subsection World Service Board of Trustees (BOT), pages 7-8 in English translation, insert the following as a new paragraph at the end of this subsection:

All Nar-Anon members are welcome to attend meetings of the Board of Trustees and other world service committees. Speaking by non-voting members may be limited at the discretion of the chair. Portions of a meeting may be closed when the committee is discussing human resources, contract, or legal issues. To support this openness, in advance of each meeting, these service structures will post their meeting schedules and contact emails on the Nar-Anon world service website.

Vote to accept Motion 10 by 2/3 majority (30) MOTION 10 FAILS – 24 in favor/18 opposed

Adjourned at 12:28 PDT/3:30 EDT with Serenity Prayer