



**SERVE WITHOUT BORDERS**  
**NAR-ANON WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE 2025**

**November 26, 2024**

**CONFERENCE AGENDA REPORT (CAR)**

**GREETINGS FROM THE NAR-ANON 2025 WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

We are sending this report to all registered regions, delegates, alternate delegates, world service committees and the members of the World Service Board (WSB) of Nar-Anon Family Groups in preparation for the 2025 Nar-Anon World Service Conference (WSC) "Serve Without Borders," to be held from April 25 through April 28, 2025. This Conference Agenda Report (CAR) will only be available in English, but registered non-English speaking regions may translate it into their own language.

The WSC is the event where the WSO staff, World Service Board members, world service committee members, regional delegates, alternate delegates, and any other interested Nar-Anon members join together to pursue our fellowship's growth. As we continue to grow and develop in our fellowship, our primary purpose "to offer support to friends and families of addicts" and to listen to the group conscience of the Nar-Anon Family Groups will remain unchanged.

Nar-Anon Family Groups have held World Service Conferences regularly since 2006. Each WSC has seen increased participation from regions worldwide. The upcoming WSC will be our 10th conference. Information about previous and upcoming conferences can be found at <http://www.nar-anon.org/world-service-conference/>.

The CAR is a tool by which we communicate the business we will address at the WSC. We ask that each region distribute the CAR to all its groups, so every member of the worldwide fellowship may have an opportunity to review it and have their voice heard at the group level. Our hope is that each group's conscience will then be carried to the area and to the region, so that every regional delegate and alternate delegate will be able to fully represent their region. The regional delegate and/or alternate delegate will then attend the WSC 2025 and vote on behalf of their region. If a region does not have a delegate or alternate delegate, they may send a representative who will have a voice, but not a vote. Only regional delegates (and alternate delegates while serving in place of their delegates) and one member of the World Service Board will have a vote at the conference.

**GOALS OF THE WSC 2025**

Serve Without Borders is the result of participation by members throughout the fellowship at our World Service Conference. Service is a natural outpouring of the message we all share. Through each member's worldwide service, we gain inspiration to grow and preserve the unity of our program. The sincerity of purpose shown in Nar-Anon's Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of Service depends on our members across the world. We come together to address the needs of the fellowship through honest debate and consensus-based decision-making.

## **RECOVERY LITERATURE PRIORITY LIST**

At WSC 2014, a motion was approved for creation of a recovery literature priority list. Attached to the CAR is a list compiled from requests and submissions to the World Service Literature Committee. We ask that delegates review and prioritize this list with input from their regions. The completion of any recovery literature is dependent upon submission of writings from our fellowship. We encourage delegates to solicit writings to help the WS Literature Committee accomplish the goals of the conference.

## **ELECTIONS**

At the WSC, the voting members of the conference elect nominees to the World Pool, which is a group of Nar-Anon members who have applied and are eligible to serve on the World Service Board. Voting members of the WSC elect one-third (up to five) of the World Service Board Members from the World Pool and the World Service Board (WSB) elects two-thirds (up to ten) of the World Service Board Members from the World Pool, as provided in our bylaws. The maximum number of seats on the WSB is fifteen.

At WSC 2025, there will be 8 vacancies on the board.

The Conference Facilitator for the next conference cycle is also elected during the WSC.

## **REPORTS**

Each region, whether represented at the WSC or not, is asked to prepare a regional report and submit it to the WSC Committee at [wscconference@nar-anon.org](mailto:wscconference@nar-anon.org) no later than January 20, 2024. The committee will compile reports from regions and world service committees, along with budgets and agendas. A template is provided for the regional reports. Please submit reports as a Word document. Sharing your report with the WSC, even if your region is not attending, provides important information about regions around the world and allows us to better serve our fellowship.

## **PROPOSED CONFERENCE RULES OF ORDER**

The intent of using rules of order is to provide an orderly way to conduct business, to protect each member's rights, to protect the WSC's rights, and to protect the free exercise of debate. If we understand the principles and use the procedures appropriately, parliamentary procedure will enhance, not hinder, the accomplishment of the business of the WSC. The WSC Facilitator chairs the conference using the WSC Standing Rules of Order and the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (RONR).

To conduct business, the conference utilizes the following WSC Standing Rules of Order, adapted from RONR, in conjunction with the following Floor Motion Criteria. The WSC Standing Rules of Order have been found to meet the general needs of the conference when they are not in conflict with other conference policies, the Twelve Traditions, or the Twelve Concepts of Nar-Anon Service.

In cases where the WSC Standing Rules of Order are not comprehensive enough, RONR is used.

In cases of a conflict or discrepancy between the two, WSC Standing Rules of Order will take precedence.

After discussion and debate have occurred, the conference formalizes its consensus by taking a vote. The WSC's consensus is determined by a majority vote, except for those decisions that require a 2/3 vote as defined in the WSC Standing Rules of Order. All activities of the WSC strive to achieve the spirit of consensus-based decision-making.

The World Service Conference (WSC) delegates and the chair of the World Service Board (WSB Chair) will each have a voice and a vote. Each alternate delegate and member of the World Service Board have a voice and, additionally, each alternate delegate and vice chair of the World Service Board will have a vote in the absence of the regional delegate or World Service Board Chair, respectively. Board members and representatives will each have a voice when recognized by the WSC facilitator, but no vote. World service committee chairs/designated members have voice limited to their submitted motions, committee report and questions regarding their committee's activities. The WSO Executive Director has a voice limited to his/her report and questions regarding WSO activities. 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.

## **PROPOSED WSC STANDING RULES OF ORDER**

1. The World Service Conference (WSC) delegates and the chair of the World Service Board (WSB Chair) will each have a voice and a vote. Each alternate delegate and member of the World Service Board has a voice and additionally, each alternate delegate and vice chair of the World Service Board will have a vote in the absence of the regional delegate or World Service Board Chair, respectively. Representatives will each have a voice when recognized by the WSC facilitator, but have no vote. World service committee chairs/designated members have voice limited to their submitted motions, committee reports and questions regarding their committee's activities or motions. The World Service Office (WSO) Executive Director has a voice limited to his/her report and questions regarding World Service Office activities.
2. No member may speak on a motion more than once unless others desiring to speak on the motion have exercised their opportunity. A region's delegate and alternate delegate are considered to be the same member when speaking on a motion.
3. There is a time limit on debate by any member. No member may speak longer than three minutes on a motion each time they are recognized by the facilitator. However, the facilitator may exercise discretion to extend the time limit when, in the facilitator's opinion, such action is warranted. To otherwise extend debate, a motion from the floor to do so must be adopted.
4. There is a limit on the number of speakers on any motion. No more than three members may speak in favor of (pro) and no more than three members may speak in opposition to (con) any motion. Debate may be extended when a motion from the floor to extend debate is made and adopted.
5. Every main motion from the floor must be presented in writing on a WSC motion form and contain the names and positions of members proposing and seconding the motion. A region's

delegate and alternate delegate are considered to be the same member when making or seconding motions. Motions presented by the World Service Board do not require a second. Motions should be worded in the positive to provide clarity on the effect of the motion. A motion should be clear, concise, comprehensive, and have its intent visibly reflected, as members will be voting on the actual wording of the motion, not the maker's intent of its effects. Motions must be submitted via email before the facilitator will recognize the maker. All motions are displayed in writing before debate or voting. After a motion is made and seconded, the facilitator restates the motion clearly to the conference. The motion is now pending and before the conference; it is only at this point that the motion belongs to the conference and must be disposed of in some manner.

6. Every amendment to a main motion must be presented in writing on a WSC motion form and contain the names and positions of members proposing and seconding the amendment. A region's delegate and alternate delegate are considered to be the same member when making or seconding amendments. Any second merely indicates that another member wishes the matter to come before the conference; it does not necessarily mean that the member who seconds the motion is in favor of the motion. Amendments presented by the World Service Board do not require a second. Amendments must be submitted via email before the facilitator will recognize the maker. All amendments are displayed in writing before debate or voting.
7. Debate follows if the motion is debatable. Debate will also follow the making of an amendment to the motion, if the motion is amendable. Debate addresses the motion or the amendment, not the member making it. Motives should never be questioned. Members should address each other through the presiding facilitator. The facilitator addresses members by name. Discussion (debate) is not between two members but through the facilitator.
8. When ready, the conference votes to adopt (carry) or not adopt (fail) the motion or amendment. This is also known as the facilitator putting the question. Voting shall be by raising virtual hands. All in favor of the item are asked by the facilitator to raise their virtual hand and keep it raised for a count of the vote. If the affirmative (in favor) vote is determinative (more than 50 percent of the total number of voters present at the most recent roll call, or two-thirds for those votes that require a two-thirds majority to pass) then the negative (opposed) vote is not taken or recorded. In all other cases, the negative vote is taken and the count for both affirmative and negative is included in the minutes. Abstentions are not included in the determination of total votes cast nor asked for unless a member is abstaining for the reason of conflict of interest. When the negative votes are counted, the percentage required to pass is recalculated based on the total number of votes cast.
9. A majority vote (simple majority) is a vote of more than one-half of the votes cast. Abstentions are not included in the determination of total votes cast.
10. Every motion to make or amend policies and guidelines must be carried by 2/3 of the votes cast. Abstentions are not included in the determination of total votes cast.
11. 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.

12. These standing rules of the conference are applied in conjunction with the Twelve Traditions of Nar-Anon Family Groups, the Twelve Concepts of Nar-Anon Service, and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (RONR).
13. 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 in their native language with translation into English during the World Service Conference.
14. All members who have voice and/or vote are expected to be visible on screen during the Conference proceedings. Members who are not visible on screen, lose their voice and vote unless the facilitator grants an exception for a special need.
15. If a person holding the vote is absent or unable to participate, the vote can be transferred to that region's previously designated alternate by using a Point of Privilege.
16. A special committee approves the minutes from the final day of the World Service Conference. The committee consists of the Chair of the World Service Board, the Chair of the World Service Conference Committee, one Delegate selected by the Conference, and the Conference Secretaries.
17. To allow for member review and translation, floor motions are to be submitted two weeks before the Conference opens. Motions that arise from discussion during the Conference are exempted from this rule and instead must comply with Standing Rule 5. [floormotionsWSC@nar-anon.org](mailto:floormotionsWSC@nar-anon.org)
18. To allow for member review and translation, amendments are to be submitted two weeks before the Conference opens. Amendments to amendments are exempted from this rule and instead must comply with Standing Rule 6. [amendmentsWSC@nar-anon.org](mailto:amendmentsWSC@nar-anon.org)
19. The Standing Rules in effect at the end of the Conference, along with any Conference approved changes to the Standing Rules, will be the Standing Rules in the next GWS publication.

## **FLOOR MOTION CRITERIA**

The agenda for the World Service Conference (WSC) includes several sessions where the conference participants address different types of business.

The Old Business session addresses the motions that were presented to the Nar-Anon Family Groups in the Conference Agenda Report (CAR). The fellowship has had an opportunity to consider and evaluate these motions. Regions have held assemblies to discuss the CAR so their regional delegates can come to the WSC with an awareness of the group conscience of their regions. During the Old Business session, any motions raised that were not contained in the CAR must fall into specific categories in order to be considered.

Acceptable motions from the floor during the Old Business session would include amendments to or withdrawals of motions in the current CAR and motions regarding the daily conference agenda, conference rules of order or general operations of the current conference, such as motions to adjourn or motions to accept minutes of the prior day's business.

During the Old Business session, the WSC Facilitator will rule out of order any motions from the floor of the conference that substantially change the intent of a motion presented in the CAR; attempt to change the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions or Twelve Concepts of Service; or attempt to change Nar-Anon's name, nature or purpose. Motions of this nature require review by the fellowship and will be dealt with under New Business.

The WSC cannot approve new recovery literature unless the new literature has been presented to the fellowship with the CAR. Recovery literature is simply defined as conference approved literature that groups use in their meetings to work on recovery. This would include step and tradition books, daily readers, pamphlets on recovery topics, the Blue Booklet, and step workbooks. Motions to change existing conference approved recovery literature that are not for the purpose of correcting errors will be ruled out of order. Motions from the floor that attempt to correct errors in existing conference approved recovery literature will be delegated to the World Service Literature Committee.

The WSC also hears various reports from world service committees, WSO, or the World Serve Board. Any motions that arise as a result of these reports will fall under New Business.

The New Business session of the WSC deals with budgets, projects planned for the next conference cycle, and approval of new service and outreach material presented within the conference approval track (CAT) timeframe. New ideas which have come about during the current conference, including changes to conference approved recovery literature, are also evaluated. After discussion of ideas which have come about during the current conference, the WSC decides whether these ideas or proposals will be included in the CAR for the next conference cycle or whether no action will be taken.

## WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE (WSC) 2025 RECOVERY LITERATURE PRIORITY LIST

### Recovery Literature Priority List

**The Recovery Literature Priority List, compiled from requests and submissions to the World Service Literature Committee, is prioritized by each Region and when tallied together, are the 2025 priorities for development of recovery literature. (See Appendix to CAR Literature Priority List)**

As required by the Guide to World Services, this list is to be compiled and summarized biennially for presentation to the WSC for consideration and prioritization. We ask that attendees of the 2025 WSC gather information from their regions and number each item on this list from 1 to 21 (1 being highest priority) by placing a number in the box next to the title. These forms will be collected and tallied at the WSC. The results will be given to the World Service Literature Committee for literature to be written, reviewed, expanded, and/or edited before going through the approval process for recovery literature (found on pages 24 and 25 of the Guide to World Services).

Commencement of work is dependent upon the World Service Literature Committee receiving writings from the fellowship. All writings MUST be accompanied by a signed Nar-Anon Family Groups' Copyright Release Form. Writings submitted without a Copyright Release will be deleted and will not be considered for use.

## WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE (WSC) 2025 MOTIONS

### Motion 01

#### **To approve Traditions Five and Six of the Nar-Anon 36**

*Motion Applies To:* Literature

*Maker:* World Service Literature Committee

*Intent:* This will give the fellowship two more traditions of the Nar-Anon 36.

*Rationale:* This is in accordance with the Recovery Literature Priority List.

*Financial Impact:* Sale of this publication will generate an undetermined amount of income.

## **Motion 02**

### **To approve Thirty-One Days in Narateen**

*Motion Applies To:* Literature

*Maker:* World Service Literature Committee

*Intent:* This will give the Narateens a new piece of literature written by the teens.

*Rationale:* This is in accordance with the Recovery Literature Priority List.

*Financial Impact:* Sale of this publication will generate an undetermined amount of income.

## **Motion 03**

### **Remove World Service Narateen Safety Policy and Guidelines, S-332, from the list of Conference Approved Literature (CAL)**

*Motion Applies To:* Literature, Narateen

*Maker:* WS Narateen Committee

*Intent:* This document is outdated and no longer needed.

*Rationale:* World Service safety policy and guidelines can be found in the Narateen Section of the Guide to Local Service (S-301) and WS Narateen Safety Handbook.

*Financial Impact:* Expect a cost reduction to print or maintain this document.

## **Motion 04**

### **In the Narateen Information Pamphlet S-330 – “Interested in giving back by becoming a facilitator for a Narateen or Pre-teen group?”, in the subtitle on the front cover,– Delete “or Pre-teen”**

The subtitle would then read:

Interested in giving back by becoming a facilitator for a Narateen ~~or Pre-teen~~ group?

*Motion Applies To:* Narateen/Literature

*Maker:* WS Narateen Committee

*Intent:* Follows the Narateen policy established in the GLS regarding not having PreTeen meetings

*Rationale:* Eliminates any confusion about whether we can have Narateen meetings for PreTeens.

*Financial Impact:* None



## Motion 05

**Update the Nar-Anon Cover Letter To Professionals by deleting the strikethroughs and inserting the underlined as follows:**

### NAR-ANON FAMILY GROUPS

Are you in contact with families and friends affected by someone else's addiction?

We are reaching out to you in an effort to increase awareness of Nar-Anon Family Groups - a Twelve Step fellowship that offers a recovery program for those affected by someone's addiction. The disease of addiction can affect family members and friends of addicts physically, emotionally, and spiritually. In our group meetings we share our experience, strength, and hope to help each other and ourselves. ~~Nar-Anon meetings can provide support and hope to those affected by a relative or friend's addiction.~~

Nar-Anon is based on a set of spiritual principles and has no affiliation with any particular religion. There are no dues or fees. The only requirement for membership is a problem of addiction in a relative or friend. We carry the message of hope as we bring awareness of our program into the community. ~~Cooperative efforts could include community and professional awareness meetings or presentations, health fair or conference Outreach tables or workshops, PSA's, information lines, meeting lists, and informational meetings for family or friends of addicts at recovery centers.~~

The Nar-Anon program has brought renewed hope and confidence to ~~thousands~~ countless of people worldwide whose lives have been adversely impacted by another's addiction. Since you may have contact with friends and families of addicts, we would like to be a resource for them and appreciate you making information about Nar-Anon available to them.

~~Nar-Anon cooperates but is not affiliated with, Narcotics Anonymous.~~

Enclosed you will find literature that can be shared. Please contact us if you have questions or would like additional information. Thank you for your interest and assistance in sharing this information with family members and friends of addicts.

Contact Name  
Contact Phone #/email address

This letter may be photocopied

Form provided by:  
Nar-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc.  
23110 Crenshaw Blvd., Suite A Torrance, CA 90505  
(800) 477-6291  
nar-anon.org  
O-415 16-05-30 CAL

*Motion Applies To:* Outreach

*Maker:* WS Outreach Committee

*Intent:* To make the letter shorter, concise and better suitable for the professional audience for whom the appeal for cooperation is intended.

*Rationale:* The information suggested for deletion does not convey any particular message to those outside the Nar-Anon program. Some ideas are repetitive or outdated.

*Financial Impact:* None

## **Motion 06**

**Update the Nar-Anon Cover Letter, "Information About Narateen for the Professional" by deleting the strikethroughs and inserting the underlined as follows:**

Nar-Anon Family Groups  
Information About Narateen for the Professional

Narateen is a part of the worldwide fellowship of Nar-Anon Family Groups, a twelve step self-help program for those affected by someone else's addiction. Narateen provides support and hope to ~~young people~~ teens whose lives have been affected by a relative or friend's drug abuse.

~~For addicts seeking help, drug recovery programs are available. However,~~ Narateen is designed for the teenaged brother, sister, child, or friend of an addict. In ~~the Narateen program,~~ teens learn that addiction is a disease. They are not responsible for the actions of the addict. Through group meetings, young people learn from each other effective ways of coping, while at the same time gaining some peace of mind and hope for a better way to live.

Narateen meetings are registered with the World Service Office (WSO) of Nar-Anon Family Groups, Inc. and sponsored and monitored are facilitated by experienced Nar-Anon members ~~or Narcotics Anonymous members who are also members of Nar-Anon~~. ~~Young people are welcome to attend meetings without prior arrangements.~~ There are no charges or obligations. As this is an anonymous program, only first names are used. Because everything said in a meeting is held in confidence, members are free to say what is on their minds and in their hearts. Narateen members help one another by sharing their experience, strength and hope.

~~A meeting is held every @-~~

For questions about Narateen contact: [narateen@nar-anon.org](mailto:narateen@nar-anon.org)

To find a Narateen meeting: <https://www.nar-anon.org/what-is-narateen>

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This letter may be photocopied  
O-430 12-08-26 CAL

*Motion Applies To:* World Service Outreach

*Maker:* WS Outreach Committee

*Intent:* To align, clarify and update Conference Approved Literature. Keep it concise and

better suitable for the professional audience for whom the appeal for cooperation is intended.

*Rationale:* The information which is suggested for deletion does not convey any particular message to those outside the Nar-Anon program. Some ideas are repetitive or outdated.

*Financial Impact:* None

## **Motion 07**

### **Make the following changes in the sections of the GWS 2023-2025 (English version): p. 7 World Service Conference (WSC)**

The WSC is a biennial event for the expression of the group conscience of the Nar-Anon/Narateen fellowship. Its participants are elected regional delegates and alternate delegates, the World Service Board, world service committee chairs, WSC Facilitator, the executive director of the World Service Office and World Service Office staff. Any World Service Conference event is held annually in virtual format. No contributions are charged from regions to attend a conference event.

#### **p. 9-11**

The WSC meets for the expression of the group conscience of the Nar-Anon/Narateen fellowship guided by our Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of Service. The fellowship is represented annually at two-year conference cycles held in late April or early May, in Southern California and virtually accessible world-wide, ~~with an Interim World Service Conference (IWSC) on a two-year cycle between the conference cycles, in Southern California and virtually accessible world-wide. IWSC and the~~ The WSC are attended by Delegates, Alternate Delegates, World Service Board, Chair and Vice Chair or designated member of World Service Committees, Regional Representatives, and Facilitator. ~~A transition committee, appointed by the World Service Board, will complete the plan for this transition, and an Interim World Service Conference will be planned for 2024.~~

Interim The World Service Conference is to discuss Common Welfare Topics (CWT), motions submitted to the CAR, WorldPool voting, approval of Recovery Literature and CAT material, reports committed/referred to by previous WSC, discussion and the possibility of writing motions to submit to the CAR for the WSC. The Conference Committee will develop the standing rules for the interim conference to be voted on at the start of IWSC. ~~Deadline to inform the World Service Conference Committee of the region's intention to participate in the Interim World Service Conference is no later than 3 months prior to the opening date of the Interim World Service Conference.~~

~~The WSC held in late April or Early May will be held for CAR motions and to present any ideas from the Interim Conference that did not require a motion. The conference is empowered to make recommendations, direct committees, and pass resolutions. The conference represents the Nar-Anon/Narateen membership. However, it cannot mandate or govern the Nar-Anon/Narateen fellowship, which it serves. The WSC allows the fellowship to act as a whole, encourages unity, and protects the continuity of Nar-Anon/Narateen services.~~

#### **The World Service Conference Event**

Delegates and alternate delegates from all regions in the world are welcome to attend the WSC. Delegates and alternate delegates should be members who have been area service representatives (ASRs). If this is not feasible, regions may select from members who have completed a minimum of three years continuous service as group service representatives

(GSRs) in Nar-Anon/Narateen. For a delegate or an alternate delegate to be recognized at the WSC, their region must submit a copy of the minutes verifying election or continued endorsement of the delegate and alternate delegate or other written confirmation that they were previously elected and that their term will be in effect through the current WSC. A regional or national officer, not the delegate or alternate delegate, must submit the eligibility verification. Any member with voice at the conference or the WSC Facilitator may challenge a delegate or alternate delegate's credentials. In the absence of the documentation described above and with approval of the conference, the member may be recognized as a regional representative with voice, but no vote. Regional chairs and/or national service offices should inform the WSC Committee of their intention to send delegates and/or alternate delegates by December 31 prior to the WSC. A region may send one delegate and one alternate delegate to the conference.

~~All expenses of the delegates and alternate delegates are paid by the regions as they deem necessary to compensate them to the delegates and alternate delegates. and are due by December 31 prior to the WSC. Each region (within the United States and Canada) contributes the same amount to the cost of sending a delegate to the conference. A formula was developed to provide a fair equalization of traveling expenses to California. These totals will include travel, hotel, meals, shuttles, cost of supplies and materials. For international delegates and alternate delegates—a flat rate will be determined based on hotel, meals, shuttles, and supplies. This amount will not include airfare. The WSC Committee will inform regions of the amount of equalized expenses during June of the year prior to the conference.~~

~~A developing region or lone group in a state or country, which does not have an established region, may send a representative to the conference by informing the WSC Committee of its intention to do so by December 31 prior to the WSC. To be recognized at the conference, written confirmation of the representative's selection must be submitted to the WSC Committee. Representatives will have a voice, but no vote. Developing regions or groups sending representatives are responsible for payment of the equalized expenses by December 31 prior to the WSC.~~

World service trustees, world service committee chairs and any other interested Nar-Anon/Narateen members should inform the WSC Committee of their intention to attend the conference by December 31 prior to the WSC.

Telephone inquiries regarding the WSC should be made to the Nar-Anon/Narateen World Service Executive Director at WSO (1-800-477-6291 from the USA and Canada, or 1-310-534-8188 from outside the USA and Canada). Email inquiries should be sent to the WSC Committee: [wscconference@nar-anon.org](mailto:wscconference@nar-anon.org) or the executive director: [wso@nar-anon.org](mailto:wso@nar-anon.org).

*Motion Applies To:* World Service Conference

*Maker:* Omsk Region, Russia

*Intent:* The fulfillment of Concepts Two, Seven, Eight and Eleven of service, according to which it is necessary allow each region to fully exercise their right to participate in the decision-making process on issues concerning the Fellowship and to be responsible for these decisions regardless of the financial possibilities of a region, to ensure regular two-way communications for effectiveness service and to foster growth and development of Nar-Anon as a whole.

*Rationale:* Holding a conference event in virtual format without mandatory contributions gives opportunity to hear the voice of Nar-Anon family groups through their regional representatives and form the group conscience of the Nar-Anon Fellowship. Virtual format allows regions and service structures to avoid expenses on visas, travel, accommodation of conference participants and tech support volunteers, printing, etc. It ensures the responsible management of Nar-Anon funds which should be spent on our primary purpose – to carry the message of hope to those affected by someone’s addiction. The GLS recommends to hold regional assemblies annually. The existing experience of annual assemblies shows that annual conference events with motions submitted by regions in the CAR will allow Nar-Anon family groups to have the final responsibility and authority for Nar-Anon services (Concept Two of service). It also ensures the spirit of service and regular transparent reporting for service structures which are governed by the group conscience of NFGs. This motion when passed will lead to increase in the trust to world service structures and the fellowship as a whole.

*Financial Impact:* Only minimal costs to hold a conference event in virtual format. The increase of effectiveness and attractiveness of service will lead to an increase in contributions of the Seventh Tradition. Regions will be able to forward the saved funds to further the primary purpose of Nar-Anon, carry the message, grow and develop, therefore increase their Seventh Tradition.

*World Service Board Comments:* The World Service Board is legally responsible for the fiscal management of the corporation. This places responsibility for these services provided by Nar-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc. in the hands of the World Service Board, frees the fellowship from issues related to running a business, and allows groups, areas, and regions to focus on carrying the message of recovery. Funding the World Service Conferences, Conventions, and the World Service Office are therefore the purview of the World Service Board as they deal with management of services on a worldwide level. These functions are stated in the corporation’s bylaws.

*The items proposed in Motion 7, if adopted, would interfere with the Board’s ability to handle their responsibilities. Attendees at the conferences can discuss and make recommendations to the Board but the Board cannot be bound by these decisions.*

## **Motion 08**

**GWS page 9, section World Service Conference, make the changes below to the paragraph.**

The WSC meets for the expression of the group conscience of the Nar-Anon/Narateen fellowship guided by our Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of Service. The fellowship is represented at two-year conference cycles held in late April or early May, in Southern California and virtually accessible world-wide, with an Interim World Service Conference (IWSC) and a World Service Conference (WSC), in Southern California and virtually accessible world-wide. IWSC and the WSC are attended by Delegates, Alternate Delegates, World Service Board, Chair and Vice Chair or designated member of World Service Committees, Regional Representatives, and Facilitator. The 2 year conference cycle starts the day following the close of the WSC and conference cycle ends at the close of the WSC. ~~A transition committee, appointed by the World Service Board, will complete the plan for this transition, and an Interim World Service Conference will be planned for 2024.~~

*Motion Applies To:* IWSC, WSC, GWS

*Maker:* World Service Board

*Intent:* To explain the start and end of a 2 year conference cycle, which includes IWSC and WSC. To remove the wording of forming a transition committee. The transition committee was formed and the task given has been completed.

*Rationale:* The explanation of when a conference cycle begins and ends no longer confuses the fellowship. The transition committee completed their task.

*Financial Impact:* None

## **Motion 09**

**Revise the Guide to World Services 2023 - 2025, (page 11, English Version). "Common Welfare Topic (CWT)" section, by deleting the strikethroughs and inserting the underlined as follows:**

Common Welfare Topic (CWT)

### Purpose:

The purpose of the Common Welfare Topic (CWT) is to ~~give all Conference members: Delegate/Alternate Delegates, World Service Board, Executive Director, and World Service Committee Chairs, an opportunity to submit topics and discuss, raise awareness and seek solutions about~~ issues of concern that affect Nar-Anon/Narateen groups and its members worldwide.

### Submission of topics:

Regions, WSB, WSO, NSOs and WS Committees may submit topics. The WSC Committee may specify the format and the maximum number of topics submitted. Submissions are sent to the World Service Conference Committee at least ~~120~~ 200 days prior to the conference with the precise deadline for each conference set by the World Service Conference Committee. Note: the WSC Committee may delete or combine similar topics. The World Service Conference Committee may suggest that the submitting body clarify, restate, or explain the topics before the topics are compiled into the polls.

### Polling:

The WSC Committee is responsible for the design and execution of the CWT polling procedure. The World Service Conference Committee will send out a poll to the WSB, World Service Committees, and the all regions. The regions will send the polls to the GSRs for consideration by their groups. All replies to the poll should be made within 60 days with their top three (3) Common Welfare topics. The chosen topics are sent to the conference participants at least 90 days prior to the conference and added to the World Service Conference Agenda. Each region will submit send a single ballot representing the choices of their groups.

### Common Welfare Topics at conferences:

Each Common Welfare Topic is conducted as is allocated a minimum of 90-minutes open discussion during the conference. A summary of each Common Welfare Topics discussion are is included in the minutes of the Conference. on the World Service Conference Web page.

*Motion Applies To:* WSC and GWS

*Maker:* WSC Committee

*Intent:*

1. Apply lessons learned from the IWSC 2024.
2. Comply with the principles of our program: one member gets one vote.
3. Allow more than one poll to reduce the chance of ties and eliminate the need to combine topics into very general categories.
4. Allow the WSC Committee to have the authority to handle the details in alignment with Concepts Three and Five of service in Nar-Anon.

*Rationale:* The experience of the WSC Committee in organizing the CWT poll for the IWSC 2024 found difficulties with categorizing a large number of unrelated submitted topics into a small number of categories. The proposed change is to make the topic selection process more effective and responsive to the needs of the fellowship.

*Financial Impact:* None anticipated

## **Motion 10**

### **Guide to World Service page 11**

WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS:

Conference Agenda Report (CAR)

The CAR is distributed a minimum of ~~150~~ 180 days prior to the opening day of the conference. The report contains the Standing Rules of the Conference and motions to be considered by the Nar-Anon/Narateen fellowship at the WSC. In order to provide the fellowship with relevant information, the World Service Board may include their comments on the CAR including any financial impact that could result if the motion is passed

*Motion Applies To:* Policy and Guidelines, GWS

*Maker:* Tehran Region

*Intent:* Having enough time to translate the agenda of the conference for non-English speakers

*Rationale:* For a country like Iran, which now has six regions, the translation of all conference reports and the agenda of the World Service Conference must be coordinated. This process takes about a month. Therefore, it is suggested to add thirty days to send the conference agenda so that there is enough time for coordination.

*Financial Impact:* No additional or unexpected expense both the GLS and the GWS are updated following every WSC

## **Motion 11**

**Change the Guide to World Services (GWS) English version of S-301 ~ 24-06-17: In the World Conference Publications section, p. 11, after the Conference Approval Track (CAT) paragraph and before the Common Welfare Topics (CWT) add section:**

Budget & Finance Materials

To review end-of-year financial statements, any mid-year adjustments, if needed, to the

current year's budget, and next year's budget materials are sent annually for review and posted on the website at least 90 days prior to each conference.

**Under Conference Agenda section, GWS, S-301 ~ 24-06-17 English version, p.12, Delete**

- ~~Presentation of financial statements~~ bullet point after World Service Office Report and add bullet point:
- Budget and Financial Statements before World Service committee reports

So that the Conference Agenda reads as follows:

Conference Agenda

The agenda is planned by the WSC Committee and distributed to WSC participants 30 days prior to the opening of the WSC. Typical agenda items might include the following:

- Introductory session to discuss conference procedures
- Old business - motions from the CAR
- Review proposed new literature for approval
- Regional report
- Budget and Financial Statements
- World Service Committee reports
- World Service Office report
- ~~Presentation of financial statements~~
- Committee presentations and workshops
- Common Welfare Topics
- Elections (i.e., world pool, conference facilitator, board members)
- New business – voting on Conference Approval Track and discussion of ideas raised at the conference

**Under Motion Criteria, GWS S-301 ~ 24-06-17 English version, starting on p 19, change the first sentence of the last paragraph on New Business as follows:**

Delete: ~~The New business session of the WSC deals with budgets,~~ and

Insert: "conference agenda includes review of end-of-year financial statement, any mid-year variances, if needed, to the current year's budget, and next year's budget materials" so the paragraph reads

The New Business session of the WSC ~~deals with~~ conference agenda includes review of end-of-year financial statement, any mid-year variances, if needed, to the current year's budget, and next year's budget materials, 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 which have come about during the current conference, the WSC decides at the current conference 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.

**In WORLD SERVICE COMMITTEES, World Service Budget & Finance Committee, pg 35 second paragraph add:**

"Before the beginning of each fiscal year, the committee will prepare a budget for each upcoming year to present to the WSB for approval and to the World Service Conferences



for review based on their review of income, production costs, operating expenses, the needs and requirements of WSO, the world service committees, and the fellowship as a whole. After the end of each fiscal year, the committee will prepare an end-of-year financial statement based on actual income and expenditures for the preceding year and will prepare any mid-year variances, if needed, to the current year's budget to present to the WSB and to the world service conferences for review."

**In WORLD SERVICE COMMITTEES, World Service Budget & Finance Committee, p 35 add third paragraph before "Qualifications for Membership" paragraph.**

The end-of-year financial statement, any mid-year variances, if needed, to the current year's budget, and next year's budget materials will be sent to the regions and conference members ninety (90) days preceding the conference, to allow regions the opportunity to review, discuss, and formulate recommendations prior to the world service conferences"

*Motion Applies To:* GWS, WSB, Budget & Finance and Conference Committee

*Maker:* Best Practice ad hoc, endorsed by 7th Tradition Vision Ad Hoc Committee with proposed addition in red reviewed by P&G, to be reviewed by WSB, and the world service conferences.

*Intent:* Encourage transparency and improve two-way communication.

*Rationale:* There have been many questions from our fellowship regarding how NFG money is managed. This strategy will help with two-way communication, educate, illuminate, and provide transparency early and often. May provide goodwill among regions. Members with an interest in accounting management could be identified and given the opportunity to join the WS Committee Budget & Finance.

*Financial Impact:* The cost will require the Budget & Finance Committee to have the proposed budget ready earlier than usual. May generate more 7<sup>th</sup> Traditions contributions.

*World Service Board Comments:* The World Service Board is legally responsible for the fiscal management of the corporation. This places responsibility for services provided by Nar-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc. in the hands of the World Service Board, frees the fellowship from issues related to running a business, and allows groups, areas, and regions to focus on carrying the message of recovery. These responsibilities are stated in the corporation's bylaws.

*The WSB agrees to include the budget with the CAT materials as well as posting it on the website. The WSB does not agree with "mid-year adjustments". The Board reviews and adopts the budget annually in December or January. Variances will remain budget vs actual variances; the adopted budget cannot be revised at the WSC/IWSC. The motion also references "current year" and "next year" budgets. The budget for the year following the WSC (or IWSC) cannot be available for review or discussion during the current event.*

## **Motion 12**

### **Add the following item to the Conference Agenda, the GWS 2023-2025, p. 12:**

Review and approval of the next world service conference event budget (a world service conference event budget is approved by 2/3 of the voting members)

*Motion Applies To:* World Service Conference

*Maker:* Saratov Region, Russia

*Intent:* The fulfillment and implementation of Concepts One, Two, Five, Seven, Eight, Nine, Eleven, Twelve of service in Nar-Anon.

*Rationale:* According to the GWS 2023-2025, p. 10, section World Service Conference, "The WSC meets for the expression of the group conscience of the Nar-Anon/Narateen fellowship guided by our Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of Service." Review and approval of the next world service conference event budget enables NFGs to fulfill their final responsibility and authority for Nar-Anon services. NFGs will receive the opportunity to maintain services and fully participate in the decision-making process regarding a conference event budget and possible equalized expenses sum to manage the funds and expenses of their regions and bear responsibility for them. Presenting a full conference event budget calculations and final reports to the fellowship ensures transparency and reporting. In alignment with Concept Nine of service, review and approval of the next world service conference event budget as a current conference agenda item gives an opportunity to the regional representatives to carefully consider all viewpoints in making decisions regarding a world service conference event.

*Financial Impact:* Reduction of cost to hold a conference event, responsible management of regional funds, growth in trust towards service structures, increase in Seventh Traditions contributions.

*World Service Board Comments:* The budget for the WSC is prepared and recommended by the World Service Conference Committee. It is reviewed and approved by the World Service Board. The bylaws give this responsibility to the corporation. It is not the responsibility of the fellowship to approve the conference budget.

### **Motion 13**

**GWS S-301 ~ 24-06-17**

**Section Submitting Motions for Placement in the Conference Agenda Report (CAR) Page 13 , paragraph under table make the changes below:**

Motions submitted to the WSC cannot be substantially the same as motions from the CAR that failed at either of the prior two world service conferences cycles. Additionally, motions to change existing Conference Approved (CAL) Literature that are not for the purpose of correcting errors will be ruled out of order. A catalog of all motions submitted to or approved at the latest two conferences will be available on the World Service website.

*Motion Applies To:* Policy & Guidelines

*Maker:* World Service Board (WSB)

*Intent:* To be consistent with the wording in the section Floor Motion Criteria, which states, motions to change existing conference approved recovery literature that are not for the purpose of correcting errors will be ruled out of order.

*Rationale:* Consistency

*Financial Impact:* None

## Motion 14

### **GWS page 16 Standing Rules of Order Changes to rule 1.**

The World Service Conference (WSC) delegates and the chair of the World Service Board (WSB Chair) will each have a voice and a vote. Each alternate delegate and member of the World Service Board have has a voice and, additionally, each alternate delegate and vice chair of the World Service Board will have a vote in the absence of the regional delegate or World Service Board Chair, respectively. Each alternate delegate and the members of the World Service Board will have a voice and, additionally, each alternate delegate will have a vote in the absence of the regional delegate. Representatives will each have a voice when recognized by the WSC facilitator, but have no vote. World service committee chairs/designated members have voice limited to their submitted motions, committee report and questions regarding their committee's activities. The World Service Office (WSO) Executive Director has a voice limited to his/her report and questions regarding World Service Office activities or motions.

*Motion Applies To:* WSC

*Maker:* World Service Board (WSB)

*Intent:* To have only the delegates and alternate delegates to have the vote.

*Rationale:* When the WSB was given the vote many years ago there was a limited number of regions sending delegates and it did not seem fair that a few would make the decisions for the worldwide fellowship. Less than half of the regions were sending delegates. At the present time the fellowship has grown and regional participation has greatly increased.

*Financial Impact:* None

## Motion 15

### **In the Guide To World Services, section World Service Conference Election Procedures, page 19, change the first paragraph as follows:**

Nar-Anon/Narateen members who meet the criteria to serve on the World Service Board may submit a candidate application to the World Service Human Resource Committee (Human Resource Committee) at [wshrcommittee@nar-anon.org](mailto:wshrcommittee@nar-anon.org). An interactive form is available by contacting the Human Resource Committee, or a pdf form is available on the Nar-Anon Family Groups World Service Website. Applications may be submitted to the Human Resource Committee any time, but to be considered for a vote at conference they must be submitted by October 31 in the year prior to the WSC. Applications may be submitted to the WS Human Resources Committee at any time, but to be considered for a vote at the next IWSC or WSC, they must be submitted by January 31<sup>st</sup> of the conference year.

*Motion Applies To:* GWS, Human Resource

*Maker:* World Service Human Resource Committee

*Intent:* The change extends the date members may apply for service positions.

*Rationale:* The only reference to a deadline for the application to be considered at the

next WSC, is noted as October 31 in the GWS.

*Financial Impact:* No major financial impact is foreseen.

### **Motion 16**

**Add the following paragraph to the GWS, p. 21 (or other) and make the necessary changes:**

A group of three facilitators is formed to serve on any world service conference event. One facilitator presides over the business meeting of the conference, others form the group conscience of conference facilitators to resolve issues during the conference business meetings by the spiritual means of Nar-Anon program.

*Motion Applies To:* World Service Conference

*Maker:* Southern Region, Russia

*Intent:* The fulfillment of Tradition Two, Concepts Two and Six of service. A group of facilitators acting through their group conscience ensures the understanding and application of conference rules of order and resolution of any issues of debate by the spiritual means adopted in Nar-Anon. This motion when passed will bring in accordance Nar-Anon principles, Traditions, Concepts of service, policies and guidelines from the GWS which regulate conference procedures and participation.

*Rationale:* Resolving issues by applying the group conscience of facilitators fully answers the spiritual principles of Nar-Anon (Tradition Two, Concept Six of service). Forming a group of facilitators enables Nar-Anon services to decline paid service of a Parliamentarian and removes any existing contradictions and violations of Nar-Anon principles, policies and guidelines. Tradition Three: a Parliamentarian is not a member of Nar-Anon. Tradition Four: groups should be autonomous. Tradition Six: no endorsement. According to the GWS 2023-2025, p. 7 conference participants are "*elected regional delegates and alternate delegates, the World Service Board, world service committee chairs, WSC Facilitator, the executive director of the World Service Office and World Service Office staff*". This motion when passed will allow any world service conference event to be self-supporting, to protect anonymity of its participants and to apply the spiritual means of decision-making, which is accepted by Nar-Anon family groups and service structures. A group of facilitators is an opportunity for a greater number of Nar-Anon members to serve and gain conference experience, which leads to the growth of Nar-Anon fellowship, its independence and self-support.

*Financial Impact:* reduction of cost to hold a conference event

### **Motion 17**

**Page 25 – GWS Development and Approval Process for New Service and Outreach Literature/Materials change paragraphs 1 & 2.**

Suggestions for service and outreach literature/materials can come from members, groups, areas, regions, world service committees, or the WSB and should be sent directly to the WSB at BOT@nar-anon.org and the appropriate World Service committee as listed in the back of the GWS. Suggestions should be in alignment with our principles. Each idea is reviewed to ensure a similar piece is not already available or in development. If the

WSB evaluation determines a piece is needed, it will be assigned to a world service committee or an ad hoc committee for development or review.

The developing committee will create or review the suggested material and send return it to the WSB. World Service Policy and Guidelines Committee for review. ~~The WSB will send the piece~~ to ~~the~~ World Service Policy and Guidelines Committee for review. The World Service Policy and Guidelines committee will ~~forward~~ send it back with comments to the WSB. The WSB will provide suggestions and return it to the developing or reviewing committee for revisions. This process will repeat until the WSB agrees by 2/3 vote it is ready for fellowship review. The piece then goes to the World Service Literature Committee for grammar and formatting edits. Edits that change the intent in any way must be sent back to the WSB for approval. When the review has been completed by the World Service Literature Committee, the literature/material will go to the WSB for the final review.

*Motion Applies To:* Policy and Guidelines

*Maker:* World Service Board (WSB)

*Intent:* To make it clear that all new service and outreach goes to the board for review first. Then Policy and Guidelines will receive the document.

*Rationale:* Some new service documents were sent to WSB and P&G at the same time. Which caused confusion in the processing of these documents.

*Financial Impact:*

## **Motion 18**

**Update the Copyright and Trademark Information in the Guide to World Services to add world service committees to the list of committees that can reproduce, reprint, or re-publish conference approved literature (CAL) not to exceed 25%. Add world service committees to the list of committees that may reprint or reproduce portions of CAL that do not exceed 25% of the original piece.**

"Copyright and Trademark Information (Pg 27-28)

Nar-Anon/Narateen conference approved literature (CAL), which includes recovery, service, and outreach literature and materials, is copyrighted and owned by NFGH, Inc. It is expressly prohibited to reproduce, retransmit, or republish copyrighted literature and materials without written permission. Permission will not be granted for substantial reprints of CAL, with the exception of those countries outside the United States holding a duly executed contract with NFGH, Inc.

There are certain exceptions for reproducing or reprinting literature. Outreach literature labeled "This may be photocopied," may be reproduced by local outreach committees for use in their areas and regions. Area, ~~or~~ regional, or world service committees may use quotes or reprint portions of Nar-Anon/Narateen CAL that do not exceed 25% of the original piece or do not exceed 25% of a single chapter or section, if taken from a booklet or book."

*Motion Applies To:* Literature, GWS, Outreach

*Maker:* World Service Outreach Committee

*Intent:* Clarify that the Outreach Committee's posting of portions of CAL on the Nar-Anon Instagram account that was already approved by the World Services Board (WSB) does follow the guidelines listed in the GWS about which committees can use quotes or reprint portions of Nar-Anon, Narateen CAL.

*Rationale:* The original intent of the guidelines was not to exclude world service committees.

*Financial Impact:* None

## **Motion 19**

**In the Guide To World Services (GWS), page 30, section "Qualifications of a Board Member", insert the bolded underlined words in first bullet:**

- Six years of Nar-Anon/Narateen service, which must include serving as one of the following: WS Committee chair, area/regional officer, delegate or alternate delegate or any combination thereof,

*Motion Applies To:* Policy & Guidelines

*Maker:* WS Human Resources Committee

*Intent:* This will open up the qualifications to include service members who have experience at a world level service.

*Rationale:* WS committee chairs have demonstrated a working knowledge of serving at a world level and can offer that service experience along with specific areas of their committee's focus.

*Financial Impact:* No foreseeable cost increase.

## **Motion 20**

**GWS section National Service Office (NSO) pages 32 & 33**

**NATIONAL SERVICE OFFICE (NSO)**

A national service office (NSO) is the Nar-Anon Family Groups national administrative headquarters of a country, excluding the USA, preferably located in a central area within the country it serves. An NSO is established when the fellowship in any country has multiple organized regions and ~~has resources to do so~~ meets the requirements set by the World Service Office to become a recognized NSO. It is established under the laws and regulations of the country. The NSO is composed of employees and volunteer Anon/Narateen members. Although an NSO's functions are similar to WSO's, it is not an international branch of WSO.

The primary function of the NSO is to unify its members and groups into a national fellowship, which is part of our worldwide fellowship. It maintains communication with its members, groups, areas, and regions by telephone and email and through their website and newsletter. The NSO gives support and guidance to new and existing groups, areas, and regions.

The NSO maintains a database of its registered groups, areas, and regions, including names, addresses, and telephone numbers of GSRs and group officers, ASC officers, RSC officers, and regional delegates. Records of all activities and the archives of the country's Nar-Anon history are kept by the NSO.

An important function of the NSO is to serve as a clearinghouse for Nar-Anon/Narateen CAL by translating, printing, and distributing both paper and approved pdf electronic versions of CAL from Nar-Anon website (nar-anon.org) that are available worldwide—as ~~contracted~~ to members in the contracted countries and who speak the primary language of the NSO. The NSO operates with permission and under contractual agreement with NFGH, Inc. Any proposed or newly developed literature approved by a national service conference will follow the procedures outlined in the literature approval process to become conference approved literature (CAL) at a WSC. To facilitate broad distribution of translated literature, approved electronic versions of all translated literature ~~will be sent to the World Service Office~~ will be made available by NFGH, Inc. to secure eBook and/or audiobook platforms worldwide where available. and Printed translations of CAL will be available for sale on the Nar-Anon Webstore.

Another function of an NSO is public relations and outreach. It does this by providing information to hospitals, institutions, and government agencies based on our traditions and in the spirit of cooperation not affiliation.

All NSO activities are overseen by the national service board (NSB). The NSO reports its activities quarterly to the NSB and annually to the National Service Conference and the World Service Board.

*Motion Applies To:* GWS

*Maker:* World Service Board (WSB)

*Intent:* To protect the fellowships Intellectual Property of conference approved literature based on the by-laws and a single point of accountability as stated in our Twelve Concepts of Service.

*Rationale:* To make sure our guidelines do not contradict the corporation's by-laws. Conference Approved Literature is Nar-Anon's only asset.

*Financial Impact:*

## **Motion 21**

**In the Guide to World Services on page 38 in the English version, in the section on World Service Translations Resource Committee, in the last paragraph to regulate the timeline of approving Nar-Anon/Narateen literature translation, add:**

Time Limits:

World Service Translations Resource Committee members will have 1 month (4 weeks) to provide comments regarding materials submitted by Local Translations Committees after WSTRC members have received materials from a Local Translations Committee.

Local Translations Committee will have 1 month to reply to the WSTRC and either make revisions, if agreed by committee, or explain why a revision is not warranted or necessary

and will send back to WSTRC members for additional comments or approval. WSTRC members will have 1 month to comment or approve. This process shall commence for a total of 3 months.

If WSTRC members are unable to provide comments within the initial 1-month period, they will communicate with the Local Translations Committee to request a 1-month extension. In the spirit of cooperation, only 1-month extension is allowed. All subsequent timing specifications listed above will remain in effect and the process will commence for a total of 6 months if a one-time extension is needed.

If there is no response from the WSTRC members to the local translation committee within 3 months of receipt of materials from the Local Translations Committee, they may assume materials are suitable for fellowship review and request WSTRC confirmation within one week.

*Motion Applies To:* Translations Resource

*Maker:* RSC Poland

*Intent:* To establish a timeframe for approval of Conference Approved Literature translated by the Local Translations Committee to a local language where there is an agreeable deadline for a decision and a result that is triggered by the arrival of said deadline. In a result, to streamline the translation process using methods proven for Approval Process for New Service and Outreach Literature.

*Rationale:* To promote unity by ensuring that the members of developing Nar-Anon regions have access to the Conference Approved Literature in their language, while providing support to Local Translations Committees. Providing Local Translations Committees with a clear timeframe would enable them to manage their work effectively and efficiently. Conference Approved Literature is a vital tool for groups to use in their meetings to work on recovery and for every non-English speaking group the approval of Conference Approved Literature translation is a profoundly important process.

*Financial Impact:* None

## **Motion 22**

**In the Guide to World Services on page 38 in the English version, in the section on World Service Translations Resource Committee, in the last paragraph on Qualifications for membership add:**

Any member who meets the general requirements may join the World Service Translations Resource Committee regardless of service on a local Committee.

*Motion Applies To:* Translations Resource

*Maker:* RSC Poland

*Intent:* Adding additional information for better clarity, as it was not directly indicated if Local Translations Committee members can join World Service Translations Resource Committee. Allowing Local Translations Committees members to join World Service Translations Resource Committee and provide support in the approval process of Conference Approved Literature translations by supplying context and explanations of wording choices.



*Rationale:* To streamline the approval process and in the result ensure that all members have access to Conference Approved Literature in their language.

*Financial Impact:* None

### **Motion 23**

**The Ad Hoc Service Structure Development Committee will continue as an ad hoc committee and present a final report to the WSC 2027.**

*Motion Applies To:* World Service Conference

*Maker:* Ad Hoc Service Structure Development Committee

*Intent:* This motion will allow the committee to continue holding roundtables for the purpose of fact-finding and gathering information to create a report.

*Rationale:* The committee is currently scheduling roundtables to encourage inter-regional communication and gather information about inter-regional cooperation. The committee needs more time to complete the series of roundtables, evaluate the information, conduct follow up surveys, and compile the information in a report.

*Financial Impact:* No financial impact is anticipated except for the time members spend planning and participating in these activities.

### **Motion 24**

**The WSC will elect an ad hoc committee chair with authority to recruit a committee, try projects to increase two-way communication within Nar-Anon, and then report to the next World Service Conference with suggestions for options and projects that can help improve two-way communication within Nar-Anon.**

Actions the ad hoc committee might consider include:

- Ask each World Service committee for an explanation of how they maintain their email contact list, how members can be added to that list, and why members might be removed.
- Survey members to find out what world service emails they receive directly, which emails are forwarded to them, and which emails they wish they were receiving.
- Consider tools that can allow world service committees to share email lists.
- Consider tools that can allow members to set preferences for which emails they receive.
- Work with the WSB as appropriate to explore other alternative actions.
- Create motions for the WSC 2027.

*Motion Applies To:* All of Nar-Anon world service.

*Motion Maker:* Central California

*Intent:* Provide an opportunity for members to join in exploring ways to increase the ability for two-way communication to connect the fellowship.

*Rational:* The world service website provides some one-way communication to members. The Serenity Connection provides some communication with the option for members to not only receive but also submit articles. Today some members receive some communication from some world service committees that might include options for two-way communication - such as fellowship review of literature. Members who want to be more involved are invited to join world service committees.

Other members want to be more informed and involved but may not be able to join world service committees. The intent for this ad hoc committee is to explore other ways to allow members to be kept informed regarding service areas where they can assist.

*Financial Impact:* Exploration should not have any financial costs. If there are costs, those should be included in motions this ad hoc committee may submit to a future WSC.

## **Motion 25**

**Test a new process for revising and updating the Guide to Local Services (GLS) and the Guide to World Services (GWS) by forming a Guidelines Revision ad hoc committee to thoroughly review, update, correct, and clarify these service documents. This new revision process will be tested over a 6-year trial period. If the process is successful, the committee will craft a motion for the World Service Conference (WSC) 2029 to revise the GWS to adopt this process going forward, and establish the ad hoc committee as a permanent sub-committee of the World Service Policy & Guidelines (P&G) Committee.**

The P&G Committee will oversee this ad hoc committee. Upon request by the ad hoc committee, a representative from the World Service Board (WSB), each world service committee, the World Service Office (WSO), and representatives from the National Service Offices (NSOs) will work collaboratively with the ad hoc committee to discuss and revise sections relevant to their purview.

To give the fellowship a voice, a nar-anon.org email will be created for this committee to use, ensuring regular two-way communication. The fellowship and the service structure are encouraged to communicate with the ad hoc committee regarding suggested changes to the Guides, including but not limited to edits, comments on unclear sections, areas of confusion, and missing information.

Participation in the ad hoc committee is open to all interested members. The committee may engage in actions that include, but are not limited to: surveying the fellowship, further discussion via roundtables, research, recommendations, writing/presenting a report at the IWSC 2026, and submission of motions for the final revisions of the GLS and GWS for the WSC 2027.

In order for the committee to complete the work in a timely manner, solicit fellowship

review, and send the revised Guides to translation committees, a suggested timeline is: From May 2024-May 2025, 12 months for revision; May 2025-September 2025, 4 months for fellowship review; September 2025-November 2025, 2.5 months for updates based on fellowship review; submission to the CAR 2027 in mid-November 2026.

No changes may be made to the GWS and GLS between WSC 2027 and WSC 2031. After WSC 2031, the revision process, if approved at the WSC 2029, will begin again. If this process is not approved at the WSC 2029, the process for revising the Guides reverts back to the submission of motions for each specific change in the guidelines at the WSC 2031.

However, the Conference itself can also direct the committee to make proposed changes to the Guides at the IWSC/WSC. This could happen through: discussion of Common Welfare Topics, a motion that would necessitate a change in the guides to reflect changed policy or procedures, or passing of a motion for the committee to address a specific topic, or other methods that do not include editorial changes to the Guides which will happen outside of the IWSC/WSC.

*Motion Applies To:* Budget and Finance, World Service Conference, Human Resource, Literature, Narateen, Newsletter, Outreach, Policy and Guidelines, GWS, GLS, Translation Resource, Website, World Convention, World Service Board, World Service Office

*Maker:* Rocky Mountain Region

*Intent:*

- A committee of members, working with the service bodies described in the GLS and GWS, can thoroughly review and comprehensively revise, clarify, and update each document in its entirety in 2027, so that the Guides will accurately reflect the service structure and its operations. As a result, continual edits will not be required on a biennial basis.
- This committee will be able to survey the fellowship and hold roundtables to obtain the conscience of the fellowship around specific policies in the Guides.
- Adoption of this motion will not hinder activation of the tally process.
- By applying this process to a committee, the WSC is empowered to re-vision the conference and its focus.
- The conference will be free to spend time on discussions and strategic planning to support and grow the fellowship.
- Ease the work of the delegates and the burden on the groups from bi-annually discussing a multitude of individual changes.
- Ensure that changes in all sections of the Guides are comprehensive and don't contradict themselves.
- Allow for more members to be involved in the process, without burdening groups, through roundtables and surveys that will obtain more input and a broader view.
- Free up the Literature Committee to develop more recovery literature from the Literature Priority List and relieve them from the responsibility of updating the Guides every 2 years.
- Place the responsibility and authority on the service structure to maintain the

service guides instead of placing the responsibility on individuals or groups to find mistakes.

- The Guides will be changed and printed every 6 years instead of every 2 years.
- Members will know the cadence for updates and will be notified when the new Guides come out. Currently, members may be using outdated versions of the Guides as updates are sporadic and more frequent.

*Rationale:* Currently, updates and edits to the GLS and GWS comprise a large proportion of motions in the Conference Agenda Report (CAR) every conference. Mostly minor changes, these edits are important for clarification, however discussing the large number of motions required to make each of these changes places a significant burden on the fellowship. One motion that incorporates all of these changes for each document will ease the burden of considering a large number of individual changes.

Additionally, the World Service Literature Committee would gain time to develop more recovery literature.

By working together with service structure entities, an ad hoc committee can make a thorough inventory of the GLS and GWS and more comprehensively identify and implement changes required for updates and clarification.

Forming this committee will allow all members from our worldwide fellowship the opportunity to join the committee and be engaged in the work of updating and revising.

*Financial Impact:* No additional costs are anticipated as the GWS and GLS are updated every other year.

Although these service documents may be downloaded for free, a printed version of each of the Guides is available for purchase at the webstore. Updating these Guides every two years is more costly than updating every six years.

Income may be generated from members and groups who would purchase the updated Guides.

Freeing up time for the World Service Literature Committee to develop new literature would likely bring in more funds from future conference approved literature (CAL) sales.

*World Service Board Comments:* Oversight occurred while updating the Guide to World Service (GWS) after the 2023 conference. Normally, after the conference the WS Literature Committee updates the guides and the WS Policy and Guidelines Committee reviews to ensure the correct changes are made. The WS Board of Trustees (WSB) has reaffirmed the process to update and review the GWS and GLS, will continue.

*Concept Five speaks to responsibilities assigned to the service structure. Recovery, service, and outreach literature are the responsibility of the WS Literature Committee. The World Service*

*Committees are developed and overseen by the WSB in accordance with our bylaws. The World Service Conference may not add ad-hoc committees or subcommittees to world service committees. Attendees at the conferences may discuss and make recommendations to the WSB but the WSB is not bound by these decisions.*

## **Motion 26**

**Make following changes in GLS, page 3-3 "Sample Format for Nar-Anon Meetings", section Leader/Chair: Present the topic and share:**

Strike out ~~Present the topic and share~~ and replace with: Introduces speakers or announces the topic of the meeting

*Motion Applies To:* (GLS) Policy and Guidelines

*Maker:* Iran Region One

*Intent:* Matching this sentence with point 4 of chair/leader duties in page 4-1 in GLS and observing the principle of service rotation.

*Rationale:* Avoiding confusion of our members due to the different duties of leader/chair in page 3-3 and 4-1 and also respecting the principle of service rotation.

*Financial Impact:* Minimal cost, because this book will be reprinted after the conference.

## **Motion 27**

**In the GLS, page 4-6, it is proposed to add a new subsection to the end of the Group Structure Section:**

Group Conscience Emergency Meeting

Group Conscience Emergency Meetings are meetings that are urgent such that the failure to handle those issues endangers common interests. At the request of one of the servants or members of the group, a Group Conscience Emergency Meeting can be held.

*Motion Applies To:* Policy & Guidelines, GLS

*Maker:* Tehran region

*Intent:* Clarifying the definition and format of the emergency meeting of the group conscience and preventing confusion among the members and servants of the group

*Rationale:* This proposal helps the group, area, and region to clarify how to hold meetings and the type of voting in emergency situations. In case of emergency, authority is delegated to the representative of the group, area, and region, so as not to waste energy or cost for these three structures

*Financial Impact:* No additional or unexpected expense, both the GLS and the GWS are updated following every WSC.

## Motion 28

**In the Guide to Local Services GLS, in the section Duties of Area Officers on page 5-2 of the English version, first paragraph, row two. Add this sentence and then omit the first duty of ASR and add the chair duties after ASR duties**

### Area Officers

Officers of the ASC are the area service representative (ASR), secretary and treasurer and chair and other needed officers. Officers are elected to serve for three (3) years. Their term of service shall begin following the election.

### ASR

- ~~Chairs the ASC meetings~~
- Attends all RSC meetings and assemblies
- Votes their area's group conscience at the RSC
- Brings the area's viewpoint to the RSC on situations or problems concerning their groups or Nar-Anon as a whole
- Reports on activities within their area
- Reports the region's activities to the area
- Visits all groups in the area providing support and direction, particularly for new groups
- Aids members starting new groups
- Works with groups to understand and apply the Twelve Traditions and the Twelve Concepts as needed in regard to fellowship activities
- Provides a current mailing list of GSRs in their area to the RSC secretary
- Urges groups to promptly complete and return group registration forms to WSO to ensure accuracy of WSO group directory and website
- Notifies the RSC and WSO of groups that have closed within their area
- Assists the delegate by keeping the GSRs informed of world service activities and World Service Conference (WSC) decision

### Chair duties:

- 1- prepares area meeting agenda and confirm area meeting report.
- 2 -Enough knowledge of twelve tradition , twelve concept and rules of order .
- 3- presides overall ASC meeting according to principles & rules of order.
- 4- presides meeting and prevent main subject from deviation by co-operation of leadership team.
- 5 - Impartial and not to influence in voting .
- 6 - sharing experiences and consensus with vice chair .
- 7- coordination between area officers.
- 8 - If area doesn't have ASR or ASR can't participate in region meeting , area chair attends the regional meeting .
- 9 - suggestion for vice chair position when chair can't attend the area meetings.

*Motion Applies To:* Policy & Guidelines

*Maker:* Tehran region

*Intent:* separation of ASC duty from ASR duty and to give opportunity to more members. Not to have another duty at the same time by a member and to focus better on ASR duty. Having a leadership team in Area structure just like other structures consist of chair, secretary, and vice chair.

*Rationale:* As the group has a separate chair for official meeting so does region and WSC, it would be better to define the chair duty in area structure

*Financial Impact:* No additional or unexpected expense, both the GLS and the GWS are updated following every WSC

## **Motion 29**

**Make the following changes in the Guide to Local Services, English version, (GLS) page 6-5 RSC Policy and Procedures, subtitle Tie Breakers, and also page 6-9 under Assemblies. See below:**

Page 6-5 Remove the section title and the following paragraph regarding RSC:

### ~~Tie-Breakers~~

~~In case of a tie vote on any motion, a body of three (chair, treasurer, and secretary) shall cast one vote each to decide the issue. If one or more of these officers are absent, the vice chair, delegate, and alternate delegate, in that order, shall replace the missing officer(s). Tie breaker privileges do not apply in actions requiring a two-thirds majority.~~

Page 6-9, Assemblies, remove the following sentences indicated below:

~~To conduct business, a quorum of the region's GSRs, registered at the assembly, voting their group's conscience will be necessary. A tie vote will be taken back to the areas for their consideration if time permits. If time does not permit, refer to tie breakers under RSC policies above.~~

*Motion Applies To:* GLS

*Motion Maker:* Northern California Region

*Intent:* Decision making in Nar-Anon works through a group conscience. When a group conscience is not achieved at an ASC, RSC or Assembly, further discussion is preferable to forcing a premature decision.

*Rational:* We can never give two votes to an officer or any other member in any service body. As an example, consider WSC Standing Rules of Order, #9: A majority vote (simple majority) is a vote of more than one-half of the votes cast, or it does not pass. Without

51% of a simple majority the motion fails. A tie is considered a failed motion.

*Financial Impact:* Cost of reprinting the GLS, plus time and effort of service volunteers to make corrections.

### **Motion 30**

**In the Guide to Local Services on pages 7.1 through 7.4 in the English version, in the section titled Narateen Groups, delete the portions detailing the requirements and running of Narateen Groups, and Replace with new language directing members to the new Narateen Safety Handbook, as shown:**

#### **NARATEEN GROUPS**

Narateen groups, which are part of the Nar-Anon fellowship, are formed to provide support to teenage family members and friends of addicts. A Narateen group is a safe environment where teenagers can share and work on their recovery. The principles that apply in the Nar-Anon fellowship, such as honesty, trust, confidence, safety, and anonymity, also apply to Narateen as do the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of Service.

Details regarding Narateen groups can be found in the World Service (WS) Narateen Safety Handbook (S-XXX). It provides detailed information to assist areas, regions or NSOs to develop a Narateen program. The Handbook includes information on local safety policy and guidelines, training, certification and registration of facilitators and groups, Narateen service positions, and how to start and conduct Narateen meetings.

#### **Registration of Narateen Groups**

##### **Area/Region Requirements**

~~A group is considered a Narateen group when it and its area or region meets the following requirements~~

- ~~• Develops and submits Narateen Safety Policies for review to the WS Narateen committee.~~

##### ~~Safety Policy includes:~~

- ~~NTPP is voted in by assembly~~
- ~~Background checks are passed by all Facilitators~~
- ~~State, county, province or country laws are reviewed and incorporated into the policy~~
- ~~Safety policy is approved by assembly~~
- ~~• NTPP submits Narateen Facilitator Registration Form and Narateen Group Registration Form to WSO.~~

~~Note: For legal purposes the region should have documented proof in their regional minutes to support all the above.~~

~~In the absence of an area or region, a group is requested to contact the World Service~~



~~Narateen Committee for guidance on starting a Narateen group. Once these requirements are met the group will be listed on the Nar Anon world service website. It is important that any changes in group information are kept up to date with WSO.~~

~~Narateen Group Registration Form can be found online at [www.nar-anon.org/Narateen/](http://www.nar-anon.org/Narateen/) and at the back of this guide.~~

### Group Requirements

- Group registration with WSO
- Have at least two certified facilitators registered with WSO
- Adhere to local Narateen safety policies
- Notify the NTPP of any group changes

### How to Start a Narateen Group

~~To begin a meeting, you are encouraged to reach out to your area or region Narateen subcommittee, when there is one, or the World Service Narateen committee so they can explain the process and offer support. You will need two certified facilitators registered with WSO and it is suggested that each group have at least four certified facilitators available (two committed to regular attendance). Suggestions for starting a group,~~

- ~~Review Group Requirements above under Registration of Groups.~~
- ~~Contact your region for assistance and ask if they have assembly approved region Narateen guidelines.~~
- ~~Contact your region to inquire about the availability of startup funds for new groups before purchasing a new group packet from the WSO.~~
- ~~Choose a location and time that coincides with a Nar Anon or NA meeting, as it will help teens with transportation and the availability of facilitator substitutes.~~
- ~~Encourage Narateens to choose a group name by group conscience.~~
- ~~Notify nearby Nar Anon and NA meetings of your Narateen meeting.~~
- ~~Visit Outreach page on Nar Anon website for letters and table cards that can be used to announce the new meeting.~~

### Region, Area, and National Service Office (NSO) Responsibilities

To develop a Narateen program in your area, or region you are encouraged to contact the World Service Narateen Committee that will explain the process and offer support. When the area or region meets the following requirements, a Narateen group can be registered with the World Service Office (WSO) or NSO where applicable:

- Develops and submits Narateen Safety Policies and Guidelines for review to the World Service Narateen Committee. (See World Service Narateen Process to Review Group, Area or Region Safety Policy and Guidelines, Appendix 1, World Service Narateen Safety Handbook (S-XXX))
- Narateen Process Person (NTPP) is voted in by assembly
- All Facilitators must pass a background check
- All Facilitators must complete the training process
- State, county, province, or country laws pertaining to volunteers interacting with

minors are to be incorporated into the safety policy

- Safety policy is approved at Area Service Committee (ASC) meeting or regional assembly
- Include a process for notification to the World Service Office (WSO) of an alleged incident which endangers health and safety of a Narateen, facilitator, and or property.
- NTPP submits Narateen Facilitator Registration Forms and Narateen Group Registration Form(s) to WSO
- Define a process for certification and recertification for facilitators

Note: For legal purposes the region should have documented proof in their regional assembly minutes to support all the above.

In the absence of an area or region, a group is requested to contact the World Service Narateen Committee for guidance on starting a Narateen group. The group is responsible to meet the requirements annotated above. Once these requirements are met the Narateen group may be listed on the Nar-Anon/Narateen WS Website. It is important that any changes in group information are kept up to date with WSO.

#### Narateen

In addition to the above policy, details to start a Narateen group can be found in the World Service (WS) Narateen Safety Handbook (S-XXX). It provides detailed information to assist areas, regions or NSO's to develop a Narateen program. The Handbook includes information on local safety policy and guidelines, training, certification and registration of facilitators and groups, Narateen service positions, and how to start and conduct Narateen meetings.

Areas and regions must use the Nar-Anon Family Groups Narateen Facilitator Registration Form to register Narateen Facilitators and the Narateen Group Registration Form to register each Narateen group, which is available at the end of this guide.

#### Membership in Narateen

It is suggested that Narateen membership begins at the age of 13. ~~Narateen groups may allow pre-teens to attend based on group conscience. Narateen members within the Narateen group may allow a 12-year-old to attend based on teen group conscience on a case-by-case basis, under the guidance of the adult Facilitators.~~ Continued participation is permissible up to the age a person is considered an adult in the country in which they reside. Once becoming an adult, they may attend Nar-Anon meetings.

#### Narateen Meetings

Narateen meetings are closed, except by group conscience. Only adults who have been certified and registered with WSO may attend a Narateen meeting unless invited by a group conscience.

~~Narateen meetings in schools, hospitals, juvenile centers, and other professional settings allow access for teens that might not otherwise be able to attend. These meetings are often closed or limited access meetings only open to the youth at these schools or facilities. Access by teens outside of these facilities may be allowed at the discretion of a facility. Some facilities require that a counselor or other staff member attend the meeting. In such cases, the meeting can be considered open only to required personnel who have been informed of Nar-Anon's Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, particularly the Twelfth Tradition: "Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles above personalities."~~

#### ~~Meeting Safety and Member Conduct~~

~~It is suggested that a code of conduct be developed by the group during the first few Narateen meetings. The code of conduct may be in the meeting format and read aloud before each meeting. In this way, members know what is expected of them during a meeting. All Narateen groups are autonomous and free to develop their own code of conduct. It is the facilitator's responsibility to remind the group of their code of conduct and recovery principles, while modeling boundaries with respectful and kind communication.~~

#### ~~Funding and the Seventh Tradition~~

~~To get started and maintain a Narateen group, there may be a lack of the necessary funds to pay rent, buy literature, etc. The local Nar-Anon group, area, or region may purchase literature or give donations to help a Narateen group. Each Narateen group is encouraged to participate in area or region fundraising. The goal of each Narateen group is to become fully self-supporting as suggested by the Seventh Tradition.~~

#### ~~Transporting Minors~~

~~Nar-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc. does not recommend Narateen Facilitators transport minors to meetings or any Nar-Anon events.~~

#### ~~Narateen Service Positions~~

##### ~~Narateen Process Person~~

~~The Narateen Process Person (NTPP) is elected by the area or region to be responsible for the confidential records, including the completed forms and background checks, of facilitators. Duties include:~~

- ~~• Coordinate required background checks.~~
- ~~• Register certified facilitators with WSO.~~
- ~~• Register groups with WSO.~~
- ~~• Keep all facilitator information secure.~~
- ~~• Provide a copy of the most recent area or region assembly approved Safety~~

##### ~~Policy & Guidelines to WSO annually in June~~

~~It is suggested the NTPP be certified in the same way as a Narateen facilitator. The NTPP is elected by assembly. When there is a Narateen subcommittee, the NTPP may be a member of this subcommittee and may also serve as chair.~~

~~Facilitator Registration Forms must be completed and sent to WSO annually for renewal in June and whenever any changes occur. The NTPP is also responsible for registering all Narateen groups with WSO, thus verifying the availability of at least two certified facilitators for each group. Regions may determine other Narateen positions and support services.~~

#### ~~Narateen Facilitator~~

~~The Narateen facilitator is an active member of Nar-Anon, who attends Nar-Anon meetings on a regular basis and has a working knowledge of Nar-Anon's Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, and Twelve Concepts of Service.~~

~~Narateen facilitators do not dominate the meetings, but facilitate to keep the group focused on the topic. They may, by group conscience, briefly share their own experience, strength and hope using the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of the Nar-Anon/Narateen program.~~

~~Duties include:~~

- ~~• Protect the anonymity of all Narateen members.~~
- ~~• Attend Narateen Subcommittee meetings.~~
- ~~• Guide the group in the development of the group's conduct guidelines.~~
- ~~• Become familiar with the NFG Guide for Local Services and the NFG Guide to World Services~~
- ~~• Be consistent in following the group's format~~
- ~~• Be willing to serve for a minimum of one year~~

~~Narateen Sub-Committee Chair and Members:~~

~~An area or region may elect to have a Narateen Subcommittee to support local Narateen groups.~~

~~Group Registration Form can be found online at [www.nar-anon.org/Narateen/](http://www.nar-anon.org/Narateen/).  
If a region contains multiple areas, the region is responsible to meet the requirements annotated in the World Service Narateen Safety Handbook (S-XXX).~~

~~*Motion Applies To:* Guide to Local Services, Narateen~~

~~*Maker:* WS Narateen Committee~~

~~*Intent:* Delete redundant Narateen safety policy and guidelines found in the Guide to Local Service and consolidate it into the World Service Narateen Safety Handbook.~~

~~*Rationale:* The WS Narateen Safety Handbook is the primary document to assist areas, regions or NSO's develop a Narateen program. It provides details to prepare local safety policy and guidelines, training, certification and registration of facilitators and groups, identifies Narateen service positions, how to start and conduct Narateen meetings, etc. Only basic information can be found in the Guide to Local Service with a reference to the Narateen Safety Handbook.~~

*Financial Impact:* Reprint the World Service Guide to Local Services will occur as a result of WSC 2025. Cost is negligible.

### **Motion 31**

#### **Update the GLS section on Finances to allow contributions to be directed to designated purposes by:**

Strike through the second paragraph in the GLS section on Finances, on page 9-1:

~~"Contributions to WSO cannot be earmarked for special purposes; all contributions are allocated to the general fund."~~

Insert a replacement paragraph that reads:

Contributions processed through the WSO can be designated for the NFGH General Fund, World Service Conferences, or World Convention.

*Motion Applied To:* Budget and Finance, World Service Conference, World Service Convention

*Motion Maker:* Central California

*Intent:* This will allow members and regions to help other members and regions attend the WSC, IWSC, and World Convention by making contributions specifically to those funds. Note that the WSO, WSC, and World Convention accounts are managed separately and funds from regions and members are already designated to go to specific accounts for specific events. This simply allows additional contributions beyond the minimum required for participation in a Conference or Convention.

*Rational:* The cost to attend WSC and IWSC can be excessive for regions. Similarly, the cost to attend the World Convention can be excessive for some members, particularly newcomers. Additionally, some are encumbered by legal restrictions on currency change or sending money overseas.

Since the service conferences (World Service Conferences and Interim World Service Conferences) and world conventions are self-supporting and currently are not directly supported by the general fund of WSO, these are not "special" but are "general," distinct purposes and contributions can be made to those designated funds since they are managed in separate bank accounts.

There exists great financial disparity where some are able to contribute to equalize the expenses for all. Allowing regions and members to contribute directly to those self-supporting event funds will help increase participation and reduce the overall cost to be

covered by equalized expenses or registration for those events.

*Financial Impact:* Some minor cost for additional bookkeeping.

More income can be generated to fund conferences and conventions. In 12 step recovery, it is customary to underwrite newcomers with free or reduced convention registration. For new regions, particularly in economically depressed regions, equalized expenses (or travel costs) may be prohibitive and bar participation. In order to make worldwide events accessible worldwide, those more well off (due to numbers of members or financial resources) can contribute to defray the overall expense of the event. With contributions to the fund, general event expenses can be covered, reducing the burden on regions and on WSO, and keeping the cost of participation to the individual or the region much more accessible. The practice would allow us to consider including event funding in the overall NFGH budget.

*World Service Board Comments: The changes proposed in Motion 31, if adopted, would interfere with the Board's ability to handle their responsibilities. These responsibilities are stated in the corporation's bylaws. Attendees at the conferences can discuss and make recommendations to the Board but the Board cannot be bound by these decisions.*

## **Motion 32**

**In the Guide to Local Service GLS, in the section Payment for Speaking on page 9-4, second paragraph, add this sentence:**

Payment for Speaking

In keeping with the Eighth Tradition, Nar-Anon speakers are reimbursed for expenses only. When members, on behalf of and in coordination with area's or region's outreach committee, speak to outside organizations they may suggest that payments in excess of their expenses be used by the organizations to purchase CAL for distribution as an educational service.

*Motion Applies To:* Policy & Guidelines

*Maker:* Tehran region

*Intent:* To prevent misinterpretation of the speaker member

*Rationale:* To specify who can be the speaker member.

*Financial Impact:* No additional or unexpected expense, both the GLS and the GWS are updated following every WSC.

### **Motion 33**

**In the Guide to Local Services GLS, in the section Outreach to the public on page 11-1 English Version, fourth paragraph, Posters/Flyers subtitle, make change as indicated.**

Posters/Flyers

Nar-Anon posters may be purchased from the Nar-Anon Web store and displayed in any public place or conveyance (bus, library, Laundromat, clinic, school, etc.) with the permission of the respective facility. Local or regional contact information may be added to the poster. A downloadable meeting information flyer template is available on the Nar-Anon Family Groups website under Outreach. A print version copy is also available in the New Group Packet. Groups, areas, or regions may have a need for flyers for special events, conventions, etc. that can be produced inexpensively and distributed within their geographic boundaries. ~~These flyers do not require submission and review~~ Production and review should be done by areas and regions outreach committees. Remember to follow our principles, traditions, and concepts and use the approved Nar-Anon logo(s) available in the Media Kit when producing such flyers

*Motion Applies To:* Policy & Guidelines

*Maker:* Tehran region

*Intent:* According to the concept 1 groups do not enter into the structural work

*Rationale:* In order not to get away from the group's goals, this responsibility assigned to the outreach committees.

*Financial Impact:* No additional or unexpected expense, both the GLS and the GWS are updated following every WSC

### **Motion 34**

**In the Guide to Local Service GLS, in the section Cooperation with Narcotics Anonymous on page 13-1 of the English version, second paragraph, row two. Add this sentence**

Cooperation with Narcotics Anonymous

Although a separate entity, Nar-Anon should always cooperate with Narcotics Anonymous. In relating to NA, Nar-Anon may offer

- The services of one or two members to act as liaison and to provide current lists of group contacts including permanent service phone number, meeting address and link, meeting date, time and format for Twelfth Step referrals
- To make Nar-Anon/Narateen meeting information available to NA if requested
- To participate in NA Conventions (see page 4 of the Event Planning Handbook)

*Motion Applies To:* Policy & Guidelines

*Maker:* Tehran region

*Intent:* Better access to group information

*Rationale:* The group's information means the information related to the group itself, which includes the meeting address-day, time- not the member's information of that group. To specify the type of information and avoid confusion among members.

*Financial Impact:* No additional or unexpected expense, both the GLS and the GWS are updated following every WSC.

### **Motion 35**

**In GLS, page 13-3, section "Dilution of the Nar-Anon Program", Subsection Outside Therapy, remove "with the possible exception of NA" in the last sentence:**

Nar-Anon newsletters and bulletin boards should not be used to publicize activities of other organizations, ~~with the possible exception of NA.~~

*Motion Applies To:* (GLS) Policy and Guidelines

*Maker:* Iran Region One

*Intent:* Implementation of Tradition 6 and 12

*Rationale:* Public Outreach about the activities of any institution or enterprise is considered to endorse them and is a violation of Tradition 6. The cooperation proposed in Tradition 6 is in line with cooperation, not endorsement. Cooperation in fields such as setting up booths at each other's conventions. In order to comply with Tradition 6, Nar-Anon does not publicize the activities of NA in any of its bulletins and newsletters.

*Financial Impact:* Minimal cost, because GLS will be reprinted after the conference

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