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MOTION 1: That the World Service Conference engage in an inventory process, taking on no new projects during CV 1993-94.

Maker: Interim Committee

MOTION 2: To approve Addendum L. "Interim Committee Travel Guidelines."

Maker: Interim Committee

MOTION 3: To approve Addendum 8, "Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust. •

Maker: World Service Board of Trustees

MOTION 4: To approve Addendum C, "Internal Use of NA Intellectual Property."

Maker: World Service Board of Trustees

MOTION 5: To rescind the motion approved on May 3, 1981. that reads as follows: "The name, Narcotics Anonymous, cannot be used on fliers for dances, conventions, etc. The symbol (NA) can be used on fliers." (TWGSS'92, pg. 25)

Maker: World Service Board of Trustees

MOTION 6: To delete from the last sentence of the first paragraph of the WSB Operational Procedures the words "do represent" and replace them with "strive to be representative of" (TWGSS'92. p. 13)

Maker: World Service Board of Trustees

MOTION 7: To accept the "Public Relations Statement of Purpose {contained in the trustees' report}.

Maker: World Service Board of Trustees

MOTIONS 8: We recommend the continuation of shared membership between the World Service Board of Trustees and the WSO Board of Directors for the next year as a means of facilitating communication between the two boards. However, we recognize that a permanent resolution of our communication difficulties will be found only in a combined board

Maker: World Service Board of Trustees

MOTION 9: That... three paragraphs (from pg. 58 of the Basic Text, Fifth Edition) be added to the traditions group reading card sold by the WSO.

Maker: WSC Administrative Committee

MOTION 10: To approve Addendum 0, "World Services Translation Policy."

Maker: World Services Translation Committee

MOTION 11: To approve Addendum E. "World Services Translation Committee Internal Guidelines."

These guidelines may be revised by the committee subject to approval by the Interim Committee and notification to the conference participants.

Maker: World Services Translation Committee

MOTION 12: To continue the WSC Outreach Ad Hoc Committee for the 1993-94 conference year.

Maker: WSC Outreach Ad Hoc Committee

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MOTION 13: To approve the audio tape, "H&I Mock Panel Presentation/H&I Orientation."
Maker: WSC Hospitals and Institutions Committee

MOTION 14: To approve the formation of a world services task force that will, after consulting with survey professionals, develop a questionnaire and a plan to conduct an internal survey of the fellowship In 1994.
Maker: WSC Public Information Committee

MOTION 15: That the following revisions be accepted in the pamphlet, NA: A Resource In Your Community:
1) That [figures on the growth in numbers of groups].. be included after the section, "How Does NA Work."
2) That the word "survey" be replaced with the word "poll" in the section titled "NA Member Survey Results."
3) That the section of the poll called "Clean Time" be deleted.
Maker: WSC Public Information Committee

MOTION 16: To approve Addendum F, "TWGSS Policy re. WSC Public Information Committee," as a replacement for the section in TWGSS'92, page 22, titled "Public Information Committee."
Maker: WSC Public Information Committee

MOTION 17: To approve Addendum G, "A Guide to Phonenumber Service."
Maker: WSC Public Information Committee

MOTION 18: To approve Addendum H, It Works: How and Why."
Maker: WSC Literature Committee

MOTION 19: To approve the following as the WSC Literature Committee's "A" work list for the 1993-94 conference year:
1) Narcotics Anonymous Step Working Guides.
2) H&I and the NA Member (revision)
Maker: WSC Literature Committee

MOTION 20: To extend the moratorium on changes to the Basic Text by an additional five years ending in 1998. Maker: WSC Literature Committee

MOTION 21: That, for the purpose of nomination and election for all world service positions, nominees are not required to be present at the annual meeting of the World Service Conference
Maker: WSC Policy Committee

MOTION 22: Be It resolved that RSA work groups have proven to be an Invaluable resource throughout the conference year and during each World Service Conference annual meeting; further, that, as conference participants, we wish to better develop and utilize this resource. Therefore, WSC leadership shall facilitate the organization of groups of RSRs. These groups shall work throughout the year and serve the World Service Conference during the annual meeting
Maker: WSC Policy Committee

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MOTION 23: That, following the 1996 convention, the World Convention for Narcotics Anonymous be held every two years.

Maker: World Convention Corporation

MOTION 24: That the World Service Conference Implement a three-year moratorium on all new literature development to begin upon final approval of It Works: How and Why. Furthermore, that the World Service Conference Literature Committee resources be redirected to support the translations process and that all literature revision projects currently under consideration by the WSC Literature Committee be given to the WSB Literature Review Committee for completion.

Intent: To afford [NA communities throughout} the worldwide fellowship an equitable opportunity to have access to recovery and service literature in their native languages so that we can recover together in the spirit of unity as expressed in our First Tradition.

Maker: Mid-Atlantic Region

MOTION 25: The WSC treasurer shall present at the annual meeting a list of possible priority and discretionary expenditures which shall be ranked by the RSRs. This list should be designed in a clear, precise fashion so that it can be followed.

Intent: To provide conference participants and the Interim Committee with a list of expenses that can be easily and clearly prioritized and followed.

Maker: Wisconsin Region

MOTION 26: The Interim Committee shall follow the rankings assigned by the RSRs at the yearly conference when disbursing funds.

Intent: To provide direction for the Interim Committee to follow the prioritized expenditures list.

Maker: Wisconsin Region

MOTION 27: Members of the Interim Committee shall abstain from any discussion of or voting on discretionary travel by themselves.

Intent: To enhance the legitimacy of the decision-making process by removing possible conflicts of interest. Maker: Wisconsin Region

MOTION 28: That the WSC strongly recommend to the WSO Board of Directors that they change the booklet style of the booklet An Introductory Guide to Narcotics Anonymous to a less expensive booklet style similar to the booklet Twelve Concepts for NA Service and reduce the price to \$1.00 or less.

Intent: See item in Conference Report, January 1993, per region's request.

Maker: New Jersey Region

MOTION 29: That the WSC Literature Committee separate the IP Recovery and Relapse into an IP on Recovery and Relapse and an IP on We Do Recover and put both IPs out for review and input.

Intent: To have a better IP on Recovery and Relapse and an IP on We Do Recover.

Maker: New Jersey Region

MOTION 30: When the WSC creates ad hoc committees, it will do so for specified periods of either one or two years. At the end of the specified period, such a committee automatically ceases to exist unless specifically reauthorized by two-thirds of conference participants. Reauthorization will be for no more than one year at a time.

Intent: To incorporate sunset provisions into the creation of ad hoc committees and thereby ensure that they do not outlast the conference's clear conviction of their usefulness.

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Maker: New Jersey Region

MOTION 31: To change the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust; the Truster, Trustee, and the Beneficiary to as follows: Members of the Fellowship of NA are the owner, settler, and truster. The WSC is the trustee of the trust. The still-suffering addict is the beneficiary.

Intent: To ensure that the member /groups of NA have sole proprietorship of the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust. Maker: New Jersey Region

MOTION 32: To table the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust to after-the Guide to Service is completed and approved.

Intent: So the fellowship can see what the service structure will look like and how the property trust will fit in that service structure. Maker: New Jersey Region

MOTION 33: That the WSC adopt guidelines stating that the members of the WSC Administrative Committee have one vote collectively at the WSC, expressed through their chairperson or in the absence thereof their vice chair. All other conference participation privileges will continue to be granted.

Intent: To acquire and maintain a consistent voting structure throughout the WSC where all voting participants represent a group and not an individual conscience.

Maker: New Jersey Region

MOTION 34: That the conference strongly recommend to the WSO Board of Directors that it change Article 7 of its bylaws, "Officers," to reflect the direct elections of the chair and vice chair of the board by the WSC voting participants at their annual meeting.

Intent: To help ensure their primary responsibility directly to the WSC.

Maker: New Jersey Region

MOTION 35: To amend the Temporary Working Guide to the Service Structure. 1992 edition, "World Service Board of Trustees Operational Procedures," by adding to Item 3 on page 13 a provision that the chairperson and vice chair of the World Service Board of Trustees are directly elected each year by the WSC voting participants at their annual meeting. This provision shall take effect at WSC'94. If necessary, the "World Service Board of Trustees Internal Guidelines" shall also be changed to reflect this provision.

Intent: To help ensure the primary responsibility of WSB officers to the WSC.

Maker: New Jersey Region

MOTION 36: That the Guide to Service be put out for fellowship wide review for one full year prior to approval.

Intent: To allow the member groups time to understand the contents and so make an informed group conscience. Maker: Chesapeake and Potomac Region

MOTION 37: That the WSO mint an "eternity" clean-time medallion. *Intent: To have a medallion available as a memorial to those members who have died.*

Maker: Iowa Region

MOTION 38: That the WSC form an ad hoc committee to look into the practicality and financial impact of having the Conference Agenda Report professionally translated, interpreted, and made into brief, succinct terms. (Layman's terms.)

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Intent: To see if it is possible and affordable to bring the Conference Agenda Report to addicts in a form that is less intimidating, more understandable, and condensed in order to make the task of obtaining votes less formidable and more accurate.

Maker: Northern New Jersey Region

MOTION 39: To make the following changes to our steps and traditions:

Step Three: *"We made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of a God of our understanding. "*

Step Seven: *"We humbly asked God to remove our shortcomings."*

Step Eleven: *"We sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with a God of our understanding, praying only for the knowledge of God's will for us and the power to carry that out."*

Tradition Two: *"For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as may be expressed in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern. "*

Intent: As the fellowship grows, there are many more of us whose God does not have a gender. Our recovery depends on our being able to get a personal relationship with a Higher Power. This is essential to our recovery. Our steps and traditions need to enhance our "right to a God of [our] understanding [which] is total and without any catches." (Basic Text, Step Three, p. 25) "It would be easy to 'go with the flow,' adopting someone else's beliefs. But just as no one else can recover for us, so no one else's spirituality can substitute for our own. We must honestly search for an understanding of God that truly works for us." (Just for Today, p. 46) This would be best facilitated by the removal of gender specification from our steps and traditions. We believe that this change would be a unifying factor for our fellowship, tying together our more recent literature and providing a solid foundation for the future growth of Narcotics Anonymous. Maker: Australia Region

MOTION 40: That the WSC Literature Committee forward all literature correspondence to conference participants and regional literature subcommittees.

Intent: That regional literature subcommittees receive all literature that concerns regional literature subcommittees, including copies of approval-form literature.

Maker: Australia Region

MOTION 41: That Just for Today be translated into French as a priority.

Intent: Just as our Basic Text brought on such a radical change in the way we work our program, Just for Today will have a very positive impact on the way we recover on a daily basis.

Maker: Quebec Region

MOTION 42: That the WSO Board of Directors be directed to publish all NA regional convention information in the WSO Newline. If not actually in the Newline, then at least have the information on an insert sheet mailed with the Newline.

Intent: 1. To correct the new policy that was Instituted recently in the WSO Newline. All regional conventions should have the same access as multiregional events or events held outside the USA. They should also be published in the Newline. 2. Newline publication would also help support convention participation and fund flow. A lot of revenue is donated from conventions. 3. To help interested members see where conventions and growth are in other parts of NA as a whole. 4. To help get information out to those who do not subscribe to The NA Way Magazine. 5. NA conventions are news and work. This needs to be shared through the Newline.

Maker: Free State Region

MOTION 43: That the "NA History" project be added to the WSC literature Committee's "A" work list.

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Maker: Michigan Region

MOTION 44: That the World Service Conference be held every two years. Goals:

- a. To give more time to the different regional and world service committees so that they might be able to do more work and finish their projects in progress between conferences.
- b. To give more time for the study of the Conference Agenda Report. {Regions whose members speak a language other than English must translate the CAR in order to study it.}
- c. To give more time to regional committees to find funds to send their representatives to the World Service Conference.

Intent: a. When literature is approved by the WSC, amendments come every year and literature committees using other languages have to use non-conference approved material. A two-year span seems more reasonable for our translation work. b. The portion of the fellowship that does not speak English would rather be part of the process of the study of the Conference Agenda Report instead of being a mere witness. To do so, we need to translate the literature material and all motions into our respective languages. c. One of the biggest tasks we need to face as a region is to find financial means by which we can be represented at each conference. d. The year between conferences could be used for national assemblies, zonal forums, and world committee meetings.

Maker: Le Nordet Region

MOTION 45: To make translation of Just for Today: Daily Meditations for Recovering Addicts the top priority of the World Services Translation Committee and the World Service Office.

Intent: a. We think the French-speaking NA community is large enough to ensure success of the publication of this book. The sale of the French edition of the Basic Text has proven this. b. To benefit from the spiritual growth coming from the reading of Just for Today as soon as possible.

Maker: Le Nordet Region