**World Board (WB) members in attendance: Muk, Secretary and Jr, Treasurer, trusted servants of the EC (executive committee) of the WB.**

**Motion 1:** To approve the book contained in Addendum A, “Guiding Principles: The Spirit of Our Traditions,” as Fellowship‐approved recovery literature.

2010: Regional Motion directed WB to develop project plan

Approval Draft in CAR – Addendum A consists of:

Intro plus Chapters include: Intro Material on each Traditions divided into Sections for Members, Group, Service Bodies plus questions for each

- READ Page 72 for more on the questions and how to use them.

where do the questions lead the mind to & where do they lead us to

- Hard process to slow down process

- We agreed to a 4 year process

- We can bring up an amended motion to another 2 years.

**Motion 2:** To approve the following changes to the World Board External Guidelines contained in A Guide to World Services in NA (GWSNA):

1. To change the size of the Board from up to 18 members to up to 15 members.
2. To remove the obligation for staggered terms if more than eight (8) members are elected at one time.
3. To change the limitation from two consecutive terms to two terms in a lifetime.

-6 years idea came from 1st World Board when they elected 24 WB members

it was a learning curve – so they used staggered terms, -4 years is not enough to learn

So had consecutive terms

-In the spirit of rotation – 2 terms is enough

Eg. Junior’s 12 years is enough not go for 24 years.

Q. Why does this motion have 3 items could it not be 3motions?

- we can workshop the motion into 3 parts if we want. On the Tally sheets it's listed as 3 items.

-It could streamline board and save monies

-Internally from Board I can see this works

-Draw 4-6 years if this motions defaults

Q. How does downsizing effect the fellowship at large to attend fellowship events

- it wouldn’t as not all WB members are available all the time. Those who have more free time will be assigned more frequently.

Q.How does it save money flying Jr from Brazil?

most of the CAR workshops the WB attends are in the U.S. So if no WB member from outside the U.S. attends the workshop then they don’t have the experience of dealing with the fellowship.

Q. What I hear most is that the wealth of experience in subcommittees was lost with the WB and we want to reduce that number even more. We already limit the size of the WB organically at the WSC by not electing full board sometimes.

- Workgroups help with that. Its not burdensome on the WB to have less WB members

**Motion 3:** That the NA World Board develop a project plan which includes a budget and timeline to create an informational pamphlet specifically about mental illness and recovery for consideration at the 2018 World Service Conference.

Q. If you knew about the literature survey and adding it and did the maker still want to make the motion?

YES we expressed that to them and they still wanted to make the motion.

**Motion 4:** that all future approved WB minutes be posted on na. org for download.

Q. what is the legal ramification for getting them?

-As with any corporate company posting minutes on line is not the thing to do. In the interest of full disclosure they would not be clear.

-If you were not there (WB meeting) for the whole thing, then it would not benefit you to understand them. There’s a potential on examples of litigation if names are published

-WB minutes and NAWS News are not the same thing “ minutes posted online are considered legally binding…” And can be taken out of context.

-it would allow for ALL peoples to download

-They can get them on request. - You would have to request them every time. [wb@na.org](mailto:wb@na.org)

- the difficulty here is that the commitment the WB has, is to disclose as fully as possible and as widely as possible. But unless someone wants to commit to translating them they’re limited.

**Motion: 5 :** That all Financial Reporting for the World Convention of Narcotics Anonymous be provided in a detailed line item format and not in a summary as is currently available. This report will be posted on na.org and be downloadable.

Q.-WB asked this region that brought forth this motion, what details are you asking about?

-And the region did not respond to this question

* Its reported in the annual Budget

**Motion 6:** That all face to face World board meetings be open to any NA member on a space available basis; unless the topic(s) being discussed are required by law to be confidential.

-another transparency motion

Q. why just a few or hand full of people just be present? It would be a SELECT FEW that would be ABLE TO GO, is that fair?

-There’s a lot of demand for transparency that allegedly doesn’t exist. The way it could be approached these last couple of motions is can we provide the fellowship with what it means to be a WB member. If this is clearly understood maybe there wouldn’t be so much mistrust

Q. why does the board need to be under fire, with these motions

Q.-what can we provide?

-a pamphlet or bulletin to even be considered for candidacy, to illustrate the type of people we elected by 116 delegates for this service?

-maybe we can trust our trusted our servants more

-by us meeting with you all, asking questions, and challenging us, you would know who we are

-apparently by some people we are failing in this area

-it just shows some people who are economically better off to go, and makes it, we need to be careful that transparency is imbalanced

- it’s the way WE TREAT EACH OTHER –

- we don’t treat each other with honour and not respectful of the people who serve us.

-If we elected we should trust them to make decisions

- maybe we missed the idea that if you don’t invest trust in our trusted servants then they’re not trusted. And if they’re not trusted than they’re just servants. And then it will be a whole different type of service.

**MOTION 7:**  That if there continues to be a WSC Participants Discussion Board on NA.org that it be made accessible to non WSC participants: only for viewing, not posting.

-stuff is shared elsewhere on social medial anyway. So what's the difference. A delegate had to serve in a fishbowl the last year and if anything it's made them better trusted servant because they had to think twice about what to say and post.

-pieces of these posts do end up on NA Facebook groups.

-prefer to see the whole thing in context

- it was a created a forum for delegates to share thoughts and ideas amongst themselves, there is no decision making involved on this board….

- Just safe environment to keep in contact.

**MOTION 8:** To direct NAWS to produce a low-cost paperback English version of the Basic Text which contains only the first 10 (ten) chapters “Our Program”

-There’s a lot of pushback with the “illegal” Baby Blue that are distributed in the U.S.

-some in the U.S. fellowship complaining that the English speaking literature are getting gouged, their cost is $ 11.55.

-German speaking only has book 1 no stories, as does Brazilian and many other countries

- The financial impact to NAWS and our services… Estimated reduction of $1.3 mil.

If we do publish a BT Book 1 what would the cost savings be to the addict? $1.10 to $2.50 U.S. cheaper? Don’t think this is what the maker of the motion had in mind..

\*\*\*\*below is excerpt from the RD who’s region put forth this motion: have permission to use.

“So I am from the region that brings this motion by here, there are multiple reasons why members support this motion. Some believe there is a need for a less expensive version of the BT and they believe that if members got this cheaper version it would entice them long enough to stay and eventually purchase a hardback version which would satisfy the fellowship that is concerned about the money.

Another section of the fellowship believes it will stop the distribution of the baby blue locally.

Yet another section has said they wish to bankrupt NAWS so that's why they support it”.

**MOTION: 9-** To direct the World Board to post a PDF version of all approved English and translated Basic Texts on na.org for free download.

-If we lose 1mil – 2mil a year then we would not have the fellowship development that we do e.g. APF (Asia Pacific Forum) - e.g. Mukam share about the countries in the APF and their reliance on our help through sales of Literature and also Literature we give away.

-We say on the one hand to stop-relying on Literature sales and yet We carry the message through literature. easier said then done- we don’t contribute enough in the 7th to support our Fellowship as ‘AA’ does.

-Africa is about to explode, would Africa like to download free literature

-Just a few handful of members have smartphones/ or speak english

-Some members don’t have money newcomers, just out of treatment

-$700,000.00 account receivable, we have to set aside for 3 mos, 6 mos, 9 mos

-NAWS has to subsides for this

**-it’s a violation of copyright the legality of posting this online**

-maybe an option they could be viewable online BUT NOT DOWNLOADABLE

-in 2000- funding for delegates at WSC, extra money was supposed to be fund flowed by regions, but that didn’t work, so we have experience with that type of thing. Lower lit cost probably won’t translate into more fund flow

**MOTION: 10** – To hold every other WSC outside of the US and to begin this rotation with WSC 2020 to be held in Moscow, Russia.

-no comments from no one

**MOTION: 11 -** To allow a delegate from any Zonal Forum who requests it to be seated at the WSC as a non-voting participant. The expense of attendance will be the responsibility of the Zonal Forum and not the WSC.

Q. why let non –participants sit in risers – if we’re not allowing unseated regions to come?

- we already have the gallery, and they can sit there

- there is a number of non seated regions that want to use their zonal forums to be seated

- why allow the zone to participate and not seat the region?

- zones are Not Conference Participants right now, and making them CP, that's big change in the service structure- GTWS will change

- we would be voting on something that we don’t know the how it would look like

**Motion 12:** That Narcotics Anonymous World Services add the following “What is NA Service” card as part of the Group Readings offered by the World Service Office.

-we have too many card readings already

-takes too much time

-should consider cutting back on what we already have

-it’s a group thing

-this sort of thing is usually brought up as a project plan

**Motion 13** - Each World Board member votes only in Elections and may make motions in all sessions. The World Board has one collective vote (made by the Chairperson of the World Board) in new business sessions.

-WB doesn’t imagine itself as a representing anything except NA as a whole. And the GWSNA expresses that RDs should represent not only their region, but in the best interest as a whole. -We perform a function to the best of our ability.

-WB puts in a lot of work to every 2 yr cycle

Q.How do delegates vote on New Business on behalf of the group?

- we workshop the CAR, lots conversations, discussions, ask how does region feel about this or that? - also ask fellowship to leave comments, on the tally sheets

-there’s also internal tension. “Group” conscience vs. Group Conscience. Representing someone’s conscience Vs.. CBDM. We’re trying to compromise between the two, by encouraging discussion and making comments on tally sheets it provides more info from the fellowship, so that if new info is presented at WSC, the RD will represents the best interest of their region.

**MOTION 14:** That the World Board or members of the World Board no longer make motions or proposals for decision at the WSC. The World Board may still forward ideas or work that regional delegates may present as a motion or proposal to the WSC for a decision.

-The WB does a lot of work, not trying to negate

-Eg**.**  SECRETARY DOESN’T make the motion to approve the minutes, someone else does

-we think about our experience and then we think about the world in our experience.

-Howis the WB going to move forward, we the fellowship that carry out the decisions, and motions of the fellowship

**-**not enthusiastic about this motion

-no one lead us to to do any things, we are all here intelligent, don’t think we were lead by WB

-having had time to discuss this, we’ve always had time to talk about it since the “90

-context of the ideas and motions that come up, WB look at things from 10 years ago they are responsibly to overview things, from the past….

**Literature Survey:**

-Survey will be online as well as in the CAR. Book length pieces would be a minimum of 8 years in front of us. This is just a survey, not something we’re doing tomorrow.

-By asking groups and regions get fellowship involved in setting priorities in 4 categories

-there’s no option for one to check off a box for. “NONE” why was this not included, if a few RDs requested it? There was no answer, HOWEVER, if you want to put in NO new literature

add it in.

**Future of the WSC and Roles of Zones**

Discussion was had with some thoughts and opinions,

-Not to have conference, do electronically, this was not supported by the majority in workgroup at last WSC

– use a model like AA does….AA goal is to break even, we have savings. AA is just U.S./Canada

-Disagreement with the AA model

-We have a world wide attendance at WS conference face to face is GOOD and Important!

- a first draft of SSP had a zonal model that was dropped. Why?

-at the board we weren’t sure of that idea. We were more favouring the SNP. But then WSC said No to SNP so we looked at other options.

-Are you asking what we can do is call in professionals and ask them to look us over?

- YES, suggestion to hire outside adviser – 3- to give us model of what it looks like

-CANA discussed this. They came to an understanding that they would be willing to go to zonal representation and send 3 delegates.

-Al-Sask region was ready to do it now – give up their seat.

-We need to negotiate the future.

-we didn’t have enough time to discuss at WSC the Future of Zones

-MORE TIME NEEDED TO DISCUSS – at WSC - GET A VISUAL!!!

Thank you for letting me serve this wonderful fellowship am so grateful! Please contact me

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