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HELLO FROM YOUR WORLD BOARD

We experienced a rewarding and fulfilling World Service Conference 22-29 April 2006 in Woodland Hills, California. Our diverse global fellowship came to life in this setting. We continue to affirm that it truly is all about carrying the message of recovery and this was our experience during conference week.

This NAWS News will provide an overview of the conference week activities and decisions. In our overview, we will highlight some aspects of the conference week and include a motion sheet. We wanted you to receive a NAWS News in a reasonable time following the conference; this report is not reflective of all the discussions that we had at the conference and the highlights reported here are merely synopses of the conference activities.

We are gratified by the decisions of the delegates and the direction that we are moving in. We are maturing as a fellowship and becoming a credible, viable recovery resource in many communities. Of course, we still have "miles to go" as this report will illustrate.

We are enthusiastic about the 2006-08 cycle for many reasons. The review and input draft of the Basic Text will be released in September 2006 with updated personal stories from members from our global fellowship; we will undertake many focused activities and work to further our public relations efforts; the world convention will be held in San Antonio, Texas, in 2007; the NA communities in Iran, the Middle East, Africa, and Eastern Europe will continue to grow; our many fellowship development efforts will continue; and literature geared toward specific groups like Youth in NA will be created. By no means is this list exhaustive; it is an overview of an exciting conference cycle.

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BUILDING COMMUNITY

With a conference that occurs every two years and participants with widely varied experience, we scheduled more activities that brought us together and created the opportunity for personal connections between participants. We had a day of recovery workshops preceding the conference (thank you West End Area!), an international recovery meeting on the Saturday evening before conference week (as well as a poolside meeting each morning at 7 am and a meeting at the close of the conference day), a tour of the WSO, an afternoon spent fellowshiping and sharing at a local ranch, and a conference closing evening with a recovery meeting. We believe that all of these activities were essential in building community among the group who came together to serve our worldwide fellowship; and these bonds helped us to remember the importance of carrying our message of recovery during the long and sometimes difficult days.

TAKIN' CARE OF BUSINESS

The formal business sessions went smoothly as a result of the discussion sessions held prior to actual decision making. These discussion sessions allowed all participants, who had comments, concerns, or questions about motions, to express themselves without being bound by parliamentary rules.

We again left the conference with a written summary of the decisions made at WSC 2006. This document can be found on our website at http://www.na.org/conference/draft_summary_of_decisions.htm.

We are grateful for the continued support shown to us by our members with the new business motions that were passed, including the project list and budget for 2006-08. We thank you and look forward to the work we can all realize in the next two years.

NEWLY SEATED REGIONS

Iran, Western Russia, and South Africa were approved by the conference and will be seated regions at WSC 2008. As we previously reported, we funded Western Russia and South Africa delegates to the conference because of the experience they

bring with carrying the message and the services provided within their respective regions. These participants were approved by the body to sit as non-voting participants during WSC 2006. Unfortunately, the delegates from Iran, with 40,000+ members in their region, were denied entry into the US. Hopefully, they will be able to join us for WSC 2008.

Bluegrass Appalachian and North Carolina Regions were not approved by the body for seating at the conference. This decision by the conference seemed to be based on the size and proliferation of seated US regions. We will be working as a board to frame discussions about the seating criteria during the upcoming cycle. Even though proliferation of US regions may be an aspect with seating, there are other considerations, as we outlined prior to the WSC. We will continue to report our discussions about seating criteria. As always, we welcome your input as early in our discussions as possible.

PUBLIC RELATIONS HANDBOOK

The conference unanimously approved the *Public Relations Handbook*, chapters one through thirteen. This handbook replaces the *Guide to Public Information*. This is the first service handbook that has been approved by the conference since 1998. We appreciate the support and enthusiasm shown by our members with this handbook. Many of us have heard how PR committees are being created and are using the *PR Handbook*. This is truly exciting—working together with professionals to help addicts discover recovery in Narcotics Anonymous.

We wanted the handbook material to remain current with our experiences. We are grateful that conference participants realized that this is best for our members who provide services. We appreciate the support they provided by approving the language: “these [*Public Relations Handbook*] chapters will be adaptable and revisable with World Board approval.” This will be particularly helpful with chapters such as “Internet Technology.”

Additionally, the conference participants voted “to allow the World Board to approve the resource material used as Addenda in the *Public Relations Handbook* on an ongoing basis.” The conference also gave the board the ability and authority to develop service-related IPs and tools for distribution to the fellowship. We anticipate releasing some of the resource material in the upcoming year.

Additional approved resources

The Area Planning Tool was adopted and the board was given the ability and authority to adapt or revise this resource. We encourage areas and regions to use the planning instrument and forward your comments to the World Board. We want the planning guide to be helpful and useful for our members. So, please keep us informed about how easy it was to use this tool, what areas need improvement, or revision, as well as any challenges you had.

The Public Relations Statement was unanimously supported and approved; this will replace the Public Relations Statement of Purpose in *A Guide to World Services in NA* on page 34. The statement will also be added to *A Guide to Local Services* and the *Public Relations Handbook*.

All of the resources approved at the conference will help us improve relations with professionals who interact with addicts and help us to more effectively carry the message of recovery.

IT'S ALL ABOUT **CARRYING** THE MESSAGE

PROJECTS FOR 2006-2008

The conference supported all of the projects proposed by the board. These were divided into three categories: essential (carryover), priority, and second priority. We asked for approval for more projects than we can possibly complete; however, we tried to be more realistic with these proposed projects. The conference also adopted a motion that requires the board to let participants know when we drop a project from our list. This seemed to be in keeping with an increased desire for communication. We have been trying to send more regular eblasts to conference participants and are working on a method to obtain feedback from participants throughout the cycle through better use of technology.

Essential (carryover) projects:

- ❖ Basic Text
- ❖ Implementation of *PR Handbook*
- ❖ Fellowship Issue Discussions
- ❖ Business Plan Workgroup
- ❖ Training & Orientation
- ❖ Workshops

Priority projects:

- ❖ Basic Service Material
- ❖ Targeted Literature
- ❖ Public Relations Development

Second priority projects:

- ❖ NAWS Communications

The above-listed projects represent our workload for this conference cycle. We anticipate completing some projects, such as the Basic Text and PR Implementation, while others, such as Basic Service Material, may be initiated yet continue through more than one conference cycle.

Visiting the "Conference-Related Projects" area on our website is the easiest way to get updates about these projects. You can find an update about the Basic Text already posed online.

Our members are an important resource in helping us complete conference-related projects for this cycle. If you are interested in participating in a workgroup or you know someone who may have a desire to do so, please be sure to submit or update a World Pool Information Form at <http://www.na.org/HRP/wpif-default-htm>. We will be working with the HRP to create a new, simplified, one- to two-page information sheet for those who are not considering a WSC elected position but merely want to offer their experience, strength, and hope.

More than anything, we still need employees at NAWS who can help us complete these projects and assist our fellowship. Specifically, we have a need for writers/editors and a production assistant. If you or someone you know may have the skills and are interested in applying for one of these positions, please contact Roberta at roberta@na.org. You may obtain current information about these positions at: <http://www.na.org/employment.htm>.

Redesigning the Website

This task is about far more than changing the overall appearance of the pages at www.na.org. When we look to buy something new, it really doesn't matter how pretty it looks if, either, it does not contain what you need or want, or it is too difficult and confusing to operate and does not function the way you expect it to. Therefore, we are focusing on the content and functionality of the website first, and then addressing the overall appearance. It has become abundantly clear through the ever-increasing stream of traffic, that the website is one of our primary communication tools with our fellowship as well as

with the public who have an interest in Narcotics Anonymous.

Our current website contains almost 1 gigabyte (1,000 megabytes) of files, many of which need to be reviewed for content, value, and accuracy. And this does not include the other components, like our main database that has a web entrance, the online ordering system, the donation portal, and various discussion areas and boards. Since its inception, the website has undergone many small changes, addressing then current crises or pressing needs but not looking at how those changes would affect the overall functionality and user-friendliness of the website.

For example, if someone wants to subscribe to *The NA Way Magazine* online, list an event that is going on within their community, or perhaps buy some literature, they will need to log in to three separate areas, often with different usernames and passwords: Depending upon where we are in a conference cycle, this can be compounded by world convention registrations and members-only review material.

On the other hand, many of the changes over the last few years have served us well. We now have recovery literature in over thirty languages online (including, in most cases, all of the booklets and pamphlets available in that language), and are working toward putting our book-length pieces online. We have placed service handbooks and other material online and have been gratified by the overwhelming response from the fellowship. We have provided areas on the site for discussions about issues of importance to our fellowship, and have offered a forum where conference participants can exchange ideas. We have also proposed that we create an area where areas and regions can post their locally developed service material online so that others may benefit from it.

While we have received many helpful ideas for how this website can serve the fellowship in the best possible way, we know that first and foremost we need to ensure that the website helps to fulfill the NAWS Vision Statement by containing truly valuable information and features (static and interactive), presented in a format that is easy to understand and navigate. Achieving that is our goal before the end of this conference cycle. As is generally the case with every project and service function however, our desire to expand and grow the website currently exceeds our available resources.

Issue Discussion

As we noted earlier, the conference by unanimous consent approved the Fellowship Issue Discussion project. These discussions topics are included with this *NAWS News*. During the 2004-06 cycle, the board had these issue discussions at all the workshops attended. There seemed to be a benefit to having everyone discuss the same issues throughout the conference cycle.

We will also be distributing the Issue Discussion Topics in the July issue of *The NA Way Magazine*. You can also find a discussion about the last conference cycle's Issue Discussion outcomes and background on the 2006-08 topics in *The NA Way*. More members seemed to know about the topics and to discuss them this past cycle when we used this distribution method. The topics will also be posted online in the World Service Conference section by the time this newsletter is released. The theme for this cycle's Issue Discussion Topics is *It's All About Carrying the Message*.

These fellowshipwide discussions provide everyone with an opportunity to discuss matters that affect local NA communities. Together members identify common challenges and share ideas about how to address their challenges. These discussions help us to more effectively carry the message in local communities.

Input from these discussions impacted the projects and tools we proposed for the 2006-2008 cycle and will continue to help us know what else is needed, what is working in local communities and what continues to be the struggles. This input will also help shape the discussions we will have at the World Service Conference in 2008.

Go to www.na.org/discussion_boards.htm for all the latest information on Issue Discussion Topics and to participate in Online Issue Discussion Bulletin Boards. There will be session profiles to help with facilitating these discussions and electronic forms to submit information from discussion workshops. This material is available at www.na.org. These tools are updated; be sure to regularly check the website for updated information.

It's All About Carrying the Message is the overarching issue discussion topic with three component aspects for member discussion. Because everything that we do is about carrying our message, the broad topics: "Building Strong Home Groups", "Who Is Missing from Our Meetings and Why?", and "Our Service System", help focus members in their discussions. These topics are the

steps and our discussions the bridge to creating solutions.

“Building Strong Home Groups” is the initial topic. This arose from last cycle’s discussion of an Atmosphere of Recovery. We believe that building strong home groups seems to be the most important thing we can do to effectively carry our message of recovery.

Once our groups have an atmosphere of recovery, we begin to look around and ask “Who Is Missing from Our Meetings and Why?” This approach is important in our efforts to carry the message. We look beyond our own immediate wants and needs and plan to reach out to potential members. We want all those seeking recovery to experience the same freedom from active addiction that we have.

We then begin to look at “Our Service System,” which is the third topic. Often we can become stuck in familiar ways of providing services; yet, through our discussions together, we discover creative ways to effectively and efficiently provide services. We all want to improve our efforts with carrying our message of recovery. Perhaps, through our discussions we will find ways to revitalize service, and make service more interesting, stimulating, rewarding and even fun.



Common Needs

As we reported in the *CAR* and *NAWS News*, we desired to have a discussion with conference participants about holding common needs meetings at WCNA-32 in San Antonio, as an experiment. We made this suggestion in response to what we had heard from the fellowship and the fact that certain demographic populations seem to find it difficult to find a home in NA. We also identified two additional strategies that may help increase these populations’ ability to find identification—targeted literature and the Basic Text personal stories project.

Our discussion of this topic spanned the conference week. Some conference participants expressed their frustrations and displeasure with initiating such action at WCNA, while others were steadfast in their

support. Some participants felt that “an experiment to hold common needs workshops” in San Antonio was going against policy, as stated in the *Convention Guidelines*. Many participants noted that the *Convention Guidelines* are sorely outdated, and are not followed today with world conventions (zone rotation as outlined in the handbook is extinct), and that the issue of common needs meetings at world conventions was an addendum item rather than a stated policy.

When we were considering our unity and common welfare, a passage was read from the First Tradition essay in *It Works: How and Why*: “Today’s decisions may affect tomorrow’s members. When we think of solutions to our current problems, it’s not hard to consider the needs of our group, our area, our region, or even the worldwide fellowship. But it’s also important to remember the “unseen members” in our discussions—the members yet to come. When we work to ensure the vitality of NA, we’re not working just for ourselves but for those yet to join us.” Conference participants were asked to consider members who may have come to NA and left the rooms like professionals and youths and others who may have been able to receive the message of recovery but didn’t identify. Many participants recalled their experiences with identification in early recovery.

As the discussion continued, several motions were drafted and presented by various conference participants for consideration in the new business session. The initial “housekeeping action” was with a motion to remove the *Convention Guidelines* from world services inventory, which received strong support and passed. There were two additional motions related to WCNA San Antonio. One motion was to *not* have common needs workshops while the other motion mandated that common needs workshops be held at WCNA-32. Following lengthy discussions on these two motions, the conference participants passed the motions that directed the World Board to hold common needs workshops at WCNA-32.

We are grateful for the conference action and impressed with the depth of these common needs discussions, the unity displayed throughout the discussions, and the love shown regardless of opinion on the issue of common needs. We feel that it is truly a privilege and honor to be members of the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous.

FELLOWSHIP DEVELOPMENT

This session opened with a video showing all we in NA do to help carry the message. These fellowship interactions are more than a particular trip to an exotic location. In our efforts, we partner with communities to provide fellowship development and these efforts are often provided by NAWS sending members from neighboring NA communities. Language, geography, culture, and experience all play a part in these decisions.

This is certainly our experience in Latin America. Because we do not have the resources to attend every workshop, we are seeking ways to improve our partnerships and build our resource pool of members. In many of these fellowship interactions, we are actually fulfilling a public relations aim—creating and maintaining relationships with members, potential members and professionals.

Highlights of our fellowship development activities from the 2004-2006 cycle include workshops in Venezuela; St. Petersburg, Russia; Odessa, Ukraine; Vilnius, Lithuania; Bangladesh; India; South Korea; Budapest, Hungary; Panama; South Africa; and the Middle East (Bahrain and Iran). Each of these workshops or fellowship development trips brought members from the same language group together and helped the attendees to connect with each other. Many of the communities are small and members didn't know their neighbors. These workshops help us realize that "together we can" in our efforts to carry our message. There is a special moment when addicts from one country meet others from another country and learn that they are only separated from each other by a four hour drive.

Each of the workshops was a hybrid, created to meet the needs of the respective fellowships. We are learning that NA is not a one-size-fits-all organization. This is clearly illustrated in Iran, with their 40,000-plus members. They continue to grow at an unprecedented rate and provide services to their members. During the NAWS trip to Iran we experienced their energy and attended a meeting held in the afternoon with 17,000 members. Their love for NA is strong and the NA message is intact in Iran—addicts can recover.

LEADERSHIP IN NA—NOW AND IN THE FUTURE

NAWS Leadership

The topic of *Leadership* was presented in two sessions with the initial session being facilitated by the Executive Committee of the World Board and the Human Resource Panel. This session focused on the strengthening partnership between the board and HRP. We had four one-day meetings in the cycle and we improved communication between the two groups. This initial conference session focused on NAWS leadership.

Leadership principles that both groups identified during our discussions include:

- ✗ Leaders are accountable to the fellowship.
- ✗ Leaders have a commitment to further the purpose and goals of NA.
- ✗ Leaders are trusted servants; leaders lead by serving others and giving back.
- ✗ Leadership qualities include selflessness, integrity, honesty, willingness, humility, open-mindedness, and the principles outlined in the Fourth Concept.
- ✗ Leadership is not a solo effort.
- ✗ Leaders have faith in the group process.

In our discussions we reviewed the current system and identified strengths and weaknesses with leadership development. A few key strengths were highlighted, such as the facts that planning is becoming more accepted in NA, that leaders are visible and can be role models, and that service structure lends a sense of community. On the weakness side, a few identified points include lack of consistency (no tangible system), lack of clear leadership standards, and the fact that messages about leadership can be negative.

This session went on to present factors that need to be considered for an ideal NAWS leadership development system. These factors include:

- ✗ Is accessible
- ✗ Has impact at multiple levels of the service structure
- ✗ Is dynamic—changes as needs for leadership change

- ✗ Effectively matches talent to task
- ✗ Sets reasonable expectations and is supportive of success

The above factors represent a portion of the items that need to be considered as we create a leadership development system. This will not occur over-night. We desire to create a pool of qualified, talented, and skilled leaders for NA services, leaving NA better than when we arrived and helping to ensure that our program of recovery continues to flourish into the twenty-second century.

In the meantime, as we develop a leadership system, there are improvements that can be made to our current system that do not involve structural changes. Some of these improvements include: a more effective way to identify the current needs of the board (for example, if all nominees are considered equal, how do we consider specific business skills that the board perceives as needed?); inclusion of workgroup participation in the process; and a more fluid exchange of information between the board and the HRP.

We may be able to enhance our current system further with improvements to our policies and procedures. Some ways to improve may be to:

- ✗ Introducing board members' experience into the process of nominating candidates
- ✗ Clarifying the criteria and experience necessary to be effective on the WB and the HRP
- ✗ Eliminating regional nominations from the conference floor

Before we can offer any structural changes, we must recognize that "form follows function." In other words, we need to identify what we want to accomplish with leadership development and various methods to reach our desired outcomes before we create a structure.

Leadership Development—Starts with the Groups

The second Leadership session focused on how we develop a system, and cultivation begins with the groups. Leadership is not an end; we desire to accomplish a goal/vision with leaders and that goal is that every addict in the world can receive the message of recovery.

NA is growing and diversifying. We need to help potential leaders find a connection to service and to offer training, coaching, support and recognition. Leaders have value—they show us the way, outline a

course and guide our efforts. And our past leaders have wisdom and experience to offer us.

The key question for this session was: "How can we embrace the concept of leadership cultivation throughout the entire service structure and build an effective leadership development system that supports this?" Conference participants identified challenges with this overarching question and selected three challenges to work on together for the remainder of the session. The conference decided on the following three topics on which to brainstorm solutions for the identified challenges.

1. Apathy: How does a deep-seeded, unplanned culture change? How do you build strong leaders?
 - Perception of service has to change
 - Be the example. One way to change the culture is to exhibit the change that you want to see as an outcome. Be the change.
2. Transitions: How do we pass the baton?
 - Antiquated service structure
 - Stewardship—personal commitment from trusted servants to trusted servants, regardless of personalities
3. Perception of leadership in this organization and its value
 - Have to change the perception of leaders and who it is they are serving. Sometimes group members judge leaders harshly. Find key points of communication between leaders and members.
 - Language—not what you say, but how you say it. Use language that speaks in service terms and communicates directly with the person. What are the consistent, clear, compelling messages that all of us need to start talking about? Words reflect attitude and belief.

At the close of this session, an analogy for leadership was offered: A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle. In other words, leaders develop leaders. They are the caretakers of the fellowship, and help us toward fulfillment of NAWS' vision.

Election Results

The conference elected one cofacilitator, seven World Board members, and two HRP members.

WSC Cofacilitator

Jimmy S

Chesapeake Potomac Region

World Board

Arne H	British Columbia Region
Franney J	Washington/No. Idaho Region
Mark H	Wisconsin Region
Ron H	New Mexico Region
Paul C	Canada Atlantic Region
Tom Mc	Hawaii Region
Tonia N	Greece Region

Human Resource Panel

Gregory S	NW Florida/Alabama Region
Mary Kay B	Region of the Virginians

WORLD CONVENTION UPDATE**WCNA-32**

29 Aug–2 Sept 2007 in San Antonio, Texas, USA

We look forward to seeing everyone in San Antonio, Texas. Discussion at the conference seemed to indicate that Texas may be “home” to thousands of members from 29 August to 2 September 2007.

There will be more information about San Antonio in the near future. Information about the 2006 Unity Day, as well as speaker and tape review flyers are in the July *NA Way*. *Expect WCNA flyers to be out in the fall*. We are working on developing ways to be more responsive with merchandise and registration in general. Pre-registering for the convention assists us greatly in meeting those goals. We look forward to celebrating recovery with you in San Antonio.

WCNA-33

20–23 August 2009 in Barcelona, Spain

IT'S ALL ABOUT CARRYING OUR MESSAGE

As we move forward with the 2006-08 conference cycle, we will be providing the newly elected board members with an orientation on 13-15 July 2006. The first board meeting of this conference cycle will be held on 17-19 August 2006. We are grateful to the conference for electing Ron H from New Mexico and Tom Mc, from Hawaii to serve a second term.

Their experience and fellowship involvement is an asset to us.

Before that, the five newly elected board members will meet for an orientation in July. At our first board meeting, along with additional items, we will be discussing the approved project plans, moving forward with PR implementation and development, reviewing the Basic Text project, the initiation of focus groups for specific projects, the broad issue discussion topics built around the conference theme, as well as our communication with one another and the fellowship during this next cycle. We are energized and enthused as we see our fellowship grow into what it is today and lay the groundwork for what it will be tomorrow.

Words cannot express our gratitude to the conference and fellowship for giving us the opportunity to serve as your World Board for this last cycle. While this is an exciting time for us as we welcome our new board members and prepare for our activities ahead, it is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to some of our current board members and other volunteers as they complete their terms.

We want to say thank you to Francine B. from Quebec, Canada, and Tali Mc, from Hawaii for their service to the HRP, and Roberto J from Ontario for his facilitation at the conference. We also want to say a “special” thank you to Giovanna G from Colombia, Bob J from Florida, Daniel S from Germany, David J from the UK, and Saul A from Panama. These board members have dedicated substantial portions of their lives to NAWS over the years, and while their commitments are finished here as board members, we know they will continue to serve NA and they will be in our hearts—always.

Thank you from all of the board and staff of NA World Services. This is not *goodbye*, this is *we will see you later*.

FROM THE HUMAN RESOURCE PANEL

Greetings from the Human Resource Panel!!

The first meeting of the HRP for the 2006-2008 conference cycle will take place in August of this year. We look forward to our continued efforts to provide conference participants with highly qualified nominees for NAWS trusted servant positions, and taking on the new charges given to us at the 2006 WSC.

We continue to look forward to working with our newly elected HRP members, Mary Kay B. and Greg S. As always, HRP members will be reviewing the nominations process to ensure the most qualified nominees will be put forward at the 2008 WSC. We are also grateful to have the new charge to work with the World Board in an effort to create a shortened version of the World Pool Information Form for those members who are not seeking NAWS trusted servant positions.

Another opportunity we are grateful for is the review and discussion of motions committed to us during WSC 2006. We are always looking for ways to improve our process, and look forward to reporting to conference participants about ways these committed motions might be used to increase the effectiveness of the HRP's system.

Our most important request to NA members is for you to communicate with your HRP. If you have five or more years clean and are interested in being a NAWS trusted servant (including serving on a workgroup), please take time to fill out and send in your World Pool Information Form. It can be found at www.na.org under the heading of "World Pool Information Form" on the front page of the website. We are also always open to all ideas regarding ways to have the most efficient and effective HRP system possible. Your input is always appreciated.

For now, we will leave you with our gratitude for your continued support of your Human Resource Panel. We look forward to this new conference cycle of reviewing our process and solid communication with those we serve.

NAWS STAFF UPDATES

Ximena Iranzo, Fellowship Services team member has returned to her native Puerto Rico and Catherine McCormick, writer/editor is returning to her native Australia. Both employees have been with NAWS only a short while, but we are all saddened that NAWS is losing two valuable, culturally enriching employees. Executive assistant, Carrie Ray handed in her resignation to pursue her lifelong ambition toward a singer/songwriter career. We wish them well as they embark on their new lives.

Naturally, we want to extend a warm welcome to our two new employees Andrew Ponce and Linda DeLeo, who are joining the Fellowship Services team. They are a welcome and needed resource with Fellowship Services.

Product Update

It Works Audio CD Set

the six audiotapes of the entire book converted to 5-CD set

Item No. EN-8821 Price US \$16.75

Keychain Medallions

Old design bronze medallions set in keychain and in an antiqued finish Available in 18 months, 1–19 years, and 21–45 years while old design stock lasts.

Item No. EN-75XX
Price US \$5.00



Wallet Cards (Bundle of 15)

Group readings now available in four-panel wallet cards for easy reading.

Item No. EN-9127 Price US \$1.05

Arabic

IP No. 7: *Am I an Addict?*

Item No. AR-3107 Price US \$0.21

IP No. 8: *Just for Today*

Item No. AR-3108 Price US \$0.21

IP No. 11: *Sponsorship*

Item No. AR-3111 Price US \$0.21

Group Reading Cards – Set of Five

Item No. AR-9130 Price US \$2.50



Danish

Basic Text

Narcotics Anonymous

Item No. DK-1101

Price US \$9.70

Farsi

Basic Text

Item No. FA-1101 Price US \$5.50

It Works: How and Why

Item No. FA-1143 Price US \$7.25

The NA Step Working Guides

Item No. FA-1400 Price US \$7.30

An Introductory Guide to Narcotics Anonymous

Item No. FA-1200 Price US \$1.70

French

IP No. 11: *Sponsorship, Revised*

Le parrainage, révisé

Item No. FR-3111 Price US \$0.21

German

An Introductory Guide to Narcotics Anonymous, Revised

Eine Einführung in NA, Überarbeitete Ausgabe

Item No. GE-1200 Price US \$1.70

Indonesian

Group Reading Cards – Set of Five

Item No. ID-9130 Price US \$2.50

Italian

IP No. 26: *Accessibility for Those with Additional Needs*

Accessibilità per chi ha bisogni supplementari

Item No. IT-3126

Price US \$0.21



Lithuanian

An Introductory Guide to Narcotics Anonymous

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Item No. LT-1200

Price US \$1.70



SUMMARY OF WSC 2006 MOTIONS

Much of what occurs at the conference takes place in discussion and building consensus. The following is simply a summary of the business sessions that occurred at WSC 2006.

OLD BUSINESS DECISIONS

The following motions were adopted:

To change the time frame for approval form recovery literature from the current minimum of 150 days to a minimum of one year.

Amend Motion 3 by adding language: "...for book length pieces; the World Board may exercise its discretion to set a shorter period for shorter pieces of literature but that period will not be less than 150 days."

To adopt the WSC 2004 minutes.

The following motions were **not** adopted:

To direct the World Board to develop a project plan, timeline, and budget for WSC 2008, to create/develop a glossary of recovery terms typically used in Narcotics Anonymous.

To direct the World Board to create a project plan for the development of a fellowship-approved Identity Statement to be presented at WSC 2008.

NEW BUSINESS DECISIONS

The following motions were adopted:

To adopt Chapters One through Nine, the Preface, and the Conclusion of the proposed *Public Relations Handbook* as a replacement for the current *A Guide to Public Information*.

To adopt Chapters 10–13 of the *Public Relations Handbook*

Amendment: "...these chapters will be adaptable and revisable with World Board approval."

To approve the proposed Public Relations Statement as a replacement for the current Public Relations Statement of Purpose in *A Guide to World Services in NA* on page 34. This statement would also be added to *A Guide to Local Services* and the *Public Relations Handbook*.

To allow the World Board to approve the resource material used as Addenda in the *Public Relations Handbook* on an ongoing basis.

Amendment: "...including preface, foreword, glossary of terms, and appendix, etc."

To adopt the proposed Area Planning Tool.

Amendment: "... which will then be adaptable or revisable with World Board approval."

To recognize Iran as a seated World Service Conference participant beginning at the close of WSC 2006.

To recognize South Africa as a seated World Service Conference participant beginning at the close of WSC 2006.

To recognize Western Russia as a seated World Service Conference participant beginning at the close of WSC 2006.

To remove the *Convention Guidelines* from the world services inventory.

To allow the World Board to develop and approve service-related information pamphlets and tools for distribution to the fellowship.

To direct the HRP and the World Board to create a simple one- to two-page form for the World Pool. This form would be used for the workshops, workgroups, and other activities. It would be easily translated and used by those not interested in seeking nomination to a WSC elected position.

To adopt the 2006-2008 budget for Narcotics Anonymous World Services, Inc. (All proposed project plans were also adopted by separate motions.)

To direct the World Board to reinstate the Consensus-based Decision Making at the WSC Project for 2008.

That common needs workshops be held at WCNA-32.

To direct the World Board to inform conference participants of any adopted project it wishes to eliminate.

The following motions were **not** adopted:

To recognize Bluegrass Appalachian as a seated World Service Conference participant beginning at the close of WSC 2006.

To recognize North Carolina as a seated World Service Conference participant beginning at the close of WSC 2006.

The following motions were committed to the HRP:

That the Human Resource Panel present to this conference the evaluation criteria, grading, or weighing methods that were used in order to select the candidates who qualify to be eligible as members of the World Board and Human Resource Panel, and that the candidates be informed in a prudent way of the reasons why they were not selected for the final list.

That any nominee for a WSC position be endorsed in writing by an RSC. During the reference interview phase a letter will be sent to the RSC listed on the candidate's World Pool Information Form requesting a written recommendation. In the case where no RSC exists, then the candidate will reference their ASC.