

HIGNA Group Motion Tallies for WSC 2023

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2. Date of Report *

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3. Group Name *

4. Motion 1:

To approve adding zonal delegates from seated zones to the Settlor and Trustor of the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust (FIPT).

Maker: World Board

CAR ref pg: 11

Intent: To reflect the decision at WSC 2018 to make delegates from seated zones voting WSC

participants and honour the six-month Fellowship review of this proposal that occurred from

December 2020 through May 2021.

ARTICLE II: PARTIES TO THE TRUST

The Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous, as given voice by its groups through their regional delegates at the

World Service Conference (WSC), is the Settlor and the Trustor. The delegates are the representatives elected by

the regions and zones seated at the World Service Conference. Narcotics Anonymous World Services, Inc. is the

Trustee of the Trust. The Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous as a whole is the Beneficiary of the Trust.

ARTICLE III: IDENTITY OF TRUST PROPERTY

The Trust Property includes all recovery literature, trademarks, service marks, copyrights, and all other intellectual

property of the Fellowship. From time to time, the Trustor may add to, modify, or delete property from

the Trust. All additions made to the Fellowship's recovery literature, trademarks, service marks, copyrights and

all other intellectual property by Narcotics Anonymous World Services, Inc. shall additionally be considered

property subject to this Trust. However, note that NA service handbooks and other service materials approved

by NA's World Service Conference are specifically excluded from the purview of this Trust.

Recovery literature should be taken to mean any Narcotics Anonymous book, booklet, or pamphlet intended

primarily for use by individual NA members or for use or distribution within the context of an NA recovery meeting.

Only NA recovery literature is designated as Fellowship Approved. Service materials should be taken

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

5. Motion 2:

To approve the revisions to the FIPT Operational Rules contained in Addendum B.***Maker: World Board***

CAR ref pg:13

Intent: To revise the Operational Rules to reflect discussions at WSC 2018 about the Inspection of

Trustee Activities and to reflect current practices, terms, and language.

A summary of the proposed changes shown in Addendum B includes:

- A change to the Inspection Clause to reflect discussions at WSC 2018 and clarify that only the WSC can act for the beneficiary—the NA Fellowship as a whole.
- Various “housekeeping” edits:
 - Changes throughout to update the references to WSC Boards and Committees to better reflect our current structure. The FIPT was written before the World Board was created. The suggested language in the proposed revisions describes our current system, not that of 1993.
 - More consistent terminology to refer to the World Service Conference (WSC), Narcotics Anonymous World Services, Inc. (NA World Services).
 - Two edits to Article 4, Section 12: Trustee Reporting Obligation on page 15 to change calendar year to each fiscal year and to add independent to the description of the annual audit.
 - Changing representatives, conference participants, and RDs to delegates throughout. While all of these terms are widely understood in NA, this is a legal document and consistency in terminology is important, and conference participants has no clear legal definition.
 - Correcting errors by adding the word the on page 24 and other edits on pages 15 and 31.
 - A change to the way the Inspection Clause is described on page 37 of the Reader’s

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

6. Motion 3:

To approve the revisions to NA Intellectual Property Bulletin #1 contained in Addendum D.

Maker: World Board

CAR ref pg:17

Intent: To revise this bulletin so that it provides more direct and clear guidance, and so that it

reflects current practices, terms, and language.

This bulletin has been largely rewritten. A clean copy of the bulletin with proposed revisions is contained in

Addendum C. A copy tracking the proposed changes is included in Addendum D.

A summary of the proposed changes to Intellectual Property Bulletin #1 includes:

- Permission would be required to reprint book-length pieces.
- Current policy that was not clearly expressed in the bulletin has been added to the text. Groups are only allowed to reproduce currently approved versions of recovery literature, as that is all that NAWS is authorized to publish and distribute, and this permission does not include electronic or online formats.
- The introduction has been rewritten and the section on copyright has been moved ahead of the section on trademarks.
- Some copyediting changes are suggested, such as using the term policy throughout the document, rather than a mix of policy and guidelines.

Mark only one oval.

yes

No

Abstain

7. Motion 4:

To acknowledge that an NA meeting that meets regularly in person or virtually can choose to be an NA group if they meet the criteria described in The Group Booklet, including the six points for an NA group, and are consistent with NA philosophy as expressed in our Traditions. (Footnotes will be added to The Group Booklet and GLS, reflecting the decision of the WSC, if this motion passes, and referencing Virtual Meeting Basics as a possible resource.)

Maker: World Board

CAR ref pg:20

Intent: To recognize NA groups that meet virtually, including online and by phone.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

8. Motion 5:

To revise A Vision for NA Service, changing the phrase “his or her own language and culture” to the phrase “their own language and culture.” (If this motion passes, A Vision for NA Service will be revised in future printings, including in Fellowship-approved recovery literature.)

Maker: World Board

CAR ref pg:22

Intent: To revise the Vision Statement to be more inclusive.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

9. Motion 6:

To approve a change to World Services Translation Policy in GWSNA to allow the possibility for up to six locally developed personal stories to be included in translated Sixth Edition Basic Texts, if the stories have first been published in the Little White Book of that language. These stories would be placed in their own section in Our Members Share with the following language preceding them:

A Vision for NA Service looks forward to a day when addicts around the world have the opportunity to experience our message in their own language and culture. In pursuit of that vision, communities or language groups that have published local stories in the Little White Book may include up to six of those stories in the Basic Text if they choose. These [fill in the number] stories were originally published in the [fill in the language] Little White Book in [fill in the year].

Maker: World Board

CAR ref pg:24

Intent: To better reflect our Vision that “every addict in the world has the chance to experience our message in [their] own language and culture . . .” in our primary text.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

10. Motion 7:

To extend the six World Board members' terms currently expiring in 2024 through the end of the upcoming World Service Conference cycle.

Maker: World Board

CAR ref pg:26

Intent: To accommodate the change to the WSC cycle that has already occurred and avoid World Board terms ending in the middle of a conference cycle.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

11. Motion 8 :

As a result of the COVID pandemic, to suspend the World Convention of NA (WCNA) rotation policy after 2024, to allow the World Board to determine what is possible and practical moving forward and then seek approval from conference participants.

Maker: World Board

CAR ref pg:28

Intent: Given the disruption in the rotation of WSC and WCNA that has already occurred, the increases in event costs, and the other changes brought about by the pandemic, to allow an evaluation by the World Board and approval by conference participants for what is possible and practical in the future.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

12. Motion 9:

To approve a three-year World Service Conference cycle on a trial basis following WSC 2023 through WSC 2029. Following 2029, the WSC cycle would return to two years, unless another decision is made.

Maker: World Board

CAR ref pg:30

Intent: To put into practice some of what we've learned during the pandemic so that we can shift more resources to work that more directly carries the message. This would bring the WSC resource allocation in line with other changes that have been made in World Services—cuts in staff levels and a 50% reduction in in-person board meetings.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

13. Motion10:

If Motion 9 is adopted, to approve an interim virtual WSC in the middle of the conference cycle for decisions that are legally necessary and those that conference participants choose to address. As was done in the 2020–2023 cycle, material would be posted on na.org under the same deadline policies as the CAT (90 days prior) and all voting conference participants would be polled to choose the items they wish to address.

Maker: World Board

CAR ref pg:36

Intent: To allow conference participants to address some WSC business between in-person conference meetings.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

14. Motion 11:

If Motion 9 is adopted, to approve a change to the release of the Conference Agenda Report (CAR) to be thirty days earlier than the current policy of 150 days prior to the start of the World Service Conference. The new CAR release day would be 180 days prior to the in-person WSC meeting for English, 150 days for translated versions. The deadline for the finalization of regional and zonal motions would be 270 days. The Conference Agenda Report will be posted on na.org at no cost to members.

Maker: World Board

CAR ref pg:36

Intent: To release the CAR earlier to allow more time for its review.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

15. Motion 12:

To change the current policy of NA World Services automatically funding delegates from seated regions and zones to the WSC to funding available upon request.

Maker: World Board

CAR ref pg:38

Intent: To encourage service bodies to fund their delegates, but ensure that regions and zones that need the funding are able to have it.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

16. Motion 13:

**To direct the World Board to create a project plan for the next World Service Conference (WSC),
for the development of a new IP for daily personal inventory of gratitude.**

Maker: Argentina Region

CAR ref pg:47

Intent: To create a new resource for the fellowship members, through a new IP for the daily personal inventory of gratitude.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

17. Motion 14:

To direct the World Board to create a project plan for consideration at the next WSC to investigate changes and/or additional wording to NA literature from gender specific language to gender neutral and inclusive language.

Makers: Sweden and Australia Regions

Co-makers: Northern California Region, Wisconsin Region, Ontario Region

CAR ref pg:48

Intent: This motion will give the conference and the Fellowship the ability to meaningfully discuss changes to our literature to be more inclusive of all our members.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

18. Motion15:

To direct the World Board to create a project plan for the next WSC to initiate the process for the Fellowship to approve adding “gender” to “What is the NA Program?” to read: “Anyone may join us regardless of age, race, gender, sexual identity, creed, religion or lack of religion.”

Maker: Southern California Region

CAR ref pg:49

Intent: To change ‘What is the NA Program’ to be more gender-neutral and inclusive.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

19. Motion 16:

To direct the World Board to develop a project plan, for consideration at the next World Service Conference, to create a booklet of Step study questions where all answers relate to a line in Chapter Four in the Basic Text.

Maker: Baja Son Region

Co-makers: South Florida Region, México Occidente Región, Northern California Region, Southern California Region, San Diego Imperial Counties Region & Región de México

CAR ref pg:50

Intent: To create a fellowship approved, inexpensive, NA Step study questions booklet that relates directly back to the Basic Text

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

20. Motion 17:

To place an 8 year moratorium on the creation of new recovery literature after WSC 2023, excluding all translations or literature projects currently in development.

Maker: California Inland Region

CAR ref pg:51

Intent: To suspend the creation of new literature for an 8 year period and free up NA resources to better focus on carrying the message rather than continual literature development

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

21. Motion 18:

To direct the World Board to create a project plan for the next WSC to study permitting service committees of Narcotics Anonymous who are, or may be, willing to serve as literature printing/distribution and selling centers inside and outside the United States.

Maker: Tejas Bluebonnet Region

CAR ref pg:52

Intent: The intention is to study the impacts of permitting service committees of Narcotics Anonymous inside and outside the United States to print and distribute NA literature.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

22. Motion19:

To direct the WB to create a virtual Institutional Review Board (IRB) to review all researchers and their research questions that request access to the Narcotics Anonymous population through NAWS to conduct research.

Maker: Wisconsin Region

CAR ref pg:54

Intent: To avoid the misuse of Narcotics Anonymous member information.

NB. This is an example of such research

(https://journals.lww.com/journaladdictionmedicine/Fulltext/2022/04000/Virtual_Twelve_Step_Meeting_Attendance_During_the.23.aspx)

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

23. Motion 20:

To direct NAWS to provide at na.org audio recordings of the worldwide webinars on the topics of Public Relations, Hospital & Institution, Step Writing for Inmates, Fellowship Development, Phone Line, and others.

Maker: Wisconsin Region

CAR ref pg:55

Intent: To provide access to any interested member of Narcotics Anonymous throughout the world so they can hear the Experience, Strength, and Hope (ESH) of members from other geographic parts of the world.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

24. Motion 21:

To direct NA World Services to remove the Hospitals and Institutions Handbook from the inventory.

Maker: Free State Region

CAR ref pg:56

Intent: To remove an outdated service manual from WSO inventory

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

25. Motion 22:

If any Motion or Proposal, in Content or Intent, has been submitted and failed to achieve consensus or adoption at two consecutive World Service Conferences, the previously proposed Content and Intent may not be suggested to the Fellowship in the Conference Agenda Report (CAR)/ Conference Approval Track (CAT) or at the WSC for one entire conference cycle.

Maker: Southern California Region

CAR ref pg:57

Intent: To use the Fellowship's decision-making processes and time responsibly and effectively.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

26. Motion 23:

All in-person and virtual World Service Conferences will be streamed to provide access to NA members in English audio.

Maker: Kentuckiana Bluegrass Appalachian Region

Co-makers: Upper Rocky Mountain Region, Russian-Speaking Zone, Western Russia Region, North-West Russia Region

CAR ref pg:58

Intent: To allow the entire NA membership a better understanding of what takes place at the World Service Conference.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

27. Motion 24:

All Conference Participant webinars will be streamed to provide access to NA members in English audio.

Maker: Kentuckiana Bluegrass Appalachian Region

Co-makers: Upper Rocky Mountain Region, Russian-Speaking Zone, Western Russia Region, North-West Russia Region

CAR ref pg:59

Intent: To allow the entire NA membership a better understanding of what takes place during CP Webinars.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Abstain

28. Motion 25:

All votes and straw polls on motions that were included in the Conference Agenda Report or the Conference Approval Track, not to include election ballots, will be displayed in real time for all Conference Participants to see, showing who voted and how they voted.

Maker: Kentuckiana Bluegrass Appalachian Region

Co-makers: Russian-Speaking Zone, Western Russia Region, North-West Russia Region

CAR ref pg:60

Intent: To see how each Conference Participant votes on each motion.

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Yes

No

Abstain

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