

## TRUSTEES COMMUNICATIONS REGISTER

All communications dated prior to November 1, 1989 have been deleted from the active register. Members desiring reprints of that information can obtain it from the WSO staff.

Nov 7--Meeting held between Jack, Steve S. and Hollie at Cri-Help. Items discussed included the letter regarding BOT meeting minutes and minutes approval process, letter to the Additional Needs Advisory Panel members, the Fellowship Report and the BOT budget (due Dec. 1), the proposed motion to amend the Traditions proposal adopted at WSC '89, Tom M's report on Rotation and Continuity, letter to Trad Ad Hoc from John F., and letter from Danette that she requested Jack's review on prior to mailing.

Nov 13--Regular monthly mailing sent to all BOT members.

Nov 14--Spoke to Kim J. She will be here this next weekend to participate in the Traditions Ad Hoc. Will also be spending some time here next week to work on I/E assignments. (Kim did not make it in to the WSO as she had planned.)

Nov 16--Spoke with Mario. Discussed items included in mailing, which he has not yet received. Advised me that he will begin work on his I/E assignment next week, and will communicate by FAX.

Nov 17--Meeting at Cri-Help between Jack, Hollie and George. Discussed the Fellowship Report draft, proposed budget, proposal for removal of internal committee guidelines from TWGSS (Jack to do), draft letter responses to send to Board members for review, and the proposed trip to India which needs to either be done in February 1990 or will have to wait till next conference year. Also discussed sending a member of the Board to the Spanish Basic Text meeting in Miami the first weekend in December.

Nov 20--Letter of thanks from Gordon Page about his appointment to the Additional Needs Advisory Panel. Will file after seen by Jack. **Filed in 2-1-9.**

Nov 20--Spoke with Mario about going to India. He states that February is the worst month to travel there, due to extreme heat and humidity. Suggested that the trip be scheduled for March instead. Will discuss with his wife and we will contact him again early next week.

Nov 21--FAX'ed a packet of notes from Ad Hoc Traditions group and copy of proposed motion to Jack, concerning the motion adopted at WSC '89 about the Traditions. He will work on drafting a substitute motion to be sent to all the Board for review.

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Nov 27--Letter from the Boulder CO Lit. committee regarding changing the word "God" to "Higher Power" in all our literature, as well as changing all gender-specific pronouns to gender-neutral pronouns. Response will be drafted. 1/4/90--**Response signed and mailed after review by all BOT members. Filed in 1-1-1.**

Nov 30--Scheduled to meet with Jack at Cri-Help tomorrow. Overnight package is being sent to all BOT members with two proposed motions on the Traditions proposal, several items from the WSC Lit. Committee and a memo/letter from Steve S.

Nov 30--Spoke with Mario concerning India trip. He can go anytime in March for one week. Will discuss with George as soon as he returns to WSO from Miami Spanish translation meeting.

Dec 1--Meeting at Cri-Help with Jack, Steve S. and Hollie A. Items discussed included Jack's draft report to be incorporated into the Fellowship Report regarding the WSC in St. Louis, the input received from Garth and Danette on the minutes of Oct. meeting, letter from Bronx, NY about tape pirating, Mario and India trip, Consultants visit at the next Traditions Ad Hoc and Danette's concern about polling the Board about hiring a consultant.

Dec 5--Spoke with Garth, Danette, and Stretch about the substitute motions. All three prefer motion #2 with some minor modifications. Will advise Jack of input received.

Dec 6--Spoke with Mario and Tom about substitute motions. Both prefer motion #2 with very little input on either.

Dec 7--Spoke with Chuck. He prefers motion #1. Also is not very happy with approving motions by phone ballot. Plans to talk with Jack concerning the possibility of having a conference call with all Board members to discuss the motions.

Dec 8--Was given a copy of a letter from a concerned member who relates that the GSR of group in her area has informed the members of group, who are also patients at local psychiatric facility, that if they are taking any medications, they are not supposed to share. Will draft a response. Draft response mailed to all BOT members on 1/22/90. **Response signed and mailed on Feb 20. Filed in BOT 1-1-1.**

Dec 8--Meeting at WSO between Jack, Hollie, George, and Bob. Topics discussed were the Traditions motion input with a decision made to have a conference call the weekend of Dec 16/17. Also discussed the Arabic Basic Text and proposed trip to Cairo, Egypt, letter from group member concerning the GSR discouraging members who are clients at a psychiatric facility from sharing at a meeting, draft response about tape piracy in the Bronx, and changes to a draft response to letter regarding gender specific language and changing the Steps/Traditions regarding the word "God." Also gave Jack a copy of the preliminary Conference Agenda Report for his review.

Dec 13--Conference call held between Jack, Bob H., and Stu T. to discuss the requested special meeting of the Ad Hoc on N.A. Service.

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Dec 13--Letter received from member in Utah regarding the use of the word "sober" in meetings. Has concerns that members are being shunned when they do not use N.A. approved language. Will draft a response. Draft response mailed to all BOT members on 1/22/90. **Response signed by Jack and mailed on Feb 20. Filed in BOT 1-1-1.**

Dec 14--Have contacted all of the Trustees except for Stretch to set up conference call on Dec. 17 at 4:00PM PST.

Dec 17--Conference call held with all members of the board included except for Mario and Kim (who was inadvertently dropped from the call by the operator and could not get reconnected). Main item of discussion was the motion to be included in the Agenda Report regarding the Traditions development time frame and review process. Decision was made to delete the second sentence from the first motion, add a sentence stating that adoption of this motion will supercede the motion adopted at WSC '89, and add language from second motion to the intent of the first motion which will further describe the process to be used. This will be drafted and reviewed by Jack prior to sending out in the JAC review packet. Also discussed were the proposed letter from the Traditions Ad Hoc to the RSRs and the scheduled meeting of the expanded Ad Hoc on N.A. Service to be held in Albuquerque, NM. Minutes from this call will be sent out with the regular mailing the first of next month.

Dec 18--Letter received from a member in Durban, South Africa concerning the Seventh Tradition and paying rent for meeting space. Reply will be drafted. **Response filed in 1-1-1.**

Dec 18--Revised motion and report for CAR sent to Jack for his review. Advised him that if he is unable to get back to Hollie prior to Dec 19, that he will then need to speak with Steve S. as Hollie will not be in the office until after the first of the year.

Dec 28--Hollie attempted to contact Jack, as has Steve S. several times, without success. The JAC package including the revised motion is to be sent out overnight today, so will include the report and motion, as drafted.

Jan 2, 1990--Received letter requesting copy of article on "Some thoughts on the relationship between AA and NA" as this member is having some difficulties with this issue after moving to a new state. **Will mail out with letter of thanks for the request. Response filed in 1-1-1.**

Jan 3--Mailed out the regular monthly packet including the communications register, updated international register, conference call minutes and a request from a group called MEDA to allow them to use excerpts from our literature.

Jan 5-7--JAC Meeting held. Both Jack and Becky attended.

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Jan 9--Copies of Bryce's letter to Jack, draft response to letter about tapes being sold at meetings in NY, and the new reimbursement policy that was handed out during the JAC meeting were sent to each BOT member.

Jan 9--Received a FAX from Kim with input about the conference call minutes, draft BOT minutes, review packets for Alb. meeting and contacting a professional survey organization.

Jan 12--Meeting at WSO between Jack, Steve S., George and Bob S. Topics discussed included the Hebrew translation problem, Bob's request for time on the BOT agenda, Kim's request concerning contacting a professional survey organization, P.I. Event in Berlin, W. Germany next summer, changing the dates for the BOT meetings next year due to decrease in the BOT budget, tentative agenda for the BOT meeting, European Service Conference, Brazil Report from Chuck and Becky, draft responses to letters, and trustee attendance at WSC agenda workshops.

Jan 17--Spoke with Jack to determine whether he has any input on the guideline motion that was sent to him last week. Also informed him of receiving a memo from Reuben advising Jack that he will be attending the BOT meeting on Feb 3 & 4. Also discussed changes to the draft responses that were discussed last week.

Jan 19--Meeting at WSO between Jack B., Hollie A. and George H. Several items were discussed including the C & P minutes from the multi-regional meeting, N.A. history search memo from Steve L., input on the letter from N.Y on speaker tapes from Danette (minor revisions to letter were made), revised draft responses to letters discussed last week, and the revised agenda for the BOT meeting in Feb. Also called Kim J. to discuss how to proceed with obtaining statistical information about how N.A. is perceived in the professional community as well as in the general public. She then sent a five page FAX with a variety of suggestions and questions that will need discussion before embarking on this "fact finding mission."

Jan 22--Revised draft responses and memo from Steve L. on his N.A. history search were sent to each BOT member. BOT info packets are being put together to take to Alb. NM for distribution so that all members will have ample time to review prior to the meeting Feb 2-4, 1990.

Jan 26-28--Combined meeting held in Albuquerque, NM to discuss the second part of the *Guide to Service*. All BOT members were in attendance except for Danette C. and Donna M. Packages with the information that needs review prior to next weekends meeting were given to each of the BOT members.

Jan 25--A copy of a letter that has been sent to the *Clean Times* in the U.K. was sent to the WSO for the BOT. It concerns the dissatisfaction the writer felt when he read the article on "What is Addiction" that was printed in the *Clean Times*. The note requests that the Trustees accept this letter as his "humble contribution to the debate." Will give to Jack to read and for determination as to whether it necessitates a response. Copy of letter mailed to all BOT members in the Feb 5 package with the approved minutes.

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Jan 29--Received a letter from the host committee for the ESC in Lisbon, Portugal which requests the attendance of one or more Trustees at the ESC next summer. Will copy to Jack for his info.

Jan 30--Letter received from Carolina Regional Lit. Review Committee and their desire to review traditions material on a chapter-by-chapter basis. Will copy to Jack and Danette.

Feb 1--Meeting at WSO between Kim J., Bob S., Steve S., Steve L., Vandy A. and Hollie A. to discuss the agenda for the Internal/External committee the weekend. The main focus of the discussion was on the direction that will need to be taken to collect information on our image and the possibility of utilizing the WSC P.I. and H&I Committee members in assisting in these efforts.

Feb 2-4--Board of Trustees meeting held at the WSO in Van Nuys. Please see minutes for details.

Feb 5--Approved minutes of the October BOT meeting were mailed, along with committee minutes, to all RSR's, RSR-A's, BOD and JAC, as directed by the 1988 WSC.

Feb 5--Letter received from the K.I.S.S. A.S.S. group in Rockford, Illinois with copies of their group policies. They have asked that these policies be reviewed for any tradition violation. Will discuss with Jack then draft a response. Acknowledgment of receipt letter sent on 2/6.

Feb 16--Meeting with Jack, Hollie, Steve S. and George at WSO. Items discussed included the upcoming Fellowship Report for March, the Conference Report for WSC, tentative agenda items for the April WSC BOT meeting, the draft minutes, enclosures for the next BOT mailing, and an upcoming P.I. event (June 1991) in Helsinki, Finland. Jack was also given a copy of the election process that will be used at the WSC for his review. Also informed him that there has not been any input yet for the letter from the USSR.

Feb 17--Garth called with further input on the draft BOT policy. Will advise Becky and Chuck this weekend while they are here for the AHNAS meeting.

Feb 20--Letter from Shannon Lynagh concerning some issues he would like to see the Board consider in the future. Will include in next mailing to BOT.

Feb 21--Mailing of draft minutes to all BOT members, along with the BOT purpose package, Barbara Jorgensen's letter, Stretch's letter and Jack's response, Shannon Lynagh's letter and report, and the minutes from the Ad Hoc Committee on N.A. Service.

Feb 23--Spoke with Jack concerning Judy Yount and her concerns with the response to her letter. He related that he has already spoken with her and want to send her a short letter stating that he will be unable to send the article he alluded to in their conversation as it has not been approved. He will FAX his draft of the Fellowship Report on Monday, Feb 26 and plans to come to the WSO on Feb 28.

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March 1--Meeting held at WSO between Becky M., George H., Hollie A. and Ann R. to discuss the BOT guidelines. There was discussion on what should be included in the guidelines with no specific decisions made. Becky will prepare a report to the Board with more details.

March 2--Letter received from a member in San Bernadino to the I/E committee. Will have typed for review by Jack and Kim prior to drafting a response.

March 2--Meeting at WSO with Jack B., George H., Steve S. and Hollie A. Items discussed were draft letters for review, the agenda for the meeting next weekend, the fellowship report, the P.I. event in June in Berlin and possibilities for who could attend, the international meeting in Sept. in Athens of the World Federation of Therapeutic Communities and does this warrant pursuing as we were supposed to do a presentation in Buenos Aires for them last year, developing a response to the letter from Russia as there has been no input from members of the Board, and possible staff reassignments after the Conference.

March 5--Letter addressed to the Traditions Ad Hoc. Will copy to Jack and Danette.

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