
To: The Fellowship

From: Leah Goodrich, Chairperson
WSC Select Committee

The Guide to Service in Narcotics Anonymous, Revised has now been available to the Fellowship for sixty days. We hope that everyone who wants to, has had a chance to look at the draft. The Conference adopted a revised schedule for the completion of the work on this project.

Between now and the December 1, 1987 deadline the committee expects to receive a fairly large amount of input. We would like to make one request concerning this input. We appreciate the effort members and committees have given to a line by line review approach. Although it is important that this be continued, it would be especially helpful if you would comment on the particular concepts of each chapter also. This will aid us in choosing the appropriate direction the Fellowship supports and leave the details of the exact wording changes until later on in the year. We do not mean to discourage those of you who are taking the more detailed approach, but general comments are more valuable at this time. We appreciate your understanding of our needs and hope you will respond positively to our request.

At our meeting in June we tackled some issues regarding the growth of the worldwide Fellowship, brought to light by the now dissolved International Committee in the March '87 Fellowship Report. It has been evident for some time that due to the growth of the Fellowship around the world, some reorganization of world service responsibilities would have to come to pass. We discussed these problems at length and, along with supportive assistance from the WSO Board of Directors and members of the Board of Trustees, we expect to offer additional information in a relatively short period of time to the Fellowship as a whole. The Committee decided to publish the options for reorganization so they can be studied and commented on by members.

At the Joint Administrative Committee meeting after WSC '87, the Select Committee modified its budget considerably. We hope that these changes will not affect the quality of our work but will display to the Fellowship our sincerity in contributing our part to ease the demands on our WSC resources. We feel confident that the Fellowship will respond adequately to our service needs if we are willing at world services to be examples of your trust and respect.

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From: Bob Rehmar, Chairman
Board of Trustees

It has come to our attention that there is a need to provide some clarification about the articles which were written by the Board of Trustees and presented to the World Service Conference this year. There have been many questions from regions and areas as to the status of these articles and also the articles which were published in the January Fellowship Report.

As a result of Conference action (see page 28 of the WSC '87 Minutes), the five articles presented to WSC '87 and the two articles published in January were all committed back to the Board of Trustees. This action was a clear indication of

reluctance by the Conference participants to support the information contained in those articles. As a result, the articles are not being distributed to the Fellowship. Our recommendation is that none of the articles be used as policy for the Fellowship or as definitive statements from the Board of Trustees.

The Conference also provided some valuable assistance in terms of criteria for publishing articles in the future. A motion was adopted (also page 28 of the Conference Minutes) which requires that all articles from the Board of Trustees be considered by the Conference before publication, unless the Board of Trustees can agree by 2/3 majority prior to publishing them. In addition to this specific criteria, the Conference authorized changes in the *N.A. Way* which would allow the addition of an editorial section to the magazine which could provide a forum for articles from the Trustees and the Fellowship's discussion of them.

At this time, one of our priorities is to renew our efforts at determining the role of the Trustees in relationship to Conference Committees. Over the past several years, Trustees have functioned in varying roles and within different guidelines according to the committee they were working on. Some have been in an advisory and liaison role, some have functioned as working and voting members of the committee, some as working members with no vote, etc. There have even been suggestions that Trustees should not have any role on Conference Committees. We hope to pursue this subject with the intent of determining how we can best be responsible to the Fellowship we serve.

Other projects for the Board of Trustees include providing input to the Select Committee and participating in the Ad-hoc Committee on *It Works*.

The Trustees have been assigned as follows: Jack B.--Select Committee, Sydney R.--World Literature Committee and Literature Review Committee, Bo S. and Greg P.--Literature Committee, Bob B.--Policy Committee, Mario T. and Dutch H.--H&I, Tom M.--P.I., and Sally E.--International Ad-hoc Committee. James D. has been appointed as associate editor of the *N.A. Way* magazine.

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From: Steve Bice, Chairperson
World Convention Corporation

The World Convention Corporation had a very successful Conference. All of the Convention Corporation motions were approved by the Conference. Most of the motions that were presented dealt with changes to the *Convention Guidelines*. The Conference selected Northern California as the site for WCNA-18.

The Convention Corporation found itself in a difficult position after the Conference. When we tried to make the arrangements for WCNA-18 in Santa Clara, CA we were informed that neither the convention facilities nor the hotels were available to us for the convention. This required a total change of plans. We assisted the Northern California region in trying to find alternative sites and after the information was gathered it was determined that the most feasible location for the 18th World Convention was the Southern California location. This decision was reached with the concurrence of the Northern California Region.

This situation pointed out several very disturbing things. First the Convention Corporation found that it did not have the planning flexibility to respond to the ever-changing nature of booking conventions. It was the opinion of the Convention Corporation that WCNA-18 would require the primary utilization