

**1990 WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE
MONDAY, APRIL 23, 1990**

The meeting was called to order by Bob H., Chairperson of the World Service Conference 1989-90, at 9:07 a.m. The meeting was opened with a moment of silence to remember the still-suffering addict, followed by the Serenity Prayer.

A roll call (#1) of voting participants was conducted by Shari A. (WSC Treasurer), showing the following participants to be present: Alabama/NW Florida; Alask; Arizona; Australia; Best Little Region; British Columbia; Buckeye; California Mid-State; Carolina; Central California; Chesapeake/Potomac; Chicagoland; Colorado; Connecticut; Florida; Georgia; German-speaking Region; Greater Illinois; Greater New York; Greater Philadelphia; Hawaii; Indiana; Iowa; Japan; Kentuckiana; London; Lone Star; Michigan; Mid-America; Mid-Atlantic; Mississippi; Mountaineer; Nebraska; New England; New Jersey; New Mexico; New Zealand; Northern California; Northern New York; Ohio; OK Region; Ontario; Oregon/S. Idaho; Quebec; Region of the Virginias; San Diego/Imperial; Show-Me; Sierra Sage; Southern California; Southern Nevada; Tri-State; Upper Midwest; Upper Rocky Mountain; Utah; Volunteer; Washington/N. Idaho; Wisconsin; Bob H. (WSC Chairperson); Ed D. (WSC Vice Chairperson); Reuben F. (WSC Second Vice Chairperson); Shari A. (WSC Treasurer); Tim B. (WSC Policy Chair); Barbara J. (WSC H&I Chair); Steve R. (WSC P.I. Chair); Bryce S. (WSC Literature Chair); Stu T. (WSO BOD Chair); Jack B. (WSB Chair); Becky M. (WSB); Tom McC. (WSB); Greg P. (WSB); Mario T. (WSB); Garth P. (WSB); Chuck L. (WSB); Stretch G. (WSB).

Bob H. (WSC Chairperson) made announcements about turning in motions for the motion list. He also announced an N.A. meeting to be held Monday evening.

Bob H. (WSC Chairperson) than asked Lyne R. (RSR, Quebec) to read the Twelve Traditions.

Shari A. (WSC Treasurer) announced a total of 75 participants present: 50 represents a 2/3 majority; 38 represents a simple majority; and 58 regions are present out of 60.

It was M/S/C Ed D. (WSC Vice Chairperson)/Mel N. (RSR, Utah) to adopt the WSC Procedures for use at this annual meeting. **MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE** after the following.

It was M/S/F Jon T. (RSR, New Jersey) to change the order of the day. He asked to seat the new regions before adopting the rules of order. **MOTION FAILED BY VOICE VOTE.**

AMENDMENT: It was M/S/F Karen P. (RSR, Chesapeake/Potomac)/Darwyn L. (RSR, Mississippi) changes to the Rules of Order: "To amend the WSC Procedures, Rules of Order under Voting (C.1.E.vi) by deleting and add in its place, "The only population from which will be counted will be those present and voting. Abstentions will be counted as blanks, neither positive nor negative. In roll call vote absent ballot will be allowed and documented as such." **AMENDMENT FAILED BY VOICE VOTE**

AMENDMENT: It was M/S/ Karen P. (RSR, Chesapeake/Potomac)/Rita S. (RSR, Mid-Atlantic) "To amend the rules of order:

1. To allow debate on Object to consideration, 2 pro, 2 con.
2. That "Lay on the Table," Reconsider" and "Rescind" all require a simple majority vote.
3. That a "question of order" or "Parliamentary Inquiry" be answered by the paid parliamentarian."

Bob H. (WSC Chairperson) informed the conference that the above amendment also amends the *Temporary Working Guide to Our Service Structure*, and therefore requires a 2/3 majority to pass. (page 29, 1989 edition of *Temporary Working Guide to Our Service Structure*)

It was M/S/ Bryce S. (WSC Literature Chairperson) to object to consideration of the amendment.

It was M/S/ Karen P. (RSR, Chesapeake/Potomac)/Jon T. (RSR, New Jersey) to appeal the decision of the chair to vote on the objection. She asked that the conference see the whole package of motions first.

Bob H. (WSC Chairperson) called for vote to uphold the decision of the chair. The chairperson's decision was overturned.

It was M/S/ Mitchell S. (RSR, Greater New York) called for a standing vote. Bob H. (WSC Chairperson) instructed those in favor of considering this amendment to stand, then those opposed to consideration of the amendment to stand.

It was M/S/C Al R. (RSR, Greater Philadelphia)/Terry C.(RSR, Wisconsin) To divide the question according to the numbers on the motion.

AMENDMENT: It was M/S/F Karen P. (RSR, Chesapeake/Potomac)/Rita S. (RSR, Mid-Atlantic) First amendment: To allow debate on Object to Consideration, 2 pro and 2 con. AMENDMENT FAILED

AMENDMENT: It was M/S/F Karen P. (RSR, Chesapeake/Potomac)/Rita S. (RSR, Mid-Atlantic) "That "Lay on the Table," "Reconsider" and "Rescind" all require a simple majority vote." AMENDMENT FAILED BY VOICE VOTE following the discussion below.

It was M/S/ Eddie A. (RSR, Alabama/NW Florida)/ to object to consideration. Bob H. (WSC Chairperson) ruled it out of order, since debate had already begun with a previous comment by Greg P. (BOT).

It was M/S/C Andy S. (RSR, Florida)/Steve R. (WSC P.I. Chairperson) to call the previous question. MOTION CARRIED

AMENDMENT: It was M/S/F Karen P. (RSR, Chesapeake/Potomac)/Rita S. (RSR, Mid-Atlantic) "That a question of order or parliamentary inquiry be answered by the paid parliamentarian." AMENDMENT FAILED

It was M/S/C Mel N. (RSR, Utah)/Steve R. (WSC P.I. Chairperson) called the question (and vote on the amendment).

Bryce S. (WSC Literature Chairperson) called the question (to vote on the Rules of Order). The conference voted to return to the vote on the Rules of Order.

With reference to a previously announced decision of Bob H. (WSC Chairperson) to have a non-smoking conference, it was M/S/F Darwyn L. (RSR, Mississippi)/ to appeal the decision of the chair and allow for a smoking section. MOTION FAILED

Omer G. (RSR, OK) offered an alternative: one day smoking, one day non-smoking.

It was M/S/C Debbie Ott (WSC Policy Committee vice chair) to suspend the rules in order to allow everyone who must be in the room (RSR alternates, members of the BOD, staff, etc.) to vote about smoking. MOTION CARRIED

It was M/S/C Andy S. (RSR, Florida)/Steve R. (WSC P.I. Chairperson) to call the question. MOTION CARRIED The conference returned to vote on the chair's decision. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

It was M/S/ Andy A. (RSR, Best Little)/Darwyn L. (RSR, Mississippi) to appeal the decision of the chair that a majority vote in fact sustained the chair's decision, and asked for a standing vote. The standing vote: YES-98;NO-39; the chair's decision is sustained.

Bob H. (WSC Chairperson) moved on to seating new regions. Andy S. (RSR, Florida) rose to introduce the South Florida/Bahamas Region, after a report given by the new RSR. It was M/S/C Andy S. (RSR, Florida)/Stretch G. (BOT) to seat the region as a voting participant. MOTION CARRIED BY 2/3 MAJORITY VOICE VOTE

It was M/S/C Jon T. (RSR, New Jersey)/Forest B. (RSR, S. Florida/Bahamas) to seat the Northern New Jersey as a voting participant. MOTION CARRIED BY 2/3 MAJORITY VOICE VOTE

Nathan N. (RSR, London) rose to introduce the new South West Region, although their RSR was not present. He asked permission to read their report so that the conference may be informed. There were no objections; Nathan read the report of the region.

It was M/S/ Nathan N. (RSR, London)/Wendy W. (RSR, British Columbia) to seat the South West Region in its absence. (see motion to postpone)

AMENDMENT: It was M/S/F Andy S. (RSR, Florida)/Dick H. (RSR, Iowa) that the above motion would go into effect at the end of the conference. AMENDMENT FAILED BY VOICE VOTE

SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT: It was M/ Greg P. (BOT) to change "seat" to "recognize" in the main motion. Substitute amendment died due to lack of a second.

It was M/S/C Shannon L. (RSR, Tri-State)/Gene R. (RSR, California Mid-State) to call the question for the amendment. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

AMENDMENT: It was M/S/ Ed D. (WSC Vice Chairperson)/Shannon L. (RSR, Tri-State) to extend this to include France, Spain, Colombia, Brazil, Portugal, and Israel.

Nathan asked if he could offer a substitute motion which would better reflect the original intent of his main motion. After discussion, Nathan withdrew his offer to substitute.

It was M/S/C Reuben F. (WSC Second Vice Chairperson)/Terry C. (RSR, Wisconsin) to postpone consideration of the motion until after disposition of *Conference Agenda Report* Motion #2 (the motion on cost equalization). MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

It was M/S/C Eddie A. (RSR, Alabama/NW Florida)/Bud K. (RSR, Michigan) to call the previous question. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

It was M/S/C Ed D. (WSC Vice Chairperson)/Tim B. (WSC Policy Chairperson) to adopt the WSC election procedures. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, AS AMENDED BELOW

AMENDMENT: It was M/S/ Stretch G. (BOT)/Chuck L. (BOT) to amend the election procedure: "To provide that for 1990 we elect three 5-year and no 1-year trustees."

It was M/S/ Karen P. (RSR, Chesapeake/Potomac)/Forest B. (RSR, S. Florida/Bahamas) to refer this motion to the 1991 *Conference Agenda Report* for action at WSC 1991. The Chairperson ruled the motion out of order, since it applied to a motion that would not be applicable in 1991.

It was M/S/C Terry C. (RSR, Wisconsin)/Gene R. (RSR, California Mid-State) to call the question. MOTION TO END DEBATE CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The standing vote: YES-29; MOTION FAILED FOR LACK OF A REQUIRED 2/3 MAJORITY VOTE.

AMENDMENT: It was M/S/F Greg P. (BOT)/John P. (RSR, Northern New York) to eliminate from the election procedure, on the second page, the three lines which describe the one-year terms. (This motion would also amend the *Temporary Working Guide to Our Service Structure*) AMENDMENT FAILED

AMENDMENT: It was M/S/C Bryce S. (WSC Literature Chairperson)/ to strike the last sentence from Section 7 of the election procedure for the 1990 WSC. AMENDMENT CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

AMENDMENT: It was M/S/F Rita S. (RSR, Mid Atlantic)/ Bob F. (RSR, Northern New Jersey) "That WSC recreate the position of WSC secretary and that WSO provide all material support necessary to accomplish the tasks." MOTION FAILED BY VOICE VOTE

It was M/S/F Andy S. (RSR, Florida)/Eddie A. (RSR, Alabama/NW Florida) to commit the motion to WSC Policy Committee. MOTION FAILED

It was M/S/F Eddie A. (RSR, Alabama/NW Florida)/Jeff T. (RSR, Arizona) to call the question.

After the vote on election procedures, Bob H. (WSC Chairperson) announced the location for committee meetings. The conference recessed at 12:10 p.m., with committee meetings to take place beginning at 2:00 p.m.

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