

FIFTH WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE
Van Nuys California
May 2, 1980

The Fifth World Service Conference was at L.A. Valley College in Van Nuys, California on May 2, 3 and 4 of 1980. The meeting was presided over by Tommy Burcher. Representatives from 15 States or Regions were present. More details of this Conference were maintained then in previous years.

Among the principal results of this Conference was a clarification of the relationship of World Service Office to the Fellowship and how World Service Office functions.

The Conference adopted a revised handbook and one other pamphlet for the Fellowship to use.

The following pages include actions taken by the Conference including information about elections and policy matters, a World Service Office financial report is also included.

Nominations for Chairman of Finance Committee:

Amy Webster (seconded)

Motion made, seconded and carried to close nominations.

Amy Webster is Chairman of Finance Committee for WSC of 1981.

Nominations for Chairman of H & I Committee:

Bob Berg (seconded)-Bob declined
Henry Spiegel (seconded)

Motion made, seconded and carried to close nominations.

Henry Spiegel is Chairman of H & I Committee for WSC of 1981.

Nominations for Chairman of P.I. Committee:

Bob Plummer (seconded)
Larry Baker (seconded)
Tommy Burcher (seconded)

Motion made, seconded and carried to close nominations.

Bob Plummer is Chairman of P.I. Committee for WSC of 1981.

Nominations for Chairman of Literature Committee:

Bo Sewell (seconded)
Doug Forsmith (seconded)

Motion made and seconded to close nominations. Not carried.

Additional nominees for Chairman of Literature Committee:

Greg Pierce (seconded)
Cliff Harding (seconded)
Buddy - Buddy declined
Bud Kroenburg - Bud declined.

Discussion on whether nomination for Greg Pierce would be a conflict of interest as he is a Trustee. Page 34 of Service Manual states a WSO Officer who is also a Trustee may only have 1 vote.

Motion made seconded and carried to close nominations.

Bob Sewell is Chairman of Literature Committee for WSC of 1981.

WSC dance last night	145.12
<i>Existing balance</i>	1,981.34
Income	145.12
Expenses this year	359.14
 Ending Balance	 1,767.32

Motion re-stated to read that it is permissible to either pass or display H & I cans at any N.A. meeting or function.

Motion made that WSC authorize establishment of a bank account for H & I funds. Seconded. Carried.

Reworded statement (see item 9 of guidelines): Recommendation of WSC Finance Committee suggests that each N.A. meeting donate any excess funds over and above and including operational expenses, be sent to WSO through its normal channels.

Motion made to approve guidelines with this change in Item 9. Seconded Discussion. (see Service Manual for clarification on proper channels).

Question asked and answered stating that monies going to WSC and WSO are 2 separate things.

Motion repeated and seconded and carried.

Motion made to approve proposed budget of WSO. Seconded. Carried.

Cover of Handbook - Adding the word "PROPOSED" to Handbook.....

Praying Hands will be omitted and replaced with N.A. symbol.

TWO DOLLARS will be omitted from cover.

1st Page - Top paragraph eliminate Handbook for N.A. Literature Committee and published by. Replace with "For use within the Fellowship of N.A. "will be placed on bottom of WSC Literature Committee."

Page 2 - last paragraph stating 'a lot of material is published in local newsletters' (delete Voice, Mainline, etc.) Line 4. Change Composition Conference to Literature Conference on page 2, para. 2, line 6.

Page 3 - 2nd paragraph under HOW TO FORM A LOCAL LITERATURE COMMITTEE, line 1. Delete the word nucleus.

Page 8 - Under POSSIBLE TOPICS changed to read POSSIBLE TOPICS BASED ON PERSONAL EXPERIENCE.

Page 10 - Under IV-COMMUNITY AWARENESS B.1 - TYPES OF ADDICTS is deleted.

Page 12 - Basic text. Lines 7, 9 and 10 changing Composition Conference to Literature Conference.

Para. 1 under Basic Text, line 9 beginning with "At the..." and ending with "with first edition" on line 13 is deleted.

Page 13 - On list. Delete Possitive Addictions.

Page 14 - Paranoia is deleted in list. Community Awareness is deleted.

Dedication on the back cover stands as is.

Discussion.

Motion made to adopt Handbook as revised and leave White Book as is, Seconded and Carried.

ANOTHER LOOK is not only a man's personal story but it is copyrighted material and therefore it cannot be changed. Instead of deleting and/or revising what was already written, that same member who wrote it added 2 paragraphs to correct which read:

"Creative action is not a mysterious procedure, although it is an inside job in rebuilding or reintegrating our dis-ordered and fractured personalities. Often it means simply listening to those hunches and intuitive feelings that we think would benefit others or ourselves, and acting on them spontaneously. Here is where many basic principles of action become apparent. We are then able to make decision based on principles that have real value to ourselves.

The purpose of the steps of Narcotics Anonymous becomes clear as we find that dependence on a High Power, as we each understand it, brings self-respect and self-reliance. We know that we are neither superior nor inferior to anyone; our real value lies in being ourselves. Freedom, with responsibility for ourselves and our actions, appears to be foremost in our lives. We keep and expand freedom through daily practice, this is the creative action that never ends. Goodwill, of course, is the beginning of all spiritual growth, it leads to affection and love in all our actions. These three goals Freedom, Creative Action and Goodwill, when shown in service in the Fellowship, without seeking personal rewards, bring about changes whose ends we cannot predict or control; therefore, service is also a Power greater than we and has significant meaning for all.

My gratitude speaks when I care and
when I share with others the N.A. Way."

Motion made and seconded to accept this piece of literature in its entirety. Seconded.

Motion was made and seconded to approve ANOTHER LOOK with additions. Seconded. Standing vote was called for. Motion carried.

New motion was made stating that material that is proposed to be re-printed be put into a separate I.P. to be distributed amongst the Fellowship for use. Seconded. Carried.

Location and time of next Literature Conference was voted on.

Nominations were:

1. San Francisco, Ca.
2. San Luis Obispo, Ca.
3. Lincoln, Nebraska
4. Milwaukee, Wisconsin
5. Memphis, Tennessee

Motion made, seconded and carried to close nominations.

Motion retracted for nomination of San Luis Obispo.

The site for the next Literature Conference will be Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dates discussed.

Motion made, seconded and carried to close nominations for dates.

The date will be the day following the 10th World Convention.

The address for the WSC Literature Committee is:

890 Atlanta Road
Marietta, Georgia 30060

Motion made, seconded and carried to approve guidelines for Policy Committee. Carried.

Next item of business pertained to proposal to WSC stating a 60-90 day distribution of any material for review amongst Fellowship, before WSC.

Discussion.

Changed to read no less than 60 days prior to next WSC.

Motion made to approve this proposal as revised (no less than 60 days). Seconded. Carried.

Motion made "Recommendation that any meeting using outside literature that is not WSC approved be dropped from any N.A. directories. Seconded. Discussion.

Question from the floor arose as to what would happen if a group chose not to follow the recommendation and would the Trustees take action in sending that group a notice. Not answered. Question on whether this includes the World Directory. Yes. All N.A. directories.

Voice Vote. Carried.

Though there were abstentions, Chairman stated that this recommendation is approved.

Chairman stated that the total amount requested by all the sub-committees is \$2,350.00 and we only have \$1,267.32.

Treasurer's proposal is that we take \$1,267.32 and give committees \$1,260.00 which leaves us with \$7.32.

One member stated that it is up to every Region to go home and try and do better in regards to supporting the WSC and WSO.

Amy Webster, Chairman of Finance Committee, stated that we have, after putting away \$500.00 for our next Conference a total of \$1267.32. She proposed giving \$100.00 to the H & I Committee and \$500.00 a piece to both the Literature Committee and the P.I. Committee. \$167.32 going to WSO.

Manager of WSO told Amy that we should go ahead and take care of the sub-committees first because WSO can always hold functions for money.

Amy added that these funds will be allocated to sub-committees and that each sub-committee will have to submit an itemized expense report to her. Financial statements will also be required from each sub-committee.

Motion made to approve budget as the committees requested and that money be administered on a monthly basis. Under no circumstances are we to fall under the \$500.00 set aside for our next Conference. Seconded Carried.

FISCAL YEAR MARCH 1 1979 - FEBRUARY 29, 1980

	INCOME	EXPENSE
CASH BALANCE	1086.76	
LITERATURE SALES	16535.40	
DONATIONS	3290.89	
MAIL		1596.48
PRINTING		7999.41
PRINTING		2309.50
PACIFIC TELEPHONE		1414.94
UNITED PARCEL SERVICE		950.00
OFFICE EXPENSE		600.00
SUPPLIES		6202.74
TOTALS	21273.07	21073.07
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	2136.77	
LITERATURE INVENTORY	4000.00	
DEPRECIABLE ASSETS	<u>1100.00</u>	
	7736.77	

Starter Kits Sent Out 430 @ \$5.00 ea. \$2,150.00

3. Our mail has increased about 150%, much of this from people and organizations of all kinds who want to know how to avail themselves of what we have to offer. This brings us to an important subject for the Conference as a whole to consider. Until the present, the World Service Office Inc. has operated with only the donations from some groups and some regions plus the small margin on our sales to carry us on and to try to expand our services. The time when we could operate on a completely voluntary basis has long since passed. Funds for services rendered, which are far from Twelfth Step work, must be forthcoming. We desperately need machines and personnel to continue to do our job and expand our services. These are needed now, not in the future.

AGENDA

Friday, May 2, 1980

7:30pm Attendance of the following participants is requested.
W.S.O. Manager, W.S.C. Officers (Adm. Comm.), Board of Trustees, Sub-Committee chairpersons, Regional Delegates and/or their alternates, and state representatives.

The W.S.C. guidelines will be reviewed and procedures to occur during the Conference will be discussed.

Any and all input forms will be collected and will be distributed to the designated Committees.

Two (2) vote counters will be appointed. Persons eligible to be counters shall not be voting members of the body.

To ensure that all Conference participants have received any and all packets (i.e., literature, public information, etc.) that may be presented during the Conference, for review.

Saturday, May 3, 1980

Note: W.S.O. Manager, Trustees, Sub-Comm. Chairpersons, and W.S.C. Officers will be given a flag upon registering at the door.

8:30am Opening statements by Chairman.

Upon roll call from Chairman for Regional Delegates and/or their alternates, State representatives, they will receive a flag.

INTRODUCTIONS

Administrative Committee/Treasurer report

W.S.O. report

Trustee report

Sub-Committee reports

- Literature
- Policy
- Public Information
- Finance
- Institutional

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At this point the procedures for elections will be read to refresh our memories.

Elections

1. Officers (Administrative)
2. Sub-Committee Chairpersons

Any and all remaining Input Forms that were not turned in Friday evening, will be submitted to the Chairman so that he may distribute them to the designated Committees for which that input pertains to.

All Conference participants will be reminded to review any and all material that will be presented to the W.S.C. on Sunday. Those persons who have not yet received necessary material to be reviewed, will be given a copy at this time.

Sunday, May 4, 1980

8:30am Sub-Committee Meetings

We will break up into each committee and review any input forms and any new material.

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Sub-Committee Session

1. Administrative Committee
2. Literature Committee
3. Policy Committee
4. Public Information Committee
5. Finance Committee
6. Institutional Committee

NOTE: THE CONFERENCE IS OPEN TO MEMBERS OF THE FELLOWSHIP AS
NON-PARTICIPANT OBSERVERS.

Dear Fellow Member:

Allow me to introduce myself; I'm Chairman of the World Service Conference. This is a reminder that the Conference is coming up again. It is May 2-4, 1980 at Los Angeles Valley College, 5800 Fulton Ave, Van Nuys, Ca.

I would like to extend a special invitation to you to come serve and/or represent your region or state at the Conference.

For those of you who are not familiar with the Conference it accumulates, correlates, coordinates information and defines policy and particular needs and problems of the Fellowship as a whole. For further explanation see the SERVICE MANUAL OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS.

On the Agenda you will notice that we are starting on Friday, May 2nd at 7:30pm. (You'll be notified of meeting place; If you are from outside the area you'll be told upon arrival). This part of the Conference is aimed primarily at the W.S.O. Manager, Board of Trustees, W.S.C. Officers (Adm. Comm.), Sub-Committee Chairpersons. This doesn't exclude Regional Delegates, their alternates or state representatives. If you can make it on Friday you are definitely welcome.

If you are not involved in the service of N.A. please forward this packet to your Delegate or representative to the Conference. We are anticipating a large number of major issues to be discussed at the Conference which could influence N.A. as a whole.

Please submit registration form back to us as soon as possible so we can better prepare for your arrival and lodging, if you wish for us to provide your lodging

If you have any questions, please contact one of the following people:

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Georgia Tommy B. (404) 767-7487
Bo S. (404) 427-2086 or 436-0953

Yours in the Spirit of the Fellowship,



Tommy Burcher
Chairman to the Conference