

NEW ATTITUDES, The NORVANA Newsletter

March 2010

Monthly Quiz (answers on page 2):

- 1. Where is the World Service Conference (WSC) held?**
- 2. Has the WSC always been every other year?**

In the absence of any submissions, this issue is being devoted to preparation for the bi-annual (every 2 years) World Service Conference, which will be held in late April.

First, a service structure summary: group, area, region, world (there is an informal zonal level as well, between region and world, but it is not part of the official structure). Groups have group consciences to discuss group issues, and also to vote on area motions brought back from area service. Areas have area service committee meetings to discuss area issues, vote on area motions, and also vote on regional motions brought back from regional service. Unless an issue is time-critical, regional motions will be sent back to the groups as well. Regions have regional service committee meetings to discuss regional issues, vote on regional motions, and also vote on world motions brought back from the world service conference. The world motions (known by many as the CARs since they come from the world Conference Agenda Report) are sent back to the areas and the groups as well. Perhaps this is a little confusing, but the bottom line is this: **every two years, groups get to vote on motions for the World Service Conference, and this month is the time to vote.**

These motions are collected at NORVANA's April ASC (on April 5), combined and taken to the C&P Region's April RSC (on April 10), and then combined and taken to the World Service Conference (a weeklong affair running from April 25 to May 1). Each group should have a tally sheet to record their votes. There are 14 motions, they are listed on the next page.

Printed copies of the CAR, with the motions and the supporting information, were distributed earlier this year at ASC. If your group did not get one, or you want your own copy, you may download it from <http://www.na.org/?ID=conference-Index>

Just click on the link for "2010 Conference Agenda Report", English (or your preferred language).

There are several CAR workshops being held around the region this month, for those who want to find out more about them. Our NORVANA reps have nothing planned as of publication date, but there is a workshop on March 13 at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Washington DC (sponsored by the DC areas), and for those who don't mind driving there are workshops on March 6 in Frederick (sponsored by Frederick and Montgomery) and March 20 in Prince Frederick (sponsored by Tri-County).

The motions are listed on page 2.

ILS, Jim S.

Reminder: TWC weekend is May 7-9, email norvanaspecialevents@hotmail.com, or see <http://www.cprna.org/events/documents/twc2010.pdf> for details.

Circle of Hope meeting on Friday evenings at 7 has moved to St. John's UM Church, 5312 Backlick Road in Springfield.

Recovery Haiku: Head-high walls of snow
Street plowed after week waiting
Clean again today

REMINDER: SEND SUBMISSIONS TO norvananewsletter@cprna.org

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Motions for groups to vote on for WSC 2010

World Board Motions

Motion 1: To approve “A Vision for NA Service” stated below to replace the existing “NA World Services Vision Statement.”

Motion 2: To approve the draft contained in Addendum A, *Money Matters: Self-Support in NA*, to replace the existing IPs #24 “*Hey! What’s the Basket For?*” and #25 *Self-Support: Principle & Practice*.

Motion 3: To approve the draft contained in Addendum B, *Funding NA Services*, as a Conference Approved pamphlet

Motion 4: To approve the revisions to *In Times of Illness* contained in Addendum C.

Regional Motions

Motion 5: Direct NAWS to produce and add to inventory a purple decades clean and granite decade clean key tag in English only. *Maker: Show Me Region*

Motion 6: To add purple key tags for multiple decades of clean time to the NAWS inventory
Maker: New Jersey Region, page 37

Motion 7: To add a Spanish (Castilian) Line Numbered Large Print Basic Text, in the current edition, to NAWS inventory. *Maker: Southern California Region*

Motion 8: The World Board is directed to develop a project plan for presentation to WSC 2012 for a Traditions Working Guide. *Maker: California Mid-State Region*

Motion 9: To direct the World Board to develop a project plan, for presentation to WSC 2012, to revise Just for Today: Daily Meditations for Recovering Addicts by replacing the thirteen quotes (and meditation passages if necessary) that were taken from the Fifth Edition Basic Text and Youth and Recovery with current fellowship approved NA literature. *Maker: The Iowa Region*

Motion 10: The World Board will post on the NAWS Website the motions that pertain to the Conference Approval Track at the same time the Conference Approval Track is sent out to Conference Participants. *Maker: South Florida Region*

Motion 11: The World Board will post on na.org all recovery literature workgroup meeting records in English within 30 days of any workgroup meeting. The World Board will also link these postings to any project resources: such as the projects discussion board, or similar resource. This post will include the project’s timeline and a schedule of workgroup meetings. The WB will also post their meeting schedule & have the discretion to post an overview of the literature development process or any other additional information. *Maker: Greater New York Region*

Motion 12: To add language to the end of the Approval Process for Recovery Material section of GWSNA, page 36, that says, “No more than two informational pamphlets or one booklet or one booklength piece will be out for Fellowship review and input at the same time.” *Maker: FreeState Region*

Motion 13: To add language to the end of the Approval Process for Recovery Material section of GWSNA, page 36, that says, “Review and Input periods will be at least six months for informational pamphlets and booklets and at least one year for book-length pieces of literature.” *Maker: FreeState Region*

Motion 14: To require a 180-day review and input period for Fellowship Approved, Conference Approved, or World Board Approved material.

Answers to Monthly Quiz:

1. Woodland Hills, California, northwest of downtown Los Angeles.

2. No, at one point it was every year, but it was changed to every other year to allow time for motion preparation, dissemination to regions and areas, etc. Any of our more “mature” members care to guess exactly when the change occurred?