

**Background:**

Narcotics Anonymous doesn't have any opinions on outside issues, but we do live and recover in the world, and we have not been immune to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

One of the most significant changes in World Services was moving the 2020 World Service Conference to an online environment. After much discussion, including a conference participant web meeting devoted to the topic, and a couple of recommendation reports from the World Board, in August 2021, conference participants decided to hold the **next full WSC in 2023**. The hope is that, by that time, financial and public health pressures will have eased enough that the 2023 meeting can be in person.

In the meantime, there will be an interim, virtual WSC meeting in 2022 to make decisions **required by law and policy** as well as a decision about the *Spiritual Principle a Day* book.

**Interim Conference Agenda Report and Conference Approval Track Material (ICC)**

- Contains 3 "housekeeping" motions and a motion to approve the *Spiritual Principle A Day* book
- Plus a fifth motion to approve a World Services budget for 2022-2023
- There are **NO motions proposed by regions** being considered at the Interim WSC in 2022
- A new Conference Agenda Report and Conference Approval Track Material will be published in November 2022 for the April 2023 World Service Conference
- The full ICC report is available online at [www.na.org/conference](http://www.na.org/conference)

CONFERENCE AGENDA REPORT MOTIONS	
#1	<p><b>Maker: World Board</b></p> <p>Acting as the trustor, the delegates present at the virtual WSC 2022, are continuing the suspension of Article 5, Section 3 of the <i>FPT</i> Operational Rules, while we make a decision about the future. This suspension will expire at the close of WSC 2023.</p>
#2	<p><b>Maker: World Board</b></p> <p>To extend the terms of the WSC elected positions for the two Human Resource Panel members and one WSC Cofacilitator currently set to expire in 2022 to 2023.</p>
#3	<p><b>Maker: World Board</b></p> <p>To extend the terms of the three WSC elected positions on the World Board currently set to expire in 2022 to 2023.</p>
#4	<p><b>Maker: World Board</b></p> <p>To approve the book contained in Addendum B, "A Spiritual Principle a Day" as Fellowship-approved recovery literature.</p>

CONFERENCE APPROVAL TRACK MOTION	
#5	<p><b>Maker: World Board</b></p> <p>To approve the Narcotics Anonymous World Services, Inc. budget for 2022-2023.</p>

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**Motion 1** Acting as the trustor, the delegates present at the virtual WSC 2022, are continuing the suspension of Article 5, Section 3 of the *FIPT* Operational Rules, while we make a decision about the future. This suspension will expire at the close of WSC 2023.

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**Intent:** To extend the existing *FIPT* moratorium on the *FIPT* inspection clause in the Operating Rules for one year.

**Financial Impact:** None

**Policy Affected:** The following section of the *FIPT* Operational Rules would remain suspended.

***Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust Operational Rules***

ARTICLE V: RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BENEFICIARY  
SECTION 3: INSPECTION OF TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES

**Conditions of inspection**

Any regional service committee or equivalent service body may inspect the records and operations of the Trust on behalf of the Beneficiary, provided the following conditions are met.

1. A motion to conduct an inspection of the Trust must be approved by a regional service committee or its equivalent.
2. The regional service committee wishing to inspect the Trust must assume the expense associated with the participation of its own representative in the inspection. All other costs associated with the inspection shall be borne by the Trustee.
3. The regional service committee must present a written request for inspection of the Trust, detailing its concerns and any particular areas of Trust operations it wishes to inspect.

**Selection of inspection team**

1. The regional service committee requesting the inspection will select two members of the World Board for inclusion on the inspection team. These two members will facilitate the inspection.
2. The regional service committee requesting the inspection will designate one of its participants to be included on the inspection team.

**Inspection limitation**

A Trust inspection conducted by a regional service committee on behalf of the Beneficiary may examine any aspect of the Trustee's operations, including all records, with the exception of documents privileged by law, including but not limited to the Trustee's personnel records.

**Report of inspection**

1. One of the two inspection team members drawn from the World Board will develop a report of the team's findings relative to the region's stated concerns. The report will include full documentation of the inspection team's findings.
2. The final report, along with a copy of the original request for inspection, will then be published in the next *Conference Report*.

The World Service Conference elects three kinds of trusted servants: World Board members, Human Resource Panel members, and WSC Cofacilitators. The responsibilities, terms lengths, and term limits for those positions are described in A Guide to World Services in NA (posted on the Conference page: [www.na.org/conference](http://www.na.org/conference)).

The term lengths of these positions are all organized around the idea of a two-year cycle. WSC Cofacilitators and Human Resource Panel members have four-year terms, and board members have six-year terms. For the first time, however, we are living through a three-year conference cycle.

The board is asking that the terms for six trusted servants be adjusted to accommodate this odd cycle length so that these six trusted servants don't end their terms in the middle of a cycle. These two motions do not attempt to change policy or make ongoing changes.

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**Motion 2** To extend the terms of the WSC elected positions for the two Human Resource Panel members and one WSC Cofacilitator currently set to expire in 2022 to 2023.

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**Intent:** To acknowledge the change in conference cycle due to the global pandemic.

**Financial Impact:** None

**Policy Affected:**

**GWSNA, p. 28**

**Resource Panel External Guidelines**

**Terms**

The term of office for the Human Resource Panel member will be two (2) conference cycles.

**GWSNA, p. 29**

**The WSC Cofacilitators**

The term is two (2) conference cycles.

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**Motion 3** To extend the terms of the three WSC elected positions on the World Board currently set to expire in 2022 to 2023.

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**Intent:** To adjust for the change in conference cycle due to the global pandemic.

**Financial Impact:** None

**Policy Affected:**

**GWSNA, p. 24**

**World Board External Guidelines**

**Terms**

The length of term for Board members shall be six years.

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**Motion 4** To approve the book contained in Addendum B, "A Spiritual Principle a Day" as Fellowship-approved recovery literature.

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**Intent:** To have an additional piece of Fellowship-approved material available for use by NA members, groups, and service committees.

**Financial Impact** The cost of creating this material has already been incurred. The only additional costs that would result from adopting this motion are initial production costs, which would be minimal.

**Policy Affected:** None

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**Motion 5** To approve the Narcotics Anonymous World Services, Inc. budget for 2022–2023.

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### Proposed Budget for 2022–2023

Recovering addicts know that almost every crisis creates an opportunity, and one of the opportunities from the pandemic was further recognition that NA World Services must stop relying on the excess revenue from literature sales to fund its services. Our Seventh Tradition is clear that NA declines all outside contributions, which means that the only way we can give ourselves the financial and human resources we need to carry our message is if we provide them ourselves. Only NA members can contribute to NA, so the only way to mature as a Fellowship in our practice of self-support is to create a culture that recognizes the importance of doing that.

The proposed budget for 2022–2023 projects that almost 25% of NA World Services' operating income will come from Fellowship contributions. A 12% increase

in Fellowship contributions may be optimistic, rather than our usual approach to conservative budgeting, but we hope that the spirit of responsibility and the evolution to a culture of member support for services will continue and grow.



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