

To: MWR GSRs and RSC

CONDENSED MOTIONS, CONT.

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Intent: For use in RSC and GSR Teleconference discussions, GSR and NFG discussions, and NFG GC vote.

Division of Motions as follows:

**Motions 14-18, 23-30 (included here) to you NLT Jan 19**

Motions 31, 32, Lit priority list, Lit approvals= to you NLT Feb 2

Motions 19-22 Narateen= to you NLT Feb 16

**Motion 14 (Lit Com)**

**Lit Com can work on other literature submissions when no priority literature submissions are available.**

In GWS, p 24, subsection Recovery Literature, add to the end of P2: **Submissions received by the committee, not on the priority list, can be reviewed, expanded, and/or edited if material is not available for priority list items.**

**Motion 15 (Lit Com)**

**Add clarification language to 12 Tools pamphlet**

In the pamphlet 12 Tools of Recovery, P-115, insert additional language regarding anonymity. Only the individual member has the right to divulge his or her membership **with exception of at the level of press, radio, films, internet and other forms of mass media. In these instances we need always maintain personal anonymity.** We need guard with care the anonymity of all NA members. Our fellowship's primary purpose is to help families and friends of addicts. The spiritual principle of anonymity assures no one member or problem is greater or less than any other.

**Motion 16 (Lit Com)**

**Clarification wording change**

In the GLS p 24, subsection Recovery Literature, revise the last sentence of P2. Change "submission then goes to World Service Literature Committee to be written, reviewed, expanded on and/or edited"... to **"submission is SENT to World Service Literature Committee FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT, which includes being reviewed, expanded, and/or edited"...**

**Motion 17 (Lit Com)**

**Approve new reading card, We've Been There**

New reading card, directed at the Newcomer, to be used in meetings. This card has already been through the approval process. Card is PD-135, **Attachment 2 of original motion emailing Dec 2017.**

**Motion 18 (Lit Com)****Approve new booklet, Men SESH**

Men Sharing Their Experience, Strength and Hope. This booklet has already been through the approval process. BD-216, **attachment 3 to original e-mailings of motions in Dec. 2017**

**Motion 23 (Policies & Guidelines)****Move list of World Service Committees from GLS****Regional Structure section to the back of the GLS book.**

In the GLS, p6-8, subsection Regional Delegates, revise the last bullet. Remove the current list of World Service committees. Replace with: **Committee list is found in the back of this book.**

**Add: WS Committee email list to back of GLS**

Notes: If future changes need to be made to this list, easier and more accessible as an index or table outside the narrative portion of the GLS.

**Motion 24 (P&G)****Wording change for consistency**

In GWS, p 30, subsection Qualifications of a Trustee, first bullet point. **Remove Nar-Anon service history and replace with Six years of Nar-Anon service which includes serving as either an Area or Regional Officer, Delegate, or Alt Del.**

Notes: Six years of service is listed in Bylaws, but not clearly stated under Qualifications of Trustee.

**Motion 25 (P&G)****GLS text replacement re: Anonymity**

Remove Anonymity section in GLS p7-1, 7-2. Replace with new text, shown here in **complete form** for your review. You may wish to review this new language alongside current GLS. Some language was left unchanged. Some language was deleted. **New text is in bold.**

**ANONYMITY**

The experience of our groups suggests that the principle of anonymity, which is summed up in Tradition 12 as “the spiritual foundation of all our traditions,” has 3 elements: anonymity as it applies outside Nar-Anon, anonymity within the fellowship, and anonymity as it contributes to our personal growth.

**Anonymity Outside Nar-Anon**

**Trad 11- “our public relations policy is based on attraction, rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, film, internet and other forms of mass media. We need guard with special care the anonymity of all NA members.” This speaks directly to the protection of anonymity outside of the Nar-Anon fellowship.** This gives potential members confidence their identity will not be revealed when they join Nar-Anon. **This means that at all times we need to protect our personal anonymity in the public forum.**

When speaking as a Nar-Anon/Narateen member at the public level, only first names or pseudonyms are used. In photographs for publication or in television appearances, faces **may** be blurred or turned away from the cameras so they are unrecognizable.

Any Nar-Anon/Narateen member may write an article **or give an interview** about the fellowship for local or national publication. Personal anonymity should be maintained by signing anonymously or using a pseudonym.

**Mass media includes the various forms of social media, internet articles and blogs. Individually, members can use social media for private communication but are cautioned not to use the Nar-Anon name or logo because there is no protection of anonymity. Anything expressed on the internet may be difficult or impossible to remove and could have potential harm to members and others.**

It is important to make Nar-Anon known through public forum work with professionals who come into contact with families suffering from the effects of addiction. Such contacts may make it necessary for involved Nar-Anon and Narateen members to give their full names to interested doctors, spiritual leaders, school, or industrial personnel.

### **Anonymity Within Nar-Anon**

We guard the anonymity of others in the fellowships of Nar-Anon, Narateen and NA. This means not revealing to anyone, even to relatives, friends, and other members, who we see and what we hear at a meeting.

Anonymity goes well beyond names. All of us need to feel secure in the knowledge that nothing seen or heard at a meeting will be revealed. We feel free to express ourselves among our fellow Nar-Anon members because we can be **certain** that what we say will be held in confidence.

At open Nar-Anon meetings, group anniversaries, conventions, or workshops where non-members may be present, Nar-Anon and Narateen members are free to decide how much anonymity they prefer. It is well to open such meetings with a brief explanation of the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> traditions. One suggestion is as follows:

Here may be some **attending** who are not familiar with our tradition of personal anonymity at the public level. If so, we ask **you to respect our anonymity, and not identify any Nar-Anon, Narateen or NA speaker or member by name or picture in published or broadcast reports of our meeting.**

The assurance of anonymity is essential to our efforts to help other families and friends of addicts, and the 12<sup>th</sup> tradition reminds us that **the spiritual base of Nar-Anon and Narateen are found in the equality expressed in anonymity. Our principles come before our personalities.**

### **Anonymity in Our Personal Growth**

**We identify ourselves by our first names to remind us we are equals in Nar-Anon. We share as equals, regardless of social, educational, or financial position. Anonymity provides the freedom and security Nar-Anon assures each member. Our growth in humility is rooted in the spirit of anonymity, always reminding us to place principles above personalities. Open-mindedness and the willingness to listen to each other are the practical applications of the spiritual principle of anonymity.**

**Motion 26 (P&G)****Location change: How to start a Narateen meeting**

In GLS, p2-1, subsection Registration of Groups, Remove reference to Starting a Narateen Group.

Notes: This topic is covered in the new Narateen Section of the GLS.

**Motion 27 (P&G)****Add new subsection to GLS re: draft lit**

In GLS on p 9-1, following subsection Conference Approved Literature, add another subsection titled **Draft Recovery Literature/Fellowship Review of New Service and Outreach Literature**. Add text: **Recovery literature sent out in draft and fellowship review literature/materials are not permitted to be posted on websites other than WSO website, since they are not conference approved or fully copyright protected.**

**Motion 28 (P&G)****Add 2 sentences to GWS re: draft lit**

In GWS on p 26, subsection Draft Recovery Literature/Fellowship Review of New Service and Outreach Literature, add to P3 the following: **Recovery literature is sent out in draft and fellowship review literature/materials are not permitted to be posted on group, area, NSO or regional websites. These pieces are for review and input.**

**Motion 29 (P&G)****Narateen member will be included in event planning**

**where there will be a Narateen presence.**

In the GLS, p 11-1 subsection Narateen Participation, **Remove** the following: Since Narateen is part of the Nar-Anon fellowship, its members are included in Nar-Anon activities whenever possible. It is within the discretion of the Planning Committee to determine whether Narateen members have a separate agenda. **Replace with: Narateen participation should be included in Nar-Anon activities whenever possible. A Narateen service member should be part of the event planning committee and all Narateen participation is conducted under the guidance of Narateen facilitators.**

Notes: Rationale- if invited to participate in an event, a Narateen member will be included in planning.

**Motion 30 (P&G)****No draft literature on websites**

In GWS, p 24, subsection Approval Process for Recovery Literature, **add sentence: These pieces marked draft literature are not to be posted on websites, since they have not received conference approval.**

**Motion 31 (Website)**

**Replace the Website Handbook**

Replace the current Website Handbook, S-318, with new one. **See attachment 4 in original e-mailing of motions, Dec 2017.**

Notes: Current version is out of date and organizationally confusing. Proposed version is stream-lined, updated and more reader/user friendly.

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