

Officers and Delegates in Attendance

Chair:	Michael F.	X	Secretary:	Scott N.	X
Vice Chair:	<i>position vacant</i>		Delegate:	Teri M.	X
Treasurer:	Les P.	X	Alternate Delegate:	J.T. W.	X

Subcommittee Chairs in Attendance

Subcommittee	Chair Present		Subcommittee	Chair Present	
Outreach	Janet S.	X	Conventions / Events	<i>position vacant</i>	
Literature	Ruth K.		Technology Services	Robert P.	X
Narateen	<i>position vacant</i>				

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1. Call to Order, Prayer, Roll Call, Readings

6:00 to 6:05 PM

A) **Meeting via Zoom** (web-based video conferencing tool)

New Zoom Meeting ID!

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- B) Open the meeting with the Serenity Prayer
(6:03 PM) Meeting opened
- C) Roll Call / Introductions – RSC officers, delegates, subcommittee chairs, and other attendees
- D) A quorum shall consist of 51% of the voting members. Voting members are the officers (chair, vice chair, secretary, and treasurer), Delegate, Alternate Delegate, ASRs, and subcommittee chairs.
7 of 8 voting members present.
Quorum is 5 – quorum met.
Additional attendees: None
- E) Reading of the *Twelve Traditions*
Read by Janet
- F) Reading of the *Twelve Concepts of Nar-Anon Service*
Read by Robert

2. Adoption of Minutes of Previous RSC Meeting

6:05 to 6:10 PM

- A) Approval of the minutes of previous RSC meeting.
 - i) November 4, 2020
Motion to approve the RSC minutes of November 4, 2020 as amended.
First: Scott; Second: Robert; Yes: 7; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Passes

3. Adoption of the Agenda

6:10 to 6:15 PM

- A) Call for new business
- B) Call for order of business
- C) Call for consensus on the agenda
Call for consensus on the agenda as amended.
Yes: 7; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Consensus Passes

4. Old Business

- A) None

5. Reports

6:15 to 6:45 PM (6:11 PM)

- A) Chair's Report – Michael F.

6:15 to 6:20 PM (6:11 PM)

Michael – Prepare for the assembly. We have one more meeting before the assembly.

- B) Technology Services – Robert P.

6:20 to 6:25 PM

(6:12 PM)

Robert – everything seems to be working – nothing new.

- C) Treasurer's Report – Les P.

6:25 to 6:30 PM

(6:13 PM)

Les – The report shows the Nar-Anon register. As of 11/12 the balance was \$6,459.30.

One additional \$50 contribution has been taken by Stripe but has not hit the bank.

SquareSpace is charging 5.5%. It takes several days to hit the bank. Are there any ideas or desires to look for another processor in the range of 3%?

Robert – one group is using a Venmo account. If we pick another app, people will need to create an account. What we have now takes credit cards without members' need to create an account with any vendor.

Les – whatever we use should be as simple as a donate button.

Robert – the SquareSpace / Stripe setup is what WSO does. WSO is also concerned the rate they are begin charged.

Scott – the cost of CC processing at the World Service Office has not come up with WS Budget & Finance Committee.

Michael – we could promote going back to mailing in contributions.

Teri – members can still send a check to the PO box.

Robert – NA uses an option to do PayPal or credit card. It would be possible. It is just configuration time. Non-profits are not charged if the money stays in PayPal.

Les – will check with PayPal to see what the charges will be. PayPal is a safe choice.

Michael – the big push was originally for the Narathon. It was not the intent for all donations to be electronic.

Michael – voiced concerns about the Treasurer's report. He would like to see the numbers linked to the budget document. We will be easier to see how the region is doing as it goes along.

Scott will work with Les to help him with Excel.

Michael - the goal is to educate the assembly on budget matters. We want to present to the assembly 1) where we were, 2) where we are, and 3) where we want to be. We would like Les to create a recommended budget for the assembly. Michael will be glad to work with Les on creating the budget. It should be kept simple. We break out the items, so it is easy for the RSC and the assembly to follow.

Les – hopes this will be a collaborative effort.

Michael – the assembly has the authority to decide line items in the budget. The budget is a starting point for the discussion at the assembly. Les will deliver the message.

Les – understands and will ask for assistance.

Robert – suggested creating a small finance committee to help Les create the budget.

Michael – we have done this in the past.

Les - may have a hard time with the technology.

Scott and Michael – will work with Les to produce a budget. This will be an “assist” not a formalized committee. We will connect after the meeting.

Les – is appreciative of this form of assistance.

D) Delegates' Report – Teri M. and J.T. W.

6:30 to 6:35 PM

Review and discuss *Board of Trustee's Memo of 11/11/20* (see attachments).

Teri – discussed the Board of Trustees memo of November 11, 2020. First, the conference will be held in a virtual format in 2021. On page 2 of the Conference invitation. The regional Chair must response before December 31, 2020.

Secondly, the Board of Trustees is asking the regions who have paid to equalized expenses consider making this a donation to WSO. This will take an act by the assembly to affirm or not.

JT – has some member questions.

As groups are trying to adapt (JT shared her screen), they have similar questions. The *Blue Card* readings are being displayed on a shared screen. This is something that is happening in 14 groups of 17. 6 groups are not sharing CAL. Two groups would love to share if they knew how. How do we help the groups to move forward? Some groups are not aware sharing literature across Zoom is a copyright violation.

Michael – redirected the discussion: we will come back to this after on the Board of Trustees letter is processed.

The conference is virtual, there will be an amount of equalized expenses coming out in the future. We may need more facts. The assembly might decide to donate some, all, or none of the equalized expenses already paid by the region. Our region is not growing at a rate that will support sending both a delegate and alternate delegate to the next World Service Conference.

Teri – felt there are a lot of unknowns at this time.

Michael – we might get more information between now and the assembly that will help our decision-making process.

Robert – had a question: do we want to go the assembly with a recommendation, list of options, or just open it up for discussion?

Scott – the equalized expenses are held in a separate fund by the World Service Office.

Michael – redirected the discussion back to Conference Approved Literature being used in electronic form. When a group puts something up on the screen, is it a copyright infringement?

Robert – the Board of Trustees has had this discussion with the Website Committee. The Board of Trustees does not want CAL posted on any website.

Janet – what is the difference between sharing at a meeting and sharing over a virtual meeting.

Robert – the Rocky Mountain Region retyped the *Blue Book* into a PowerPoint. Board of Trustees is concerned about this. Robert wrote a proposal on how to sell licensing for electronic media. The Board of Trustees is not pleased with sharing the *Blue Book* on screen.

Les – in the Santa Barbara meeting we have posted the documents on the website.

Scott – noted the Santa Barbara group has PDFs of CAL on the website to share at the meeting.

Les – asked if we can ask WSO for permission.

JT – has asked the WSO and has not to date heard back.

Teri – read the copyright notice on the CAL. It seems groups could ask WSO for the permission to use the literature.

Robert – offered the observation that members retyping CAL and passing it on seems to be the issue.

Michael – this issue will not solve this issue at tonight’s meeting.

Robert – if the region sent in a request for direction, the request may have more weight than individual members writing in. The conversation with the Board of Trustees is about revenue.

Michael – suggested we postpone this to the next RSC meeting.

JT – groups are autonomous and free to make their own decision.

Michael - asked for consensus, and there was none. All this service board can do is recommend.

Robert – since the WSO has not provided feedback, the region does not have enough information to render a recommendation.

JT – does not believe the groups are aware of copyright issues with CAL.

Robert – groups have questions about displaying the *Blue Book* on screen at meetings.

Les – asked if we are in violation or not until the WSO returns a response to our questions.

Michael – the region is not posting anything; it is the groups.

JT, Scott, and Robert will work on a response and bring it back to the RSC for review.

(7:00 PM) Janet left the meeting

7 of 8 voting members present.

Quorum is 5 – quorum met.

E) Outreach – Janet S.

6:35 to 6:40 PM

F) Literature – Ruth K.

6:40 to 6:45 PM (6:57 PM)

i) Writings needed on the following topics for the World Service Literature Committee (see attachments).

Michael – read out Ruth’s report as follows.

Our Lit Subcommittee met on November 22 and began work on our newest project, the next Nar-Anon daily reader. WS Lit Com is requesting member submissions,

especially on the 12 Steps, between 350-500 words. Writings need to be in the members' own words, reflect their own experiences, and not include quotations or material from other sources.

Our last project, writing on Fear, will become part of the Fourth Step Workbook currently in progress.

G) Conventions / Events – *Vacant*

6. New Business

6:45 to 6:55 PM

A) 2021 Western Regions Convention – Robert P.

- Update and flyer (see attachments).

Robert - The flyer goes in the Take Back. The report, included in the agenda packet, is below.

The annual Western Regions Convention of Nar-Anon Family Groups will be a virtual gathering on Saturday, February 20th, 2020.

The preliminary schedule for the event is:

- 1. 10:00 - Welcome by Michael from Northern California**
- 2. 10:10 - Concepts within Nar-Anon by Paula & Wendy from Northern California**
- 3. 11:00 - Challenges within Nar-Anon by Kim & Cypriene from High Desert**
- 4. 11:30 - Cooperation within Nar-Anon by Scott & JT from Central California**
- 5. 12:00 - Collaboration within Nar-Anon by Cheryl from Rocky Mountain**
- 6. 12:30 - Connections within Nar-Anon by a member from Southern California**
- 7. 1:00 - Lunch break**
- 8. 1:30 - Multi-Regional business meeting focused on Communication**
 - a. Topic - Communication - Concept 8**
 - b. Facilitator - Tony from High Desert**
 - c. 20 minutes per region**

- i) A planning committee for the 2021 Western Regions Convention of Nar-Anon Family Groups is meeting every other week. All Nar-Anon members are welcome to attend. For information about the planning committee or the convention, send an email to WRCNFG@Nar-Anon.org.**

B) Draft Assembly Agenda – Michael F.

- i) Review and discuss draft agenda for January 2021 CCR Assembly (see attachments).

7. Administration

6:55 to 7:00 PM (7:06 PM)

- A) Summary of **Take Back to Meeting** items.
- i) **CCR Assembly**
January 23, 2021 from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM PST.
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 - ii) **Current Regional Service Committee Vacancies**
 - a) **Vice Chair**
 - b) **Conventions / Events Subcommittee Chair**
 - c) **Narateen Subcommittee Chair**
 - iii) **CCR Literature Subcommittee**
Next meeting is on Sunday, December 20 from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM. The subcommittee meets via Skype. All Nar-Anon members are welcome to join us on Skype for the next meeting of the CCR Literature Subcommittee. Please email ruthkellogg@aol.com before the meeting so that you can be added to the Skype call.
 - iv) **CCR Outreach Subcommittee**
Next meeting will be January 26, 2021, from 8:00 to 9:00 PM. The subcommittee meets via FreeConferenceCall. Please dial (515) 604-9099 and enter Access code 416 570 783 #.
 - v) **CCR Technology Service Subcommittee**
Next meeting is on Monday, December 21 from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. The subcommittee meets via Google Meet. To participate, open <https://meet.google.com/mvz-qpsp-rst> or dial (662) 672-2028 and enter the PIN: 426857568. If you have questions about this, please send an email to Robert P. at RobertP27March@gmail.com.
 - vi) **Event Flyers**
 - a) **Sharing Our Individual Stories**
 - b) **WRCNFG Save the Date**

- c) **Request for Writings**
 - d) **Topics for Writings**
 - e) **Six-Week Service Series**
- B) **Next RSC Meeting – Wednesday, January 6, 2020 from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM.**

8. Adjournment

Adjourn at 7:00 PM (7:09 PM)

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

First: Scott; Second: Teri; Yes: 6; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Passes

- A) Close the meeting with the Serenity Prayer

Meeting closed at 7:10 PM