

Minutes

CCR Assembly

Saturday, January 23, 2021 from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM PST
Web-based video conferencing tool

RSC 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

Groups Represented

Group	GSR Name	Group	GSR Name
Atascadero, Tuesday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰³³⁾	Larry B. - GSR	Salinas, Monday ⁽¹³¹⁻¹³⁰⁾	Janet S. - GSR
Atascadero, Friday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰³⁴⁾		Salinas, Thursday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰³⁰⁾	
Carmel, Wednesday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰⁷⁵⁾	Mary Lynn P. - GSR	Santa Barbara, Friday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰⁶⁶⁾	Scott C. - GSR
Gilroy, Wednesday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰⁰⁹⁾		Santa Cruz, Sunday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰²⁴⁾	Carole S. - GSR
Hollister, Thursdays ⁽¹³¹⁻¹³⁸⁾	JT W. - SGSR	Scotts Valley, Friday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰²⁵⁾	Rona R. - SGSR
Los Gatos, Sunday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰¹¹⁾		Seaside, Monday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰³¹⁾	
Los Gatos, Thursday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰¹⁰⁾	Pat F. - GSR	Simi Valley, Saturday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰⁶⁸⁾	
Monterey, Tuesday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰²⁸⁾		Virtual, Sunday ⁽¹³¹⁻¹¹⁷⁾	Robert P. - GSR
Monterey, Saturday ⁽¹³¹⁻⁰²⁹⁾	Mary M. - GSR		

Subcommittee Chairs in Attendance

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

Quorum Summary

Total Groups	Registered Groups	Current Quorum
17	10	6

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

11:00 AM to 11:15 AM

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

Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7459777458>

Dial-in Number: (669) 900-6833

Meeting ID: 745 977 7458 #

Password: This meeting room has no password.

B) Open the meeting with the Serenity Prayer

(11:12 AM) The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer.

C) Roll Call / Introductions – RSC officers, delegates, subcommittee chairs, GSRs, and other attendees

RSC Officers:

Michael F.: Chair - Present

Les P.: Treasurer - Present

Scott N.: Secretary - Present

Teri M.: Delegate - Present

J.T. W.: Alternate Delegate - Present

Janet S.: Outreach Subcommittee Chair – Present

Ruth K.: Literature Subcommittee - Present

Robert P.: Technology Service Subcommittee Chair – Present

GSRs:

Larry B. - GSR Atascadero, Tuesday - Present

Mary Lynn P. - GSR Carmel, Wednesday - Present

JT W. - SGSR Hollister, Thursday - Present

Pat F. – GSR Los Gatos, Thursday - Present

Mary M. – GSR Monterey, Saturday - Present

Janet S. - GSR Salinas, Monday – Present

Scott C. - GSR Santa Barbara, Friday - Present

Carole S. – GSR Santa Cruz, Sunday – Present

Rona R. - SGSR Scotts Valley, Friday - Present

Robert P. - GSR Virtual, Sunday – Present

Key:

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D) Announce number of voting members – Chair or Secretary

i) **10 groups present out of 10 registered groups.**

ii) **Quorum (51%) = 6 of 10 registered groups.**

E) Reading of the *Twelve Traditions*

(11:18 AM) Read by Teri

F) Reading of the *Twelve Concepts of Nar-Anon Service*

(11:20 AM) Read by Rona

2. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Assembly

11:15 AM to 11:20 AM **(11:22 AM)**

A) A motion is requested to approve minutes for the assembly of August 1, 2020.

See the Draft Minutes of the Previous Assembly section of this packet

Motion to approve the minutes for the Assembly of August 1, 2020 as presented.

First: Robert P.; Second: Scott C.; Yes: 10; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Passes

3. RSC Reports

11:20 AM to 11:45 AM (11:23 AM)

A) Chair Report – Michael F.

See the *Chair's Report* section of this packet (page 42 in the Assembly Agenda Packet)

Michael – read his written report.

There were no questions or comments.

B) Treasurer – Les P.

See the *Treasurer's Report* section of this packet (page 45 in the Assembly Agenda Packet)

Les – the actual cash on hand from the 2019 rollover was \$4,526.59. \$1,910.17 was the actual expenses for the year.

There were no questions or comments on the 2020 report.

Proposed 2021 budget (page 45 in the Assembly Agenda Packet)

Les wants to revisit the “Delegate WSC expense (equalized expense and incidentals)” and “Alternate Delegate WSC expense (equalized expense and incidentals)” line items.

Michael – we will continue on from this report and address the adoption of the agenda in the New Business item 8.

Scott C. - would like to reverse items 8. A and B as we first need to carry over the funds and then adopt the budget.

Les and Michael are okay with this change. There was consensus to support this change.

C) Delegates – Teri M.

See the *Delegate's Report* section of this packet (page 49 in the Assembly Agenda Packet)

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

Teri – thanked JT, the Alternate Delegate, for the help with creating this report. Teri read the Delegate's written report.

Scott C. – wanted to know if the funds paid by the region to the WSO were available to be returned.

Robert – the money collected for the WSC is kept in a separate fund and are available to be returned. Robert's understanding was that there was nothing spent from the WSC fund on the 2020 conference.

Michael – in the memo, the Board of Trustees indicated no money has been spent for the 2020 conference. There is a cost of \$350 per Delegate for the 2021 conference.

JT – opened for discussion the memo from the Board of Trustees (Board of Trustees

Bulletin 003 on page 51) about shared screens and CAL. Ultimately, groups are not to be screen sharing any conference approved literature (CAL). Groups may find a benefit in screen sharing CAL. There is a multi-regional group that has been created by members to put together floor motions to allow the screen sharing of CAL. JT asked for a motion from the region to direct the delegates to vote to open CAL to screen sharing.

Michael suggested this motion be handled as part of new business.

JT – the CCR website, WSC page has all the information we are discussing.

<https://www.naranoncentralca.org/member-services/conference>

Mary – asked if this discussion is around new motions the groups have not been privy to yet.

JT – explained the “screen-sharing CAL group” meets on Wednesdays at 5:00 PM. The group is creating floor motions for the 2021 WSC. Approved floor motions created a the 2021 WSC will be sent to the fellowship for review and processing at the 2023 WSC.

Scott C. – remarked the Board of Trustees is worried about screen sharing. It is Scott’s opinion that a third-party screen share does not violate the copyright protections. The groups are at the top of the service structure and therefore should not be told by the Board of Trustees what to do. Scott stressed we need to ensure the groups work in a legal manner.

Michael – remarked that if we found out someone outside the fellowship was using copyrighted literature, and WSO did not do anything about, the WSO might risk endangering the WSO copyright. Michael noted there is an exception to literature that can be photocopied, and it is okay to use 25% of any piece of literature or section of literature.

Carole – wanted to clarify that recovery literature cannot be screen shared.

Robert – explained that was in fact true. Members can photocopy, but not put on a website or screen share.

Teri – has hope in the possibility of creating floor motions for the 2021 WSC that will address this issue.

Rona – is looking forward that a solution comes out of the WSC. Even if there is an electronic book that can be purchased, some members may not be able to purchase. This may be an opportunity for WSO to share assets on a web page. These WSO might create a website that would provide CAL to groups for use.

Les – asked how a region sends a delegate to a virtual assembly?

Robert – explained it will be a Zoom meeting. Delegate and Alternate Delegates will be designated as panelists. Any Nar-Anon member who wants to observe can listen to the conference at no charge.

Teri – the cost is \$350 per participant. She does not know what the money is to be used for. Hopefully, WSO and the WSC will come up with an expense report.

Robert – explained that expenses are a Zoom webinar license, new cabling at the WSO to accommodate the network traffic associated with Zoom videoconferences, and some members will still need to fly in to be in-person at the WSO. The WSO and the WSC Committee did a detailed analysis to come up with the cost and then applied the equalized expense formula to arrive at the cost per attendee. The WSC Committee has not in the past provided a detail of expenses. WSO computes the equalized expense by adding all expenses and then dividing it among the delegates in attendance.

JT – noted the deadline to register as an observer is March 31, 2021. The information is on the CCR website.

Michael asked if we should do Group Report before or after lunch. The consensus was to move directly into Group Reports.

4. Group Reports

11:45 AM to 12:30 PM (12:15 PM)

A) Group Reports – GSRs

See Group Reports section of this packet (Group Reports start on page 55 of the Assembly Agenda Packet)

i) Topic to be determined by the assembly with further discussions.

Virtual, Sunday (131-117)

Robert P. – GSR – the group is permanently virtual. They have attendees from around the world - 30 attendees on a typical meeting. They work through the Nar-Anon 36.

Members are referred to the WSO web store to obtain their own hard copy. Members who own a copy of the book, read during the meeting. The members who stick with the meeting, usually buy their own books. They do not screen share. Generally, the group gets to Step Seven in a year, and starts over with Step One every January.

Hollister, Thursdays (131-138)

JT W. – SGSR – the group is permanently virtual. The core group has increased to about 20 members. There is no screen sharing. They use the SESH for their readings. All literature inquiries are directed to the WSO web store. The meeting information email box has an autoreply that has a lot of information about Nar-Anon and the meeting itself. The group has been willing to go through the CAR. The group is registered with the WSO as a virtual group. Members are directed to donate to the WSO if they feel called to it. The group is using the regional Zoom platform, which is free for groups to use.

Monterey, Saturday (131-029)

Mary M. – GSR – started virtual meetings in March 2020. There are usually about 20 members in attendance. They continue to pay rent to the church where they used to meet in person. The group is struggling with that obligation. Members send donations to the group treasurer by USPS. They also refer members to the region and WSO to contribute online. The group is interested in learning about Seventh Tradition practices. The group hosted a speaker from another country today (1/23/2021).

Salinas, Monday (131-130)

Janet S. – GSR – the group meets via FreeConferenceCall. The group agreed to deplete their prudent reserve and GSR funds to send as a donation to the WSO. The group is taking it a day at a time regarding paying rent when the group transitions back to in-person meetings. The secretary script encourages members to donate to the region and WSO.

Santa Cruz, Sunday (131-024)

Carole S. – GSR – moved to a Zoom format in March 2020. There are 9 to 14 members with about 7 regulars. There have been a fair number of newcomers. They usually use the SESH for meeting readings. They have been screen sharing CAL. That part has been successful. Carole has mailed out literature and allowed members to pick it up on her porch. The group has not made donations to WSO or the region in the past 6 months. The links to the donate buttons on the CCR and WSO websites are included in weekly emails sent to group members. An email invitation to join the meeting is sent out weekly. There is about \$308 in the treasury. This is used to purchase literature for group

members. The group is discussing the idea of hosting a hybrid meeting when in-person meetings are again possible.

Scotts Valley, Friday (131-025)

Rona R. – SGSR – the meeting runs about 1.5 hours. The topic of the meeting is sent out in the invitation email. There are 7 to 10 regulars plus visitors from around the country. Donations are encouraged at the end of the meeting. The group has hosted several NA speakers who were invited to share their story with the group.

Simi Valley, Saturday (131-068)

Michael - read the written report from John M. (page 63 of the Assembly Agenda Packet)

Los Gatos, Thursday (131-010)

Pat F. – GSR – read her report (see below). (the report is not included in the Assembly Agenda Packet)

Status report, January 2021

California Central Region

Vision of Hope

Los Gatos

Thursdays 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Our group is continuing to meet via Zoom and phone-in and has done so since March 2020 every week and even on Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve. We are not able to avail ourselves of the Central Region's Zoom account as another meeting is at the same time. Therefore, one of our regular attendees graciously offered to pay for a Zoom account under his name so that we might be able to continue to hold these meetings for the foreseeable future.

We generally have anywhere from 15 to 20 members at each meeting. We have welcomed newcomers from other parts of California as well as other states. Most of our regular members from years past have joined us fairly regularly, although that has fallen off a little as the shutdown has continued. Most of these members say that they would be more likely to attend if the meetings were in person, as they enjoyed the after - meeting period as much as the meeting itself. We leave the meeting open for 30 minutes

after the meeting closes in case there are any questions people would like to get feedback on.

Rotation of secretary continues to be a problem. There are about five different members who have volunteered in the past to be secretary, but most of the time, we only have three who would be willing to secretary more than once. We have a signup sheet on google docs and we try to encourage members every week to volunteer for the following week.

A committee early in the lockdown revised the secretary's guide to the meeting to reflect the easiest way to handle the readings and introduction of persons attending each week. We now ask the persons in the meeting to mute their device unless they are doing a reading or have something to share. The secretary reads the serenity prayer and twelve steps alone, whereas we all did it as a group in our in-person meeting. The secretary reads out the names of the people, as we can read them on Zoom, or the phone numbers of people who have phoned in. Each person comes off mute to say hello when their name is called. The secretary assigns our regular readings at the beginning of the meeting to those willing to read them. The closing prayer is said by all off mute.

Two of our members wish to contribute to the new daily reader, and I have forwarded them information on how to do that.

We had an online group conscience after one of the meetings to continue our tradition of having a NA or AA speaker in recovery on the last Thursday of every month. Those are the days that we have the most people join the meeting and those at the business meeting felt that these speakers were the most helpful to them.

I have made announcements from the "Take Back to Meetings" from the Central Region. Some of our members have joined the many Zoom events that are happening.

Pat F., GSR

Carmel, Wednesday (131-075)

Mary Lynn P. – GSR – went to virtual meetings in March 2020. There was an opportunity to meet in person for about 5 weeks in the Fall of 2020. There are 4 different secretaries, and they share and rotate the commitment. There are about 6 core members and there

are usually about 10 in attendance. There have been several members from overseas. They just celebrated the group's 7-year anniversary.

Question – do we need to stop using CAL screen sharing today?

Teri – answered yes, we should honor the Board of Trustees' memo.

Atascadero, Tuesday (131-033)

Larry B. - GSR – Zoom is working extremely well. The group is supportive and kind. There are 7 to 10 members each meeting. There are different formats (studies) for each week of the month. They are meeting via Zoom. It is stable and working for our members. Dislikes: Members are missing the personal touch and not having access to literature. There is no time for working one-to-one after the meeting. Tradition 7 is difficult. Likes: Convenient and relaxing. There is no driving - time and environment. It is extremely easy to attend meetings after work.

Santa Barbara, Friday (131-066)

Scott C. – GSR – has between 4 and 15 members per meeting in attendance. The group added to the format that newcomers may ask questions after the meeting. The group does not have plan to go back to meeting in-person at this time but does have a prudent reserve to go back to in-person meetings when that becomes appropriate.

5. Lunch Recess

12:30 PM to 1:00 PM - (30 minutes)

(12:54 PM)

Consensus to recess for lunch until 1:25 PM.

6. Reconvene

1:00 PM to 1:10 PM

A) Roll Call

(1:28 PM)

Roll call by Scott N.

RSC Officers:

Michael F.: Chair - Present

Les P.: Treasurer – Not Present

Scott N.: Secretary - Present

Teri M.: Delegate - Present

J.T. W.: Alternate Delegate - Present

Janet S.: Outreach Subcommittee Chair – Present

Ruth K.: Literature Subcommittee - Present

Robert P.: Technology Service Subcommittee Chair – Present

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7. Subcommittee Reports

1:10 PM to 2:00 PM (1:31 PM)

A) Outreach – Janet S.

See Subcommittee Reports section of this packet

Janet – the committee is not expecting in-person outreach through most of 2021.

Beacon House in Pacific Grove has closed. That was a monthly panel. Outreach will be

conducted by mail, email, and person to person. There are no new ideas on topics for outreach. All members are welcome to join the subcommittee.

Questions:

Scott C. – asked why we have \$500 in conventions in the budget?

Janet – answered that the Monterey NA convention is the reason for that budget item. The room rental cost has been increased and NA will that cost on to Nar-Anon.

Mary – said the room for the Monterey convention will be about \$1,000 to participate in 2022.

Michael – explained the line item is to carry-over to allow us to have \$1,000 for the conventions.

Craig – asked what the current approach for outreach to the region is?

Janet – explained the message is carried to people who don't know we exist. The subcommittee works with local drug and alcohol rehabilitation centers, free bulletin boards in physical locations, listing with county 211 services, free online groups, and one to one outreach. They sometimes email outreach literature to local television and radio stations. The World Service Outreach Committee hosts quarterly roundtables. They discuss the difference between carrying the message and promotion. They want to make it easy to find Nar-Anon.

(1:43 PM) Les joined the meeting.

B) Literature – Ruth K.

See Subcommittee Reports section of this packet

Ruth – the CCR Literature Subcommittee has been working on the subject of “fear.” This project was completed based on the sharing of the members of the subcommittee. Now they are working to develop a new daily reader. There is information on the CCR website (<https://www.naranoncentralca.org/member-services/literature>). The subcommittee is looking for writings on the Twelve Steps. Any Nar-Anon member is invited to submit a writing. There is a release form that must be signed in order for the writings to be used. March 1, 2021 is the deadline for submissions. Submissions should be 350 to 500 words, with no quotations from other sources. There are seven members in the subcommittee, and all are welcome to join. Contact Ruth (ruthkellogg@aol.com) so you can be added to the Skype call.

C) Conventions / Events - *Vacant*

See Subcommittee Reports section of this packet

Michael – made the point we need to recognize we need a Narathon. Michael asked if the Assembly wants to have a Narathon either in the first or second half of 2021.

Scott – asked why Conventions has \$500 and Events has \$0 in the proposed budget. Budget for the Narathon usually comes from the Events line item.

Michael – said the logic in the proposed budget is since the Narathon will be virtual, there are no costs.

Scott N. – noted the Zoom account is already paid for, so there are no expenses.

Craig – asked when the next assembly is and when is the Narathon typically scheduled?

Michael – answered that we have two assemblies per year – January and July. Last year the Narathon was held in September.

Scott C. – affirmed if the Assembly is in July, the Narathon could be held in September.

Michael – the virtual aspect of the Narathon makes it easier to schedule and hold than in a physical location.

Michael – asked if there was anyone interested in being the Narathon coordinator. No one was, so he asked if the Assembly wanted to address the Narathon at the next Assembly.

Consensus to address the Narathon at the next Assembly.

Scott C. – stated this is a recovery event and a fundraiser. The last Narathon was a success. This is a part of our mission. Scott urged we think about it.

Robert – asked if we want to emphasize that we are searching for someone to volunteer to start planning for this.

Scott N. – said we could put it in the Take Back to Meeting.

[Take Back to Meeting]

B) Technology Services – Robert P.

See Subcommittee Reports section of this packet (page 72 of the Assembly Agenda Packet)

Robert – stated the subcommittee maintains the CCR website, calendar (Google), and online events posting. The TSS also maintains the online payment system (Stripe).

The TSS has produced a document on sharing the CCR Zoom account and the broadcast email system (MailChimp). The system is available to groups to get their message out to the 68 list members.

Robert – opened discussion on the “CCR Users Guide to File Storage” document (page

73 of the Assembly Agenda Packet).

The TSS is using this guide right now. The TSS would like the assembly to approve or amend the document.

Michael – stated that in using it as a draft, we get to see it in action.

Robert – explained the TSS has been using the document for over one year.

Amendments have been made based on experience. The TSS feels the document was completed in December 2019. There have been no modifications made to the document since that time. The TSS, Regional Secretary, and Regional Treasurer are all using the file system. The system is not open to members in general, but RSC members and subcommittees. There has been no feedback from GSRs or Subcommittee chairs. The TSS proposed to the RSC to bring the document to the assembly to adopt as a regional document.

Rona – asked was a survey been given out?

Robert – explained the document has been sent out several times to the fellowship for review. It is a technical document not subject to a survey format.

Les – asked if the discussion on this document was regarding the Google drive?

Robert – answered, yes.

Les – said he thinks the Google Drive is great.

Robert – explained the system was not setup with Groups in mind. There is no cost for the Drive. It is obtained through the WSO at no cost.

Several members spoke on behalf of the Drive and the document.

Motion to adopt the “CCR Users’ Guide to File Storage” as a regional document.

First: Robert; Second: Janet; Yes: 10; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Passes

Robert – opened for discussion the “TSS Internal Guidelines” document (page 82 of the Assembly Agenda Packet).

This was brought to the Assembly in August of 2020 for review and approval and postponed. This document reflects how the TSS is currently doing business.

Michael – noted no other subcommittees have guidelines.

Robert – replied the TSS believes it is helpful to memorialize how the subcommittee works. It makes the workings of the subcommittee clear. This is in line with Concept 5 and Concept 8, defined responsibilities, and clear communications.

Scott C. – reminded us we are not an organization, we are a fellowship. Do you feel you need to be organized to this extent?

Robert – replied that we are defining a structure for the committee. This is how we do work as members of the committee. It is similar to the structure of the WS Website Committee and the Guide to Regional Services.

Michael – noted that changes to the approved documents will need to be approved by the Assembly.

Carole – asked if is this incorporated into the GRS?

Robert – answered that no, it will be a separate regional document.

Motion to adopt the "Technology Services Subcommittee of the Central California Region of Nar-Anon Family Groups Internal Guidelines" dated May 18, 2020 as a regional standalone document.

First: Scott C.; Second: Larry; Yes: 10; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Passes

Robert – opened for discussion the “How to request access to the CCR Zoom account” document (page 87 of the Assembly Agenda Packet).

This document was shared with the RSC and it has been brought to the Assembly for GSRs to take the information back to their groups.

Robert - opened for discussion the “Sharing literature with Newcomers” document (page 88 of the Assembly Agenda Packet).

This document does not contradict the Board of Trustees Bulletin 003. It is still a relevant document. It has been submitted personally by Robert, as a member at large, to the WS Newsletter Committee for publication in the March 2021 issue of *The Serenity Connection*.

Robert - said it is one thing to share a copy of the SESH, it is another to rewrite CAL. Some virtual meetings are scanning the newcomers’ packet and sending the packet to newcomers in electronic form. Sharing CAL on screen is also a violation of a the WSO copyright. The TSS is in favor of finding a solution.

Michael – asked how this document works within our service structure?

Robert – answered it was submitted to the RSC for discussion. There was not a lot of time at the RSC meeting to process this item, so it was brought to the Assembly for

discussion, not adoption.

Les – asked if we can get a written release from WSO to release the copyright?

Robert – explained WSO is made of up employees who are paid to do what the fellowship wants. It is the Board of Trustees that creates guidelines that go to the WSC for adoption. Three times in the history of Nar-Anon, the Board of Trustees created a bulletin to the fellowship. The question on the table now is how we want to share literature electronically. Yes, we need to get written permission, however the WSO does not have the authority to give permission. WSO asks the Board of Trustees what to do. The Board of Trustees does not know how to make this work right now, so they say no. Scott C. – stated that when you look at copyright act, it is there to protect the owner of the copyright. We are saying the owner of the copyright is the Board of Trustees. The actual owner of the copyright is the fellowship. The Board of Trustees seems to be telling the groups what to do. Scott will research Title 17.

Robert – explained that Nar-Anon is both a fellowship and a corporation. Technically, the corporation (Nar-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc.) owns the copyright. The Board of Trustees are the trustees of the corporation. The fellowship can give the Board of Trustees direction on what the fellowship wants.

Michael – stated he wanted to move on to the next topic. This has been a great discussion. GSRs should study the Board of Trustees Bulletin 003 and discuss it with their groups. There is a group that has formed to bring the issue to the 2021 WSC.

Robert – opened discussion on the “Suggestions regarding contributing to your group – update” document (page 90 of the Assembly Agenda Packet).

The TSS has no suggestion for groups as far as collecting electronic donations to the groups. This is a document that was requested by the RSC. This is information to be shared by the GSRs with their groups.

[Take Back to Meeting]

Michael – asked if we should we post on the website? Are there any suggestions to do anything other than put them out in the *Take Back to Meeting*? There were no suggestions.

(2:41 PM) Consensus to recess for 5 minutes.

(2:48 PM) Roll call by Scott N.

RSC Officers:

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Les P.: Treasurer – Present

Scott N.: Secretary - Present

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8. New Business

2:00 PM to 3:30 PM (2:51 PM)

New Business items were processed in the order they are reflected in the minutes. The original order is noted by their outline letter.

Rona R. - SGSR Scotts Valley, Friday rejoined the meeting.

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D) Western Regions Convention Involvement – Robert P.

Robert P. - (starting on page 92 of the Assembly Agenda Packet)

Robert read through the schedule. This is a multi-regional event.

Michael – noted that the Assembly voted not to participate as a region, but the region does have members who are participating. The RSC reviewed the proposed report and agreed with it as is. There are flyers that will be a part of the Take Back to Meeting.

[Take Back to Meeting]

B) Motion to carry-over funds from 2020 budget to 2021 budget – Les P.

Motion to carry over funds in the amount of \$6,651.35 from the 2020 budget to the 2021 budget.

First: Scott C.; Second: Robert; Yes: 10; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Passes

A) 2021 Budget Discuss and Adoption – Les P.

(starting on page 47 of the Assembly Agenda Packet)

Michael – opened discussion on the proposed budget.

Les – stated the total income from 2020 was \$4,034.93.

Michael – noted the rollover amount was \$6,651.35. Les is allowed to change the forms to help communicate to the GSRs the intent of the budget.

Les – stated for the 2021 budget, we started with \$6,651.35. What will we make or what will be need.

Scott C. – asked if we are expecting to roll over \$6,400.35 next year? The Assembly will need to adopt a budget for 2022 in the August 2021.

Point of Order: Scott has amendments to make. These are funded items. Is it okay to discuss, as part of the budget, discuss the Delegate and Alternate Delegate expenses?

Michael – stated this is integral to the discussion. The point is to give the GSRs an idea as to the actual operating expenses of the region. The budget is an evolving process. The idea is to help members see where we were, where we are, and where we want to be.

Larry – noted there is one other column, adopted, actual amount, and the proposed amount.

Les – said the 2020 Expense report is what was actually spent.

Craig – said he is willing to help with the budget presentation.

Scott C. – noted that line items in the budget are “not to exceed.” He does not have any recommendation to amend the budget.

(3:17 PM) Mary Lynn P. rejoined the meeting

Scott C. – continued. We have three components: 1) \$3,900 for the delegates for the 2020 WSC, 2) we have a \$700 cost for the 2021 WSC (we should cut a check), 3) we need \$3,900 for the 2023 WSC. The earmark for the \$3,900 for 2020 is for the delegates not for a donation to the WSO.

Proposal: 1) let us get the \$3,900 back from WSO, 2), let us send \$700 for the 2021 WSC, and 3) make a donation to WSO. If the \$95K WSO deficit were distributed over all groups around the world, the equalized expense to each group would be \$40 to \$50 per year per group to finance the loss. \$850 would be the approximate donation for the 17 groups in the Region per year. Regarding the Delegate expense, we have to come up with \$350 per delegate for the 2021 WSC.

Suggestion: increase the delegate expenses to \$1,600 each and WSO \$850. We need to be conservative until we receive the money back from WSO.

Robert – stated the Board of Trustees asked for the region to donate the Delegates’ cost of \$3,900 to the WSO. The Board of Trustees offered that \$700 of the \$3,900 would go to the 2021 WSC Delegates’ expense. The \$3,900 was paid in a previous year and are not reflected in the current budget document.

Robert – shared his thoughts regarding the funds for the 2020 World Service Conference. He thought we should look at Step Three for guidance on this topic. We turned \$3,900 over to the World Service Office (WSO) in December 2019 to be used for the 2020 World Service Conference (WSC). This was given by our Region to the trusted servants responsible for the WSC. We turned it over. It was no longer in our bank account. We no longer had any say as to how it would be spent. Then things changed. Now we have an opportunity to take it back, or at least try to control when and how it is spent. I do not think we are respecting Step Three if we take back what we turned over. We gave the money to be spent as the trusted servants in the WSC believed best. They are now asking us to give this money to the WSO to help pay bills, keep the office open, and make sure the employees are paid. We gave them the money. We gave them the authority to spend it as they thought best. They are now asking us to confirm that we turned the money over. They are asking us to confirm that we trust them to determine

what is best for Nar-Anon as a whole. I think we are disrespecting Step Three if we now try to control what we already turned over.

Scott C. – said Tradition 7 was used to determine the \$850 as a donation on an annual basis.

Craig – expressed his opinion that the groups have not had a lot of expenses. In the spirit of helping each other out, the region might consider letting the WSO keep most or all the 2020 Delegates' expense.

Les – expressed his concerns: 1) we do not know how long the virus will last: 2) we will not have to spend money the WSC, and 3) we are not getting donations in. Proposal: bring it back in and then we can give it back for the 2023 conference. If we do not, we may not have the money we need in 2023.

Carole – noted in the proposed budget, group donations went up by \$800. How was this?

Les – explained the donation came from the Narathon. Also, we are getting hundreds of dollars directly from the regional members through the online contribution form.

Robert – stated that since he cannot contribute to his group, he splits his donations between the region and the WSO.

Scott C. – summarized there are two things on the table: 1) we get the money back and get the delegates to \$2,600 a piece, 2) give the \$3,900 to WSO and take \$700 out of the upcoming WSC. The donation would be \$3,200. This still changes the budget because we do not have the money for the 2023 conference. We will need \$1,950 for each delegate in two years.

Robert – expressed his opinion that people like the virtual conference. There is no guarantee the WSC will be in-person again.

Les – reviewed the Serenity Connection newsletter for the WSO financial position currently and year end 2019.

Serenity Connection December 2020 (see page 1 for WSO's current financial position)

<https://www.nar-anon.org/s/SCNewsletter-Dec-2020-Final-MM-002.pdf>

Serenity Connection June 2020 (see page 6 for the WSO's 2019 Profit and Loss Statement)

<https://www.nar-anon.org/s/SCNewsletter-Jun-2020-Final.pdf>

Teri – said we paid \$3,900 for a product, the 2020 WSC, and we did not receive the product. She would like to know the actual expenses of the conference.

It was asked 1) how was the money spent in 2018, and 2) how will it be spent in 2020?

Robert - explained the process of equalized expenses. All delegates pay the same amount. There are WSO employees, parliamentarian, secretaries are paid by the hour, travel, hotel, and physical binders. The Board of Trustees do not pay equalized expenses. There will still be two secretaries, the parliamentarian, travel, and hotel for a select number of people. This is the best estimate of the WS Conference Committee and WSO.

Rona – asked if it is correct that we are talking about two items, 1) donation and 2) already paid WSC delegate’s expense.

Robert – stated the only expenses from 2020 are minimal. Refunds were received from all major expenses.

JT – stated there is an enormous amount of work that goes into the WSC. The preparation time expense has already been spent and will not be recouped. This is a spiritual program. Sometimes you must look at things differently.

Michael – noted that overseas plane tickets are not part of equalized expenses. If groups have had internal discussions, please speak up.

Scott C. and Janet - noted their groups had taken group consciences on this.

Scott C. – indicated the opinions he expressed are those of the group as part of the business meeting last night.

Janet – said the group conscience was in an attitude of “Keep It Simple,” (don’t ask for a refund) and “Just for Today.” She would vote to make the Delegates’ expense a donation, sans the \$700 for the 2021 WSC expense.

Michael – said we cannot budget for money we have not received. We need to decide on this budget. We have \$0 in the WSO donation line item in the proposed budget. We can decide at the next assembly if we get money back. If there is a motion to send the Delegates to the 2021 WSC, we will need to pay \$700. This leaves \$3,200 to discuss. The \$700 is covered. We do not have to budget for this. We can take up this topic at the next Assembly when we have more information. We could send a message to the WSC Committee and request a certain amount of back.

Motion to send Teri M. as Delegate and JT W. as Alternate Delegate to the 2021 World Service Conference.

First: Larry B.; Second: Scott C.; Yes: 10; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Passes

Teri and JT – affirmed that are both planning on attending the 2021 WSC.

Motion to accept the 2021 Proposed Budget as presented.

First: Larry; Second: Robert; Yes: 10; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Passes

(4:04 PM) Rona left the meeting.

9 groups present out of 10 registered groups.

Quorum (51%) = 6 of 10 registered groups.

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Michael – was looking for direction on converting the WSC equalized expense into a donation.

Robert – asked for a straw poll.

Michael – noted that not all groups have taken it into account.

Scott C. – noted we could ask for \$2,310 back from the WSO.

Mary Lynn P. – stated can only stay until 4:30 PM.

Motion to extend the meeting until 5:00 PM.

First: Robert; Second: Scott C.; Yes: 9; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Passes

Motion authorize Delegate & Alternate Delegate to approve appropriately worded motions related to permitting screen sharing of purchased copies of electronic versions of Conference Approved Literature as appropriately conditioned to preserve Nar-Anon copyrights.

First: Robert; Second: JT; Yes: 9; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Passes

Motion to donate to the World Service Office the remaining balance for the 2020 WSC Delegate and Alternate Delegate's equalized expense already paid to the WSO and use the difference of \$700 (already paid) to pay for the Delegate and Alternate Delegate's equalized expense for the 2021 WSC.

First: Robert; Second: JT;

Rollcall vote:

Larry B. - GSR Atascadero, Tuesday - Abstain

Mary Lynn P. - GSR Carmel, Wednesday - Yes

JT W. - SGSR Hollister, Thursday - Yes

Craig H. – GSR Los Gatos, Thursday - Yes

Mary M. – GSR Monterey, Saturday - Yes

Janet S. - GSR Salinas, Monday – Yes

Scott C. - GSR Santa Barbara, Friday - Yes

Carole S. – GSR Santa Cruz, Sunday – Yes

Robert P. - GSR Virtual, Sunday – Yes

Yes: 8; No: 0; Abstentions: 1; Motion Passes

C) Delegate and Alternate Delegate to attend the 2021 WSC – Michael F.

This item was disposed of in the previous item.

9. Administration

3:30 PM to 4:00 PM (4:22 PM)

A) Next Assembly

Motion to hold the next CCR virtual Assembly on Saturday, July 24 from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

First: Mary; Second: Larry; Yes: 9; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Passes

B) Take Back to Meeting Information and Announcements

See the Take Back to Meeting section of this packet

(4:36 PM) Janet left the meeting.

10. Adjournment

Adjourn at 4:00 PM

(4:39 PM)

Motion to adjourn the CCR Assembly of January 23, 2021.

First: Craig; Second: Robert; Yes: 8; No: 0; Abstentions: 0; Motion Passes

A) Close the assembly with the Serenity Prayer

(4:40 PM)

The Assembly adjourned.