2023 WSC - Delegate Report TBTM May 13, 2023

"Change is taking place." - Nar-Anon Blue Booklet

The theme for the 2023 World Service Conference was "Progress Through Worldwide Unity", I believe the theme this year was fulfilled. There was compromise, gratitude, growth opportunities and most assuredly a Higher Power. The only way to fathom how we all remained awake in the over 40 hours of conference and were able to address all 89 motions and 3 Proposed Floor Motions with 20 minutes to spare on our final day.

Hearing from our international fellowship shed much light on the difficulties of what their countries require for their regions to exist. This conference helped the countries to have a better understanding, they can also create their own Regional Guidelines. There was more openness with suspending the rules of the conference and going to a "committee of the whole" to work through motions together. A few of the many examples of our theme.

The results of the 2023 World Service Conference are available for viewing.

Here are some highlights:

- Annual or Biannual? The conference rules were suspended to allow all to work together in a compromise for the next WSC to be held in 2024, still a 2-year conference cycle. However, an Interim WS Conference to be held in the odd years, next year will be a conference to have discussion on Common Welfare Topics, create motions for the 2024 WSC and pass Recovery Literature to speed up the process. Yes, it will be virtual.
- Screen Sharing passed with the following: <u>Before Screen Sharing, please state: "Nar-Anon copyrights prohibit copying literature from</u> <u>the screen.</u>" A PowerPoint Presentation, <u>Nar-Anon Shareable Literature</u>, offers the following readings for screen sharing.

The Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions, Twelve Concepts of Service, Mission and Vision Statements, the Preamble, 20 Questions and the Narateen table card

Blue Book Readings

The Newcomer's Welcome, The Family, Changing Ourselves, About Addiction, Keeping Our Meetings Healthy, Helping, Just for Today, We've Been There, Serenity Prayer, Prayer for the Growth of our Fellowship, Third Step Prayer

 Downloadable Literature - Literature from the World Service website may be screen shared to expand what can be used in a virtual meeting, examples: Serenity Connection Newsletter, Service Literature

New Committees Created

- 1) The Electronic Publishing Committee, will write a report for electronic CAL to be formatted for purchase and submitted to the World Service Board (previously named Board of Trustees)
- 2) The Transition Committee will prepare for the Interim Conference (IWSC)

- 3) The Service Committee was formed to research other 12 Step Fellowships and identify best service structure practices to fulfill Nar-Anon's Mission Statement
- Social Media Committee is led by WS Outreach committee for an Instagram <u>Nar-Anon account</u>. The committee is looking for anyone who has graphic designer or social media experience for temporary projects. Please contact <u>outreach@nar-anon.org</u>

For access to 2023 WSC Reports and Documents:

- 1) Screen Sharing Ad Hoc Committee
- 2) Instagram Proposal Outreach Committee
- 3) Budget & Finance
- 4) Accessibility Ad Hoc Committee
- 5) Recovery Literature Priority List Results
- 6) CAT Material Results

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CCR Sponsored Delegate

The delegate from Turkey, Selin, wanted to express her gratitude and share her WSC experience. "I attended the 2023 WSC as a first-time delegate, and this was our region's first time too. I learned a lot from the WSC. The road to the conference was much harder for me trying to understand the structure, all the motions, how the whole process works, and transmit what I had learned to my region – all had to be translated as well. When I arrived to the conference, I had the opportunity to enjoy and observe how everything unfolded. Although, I appreciated and enjoyed the focus and orderliness that Robert's Rules brought, I also saw that whenever we went to the "committee as a whole" the discussion became more unifying. I am also surprised that for the duration of the conference I had an open mind and didn't get stuck on personalities. When the conference came to an end, I felt a greater sense of belonging to the fellowship. I also have a greater sense of gratitude for all the service done by the committees, delegates and the board."

In closing....

It took a village to make the WSC a success. Giving a big shout out of appreciation to all the members who put long hours with heart and soul into the conference to give it flow and make it look seamless.

This was my last conference as your Delegate. Sunny and I did our best to honor the wishes of our region by consistent communication via technology as if we were side by side at a physical conference. So grateful to Sunny for stepping into service. Her support and wisdom made it a team. The transition to Delegate position on July 22, 2023 will be at the Regional Service Assembly. That means the opportunity for growth in service as alternate delegate will be available. What a great opportunity to ease into service and get familiar with the process, acquainted with other worldwide delegates and participants through an interim conference.

Thank you for this incredible experience to serve this region with gratitude and love,