

Meeting opened at 8:00 p.m. Chairman Chuck S.

ROLL CALL:	Chuck S.	Sally E.
	Jack B.	David D.
	Jim N.	Mike B.
	James D.	Hank M.
	Chuck G.	
	Carl B. - Absent	Bob B. - Absent
	Cliff C. - Absent	Greg P. - Absent

Linda G., Secretary pro-tem, read minutes of February 13, 1982, meeting/
David C. made motion to approve as read/ Sally E. seconded/ carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Two issues to be reviewed, introduced by Chairman Chuck S.

#1) Issue of N.A. meeting with/for Nancy Reagan in Atlanta, Georgia.

#2) Issue concerning a Women's meeting in Memphis, Tennessee, wherein a Memphis member was informed that the meeting was in violation of Traditions by another member. She called Chuck to check this out.

Hank M. - Asked for clarification on the Nancy Reagan issue.

Chuck S. - Stated that the situation was that a Recovery House held a special purpose meeting for Nancy Reagan, and, a member called stating he was run off by the Secret Service when he tried to get into that meeting.

Stated that he sees no Tradition violations as it was a "special purpose meeting" for Nancy Reagan and the problem was a breakdown in communications among the Georgia region.

Tommy B. (from Atlanta, Georgia) An observer offered clarification: Stated that the meeting was held as a result of contact with the Institution. That the Fire Marshall had come in and set a limit on the number of persons who could attend. A list of people to attend that meeting was checked out by the Secret Service.

Hank M. - Asked whether this was an N.A. meeting? Stated that it should have been a Press Conference - not an N.A. meeting. He saw the video of Nancy Reagan talking to a group of adolescents and "Narcotics Anonymous" was in the background of the video's.

General discussion ensued. Board determined with the information at hand there was no violation of Traditions. Chuck S. has requested, from the Recovery House, all facts in writing, audio, and visual and has not received anything as yet.

BOARD moved to second issue concerning Women's meetings.

Chuck S. - Stated that he did not see any Tradition violations in a Women's meeting as a special purpose meeting.

David C. - Quoted the Third Tradition stating that "the only requirement for membership is the desire to stop using", and, does not see a special purpose meeting" in violation of this Tradition.

Sally E. - Stated that a Group's primary purpose is "to carry the message to the addict who still suffers". Said that if a meeting bars an addict newcomer from that meeting and tells them "No, you can't come in. Get out", then it is a break and she has not seen a meeting that has barred a suffering addict yet.

Chuck S. - Called for a decision from the Board on whether or not a special purpose meeting is a break in any of the Traditions, and, that the chair would entertain a motion.

James D. - Stated that it was difficult to vote on something verbally given. Stated that he had an obligation and a responsibility as a Trustee to have the information in front of him before he makes a decision.

Chuck S. - Then asked the Board to make a decision on whether or not it was a violation of Traditions to have special purpose/interest meetings. i.e. Men's, Women's, Gay's, etc.

MOTION made by Mike B. that it was proper to have special interest groups as long as they don't exclude an addict seeking recovery/ Sally E. seconded.

Chuck S. - Stated that people have special needs and special interest groups serve these needs. If an addict shows up at a special interest meeting, they should be directed to an 'open meeting', not told to "Get lost". If there are not other meetings they should carry the message to that addict.

Jack B. - Asked, what Tradition was suppose to be violated?

David C. - Stated the Third Tradition applied to 'membership' not to 'admission to a meeting'.

Sally E. - Said that it would be a break of the Fifth Tradition if the suffering addict who shows up at such a meeting and is not a) Helped or b) Directed to an 'open meeting'.

MOTION made by Jack B. that special interest groups are not in violation of the Traditions. Not seconded as motion already on the floor. General discussion ensued.

Decision made that original motion stands: That it is not a break in Traditions to have special interest groups. Chairman called to a vote; unanimously carried

Chairman made motion to adjourn/ David C. seconded/ unanimously carried/meeting closed.

Meeting opened up for questions from observers.

The next BOARD OF TRUSTEES Meeting will be held at the 12th World Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, at 9 a.m., on 9/3/82, at the Regency Room.

Meeting opened at 10:00 a.m. Chairman Chuck S.

ROLL CALL: Present: Chuck S. - Calif.
Jim N. - Nebraska
Greg P. - Oregon
Mike B. - Virginia

Cindy D., Secretary pro-temp, read minutes of last month's meeting/
motion made to approve/seconded/carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

- #1) Chuck S. read letter from Bobby B., Philadelphia, Pa., dated 7/14/82 regarding "Fund Raising Monies" and Board of Trustees response letter dated 8/7/82. Discussion ensued.
- #2) Read letter from Beth N., Fort Laud, Florida, dated 6/25/82 regarding "Group's who refuse to participate in Area Service Meetings" and Board of Trustee's response letter dated 8/7/82 which quoted the 4th Tradition "Each Group should be autonomous, etc."
- #3) Read letter from Ellen K., Miami, Florida, dated 7/10/82 regarding a "Closed Meeting" and Board of Trustees response letter dated 8/7/82.

NEW BUSINESS:

- #1) RE: "The N.A. WAY" Magazine; Sub-committee of WSC-82; Lisbon, Ohio.

Chuck S. read letter from Jim M., Co-Chairman/Editor of N.A. WAY dated 7/26/82 and response letter from WSC-83 Administration Committee dated 8/31/82 directed to them as well as letter to Board of Trustees (same date). The issue is that the N.A. WAY is in violation of Traditions and should be under the umbrella of the World Service Office in order to be properly and legally protected as the World Service Conference is not structured in such a way as to be able to do this.

Chuck S. stated that, at this point, the NA WAY is a private enterprize. He personally feels that it is an excellent publication. And, it either should set itself up as its own corporation or follow proper channels through the WSO for publication.

Copies of minutes of WSC-82 given to Trustee members; discussion ensued.

Greg P. re-read Bob R.'s letter of 8/31/82 by WSC. Question raised: "Is it proper for the "NA WAY" to be under the umbrella of WSC?". Discussion ensued. It was pointed out the WSC "effects N.A. as a whole"; therefore, this issue is important.

Greg P. made a motion that the Board of Trustees respond to the letter from WSC-Admin. Committee stating; motion withdrawn.

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Chuck S. stated that we were not here to decide whether we agreed or disagreed, but to decide what Tradition was in violation: Tradition 6?

Greg P. made a motion that based on the 6th Tradition the World Service Conference cannot endorse, finance, or lend the N.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property or prestige divert us from our primary purpose. However, the Board of Trustees wishes to encourage the continuation of this particular enterprise as it is very beneficial to the Fellowship. Seconded by Jim N./discussion ensued/ voted upon and passed with one abstention.

#2) Greg P. brought-up that concerns have arisen between the difference of a Group and a Meeting. Chuck S. replied that they are all governed by the Traditions and read the definition of a Group from the Service Structure.

Greg P. requested that it be placed in the minutes: "Any Meeting of N.A. is bound by the principles which are the Steps and Traditions".

#3) Chuck S. stated that the Board of Trustees have dealt with personal problems thus far, but NOW things should be straightened out through the Groups, the A.S.C.'s, the R.S.C.'s, etc. However, if no solution can be brought about, it can then come to the Board of Trustees. After going through proper channels and procedures.

#4) Mike B. stated that he had some concerns on financial dealings. Discussion ensued.

Chairman, Chuck S., entertained motion to close meeting/seconded/passed.

Meeting was then opened up for questions from observers.

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held:

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