

## MINUTES OF THE 2008 COCAINE ANONYMOUS WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE

**NOTE: These minutes are a summary of motions, amendments thereto, voting results and other parliamentary history of the Conference. They do not contain any information about such matters as the debate on any particular motion, nor can they answer questions about any referrals which did not result in motions. Such further information may be found in other records of the Conference, such as the transcripts, the opening and closing committee reports, and other documents that are available from your World Service Delegates, Regional Trustees, and the World Service Office.**

**Amendments to existing language in the World Service Manual, or to existing Standing Conference Committee Guidelines, are generally presented in a “strike and replace” format to facilitate understanding of what language is being changed. Language left as is will be found in a normal font; language that is being deleted will appear with a line drawn through it; and new language will be in bold, italics and/or underlined.**

[THIS VERSION HAS LAST NAMES REMOVED]

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\*\*\*\*\*Day One, Tuesday, August 26, 2008\*\*\*\*\*

Conference called to order at 7:30 p.m.  
Roll call: 153 votes present; quorum is 102.

**New Area Petitions**

Lawrence M – **Motion to accept the petition of the State of South Carolina to become an Area.** Second.

*Motion carries unanimously.*

New vote count of 155 and a new quorum of 104.

WS Board of Trustees Opening Report

Kim S -- **Motion to suspend the rules to hear two items of business out of order.**

*Motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Earl H – **Motion to amend #2 of the Trustee Election Process, found on page 43 of the 2008 World Service Manual:**

**Current version: 2) All voting will be done by secret ballot. TEC members have the choice of either voting for one candidate or voting for none of the candidates. Abstentions are counted as votes for none of the candidates.**

**Revised version: 2) All voting will be done by secret ballot. TEC members have the choice of either voting for one candidate or voting for none of the candidates. Abstentions will not be considered a vote, and the election will be affirmed by two thirds of the voting members.**

Bryan S – **Point of Order:** SR13 requires that any motion made at the Conference which changes the World Service Conference structure or the World Service Conference committees, the World Service Manual, or CA as a whole, must be referred to the appropriate committee prior to consideration. This is a direct change to the Structure and Bylaws World Service Manual and has not been given to them.

Vice Chair – **PoO not accepted.** This affects the TEC procedures, which are not strictly part of the Manual, the Structure, or CA as a whole. So, therefore, the motion does not fall under Standing Rule 13, and is in order.

*Motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Earl H -- **Motion: To amend #9 of Trustee Election Process, found on Page 43 of the 2008 World Service Manual:**

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Kim S – Friendly amendment – That the motion be effective immediately.

*Accepted. Motion now reads:*

**Motion: To amend #9 of Trustee Election Process, found on Page 43 of the 2008 World Service Manual, to be effective immediately:**

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*Motion carries.*

Kim S – Motion to amend the first motion passed, adding “to be effective immediately” so that it reads:

**Motion to amend #2 of the Trustee Election Process, found on page 43 of the 2008 World Service Manual to be effective immediately:**

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*Motion to amend carries.*

#### WS Office Board Opening Report

No motions were presented during the WSO report.

#### Trustee Election Committee Nominee Slate Approval

**Earl H -- Motion to approve the slate of Atlantic North Region**  
**John P (TAL qualifier)**  
**Robert L**

*Motion carries.*

**Earl H -- Motion to approve the slate of Atlantic South Region**  
**Tammy P TAL qualifier**  
**Susan D TAL qualifier**

*Motion carries.*

**Earl H -- Motion to approve the slate of Midwest Region**  
**Brian T (TAL qualifier)**  
**Jeffery U (TAL qualifier)**

*Motion carries.*

**Earl H -- Motion to approve the slate of Southwest Region**  
**Richard S (TAL qualifier)**  
**Randy G (TAL qualifier)**  
**Kerry W**

*Motion carries.*

**Earl H -- Motion to approve the slate of the Pacific South Region**  
**Willie B (TAL qualifier)**  
**Joy H (TAL qualifier)**  
**Aurora L**  
**Mike S**

*Motion carries.*

**Earl H -- Motion to approve the slate of the Pacific North Region**

**Terry M (TAL qualifier)**  
**Kelly F (TAL qualifier)**

*Motion carries.*

Earl H -- **Motion to approve the slate of the World Service Office Board**  
**Teresa N**  
**Willie B**

*Motion carries.*

The European Region brings no slate at this time,

Joy H – **Motion** to adjourn.  
*Motion carries at 11:18 pm*

*Reconvene tomorrow at 8:00 a.m.*

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\*\*\*\*\*Day Two, Wednesday, August 27, 2008\*\*\*\*\*

Session called to order at 8:10 a.m.  
155 roll call votes and the quorum is 103.

**Conference Committee Opening Reports**

No motions were presented during the Conference Committee Opening reports.

**Approval of Minutes**

Susan B – **Motion to approve the Minutes of the 2007 World Service Conference as submitted.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Old Business

There was no Old Business.

Dan D – Motion to adjourn.

*Motion carries.*

We are adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Reconvene Friday at 2:30pm

\*\*\*\*\*Day Four, Friday, August 29, 2008\*\*\*\*\*

Conference session opens at 2:40 p.m.  
158 Votes present. Quorum – 106

Committee and Board Reports

Archive Committee

Patrick P – **Motion to approve the committee guidelines and procedures as appeared in the delegate mailing SR14.**

*Motion carries unanimously*

Patrick P – **Motion to extend the term of Archive Committee Chairperson to 4 years.**

Michael C – **Point of Order – SR13.**

Chair – **Not accepted. Not only is this change without major effect, but it has been referred to the relevant committee: Archive.**

Bobbie H – **Point of Order – How can a committee just extend terms like that? Doesn't this have to be referred first?**

Chair – **Accepted. Motion is out of order under SR13 since the appropriate committee is Structure and Bylaws, not Archive.**

Convention Committee

**The CAUK bid for CAWS 2012 is submitted. Due to SR 22 and the lack of a second bid, the committee is unable to recommend this bid to the Conference at this time.**

Richard A - **MOTION: To accept the 2010 budget for CAWS Convention Milwaukee.**

REVENUES	MILWAUKEE
807800 CAWS Wisconsin	
807801 Contribution 7th Tradition	3,000.00
807803 Income Brunch	6,000.00
807804 Income Banquet	22,500.00
807xxx Coffee	2,500.00
807805 Pre Conv Fund Raising	
Area support	7,500.00
Memorabilia	4,000.00
807806 Hotel Credit	11,110.00
807808 Early Registration	7,000.00
807809 Registration	22,500.00

<b>807810 Entertainment</b>	8,000.00
<b>807812 Special Events</b>	5,000.00
<b>807814 Sales Memorabilia</b>	20,000.00
<b>807815 Auctions</b>	25,000.00
<b>centerpieces</b>	1,500.00
<b>drawing</b>	1,800.00
<b>807816 Tape Sales</b>	1,200.00
<b>807817 Newcomer Scholarship</b>	500.00

<b>Total 807800 CAWS Wisconsin</b>	<b>149,110.00</b>
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**EXPENSES**

<b>907500 CAWS Wisconsin</b>	
<b>907504 Outreach</b>	1,200.00
<b>907511 Bank Charges</b>	2,750.00
<b>907533 Insurance</b>	1,000.00
<b>907533 Postage</b>	700.00
<b>907546 Miscellaneous</b>	1,500.00
<b>907547 Office Expense</b>	900.00
<b>907549 Outside Printing</b>	2,500.00
<b>907562 Returned Checks</b>	250.00
<b>907575 Telephone</b>	150.00
<b>907576 Computer Rental</b>	1,800.00
<b>907580 Audio / Lighting</b>	4,500.00
<b>907581 Auctions / Drawings</b>	5,500.00
<b>drawing</b>	10.00
<b>centerpieces</b>	1,600.00
<b>907582 Pre-Convention Fund Cost</b>	4,500.00
<b>907583 Registration</b>	4,000.00
<b>907584 Banquet</b>	11,800.00
<b>907585 Coffee Reserve</b>	2,000.00
<b>907586 Entertainment / Dances</b>	3,500.00
<b>907587 Brunch</b>	4,200.00
<b>907588 Special Events Total</b>	12,000.00
<b>907589 Speakers</b>	7,000.00
<b>907590 Workshops</b>	1,250.00
<b>907591 Marathons</b>	200.00
<b>907592 Hospitality</b>	3,800.00
<b>907593 Memorabilia</b>	14,000.00
<b>907594 Information / Security</b>	500.00
<b>907595 Scholarship Expenses</b>	550.00
<b>907596 Design, Layout &amp; Artwork</b>	400.00
<b>907597 Special Needs</b>	1,000.00
<b>907598 Public Information</b>	1,000.00
<b>907599 Decorations</b>	1,000.00

907601 Evaluation	200.00
907602 Upcoming Chair Expense	1,100.00
907603 Unity	500.00
<b>Total 907500 CAWS Wisconsin</b>	<b>98,860.00</b>

NET 50,250.00

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Doug L -- Motion to amend the WSCCC guidelines on P. 6 under Chairperson, **\*\*Appointment\*\* second sentence: *Following the area/region approval, aAll nominations must be submitted in writing by local delegate(s) to the World Service Conference Convention Committee Chairperson.***

**Also modify item 4, third sentence to read “If the CAWS Committee Chairperson is removed, ~~the local delegate(s)~~, within sixty (60) days of removal, *the host area/region shall submit three (3) nominations with a minimum of two (2) to fill the vacant CAWS Chairperson position.*”**

Cynthia C -- Friendly Amendment -- After "following the Area/Region approval", to insert the words, "of the slate".

*Accepted.* Motion now reads:

**Motion to amend the WSCCC guidelines on P. 6 under Chairperson, **\*\*Appointment\*\* second sentence: *Following the area/region approval of the slate, aAll nominations must be submitted in writing by local delegate(s) to the World Service Conference Convention Committee Chairperson.*****

**Also modify item 4, third sentence to read “If the CAWS Committee Chairperson is removed, ~~the local delegate(s)~~, within sixty (60) days of removal, *the host area/region shall submit three (3) nominations with a minimum of two (2) to fill the vacant CAWS Chairperson position.*”**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Kirsten A – Motion to insert Item Number 29 into the general guidelines, on page 34, to read: "It is recommended that a registration form be prepared for distribution at the World Service Convention previous to that convention. If the host Area/Region requires prior registration samples, the WSO should be contacted."

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Mike S – Motion to add a budget line item for Regional Trustee, on page 42, below "Upcoming Chair Expenses", addition to read "Pre-con Regional Trustee expenses".

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**David S -- Motion to change page 18, "Evaluations Coordinator" to read: "Survey and Evaluations Coordinator." Add new item number 1, to read: "Coordinates with Special Events and Outreach chairperson in producing a survey for the fellowship, to be made available two prior to the CAWS convention. This survey is regarding special sites and attractions that may be of interest in that particular Region for considering by the Host Convention Committee when finalizing activities for their respective convention. The survey should be distributed at the CAWS convention and World Service Conference.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**Mike T – Motion to amend page 42, under "Outreach", to add a line item that states, "Registration Giveaways", and have the Finance Chair determine the amount.**

**Brian T – Friendly amendment – CAWS Convention Treasurer instead of Finance Chair?**

*Accepted. Motion now reads:*

**Motion to amend page 42, under "Outreach", to add a line item that states, "Registration Giveaways", and have the CAWS Convention Treasurer determine the amount.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**Mike T -- Motion to add "Credited room nights, one night in forty (40)", to be inserted on page 42, after "Upcoming Chair Expenses".**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**Ian Y – Motion to add to page 8 under "Convention Steering Committees – Duties/Responsibilities", Item 8, to state: "In the interest of cost effectiveness, members of the CAWS Convention Steering Committee must be required to communicate electronically, i.e. email, IM, VOIP."**

**Ernest M – Friendly Amendment – replace “must be required to” with “, if possible, will”; and replace “i.e.” with “e.g.”**

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**Patrice R – Friendly Amendment – Spell out the abbreviations.**

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*Motion carries with minor opposition.*

**Shawn B -- Motion to change all instances of "Co-Treasurer" to "Vice Treasurer" in the Convention guidelines.**

*Motion carries with minor opposition.*

End of Convention Committee motions.  
Motion from floor during the question period:

**Glenn T – Motion to accept the CAUK bid for CAWS 2012.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**The 2012 CAWS Convention is awarded to CAUK.**

#### **Trustee Election Committee Announcement**

**The TEC has elected the following Trustees:**

**WSO Trustee: Willie B**  
**Southwest Regional Trustee: Randy G**  
**Pacific South Regional Trustee: Joy H**  
**Atlantic North Regional Trustee: Robert L**  
**Trustee-at-Large #1: Richard S**

## Hospitals and Institutions Committee

Mona I -- Motion to amend the CA World Service H & I Committee Guidelines, as follows:

On page 5, Paragraph 4 thru to end of page 6 : strike the entire Section under the listing of "The H & I Can"

And replace with amended version:

### THE H & I CAN

The H&I Committee is a Sub-Committee of the Area and/or District Service Committee. In keeping with the Ninth Tradition, this committee is directly responsible to those they serve.

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Regular CA Meetings that pass the H&I Can have found the following a suitable addition to the meeting format. At the point where the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition is honored, insert:

*"The 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition reminds us that we are fully self-supporting through our own contributions. The H & I Can being passed is to help support your local Hospitals and Institutions Committee of Cocaine Anonymous. The contributions help buy supplies and literature for addicts confined in Hospitals and Institutions. I have asked \_\_\_\_\_ to read the 12 Traditions for us while we observe the 7<sup>th</sup> tradition. Newcomers need not feel obligated to contribute."*

### PASSING AN H&I CAN – THE HOW AND WHY OF IT

Since the founding of the fellowship, it has been customary to drop a dollar in the basket. While the cost of living increases, the costs of H&I supplies increase too, and the donation remains the same.

Many Areas compensate by increasingly becoming dependent on special fund raising events. Consequently, the numbers of Conventions, CampVentions, Round-ups, etc. increase each year. However, if one of these special events fails, financial disaster may occur for the District/Area for which it was meant to support. After a while, the donations drop off, therefore we encourage members to kindly drop an extra dollar in the basket.

Passing the H&I Can helps the Hospitals and Institutions Committee as well as provide *supplies and literature*, for those in hospitals and institutions

If you desire to start doing this in your District/Area:

**First, request the support and approval of your District/Area Service Committee. Each CA group is autonomous; the decision on having an H&I Can must be the result of a group conscience by the interested meeting.**

**Secondly, you'll need a can; we suggest a one-pound coffee can, preferably painted white, with the H&I label affixed on the can. The importance of using labeled and painted H&I Cans cannot be stressed enough. Attempts to pass another basket have sometimes led to limited success.**

**Thirdly, please make sure that all literature reflects the CA Logo, the CAWSO phone number and/or the local CA Hotline. This insures the person carrying the book a constant contact with CA.**

**Fourthly, the H&I Can is a separate collection and should not be collected in the same basket as the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition.**

**One potential concern is "Do the funds actually assist H&I?" Yes. It is simply a fund-raising tool. Upon passing the H&I Can, the amount collected should be tracked separately.**

**Each local group, district, or area may have different means of tracking and dispersing these funds – month to month expenditures as collected, budget for the following years, etc.**

**To maintain the integrity of the H&I Can's intent, it is strongly suggested that these funds be utilized in their entirety towards the spirit it was donated – for the addicts confined in hospitals and institutions.**

**Upon the fortunate circumstances that any group, district or area would have funds donated in excess of its needs, efforts should be put towards extending these funds to the H&I committee of neighboring groups districts or areas that are less fortunate upon area and/or district approval.**

*More information on starting an H&I collection in your District or Area may be obtained from the CAWSC Committee, H&I Committee Chairperson or the CAWSO.*

**[end]**

**Jeffrey U – Friendly Amendment – In the last paragraph, starting "Upon the fortunate circumstances...", [strike] "these funds", after "extending" and [insert] "chips and literature", so it would read, "Upon the fortunate circumstances that any group, District or Area would have funds donated in excess of its needs, efforts should be put forward extending chips and literature to the H&I Committee of neighboring groups, Districts, or Areas that are less fortunate."**

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Joy H – **Motion: Suspend the rules. Dinner is at 6:00, to finish the motion.**  
*Motion to suspend carries.*

Joy H – **Motion: To extend the time until H&I motion is over.**  
*Motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Willy B – **Motion: To limit debate to 2 for and 2 against.**  
*Motion Carries.*

Gloria B – **Motion: To refer this back to committee.**

Pete N – **Motion: Call the question**  
*Motion to limit debate carries with substantial unanimity*

*Motion to refer fails*  
*Main motion fails*

**[Dinner break at 6:22]**  
**[Conference reconvenes at 8:00pm]**

Susan B – **Motion: Reconsider H&I's [last] motion.**  
*Motion fails*

Roy R – **Motion: Suspend the rules to hear an item of new business out of order.**  
*Motion carries*

Roy R – **Motion: Remove pages 5 and 6 titled H&I Can from the H&I Guidelines.**

Tony D – **Point of Order** – since this would substantially changes a committee structure, doesn't this fall under SR 13?

Chair – Not accepted

Vice Chair –The motion is identical to referral #5671, which was previously submitted to the committee, satisfying SR 13.

Pete N – **Motion: Close debate**  
*Motion to close debate carries with substantial unanimity*  
*Main motion fails with substantial unanimity.*

### **Unity Committee**

The Unity committee presented no motions.

### **Finance Committee: Special Committee Budget Requests**

*[Budgets increasing by more than 10%]*

Brian T – **Motion: Increase Conference Committee Budget from \$16,125 to \$20,130**  
*Motion carries unanimously*

Ruby L – **Motion: Increase the PI Committee budget from \$660 to \$900.**  
*Motion carries unanimously*

Patrick P – **Motion: Increase the Archive Committee budget from \$2,000 to \$4,350.**

Brian T – **Friendly Amendment: Reduce travel expenses by \$400, resulting in a total of \$3950.**

Motion now reads:

**Motion: Increase the Archive Committee budget from \$2,000 to \$3,950.**

Pete N -- **Motion: Close debate**

*Motion to close debate carries with substantial unanimity*

*Main motion carries with substantial unanimity*

Earl H – **Motion: Increase the Trustee Meeting budget from \$50,350 to \$61,390.**

Roy R – **Motion: Close debate**

*Motion to close debate carries unanimously.*

*Main motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Dan SM – **Motion: Increase the Finance Committee budget from \$0 to \$50.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

#### **Information Technology (IT) Committee**

Kurt L –**Motion: To change page 3 paragraphs 1 and 2 of the IT Committee Workbook and Guidelines which reads:**

**The Internet Committee of the World Service Conference was established at the 1998 Conference to assist the CA Fellowship in matters relating to the global communications phenomenon called “the Internet.” At the 2005 World Service Conference, the name was changed to Information Technologies (IT) Committee, to better fit the scope of emerging technologies. In order to fulfill this mission, the WSCIC has created this workbook to assist and guide ~~Areas and Districts~~ *the entire CA Service Structure in the development of web sites that will ensure unity throughout the service structure.***

**The purpose of the committee is to serve as a resource to the ~~fellowship~~ *CA service structure* in areas of emerging technologies. ~~Specifically~~ *In addition*, we facilitate and assist Areas and Districts in approving their local web sites to be linked from ca.org. ~~Additionally~~, The IT Committee, on an ongoing basis, works on adapting available technologies to better carry the message of CA, while always keeping in mind the issues of Twelve Traditions, CA policies, privacy, and security.**

[end]

*Motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

**Kris W - Motion: To add to page 4 paragraph 8, which reads:**

**When selecting domain names, it is suggested that areas pick something easy to remember. Since many domain names are already in use, have several possible choices in mind when applying for your domain. Several Internet registrars allow online inquiries to see if a given domain name is available. *It is also suggested that, where possible, the domain name be registered such that the Area or District is listed as the “administrative contact”.***

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**Bobbie H – Motion to Reconsider: Reconsider the Archive committee motion regarding their guidelines to be placed in the WSM.**

*Motion to reconsider passes with substantial unanimity.*

**Reconsidered motion [from Archive Committee report] – Motion to approve the committee guidelines and procedures as appeared in the delegate mailing SR14.**

**Patrick P [maker, before debate] – Amend motion to read: Motion to approve the committee guidelines and procedures as appeared in the delegate mailing SR14, as Archive Guidelines for inclusion in the delegate binder.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

### **World Service Board of Trustees**

The WSBT presented no motions at this time.

### **Public Information Committee**

**Mike F - MOTION: Add to page 3 of the Fact File the following excerpt from the pamphlet “And All Mind Altering Substances” under the subtitle “A Definition of Cocaine Anonymous.”**

#### **SO WHAT DOES “AND ALL OTHER MIND-ALTERING SUBSTANCES” MEAN?**

**It means that it is the collective experience of the members of Cocaine Anonymous that addiction is a problem not limited to any one substance. It means that C.A.'s 12 Steps are not drug-specific, and that Cocaine Anonymous is not a drug-specific fellowship. It means that it doesn't matter to us if you drank or what type of drugs you used; if you have a desire to stop, you are welcome here!**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**Mike F - MOTION: Remove “The Recovery Program,” from Page 15 of the Fact File and replace it with the Conference approved literature “We Can Recover.”**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

[An audio-visual presentation of a PI storyboard is made]

Robert B – **Motion: Approve the storyboard.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

[Two poster images and a “street art” concept are presented]

Gerald C - **Motion: Approve new ‘skull’ image**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Gerald C - **Motion: Approve new casket image.**

Kurt L – **Motion: limit debate to 2 for and 2 against.**

*Motion to limit debate fails*

Cynthia C – **Friendly amendment: Change image, replacing cross with R.I.P.**

*Accepted*

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Gerald C - **Motion: Approve ‘street art’ images**

Pete N – **Motion: Close debate**

*Motion to close debate carries with substantial unanimity*

*Main motion carries*

Jenn S - **Motion: For this Conference to have the new 2009-2010 Membership Survey accepted for distribution to the Fellowship for our next survey.**

Cynthia C - **Friendly amendment: In the "What got us here" section, the first question, "What mind-altering substances did you use?" on the last link, "Other", to add in parenthesis, "Specify".**

*Accepted*

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Glen T – **Motion to Adjourn**

Adjourned at 11:58 pm. Resume at 8:00am Saturday.

\*\*\*\*\*Day Five, Saturday, August 30, 2008\*\*\*\*\*

Conference session opens at 8:27am.  
157 Votes present. Quorum – 105

**Literature, Chips and Format Committee**

Jeannette J - **Motion: Pursuant to Point 12 of the CA Pamphlet Approval Process, motion to approve the revised pamphlet “Choosing Your Sponsor” as set forth in Attachment A.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Susan D - **Motion: Pursuant to Point 12 of the CA Pamphlet Approval Process, motion to approve the pamphlet “Do’s and Don’ts for 12-Step Calls for Addicts” as set forth in Attachment B.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Cynthia C - **Motion: Pursuant to Point 12 of the CA Pamphlet Approval Process, motion to approve “Who is a C.A. Member?” as set forth in Attachment C.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Cynthia C - **Motion: To revise the both the Suggested Participation Meeting Format and the Suggested Step Study Meeting Format to include “Who is a C.A. Member?” as an optional reading, as follows:**

**(OPTIONAL: It is also a custom to read Who is a Cocaine Addict?, Who is a C.A. Member? or Alcohol. I have asked (\_\_\_\_\_) to read for us.)**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Roy R - **Motion: To revise the fourth paragraph of How It Works as follows:**

**Remember that we deal with cocaine and all other mind-altering substances—cunning, baffling, powerful! Without help it is too much for us. But there is One who has all power—that One is God. May you find Him now! Half measures availed us nothing. We stood at the turning point. We asked His protection and care with complete abandon.**

John W – Motion: Close debate

*Motion to close debate carries 99-41 (2/3rds)  
Main motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Larry S - **Motion: Remove “A Guide to the 12 Traditions” from the C.A. Pamphlet Approval Process.**

Pete N – **Motion: Close debate.**

*Motion to close debate fails*

Susan B – **Motion: Refer back to Committee.**

Pete N – **Motion: Close debate.**

*Motion to close debate carries with substantial unanimity.*

*Motion to refer fails with substantial unanimity.*

Pete N – **Motion: Close debate.**

*Motion to close debate carries with substantial unanimity.*

*Main motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Ernest M - **Motion: Approve the design for the eternity metal chip as set forth in Attachment D.**

*Motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Terreca D - **Motion: To revise the first paragraph of both the Suggested Participation Meeting Format and the Suggested Step Study Meeting Format, as follows:**

**Welcome to the (\_\_\_\_\_) meeting of Cocaine Anonymous. My name is (\_\_\_\_\_) and I am an addict. Are there any other addicts present? Welcome! Not to embarrass you, but so that we could get to know you better, will those of you in your first 30 days of sobriety please let us know who you are? Would you please stand and state your name and your disease? If you're visiting from out of town or new to the Area, please introduce yourself.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Benjamin L - **Motion to Reconsider: Reconsider motion regarding eternity chip.**

Pete N – **Motion: Limit debate to 2 for and 2 against.**

*Motion to limit debate carries*

*Motion to reconsider fails with substantial unanimity*

### **Conference Committee**

The Conference committee presented no motions.

**World Service Office Board**

John B - **Motion: Approve the P.I. presentation template, with continually updated data provided by the PI committee. This presentation may be made available via the World Service Office for distribution to the fellowship on www.ca.org as well as through other channels.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

[Lunch break at 11:55am]

Reconvene at 1:45pm

**Finance Committee**

DAN SM – **Motion: Adopt the following discount policy:**

**Effective immediately, all price discounting for the sale of books, chips, literature and all other WSO products, is based on volume only. The following is the new discount structure:**

**Orders of \$200.00 – 10% discount**

**Orders of \$500.00 – 20% discount**

**Per case discount on books - 25%**

**The percentage discounts apply to the aggregate of all items ordered excluding books by the case. Books by the case receive no additional discount. There is no discount on taxes, shipping, or handling.**

Willie B – **Motion: Close debate**

*Motion to limit debate carries.*

*Main motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

**[Finance committee yields at this point to finalize budget]**

**Structure and Bylaws Committee**

Scott K - **Motion: Move the sixth paragraph, beginning with, “Formal organization...”, on page 10 to the last paragraph and modify the next paragraph as follows:**

**The principle of consistent rotation of responsibility is followed by all C.A. service positions. *The spirit of rotation is a vital principle within our service structure which allows for non-successive terms on all service positions. This enables more members to experience the true nature of service.* Positions in the ~~local Group~~ Service Structure**

are rotated according to a vote of the ~~Group~~ *Service Structure*. Representatives to the service organizations are voted on at the ~~Group~~ *Service Structure* level according to a schedule defined by each ~~Group~~ *Service Structure*. Officers of the ~~local~~ service organization are elected based on the group conscience of that organization.

Formal organization is kept to a minimum at the local Group level. The Group may have a limited number of “officers” whose responsibilities include, but are not limited to, arranging meetings, providing refreshments, handling the Group's budget, and maintaining contact with the local service organization.

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Jamie S - **Motion: Insert new paragraph on page 12 following the word memorabilia.**

*Any advertisement related to Cocaine Anonymous must include the following disclaimer: In the spirit of Tradition Six, We are not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization, or institution.*

Dan SM – **Friendly amendment: From “We are” to “CA is.”**  
*Accepted. Motion now reads:*

**Motion: Insert new paragraph on page 12 following the word memorabilia.**

*Any advertisement related to Cocaine Anonymous must include the following disclaimer: In the spirit of Tradition Six, CA is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization, or institution.*

Michael C – **Motion: Close debate.**

*Motion to close debate fails*

Ethel T – **Motion: Refer to committee**

*Motion to refer carries*

Benjamin L - **Motion: Add “or three” to item 8 on page 13 of the 2008 WSM.**

**8. Monies maintained in a general account should be limited to two or three months operating expenses to curtail embezzlement.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Julie C - **Motion: Remove “an Area” and add “by a group” from item 11 on page 13 of the 2008 WSM.**

**11. All non-committed funds may be donated to World Service, an Area by a group, or District in accordance with the 70-30 plan.**

Sonya S – **Motion: Close debate.**

*Motion to close debate carries with substantial unanimity.*

*Main motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Mike S - **Motion: Add new language in between items 11 and 12 “An Area should forward all non committed funds to the World Service Office”. [Renumbering 12 and 13. ]**

Kenny W – **Motion: Close debate**

*Motion to close debate carries with substantial unanimity.*

*Main motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Duane M - **Motion: Modify the BOOK STUDY category with the following:**

**BOOK STUDY: Participants study and discuss with the Group any of these books: Hope, Faith & Courage Book Stories from the Fellowship of Cocaine Anonymous (the “C.A. Story Book”); Hope, Faith & Courage Volume II Stories and Literature from the Fellowship of Cocaine Anonymous; Alcoholics Anonymous (the “Big Book”), Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (the “12 and 12”); and The A.A. Service Manual, combined with the 12 Concepts For World Service”.  
Second.**

**New version:**

**BOOK STUDY: Participants study and discuss with the Group any of these books: Hope, Faith & Courage Book Stories from the Fellowship of Cocaine Anonymous (the “C.A. Story Book”); Hope, Faith & Courage Volume II Stories and Literature from the Fellowship of Cocaine Anonymous; Alcoholics Anonymous (the “Big Book”), Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (the “12 and 12”), and The A.A. Service Manual, combined with the 12 Concepts For World Service”.**

Rose J – **Motion: Close debate**

*Motion to close debate carries with substantial unanimity.*

*Main motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Patrice R – **Motion: Add the following language to page 20 of the WSM under the section Voting Procedures: Determined by Area Voting Examples can be found in the WSM WSC Parliamentary Procedure Guidelines**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Anita J - **Motion:** Add new paragraph 6, on page 17 of the WSM,  
*Possible Voting Members: Officers of the DSC, Group Service Representatives,  
alternate Group Service Representatives (optional) and other trusted servants.*

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Janice W - **Motion:** Add new section, to page 17 of the WSM, above OFFICERS OF THE  
DSC, *Voting Procedures: Determined by District. Voting Examples can be found in the WSM  
WSC Parliamentary Procedure Guidelines*

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Dan S- **Motion:** Add new language to item d on page 21 of the WSM under Treasurer to  
read:

**d. Gainfully employed and/or financially stable.**

Pete N – **Motion:** Close debate

*Motion to close debate carries with substantial unanimity.  
Main motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Ed B - **Motion:** Add new language to item d on page 18 of the WSM under Treasurer to  
read:

**d. Gainfully employed and/or financially stable.**

Pete N – **Motion:** Limit debate to one for and one against

*Motion to limit debate carries  
Motion carries unanimously.*

Kenny W - **Motion:** Add new language to item 4 on page 24 of WSM.

**4. The Delegates and alternate delegates are to be elected for a term of four (4)  
Conferences, within a period of four (4) consecutive years. It is suggested that the  
spirit of rotation be followed. ~~The Area may decide the length of terms for Alternate  
Delegates.~~**

*Main motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Michael C - **Motion:** Make the following changes to the 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph on page 26 under  
**REGIONAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY:**

**A Region should hold a Service Assembly at least once per year, preferably five months prior to the annual World Service Conference. The Regional Service Assembly should be hosted by one Area. Attendance is open to all C.A. members; however, an Area may not exceed the number of votes that the area carries at the World Service Conference ~~voting is exclusive to those members representing the Region.~~ Votes may be carried by: Trustees ~~residing in the Region~~, WSC Delegates, Alternate Delegate, and Area Chairpersons, *residing in the Region*. Any of these voting members may carry no more than two votes at the Regional Assembly (~~one proxy pursuant to WSC voting procedures~~). Voting agenda should include only the selection of Trustee Candidates pursuant to the procedures outlined herein and proposed locations for future Regional Assemblies. It is suggested that the Regional Assembly adopt the C.A. Manual to govern its proceeding and voting process. The Regional Assembly can then make appropriate modifications.**

**New version:**

**A Region should hold a Service Assembly at least once per year, preferably five months prior to the annual World Service Conference. The Regional Service Assembly should be hosted by one Area. Attendance is open to all C.A. members; however, an Area may not exceed the number of votes that the area carries at the World Service Conference. Votes may be carried by: Trustees, WSC Delegates, Alternate Delegate, and Area Chairpersons, residing in the Region. Any of these voting members may carry no more than two votes at the Regional Assembly. Voting agenda should include only the selection of Trustee Candidates pursuant to the procedures outlined herein and proposed locations for future Regional Assemblies. It is suggested that the Regional Assembly adopt the C.A. Manual to govern its proceeding and voting process. The Regional Assembly can then make appropriate modifications.**

*Motion carries (but see below)*

**Gloria B – Motion to reconsider previous motion**

**Michael C – Motion: Close debate**

*Motion to close debate carries*

*Motion to reconsider carries*

*Committee withdraws motion*

**Ronald W - Motion: Strike and replace item i on page 32 under WSC COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON.**

**~~i. It is suggested that a Chairperson serve no more than four consecutive years.~~**

*i. A Chairperson shall serve no more than three terms.*

*Motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

**Bill B - Motion: Remove the word “consecutive”, in the second to the last sentence, from the paragraph under VACANCY, REPLACEMENT, AND TERM on page 41 of the 2008 WSM.**

**.... No Regional Trustee, Trustee at Large, Non-Addict Trustee, or World Service Trustee shall serve two consecutive terms. The WSO Trustee may serve two consecutive two-year terms.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**Chris W - Motion: Make the following changes to SR 5(b) on page 37 of the WSM.**

**SR 5(b): ~~If an area desires to send its votes other than by its delegates or alternate delegates designated in subparagraph 5(a) above, it must send a written proxy to be submitted to the Conference Chairperson by the beginning of the World Service Conference. If, prior to the WSC, an elected delegate or elected Alternate Delegate replaces a duly designated Delegate, pursuant to subparagraph 5(a), a written Certification of Transfer form shall be submitted to the Conference Chair by the beginning of the WSC.~~**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**Teresa N - Motion: Strike and replace on page 36, SR 11 with the following:**

**~~11) All Main Motions shall be displayed in electronic format and provided in handouts to the Conference Floor.~~**

**11) All main motions must be presented in the format requested by the Conference Chairperson. The Conference floor must be presented a copy of all main motions.**

*Motion carries with substantial unanimity, satisfying the 2/3rds requirement*

**Motion: To replace “How it Works” with “We Can Recover” in item 17 C. ii. on page 37 of the WSM**

**17) AGENDA OF WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE**

**c. Each agenda is to contain the following items:**

**ii. ~~How It Works~~ We Can Recover**

**Nick A – Motion: Close debate**

*Motion to close debate carries with substantial unanimity.  
Main motion carries.*

**[DINNER BREAK at 6:00pm]  
Reconvene at 7:47pm**

**Nick A - Motion: Make the following changes.**

**Regional Service Assemblies should be presided over by a Chairperson (~~voting member~~) elected from the voting members at the beginning of the Assembly and. ~~who~~ The Chairperson shall preside for that Assembly only. The Chairperson vote is reserved to break a tie. Voting Delegates', Alternate Delegates' and Area Chairpersons' expenses to the Regional Assembly should be provided exclusively by their local Areas.**

**New version:**

**Regional Service Assemblies should be presided over by a Chairperson elected from the voting members at the beginning of the Assembly. The Chairperson shall preside for that Assembly only. The Chairperson vote is reserved to break a tie. Voting Delegates', Alternate Delegates and Area Chairpersons' expenses to the Regional Assembly should be provided exclusively by their local Areas.**

**Gloria B – Motion: Close debate**

*Motion to close debate carries with substantial unanimity.  
Main motion carries.*

**Gloria B - Motion: To insert on page 42 under the heading "TRUSTEE SELECTION AND ELECTIONS PROCESS SUMMARY" sub-heading "World Service Office Trustee" insert the words "past and present" and strike the words "serving on the CAWSO board", so that #1 now reads "All past and present volunteer Directors not already a Trustee may be considered as candidates for any World Service Office Trustee vacancy."**

**All past and present volunteer Directors not already a Trustee ~~serving on the CAWSO Board~~ may be considered as candidates for any World Service Office Trustee vacancy.**

**Richard L – Motion: Close debate**

*Motion to close debate carries unanimously  
Main motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

**Deborah W - Motion: Modify the last sentence on page 46. Insert after the word "exceeded" with the following exception:**

- a. *Spending on purchases of books, chips, literature, and merchandise when a line item's sales have exceeded its budgeted amount. In no case shall the line item expense exceed a 10% increase.*

*Motion carries unanimously.*

Bobbie H - **Motion: Change as following paragraphs on page 55 of the WSM:**

#### **RECONSIDER**

**A Motion to Reconsider a previous vote, if successful, returns the previous motion to the floor as if no vote had ever been taken, and debate begins anew. The Motion to Reconsider ~~or motion~~ may only be made and seconded by members who voted with the prevailing side. The Motion to Reconsider must be made in the same day as the motion being reconsidered. It is debatable, if the motion to which it applies was debatable. Adoption of a motion to Reconsider requires a simple majority vote. No motion may be twice reconsidered.**

#### **RESCIND (PASSED MOTION)**

**The Motion to Rescind, ~~like~~ unlike the Motion to Reconsider, overturns the passage of the previous motion. If the Motion to Rescind succeeds, the affected motion (which previously passed) now fails. ~~nullifies the motion to which it applies.~~ Any member may make or second a Motion to Rescind, and it may apply to any motion passed at any time during the Conference. However, the Motion to Rescind must be used if the motion to which it applies was passed during a previous day or if the maker of the motion did not vote with the prevailing side. It requires a second and, is debatable. It requires ~~and is adopted~~ by a 2/3 vote, to pass unless at least one day's notice is given of the attempt to rescind. If previous notice is given, only a simple majority is required to adopt.**

**New version:**

#### **RECONSIDER**

**A Motion to Reconsider a previous vote, if successful, returns the previous motion to the floor as if no vote had ever been taken, and debate begins anew. The Motion to Reconsider may only be made and seconded by members who voted with the prevailing side. The Motion to Reconsider must be made in the same day as the motion being reconsidered. It is debatable if the motion to which it applies was debatable. Adoption of a motion to Reconsider requires a simple majority vote. No motion may be twice reconsidered.**

#### **RESCIND (PASSED MOTION)**

**The Motion to Rescind, unlike the Motion to Reconsider, overturns the passage of the previous motion. If the Motion to Rescind succeeds, the affected motion (which previously passed) now fails. Any member may make or second a Motion to Rescind, and it may apply to any motion passed at any time during the Conference. It requires a second and is debatable. It requires a 2/3 vote to pass, unless at least one day's notice is given of the attempt to rescind. If previous notice is given, only a simple majority is required to adopt.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

#### **Finance Committee resumes**

Elizabeth S - **Motion: To accept the proposed CA WSO budget to be in effect from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.**

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**New Business**

Siobhan A – **Motion: A Point #7 be added on Page 14 of WSM as follows: “Frequency of meetings be at least twice a month.”**

Yvette H – **Motion to Refer to Structures and Bylaws.**

*Siobhan A withdraws motion with unanimous consent*

Doug L -- **Motion: Under H & I guidelines, page 8, under line D of the Treasurer – new position: "H & I Service Representative" Suggested sobriety requirement: One year sobriety, continuous commitment service of six months. Suggested term of commitment: one year. Position filled via election. Duties and Responsibilities: 1. Attend H & I District and Area meetings; 2. Work closely with Treasurer and H & I Director; 3. Report to Area on expenses and funds; 4. Help their Areas generate fundraisers; 5. Visit H & I meetings in the Districts, Areas and are sensitive to their needs and reactions."**

Cynthia C – Point of Order – SR13 requires prior referral to the H&I committee.

Chair – Point is well-taken, motion is out of order.

**End of Today's Agenda**

Joy H – **Motion to suspend the rules to consider items of tomorrow's agenda.**

*Motion to suspend carries with substantial unanimity.*

Joy H - **Motion to work on tomorrow's agenda tonight, until midnight.**

Pete N – **Motion to close debate**

*Motion to close debate carries unanimously*

*Main motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

## Sunday Agenda

### Election of Conference Officers

#### Conference Chairperson

Nominees: Tony D; Cynthia C (declines); Kevin M; Bobbie H; Dan SM; Bryan S; Steve E (incumbent) (declines); Carl W (declines); Elizabeth S (declines); Earl H (declines)

[Election]

*Kevin M is the new Conference Chairperson.*

#### Conference Vice-Chairperson/Parliamentarian

Nominees: Tony D; Bobbie H (declines); Dan SM; Steve E (declines); Bryan S

*Tony D is the new Conference Vice-Chairperson/Parliamentarian*

#### Conference Co-Secretary

Nominees: Ann B-M (incumbent); Mona I (declines); Bobbie H; Deborah W (declines); Ruby L (declines); Robin L (declines); Niki Drake (declines); Terry Marsden (declines)

*Ann B-M is re-elected as Conference Co-Secretary*

#### New Business reopened

No new business

Outgoing delegates and trustees are thanked. The outgoing chair is thanked.

Elizabeth W – **Motion to suspend the rules in order to amend the agenda**

*Motion to suspend carries with substantial unanimity.*

Elizabeth W – Motion to amend the agenda to eliminate the Sunday session.

*Motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

Bobbie H – Motion to adjourn

*Motion carries with substantial unanimity.*

CONFERENCE 2008 ADJOURNED AT 11:13PM, SATURDAY AUGUST 30, 2008.