

In 1984 the course of NA Service changed - in reality it changed back to what it had been for years but I was too new (5yrsClean) to realize it then! At the 1983 WSC the motion "...That RSR's Only Vote at the WSC" came up after truly having been distributed to all of the fellowship for consideration and vote in the Groups of NA ("...those they serve" that the WSC was (is) Directly Responsible to) the vote of WSC voting members was taken: and this motion passed by 1 over the number required for a 2/3 majority. At this point the fellowship of NA had clearly stated through the process of Group Conscience that we wanted the WSC to abide in the simplest way with the process of group conscience, and that we required the WSC to become more clearly Directly Responsible to those they served. After some side comments the Chairman of the WSC declared the motion failed because the number of yea votes fell 1 short of 2/3 of those who were recorded at the previous roll call (now the vote it's self was a roll-call vote) - this was an unprecedented declaration of changed voting procedure at the WSC arbitrarily imposed by the chairperson and the parliamentarian.

Two other things happened right then and just after that I'll share when this had has time to sink in a bit...

In retrospect NA World Services had at that point clearly stated they would not abide by the 2nd and 9th Tradition

...shortly after they began selling our book at a discount to Hazleton: clearly stating they refused to abide by the 6th Tradition

...on the heels of this "above the Traditions" policy of world services they closed the Literature committee and hired professional writers refusing to abide by the 7th Tradition

I was there and I owe amends to you and every newcomer to NA since then for not doing more...not doing enough - to help our world services to abide by our traditions...

All of my service beyond my service to the home group I belong to is my amends

We, in NA do not have provision to "be served" by any entity: board or committee unless that entity is directly responsible to us ... so in reality everything that has happened since that vote was called defeated and WSC chose to defy the group conscience of NA - everything done by world services since then has no bearing on NA - yet we all know it has influence.

A wise man once said know the truth and that truth will set you free ... now you know the truth please help us see how it sets us free...

Your Predecessors