

Minutes FSC 2022

FSC 2022 - Friday

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(secretary remarks)

Chairperson: **Eric.D**

Co-chair: **Erik.F**

Secretary: **Linda.E**

Open the meeting with a moment of silence to remind us why we're here today followed by the We-version of the serenity prayer.

Eric.D - If any one has any group proposals please make sure to turn them into a trusted servant.

Eric.D - We will go around the group to introduce ourselves.

Frank - New York, **Matte** - Ohio, **Megan**, **Serenity** - Ohio, **Bryan** - Ohio, **Bryan** - West Virginia, **Travis** - Ohio, **David**- Virginia, **Mickey** - New Jersey, **Ken**, **Crystal** - New York, **Eric** - Nebraska, **Bill.A** - Allentown Pennsylvania,

Online: **Remon & Lindsey** - Netherlands, **Daniel**- Netherlands, **Hermen**, **Pietert** - Rotterdam, **Erik**- Netherlands, **Ron** - Netherlands, **Sharon** - Netherlands, **Linda** - Sweden

Eric.D - Welcome everybody to the 2022 FSC. What we're going to do first is to go over the Group reports. Who would like to go first?. We normally do the group reports from America here today and tomorrow we do the ones from overseas.

Bill.A - We got some American Groups that are still on their way here, like Allen and the Philly Group.

Eric.D - We're going to have to do some of them tomorrow.

U.S Group reports

Bill.A - I will go over right now the **Recovery First Group of NA**. We have struggled since the Covid, Wednesday night is an average of three addicts since we reopened in 2021. We're studying the Baby Blue, step meeting. The Monday night meeting is temporarily shut down until we can find a chairperson for that meeting. We are average of three addicts before our chairperson disappeared. We will reopen as soon as we find a chairperson that will be responsible for opening the door.

That's the Recovery First Group. We are going to keep that meeting open.

Next we got the **Historical Perspective Group NA** report. It's been an up and down year for us. We were an average of 20 people a meeting after the Covid since we had some issues beyond our control. We have been having 8-10 addicts attending on a regular basis. We are hosting the FSC 2020 again. We have the flyer for next year's FSC 2023. We study the Grey Book and discuss what we read each meeting. We read only three pages per meeting. It's a study group. We will continue participation in the literature conference and future projects. We also been handling the Grey Books and Baby Blue stockpile. We do not know the price of what it's going to be with the inflation. We kept price the same price as last order. With strong negotiation we were able to keep it the same. That's the Historical Perspective Group. I'm the chairperson of that Group.

Bill.A - why I say about the book prices, everyone knows what's going on around the world with heavy inflation, prices of paper gone up, paper shortages. It was rough negotiating. Erik helped me with the negotiations and with his strong negotiations. The only difference is the four and half months it takes to get the books from Poland to here this time. Because the boat was going all over the place, instead of going from the East Sea it kept going from Poland to Germany, from Germany to Lithuania, back to Germany, into Russia, back out of Russia up to Finland.

I thought the boat was never going to leave the East Sea. Then it went across the canal and sat in the North Sea in port for I don't know how many weeks to get down to the Netherlands, then to France and to get it over here. It was just like... but the great part was that the negotiations kept our books the same, it also kept the customs ... fee that's what I found hard to believe. Everything is the same price as it was the last time there. To get it to my house and the group picks that up. Every time we basically did not added that on to the book, but it did cost our Group 480 \$ that came out of our account. We have been struggling financially since we went down to 8-10 members from 20. We're losing about say 170 \$ a month in money coming through our 7th Tradition, a bunt law from that. So our count has been low and also caused a problem with us running this operation here this year, because.. the Group said to make sure that everybody knows that we operate on trying to buy our food before we get here, and it was very difficult this time because we didn't have the funding sitting there as we always have with our Group. Preregistrations are important for us. Thanks.

The deal is that you (Eric) missed some things, first the announcements, you missed the announcements. Alright. I need the announcements to be raised now in the room. We need everyone to clean up after themselves. Those who have not registered needs to get registered so we know what we have so we can give a financial report which won't happen tonight till we go through that for tomorrow morning.

Then we will give a running financial report as we normally do, but we need everyone to clean up after themselves, to participate in the cleaning and to participate in the following that when the bell rings it means that you're coming in here. We do the same thing with mealtime, we ring the bell, so the bell will ring for mealtime and then it will ring to come in here. We need to get this running in an orderly manner. Any other announcements we will give you tomorrow morning, updates on them.

Eric.D - Anyone else have any announcements?
Anything important before we move forward?

Alright, who would like to share their Group report next?

Matte- I'm an addict named Matte. (Starts to read the following Group report):

THE WAR IS OVER!

group of narcotics anonymous

Fellowship Service Conference Report 2022

THE WAR IS OVER! Group of Narcotics Anonymous is physically located in Findlay, OH. We are a Closed Meeting that reads historical NA Literature. We currently have 6 active Home Group members. Last year at this time we hosted two meetings a week, Wednesdays at 9pm Gray Book study, and Thursdays at 7pm Baby Blue Basic Text study. These were both hybrid meetings that met in person and on Zoom. We had two separate facilities for these meetings and both of their formats consisted of reading a paragraph out of the literature and opening up the floor for sharing on that paragraph.

We now have two meetings a week in person (Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7PM) and one meeting a week strictly on Zoom (Wednesdays at 9PM). We also decided to move both of the in person meetings to one facility. We felt that it was time to focus on our atmosphere of recovery in person and our local community more since a lot of the pandemic restrictions had been lifted. We decided to keep one meeting on Zoom to stay connected to those addicts we met since 2020 all over the world. Once we moved the meetings we started to focus more on Public Information.

Our Group created the website nafindlay.org to provide information on Narcotics Anonymous and where addicts can find us. We have done some work putting fliers up and have given away a lot of books. We had a meeting recently to discuss different things we can do. We made a list of places we can put fliers and have put books in outdoor mini libraries around town. We also talked about doing an H&I meeting at the jail and homeless shelter.

In November of 2021 our Group hosted the Fellowship Literature Conference at Camp Berry just outside of Findlay. There, we worked on the Gray Book Reflections book and did input on the entries from February 18 to March 18.

Attendance was light and there were some technical issues with the facility but we still had a good time. The conference was a learning experience and we see now that there is work to be done as far as attracting other Groups and Members to the input and review literature writing process. We have starting thinking of what we can do to help inform addicts and get them involved. We have tossed the idea around of having an input and review day as a Group and trying to get other addicts interested. We also think it would be very beneficial to have a History Day where addicts can learn for themselves about how the literature was originally written and see that we have the right and responsibility to continue in that tradition.

This has definitely been a year of growth for our Group. Most of our members have been asked at different times to speak at other meetings and events in the surrounding area and

we haven't had as many issues with retaliation and conflict with other Groups this year. This has allowed us a little more confidence in carrying out our primary purpose and focus on what we can change. We feel more unified than last year especially when it comes to our message of total abstinence. We are grateful to be here at the Fellowship Service Conference this year, participating in service that is directly responsible to the Groups it serves.

In Loving Service,
THE WAR IS OVER
GROUP

Eric.D - Who would like to share their report next?

Megan- I'm an addict called Megan. I'm going to read the Group report from the Grateful Wake Up Group (reads the following report):

The Grateful Wake Up Group - Nebraska

The Grateful Wake Up Group has had an interesting year. We have added a meeting on Sundays online. Currently we are meeting Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Friday online at 845 AM CT zoom ID 534 022 8362 Password 505514. We also now have 2 physical only meetings on Wednesday and Thursday. The Monday meeting is actually a hybrid meeting that meets online and in person. We recently have had some members choose to join other Groups. We have had some members join us since then also. Hopefully the Group is going to grow closer together through these changes. The GWU Group continues to introduce addicts all over the world to the Gray Book and Baby Blue Basic Text. One meeting has started in Spokane WA from a newer member of the GWU Group. A meeting in KC has also been tried to get off the ground several times by an addict encouraged by the GWU Group to start a Gray Book meeting in KC. We have almost all of the motions

conscienced and ready for the FSC. The website has been updated it is gratefulwakeupgroup.net . All of the meeting changes have been sent in. The one way the Group has asked for support is suggestions on how to grow the physical meetings more in an area that has completely black balled the Group. We know to do PI and are ready to do another run of PI. If there are any suggestions though they would be appreciated. The GWU Group also turned in our Autonomy statement this past year and received confirmation from the Anonymi agent, NAWS and the CA attorney general that they were received. Thank you to all for the service and support each one of you do for N.A.

In loving service Eric.D

Eric.D- Anyone else? (there's a lot of background noise which makes hard to hear anything)

I'm **Mickey**, I'm an addict. We're the Grey Book Step Study Group in May....(16.45) New Jersey. We're not officially a member of A.S.I.S, but we're an active supporter of everything we do. The Group is doing well, we're actually having two meetings running now. Both meetings right now are hybrid. Tuesday at 7.00 o'clock at Mayslanding, and Saturday at 08.00 o'clock at Mayslanding. The attendance at both of them is about 6-8 members. The meeting has been going very well. It's well supported. We have a very active working relationship with our area and the region, no animosity and things are going well.

Thank you.

I'm an addict, my name is **Frank**. We are the (17.30) Group of Narcotics Anonymous, we are also not a Group that's officially part of A.S.I.S, but there are some of us home group members that are very supportive of the service structure. The Group started in New York originally with the intent of eventually (18.04) we started in October we are approaching our second year. The attendance has remained of an average of about 20 members consistently. Every single Wednesday we at 08.00 pm standard time. Zoom meeting ID is 841 0121 2448 no password. We don't yet have any issues with "Zoom bombers", we yet don't have issues or any type of threats, or any type of defiance, or resistance, and we

mail a lot of books, we mail out Grey Books to interested members, I personally drive out to folks that are within my region, and the little books. We have rotation of our service commitments. We recently developed a website, still in the works, trying to make ourselves rather more available to addicts. I personally have presented through a Group Conscience meeting for the Group to be an active part of this structure, but the conscience of the Group was to remain autonomous. It's not part of the mainstream structure, it just prefers to remain autonomous. I hope in the future that they can join in this effort. The Group is This tradition's been carried out every single week, members are sharing their experience, strength and hope. We read one paragraph at the time, we open it for five shares before moving on to the next paragraph. For the most part it's just a lot of members from mainstream NA that really have no background or any knowledge on historical and traditional Narcotics Anonymous. We are getting exposure as a Group and that's fascinating.

Addict, **Ken** - Once again I have been asked to carry the conscience of the Never Alone, Never Again Again Group, but the Group is really having a bad time, so they lost their current location, and there may be a meeting, or maybe not, depending on whether they can find a location that week, so they are spotting 20:36 and I told Travis that goes between the conscience meeting that they should maybe take themselves off the meeting list if they can't be really reliable, and so we'll see what comes out of that. It's very very spotting.....20:58 it and that is about it. It's a shame I can't say something better, but reality is reality. Thanks.

Someone on the floor : What about your group?

Ken- My home group? My home group is part of the NAWA structure, although they really buy minimal literature, they don't donate to area. They're sort of a? kind of a redneck townit's like... they are very anti authority, so they go there one way, but the Group is big. In the format they say - will home Group members raise their hands, $\frac{2}{3}$ of the meeting raise their hand. We have conscience meetings, and it's maybe 20 to 25 people in the conscience meetings, so half of the Group are in the conscience meeting. So I like this, kind of why I made it my home Group. Because in my area Florida, it's like,

it's very difficult. Every Group is in the known structure, and I would start, like I've done before. Me and Vito, we did a Grey Book meeting, I did Back to the Basics, a Baby Blue meeting and.. I need someone to do it with me, I'm not gonna' self-will and do it on my own. If I could find someone who's like minded I would start a meeting, but I'm not gonna' start a meeting on my own. That would be like too much self-will and ego. I did a Grey Book meeting with Vito, me and another guy did this Baby Blue meeting together. But as it is there's no non-NAWS meeting in my area. So you take what you get to go to meetings you know. I rather go to one of the least? meetings, then not go to meetings at all. Because you know, an addict is an addict, and it doesn't matter if it's a NAWS meeting, I need that one on one with another addict. That's what I get you know. That's my home Group which is.. once again, reality is reality.

Eric.D - Thanks Ken. Anyone else wanna' share anything? I think we do have some Group reports that were sent in, I don't believe they are going to be here so.. we can go ahead and read those Group reports. Erik, were you able to pull them up for us?

Erik.F - No, I don't have them.

Eric.D - Okay, see if I can find them on RadioFree. Actually, Linda, do you have those reports available?

Linda - (Poor sound)

Erik.D - Can you send them to Erik in the Netherlands so that he can put them on the screen for us?

Linda - (very poor Wi-Fi connection) -

Erik.F - We can not hear you Linda.

Eric.D - I guess what she's saying is that it's breaking up pretty bad from where she's at. I know that there were a few people saying that they were going to help to back up and stuff with the... and we are going to get this recorded for the secretary. So, Bryan, do you have something that you want to share? While we are waiting for that, I do

want to make sure to welcome all people that are here for the first time and welcome everybody back. If you haven't been here for a while I appreciate seeing your faces. It's going to be a great conference. We going to be small but I think we will be getting some more people tonight, and tomorrow. I don't know.. do we know if any one else has arrived at all?

Bill.A- Brian from Kentucky and another Group are on there way from Kentucky.

Eric.D - Okay.

Bill.A- Alan is over in his hotel room with the Philadelphia Group that I know of okay.

Eric.D - Okay.

Bill.A- So I don't know who else, it is like when people are not communicating we don't get the information, okay, alright, and it have been a lot of stuff which, that have happened this year that have caused division within our own Fellowship and when we do stuff that take a ferteles lawsuit 27.00 against world service okay..... it affects all of us alright in California, and it brings a lot of struggles, okay, when this stuff happens, and when people attack personalities it causes problem within the Fellowship, and we should never ever attack one another personalities in this Program, but when this stuff happens we stifle our growth, alright, and I think what has happened here in America, it's been a lot of stifling of growth in what we are doing, and we have to be very aware of that growing pains. We had some membership relapse this year and all we are saying is that when people go out they never go out alone, they try to drag a hole a lot with them, that's the experience I've had, and with the inflation, any one that drove here knows the price of gas and what has happened, I think that affected us in getting people that drove long distances to get here. The plane flights has gone up drastically if you don't plan to get one in a head of time. They're canceling plane flights, so you got to look at all those things that's going on that stifle people in their travels out there, and who shows up here will show up okay, which I'm not concerned about. There are some people showing up

tonight, there are some people showing up, and if anyone shows up that didn't get their report in they can get it in tomorrow morning. Like with the foreigners doing their report they can put their report in after that, alright. There's no big deal there. So, I'm not concerned about that. The concern is that we move forward and take action and have pro growth this year.

It's been a lot... when we hear tomorrow from the international Fellowship, I believe you are going to hear of a lot of growth. Internationally with the EFSC, people do participate through the EFSC internationally, you are going to hear about growth going on in Iran that's astonishing. We have been behind a lot of that growth, in communication there, through the Anonymi Foundation and the Fellowship, we have kept everyone in the loop in all this growth that's going on. We are growing. They are not attached with us, but we are getting Grey Books into South Africa now, which is very important. They are going to give us a report tomorrow where they are at, okay. So, we are going to get different reports from around the world here that should give you a really good inspiration of our growth in the last few years, and the continuous growth that's been immense. Once you remove personalities we have growth, and I believe that. It's really astonishing.

Unknown - What's happening in the Netherlands is very exciting.

Bill.A - I'm telling you it's happening all around the world. What just happened in Iran is exciting. We've had some really great growth.

Eric.D - I think it's pretty exciting that we got five members from The War is Over Group this year.

Bill.A- Right. We had some exciting growth, that's what I'm saying. So, I'm really excited about our growth. We all go through growing pains at times, every one of us. We all get stifled, I mean... Bryan, I'm happy to see him back here. Because of Bryans efforts, when everyone was disputing, he got off the phone line meetings around the country that became phenomenal. He had an ideal, and it flourished, and that was phenomenal. To take a meeting into South Florida to the hospital, our friend Joe Marco was there. It spiraled and it has its own growth now in that area. I just had a call with some girl, she couldn't get on the phone line that day. Then she called me up, I'm like

looking at her - I know who you are. She's said - How did I get a hold of your number trying to call up the 32.02 ...? but we had a great conversation, she was up from Rochester.

Bryan - Oh, Lynn.

Bill.A - Yeah. She was like - Oh my God it's you Billy. It was phenomenal talking with her. She got a hold of me by accident trying to get on the phone line meeting. She told me - I was trying to get on the meeting, and I said - Lynn, keep searching, you get there, but we can have a little meeting right now. Okay, it was phenomenal. Talking with Lynn, because I know her from the early days of Narcotics Anonymous. I know her from being of service with Jimmy Kinnon, alright. That type of spirit is what it's about. She's homebound, having to call to that phone line meeting which Bryan originally started, and it's phenomenal. Because is helping a person like her that's homebound. That's exciting stuff, when I heard that from her. So I'm glad to see him here because he brought that here. What he wanted to do, they helped Joe before he passed to be able to have meetings on a regular basis when he was in the hospital. They carried the message there, and that was phenomenal, because when we get outside the box and we get our personalities out of the road this stuff grows basically on its own. That's the neatest thing. That ideals that have come here have matured, and just the things we've done are maturing around the world. It's phenomenal when we remove ourselves. So that's exciting. Just to see his face is exciting, really, cause he's a friend of mine'.

Eric.D - Now I got a picture with his face, cause I kept posting pictures from when he was here before.

Bill.A - That's all I have, okay.

I'm an addict called **Yellow Eyes**. I like to double up on something that I just heard about. To get rid of personalities is a big help, but something about our Ninth Tradition that states that "we may create". So, just because the alternative service information source is here, doesn't mean that we can't have as many as the Fellowship needs. So, whenever a new service body comes into being, we need to support them, provided that they use the Twelve Steps and the Twelve non-negotiable Traditions of Narcotics

Anonymous, instead of fighting, that infighting, it has to go. We need to come together to unify, to be strong enough together and to share information with each service body. Like this Iranian idea, I read something yesterday, they need some experienced members to give them some ideas, so we need to support them in their efforts to begin their own service structure. They're so many people you know.. make your own service structure no matter where you're at. And we can use this format as a central hub of information so that the Netherlands brings information here, and Ohio brings information here, and New York brings information here. And we can all gain from that information, instead of being separate we need to unify with Twelve non-negotiable Traditions and we will flourish even more. Thanks for listening.

Eric.D - Erik, did you get the reports? I know that we got one from the Hope Group in Columbus Nebraska, but they won't be here. We should probably read that one.

Matte.B - (poor sound) the message meeting said that me and Meghan.....36.56

Bill.A - The mic is there okay.

Hermen - We could hear you a little better than Matte. We could hear Bryan Yelloweyes very well. So it sounds like the mic is working.

Mickey - We'll try to move the microphone. Can you hear me now?

Hermen - I can hear you well yeah. It was when Meghan and Matte did the report that it was hard to hear. I wasn't sure why but..

Linda - I can say something about the microphone. I think that when Bill types on the computer you hear it really well in the microphone. I'm trying to fix the Group reports, but I...yeah

Eric.D - Did you find those Linda?

Linda - Yeah, I have them in my email, I will send it.

Eric.D - Okay.

Bill.A - YaYa, you got a report from your Group? YaYa, you gotta'unmute yourself.

YaYA - Hey hey everybody. How is everybody doing? I'm glad to be here with you guys. I'm still recovering from this Covid thing, but I'm feeling a little bit... anyway, in terms of my Group and stuff, we basically remain meeting on Zoom. You know, half of our Group is in Pennsylvania, and of course I just moved to Florida, so I'm looking to establish, or we are trying to establish a Grey Book meeting here. So far I have discovered there are already three meetings in Sankt Petersburg that use the Grey Book. So I'm going to see how I can participate with that and get a physical meeting going on here in Winterhaven. Thank you, that's all I have.

Bill.A- Good to see you YaYa.

Eric.D - Alright, do we have anyone else that would like to share anything? Ray, do you got anything for us? 39.56 If nobody else doesn't have anything, am I forgetting anything?

Bill.A - You should have the agenda in front of you. okay.

Eric.D - I don't think we will have a treasurer report yet, I know we will have a running one, you probably don't have nothing for that yet do you?

Bill.A - No, I'm going to type it up. I kind of work on it.

Eric.D - Okay. I don't think that there is any other announcements. I believe we are going to have a campfire meeting outside so.. If anyone feels an initiative there's wood over here, and there's wood over there. The fire pitch is straight out there.

Bill.A - I got to ask one question. Erik in the Netherlands, tomorrow make sure that everyone around the world has access okay, alright.

Erik.F - Yes. I have told everyone over here that it's 3.00 o'clock our time. For the English it's 2.00 o'clock.

Eric.D - 9.00 o'clock our time then?

Bill.A- Right. Because we start at 9.00 then, we make sure everything is working, and then we get going, as soon as if we know that everyone is on we get the meeting moving okay.

Eric.D- What time will breakfast be tomorrow? 8.00 o'clock?

Bill.A - Yeah. So, breakfast is at 8.00 here. 9.00 o'clock we'll start, we will test everything, so we will make it moving around 9.15 after everybody is on okay. That work guys?

Erik.F - Perfect.

Bill.A- Good. So. I will see you at 9.00 o'clock sharp Erik, and everybody else. Make sure to let all the other Groups know to be here, make sure to get hold of Arnash over in Iraq, I mean in Iran.

Hermen - We have sent it out to all the Groups.

Bill.A - But re-do that okay, so that they have another reminder. The South African people, so that they get a reminder okay. They're the same time as you in South Africa okay. Alright.

Hermen - Alright.

Bill.A - YaYA is the same time as us. So know to be here at 9.00 tomorrow morning. If not, you can close chair.

Eric.D - Let's go ahead and circle up to close with the Serenity prayer.

A moment of silence for the addict that is still suffering outside of our rooms, and then we close with the Third Step prayer.

[THIRD STEP PRAYER]

(THE FOLLOWING GROUP REPORT WASN'T READ AT THE CONFERENCE)

Report for ASIS fellowship service conference; June 2022 From **Columbus Nebraska Hope Group**

The Hope groups primary purpose is getting NA Literature to suffering addicts where there is none, all over our Earth; utilizing our 12th step and 5th tradition. We are hoping to have a rabbit meeting soon. Most of our members are meeting makers and go to weekly meetings close to our homes. All our 7th tradition goes to

giving freely. One of our supporters is now the treasure for the GWG, this group gives freely also.

We ask permission to the Nebraska prisons to allow us to have a prerecorded NA speakers go over all the inmates TV's in all 10 of our prisons. The program director was very excited about this idea and is waiting for approval from her supervisors.

We buy Grey Books, 3rds and 2nd editions wherever we can practically as possible and give them away freely. We were asked by ASIS to buy 500 Grey books an increase from the 400 we ordered; to expedite the fantastic order from Europe. We are excited to be a part of this. We have received 352 Grey Books from that order, if anyone of our members is going on a vacation close to Alan Town PA and could bring our remaining order to Nebraska. We are positive it would be wonderful to have a meeting with PA members there; that are predecessors of giving basic texts freely and are doing the deal.

Also we would like to pay our fair share for the ASIS website, we are sending a check for 40\$ by mail or with Huggy Bear (Eric D.).

God Bless –

Please note the last time we were at the maximum security prison the NA lifers there wanted us to let NA members know they are praying for us and they ask if we would pray for them? Love Paul H. 402 270 4945 marineblue@live.com

FSC 2022 - Saturday

Group reports Europe-Russia-Africa

Eric.D - Let's get started with the WE-version of the Serenity-prayer. (Prayer)

Eric.D - Alright, do we have any announcements?

Bill.A - It's basically the same thing as last night. When the bell rings you come in here, or to get your meal. We need people cleaning up after themselves as we said before. I need everybody in the chat to post their phone number and email address for our secretary. Then save the chat so we have that, our secretary needs that information to send out minutes. The upcoming conference next year on the same weekend. Put that flier in the chat.

Eric.D - Erik, you were able to hear all that right?

Eric.F - Yeah, we could hear it.

Eric.D - Just make sure we save the chat. Last night we did Group reports and introductions and stuff. I don't know if we want to go over the room again, we got some new people here. I go ahead and start us off, I'm an addict my name is Eric, **David**, I'm an addict, I'm an addict named **Jesse** from Memphis, I'm an addict my name is **Matte** from Ohio, I'm **Megan** I'm an addict, I'm an addict, I'm **Frank V** from New York, I'm an addict my name is **Crystal**, I'm also from New York, I'm **Ray**, I'm an addict, I'm **Serenity**, I'm an addict from Ohio, I'm an addict named **Travis** from Ohio, I'm called **Alan**, a Different Look Group, Philadelphia, **Yelloweyes**, addict from Virginia, Addict - **Ken**, Florida, Addict - **Kate**, Virginia, I'm **Bryan** I'm an addict, I'm **Bill**, I'm an addict from Allentown Pennsylvania.

Do we have you guys introduce yourselves to (Zoom participants)?

I'm an addict named **Sean** from a Different Look Group Pennsylvania, Addict named **YaYa** from Florida, I'm an addict named **Pietert**, I'm from the Take it Easy Group Rotterdam, I'm an addict called **Sharon** from the Gratitude Group in the Netherlands, I'm an addict named **Peter** from the Miracle Group Venlo

Netherlands, I'm an addict, my name is **Mattias** from the Hengelo Home Group, I'm an addict my name is **Peter** from the Home Group, My name is **William** I'm from Pennsylvania, Addict called **Daniel** from the Netherlands, My name is **Ramon** from the Northern Holland, Nies, I'm from the Home Group Amstelle? I'm an addict, my name is **Erik**, I'm from the Netherlands, My name is **Ron**, an addict from the Miracle Group in the Netherlands, I'm addict, my name is **Suposa?** from South Africa. I'm **Steve**, I'm an addict. I'm an addict named **Hermen** from the Netherlands Zwolle Group.

Bill.A - Hey, one question. Did you get a hold of our chairman friend from Thailand?

Eric.F - No, I didn't get a hold of him.

Bill.A - See if you can get a hold of him behind the scenes.

Eric.F - Alright, I will.

My name is **Bas**, I'm an addict, from Rotterdam -Take it Easy Group, I'm an addict my name is **Angelina**, I'm from the Zwolle Group, I'm an addict my name is **Linda**.

Eric.D - Well welcome everybody and welcome to the FSC 2022. We got a treasurer report.

Bill.A - At this point we have 3043 dollars and 8 cents from yesterday that we brought in. I'm doing a daily running report. That's where we're at at this point. I give the numbers later on how many registrations we have and who donated, so you know that later.

Eric.D - You're going to make sure to send that to Linda right?

Bill.A - No, I'm going to keep it for myself hahaha.

Bill.A - Olaf is going to sign in, good.

Erik.F - We got someone in Germany, Karim.

Karim - Hello, I'm here.

Bill.A - Welcome!

Olaf: Ok, my name is Olaf and I'm an addict, nice to be here.

Bill.A - Are you in Thailand?

Olaf: Yes. 8.30 at night.

Bill.A - Welcome home.

Eric.D - Yesterday we went over some of the Group reports. Do we have anyone who is here that didn't get a chance to share their Group report or anything? The Philadelphia Group? It's being finished right now (unknown person). **Eric.D** - We will give you some time for that. We can do it after the international.

Alright, we're going to go ahead and get started with the international Group reports. Who would like to start us off?

Erik.F - Maybe our friend from South Africa can go, because they were out there putting up posters. They took time to be here now, so.

Group from **South Africa**: Good evening I'm an addict **Tshepo**. It's still in the afternoon, sorry about that. So, from my side, we haven't actually started any Grey Book meetings or Group as such, but as a result of having that shipment brought us at this side, we started distributing most of the Grey Books to other Groups and members, obviously the members were surprised and curious about "what is the Grey Book", "where does it come from", "why aren't we using it today" and all those questions, but as we explained to them, because it's not me alone, we have brothers, members from all over South Africa. Some of them from the? They are probably waiting for a shipment, it's probably been like four years now.

So, they already knew about the Grey Book, but they were only using the PDF. So, since recently they go out to get the physical book. They've been carrying the message of the Grey Book and members are interested in knowing more. So we as a Group from my area have been meeting so that we can create a Group or a meeting, so we haven't done things officially yet, you know, we still wanting to find a direction on how we can open actually a meeting, and to be consistent on that. We are still in that process, it's still in the pipeline, but nevertheless, as I was speaking to one of our members, telling him that you know, even in our Whatsapp groups members were pleading to me to send them daily the Grey Book Daily Reflections, so I'm also doing that in the mornings, cause you know that daily meditation format I think is much easier than the recent Just For Today meditation. From my side I think, I get to understand, based on the Grey Book Reflections rather than the JFT, it just gives me a sense of variety to understand or to look by. So, the process is still slow because at this side the Fellowship is not that large, but there is progress that is happening. So, hopefully as we start to open that Group I think I will be able to have a proper report on what's happening and what needs to be done going forward, and obviously appreciate the support and also keep the connection with you guys. On my side, I think I'll leave it there.

Eric.D - Great to have you here, and thank you for the report. Who would like to go next?

I'm an addict, my name is Pietert. I'm together with Bas from the Netherlands, the Take it Easy Group from Rotterdam. *Starts to read the Group report:*

GROUP REPORT FSC 2022 Take it Easy group Rotterdam

Status: financial stable

Meetings: Monday -Friday-

Closed meetings.

2 different locations.

Literature studies. meetings,

Monday we read the baby blue Dutch version,

On Friday we read the greybook.

We stand for total abstinence and free literature

Not many newcomers,

Attendance: 2 committed members

Supporting other groups in the Netherlands

PI. efforts like putting A0 posters around Rotterdam and other places, little cards and a4 and a5 posters putting in shopping centers, cafeteria's, the doctors, putting baby blues and greys in mini library outside around the city, p.i bike in the making

Website - nahelp.nl

Every month group conscious

We have 2 members committed to attend EFSC 2022.

I'm Peter I'm an addict from the Enschede Group of Narcotics Anonymous
(starts to read the following):

Groupreport Original NA Enschede Group 2022

The Enschede Meeting was hosted by members from Original NA Hengelo Group, after a big purge in 2019 in that time the Enschede GroupConscience & GroupPolicy was kept alive. In the years after we slowly grew the Meeting and the ServiceTeam. Early this year we re-installed the Friday-meeting with a couple of committed members. A couple of months ago these members opted to have the Enschede Group as an Autonomous Group back again and now we are. We have our own GroupConscience meetings (we still have two experienced members from Hengelo that help/guide the proces and are part of the ServiceTeam; yet refrain from having a voice in the conscience & we are still well connected with the Hengelo Group). We are still committed to the Traditions, Traditional NA, Traditional Literature, registered/participating in ASIS through the (E)FSC and our GroupPolicy still stands. When we re-started the group independently we where with 6 persons. We as a group have several meetings; Wednesday and Friday. In the beginning there was no Friday meeting at all. When we started this Friday meeting it was also the beginning to become independent again. Before we were

closely connected to the Original na hengelo group, we still are but we have now our own group conscience guided by the ASIS structure. Before we start the Group conscience we read the second Tradition in the greybook and we do the Third Step prayer. Our group started to grow and now we have 8 home group members. On the Wednesday we read IWH&W 1985 we almost completed it in translating it to our own language. When we are done with it we move to Livingclean'91 and also this one we're going to translate to dutch rough draft. On the Friday we read the Greybook translation rough draft. The literature we have on the table is in English and in Dutch it's approved by the groups of our Fellowship. We created a print service which is payed for by the 7th tradition from our group. We also pay our rent for facility, literature and the message of recovery from the 7th Tradition. We still have a strong connection with the Original NA Hengelo Group on the Sunday morning we participate a PI meeting together, where we try to reach the suffering addict. In our group conscience we voted to have speaker meetings on the Wednesday and on the day of group conscience to have a topic meeting but this is in progress. We did already have a few speaker meetings we also recorded it and published on www.nahelp.nl. We also made a change in our format of the cleantime celebrating. We made a distinction between cleantime and milestone. Also we have had a difficult time with covid-19, for a moment we had to close the meeting and we did it online on zoom but after a short while we were able to go back to physical meetings. During the covid-19 restrictions we always could use the rented space to our own responsibility. So we were able to continue physical meetings no matter what.

Eric.D - Before the next person goes, concerning the chat, on Bills computer it's only showing information after the post from Karim, so if you have put in information before that please put it into the chat, and we also need phone numbers

and Group names, email addresses and your name so.. that way we can make sure that all the information is correct. Who would like to go next?

I'm an addict called **Sharon** from the Gratitude Group from Sittard in the Netherlands. I will read the Group report for you (starts to read the following):

FSC 2022 Group report **Gratitude Group - Sittard, Netherlands**

History

In September 2019 we started our Home Group named Sunday Morning Gratitude Group in Sittard, the Netherlands. In our area most meetings take place in the evening and we found it important to set up a meeting in the morning, to start the day with the N.A. spirit. In October 2020 we started another meeting on Saturday night. This is a Grey Book study meeting. Because this group has 2 meetings, we changed our name to Gratitude Group.

Format

On our Sunday meetings we study the Basic Text third edition revised and read a tradition every second Sunday of the month. We use the Dutch translation translated by addicts for addicts.

On our Saturday meeting we read from the Grey Book, and we use a raw draft Dutch translation. Every last Saturday of the month we read an IP that is also translated by addicts.

We are a closed meeting, only for drug addicts or people who think they have a problem with drugs.

We participate in translation and flowreading days where the Baby Blue is translated in Dutch by addicts.

We are a registered A.S.I.S. Group and work together with the other A.S.I.S groups, in the Netherlands.

Since the beginning the Sunday meeting has always been well attended. The Saturday meeting however is less well attended.

In the past people were reluctant to commit to our HG or do service. Recently we have learned that we are more accessible to newcomers and that addicts feel very welcome.

Recently we noticed that people are getting more interested in getting involved and start to see the value of being part of a Home Group. This resulted in growth from 5 HG members in September 2021 to 10 HG members as we speak.

We are the only A.S.I.S. group in Sittard area. There are people from groups with another service structure who do not agree with our message of total abstinence and the use of the Baby Blue and Grey Book. However, we focus on ourselves and how to carry the N.A. message.

At the EFSC 2021 we discussed the issue about having and keeping a clear NA message of total abstinence because we experienced some difficulties with a lot of visitors from Safehouses or other related facilities. We got some Experience, Strength and Hope at the EFSC 2021. We have continued to mention what the message of NA is. We did this through sharing in the meeting but also outside of the meeting. For example, visitors felt they couldn't pick up a chip because they were still using mood- and mind-altering medication. We noticed there was trash talk going on about our meeting and our message outside of the meeting. A HG member left and some visitors didn't return to our meeting.

In our GC the NA message was a reoccurring topic and therefore tempers sometimes run high during our GC. This was due to a lack of knowledge of the 12 Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous. All of our HG members kept coming back even though we had struggles and conflict. In between GC meetings we kept in contact with each other and called for ESH with fellows from other groups. Members with strong personalities wanted to force the traditions upon other members. This of course didn't work and these members had to take a closer look at their personalities to start serving the group again.

Through this crisis we started to experience growth. We started talking about the Twelve Traditions instead of discussing them. This resulted in taking our time for new matters in our GC so we can take time to read the Traditions, talk with our sponsor about it, talk with other fellows and each other about it, pray and meditate on this matter and take this back to the next GC.

We see in our GC that the desire to get a bigger understanding of the Twelve Traditions is growing instead forced upon individuals.

PI

We print our own literature, IP's, flyers. Only the Grey Books and Baby Blues we buy from the Dutch stockpile.

After the EFSC 2021 we started doing PI by pasting posters around our area. We do this twice a month after a meeting or before the meeting.

We contacted a housing corporation to ask if we could put our posters in their flats, unfortunately they were not really enthusiastic about this idea. They wanted to know which facility we were connected to. It was hard for them to understand what we do. It seemed like they didn't trust us, that we are non-profit and autonomous groups who help other addicts to recover. We asked for help in other groups by having them over to give a PI workshop.

Group members also talked with the community officer, he was very enthusiastic about what we do as NA, we gave him business cards.

During the PI workshop we got a lot of useful tools to get our PI on track. We are planning to start a PI committee.

As a group we are going to translate PI's from English to Dutch.

A Detox Centre asked us for some books to put in their Detox Centre, this is a new matter and we need to have a GC about it. This opens up an opportunity to ask if we can do PI inside of the Detox Centre.

Newcomers keep finding our meeting, some through our own HG-flyer, small A5 posters and business cards which we spread in local supermarkets, doctor's

offices, pharmacies and treatment centers, and some find us on the website. Our HG is on the meeting list on the www.nahelp.nl website. We share a telephone number with all the ASIS groups, when a newcomer calls, he or she will be informed about the meetings in his or her area.

Thank you for listening

Eric.D - Thank you Sharon. Who would like to share next?

I'm an addict, my name is **Mattias**. I'm from the Hengelo Home Group and they asked me to read our Group report (starts to read the following):

Group Report Home Group "Original NA Hengelo" 2022

Hengelo Group consists out of six Home Group members. We meet on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. We have an attendance between six and twenty plus people from various places (also members from the south and the group from Zwolle and Emmen visit regularly). We have an average of two newcomers every month, some of them still are a part of NA. We study the Gray Book on

Thursday and Sunday. On Tuesday and Saturday we read the rough draft version of the translated Basic Text Third Edition Revised. With original 4th and 9th Tradition.

One of the most important events in the past year has been the forming of the autonomous group in Enschede. In the past years our home group sponsored the Enschede meetings, until they could become autonomous. This means that some of our members are now a part of the Enschede Home Group. We're excited to see other Groups grow throughout the Netherlands, we visit them as well from time to time.

Another event was the hosting of a translation weekend in Delden, where we spent two days reviewing the translation of the Baby Blue. Last year one of our members finished the translation of the Gray Book and at the EFSC, the first copy was presented. This draft book is now being used during meetings, by addicts who have a hard time understanding English. Eventually the translation of this rough draft will be reviewed. We also started a PI committee meeting, which is held weekly, before our scheduled Sunday morning meeting. All addicts are free to join, we discuss plans about what we're going to do in the coming weeks. We put out flyers, business cards, and Baby Blues. Besides that, we made a presentation for professionals, sent out letters to institutions and the first appointment has been scheduled. We also had a PI bike, but the sign was taken off in two weeks, so that is still a work in progress.

Thank you.

Eric.D - Who would like to go next?

My name is **Steve** and I'm an addict. This our Group report from the Way Out Group for Narcotics Anonymous in Zwolle and Emmen. In Emmen is the Key to Recovery Group (starts to read the following):

Group Report F.S.C. 2022

A Way Out Group – Narcotics Anonymous in Zwolle & Emmen (Key to Recovery Group)

We have 4 meetings in Zwolle and 1 in Emmen.

Meetings Zwolle:

- Monday: Literature study - Grey Book
- Tuesday: Literature study – A Step out of the Dutch translation of the Baby Blue
- Friday: Literature Study - Grey Book Reflection, Tradition from the Baby Blue or a Speaker Meeting (once every 2 months)
- Sunday: Literature Study - Information Pamphlet. Before the meeting we meet to talk about our efforts in Public Information

The number of people at the meeting varies from day to day. On average there are between 8 and 15 people at a meeting. We regularly have newcomers and have grown in the past year.

Meeting Emmen:

- Wednesday: Literature study - Grey Book

In Emmen about 5 to 7 people meet every week. From Zwolle group an average of 5 members join. We had several newcomers last year. Due to reasons we were forced to leave the facility we started in, but found a new one quick which we met in until this week. Next week we move to a new location again from the same owner. Emmen is still part of the Group in Zwolle and we hope that this grows into a Group that stands on its own with its own Group Conscience. Right now we support it by driving up there every Wednesday and doing PI in that area

We are grateful for the growth in the group in the past years, and we talk about our atmosphere and service during our Group Inventory meetings every month, and in our Group Conscience meetings every month. We see more people joining on those evenings and picking up service to get more involved. It is good to hear that people feel welcome at our meetings.

We have free literature available for everyone coming to a meeting, in Dutch and English. And our meetings can be found on www.nahelp.nl. Here we also post the recordings of speakers, we started doing a speaker meeting every 2 months to have recordings available in Dutch for newcomers and all in our Fellowship. This has resulted in very nice meetings where people travel from all over the country. And we also visit the other Groups when we can.

Public Information:

Every Sunday morning from 9:30 to 10:30 we discuss what we have done and want to do in the area of Public Information. This ranges from putting up posters to passing out flyers and approaching agencies.

We focus on the area of the City Zwolle and Emmen and around those cities. We go around regularly to put up big posters, small posters at stores, and we move the PI Bike around town in Zwolle every 1 or 2 weeks.

In Emmen we have given a presentation at a treatment facility to professionals and they have our flyers available there now. We reach out to multiple organisations lately and in the near future we have around 3 places where we can give a presentation to professionals.

This year we will be continuing this work and we look forward to being present at the E.F.S.C. in September.

A Way Out Group

Thank you.

Eric.D - Thank you. Alright, I know we have few more. Who would like to go next?

I'm an addict, my name is **Linda**. I'm going to read the Group report from the Finally Free Group in Sweden, Delsbo-Iggesund-Hudiksvall-Ljusdal (starts to read the following):

**GROUP REPORT FSC 2022 Äntligen Fria Sweden
(Delsbo-Hudiksvall-Iggesund-Ljusdal)**

Status: Celebrated 5 years as a Group the 17:th of May

Meetings: Monday -Tuesday- Wednesday Thursday- Friday- Sunday .

Closed meetings. Four different locations. No announced ending.

(Sunday's).

Literature studies. Literature topic meetings.

We stand for total abstinence and announce this in every format. Grey Book meetings in Swedish Tuesday-Friday (reading the Swedish translation/interpretation of the Grey Book). Speaker meetings almost every month.. All of our meetings, except Fridays, are hosted on Zoom as well as in physical form, so called "hybrid" meetings.

Not that many newcomers, some visitors. Attendance: 1-16 addicts. 3 committed members (4 partially committed members).

PI/H&I efforts

Website - nahelp.se.

Posters.

Continuous PI at a rehab center Ljusdal.

Free literature.

Group helpline.

Service posts

- GSR.
- Treasurer.
- Vice treasurer
- Secretary/website coordinator

We have guidelines for service in the Group. We have a Group conscience meeting once a month. Separate Group inventory once a month.

Ongoing literature projects: Translation Baby Blue (second run through), going over all IP's. Reading the translation of the Grey Book (two meetings per week).

Difficulties: To reach and attract newcomers. To get more members involved in Group service.

Upcoming services: Meetings. Do more PI.

We have received a email from NAWS/Steve Rusch telling us to take down all our literature from the website nahelp.se. We have chosen to not respond at all and carry on as usual. There's been no further discussion about this with NAWS.

We have written an informational email to send out to different organizations/professionals working with suffering addicts. We will put

together an email list and start sending these out. We're hoping for an opportunity to inform and/or host meetings in these institutions. Most of our growth as a Group comes from PI/HI services.

We have members committed to attend EFSC 2022.

Thanks for listening.

Eric.D - Thank you. Who would like to go next?

My name is **Olaf** and I'm an addict. Don't really have a Group report but I can tell what's going on here. We have a Grey Book meeting every morning, hybrid - on Zoom and in person. It's from 9.00-10.00 here in Kho Samoi Thailand. Attendance is, in person 2,3,4. Slowly, after 2 years of Covid lockdown, visitors are coming back. It's a tourist destination here so we people drop in. We are on the NAWS meeting list, Thailand region. We have our own website. We are also on na.org - find a meeting. Still listed, too lazy to take us out. Nobody cares really. So we have people drop in from time to time that have no idea what a Grey Book is, and funnywise, more than half are fascinated and take books. We have free books to give out, Third Edition and Grey Books from our stock, and we always like to emphasize on the importance of the understanding of Traditions 4 & 9 to keep the spirit of NA alive, and that works quite good to carry this message, this special part of our message, besides other things. We were just reading Tradition 8 & 9 these last two days, and we have other meetings here, we read it out of the German

Basic Text that we printed which is in line with the Third revised with the original Traditions, because we were only Germans in the meeting, to compare the things and.. Grey Book versus the Basic Text is an enormous difference between Tradition 8 & 9, that's just the experience right now. Part of we print the Third Edition revised, kind of, it's called a draft, in German, in German language, in Germany. Which is, I think is going in big numbers. I'm happy that we motivated a friend from Israel to print the Third Edition revised in Hebrew. So this is good news just from carrying the message on a very small level. Thanks for listening.

Eric.D - Thank you Olaf. Alright, who would like to go next?

I'm an addict, my name is **Ron**. This is the Group report from the Miracle Group in Hengelo (starts to read the following):

Group Report Miracle Group Venlo

FSC June 24 to 26, 2022

Venlo, June 1

The group

The Miracle Group started with a Greybook meeting in Venlo on April six, 2020. This is the start of us as a home group. We currently consist of nine members. We are a group in the south of the Netherlands that has created good connections with the other groups in the Netherlands over the last year. We are a close-knit group that has also experienced a lot of growth and growing pains this year. We are excited about recovery and all of our members are working on the NA program with a sponsor. We are focusing a lot on getting the message out to those still suffering from addiction and think we have made a lot of progress in this area this year. We are carrying the message of total abstinence, this is also mentioned during the meeting. The commitment of our group over the past year is creating longer and longer clean times at our meeting and is a clear and beautiful example of how the program works when it is worked on.

Funds

We decided last year as a group to set up funds for a number of purposes in order to have more oversight of our spending and to be able to get the message out to the addict who is still suffering. We have set up two funds; these are the keytag and the print funds. We established a keytag fund because we will be ordering keytags in the near future and want to have a budget for this. The print fund is used for materials needed to print books, flyers, magazines and Ips. Also for supplies such as paper, binding strips and ink toners. With this printing fund, we provide enough materials to print books and other literature.

Our latest investment was a purchase of 20 rolls of binding strips that will give us a supply to bind a few thousand books.

The Meeting

We have opened the second meeting at the Thursday location and the service positions have been filled. Here we are studying the book *It Works: How and Why '85*. Service positions are changed regularly and we see our members growing in their new roles. Responsibility is taken for the service positions and in some occasions the rest of the group takes over the service if a member can't make it. There is a pleasant atmosphere of recovery at both our Monday and Thursday meeting. We get good feedback from visitors that the pure message of recovery is shared and that it is a safe environment.

The group members also regularly visit the other groups in Holland with great enthusiasm and we have close contact with the other groups. Because of this atmosphere in the group we also see increasing clean times and this is due to the message of total abstinence. We are working as a group to organize more (events) such as speaker meetings and a Group learning day. The two meetings are well attended and we have established a good relationship with the landlords. At the moment when one location is not available, there is always a possibility to move to the other location. There are no problems and the landlords are always looking for a solution with us. There are also posters of our

meeting at both locations. We take care of their location, we are self-sufficient and take responsibility.

Committees

PI Committee:

On February 1, 2021, we started setting up a PI committee, here a number of members of the group have committed themselves to this. We have taken on a responsibility to actively promote posters on public notice boards in Venlo and surrounding areas. We started with A1 size posters and expanded to A0 size posters. We can place posters on 37 billboards. What we have seen so far is that one newcomer has come to the meeting. We believe that we need to continue this PI work so that people will see it. It takes commitment and patience. The members themselves are excited when they have done a day of PI work, it gives mutual connection. The knowledge of other groups on PI is also used, this in turn is passed on to others groups so that we can learn from each other and grow together in NA to better reach the newcomer and spread the message of recovery.

Translation Committee:

On October 5, 2021, we set up a translation committee for the Monday and Thursday meetings. Here are some service positions to which members have committed themselves to translate a piece of the book we study at the meetings each week. The goal of the translation committee is that we as a group stand behind our own translation. At the Monday meeting we read one or more paragraphs from the Greybook and at the Thursday meeting we read one or more paragraphs from the It Works: How and Why '85.

Literature Committee:

Just under 2 years ago we started setting up a literature committee. We started by printing flyers for the meeting. We expanded this considerably last year. First we bought a ring binder binding machine, we soon saw that we had more possibilities by binding books with a thermal binding machine. Some members then went looking for an oldschool binding machine from an old printing office. From the seventh tradition and some anonymous donations from members within NA, we purchased this machine. We regularly print and bind books for our own group but also other groups in the Netherlands.

Group Conscience

As a group, we hold a group conscience meeting on the first Monday of every month immediately following the meeting. At each meeting

we make an announcement about this and then invite people to join and participate. To become a member of the group we ask that you attend the group conscience twice and as tradition says, the choice to become a member lies with the individual. Addicts who are interested in joining we always try to include in the group conscience, regardless of whether they are members or not. We then ask them about their experience with our group. Ultimately, we want to involve newcomers and visitors and make them feel part of our group and unity. We experienced that it is important as a group during the group inventory to discuss everything that is going on in the group with all members and their responsibilities. This is really important for the unity in the group.

In recent times we have spent a lot of time on the organization of our group, partly because members are leaving and service positions have to be filled. As a result, there have been several changes in service positions and other members have been given new challenges such as chairing the meeting. The group inventory has thus taken up a lot of time, leaving the group conscience underexposed. This is where the focus lies for the future of our group in order to grow further. What also works well for our group is to make certain decisions that do not require a conscience or acute problems after the meeting to come together as a group and discuss things.

That's it, thanks.

Eric.D - Who else would like to share their Group report? Do we got any other reports from over there? We don't have Iran, Arash is not here yet, I don't see him.

Bill.A - Erik, can you see if Arash is signed in?

Erik.F - No, I thought I would contact him. He told me he would be an hour late, but I'll see where he is. I will try to call him.

I'm called Alan, the Different Look Group report (starts to read the following):

A Different Look Group Report 2022

We are a Closed Meeting, For Addicts Only. We meet at Trinity Oxford church, 603 Longshore Ave, Phila, PA 19111 on Saturdays @ 8PM and hybrid on Zoom. Meeting ID: 876 0240 9459, no password <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87602409459>

Our format is literature study. We are currently studying the Graybook and give one away to addicts attending our meeting for the first time. We read one page at a time and either the chair or anyone willing to, will set the tone, then we open the floor. Double dipping is encouraged.

We have three Homegroup members Average attendance is about 6 addicts, split between online & F2F. If you prefer an intimate meeting,

stop on by and check out our kitchen table vibe. Addicts tell us that they feel safe sharing things they do not wish to share elsewhere. We're done when everyone is talked out, which is usually around 10PM & the 3rd part of the meeting ends around 10:30PM.

ILS, Alan

Would you like this emailed somewhere?

Eric.D - Yeah, if anyone hasn't emailed their Group report to the secretary, please do at antligenfriana@gmail.com. Linda, can you put the email address in the chat?

Linda - Yeah, I'll do that.

52.09 The sound is very poor at this particular report, but we have transcribed what we can make out of it all. I'm an addict called? Can't make out the name of the Group either (secretary remarks). We are from Kentucky. We meet on Monday nights at 5.00 pm 115 Maysville Kentucky? We also meet on Zoom with Zoom information available online on the flier with the Zoom ID. Right now we read out of the Approval Form, we are checking out this service structure.

Eric.D - Welcome! Anyone else that hasn't got a chance to share their report, or anything they would like to share?

Erik.F - We got Arash here.

Eric.D - Do we have a report from the Iranian Fellowship?

[] Addict named **Arash**. It's a pleasure to be with you. I have a lot of good news, but the most important in my life in service to Narcotics Anonymous. I haven't wrote anything because I was so excited. Iran region of Narcotics Anonymous got a meeting at third and fourth of June and fifth and sixth of June. Four days in a row. It's God's shot, you know? We made a big decision, and I'm here to share that decision with you. After a long battle, a long running battle with the world services of Narcotics Anonymous, they call themselves the World services but we do not believe that they are the world services. We tried a lot to bring them to the table, to negotiate with us, to tell them, to report them, and email them, anything. We asked them humbly. Come on. We need negotiations. They didn't answer. They gave us nothing. Anyway I was in connection with the FSC with Erik in Netherland, and I got educated and I educated other people on my side and finally we made a decision to print ourselves. That decision in one area we started and the cost of the books became to 1/3 of the cost of the NAWS book and that was the end of the spark of the big fire over here. Then finally on the third of June we made a big decision and the Iran region kicked out the world services forever. There are some controversies around. Since yesterday, and you know, we finished, Erik, if you have a picture of the original Service committee you can share that picture when I'm talking to the guys. And you know, since yesterday that we told everybody that, we have 30 areas in our region. We got the vote of 26 areas, The majority of the votes was with us and everybody wants us to print the book for our ourselves, but anyway

there are many controversies around it. Unfortunately five years ago The world services, the fake world services, I don't like to call them the world services, but anyway they call themselves that, and that's why I call them the World services. That outside enterprise, they tried to create our region into two different regions. So one region separated itself five years ago. They are very very small. They are a half area actually. They separated themselves and called themselves Region One. Yes this is the picture of the original service committee yesterday or two days ago. That new society, that new region, although they are very small, they are very faithful to the world services because they were made by the world services. In those days the world services understands that if we stay for ourselves we become very strong. They tried to separate us. You know, divide us to two parts. But fortunately our members were very careful and they didn't attend that regional service committee. Very few groups In that region are still with World services. And then this two days when We Made that decision They have very very, not very, but they have activities and the virtual space, and they encourage Our members to leave our region and join that new society, join to that other region. By the way, you know we made the decision, and everybody is happy and this is very very successful accomplishment in my perspective. So the FSC got more than 700,000 recovering addicts. It's more than 5000 groups. All around the country. We are not only in Iran. But also some people in Afghanistan. In these days, you know, we have some Farci groups. in the states in in UK. In Iran and in Afghanistan. They are all using the Farsi literature. In the future we will give them The low cost of literature printed by

Ourselves For ourselves. And that was the big accomplishment for myself And I thank you guys For keeping and saving And guarding our message for us. So you know yesterday I was not attend to that meeting which I will show you the picture here I was Not attended at third of June meeting. I just attended the 4th of June talked to (name) and he told me I should go there. When at the 4th of June, when I sat at that meeting, the last 5 minutes I was there and I saw the most happiest recovering addicts over there. Because for the first time in this meeting in this regional meeting addicts were able to make decisions for themselves. Freedom. that was the freedom. They were so happy to make the decision for themselves. That is the meaning of our third step make decision for ourselves. We were deprived of that for long time, and we tried to battle with the world services by the twelve concepts which they wrote by themselves and we couldn't. We were anytime beat by them. So many people got disappointed, so many people were disappeared in this way. You know, so many they tried. They like to do something but they couldn't. Next generation, another generation, another generation, they appeared, they tried to do something but they couldn't. They came to this meeting with a lot of questions. Because they thought that the traditions of Narcotics Anonymous that says that we may create service boards that they are responsible to us. They come to this meeting they ask the questions they never got the answer. They go back to their region with so many many battles, so many controversies, in their region. So that was the disease loop anytime, anytime repeated repeated repeated repeated. So many people got resentment from the NA, and left Na. Anyways, yesterday when I

turned to that one, saw the most beautiful meeting and so happy the most happiest people in that meeting and that was all i got for now. I really appreciate each and every one of you to keep that message of freedom for us. You know thats only one or two lines that solved the baby blue situation for us, that says all else is not NA for us. When they censored that we thought “oh my god the world services is a god!? We have to obey whatever they say!?” They are not the god. They are nothing. They are just a service committee. They were just an office. They were employees who got paid from us. They use our money to control us. But when we use that line “all else is not NA” the problems solved, and now we are going to print ourselves and we almost kicked them out. Thank you everyone for listening. Bye for now.

Crowd - Applause!

Eric.D - Thank you, and thanks for all the Group reports from everybody, from everywhere. Does anyone have any more reports..

Mickey - Questions?

Eric.D - You are going to stick around for the open forum right Arash?

Arnash - I can't hear you well.

Mickey - I'm Mickey, I'm an addict. GSR alternate for the Grey Book Step Study Group in Mays Landing, New Jersey, and a former world service conference participant, and a current representative and trusted servant in New Jersey and with the North East open forum. Your

decision to leave the world service conference and print your own literature has caused a (the sound disappears for six seconds) [...] you have broken the mold and have started, what I believe may be a new trend in separation of regions and areas from the world service conference. What you have done in Iran has been a very great decision, and caused a very strong effect, I believe, in the development of service in Narcotics Anonymous. So, I thank you very much for your courage to make the decision that you made, that was a very courageous and, I believe, deeply spiritually moving decision that will cause an effect. Do you believe the other regions in Europe are going to be open to listening to what your decision was, and do you know what the reaction has been from the other members from the European delegates meeting?

Arash - I have never heard anything about that.

Mickey - Because the European delegates meeting is meeting in Cairo in September, and some of us are coming over. I will be going, and the discussion, I'm hoping, is going to be looking at your decision and hopefully some of the other regions will be open to looking at their decisions. Do you know how any of the other European delegates, how their reactions have been so far?

Arash - (poor sound) [...] I don't [...] we don't have that much experience, but the experience that I have is that we've suffered a lot. That decision was made out of pain, a lot of pain you know. They did whatever they wanted to us. They printed out some books that they have never printed in the States even. You know, when I go to the

meeting over here I can see, for example, the Step working guide, the guiding principle, the spiritual something.. and also some NAWS books that are written by the staff here in Teheran. They sell us, this is the supermarket, the supermarket for them. And unfortunately our members believe them, and but you know, when I inform our members over here at the regional level, they told me - oh you got crazy, what are you talking about? They are NA, that their existence is much better than not their existence, and some of them, a friend of mine named Hussein, who played a great role over here, he believed me and he stayed with me, but he also disappeared for a year. After that, when they tried to battle the world services with their ideas, they were beaten again and again. Something came to their mind that maybe the Baby Blue and the Grey Book is the right thing, and when they try it, they won the game, but one of the other things you know, because it's something like active addiction. In active addiction we suffered a lot, we got the gift of disappointment, and they got the gift of disappointment at the service levels that they got, that suffering brought them here, and may helped them to make that decision. One month ago, I called a member in Pakistan. You know, Pakistan is a neighborhood country to Iran, they have a 32 years old NA over there. So many beautiful recovering addicts there, but they still have not translated the Basic Text. I talked to a delegate over there. I asked why you didn't translate after 32 years, why don't you have a Basic Text in your own language? and he told me - you know Arash, we are waiting for the world services permission, they have to do that for us. How miserable we are when we forget our principles. After 32 years they do

not even have the Basic Text in their own language, and they're still waiting for world services. That's so poor, you know. What happened? How brainwashed they have. Imagine how the fake world.. you know Anthony fucking Mason, or Mirror. How they brainwashed the people over there. They are saying that they are waiting for permission from them to translate the Basic Text. This is a Basic Text, written book by addicts for addicts. When we say, by addicts for addicts, it has two perspectives. That means the concepts, the meaning over there working for addicts, and also the intellectual property is for addicts. It's them property. It's not others property. By addicts for addicts. So for addicts, Jim Miller for addicts, Jimmie Kinnon for addicts, Greg Pierce for addicts, Billy Allen for addicts, Chester for addicts, Eric for addicts, and me for addicts. Let's go.

[Applause]

Eric.D - Duwan you have your hand up.

Arnash - I can't hear you well.

Eric.D - Duwan have her hand up, I think she have a question.

Hi everybody, I'm an addict, my name is **Duwan**. I just want to know if there's a quick Zoom ID for an Iran meeting? Thanks everybody for serving. Thanks for being here.

Eric.D - Thanks. Arash, Duwan are asking if Iran have any Zoom meetings, any Zoom ID so that people can join if they like to.

Arnash - We will do that later. We will make a Zoom... we have no English meeting now over here, but we will make a Zoom link in the future, and I can bring some other members with myself at that meeting. They are very, very eager to share what they have, because, you know, in this country we have so many, many Jimmie K:s, many, many Greg Pierce, and many, many Billy Allens, many, many Chesters you know. This is a paradise of Narcotics Anonymous. Narcotics Anonymous is at any corner, any corner. We are growing very, very fast, and everybody loves to be able to share the message of the Grey Book, you know. Something I tell you, maybe you love it. I was able to share the message of the Baby Blue, which is only two, or three lines, and just few parts of the, one, or two, or three parts of the Grey Book with some people over here, and some of them, the people I share with them, they share with the other people in their region, and some days my telephone rang, I called to somebody who I don't know who is me and I don't know who is him, and they share about the message of the Grey Book much better than me. They had never heard of that book until a year ago, and they don't know what that book contains, because no one translated it for them. They just only know one, or two lines which is "all else is not.." but they say the story of the Grey Book much better than even you Grey Book, they know the truth, because that's the story of the life of them, it's the story of the and that's amazing. I hope that we can translate that book one day with these people, cause everybody in this country loves to read that, even myself. I have that book in my library and I use it everyday. This is my vision.

Mickey - I have two questions, and I apologize, I missed the first part of your presentation, but I have two questions to understand, again - Mickey, I'm an addict from New Jersey. The first question is - is the Iran region going to resign and stop attending the world service conference, and the European delegates meeting? The second question is - is the Iran regional service office going to distribute the Baby Blue and Grey Book, or are they going to try to keep selling the NA world service literature?

Arnash - Wait a minute, let me.. just 30 seconds (takes a phone call, talks Persian/Farsi) This is my friend Hussein, who is supporting us at any time. He's online, he's in my phone, the other phone, and he can answer that question, and I can reply to you. (talks Persian/Farsi on the phone). Hussein says, we just decided to print out our book for ourselves and have not made a decision to attend the world service conference or not. (talks Persian/Farsi on the phone) poor sound - we anticipate that they probably will kick us out of the conference

Mickey - Will you be attending the EDM meeting in Cairo in September?

Arnash - Is that for the world services?

Mickey - No, that's the European delegates meeting, a European service conference in September, it's a big conference.

Arash - Is that for us?

Mickey - Yes, the European delegates meeting.

Arnash - Is that for our side, the Baby Blue and the Grey Book?

Mickey - No, it's a zonal meeting, a zonal meeting in Cairo in September.

Arnash - Do they follow the world services?

Mickey - Yes.

Arnash - No, I don't think.. one moment (talks Persian/Farsi on the phone with Hussein). Hussein will attend the meeting. Let me introduce Hussein to you. Hussein is another recovering addict, who tried a lot to take the control out of the world services, and give it to the owners, to the addicts. He supported me for a long time, and at a time when no one else believed me he believed me. By the way, he has you know, a million of, tons of service positions behind him almost 20 years clean time and, you know, regional service committee chair, the head of the office of Narcotics Anonymous Fellowship over here, not the world services, and so many other service positions he experienced, and he knows very good things, and he also very humbling looking for the answers all over at any corner. And he is the one I try to bring to the meeting right now. Erik, as soon as he comes over, please open his mic and he can talk to us.

Okay, this is Hussein, NA Iran. Could you please open his mic? (the following is Arash interpreting Husseins share in Farsi)

Hussein - Hi my name is Hussein, I'm an addict. I say hi to each and every one of you. Especially the people that I know, Eric, YaYa, Billy,

and others. I really appreciate everything that Eric, Bill S, Billy Allen, and YaYa did for us, and they made a strong faith in our hearts, and opened our eyes to reality. The things that we have felt for a long time, we felt that somewhere something is wrong, and we were arrested by them. And the things that made me think a long time, I heard what Billy shared a year ago, and I was hate myself for some days, so why I didn't care about what they felt before, before Billy Allen mentioned that, I ignored my feeling ... before YaYA shared that with me. But I was disappointed, and I told Arash that whatever Billy shared to me it will take a long time to give those beliefs to others because it will take a long time for others to believe them, but we forgot the God, and that the thing that we couldn't do, God did for us. We are under the pressure and the bad wars over here, very strong pressure, and everybody that have dependency on the world service incorporated, and somehow take a salary from them, they are using virtual space like telegram, WhatsApp, and Zoom, whatever they want to tell us very bad words. But the good news is that NA Iran has over 700.000 recovering addicts, who has 31 areas, we gather in the regional service committee of Iran, and two days ago 26 areas of 31 areas voted to print out the book for ourselves, without profit and upload all the files of the literature on the website. But still we have hard things to do, because for sure the people who voted for this decision, and the next week they have a meeting in their area. We will suffer by the other people, we will suffer by the NAWS people, and we decided to stop the war with world services and do whatever to make a low cost NA literature, the things that you did before, like you. We need time on this side, the

members need time on this side to have beliefs like you. We need time, it takes time to introduce the true NA to them. I want you to pray for us, to carry the message strongly and stay at the side of us and give our hearts strength. At the end I will give a special thanks to Billy, to Billy Allen. Thanks.

[Applause]

Duwan - Another question when you are ready.

Arnash - Okay, go ahead.

Duwan - Even if you all have a Grey Book meeting i Arabic, I can take that Zoom ID also. Thank you for your service there.

Arnash - Our language is different from Arabic. We speak Farsi, we do not speak Arabic.

Duwan - I understand, thank you.

Arnash - So if anybody has anything they want to share with Hussein or..?

Bill A - I want to thank Hussein for coming to the FSC and contributing to the report from Iran, and I´m with you all the way. I will stay on Zoom helping you, any questions you have, I´m here to go through history, documentation, facts and help you with your Fellowship, and create your own Iranian Fellowship Service Conference which you should have, you should be autonomous, and we should support you in your...

(Arash translates to Hussein in Farsi)

Hussein - God is willing.

Bill A - It's all in the power of God. Thank you my friend.

Arnash - Hussein needs to go and says bye. Bye Hussein. Thank you Hussein.

Frank V - Arash, how are you brother? I'm Frank, I'm an addict in recovery from New York.

Arnash - Hello my brother.

Frank V - I have two questions for you, but before I ask you the question I just want to share with you that we are rejoicing on your enlightenment, the Iranian Fellowship, the way that you guys gained the knowledge of Gods will for the Iranian Fellowship, equally important continuing power to carry that out. This is huge and we really rejoice in what's going on. We just want to applaud you for what's going on. I got two questions - as you guys were giving your reports and sharing with us, I gathered 31 areas, 26 voted to pretty much become the real NA, for a lack of a better way to put it, to do things the real NA way, print books, give back freely what was so freely and gratefully given to us right, and so there's another, simple mathematics tells me that there's five remaining areas that were not in agreement. Are these areas going to fall in line with the rest of the Fellowship, or are they separating and going about their own way and

following the mainstream structure? That's question number one. Let's start with that.

Bill A - Did you get the question?

Arnash - Sorry, my telephone rang and I missed it.

Frank V - The question is, I'm gathering that the Iranian Fellowship has 31 areas, 26 voted to print books and pretty much do things the real NA way, simple mathematics tells me that there's five remaining areas that didn't agree. Are those remaining five areas falling in line with the rest of the Fellowship, or are they separating and going about their own way and following the mainstream structure? That's question number one, we can start with that one.

Arnash - You know, usually when the region makes a decision, each and every area.. (low volume)

Frank.V - Arnash, give us a second, we're having technical difficulties with the volume.

Erik.F - I think it's Arnash microphone, because we also hear him from a distance.

Eric.D - Arnash, you're microphone must be messed up a little bit.

Arnash - Can you hear me now?

Arnash - I'm leaving and I'm coming back in.

Erik.F - I just want to point out that we`re having someone from Russia, I saw Dima, he's here as well so...

Eric.D - Good. Dima, while we are waiting for Arnash to get back on, would you like to share a report from Russia for us?

Dima - Hi everyone. Do you hear me?

Eric.D - Yes.

Dima - I'm an addict, my name is Dima from Russia.

Erik.F - Good to see you.

Dima - I have the report on my monitor, it`s Google translate because my English is still not good. Maybe there is some mistakes that you can correct (starts to read the following):

REPORT of N.A. Group “**Osnova**”, **Russia**, June 24, 2022

The meetings of the "Osnova" group are held every Thursday at 18:30, in the city of Aprelevka, Moscow region. The format of our meeting is as follows:

We read cards translated from Grey, then there are 10 minutes to share on any topic of concern, so as not to be distracted in the main part of the meeting. The theme of the meeting is the printed paragraphs from the finished translation of grey, approximately 2-3 paragraphs per

meeting. Copies of the printouts are on the tables and are available to every member during the meeting. The fourth chapter is currently being studied.

There is a zoom room that is used to work with translations, there are no specific days for translations. This is based on the capabilities of the members of the group.

Our group translated and printed IP and booklets-5tools,total abstinence,groups conscience,white booklet,am i an addict,pi pamphlet,what can i do,who what how,recovery relapse,our simbol..., and we also proofread and edit a draft of the translation of the Gray Book, went through 3 Chapters in full - made up in a file for printing. The work on translation, review and editing and layout of the 2nd edition of the Basic Text has been completed, which will later go to print and will be given to beginners. Draft translation of GBR is ready, review and editing is underway. This includes a draft translation of "Long History-Reading First, review in progress. The fellowship is informed of the existence of our group by sending a flyer to numerous NA Home Group chats. Meetings are regularly attended by 2-3 people, mostly from the area, with guests coming from other groups if you wish, we give the Gray Book (eng.) or Basic Text (eng.) 3rd revised edition with the original 4th and 9th traditions.Sometimes there are newcomers from local rehab centers, we give a white keychain and a White Booklet, a Booklet What Can I Do and an IP set

We have a working site with literature and audio materials / nahelp.ru.
/ All draft translations of the literature have been reviewed and edited,
approved by our Osnova group. All files are ready for printing. The site
is being updated as needed. We also print stickers for Public
Information. The group has a telephone line.

Due to problems with Zoom payment, online meetings are temporarily
suspended. Now We are trying to hold in Telegram.

Thursday 18:30 and Saturday 11:00 Moscow Time/ link to join us in
Telegram: <https://t.me/+pyjxPdL3bDdhOThi>

Room rental is self-supporting

Meetings from May 2021 to present Our doors are always open.

Eric.D - Thank you very much Dima. We appreciate it very much.

Frank.V - Arnash, are you still there? Let's hear that audio, see if it
got better.

Arnash - Yes, I'm here. (better sound quality)

Frank.V - There we go, alright.

Arnash - Let me answer the New York question. You know, that five area that didn't vote to us, unfortunately, I want to tell you the bad story. They still do not believe in themselves, that the decision is theirs, and if they make decision they can do whatever they want. They say no to our motion, but they come and follow us final. Because in these years we're trained like that, whatever the upper level decided for us, that's a major decision and everybody have to follow that. This is how we are trained, unfortunately. We do not believe in ourselves yet, they do not believe in themselves. In them areas so many people forced them and tell them - okay Iran region of Narcotics Anonymous made a decision, and we have to follow it. This is what happened in them areas. You know, although the can do that for themselves, but as a result of a untrue listen and a untrue way we are gone for a long time, they never can do that. Because the members over there they forced them to follow us, because they believe in a hierarchy system, we are trained by the hierarchy system, everybody here believes in a hierarchy system. For a long time we believed in the world services and we thought that because the world services made a decision we have to follow that. So nowadays it's exactly what happened with them. The five areas will come back to our side and follow us. Because finally they have to. they have two ways, they can either buy an expensive book, or a cheap book. Finally they will come to the cheap book hahaha. This is what happens.

Frank.V - Thank you. That was a very thorough answer and I add that they can either buy a real book, or a phony book. So thank you for that. My last question is, with everything being said, are we hopefully projecting for the absolute dissolution of the WSO Iran at some point?

Arnash - You know, it's still, it will take time, it will still take time, because the world service over here is like a mafia. They have people all over the region, and you know, I want to tell you the true story. I see them as beggars behind the doors of Narcotics Anonymous, and one of the character of the beggar people is that they will not go away very easily. They stay with you, they beg you at any time. It's the beggars behavior. You have to beat them sometimes, I just want to remind some letter from our brother, rest in peace Grateful Dave, David Moorehead. I read that letter he wrote in the eighties. He mentioned in that letter, that historical letter, that sometimes you have to beat them, you know, the world service people. The people who come from outside and are begging for money, asking us for money. We have to have bad behavior with them, who the hell they are. Why do they think that they can control us? Sometimes we have to do bad behavior with them. But you know, that's why they still stay here, they won't go very soon. They try to do some, you know, propaganda against us, and we know that they will destroy our members over here, they use fear tactics against us, and this is what they want to do, but we have God and we will put them in the trash finally.

Frank.V - Thank you very much, and God bless you and the Iranian Fellowship.

Arnash - Thank you my brother. Love you all, I have to go to my workplace.

Bill.A - (delay on the sound) Arnash, I want to thank you for the long time that we have worked together to accomplish these goals. We are just on the phone. Setting up for the Iranian Fellowship Service Conference to be able to be autonomous...(no sound)

Erik.F - We lost you Bill. You have to unmute yourself.

Bill.A - Okay, I'm unmuted. Like I said, I was thanking you for all the long work we done together and this is the beginning of setting up(problem with a delay) everything we have been doing is to set up a free Iran Fellowship Service Conference in Iran for Iranians, so that you can be autonomous and accomplish your goals, and we know that's only the beginning, right now. We know it's going to take time, we know that through the efforts that we are working through, miracles are going to happen even further. I'm so excited for you, and this continuation is the most beautiful thing that has happened in my recovery since I meet you guys, and you have allowed me to participate, even on the world service conference call, you allowed my to participate, and watch the guilt trips they used, and watch the, basically threats, and the manipulations they went through. You have seen through it, you are prepared, and I'm excited that you got 26 areas that voted for free Iran in the sense of carrying our message, and

going back to the compassion of Jimmy Kinnon, and through the people that have worked throughout the years to keep this alive, to keep Greg Pierce, and Joseph, how they started in New York in the beginning with Terry and Tony, the same carrying the message. How we formed in the Eastern states, we participated in the writing of the text, and the text is yours. It's our gift, from our spirit to you, and we are going to be with you the whole way. Thank you my friend.

Arnash - Thank you my brother. Thank you. God bless you all. I love you all, and this is the.. you know yesterday was the most beautiful day of my life, and that was a beautiful day. I can not explain by the words, when I attend that meeting, how they people treated me, and how they appreciate me, because I was anonymously doing those things, but some people recognized me over there, and appreciate me, and that was the biggest and strongest feeling in my recovery that I got because of that accomplishment. Mission accomplished.

[Applause from the floor]

Love you. Bye for now, bye for now

Bill.A - I also want to thank Dima for his report because I know what they've been going through since their first free Grey Book meeting and the translation process they're going through, and miracles are happening and we are in support of you, we will continuously support your Group, and hopefully someone from that Group can get to the EFSC in September, and actually be a part of the EFSC, the European Fellowship Service Conference, and that we can express our

compassion and love, and experiences that our growing in Europe right now through the spiritual entity of carrying the message freely to the addict that still suffers yet. So I really appreciate you being here Dima. Thank you my friend.

Arnash - Thank you. Let me finish with my word with something that I want to send this message to the Russian people. The man who shared before me. The things happens to you to, just keep do what you do and these things will be happening in your country very, very soon. And I wish that we can have more good news from Russia later on. Thanks Russia.

[Applause from the floor]

Bye.

Eric.D - Erik, can you, I know I sent you the text. Can you show us the websites on the screen? I think it would be good to see what's been done on some of those websites. I know that some of the things that were shared can be shown on nahelp.ru. They have three chapters of the Grey Book already translated, they have a whole translation of the Second edition, and they said they're ready to print. They talked about a few of the other translations - "What can I do?" They talked about that there is not any Zoom in Russia, but I could not quite hear what they said, if they have another platform they're using, but I think some of those things... show people those websites. And obviously there's a translation button on them to translate to English.

Erik.F - Can you guys see it?

Eric.D - We got it on half here, we gonna' make it bigger for us. We're gonna' make it so that everyone can see it. Okay, that's obviously translated into English, but if you go to the downloads and stuff, I believe that's where they have the literature, the stuff that they already translated. Oh, they do have it in English too. Powerful stuff going on over there, and they worked good on that website. There's websites for every single.. I mean the Netherlands have... It's that the Grey or? (looking at nahelp.ru on the screen)

Erik.F - I think it's the Second edition.

Erik.D - That's the Second edition, okay. I think they said the have the full Second edition, correct?

Bill.A - They don't have it print ready.

Eric.D - I mean, it's there and available. Powerful stuff. Oh, there's the Grey.

Erik.F - Yeah, first three chapters.

Eric.D - That's amazing. I mean I can't read a word of it but... hahaha

Frank.V - We trust and have faith, it says what it needs to say.

Bill.A - Erik, would you be able to put that into an actual print ready book?

Erik.F - Yeah, yeah. We can help them out with that. To make print files for offset printing, or digital printing.

Bill.A - That would be great, because that one right there is an online version.

Eric.D - I mean, they have worked on that website, I looked at the other websites too, kind of just want to show... the Netherland Groups talked about the website and stuff, powerful stuff going on there also.

Bill.A - We got the Swedish one. We got an English website, and ours.

Eric.D - Anybody can go and use those websites, I mean. It's all at our website nahelp.org. They got a countdown for the EFSC, two months, 19 days, 20 hours, and 40 minutes.

Erik.F - Here we got all the recordings from previous years.

Erik.F - I can show the Swedish website.

Eric.D - It's powerful stuff going on all over the world.

Erik.F - Alright, we got one more, and that's the English, it's a bit different. They have existed longer than the nahelp site.

Eric.D - They have been around for what, 14 years is it?

Bill.A - No, they have been around since the early nineties. They came over here in -93 for the first basic beginning of the Fellowship Service Conference in Baltimore. -91,-92 they formed. They have been doing the Baby Blue since, and they do the Grey Book now too. You can see

that they have expanded, they have put the Google Maps on there and everything. They have different places, different towns, Manchester. It will show there on top how to get to their meetings.

Erik.F - Yeah, they still have online meetings I see, you can see here.

Bill.A - Some online meetings, some meet in person. You can see, in person only in Bradford.

Erik.F - Alright, do we got any more websites?

Bill.A - We got the one, the. Swedish, the English, let me see, we have one, two, three, four, five, five in all. We had the Netherlands up, we had the Russian up, we had the Swedish up, we had our up, and the English. So we had all five of them. They are all connected, basically through the EFSC, and through the FSC. And we are developing a Persian page that the Iranians is going to do, until they get their own webpage and stuff like that.

Eric.D - Alright, any other for any of the Groups, or anything?

Bill.A - This is exciting. I really want to thank all the Groups for their reports and stuff today. It's very powerful. What we have accomplished again, when we get out of the road and we allow the spirit, God, to uplift us and carry us through this. Putting our egos aside, our personalities, and sink in Gods will in everything we do, we have had massive growth, last year and the year thru the Covid. Being isolated we had to find ways to communicate, and we kept it going ' , and some of us got back to in person meetings faster than others, I mean, I took

our Group three months to meet outside, I missed one of the EFSC of all of them, and that was when they wouldn't let me into the country, just like they won't let you into our country, but I'm going to be at the EFSC again this coming September, and looking forward to it. I'm really excited about getting back over there, as I was there last year. This year it's going to be more exciting. I want to thank everyone who made this possible. This afternoon when we restart we are going to do the magazine report, where we are at with that, and we are going to go through the webmaster report, where we are at with that. I'm going to have an Anonymi Foundation report, where we are at, and the literature coordinator report. That's all the reports we are going to get this afternoon, plus we're going to do the voting. So, right now it's 11.24, so we really ain't gonna get much done.

Eric.D- That was what I was wanting to ask, do we want any more reports, or are we going to break for lunch now?

Bill.A - We take a lunch break now and get back at 1.30 instead of 2.00.

Eric.D - Yeah, we got a lot of stuff to go over.

Bill.A - That's what I said. We want to reconsume at 1.30 our time, which would be 7.30 Netherlands time, European time. We come back together. We go through the reports, and then we go into voting and open forum before dinner.

Eric.D - That's what we got so..

Erik.F - So we got like a two hour break.

Eric.D & Bill.A - Yes.

Bill.A - Is that okay with everyone?

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FSC 2022 - Saturday

Group reports Europe-Russia-Africa

**Eric.D - Let's get started with the WE-version of the Serenity-prayer.
(Prayer)**

Eric.D - Alright, do we have any announcements?

Bill.A - It's basically the same thing as last night. When the bell rings you come in here, or to get your meal. We need people cleaning up after themselves as we said before. I need everybody in the chat to post their phone number and email adress for our secretary. Then save the chat so we have that, our secretary needs that information to send out minutes.The

upcoming conference next year on the same weekend. Put that flier in the chat.

Eric.D - Erik, you were able to hear all that right?

Eric.F - Yeah, we could hear it.

Eric.D - Just make sure we save the chat. Last night we did Group reports and introductions and stuff. I don't know if we want to go over the room again, we got some new people here. I go ahead and start us off, I'm an addict my name is Eric, David, I'm an addict, I'm an addict named Jesse from Memphis, I'm an addict my name is Matte from Ohio, I'm Megan I'm an addict, I'm an addict, I'm Frank V from New York, I'm an addict my name is Crystal, I'm also from New York, I'm Ray, I'm an addict, I'm Serenity, I'm an addict from Ohio, I'm an addict named Travis from Ohio, I'm called Alan, a Different Look Group, Philadelphia, Yelloweyes, addict from Virginia, Addict - Ken, Florida, Addict - Kate, Virginia, I'm Bryan I'm an addict, I'm Bill, I'm an addict from Allentown Pennsylvania.

Do we have you guys introduce yourselves to (Zoom participants)?

I'm an addict named Sean from a Different Look Group Pennsylvania, Addict named YaYa from Florida, I'm an

Saturday Opening/Introductions/Reports

Opening with the WE-version of the Serenity Prayer

Some Introductions

Alice from Pennsylvania introducing herself. Member of Against all odds Group. She was welcomed by the members.

Bryan H. from Kentucky, Alive and Free Group Maysville Kentucky, introduces himself. Gives report: 10 years in existence. Meetings are closed, addicts only. Throwing the slips away. Grey Book one paragraph at a time. Give way Baby blue's and dog tags. Membership fluctuates. Every Group in his area he has heard want to be a part of ASIS. They're probably not all going to march up here, but we are all sick of what we are seeing on the other side. Bryan was thanked for the report.

Updated treasurer's Report. Bill A.

3 registrations today. Brings us up to \$3388.08. We got 20 paid registrations. The rest is donations. Updated report will be tomorrow with all the expenses. We owe \$1700 for the facility. I will give that tomorrow. Asked if there are question. No questions.

Kate introduces herself. Home Group was wiped out. More than half the Home Groups of the Roanoke valley area of NA, in Virginia, have been wiped out. There were somewhere around 36 Home Groups and almost 100 meetings a week. Now we have around 15-20 Groups and it's about 50 meetings a week. This is my first time at FSC. 10 years clean. Working steps with sponsor. Have sponsees. First FSC and I've never felt more at home. Newborn baby and a wonderful husband. Around 2 years clean got into Lit chair position and got upset with Literature selling prices. That is were the fury began. Her dad (NA member) told her about NA purists. Been looking more and more in 2nd edition Basic Text. Now read Grey Book and Baby blue. 6th edition is gathering dust. Hoping to get Grey Book meeting in Roan Oke. She was welcomed Home. (44 Grey Books have been sent to them to help start a meeting.)

Andrew introduces himself.

Also from Roanoke, Virginia. Beautiful woman speaking before is his wife. Father of the baby. Part of "Weekends in recovery Home Group". One of few Home Groups that continued through Pandemic. Meeting attendance decreased, a lot of member were part of recovery houses that were not allowed to leave. Finds it strange considering addiction is a disease that can wipe us out. Personal opinion, Covid not as dangerous as addiction. Very excited to be here and learn more about Narcotics Anonymous. Never heard of Grey Book until Now. 4.5 years clean. Says he doesn't have grey Book, but Kate will give him one. Welcomed Home by the member at the conference.

Eric (Chair) asks if anyone wants to introduce themselves.

Tariq from UK introduces himself.

Saturday Old Business

Chair Servant goes over procedure regarding voting. GSR's are asked to raise hand to see who are the representatives.

Remon Hengelo, Steve A way out Zwolle, Petter Antligen Fria Sweden, Bill A Recovery First & Historical Perspective, Alan A Different Look, Matte The War is over, Megan Grateful Wake up Group, Ken Never Alone Never Again Again.

9 Groups have a conscience.

The chair Servant read out of the CAR: "A Brief Explanation" excerpt from 2015 report.

Ken: part of the text read needs change. TO clarify that any no vote at all, sends back a first year motion.

Chair and co-chair had to see it, now it needs to be changed.

That's all the motions.

Bill A asks question. A Group pulls them IP/s because the group dissolves. However the IP's are still out there. Our Group didn't want to vote at this moment, because when they put the motion out to approved "why we don't verify attendance papers", the IP's are still there. They did not pull the IP's, they pulled the motion to approve the IP's. Our concern is when a Group goes back out to use, how are they pulling it, Because they are using?

Eric: No they actually told us to pull the motions.

Bill: we need to discuss these IP's are still out there and on our list. After the motions have been pulled, now there is no way to remove the IP's. We need to discuss in open forum.

Everybody is asked if it is OK to move into open forum.

Moving into open forum.

Minutes Old Business and New business

RETURNING MOTIONS

2021-E

The Rabbit Meeting

To have line numbers and page numbers on every piece of review and input literature.”

Intent: “To keep our review and input literature consistent, and to make it easier for input to be understood when submitted.” Group

Contact: Bill C. (610)809-9771

A Way Out	Yes
Original NA Hengelo	No
Antligen Fria Group	Pnv
Recovery First Group	Yes
Historical Perspective Group	Yes
Grateful Wake Up	No
Never Alone Never Alone Again Again	No
Different Look Group	Yes
The War Is Over Group	No

Motion does not pass	50% yes
	50% no

Motion 2021E

Votes are counted

Historical Perspective and Recovery First Group want to explain why they voted yes. Simplicity. An IP for input and review. Just like the Grey Book when it has line number and double space, we never lost any material. It makes common sense. Takes a lot of work with all the stuff we have on our tables, but can be done in IP form, and still get Input en Review stuff that's sent back to the Groups.

It creates disaster at Lit Conferences if not done that way. It makes it easier, more accessible and flows better at Literature Conferences.

The War is Over Group. Voted no and would like to change the wording of the proposal. It is going to be discussed in open forum.

Grateful Wake Up group voted no. Everyone in Grateful Wake UP group believed it was a good practice, but wanted to support Group Autonomy.

2021-F

The Rabbit Meeting

To have the name of the group added to the review and input literature.”

Intent:“ To make available the group name that has written a piece of literature. The group can be asked questions during the input and review process”

Group Contact: Bill C. (610)809-9771

A Way Out	Yes
Original NA Hengelo	No
Antligen Fria Group	Pnv
Recovery First Group	Abstain
Historical Perspective Group	Abstain
Grateful Wake Up	No
Never Alone Never Alone Again Again	Abstain
Different Look Group	Yes
The War Is Over Group	No
Motion does not pass	25% yes
	37.5% no
	37.5% no

Motion 2021F

Reasons for voting no.

The war is over voted NO. Understand wanting to reach out to that Group for input, however after something is submitted it is no longer theirs.

The Original NA Hengelo Group.

Voted no.

Good for the LIT coordinator to have the name, but not on the material because it is handed to the Fellowship. What happens if a Group folds?

Reason for abstentions.

Historical Perspective and Recovery First Group abstain for similar reasons. For issue. Our Group wrote stuff and never attached our name. We want a better intent. The two Groups don't want to attach to any of written material. Wanted better intent, wanted talk with proposing Group but didn't get the knowledge they needed to vote. Group wants to have more knowledge.

Motion 2019A

Never Alone, Never Again Group of North Carolina

Motion for ASIS to maintain a stock pile of \$5000 worth of literature and phone number where Groups can order literature. For this to happen ASIS would have to rent storage space and assign a trusted servant to receive and fulfill the orders. The trusted servant assigned would need to be given access to our current printing company. This could evolve into a service center as we grow. Passing this motion in no way precludes the inventory of literature to growing beyond the \$5000 amount.

Intent: To function more as a formal service center

*This will be considered a returning motion when it comes back

Contact: Travis (828) 734 -1877

A Way Out	No
Original NA Hengelo	No
Antligen Fria Group	Pnv
Recovery First Group	Abstain
Historical Perspective Group	Abstain
Grateful Wake Up	No
Never Alone Never Alone Again Again	Yes
Different Look Group	No
The War Is Over Group	No
Motion does not pass	12.5% yes
	62.5% no
	25% abstain

2019A

Reason for no

The war is over Group. The Groups can handle this. Don't know how to feel about a Conference handling money.

Grateful Wake Up voted no. Same reasons as previous years.

Hengelo Group voted no. We have a good working system. \$5000 is low amount. Don't change working system. Money stays at the Groups seems more practical. Don't like the idea of handing over the printer details. Had problems before with making available the name of the printer.

Reason for abstain.

Recovery First and Historical Perspective. They voted no before and gave feedback to the Group. The motion was not amended at all after feedback and back the same as previous year. Groups are looking for information cost factorization . What will it add to the cost of the book? Cost of facility? No one has done research in this. Our Group has done research for facility. Will cost minimum of \$4000 per year for storage. Who is going to man it? These are issues they want resolved before can vote yes or no.

Other issue is: We set up a system. Groups are complaining about Office Depot. Pricing going up to \$3,60 a book. There problems arising from other Groups that were using their account. Talking about the drop shipping that's done before and the issues that they had. The printer bought up other corporations and merged so prices went up all of a sudden. Our printer is being protected for a reason. We don't people access it and screw it up, since it has happened before. Again the main concern is cost factorization. Are the Group going to pay for it? Do we need to add it onto the Literature? What are we giving up to have it done?

People were reminded further discussion needs to be done in open forum.

2020 B

A Different Look Group

The Groups of the FSC approve the IP "Total Abstinence".

Intent number 1: To define what being clean is in NA.

Intent number 2: To copyright protect this IP.

Motioning Group Contact: Alan F. – Phone (215) 499-0864

***The IP is included in this magazine at page 32**

A Way Out	Yes
Original NA Hengelo	No
Antligen Fria Group	Pnv
Recovery First Group	Yes
Historical Perspective Group	Yes
Grateful Wake Up	Yes
Never Alone Never Alone Again Again	Yes
Different Look Group	Yes
The War Is Over Group	yes
Motion does pass	87.5% yes
	12.5% no

2020B

No Votes/

Reason NA Hengelo Group. Submitted this before: We would like to see the word medication being explained as mind-changing, mood-altering medication. Just the word medication could give people a stick to bash us.

FIRST YEAR MOTIONS 2022

2022 A

Historical Perspective Group

To Elect a Co-Literature Coordinator to assist the Literature Coordinator

Intent: That it is too much for one person to coordinate the FLC and

it also would put a person in position to learn the responsibility and

it would allow rotating of service

Contact is Ray D. +16104289923

A Way Out	Pnv
Original NA Hengelo	Yes
Antligen Fria Group	Pnv
Recovery First Group	Yes
Historical Perspective Group	Yes
Grateful Wake Up	Yes
Never Alone Never Alone Again Again	Pnv
Different Look Group	Yes

The War Is Over Group	yes
Motion does pass	100% yes

2022A

100%

No reasons brought up.

2022 B

Historical Perspective Group

To Elect a secretary and co - secretary for the FLC.

Intent: Their responsibility would be to take minutes at the Literature conferences. They would get the information of the work done at the conferences submitted to the Literature coordinator to get that information out to the groups for further review and input by the NA Home Groups. It would make the Conferences run more smoothly
Contact is Ray D. +16104289923

A Way Out	Pnv
Original NA Hengelo	Pnv

Antligen Fria Group	Pnv
Recovery First Group	Yes
Historical Perspective Group	Yes
Grateful Wake Up	Yes
Never Alone Never Alone Again Again	Pnv
Different Look Group	Yes
The War Is Over Group	Yes
Motion does pass	100% yes

2022B

100% yes

Motion goes into open forum for further discussion.

Open Forum

***discussion on proposal to amend the *We're Not Doctor's IP* and the input on why a Group wanted wording in the now approved *Total Abstinence IP* changed.**

Eric- Some of the things we have to discuss in open forum, one we have an IP that was passed, it has been discussed who is going to apply for the copyright. We don't have to discuss it but when we get to elections we will have to include those new positions into the elections later. That will be done on Sunday.

Bill- The process we established is the Group pays for the copyright, the file clerk is who gets it done, so what is the question with that one?

Eric- I just wanted it to be clarified so everyone knows what is happening.

Bill- I just have to check if the prices were raised, it was a certain price at \$85.

Eric- I thought it was \$60 before.

Bill- No, we have to check on that, that's all. We'll let you know what it's going to cost and then we'll file for the copyright. I also need to go down to the copyright office and talk with them, if i can directly file there, if it could move the process or not faster.

Eric- Those were the only things I had written down but the floor is open.

Bill- Remon brought a reason up why his Group voted the way they did on that one IP. The Groups have to consider what they're going to do to revise a pamphlet. I understand what they're saying. It's approved now, so now it's up to the Groups if they're going to create a revision process. How are they going to revise it? I think that needs to be looked at on any of the IPs that have been approved already. I know there are some areas where a Group wants to input on an already approved IP. There is no process established yet.

Matte- Our Group brought a proposal to edit the approved *We're Not Doctors* IP.

Bill- I know, it was our Group's IP but it is no longer since it's approved so our Group says yes but ,however we need a whole conscience on that area. We don't have the right as a Group once it's turned over to change it because it's already been conscienced by the whole body. So now it's all the Group's IP and we have to establish a process and I wanted to bring that up in open forum.

Ken- I have one suggestion, there's no reason why we can't do physical lit conferences and to do something on zoom virtually.

Bill- but the issue is the Groups have to establish a process now. That was totally something different that the Groups chose to do at one time and get it done through a world convention.

Ken- I'm just saying it kind of worked in that situation.

Bill- The Groups now have to establish a process of how they are going to edit an IP that's already approved.

Ken- It would happen at lit conferences.

Bill- No, it does not happen at lit conferences.

Matte- There are two different issues here. Our proposal is about spelling and grammar and it does not change the content of the IP and theirs would change the content. Those are the two issues that need to be looked at. Can literature be edited for spelling and grammar without a proposal or not?

Bill- Spelling and grammar are two different issues. Spelling is simple. Grammar is not. Grammatical changes can change the whole concept of what it's saying. That's how they pulled off the Fourth Edition (Basic Text). You don't need something like that; you end up with the Fourth Edition that way.

Ken- I would think that if it's an approved IP, yeah we would have to draw up some sort of a proposal but if it's not approved that's just further input.

Bill- We're not talking about that, we're talking about approved IPs now. This is already approved, that's the issue. They want to know how they can get their input in now that it's approved. There needs to be a process established to open that up for input now. They have to make a proposal.

Matte- What if it's spelling and grammar but does not change meaning?

Bill- That would have to be in the proposal. What you have in the proposal has to stay in the proposal and it has to go out now.

Mickey- Why wouldn't you just put it in the motion? If somebody has a change to revise one of the pamphlets, put it in the proposal specific to what changes need to be made.

Bill- There is no process set up by the Groups so now they have to put a proposal in. So if they have an issue with an approved IP they have to put a proposal together that the IP needs to be amended and that's not hard even once it has been copyrighted. On the Anonymi Foundation end that's not an issue. The input I saw we can agree with but all the Group's have to agree with it now for it to happen.

Mickey- Yeah, it's just another proposal coming in like anything else.

***end of discussion on IPs/ begin discussion about Iran's report**

Bill- The Iran report was really powerful. I don't know how the Groups felt about their report to us but I know they want me to continue with the conference calls with them. They want my input. I'm helping them develop their own Iranian Fellowship Service Conference. I'm going to continue doing the work I've been doing with them. I'm just telling you there is going to be a report coming. I can't talk to you about what's going on, however, today they revealed it all to us. They are going to set up another call with me and to include more people in the calls but I don't know who they will want included because they limit the availability of that in what they're doing. I know they are going to be seeking guidance from us on how to set up their conference. They said today that they have totally detached themselves from World Services. So, we're going to have to have continued communication from this body to them to guide them in that area. The Anonymi Foundation, I have been listening to what they are going to do, I can not give them any legal advice in their own country. They have to seek that information, legality in their own country. I told them there is nothing we can do about that unless they attach themselves to the FSC, through the Anonymi Foundation then there could be a limited protection for them outside

their country, but in their country they're going to have to know their own laws that they operate by and we don't know them. We cannot give them any legal advice or even enter into legal conversations with them. They're going to go through a process of detachment now from World Services. I believe World Services is going to attack them with fear based stuff but I don't believe that World Service can do anything about that in their country because their country does not respect our copyright laws. So I can believe they can go through that process but they have to find their legal ends. Which I told them they need to confer with their country whatever process they have to go through to go through that detachment to let them know that they are no longer participating with the Iranian World Service Office, Inc. They may need advice in that area but we can not give it to them. We can give them direction and guidance on how to set up their conference and I told them to get involved with the European Fellowship Service Conference and get someone there to participate in that conference and see how it operates because they're going to go through the same process of developing services just like in the EFSC, each country is developing their own service independent from one another but yet serving each other. They are going to need a lot of guidance in these areas.

Mickey- If there's anything that we need to look at that is coming out of all of this, it's probably going to be a need for outreach on the Group level. There's going to be a lot of discussion with Iran. There's more discussion now because of the volume of literature going out and because of weakness of resistance in places like Nebraska where areas and regions have been really resistant. Some of this resistance is probably going to be lessening. We're in transition and transition is an opportunity. We need to be open right now for the influx. We need to start looking at how to respond and being open to this. Some of the people who were really opposed to this are becoming more open-minded. We need to be willing to do outreach. Be ready because things are probably going to start changing and we need to capitalize on that opportunity. The other thing is presentations. Some of us need to sit down and talk about a Group to do history presentations again.

Matte- From our experience doing a literature conference, it was really difficult to get addicts around us to participate because there was a lot of conflict and retaliation against our Group at the time. We put in our Group Report that it would be beneficial to do a history day or something so addicts could be informed because a lot of them wouldn't participate because they thought it was wrong, in my opinion at least. Since then we have had some of our members have been asked to speak at other Groups that don't use historical literature and there has been a really positive reaction to the message.

Mickey- We need to discuss this tomorrow about trying to discuss a history conference.

Ken- The mood seems to be shifting because the people who were opposed to the baby blues and gray books are very tolerant. I keep baby blues in my car and gray books. I give baby blues to newcomers. I can see a shift there, there's a lot more tolerance.

***discussion on the motions that were pulled by the Most Perfect Vehicle Group.**

Bill- We talked about this before with a Group falling apart. What happens with their proposal now that it's out there? Does another Group take them up or do they just stay there? How are we going to handle those issues like that?

Eric- I can share that the Group did ask for those proposals to be taken down. The IPs are still out there for input and review. They were turned over to the Fellowship by the Group.

Bill- So they're still the Groups' IPs and they're still up on the website so if another Group wants to pick up those motions they should have the right to do that.

Eric- I think we already have a precedent set for that.

Bill- You have to check the precedent, let us know what that is tomorrow if you can find it, I would like to know what the precedent is in that area.

Eric- The only thing that I know of is we had a motion from a Group where a member had died and the Historical Perspectives Group picked up that motion.

Bill- That was with Jim, we picked up that motion, we reworded it, we resubmitted it and it passed. We picked it up because we knew that we still had to deal with the issue of self. And that you're saying is our precedent. So check it out to see if that's our precedent, if it is, those IPs are still out there. A Group can pick them up or they can stay in the input and review process and when a literature conference picks them up they will need input and review but a Group still would have to pick them up when we're done with them.

Ken- So it would just be another proposal?

Eric- Are you asking would it be a first year proposal or a second year proposal?

Bill- It would be a brand new proposal. If our Group picked it up it would be a brand new proposal and we would have a different intent and everything okay? We don't feel they are ready yet though.

Eric- I believe that has already been established. I'll go through the minutes and see if I can find anything that speaks directly to that.

Bill- Just check so we know.

***Discussion about motions 2021-E and F from the Rabbit Meeting.**

Matte- We still have to go over the motions about the input and review literature being line numbered, double spaced and all that stuff. Our Group, we liked and understood the intent of the motion. We just didn't like the wording of it because we thought it could be interpreted that

Groups had to submit input and review literature in a specific way. We thought it would be better to reword it. I'm not sure if that Group is still participating in the FSC or not.

Eric- I believe Kathy is a member of that Group so I would ask that you reach out to her and talk with her. I can't speak for their Group.

Bill- The issue at hand is, I understand what he's talking about. Everyone's thought we don't want to dictate to another Group. However, once it's turned over it's no longer our IP like I said and that was my concern that once an IP is turned over it's now open for input and review. The input and review process you have to remove personality. You're not dictating to Groups what you're saying is for us to better facilitate this, it should be this way to better flow through literature conferences for input and review process.

Eric- Last year we did discuss this and what was discussed was basically that if something is turned over then we're already making it double spaced and line numbered, we're already doing that.

Bill- It puts more work on us. At that literature conference for us to have to do that or between literature conferences to have to do that it's putting more work on us to have to do when we are limited with people already. It's just asking that if it's going to be submitted to the input and review process that it be line numbered and double spaced. That's all it's saying. It's common sense, I don't see a problem with that.

Matte- We just want to see it as, if something is submitted to nahelp.org then we can get volunteers to help put it in the right format instead of telling Groups we aren't going to accept this literature unless it's in this certain way. I would have willingness to do that.

Bill- It's not saying that. That Group is asking us to do it that way. I would say they are guidelines. You can follow them or not. It's just, someone else is going to have to do that work for you.

Matte- That's why we just wanted it reworded so this is what our Group was thinking, our input was to convert all literature submitted to nahelp.org to word documents with standardized font, font size, double spaced and line numbered.

Bill- What if they don't have word, then what are you gonna do?

Matte- Between people that are involved we could make it happen and then put it on the website in that way.

Bill- Then you need to input to the Group at this point. You need to give that input to that Group because it's coming back next year and nothing will change if the input isn't received. Every proposal that goes out, how much input have the Groups taken and communicated and then it comes back the same way again. Like I said, the one motion from the one Group keeps coming back the same way. Our Group is looking for research to be done. What's it going to

cost for that place to store literature, what's it going to add onto the books if we do that? There's a lot of technical issues when you make a proposal here and it comes back as a motion.

Matte- I have a question: if a proposal has become a motion , the Group that presented the proposal can just change the motion then?

Bill- Yes, they can change it in between years. It has to be done by a certain time.

Matte- So each year all these motions are open for input?

Eric- Yes they basically turn back into proposals each year after the conference.

Bill- It's how to resolve something without getting into arguments. Getting input to Groups to change it but if they don't change it it's going to come back again the same way. I'd like to get the Groups communicating and resolving those issues in between conferences.

Eric- A lot of this goes back to no motion fails.

***Discussion about motion 2019A from Never Alone, Never Alone Again, Again Group of North Carolina.**

Bill- We're asking for certain things and we're not getting them. We are going to abstain until we get the information. We can not consciously make a decision without getting that information. Cost factorization, what's it adding onto the books? Who's going to man the center? What's the center going to cost or are the Groups going to pay it with donations?

Shawn- It seems to me that since I've been involved with ASIS, we try to keep our services as close to the Group level as we can. My Group's experience is that my Home Group is a service center and we as a Group aren't really looking to establish a centralized service center. As far as seeking a stockpile of literature all you have to do is look at my house and my wife will complain to you about it, and that's okay. Our Group stores it when they are available for purchase for when we need them. Thus, we don't need a service center. So we don't need the extended cost, we don't need the overhead, we don't need someone in charge. Group Conscience is in charge. We keep stuff at our houses as opposed to taking on additional costs or adding on a level of bureaucracy. We keep it as close to the Group as possible. So, we as a Group just don't see any reason to set up something like a service center at this time, we're not there. Thanks.

Bill- What are the issues? The issues are what's best for this conference, what's best for the Groups that are participating and how they guide this conference. The issues with the Anonymi Foundation literature process and how to develop the communication skills. They're doing some great things with PI over there and I was thinking it would be great if they could get some videos done to share with upcoming areas on how to do PI. I like talking about issues like that because it's something that as you go into develop areas they can provide videos and information for Groups to utilize. That's why I like going over there because it's old time PI but they're making it

fit their culture and how they're getting Groups involved and getting them excited. It's like getting Gray Books into all the prisons in Nebraska. That's an exciting venture. How to communicate with institutions, how to get into the door to do H&I and then how do you manage it then? How are Groups responsible to manage those things because it's a lot of work folks. Those are the types of discussions we are going to need to have and facilitate the Groups to be able to set that environment up to share what's going on over there with us now. Because we have forgotten a lot of times how to do PI over here because of what World Service has done by taking that service away from the Groups when they never should have.

***Discussion about use of capitalization in the Gray Book Reflections Book**

Matte- We were discussing the use of capitalization in the Gray Book Reflections book. We were thinking about coming up with a system of what is capitalized and what isn't. I can say that from retyping the input from the literature conference we did, that it takes a lot longer to type every other word with a capital letter.

Bill- They're all in the input and review process so we need to develop that in the conferences. It needs to be worked on in your Groups at literature conferences.

Brian- No it hasn't been. One Group may be doing it one way and another Group may do it another way. We need a standardization of what should and should not be capitalized.

Bill- That's easy stuff to change in the input and review process.

Frank- Ultimately the literature conferences are the ones that workshop it so it is up to them to do with it as they see fit because after that it will go back to the Groups anyways for input before it becomes a final product that has been Group Conscience'd.

Bill- Those are details that get ironed out in the process, the Gray Book has all kinds of imperfections but it reads like a meeting.

Brian- I didn't even think about the effort that it takes in retyping it with all the capitals.

Matte- I have a question, so when I say Groups as in an NA Home Group it's capitalized, was it ever capitalized in the Traditions.

Bill- It was and then it wasn't. If it's a capital G it emphasizes the Home Groups and if it's a lowercase g it emphasizes what NAWS, inc. wants it to emphasize. It puts the emphasis on them and their ability to dictate to the groups. So things like that can mean big changes in the meaning of words just like adding an exclamation point. That's where you get the freedom in the literature conferences, that freedom of expression, that freedom of spirituality that happens there.

Jesse- I've got some questions. As far as registration to ASIS is there a registration process for Groups?

Bill- For the Group? Yeah you go on our webpage and you sign up there.

Matte- they're already registered.

Bill- Yeah i'm saying, you're already registered you can get on here on my computer and register your Group right there. Then you go on the meetinglist, then you're part of us.

Jesse- We don't really mess with the other structure except for H&I, and they're not really picky or they're real open-minded about the literature we use. We're on the meeting schedule. Currently in H&I they're using printed 5th editions. I take in whatever I can get my hands on. I'm not really involved in the other structure I mean certain members are but I'm definitely interested in this.

Bill- Good. Your Group is allowed to participate here. We're not here to tell you to stop doing what you're doing if it's working. You can also participate here, we're not here to make them rules for anybody.

Eric- One of the reasons that I fell in love with this service body is it will never dictate to the Groups.

Jesse- I noticed that with the discussion on all of these issues, that's extremely important for a service body.

Frank- It sounds like the Ninth Tradition coming to life. The Groups are directing the service structure and not the other way around. It's how can we assist and help the Group? That's organic, it's the pure NA Way.

Ken- When I first came here we actually decided that Groups could participate in any service structure they wanted. They could be part of us and part of the NAWA structure, buy literature from them, we don't demand that you're US or THEM. You can participate here too. We don't have any requirements and that's something I remember getting out of this really early on.

Matte- I have another question: if Jesse is done, this involves the motion with the service center and I'm sure someone can provide some clarification on this but the way I understand right now is that this conference doesn't handle money?

Bill- We don't, all the money, the funding here, paying for this here all goes through our Home Group, the literature conferences all go through our Home Group, the books go through our Home Group.

Matte- So there is not a treasurer for this conference?

Bill- No, I'm the treasurer for the Historical Perspectives Group.

Matte- My question with that motion is would that require that the FSC handle money?

Bill- All of that would have to be looked at.

Ken- They could decide to keep having a Home Group handling it.

Bill- Our Group is going to abstain until everything is defined. It all needs to be defined by that Group. Our Group can not vote yes on that motion until it is all defined. We're not going to vote no because we look at developing stages but if we don't have this kind of information how can we make decisions?

Eric- The co-op, of the Groups working together to get the literature stockpile is already over \$5000. So technically the Historical Perspectives Group is already doing what the motion is asking for.

Eric- Does anything else have anything for open forum to discuss?

Bill- I will make a motion to close open-forum

Matte- I will second that motion.

Sunday Announcements - Transcript New Business

Everbody welcomed

Opening with moment of silence followed by Serenity Prayer

Bill: Does announcements about cleaning the facility.

Bill: The e-mail list will be send to the Secretary. All e-mail addresses in the Zoom chat will be saved and also handed to our Secretary.

Treasurer announcement: We ended up +\$421 for next year. The flyer for next year is being shared in the chat. Same facility, same weekend next year in Hamburg.

Eric Chair Servant: We will make a group picture after the session with the Zoom participants included.

Eric: There is one proposal sent in for new business. Eric reads out loud the proposal. The written proposal will be texted to our secretary to make sure it is handed over exactly as it is.

The Proposal :

The War Is Over! Group Proposal for FSC 2022 To edit the We're Not Doctors IP for misspelling and grammar.

Pg. 2, second column, second paragraph: There answer at times Should be: Their answer at times (There should be Their)

Pg. 2, second column, third paragraph: Please read the Basic Text and the IP information pamphlets and see if you can identify, remember we are not for everyone, only addicts seeking recovery from addiction.

Should be: Please read the Basic Text and the IPs (information pamphlets) and see if you can identify. Remember, we are not for everyone, only addicts seeking recovery from addiction.

(Needs correct use of abbreviation and needs to be made into two sentences)

Intent: To correct spelling and grammatical errors, making the approved IP more attractive and easier to comprehend.

Eric: Any questions regarding this proposal?

Bill: The only thing I gotta say is when we're approving an IP, Groups need to take responsibility to communicate that information before we approve stuff so we have it there. I don't think we are letting people know that we have until January. I can't bring in a proposal that we wanting to bring to the floor, because I don't have a written version with me. We did have a proposal but I am not putting it in because of this. Proposal was to change the input date to December 1st. We are supposed to have that Magazine out on the 1st of January. So the date should be changed

to give input till December 1st. Groups got to take this responsibility and I hope they consider to have the input done before January.

Eric: We only have the one motion brought.

Eric: We have to remember that just because the deadline is January 1st, we don't have to wait until the deadline. Groups have to go through GRoup Conscience. We have to go give them time. I you give input in late December than the Group doesn't have the time to go through Group Conscience. It is good practice, get with the Groups early.

Matte: That goes for the previous year motions?

Eric: Yes for all of them.

Bill: The question I have, for the motion that is coming back every year, we keep giving input. Do we have Travis email and phone number to contact him?

Eric: We have his phone number, tried to call but haven't talked with him. Ken, can you get us that email address?

Ken: Yes

Bill: Ken is an in between guy there however, we need to communicate directly with that Group.

This is the information our Home Group is seeking, and we can't move forward without that information. It futuristic however, we need the research done for that motion.

Ken: I will get you the contact information

Bill: I will email him the file with what our Group is looking for. We will abstain and we keeping abstaining until we have the information. We can't even vote yes or no because we don't have the information. Wanted to put that forward.

Eric: Anymore questions regarding the proposal from the War is Over Group?

Erik NL: Can the War is over Group send the file to our secretary?

Bill: so Matte can send it to both the secretary and Co-secretary.

End of session.

Elections

Eric: Asks to pull up the minutes.

Bill: We past a couple of motions that affects what we need as trusted servants. There are new positions. A secretary and co-secretary for the FLC. A co- literature coordinator.

Eric : Are there any nominations for the secretary of the Fellowship Literature Conference?

Bill: We need a secretary and a Co-secretary for the Literature Conferences. So the floor is open?

Eric: yes

Bill: Anyone wants to step up?

Katelyn: I would like to volunteer as co-secretary.

Bill: We need your information e-mail address, etc Katelyn. I know she has 10 year clean has been involved in Literature.

Katelyn: I've been the secretary of my Home Group, and also on H&I subcommittee at the Area of Narcotics Anonymous. Also Chaired the Lit committee. Currently only member of my Home Group. Currently not involved in other services.

Everybody applauds.

Eric: Thank you Katelyn for willing to serve.

Eric: Anybody that likes to step up for secretary of the Fellowship Literature Conference?

Matte: I nominate Megan.

Megan: What does it entail to be secretary of the FLC?

Bill: you know what it entails. You've come to the Literature Conferences already. You take the minutes, you help your Literature Coordinator. You type up everything that we do at the Literature Conference. You get it to the Literature Coordinator. And we get it out to our e-mail list. Our previous secretary went back out to use. We have had a problem for a while. That's why our Group put this proposal in so it moves better and responsibilities are shared.

Duan: I have a question. Did you already read the responsibilities at the beginning? For the elected persons.

Bill: Yes we went over that with her.

Eric: We have the nomination but didn't hear if it was accepted yet.

Megan: Yes I accept.

Everybody applauds.

Eric: Any nominations for the Co-Literature Coordinator.

Bill: I would like to nominate Frank V. The responsibilities are that you will work directly with me. Coordinating the Literature conferences and making sure they run smooth. You see what I do there right? I need you to be with me going over stuff making sure everything is taken care of. Getting to people see if there are working on stuff and if they need anything I would get it to them. I will take my printer to every literature conference. Make sure we help the Groups that want to host a literature conference. And I will teach you how to negotiate the facility stuff.

Frank: How many Literature Conferences do we have?

Bill: We have two a year. Now we need Groups again willing to host a literature conference. We will be having one in September. Our Group hosts every Literature Conference to help other Groups. Our group is getting the insurance done. We work with the Group that is going to host it. We help negotiate with the facility. We make sure all the money runs through our Group, since we have an account and the IRS number. You need all that stuff and our Group handles that. We make sure the facilities get all they need from us regarding certain forms. Insurance runs about \$180 for a 4 day weekend.

Frank V: I am not concerned with all the stuff because that can be learned along the way. My only concern is: I don't want to commit without being able to show up. What are the dates?

Bill: the dates are not set yet and will be discussed so the team that operates to get the conference going, can be there. It is up to the Groups. They will give us the dates. We work directly with the Groups at the conference to develop the format. We have certain stuff we are working on, however we take a conscience there with everybody that shows up to set up the literature conference. We have a project that we are going to keep working on, that's the grey book reflections. Then we go over the IP's that we will work on. People can also bring up a new IP and have a conscience there to work on it. That is done at the function itself. Our hope would be two conferences a year. The elected positions will show up here and give report. If a group wants to do Literature conference, they can contact us immediately.

Frank: OK you guys can count me in.

Frank: ok you guys can count me in but besides that I just want to you now share what you guys I understand the formalities. Like that we play apart of finding another group with two or more members, to do the same our probably more than they were already doing. And I understand the hole thing like frank you are not a Group, but we have two committed members and we

tried to plug t through Group Conscience. It didn't get through because of certain personalities. We still think we could help out of the structure would bend a little bit. We want to see the Literature Conference in Jersey at Labor day weekend continue. It was amazing in 2020, and i don't want to see it not continue, because Matt and Alyssa are not here anymore.

Bill: I think we negotiate that for next year if we want to that happen at Labor Day next year. And look at all the paperwork.

Frank: Yeah that will be easy for me to get to from New York.

Bill: I can let the facility know we weren't there last year because we had some technical difficulties, but we want to come back next year.

Frank: I accept the nomination. APPLAUSE from the group

Brian YellowEyes: About addicts that aren't attached to a Group, if we reach out to anyone of our Groups, and find out you have a facility, and is willing to work with it, it doesn't have to be the Group I belong to.

Bill: Stepped up to co-host with our Group, Frank is trying to get it through his Home Group, OK. So when two people relapse to co-host this.

We always include people that participate here as a members and not as a Group. They can get involved in service here as well. That's how we have always operated.

Duan: Does the question of Frank about going through a Group and a meeting have to come back next year?

Eric : Yeah

Hermen: Wants to know when to show autonomy statement.

Bill: We will get back to that later, HERMEN!

David: question. Handling the LIt conferences is that the responsibility from the Lliterature coordinator? I am the coordinator, but my HG co-sponsors it and takes care of all the legal issues. Our Groups responsibilities are: the money is on our account. We do a tally everyday at the conference when we are there. Our hopes are always that we have enough money put up for the next conference, for the insurance payments.

It is important to have good relationships with the facilities.

Eric: OK now we move on to the next part of the elections. Linda is our secretary.

Bill: we first need to approve the nomination for Frank.

Eric: didn't we already do that?

Frank: I accepted the nomination

Eric: OK does anybody has any questions for Frank?

Matte: so has this Conference has any requirements or these positions?

bill : No We have requirements but the Groups need to set up the requirements in a document and bring it to the Conference. In writing, as a proposal.

The key is to get the Groups involved in these things.

Get the groups involved. We also need to communicate and get the information out through our growing email list and let them know we are doing these conferences.

People like to write review and input literature, but through the years we've lost that because the service structure took that away from us.

Eric: we got to through to election here. Anybody oppose? APPLAUSE for Frank

Eric: We need to make sure our Literature still wants to be in this service.

Bill: Yes i have no problem with that. APPLAUSE

Eric: Do we have a nomination for a co-secretary?

Frank: I nominate Mickey.

Bill: Where did Matte go?

Eric: Matte just walked out.

Frank: I am going to nominate Mickey.

Mickey: Decline

Frank: I am going to nominate Jim/Ken

Bill: Matte you are nominated as co-secretary of the FSC.

Matte: ACcepted

Everybody APPLAUS

ERic: LINDa are you still willing to continue as our secretary?

Linda: Yes i am

bill : It is great how Linda stepped in, since our previous secretary left. Linda is doing a great job, and now has to work together with co-secretary to get the minutes out. Start building our e-mail list. She's heavily involved in Sweden.

Linda: Thank you for letting me serve!

Bill: WE have to discuss the situation between to co-chair and the chair. Our government is still stopping people from coming here. We have technical difficulties. We have Eric and Erik. How are we going to proceed?

Eric: I have served 4 years as a chair. 2 years as a co-chair. This is my 6th year.

Frank: question. Has ASIS developed any service position requirements?

Eric: that has to come from a Group We can't develop that as a structure.

Bill: I was nominated as a chair and served. Than the co-chair left so I still had to serve. Than CHubbs was elected as co-chair with me at the 15th conference. And he startd at the 16th Conference. Eric showed up at the 15th.

Bill: Eric got nominated at the 2016 Conference. Chubbs serve two years there, but Eric stepped up in 2017. So this is the 5th year you are involved as a chair or co-chair.

Frank: I think that with this global situation,when it prevents people from coming over, things should stay as they are.

Bill: A lot has changed for us since the pandemic. Switch facilities etc. We needed to improvise. We didn't have a lot of overseas participation.

Mickey: Do we need to have a vote on the co-chair and the chair. Or are we going to let things be they way they are.

Eric: I accepted a two year commitment as a chair. But there is no real policy for this. And now we have all these problems, so we have to look at how to deal with these things.

Bill: The Groups should discuss and come forward through proposals.

Ken: Eric, are you willing to continue?

Eric: Yes i am willing to serve the Groups. I think we need to make sure Erik NL is too.

Erik: yes ofcourse I can keep doing it like this. Same issues as last year.

Anonymous: I think it is great how we are doing things here developing things through the Groups. That is not how I am used to it when i served at the other structure. It feels good.

YellowEyes: I am going to make a statement. Any for of policy outside of the Twelve Traditions is exclusive in on form or another. If we can some up with a set of questions for the person nominated and the person can see i they can't make the commitment to those responsibilities, through answering the question, they can make that decision. So we don't have to say to people, you aren't good enough.

Dwan: Do the minutes get into a shared drive? So the minutes will be there when somebody bales out.

Eric: Yes we have things in place.

Hermen: we have them in our database on our website.

Linda: I am going to use the GoogleDrive from my HG. When something happens to you can access things through the Group.

Applaus for Eric and Erik.

Bill: Can i have to recording of the Iranian conversation separate. It is important. We need to store that.

Eric: Alright Hermen. Share the screen

Hermen: Shows the link for the autonomy statement. There is a translation button for the Farsi language on the webpage. That's for the Iranians.

Bill: I will go over that with the people that i am working with there in Iran. We are going to get maybe 500 Autonomy statements filed through through the Iranian groups.

Hermen: We have an email address with nahelp.org@gmail.com which already has a Drive that we can use.

Bill: We can put documents on there from which we can share things through read only options.

EricL Bill, are you going to continue as our Anonymi Agent?

Bill: Yes I was elected, also because I am from pennsylvania. No one has defined the position. We have to stay in Pennsylvania for legal reasons, in court etc. What is happening in Iran can be traced back to us, to the FSC and Anonymi foundation. It is powerful that such a large part of the Iranian fellowship is going to be part of the Anonymi Foundation.

YellowEyes: So they have attached themselves to us, but what i am hearing it that they are going to create their own Conference.

Bill: Yes just like we have done in Europe.

Yelloweyes: Now we can cooperate and work together and share information.

Bill: We have grown a lot and now we are starting to see the vision. We are also active in South Africa, Jacky was here shes involved there and we are looking to develop a South African service Conference. It is more exciting than ever where we are at now.

Frank: Iran is trying to sign in the meeting.

Eric: We have one more elected position. Hermen are still willing to be the web Servant?

Hermen: YES

Frank: Is the meetinglist correct?

Eric: Hermen and Matte are working on things that need to be done.

Bill: We don't have a Meetinglist coordinator so they do this work.

Annymi Agent is on the phone with Arash from Iran to explain about the Autonomy statement. Phone call goes on for a while. The message is that we will help you and serve the Iranian Groups.

Bill: tells about the phonecall and the Iranian fellowship. The iranians were forced by World Services to take action. They know they are free to develop their services and we are here to help them. They know we do not dictate in any form. This message that was delivered from Iran is an important historical event for Narcotics Anonymous.

YellowEyes: There is a serious note to all this. When World Service gets weaker, more and more people who are indoctrinated in that system are going to die. We need to be there to help these people and accept with open arms.

Bill: It's like Jimmy K said: It all care and compassion.

Conference gets closed: Great round of APPLAUSE!

Closing with Third Step Prayer.

