

Interim WSC 2025 Draft Summary of Decisions

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CONFERENCE FIRSTS

Interim WSC 2025 was the first . . .

- intentional virtual Interim WSC meeting.
- WSC meeting to review an interim strategic plan draft. Conference participants reviewed the key result areas, issues, and objectives. The solutions have not been drafted yet.
- WSC meeting with a majority of seated participants from outside the US (although 5 non-US participants were not present.)

STATISTICS ON PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING INTERIM WSC 2025

- There were 144 voting members participating at this WSC—129 delegates and 15 World Board members. In addition, there were 89 alternate delegates, plus 4 HRP members, 2 cofacilitators, and 8 translators.
- We also enlisted 15 volunteers, most former world level trusted servants, to help facilitate and take notes in the breakout rooms on day two of the conference.
- Of 128 seated regions, there were 123 RDs participating. Of 6 seated zones, 6 ZDs were participating.
- This was the first WSC that Brazil Central Region, Iran Region #1, Nordeste Brazil Region, Rio Grande do Sul Region, and Thailand Region participated as seated members.
- Baja Son, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Quebec, and Venezuela were not in attendance.
- Of the 129 delegates from seated regions and zones participating, 66 were from the US, 4 from Canada, and 59 from outside the US and Canada.
- We had 89 alternate delegates from seated regions or zones participating, 45 from the US, 3 from Canada, and 41 from outside of the US or Canada.
- This year's conference participants were from 44 countries.

ADOPTED MOTIONS

Note: To simplify business for the interim WSC 2025, the World Board opted not to vote on any of the motions that were published in the Interim WSC Report or their related amendments for this interim meeting only. This is not setting a precedent or policy for future meetings.

Motion #1	World Board
	To adopt for the 2025 Interim WSC and the 2026 WSC only: If a motion has consensus in an initial straw poll (that's 80% or more in support or not in support), the Cofacilitators will announce the results as a final decision. Intent: To minimize time spent addressing items the conference already has agreement on.

Initial Straw Poll: 88 yes - 28 no - 7 abstain - 3 present not voting 71% Strong Support

Final Vote: 84-35-2-3 69% Strong Support

Motion #2	World Board
	To approve the 2023 World Service Conference minutes.

Initial Straw Poll: 116-0-5-5 95% Consensus Support

Final Vote: 114-1-1-7 98% Consensus Support

Motion #3	World Board
	To approve the 2025–2026 Narcotics Anonymous World Services, Inc. Budget. (See Addendum A). Intent: To have an approved NAWS Budget through WSC 2026.

Initial Straw Poll: 119-1-4-2 95% Consensus Support

Motion adopted with results of Initial Straw Poll: 119-1-4-2 95% Consensus Support

Motion #4	World Board
	To extend the 2023–2025 Reimbursement Policy through the 2026 fiscal year. Intent: To keep the 2023 WSC approved policy in place through the next WSC.

Initial Straw Poll: 118-2-4-2 95% Consensus Support

Motion adopted with results of Initial Straw Poll: 118-2-4-2 95% Consensus Support

Motion #5	World Board
	<p>To adopt for the current conference cycle only: The 2026 WSC will take a new step in Strategic Planning by using a revised process (described below) for the <i>CAR</i> survey to consider ideas for recovery literature, service material, and Issue Discussion Topics. Instead of submitting motions for project plans to create specific pieces of service material, recovery literature or IDTs for the 2026 <i>Conference Agenda Report</i>, conference participants will submit those ideas for possible inclusion in the 2026 <i>CAR</i> survey.</p> <p>Intent: To implement a process for all conference participants to collaboratively create a <i>CAR</i> survey with all ideas for Fellowship consideration of literature, service materials, and Issue Discussion Topics.</p>

Initial Straw Poll: 112-6-6-2 90% Consensus Support

Motion adopted with results of Initial Straw Poll: 112-6-6-2 90% Consensus Support

Motion #6	World Board
	<p>Original Motion: To update <i>A Guide to World Services in NA (GWSNA)</i> amendment deadline policy to include first draft due forty-five (45) days in advance of WSC and final amendment deadline thirty (30) days in advance of WSC.</p> <p>As amended by #6-a1: To update <i>A Guide to World Services in NA (GWSNA)</i> amendment deadline policy to include first draft due sixty (60 days) in advance of WSC and final amendment deadline forty-five (45 days) in advance of WSC.</p> <p>Intent: To establish deadlines for the submission of amendments that allow for time to get a draft amendment conference ready and to be translated and straw polled in advance of the WSC meeting.</p>

Initial Straw Poll (original motion): 95-22-6-3 77%. Strong Support

Final Vote (as amended by Motion 6-a1): 111-8-0-1 93% Consensus Support

Motion #6-a1	ABCD Region
Amend, Motion 6	<p>Original amendment: To amend Motion 6 to read:</p> <p>Motion: To update <i>GWSNA</i> amendment deadline policy include first draft due sixty (60 days) in advance of WSC and final amendment deadline thirty (30 days) in advance of WSC.</p> <p>Amended on the floor: To update <i>GWSNA</i> amendment deadline policy include first draft due sixty (60 days) in advance of WSC and final amendment deadline thirty forty-five (30 45 days) in advance of WSC.</p> <p>Intent: To give Conference Participants more time to review amendments with their Regions and Zones.</p>

Initial Straw Poll (original amendment): 83-26-8-9 70% Strong Support

2nd Straw Poll (as amended on the floor): 87-29-5-4 71% Strong Support

Final Vote (as amended on the floor): 92-19-4-4 80% Consensus Support

Motion #7	World Board
	<p>Original Motion: To add to GWSNA amendment deadline policy to include first draft due thirty (30) days in advance of interim WSC and final amendment deadline fifteen (15) days in advance of interim WSC.</p> <p>As amended by #7-a1: To add to GWSNA amendment deadline policy to include first draft due forty-five (45 days) in advance of interim WSC and final amendment deadline thirty (30 days) in advance of interim WSC.</p> <p>Intent: To establish deadlines for the submission of amendments that allow for time to get a draft amendment conference ready and to be translated and straw polled in advance of the interim WSC meeting..</p>

Initial Straw Poll (original motion): 91-25-7-3 73% Strong Support

Final Vote (as amended by Motion 7-a1): 106-8-2-2 91% Consensus Support

Motion #7-a1	ABCD Region
Amend, Motion 7	<p>To amend Motion 7 to read:</p> <p>Motion: To add to GWSNA amendment deadline policy to include first draft due forty-five (45 days) in advance of interim WSC and final amendment deadline thirty (30 days) in advance of interim WSC.</p> <p>Intent: To give Conference Participants more time to review amendments with their Regions and Zones.</p>

Initial Straw Poll: 82-26-8-10 70% Strong Support

Final Vote: 86-24-2-4 76% Strong Support

Motion #8	World Board
	<p>To add the following language defining amendments to the CAR & CAT-related paragraphs in GWSNA (pages 13 & 14): An amendment to a motion is a change or addition designed to improve the motion. <u>The purpose of an amendment is to refine a motion to move the Fellowship closer toward consensus. An amendment should clarify, add, or subtract language that keeps the motion consistent with its intent. An amendment shall not replace a motion or introduce a substitute or contrary motion. A motion to split or divide a motion is an amendment to the motion.</u></p> <p>Intent: To clearly define the purpose of an amendment and its relation to a motion.</p>

Initial Straw Poll: 119-1-4-2 95% Consensus Support

Motion adopted with results of Initial Straw Poll: 119-1-4-2 95% Consensus Support

Motion #9	World Board
	<p>To make the following changes regarding amendments and replacements of motions during the decision-making process to Addendum F in GWSNA:</p> <p>8. The Conference may decide to replace or amend motions that have been presented based on prior discussions. When the motion is presented, the <u>WSC Co-facilitator</u> may recognize any participant offering a replacement or</p>

	<p>amendment, or offer a suggestion to the Conference <u>during the discussion of a motion</u>. If supported by two-thirds of the Conference, the replacement/amendment will be accepted. The <u>WSC Co</u>-facilitator may interrupt this simplified process at any time they believe such action is warranted.</p> <p>Intent: To revise <i>GWSNA</i> to reflect the current practices of the WSC on how amendments or replacements to motions based on discussion are handled during business sessions.</p>
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Initial Straw Poll: 103-11-9-3 83%. Consensus Support

Motion adopted with results of Initial Straw Poll: 103-11-9-3 83% Consensus Support

Motion #10	World Board
	<p>All candidates for World Service positions are forwarded to the HRP from regions, zonal forums, or the World Board (RBZ).</p> <p>Intent: To ensure that all potential nominees for WSC election are forwarded through the HRP's RBZ process.</p>

Initial Straw Poll: 113-5-5-3 91%. Consensus Support

Motion adopted with results of Initial Straw Poll: 113-5-5-3 91% Consensus Support

Motion #11	World Board
	<p>If Motion 10 is adopted, to redefine the purpose of the World Pool to be used to retain information on candidates forwarded for consideration by regions, zones, and the World Board as a part of the Human Resource Panel's nomination process.</p> <p>Intent: To revise WSC policy to reflect current practices.</p>

Initial Straw Poll: 111-6-7-2 89% Consensus Support

Motion adopted with results of Initial Straw Poll: 111-6-7-2 89% Consensus Support

Motion #12	World Board
	<p>To not utilize a seating workgroup for the 2023–2026 cycle.</p> <p>Intent: To attempt a simpler process for compiling seating information and recommendations.</p>

Initial Straw Poll: 105-7-11-3 85% Consensus Support

Motion adopted with results of Initial Straw Poll: 105-7-11-3 85% Consensus Support

FAILED AMENDMENTS

Motion #1-a1	Florida Region
Amend, Motion 1	<p>To amend Motion 1 by adding:</p> <p>As many as 2 conference participants with dissenting votes (for or against), as chosen by the co-facilitators, will be able to submit comments for inclusion in the minutes after the conference.</p> <p>Motion 1 would read as:</p> <p>To adopt for the 2025 Interim WSC and the 2026 WSC only:</p> <p>If a motion has consensus in an initial straw poll (that's 80% or more in support or not in support), the Cofacilitators will announce the results as a final decision. <u>As many as 2 conference participants with dissenting votes (for or against), as chosen by the co-facilitators, will be able to submit comments for inclusion in the minutes after the conference.</u></p> <p>Intent: To be in line with Concept 9 so the minority voice will be heard according to consensus-based decision making.</p>

Initial Straw Poll: 62-47-8-9 52% Lack of Strong Support

Final Vote: 52-62-5-8 43% Lack of Strong Support

Motion #1-a2	Louisiana Region
Amend, Motion 1	<p>To amend Motion 1 by adding:</p> <p><i>of all conference participants with rights to vote on that motion or amendment</i></p> <p>Motion 1 would read as:</p> <p>To adopt for the 2025 Interim WSC and the 2026 WSC only:</p> <p>If a motion has consensus in an initial straw poll (that's 80% or more <u>of all conference participants with rights to vote on that motion or amendment</u>, in support or not in support), the Cofacilitators will announce the results as a final decision.</p>

Initial Straw Poll: 44-60-10-12 38% Lack of Strong Support

Final Vote: 15-95-5-6 13% Consensus Not in Support

Motion #1-a3	Rio De Janeiro Region
Amend, Motion 1	<p>To amend Motion 1 to read:</p> <p>To adopt for the 2025 Interim WSC and the 2026 WSC only:</p> <p>If a motion has consensus <u>95% or more support or lack of support</u> in an initial straw poll (that's 80% or more in support or not in support), the Cofacilitators will announce the results as a final decision.</p>

Initial Straw Poll: 33-73-8-12 28% Lack of Strong Support

Final Vote: 22-93-3-5 18% Consensus Not in Support

Motion #1-a4	Rio De Janeiro Region
Amend, Motion 1	<p>To amend Motion 1 to read:</p> <p>To adopt for the 2025 Interim WSC and the 2026 WSC only:</p> <p>If a motion has consensus <u>90% or more support or lack of support</u> in an initial straw poll (that's 80% or more in support or not in support), the Cofacilitators will announce the results as a final decision.</p>

Initial Straw Poll: 34-72-9-11 29% Lack of Strong Support

Final Vote: 23-88-4-5 20% Consensus Not in Support

Motion #1-a5	Rio De Janeiro Region
Amend, Motion 1	<p>To amend Motion 1 to read:</p> <p>To adopt for the 2025 Interim WSC and the 2026 WSC only:</p> <p>If a motion has consensus <u>85% or more support or lack of support</u> in an initial straw poll (that's 80% or more in support or not in support), the Cofacilitators will announce the results as a final decision.</p>

Initial Straw Poll: 32-73-10-11 27% Lack of Strong Support

Final Vote: 29-84-3-4 25% Lack of Strong Support