To: SCR- RSC,- Delegate and Alternate December 15, 2020

This is not a letter that is easy to write; however, it needs to be addressed. The hope is that this will be taken in the manner to which it is intended, concern for the Southern California region. Please read it carefully and prayerfully.

There is some uncertainty about the future of the Southern California region and our involvement in the 2021 World Service Conference representation.

First of all I feel this is coming down to a one-man band here and after January there will most likely be some changes in our region. In order for a region or any group, area, committee, etc. to run efficiently there must be trusted servants. We seem to be in short supply of those.

I was going to pick out some very distinct traditions or concepts to quote in this letter, but as I review them it seems they all apply.

Concerns:

Currently there are (2) letters of communication from the WS Conference committee. These have been sent to the region, the delegate and alternate.

There has been no communication between the Delegate and Alternate since they were elected.

There have been no reports at any RSC meeting or assembly from the Delegate or Alternate Delegate.

There has been no contact with any officers regarding the conference from either the delegate or alternate.

There has been no communication with the groups from the delegate or alternate.

The delegate or alternate must have an understanding of the principles of Nar-Anon which are needed in order to make accurate and informed decisions at the conference regarding our region, or Nar-Anon as a whole.

Neither the delegate nor alternate have asked for a recap of the motion votes from our region in order to prepare for the conference.

Neither the delegate nor alternate were involved in accumulating, tallying or distributing the votes from our region.

Neither attended all of the motion meetings at beginning of the year when we reviewed, discussed and answered questions for a better understanding of the motions.

Being familiar with the GLS and GSW is essential in order to understand the commitment and responsibility to our region and to the fellowship.

The first letter that came from the Conference committee was never addressed by the delegate or alternate and never sent to the GSR’s.

Now here we are with a second letter explaining the duties, responsibility, effort and time frames required from the delegate and alternate in order to be a part of this conference.

Following are (2) of the most important sections of the letter from the WS Conference Committee:

*At this time, the World Service Conference Committee is asking each region to submit documentation indicating the status of current delegates and alternate delegates, along with confirmation of their intention to participate in the 2021 virtual conference. The dates of the conference are April 30 – May 3, 2021. The deadline to receive the assembly minutes and confirmation is January 31, 2021. Those regions who have no changes in either delegate or alternate delegate need only send a confirming email to that fact*

*You will receive several important emails over the next few months as we prepare for this conference. We will be asking delegates and alternate delegates to be part of a series of pre-conference technological events, which may include “straw poll” voting and “pre-ballot” voting. These are designed to put into practice what will be used at the conference.*

*\*\*The equalized expense amount for the virtual conference is $350 per participant. There are regions who have already paid the amount of $1900 for each participant. We are asking those regions to consider a group conscience motion to contribute any balance of their payment to the WSO.*

\*\*The above questions will be considered and voted on at the RSC and Assembly. If you read the article in the December issue of the newsletter you can see the condition that the WSO is in because of the pandemic. I would recommend we discus and agree to this.

Because of the letter from the WSCC, the requests they are making, and the current lack of communication, it now becomes necessary to ask the following of the delegate and alternate – Are you willing and able, and understand what is required to fulfill your responsibilities to our region in order to represent SCR at the 2021 WS Conference? Are you willing and able to commit to the process, the time needed and the responsibilities required by the region and the conference committee? The conference and the region will require a number of days and hours in attendance at the virtual conference. There will also be discussions, amendments, changes, new ideas and informed decisions to be made. This will start in January 2021. It will require your complete commitment and concentration.

Sometimes our priorities and our life situations change and that is ok. I realize this has been a difficult year and life is not normal. Please consider these facts and questions carefully and prayerfully before giving your response.

 I would ask that all of us think seriously about this situation and we as a region should discuss to decide how to proceed.

Respectfully,

Trudi C

Secretary, SCR