

CoDA Service Conference 2023 Motion Form

Check one: **Motion** (Board - CoDA Inc.)
 Motion (Board - CoRe – CoDA Resource Publishing)
 Motion (Committee)
 Committee Name - _____
 Motion Voting Entity

Voting Entity Name: **Northern California CoDA** - (NorCal CoDA)

Submitted Date: April 2, 2023

Due 75 days prior to CoDA Service Conference (CSC) by May 1st

Motion Number: 1. () 2. (X) 3. () 4.() 5. ()
(Check One)

Revision #: 1 **Revision Date:** 7/25/23

Due 60 days prior to CoDA Service Conference (CSC)

Motion Name: Committees: Voice and Vote at All Future CSCs

Motion:

To give all CoDA Service Conference (CSC) participants which includes alternate delegates, alternate trustees, and committee members who are World Trusted Servants, on zoom and in the room voice during the 2023 CoDA Service Conference (CSC)

Intent, background, other pertinent information:

NorCal CoDA seeks to eliminate the lengthy time spent on the first morning of each CoDA Service Conference (CSC) obtaining group conscience to decide who has voice for that specific service conference. This motion seeks to make this a permanent decision for all future CoDA Service Conferences (CSC).

Background:

This is exactly the same wording from the motion 23020 passed on Monday morning this year.

Remarks:

This is how the FSM section would read:

6. Speaking privileges and voting privileges:

Generally, speaking privileges (also known as “voice” privileges) are restricted to people who have voting privileges.

Conference may grant voice and/or vote as they determine appropriate. During committee reports, however, all participants in the development of that report may speak regardless of voting rights.

Each CoDA Trustee has a vote at the CSC; the CoRe Board has two voting members. While voting privileges are restricted, all CoDA members are welcome to attend the CSC and work on a CoDA Committee.

According to Tradition Two, a group conscience decision grows out of the combined wisdom of the whole group guided by our Higher Power. **It was decided by group conscience at the CSC 2023 to give CoDA Service Conference (CSC) participants which includes alternate delegates, alternate trustees, committee members who are World Service Trusted Servants on zoom and in the room voice at all future CoDA Service Conferences (CSC).** However, time simply does not permit every person to speak on every issue at CSC. Non-voting members who want to have their opinions shared with the CSC may apply an adaptation of the process used to bring a group conscience opinion to a service board via the Group Representative:

a) Speak with your Voting Entity Delegate and give that person a written summary of the opinion you want expressed.

b) If you have no Voting Entity Delegate, you may request “voice” privileges (see below). “The CSC may extend voice and/or vote privileges at CSC to any member that it deems appropriate or necessary. Voice and/or vote may be granted for the entire CSC, or on individual issues. This flexibility is sometimes needed to gain the valuable input and services of members who are not specifically included in the above paragraphs.” (“Co-Dependents Anonymous, Inc. Bylaws: Article IV- Membership and Voting.”)

This motion requires changes to: (please check any that apply)

Bylaws (Sect 4) **FSM P1 (page 17)** **FSM P2**
 FSM P3 **FSM P4** **FSM P5**
 Change of Responsibility **Other**

(Data Entry Use Only)

Motion result: _____

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