

DISTRICT 1 GENERAL SERVICE MEETING  
MINUTES  
AUGUST 28 2011

The meeting opened in the usual manner with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

Chair : Tony D.

Twelve Traditions were read by : Tom R.

Twelve Concepts were read by Sherri M.

Interpretation of the seventh tradion will be done next month by Tom R.

Interpretation of the eight tradition will be done next month by Darla W.

Interpretation of the ninth tradition will be done next month by Jo M.

Seventh Tradition was observed

Fred D.moved to accept July's minutes as submitted and Tom R. seconded. All voted in favor.

ROLL CALL

NAME	POSITION	REPRESENTING
Anthony D.	DCM	District 1
Bill P.	TREASURER	District 1
Wayne F.	ADCM	District 1
Suzanne L.	GSR	Hfx. Sunday Morning Group
Joanne M.	GSR	Welcome Group
Sherri M.	CO -CHAIR P.I.	District 1&2
Tom R.	GSR	Westend Step Group
Jacqueline K.	CHAIR P.I.	District 1&2
Judi M.	GSR	Second Chance Group
Neil H.	GSR	Hubbards Group
Jennifer B.	CHAIR CPC	District 1&2
Gary S.	GSR	Mutual Group
Barry H.	ADCM	District 2
Fred D.	GSR	St.Margarets Bay Group
Elaine B.	OBSERVER	Mutual Group

## REPORTS

TREASURER: Bill P. reported \$3609.80 as the opening balance for July 1/2011. Total expenses for the month were \$274.69 leaving a closing balance of \$3335.11. A deposit of \$399.78 was made to bring the balance to \$3734.89. The total amount of outstanding cheques is \$2250.00 leaving a working balance of \$1484.00. The prudent reserve is \$1850.45. Bill also said there could be as much as \$1200.00 to be disbursed before the year is up. Neil H. moved to accept the report and Suzanne L. seconded. All voted in favor.

SECRETARY : Wayne F. acting secretary reported a usual month sending out the minutes that were taken by Jo M. in his absence. Thank you Jo. Updating the districts contact list and will share it with District 2. Tom R. moved to accept the report and Jo M. seconded. All voted in favor.

CORRECTIONS : Not present, no report

CPC : Jennifer B. said she was just getting started on the chores of being CPC Chair. Due to her surgery earlier this year, she was limited to her activities. She and her Co-Chair are getting information packets ready to be sent out to various organizations. Judi M. moved to accept the report and Jacqueline K. seconded. All voted in favor.

P.I. : Jacqueline K. shared her information on learning that the RCMP plan to use AA information as part of a course for those getting their licenses back after being charged with a DUI. She also added that she has a new Co-Chair and they plan to divide the District meetings up equally as well as come up with some ideas on how they will get the AA message out there to the public. Tom R. moved to accept the report. All voted in favor.

TREATMENT FACILITIES : Not present, no report

WORKSHOP STEERING COMMITTEE : Wayne F. said that the most recent workshop put on by District 1 was a great success. The title of the workshop was "The Roles and Responsibilities of the Chairperson for AA Meetings". Although only fourteen people were in attendance, the panel put on a great workshop. Thanks to Bill P., Maria R. and Jane L. for doing such a wonderful job. Wayne also sent a small memo to the newsletter describing what went on in hopes of reaching some who don't attend workshops. Also minutes were taken and forwarded to the AA Halifax web site. December will possibly be the next workshop for District 1. Jo M. moved to accept the report. All voted in favor.

ADCM : Wayne F. reported a quiet month in this position adding that the Grape Vine kit should be revamped in the near future with the help of Tony D and Barry H of District 2. Tom R. moved to accept the report. All voted on favor.

DCM : Tony D. said in his report that he attended the Central Service meeting, District 2 meeting, 2 group meetings other than his own, chaired a meeting for another group and attended the District 1 workshop, other than that it was business as usual. Wayne F. moved to accept the report. All voted in favor.

DISTRICT 2 : Barry H. for District 2 said in his report on September 18 at 3:30 p.m. the district will be holding a workshop on Service Structure. There Grape Vine kit is back in circulation and available to groups in District 2 on a monthly basis. He added that the Serenity Group is back up and running. They also have discussed how to replace the Areas Secretary/Registrar position which is vacant. Fred D. moved to accept the report. All voted in favor.

CENTRAL SERVICE : Not present , no report.

### OLD BUSINESS

1. Secretary Vacancy . The position of secretary for District 1 has been vacant since January 1/2011. Elaine B. was present and let her name stand for the position. After a brief description of her intentions and qualifications for the position a vote was taken with those present. All voted in favor for Elaine to be the secretary making it a unanimous decision.
2. Workshop Minutes. The discussion of minutes to be taken or a report to be made from the workshop. The idea is to basically let people know in a manner what they missed in hopes of attracting them and others who may have not attended a workshop before. A discussion was had on which would be more proper, minutes or a report. A recommendation was made by Wayne F. that a report would be adequate enough. A vote was taken on the recommendation and passed unanimously.
3. Workshop Mandate. Should the mandate be dismantled or should District 1 and District 2 utilize the mandate the way it was meant to be? Part of the concern was the two sides never get together for each others workshops, basically a failure to communicate. Neither side used the mandate as it was set up for the purpose of other groups to put workshops on. The committee should be given a chance to work together. This being said the responsible parties will meet to discuss what to do next. This item has been deferred until the next District meeting.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### 1. Assembly Agenda

- a. Election of Area Webmaster and Assistant Webmaster. Resumes should be sent to the area registrar as soon as possible. At this point in time no resumes have been sent in and the deadline was early last week.
- b. Informed Delegate. The question remains how do we send a better informed Delegate to New York. The way it is now, there is very little time for DCM'S to get the GSR'S to ask their groups what concerns they may have in regards to issues that need serious attention. Also the agenda for the annual conference comes out too closely to the conference thus not giving Area's enough time to direct their Delegate on which matters are most important to the Area being represented. One thought is changing the time of year our service weekend is held. Nothing is written in stone yet.
- c. Election of Secretary/Registrar. Do we elect a new Secretary/Registrar at the assembly or at the end of the term Dec.31/2012.

There being no further business the meeting closed with the responsibility statement.  
The next meeting will be held September 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

