

**District 1, Area 82
General Service Meeting, December 28, 2014**

DCM Tom R. opened the meeting with a welcome, and a few seconds of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer.

12 Traditions read by Jamie Q.

12 Concepts read by Ken M.

Concept 12 interpretation by Samaira. John M volunteered to share an interpretation of Tradition 1 next month.

7th Tradition observed.

Previous meeting's minutes were reviewed. Samaira recommended to accepted the minutes, all voted in favor.

Items for New Business (None)

Roll Call

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| John Mac | Highland Park | Secretary / GSR |
| Tom R | West End Step | DCM |
| Fred D | St Margaret's Bay | Alt. DCM |
| Wade H | Back to Basics | Treasurer |
| Gary K | Living in the Solution | GSR |
| Mary W | Back to Basics | Acting GSR |
| Racquel R | Living in the Solution | Corrections Co-Chair |
| David N | Welcome | GSR |
| Jamie Q | Four Seasons | PI Chair |
| Jeff D | Fresh Start | GSR |
| David C | West End Step | GSR |
| Samaira G | Second Chance | GSR |
| Ken M | Hubbards | GSR |
| Thomas P | Acceptance | Observer |
| David M | Second Chance | Observer |
| Matthew M | Second Chance | Alt. GSR |
| Trudy D | District 2 | Alt DCM |
| Diane M | Highland Park | Observer |

Treasurer - Wade gave his report (see attached). Jamie Q recommended to accept the report, all voted in favor.

Secretary - John reported that last months minutes were uploaded to the website www.aahalifax.org. Will meet with Barb to transfer secretarydist1.aahalifax@gmail.com gmail account. David C recommended to accept the report, all voted in favor.

Corrections - Racquel gave her report (see attached). Mary recommended to accept the report, all voted in favor.

CPC - N/A

PI - Jamie Q gave his report (see attached). David N recommended to accept the report, all voted in favor.

Treatment - N/A

Workshop - Trudy D changed contact info for workshops to the new Alt. DCM's in the newsletter. Jeff recommended to accept the report, all voted in favor.

Alt. DCM - Fred D gave his report (see attached). Ken M recommended to accept the report, all voted in favor.

DCM - Tom R gave his report (see attached). Wade recommended to accept the report, all voted in favor.

District 2 - Trudy read Barry's report (see attached). She added new Alt. DCM Kathy will share schedule of attending District 1 and Central Service meetings.

Central Service - John read Foster's report (see attached).

Old Business

1. CPC Co-Chair (since last meeting Bob R, District 2, was voted in as CPC Chair)
No nominations.
2. Treatment Chair
No nominations.

Spiritual quote from Fred D. No volunteer for next month (rushed to after meeting pot-luck).

The next meeting will be held January 25, 2015, 1:00pm at the George Dixon Center.

**Treasurer's Report
December 28, 2014**

Good afternoon,

I would like to present the Treasurer's report for District 1. You should have a copy of the December Month to Month Financial Statement, the 2014 Budget Worksheet and the Quarterly 2014 Service Expenses and Revenue Worksheet.

In the December Month to Month Financial Statement, you will notice the opening balance was \$4264.36; no deposits were made until yesterday, two cheques were issued and cashed this month (Corrections - Literature - \$147.40 and Public Information - Literature - \$294.00) so our closing balance is \$3822.96. There are two pending deposits (7th Tradition from the November 30th meeting - \$26.55 and Group Contributions - \$300.00) and two outstanding cheques (Area 82 - Contribution - \$1000.00 and General Service Office, New York - \$1000.00) so our working balance is \$2149.51. With the Equity Share of \$5.00 and the Prudent Reserve account balance of \$3854.24, the total asset figure is \$6008.75. One outstanding cheque (Miscellaneous - Corrections - Security Clearance - \$30.00) from last month has been reversed as the member is not proceeding at this time. Note that the Prudent Reserve Account includes \$1000.00 for the insurance deductible.

Please take a moment to review the Budget, Year to Date and Quarterly documents.

Finally, I would like to thank the groups in District 1 for your generous support of AA service activities over the past two years. And a sincere thanks to the GSR's and trusted servants who encouraged and taught me during this period. I have been privileged to work with a great team from Central Service and Districts 1 and 2.

Are there any questions for your Treasurer?

Yours in Service,
Wade H.
Treasurer, District 1, Area 82

**Corrections Report
December 28, 2014**

Meetings continue to go well on both sides of the prison. There was a lock down on Dec 10 and the meetings were cancelled. At the request of the Department of Corrections we did not put meetings on for Xmas eve or New Years Eve.

We are seeking a few female volunteers as some of our volunteers have other commitments.

I feel very blessed to have had the opportunity to serve as corrections chair. I had the support of a wonderful team of men and women who were faithful and dedicated AA volunteers.

Your in service
Maria R

PI Report
December 28, 2014

1. The PI committee has had our first informal get together, with productive results. I have ordered the PSA's and other material from GSO to get us started in the New Year. We will meet early in January to plan our strategy for the first quarter. We will be focusing on getting contacts and following thru with PSA's with the local TV stations as our first goal. I have put notices on the Website and in the Bluenose Bulletin looking for members who want to get involved with the PI committee.
2. I have gathered the materials that were held by the previous PI chair; I have also been in contact with Metro Transit and will follow up with them to have our PSA included in their schedule for 2015.
3. We will be putting together our budget proposal in the New Year, having gone thru the PI workbook and all that is available for our committee to do to get the message out to the still suffering Alcoholic, I do not see the previous \$ 300.00 dollars budget as being close to enough.
4. We look forward to the challenges that will face us in the next two years and look forward the support of Districts one and two in accomplishing our goals.

Yours in Service
Jamie Q
PI Chair
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Central Service Report
December 28, 2014

Season's Greetings to all from the Central Service Committee.

On December 2nd we held our last meeting of the current committee. Your group CSRs has worked hard over the past two years to carry the message and have given great representation to their fellow members.

Thanks to their coordinated efforts the Central Service Committee is viewed by many with great respect and has become the go-to place for information concerning local AA matters. Our newsletter, the Bluenose Bulletin, has become a staple across the Districts and our website is the preferred source for information for many. Groups are pleased to have ready access to minutes for all service entities and to events happening across the Districts. There is high praise for the quality of the website. The lifeline of AA locally is the phones and over the past term Samaira and her committee have done an excellent job in ensuring continuous coverage. I know this has been challenging at times and I admire the dedication of all those who continue to serve in this area; it does not go unnoticed. The Literature, Entertainment, Hospital Visitation and Mid-Winter Roundup Committees worked hard to ensure our message of hope is out there.

On behalf of the entire committee I would like to thank District 1 for their ongoing support, their timely reporting and continuing commitment to our table. As we enter a new two-year term I look forward to working with the new District executive and I am positive that collectively we can grow on what has

been started. I am hopeful we can again create a steering committee that will enable both Districts and Central Service to work together in finding ways to further reach out.

Tickets are now on sale for the New Years Eve dance to be held at St. Theresa's Church hall on North St. at a cost of \$12.00. Sales have been slow and we are hopeful many are planning to purchase at the door. For more information please contact Racquel R. whose contact information can be found in the Bluenose Bulletin.

The Keep It Simple Group will host the December 24th afternoon social at Club 24 and all are encouraged to come out and meet new and old friends.

Thank you for allowing me to sit at your meetings and have a voice on AA matters.

Yours in Service,
Foster L.
Chair, Central Service Committee

**District 2 Report
December 28, 2014**

Good Day Everyone,

I would like to wish all of you a Merry Christmas and happy holidays. District 2 had a great Christmas meeting this month and I am happy to report we had a few new GSR'S attend.

Bob R was nominated for Chair of CPC and was voted in. We are still looking for a treatment chair for both districts.

This is my last report as DCM for District 2, I wanted to thank all of you for your support over the past 2 years and I look forward to my new position with Central Service.

Again, all the best to you and I hope many of you are staying in service!

In Service
Barry H
CM/District 2

**Alt. DCM Report
December 28, 2014**

Well I would like to welcome all GSR's Members and Visitors. My name is Fred and I am an alcoholic.

This month has been very slow, yet I got to the CSR meeting on Dec 02, 2014 and all seem to be going well their.

My Christmas went very well we had one member come and join us for Christmas.

Now my hopes are that in the next year all goes well and I fulfill my responsibilities at the District One. As the new DCM I want to get around to all the groups in District #1 and hope they will have me come and speak to their groups.

With this I will wish you all a happy New Year.

Yours in Love and Service,
Fred D

DCM Report December 28, 2014

Good afternoon friends, my name is Tom, sober alcoholic, DCM District 1, tis the season, seasons greetings to all and here is my report. It's been a very busy month, the hustle and bustle the holly & jolly of it all for many of us and I hope everyone had a very nice Christmas.

First, I attended Central Service meeting earlier this month, also attend District 2 meeting a week ago. At District 2 there was a new Committee Chair nominated and elected, congratulations to Bob R who has now taken on the volunteered position of CPC Chair. Bob is very energetic and eager in getting started in filling the position. We are currently looking to fill the positions of a Treatment Chair and Co-Chair and a CPC Co-Chair which will we ask for nomination here today. Our workshop steering committee will once again be looking for groups to put on workshops as well as the topics for the workshops. Please take this back to your groups and see if your groups are interested in hosting any workshops in 2015. Also, attended a cocktail party which was a huge success. Kudos to Shawn of the Keep It Simple Group and all the volunteers involved in putting the party together. There was lots of great fellowship, food, fun and laughter.

Having held my volunteered position as DCM for District 1 there were many challenges faced and also many successes achieved. I would like to thank our Executive, our Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs and mostly all of our GSRs and Alternates in helping pave the way for the new incoming Executive, Chairs, GSRs and Alternates. A deciated thanks to each one who has helped make my volunteered position run smooth when there were times I reached out and asked for the help, direction and guidance, and your hands were always there. As many of you know my reports end with me singing off as a team player and I believe that service structure is very much a we team so I want to thank you all for allowing me to play on your team. I wish all who are moving on from their positions and fulfilling other positions within service the ultimate best in joining their new team and always to be team players. As for me, I'm grateful to have had the opportunity to work with all my team players including George M past Chair for Central Service, Foster L Chair of Central Service, Barry H DCM District 2, as well as Trudy D incoming DCM District 2. They too played a key role in helping keep the lines of communication open between the Districts and Central Service.

In closing, I would like to extend a warm heartfelt welcome to all new volunteered members in fulfilling their new positions helping with the service of Alcoholics Anonymous. Each of you will face some new challenges and will experience great, beautiful, wonderful fellowship as you continue along your journey of sobriety ODAAT. One thing to keep in mind, at times, when you may feel your lost within your service positions of the weight on your shoulders gets too heavy, remember always to extend

your hand and ask for help the same way you did when you first got sober. There is always someone there to help with service. Thanks for my sobriety, thanks for your love, your fellowship, your friendship and please if in any way I can help just remember I've moved on in service and not away from service.

I wish you and all yours a very merry festive season with all the trimmings of peace, love, joy and contentment and of course happy sobriety and nothing but the ultimate best with all your endeavours in 2015 one day at a time.

Yours in service
Team Player DCM District 1
Tom R