

Central Service Committee Meeting

United Memorial Church

Young Street, Halifax

August 2nd, 2011

In attendance.

CS Representatives for:

Keep it Simple	2 nd Chance	Colby Village BBSG
Porters Lake Group	Back to Basics	Mutual
Downtown Dartmouth	Downtown Halifax	Sunday Night Serenity
4 Seasons		

Positions/committees represented.

CS Chair	Treasurer	Secretary	CS Co-Chair
Literature	Newsletter	District 1 DCM	Mid-Winter Roundup
Entertainment	Telephones	District 2 DCM	Hospital Visitation
Email Receiver			

- Trudy opened the meeting with a few moments of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.
- Alex read the 12 Traditions.
- Introduction of group members took place.

- 6 copies of the minutes to be printed for groups.

- Seventh Tradition was collected: \$24.01.
- 21 members were in attendance.
- The committee waived the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.
- All members voted in favour of adopting the minutes with the following correction: the page footer should have read July 5, 2011 instead of June 7, 2011.

Telephone report

- Owen reported back on questions that had been raised at the previous meeting:
- ÷ He indicated that there can be more people involved in the Telephone Committee. Those interested can phone Owen.
- ÷ Phone numbers showing up on scrap pieces of paper in the binder have not been showing up lately.

- ÷ The 12th step list has been updated for the third time since January.
- ÷ Owen reminded everyone that the phone numbers in the phone kit, and phone numbers that are left for call-backs are confidential, and members who take the phone have a responsibility to maintain anonymity and confidentiality.
- ÷ Groups who take the phones have to get together as a group to ensure they have a group conscience concerning how to operate the phones.
- Mike is no longer involved with the phone committee.
- Sue M is now a Co-chair of the phone committee. Also, more people are welcome to participate on the committee.
- Jeff recommended acceptance of the report. All members voted in favour.

Treasurer's Report

- Report was handed out with an opening balance of \$3,691.98.
- Expenses were \$1,742.00, including the cheque for \$1,500.00 to the Mid-Winter Roundup.
- An operating balance of \$4,224.20, plus the prudent reserve of \$2,166.16, totalled: \$6,390.36.
- Alex made a motion to accept the report, and Victor seconded it. All members voted in favour.

Entertainment

- Peter reported that Point Pleasant Park is booked for Saturday, September 10, 2011 from 1-4pm, and a flyer is available. There can be no propane barbeques in the park, so please bring charcoal BBQs, and cold foods.
- Alex recommended acceptance of the report.

Literature

- Current balance of \$813.67 in bank account.
- Inventory balance of \$2,628.05.
- Foster will get together with Parker to do a summary of the inventory spreadsheet to produce a shorter, more focused report.
- Alex recommended acceptance of the report. All members voted in favour.

Mid-Winter Roundup

- Foster reported that at the last meeting, the committee elected a Hospitality Co-Chair and Registration Co-Chair. The next meeting is on August 7, 2011, at 1:00pm in Room 619 of the Holiday Inn Harbourview on Wyse Road. They still need an Entertainment Chair and Co-Chair, two Program Co-Chairs, a Co-Treasurer, and one Registration Co-Chairs. Please call Foster (902.435.2172) if you are interested in hearing what any of the vacant positions entail.
- The banquet meal is set, and the contract with the hotel is signed.
- Jeff recommended acceptance of the reports. All members voted in favour.

Website

- Gary was unavailable, but let Trudy know that everything is going OK and he will email a report.

Newsletter

- Jeff reported that announcements submitted after the 25th cannot be guaranteed to be put in the newsletter, but if you have something, email anyway, because he might be able to put it in if time permits and if the newsletter has not been printed.
- Jeff wanted to let people know that he sometimes makes minor changes to flyers due to file conversion issues with fonts and spacing, so they might look a little different than submitted.
- Owen recommended acceptance of the report. All in favour.

Hospital Visitation Committee

- Wade did not get any new hospital visitation requests last month. If you know someone who would like hospital visitations, please give Wade a call.
- Foster recommended acceptance of the report. All in favour.

District 1

- Tony reported that District 1 still needs a secretary.
- The next workshop to be put on by District 1 will be on August 14, 2011: "Duties and Responsibilities of Chairpersons," 1:00 pm at the George Dixon Centre on Brunswick Street in

Halifax.

- John recommended acceptance of the report. All members voted in favour.

District 2

- Tim announced that Barry put his name forward and was voted in as Alternate DCM of District 2.
- District 2 hosted a workshop on Sunday, July 17, 2011 at 3 pm at Club 24. The topic was "Group Inventory." It was an eye-opening workshop for all 20 attendees.
- A van is going to the Assembly, and there are spots still available. Contact Tim for details.
- There is a new meeting in Middle Musquodoboit. They are meeting Monday nights at 7:30, above the Pharmasave. Look for it in future meeting lists.
- Area Delegates having an informed group conscience is an issue District 2 wants put forward for discussion at the next assembly.
- Jessica recommended acceptance of the report. All members voted in favour.

Co-chair's report

- Gabe attended District 1's last meeting. He has been busy with his job lately, travelling.

Chair's report

- Trudy is resigning as Central Service Chair, due to new work commitments. The Central Service Chair position is now open. Gabe is not prepared to take Chair position. Central Service Representatives should take this item to their groups and let them know that the position is open and an election will be held next month.
- Chair for next month will be determined, as Gabe is not available. District 1 and 2 DCMs usually hold elections for Central Service, and will do so next month.
- No suggestions came in from the groups for the telephone committee, as requested, so the extra meeting mentioned in last month's minutes did not happen.
- Jessica recommended acceptance of the report. All members voted in favour.

Old Business

- CSRs were asked to bring back the question of Central Service having a group inventory to their

groups. A few groups provided feedback. The consensus was that this would be a good idea. When Trudy receives a response from GSO regarding if there is a format for this, she will forward it to the secretary, who will email it to the CSRs.

- Comments were asked from the groups as to what direction the groups want CS to take, and one group reported that CS is performing its function. No other groups sent suggestions.

New business

- Central Service needs a Chairperson.
- Judy will drop off the newsletters for Jeff next month if he is not here.

***The next Central Service meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on:
September 6th, 2011 at Memorial United Church on Young Street.***

- The meeting closed with the Responsibility Pledge.