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CENTRAL SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING
St. Mark's Church, 5522 Russell Street, Halifax

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Welcome and Open: Meeting opened by Bill P at 7:00 pm with a few moments of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Call for Items to be added to the agenda:

None.

Twelve Traditions: The Twelve Traditions were read by Shawn M.

ROLL CALL:

Executive	Committees	CSR	CSR	Observers
Bill P - Chair	Michael A - Help Email chair; CSR Keep it Simple	Dave R - CSR Living in the Solution	Eric L - CSR Four Seasons	Blair - alt DCM Dist 2
Michael H - co-chair	Kelly D - Newsletter chair	Al - CSR Fresh Start	Murdo M -alt CSR Highland Park	Shayne - DCM Dist 2
Bruce B - Treasurer	Shawn M - Entertainment chair	Lynn M - CSR New Hope	Sandy K- CSR Serenity Sisters	Steve A - DCM Dist 1
	Leah C - chair Public Information	Mark - CSR Downtown Dartmouth	Dennis K - CSR Back to Basics	
	Troy S - Corrections chair	Mark - CSR Cole Harbour	Eric - CSR Colby Village	
	Cathy M - Literature chair	Jeremy J - CSR Acceptance		
	Heather C - chair CPC	Curtis F - CSR Sunrise		
	Stephanie J - chair Treatment			
	Matt W - Webmaster			

7th Tradition: \$ Collected by Bruce B.

Approval of the Agenda: Moved by Curtis and seconded by Eric. Motion passed.

Minutes Approved from Previous Meeting:

Correction: Motion put forward by Four Seasons in new business: the motion was actually for a policy change at Central Service level to include all groups. The motion was written/worded incorrectly in the May minutes.

Motion to approve the minutes as amended. Motion made by Kelly and seconded by Murdo. Adopted unanimously, no errors or omissions.

REPORTS

Secretary:

No report at this time.

Treasurer:

Opening balance: \$6811.40

Closing balance: \$6901.75

Debits: \$469.60

Credits:\$559.65

Prudent account: \$4890.93 Literature: \$854.77 VISA/Debit:\$421.02

Just a note that next month I will have the six month budget review.

Co-chair:

No report at this time.

Chair:

1. During the past months the Chair attended the meetings of District 1 and 2 on behalf of Central Service. I also attended the PI Committee and Mid-Winter Round Up Committee meetings. I attended the AA Day at Club 24 and presented a workshop.
2. The past month was largely business as usual, with no particular issues to attend to. This may be the result of a number of southern vacations by members.
3. I hope to have blocks of time in June and July to work with the different sub-Committees to develop work books and task list for passing on to future Chairs on the details of the operations of the Committees.
4. I continue to be impressed attending various meetings of a new population of members in A.A. We need to consider for the long term recruiting these members into group service and working up. They will be the future leadership in A.A. in the region.
5. I am making the travel arrangements to be in Mesa, Arizona for the 27th to 29th of September for the A.A. Intergroup Seminar.

This October we have elections for the executive (chair, co-chair, secretary, treasurer); I will be putting notices in the Bluenose Bulletin starting July. They are two year terms. A couple years ago it was determined that the executive elections would be on the off year from the Central Service committee elections so that rather than having everybody new at the same time there would be an overlap of experienced people.

The best in Service

Bill P.
Chair

CPC:

Good Evening, the CPC Committee met May 22nd to review progress since our last meeting and continue brainstorming around new contacts.

The following is a brief point-form summary of where we are today.

- Contact established with Halifax Police, Halifax Fire and EHS. Their peer referral programs will be holding a joint training session November 1, 2019 at which we will be give about an hour to speak to the group.
- Contact established with Doctors Nova Scotia. They are having a professional development day in November and are currently open to us attending, nothing is finalized yet.
- Contact established with the Atlantic School of Theology but no firm dates yet for a presentation.

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- We have spoken with the Manager of Mental Health Services within the military. They were open to what we are offering but need to send it up the chain of command for decision. We wait.

We have identified several other areas to pursue including but not limited to, Phoenix Youth, YMCA youth services, IWK Mental Health, professional associations for psychology and psychiatry, private colleges, other CPC groups across Area 82 and Canada. We will also be approaching Dal Medical and Dental as well as Dal School of Social Work and the provincial Justice department.

The committee is having business cards made that will contain the preamble on one side and contact information on the other. These will be left with participants after all sessions. The cost to produce them is minimal.

Chris R referenced feedback cards that had been used in the past. We have been unable to find any of these and if anybody has knowledge of them please let me know.

We continue to seek additional committee members so please spread the word.

Yours in Service,
Heather C
Chair, CPC Committee

Question: What are the feedback cards? **Answer:** We can't find the cards; we are wondering if he made them up or if we can order them. **Comment:** Talk with Bob R as well; he created the cards himself.

Corrections:

Everything has been running smoothly at the Central Nova Facility meetings.

The PI committee Chair and I had the tremendous pleasure of spending the day on May 26th with inmates and other community and support organizations at the CNSCF. An estimated 8-% of the prison population were in attendance. Plenty of literature was distributed and more is on order.

The committee continues to welcome new volunteers and encourage those that are in receipt of applications and CRC to forward to the committee. We are in need of men and women volunteers to accommodate on-going meetings.

We will be representing Central Service/Districts, in cooperation with PI, at the Service Weekend in July.

The Newsletter Committee has agreed to allot space in next month's issue for a Corrections submission and we will be forwarding a submission to GSO Corrections for inclusion in an upcoming Box 459.

Yours in service,

Troy S

Question: 80% is pretty specific - what is the number? **Answer:** The population of the Central Nova facility would be about 220 people, so 80% of that.

Entertainment:

Here is the Entertainment Report for June 4th, 2019.

The May Day Event was successful. The financials are as follows.

AA Day (Evening) - Entertainment Committee Financial Report:

Prudent Reserve - \$ 450.00

Food For Canteen = \$ 115.65 (We still have pop stock on hand for the next event)

Printing - Ink for Flyers = \$ 21.72

Entertainment Meeting Space Rent = \$60.00 (Rents - April & May)

Event Rental - Evening Portion = \$ 37.50

DJ Cost = 0

Miscellaneous - \$ 20.00 (Taxi Receipts)

Equipment Rental = \$ 150.00

Total Expenses = \$ 404.87

Revenue

63 Tickets in Attendance (\$ 315.00 Collected at the Door).

Total Ticket Sales 78 Tickets = \$ 390.00 (So Far)

Canteen = \$ 65.25

50/50 = 0.00

7th Tradition = 0.00

Total Revenue = \$ 455.25

Profit = \$ 455.25 - 404.87 = \$ 50.38

AA's (Day Costs) Portion of the Event

Food Expenses = \$ 277.47.

Rent - Day Portion = \$ 37.50

Total Expenses = \$ 314.97

Revenue

7th Tradition & Donation Contributions = \$ 351.25

Total Revenue = \$ 351.25

Profit = \$ 351.25 - 314.97 = \$ 36.28

Both profit amounts will be handed in to the treasurer.

The next event is the Annual AA Campout at Dollar Lake on Aug. 2nd, 3rd, & 4th.

The campground areas 1,2,3, & 4, have already been reserved. In previous years this event was free. (expense to the committee was approx \$500 - last year shortfall of \$300)

Sorry, but this years event will be \$ 10.00 per person for the weekend (kids free) in order to cover the campsite registration costs.

Please see me after for Camping Pre-registration Forms.

In Service, Shawn M.

Question: Was your AA day same day as Bridgewater? **Answer:** It was the weekend after. We were very happy about the attendance.

Help Email:

This month had three inquiries,

May 20, 2019 - Heather - Looking on how to go to a meeting? Do I just go? Email sent on Victoria Day? Wondered if cancelled on Holiday.

Explained all she need to do is to go to the meeting. Explained meeting types. Explained AA rarely ever shuts down on Holidays, but if held in a Church, it could close for a church function, but such notices usually are known prior and can be found under "Meeting Notices in the Newsletter.

May 21, 2019 - Jerome - Wanting to start attending the Sackville meeting, but Confused about meeting types.

Explained Meeting Types.

#3 - Betsy - Wanting to join the Women's Group in Sackville. Again inquiring about how to become a member, and what a Closed Group was?

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Explained the different Group Types. That the only requirement for membership is a Desire to stop drinking.

Re: Meeting types: the PDF meeting list is fine, but the other full list on the website has meeting types at the very bottom - I wanted to ask the webmaster if we can move that up to the top - just a suggestion because most of the questions are on this topic.

Thanks, Yours in Service,

Michael A

Hospital Visitation:

My apologies for not being able to attend the meeting this week; I am in Toronto for business. We had some visits this past month and I really appreciate the support. A continued ask is to ensure all group members know that hospital visitation is available. We want to ensure that there are no members in the hospital who do not know that they can have visits. Have a great month, Allison.

Question: What is the frequency of visits? **Answer:** The frequency is random - only when people are injured or from out of town who call the number.

Literature:

I must apologize because I cannot find the new template that Emily gave me last month. However, here it goes:

Inventory on hand	7517.50
Credit Union Acct	421.27
Scotia Bank Acct	702.03
Cash on hand	324.70
Books Ordered/Paid for	868.73
Accounts Receivable	196.00
Total Assets	10,030.23

Sales were \$1362.60 for the month (includes AA day) and Purchases were \$ 1,718.99. Rent was \$20.00 (Apr/May).

I have reviewed the pricing of all materials and have tried to come up with a consistent formula for pricing. I have applied this to every book and pamphlet and will be sending the new price list to the Webmaster tomorrow. I do have one copy of that new list with me so can answer specific questions on specific pieces of literature if anyone is interested. Overall the total value reduced by about \$100. Some items increased and others decreased.

This coming weekend the Literature Co-chair and I will be attending the Provincial Roundup in Port Hawkesbury to sell books. We will be paying our own expenses unless CS would like to cover our hotel for us (\$234.58). We will also be going to the Truro 1-day roundup in July.

Thank you for your attention. Respectfully submitted,

Cathy M
Chairperson
Literature Committee

Question: What here shows profit? **Answer:** Nothing shows profit. There is very little profit. When I changed the prices, my goal was to reduce the prices and have consistency. I haven't figured out yet how to show profit in the figures but it is basically next to nothing. I've increased the prices by 40% which covers the exchange rate but we only have 1% profit there.

Question: The figure for inventory - is that current? **Answer:** There is some stuff there which hasn't moved in a number of years, like two copies of Grapevine editions which are older. We also have copies of slogans, and serenity prayers which can be framed and books which hardly move - but they do move, and we don't keep many in stock. **Question:** Can we do a Step Four on this, do an inventory and put up for sale what we can't get rid of? **Answer:** We could do that but I don't know what we could get rid of. We could get rid of everything and just order as people wanted. We could reduce inventory.

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Comment by CS chair: In past we had great deal of French material which was donated. There has been a call to reduce inventory to only what there is a demand for, rather than holding old stock. Concerning hotel accommodations, I made an executive decision and have said that cost should be absorbed by literature committee as it is our books which are being sold.

Comment: But she said she doesn't make any profit. I suggest the host committee, which is asking her to come in and do something, I suggest they pay. **Comment:** They don't have any money. That's why Area pays for Archives to go places; the groups who invite don't have the funds. **Comment by CS chair:** The literature committee provides a service to groups so it is not intended to make a profit. In my report in February I noted that the committee is trying to maintain its operating capital to buy books before it gets paid and to have sufficient income to cover such expenses as rent and stationary and such. That's what the budget is for. **Comment by Lit chair:** There is no budget, but once the budget is established it should be a budget of Central service, as every committee currently is, and not have things separate.

Question: What's your turn around rate? **Answer:** Big Books, 12&12, Living Sober, Came to Believe, and Dr Bob - the main AA literature is very much in demand and we probably buy 3 - 4 cases of Big Books per month (there are 20 in a case). The prices are lower when you buy a case, so we get about 30 cents profit per book. Every thing else I run down until we have about ten. People tend to all buy at the same time, usually just after business meetings. But some groups don't buy books at all.

Comment: Can I suggest that you go through the inventory and have a special sale at the Mid-Winter Round up next year.

Answer: That is a good idea. Books like Grapevine books people just don't know about. They only see them at a special function when we have them laid out. I keep numbers low but sometimes I may order a few more of things in order to bring my order to \$500 and save on shipping. It helps now that the store is open.

Question: How come the Grapevine rep sits at district and literature is here at Central Service? Do you work together? **Answer:** When I was alternate DCM and Grapevine rep I just made sure that groups got the list that showed all the books. All the info about Grapevine goes to Area. I wasn't sent much information in that position. There isn't a disconnect but it's the way it's always been done, Grapevine as part of district service structure.

Bluenose Bulletin:

This month we are excited to provide you with a fresh new look to the Bulletin. There is also a calendar which has the birthdays as well as the various service meetings. Extra copies of the calendar are at the back and would be perfect for your fridge.

In the Bulletin there is a plea for help with Forensics. It is requested that this notice be read at all meetings.

A member requested to have links to Google Maps for meeting locations included in the meeting list. Seeing the immense benefit that it would provide to all of us we added them right away. The latest version of the meeting list has links to the address of the meeting on Google Maps. It is now available on the website. Any changes to the meeting list can be submitted directly to the newsletter via email.

When submitting notices to the bulletin please provide as much information as possible. For birthdays please ensure you provide the first and last initial of the celebrant, years celebrating, meeting date and name of group.

A reminder that the cut off for announcements is the 25th of the month.

Yours in service,

Kelly and Eric

Comment: I have had some feedback regarding the new format - people aren't used to it and not enamoured with it.

Question: How come the Forensics schedule is not on there? **Answer:** It didn't mean much to anyone so we took it off last month. The title of that block is groups that do service. Forensics is a team of people, it's not a group. Team 1 means nothing to anybody except those who are on Team 1. **Question:** Don't Central Service guidelines say that Forensics is something that should be in the newsletter? **Answer:** No. **Comment by CS chair:** The calendar should be black and white because it is more difficult to read. **Answer:** It could be printed in grayscale. We will look into that however.

Comment: Having the link to Google maps is fabulous - good job guys. It really helps travellers and newcomers.

Mid-Winter Round Up:

Not much has happened in the last 2 meetings we have had, There has been no other positions filled so we have the following available.

Co-Chair, Public Information Chair, Program Chair, 2 Program Co-Chairs, Entertainment Co-chair, & Hospitality Co-chair. There has been some interest in the Co-Chair and the Program Chair. Our last meeting there has been a little talk about program.

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I have spoke with Vickie from the hotel and the contract is ready to be signed. Pricing has not changed from last year and the Banquet we only have to guarantee 80. We can add up to 120 but the cut off is 1pm on that Saturday. I will be going to the hotel within the next week to sign the contract and give a deposit.

I ask that CRS go back to their groups and let everyone know about the positions still available. Great way to give back and have fun while doing it.
Next meeting Sunday July 7th.

Yours in Service

Bruce

Comment: July 7 is NS service weekend.

Public Information:

Good evening everyone, things are going well with Public Information. We had our monthly meeting on Saturday June 1, 2019, at which time we reviewed our activities over the last month and discussed various projects for the coming months to carry the message. Our committee will be in need of members to deliver pamphlets in the coming months. Could you please take this back to your groups and ask anyone interested to contact me.

I got the privilege of going to the Health Fair at the Burnside Corrections Centre with Troy on May 16, 2019, which was an amazing experience. We had quite a few inmates come over and ask us questions and take some of our pamphlets. I also visited booths for other organizations who attended and took some business cards, contacted them later and we now have our pamphlets at 8 offices of the YMCA Employment Offices along with Stepping Stones.

As reported in the April Minutes, we will be putting on a meeting at Northwood Manor on June 19, July 17, and August 21. There are 5 members from the PI Committee attending.

My plan is to attend the Nova Scotia Service Weekend on July 5-7 in Truro. I will set up a table/display there for the weekend. There will be a session on Saturday evening starting at 6:30 with the 4 Committees and the Alternate Delegate.

Yours in Service

Leah

Comment: As Lit chair, we've only had two groups ask for any kind of literature for clinics. **Answer:** I'm going to contact groups to follow up on this. **Question:** When you participate in these activities, do you help them navigate the website, or just give them pamphlets? **Answer:** Just pamphlets. **Question:** In the past the DCM has reported on committees at CS to service weekend and assembly - now that you're going, what would you like me to do in terms of reporting for your committee? **Answer:** That format is not changing - what we're doing is meeting to swap information, and I'm going to be there with a display etc. **Question:** So you would like DCM to report for your committee as usual? **Answer:** Yes, but I can sit with you to go over whatever is necessary to help you. **Question:** With regard to the clinics: will the groups still do that? Are you looking for volunteers for this purpose? **Answer:** No, groups will continue what they are doing, but there are so many clinics that we just need more people. Many of the clinics haven't been approached before, so the committee volunteers with provide the initial bundle at initial contact, and then the groups will take it over from there.

Telephone:

Good evening everyone. I am unable to attend the meeting tonight.

I am very pleased with the great help and hard work from all the members who volunteer their time with the phones. It's a wonderful way to give back to the program and to help someone out there.

We're always looking for members to help.

Thank you for another sober day.

Sharman

Phone Chair

Treatment:

Of note, Treatment Chair will be out of the Province from June 2019 to October 2019. Co-Treatment Chair Sandy K. will be attending meetings during her absence and monthly reports distributed the Central Service by the Chair.

DETOX:

Scheduling for Detox meetings are completed to the end of 2019. There was only one mishap when a Group did not arrive at their scheduled meeting time and Treatment Chair sent apologies to the Detox Centre for the oversight. On the whole, meetings at Detox are being held on a regular basis and I appreciate the groups in their efforts to ensure a meeting is held when it is their turn.

FORENSICS

The first half of 2019 has been a challenge for scheduling the teams for these meetings.

Most members on teams have been overdue for relief in their service work with forensics. Announcements are made at club 24 daily with no avail.

Throughout last year we have been asking / begging for people to do service work within Forensics.

I implore all groups to challenge their members to consider stepping up and trying service work in Treatment – Forensics.

Average attendance is about 8 – 15 and represents both men and women in these units, and numbers are increasing.

At present, Team One is gone and the other teams are slowly withdrawing – (Team Four as well) with no foreseeable replacements.

I am always looking for new members of the fellowship who wish to “give back” some of “what we were freely given to them” to help bring the Team’s back up to full strength and especial offer hope to the still suffering.

Tom S.
Treatment Co – Chair

MARGUERITE CENTRE

Ladies have stepped up to the plate from different areas of HRM to ensure meetings continue to be held at the Centre every first Wednesday of the month as these ladies appreciate these meetings. Treatment Chair has not received a lot of calls from women who are willing to participate. One did respond; however, she lives in downtown Halifax and does not have transportation to get to the Centre.

At the present moment, there are a good number of volunteers willing to attend the meetings; however, if anyone who wishes to go will be gladly accepted. Please call Sandy K. to be added to the list.

Yours gratefully in service.

Stephanie J.

Question: Do we have a crisis of volunteers with forensics? **Answer:** Yes. We want to have five teams and a few in reserve. We are in need of people, individual volunteers, and can add them to the teams. Tom would contact everybody on the Tuesday to make sure they can attend Friday. **Question:** It was brought up last year about maybe getting groups involved instead of/ as well as teams. Should we look into that now that we’re in crisis? **Answer:** I remember when I was doing Forensics, they have to provide a list to the unit of people who are on forensics meetings teams for access because they want to know who is going in and out. That could be a problem with the groups. **Comment:** They are looking for ideally a two year commitment for the teams. Another problem is that there is no public transportation. The buses stop so you have to have your own transport. Something to look into is having a primary vehicle for each team and a meeting point.

Comment: We are asking CSRs to bring back to your groups that forensics is in crisis for volunteers.

Comment: Requirements for forensics are not the same as correctional facilities in terms of clearance but you do need to have all the items with you locked in a locker. Having a list of who is going in advance is not as important as long as you sign in when you go. It is a hospital, not a prison. People are not declined - you can go unannounced. **Comment:** So it could be groups?

Answer: It could be, but there still needs to be control through the committee. **Comment:** We will put that on the agenda for new business for the July meeting.

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Webmaster/Website:

May was another smooth month for Web Admin. There are no operational issues to report and the site remains up to date as requested.

May Updates included:

- Upload of the latest newsletter and accompanying meeting list for May 1;
- Posts to the site homepage were created to update visitors about the 54th AA Nova Scotia Roundup, as well as the the Mid-Winter Roundup;
- General inquiries were handled as received; and
- Site was graciously monitored by Pedro G, former -webmaster, during my vacation from May 7-22

Thank you to the group for another month of service and collaboration. Please don't hesitate to contact me with your requests and suggestions for improvements to the website!

Yours in service,
Matt W

District 1:

Hello everyone, my name is Steve and I am an alcoholic. I have the privilege of working in A.A. general service with the groups in District 1, and to represent these groups on the Area Committee as their DCM. My home group is the Back to Basics Group in Halifax.

District 1 May Workshop – A.A. Archives in Nova Scotia: Connecting to our History and how Groups an Contribute

Lisa N., the Alternate DCM for District 1, organized this workshop, which was held on May 26th, and expertly facilitated by Kathy S.-C., the Area 82 Archivist, and Gary C., a past Area 82 archivist. The workshop was highly interactive and fun, and those participating seemed to enjoy the experience immensely. For me personally, I was very excited to put my hands on a first edition of the Big Book for the very first time, and to discover that it was signed by Bill W. (see my photograph below).

May District 1 General Service Committee Meeting

A total of nine GSRs and Alternate GSRs, two District 1 Committee Officers, two Area 82 Officers, and the Districts 1 & 2 Central Service Chairperson participated in the May District 1 General Service Committee meeting held on Sunday, May 26th. There was also one observer, for an overall turnout of fifteen (15) A.A. members.

Agenda items included an interesting conversation on Tradition 5 lead by Freddie L., GSR of the Lions Den Group, and a roundtable discussion on how the GSRs and Alternate GSRs were understanding their roles and responsibilities after being in office for five months. I gave my DCM and Acting Treasurer's reports, and Lisa N. contributed three reports in one, that is: 1) the Alternate DCM's report; 2) the District 1 Grapevine Representative's report; and 3) the District 1 Workshop Committee report. Bill P., the Districts 1 & 2 Central Service Committee Chairperson, also presented a report, as did Trudy D., the Alternate Delegate for Area 82.

An extensive discussion was held on the six agenda items for the Nova Scotia Service Weekend (to be held from July 5th to 7th in Bible Hill). A summary of these discussions is in the minutes of the May District 1 General Service Committee meeting. These minutes are available on the AA Halifax website (visit [here](#)).

55th Nova Scotia Provincial Roundup – June 2020 – Hosted by Districts 1 & 2

A kickoff meeting for planning, organizing, and carrying out the 2020 Nova Scotia Provincial Roundup (NSPR) took place on Sunday, May 19th. Trudy D., the Alternate Delegate for Area 82, chaired the meeting. A total of eleven (11) A.A. members participated in the meeting.

It will be up to the 2020 Provincial Roundup Committee to make all the decisions about the roundup, with oversight by the host District 1 and District 2 General Service Committees, particularly regarding financial matters.

Nominations were taken for each position, except for the Hospitality Co-Chairperson where a Hospitality Chairperson was not elected. Each nominee qualified before each election, and there was an opportunity to ask questions of each nominee.

There was only one nominee for each position filled, and the vote for each filled position was unanimous. As outlined in the table below, a total of six of the thirteen positions have been filled (46%). The Chairperson is Shawn M. from the Downtown Dartmouth Group, the Treasurer is Cathy M. from the same group, and the Program Chairperson is Tim M., from the Sunrise Group. Tim is also the Area 82 Immediate Past Delegate. The Registration Chairperson is Troy B. from the Back to Basics Group, and the Registration Co-Chairperson is Keith D., also from the Back to Basics Group. And last but certainly not least, the Entertainment Chairperson is John B. from the Gaston Road Group.

The seven open positions are Co-Chairperson, Secretary, Co-Treasurer, Program Co-Chairperson, Hospitality Chairperson, Hospitality Co-Chairperson, and Entertainment Co-Chairperson. If you or members of your group would like to be involved in organizing and delivering the 2020 NSPR by serving as a committee member, please contact the committee chairperson, Shawn M. Shawn’s telephone number is 902-701-6128, and his email address is anrent1@hotmail.com.

Table. Filled and open positions on the 2020 Provincial Roundup Committee.

Position	Election Result
Chairperson	Shawn M., Downtown Dartmouth Group, District 2
Co-Chairperson	<i>Open</i>
Treasurer	Cathy M., Downtown Dartmouth Group, District 2
Co-Treasurer	<i>Open</i>
Secretary	<i>Open</i>
Program Chairperson	Tim M., Sunrise Group, District 2
Program Co-Chairperson	<i>Open</i>
Registration Chairperson	Troy B., Back to Basics Group, District 1
Registration Co-Chairperson	Keith D., Back to Basics Group, District 1
Hospitality Chairperson	<i>Open</i>
Hospitality Co-Chairperson	<i>Open</i>
Entertainment Chairperson	John B., Gaston Road Group, District 2
Entertainment Co-Chairperson	<i>Open</i>

2019 Nova Scotia Provincial Roundup

A reminder that the 2019 Nova Scotia Provincial Roundup is taking place this coming weekend, June 7th to 9th, at the Tamarac Education Centre, [57 Tamarac Drive](#) in Port Hawkesbury. The theme is “Caring and Sharing.”

Conclusion

In conclusion, I will be pleased to address any questions or concerns you might have for me.

Respectfully submitted, peace and love in service,

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Steve A.

District 2:

Good evening friends, my name is Shayne and I am an Alcoholic. I am grateful to be here and grateful to be sober today. I feel blessed to be among you all tonight in the name of service. Thank you all for your efforts. I do apologize for not being present last month, a work commitment was booked last minute that took priority. I am happy to report that all is well in District 2.

District 2 held its GSR meeting on Sunday May 19/2019; The attendance was excellent with eight GSR's, four executives, our Central Service Chair, Steve A. and Trudy D. observing for a total of fifteen people. The meeting agenda was mostly composed of some house keeping and a few upcoming events. Much discussion was had around the table on all agenda items, resulting in a productive meeting.

District 2 Alt DCM Blair A. will be hosting a workshop on June 9th, 2 pm at Club 24. The title of the workshop is "Central Service: Vital but separate from General Service." I encourage everyone to attend a help create another successful workshop in our District. Please note the Bluenose states District 1 is hosting the workshop. It is in fact District 2. If any group or persons has ideas for workshops please contact Blair A.

The initial 2020 Provincial round up meeting was held on May 19th. Trudy D. chaired the meeting and elections were held for all positions for the upcoming event. The results are as follows: Chairperson – Shawn M. (Downtown Dartmouth), Co-Chairperson – vacant, Treasurer – Cathy M. (Downtown Dartmouth), Co-Treasurer – vacant, Secretary – vacant, Program Chairperson – Tim M. (Sunrise)

Program Co-Chairperson – vacant, Registration Chairperson – Troy (Back to Basics), Registration Co-Chairperson – Keith (Back to Basics), Hospitality Chairperson – vacant, Hospitality Co-Chairperson – vacant, Entertainment Chairperson – John B. (Gaston Rd), Entertainment Co-Chairperson - vacant.

This is a great start to the committee and I would like to thank all who volunteered. Please announce that positions are still available at your home groups. To my knowledge the next meeting has not been scheduled, this responsibly has been relieved from District 1 and 2 at this point and given to the round up chair.

District 2 was asked to co-chair the banquet meeting at the 2019 Provincial round up in Port Hawksbury this coming weekend with District 1. Through discussion, it was agreed up on at our May meeting that Cathy M. would be asked to perform this service for our District, as it was known that she would be attending the weekend. She accepted the invitation. Thank you in advance for your service Cathy.

The next general service event in our Area will be the Service Weekend held in Truro July 5th-7th. It will be a great opportunity for both unity and service in AA, I hope to see you there.

Yours in Service

Shayne S.

Area 82:

No report at this time.

All Reports were motioned for approval by Shawn M and Seconded by Stephanie J. Motion carried.

ELECTIONS

Webmaster co-chair: No nominations.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Intergroup conference: Suggestion: that the incoming CS chair attend the Intergroup conference in Arizona as well as the outgoing chair, at the expense of Central Service. Elections may have to be moved forward to September.

Murdo M moved that the incoming Central Service chair be financed by CS to attend the intergroup conference in Arizona (dates Sept 27 - 29). Seconded by Cathy M.

Comment: If depends on whether co-chair intends to step up to chair position. If not, it becomes more difficult. We had agreed to add a line in the budget for such an expense. **Comment:** There is no line in the budget for this currently.

Question: What is the information which is being transferred at the conference? **Comment:** Central Service has traditionally never participated in a conference outside of Area. This is an international conference focusing on what other groups are doing across the continent, sharing their experience. We call it Central Service here, but across the country it is called InterGroup. It's a seminar and conference on how other groups run their areas. **Question:** Is there a concern that once the outgoing chair comes back he will not have time to transfer that information? **Comment:** It is the experience itself which is beneficial, not perhaps just pieces of paper or information which is passed on. The new chair will have more opportunity to share this with CS committees and reps than someone who is leaving office.

Comment: In the guidelines it is stated that the elections are to take place in September. So this works for sending the incoming chair to this conference.

Question: Do we have a projected cost for this? **Answer:** Not right now. **Comment:** Is it fair to say there is now \$9000 in the account? It is an opportunity for a valuable experience and this committee has never had any outside reference as to what intergroup does - in the 25 years I've been around here.

Comment by CS chair: We have a budget of \$17,000 here for CS. I'm going to be meeting with groups from NYC who have a much larger budget than we have. But my idea was to steal any ideas I can from what other groups are doing, to bring back here to us. Plus being among people who have sat in similar position.

Question: How often is this conference? Incoming chair could go next year. **Answer:** Every year. Yes this is possible. But there is nothing financially preventing us from having the incoming chair go this year.

All those in favour: 18

Opposed: 1

Abstention: 4

Minority vote: I don't think there should be a rush - they could go the year following. To send two people seems excessive. (Note: Current CS chair is financing himself this year)

Vote stands. **Motion carried.**

Announcements from Groups :

- Mid Winter round up - we will adjust the next meeting to July 14th so as to not conflict with service weekend.
- Murdo celebrating 27 years in June at Highland Park
- Colby Village lost a member: Al Mac passed away.

Adjournment:

The next Central Service Meeting will be Tuesday, July 2, 2019 at 7:00 pm (St. Mark's Church).

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM with the Responsibility Pledge.

Monthly Financial Statement for May 2019

Opening Balance May 1 2019 \$6811.40

DEBITS:

#739 Rent \$60.00

#740 Bell Mobility \$251.45

#738 Secretary \$110.15

CREDITS:

7th Tradition \$36.95

Acceptance \$400.

Sunday Morning Armview \$123.

Closing Balance May 30 2019, \$6811.40

Prudent account: opening balance \$4890.52

interest .20

Closing balance \$4890.72 \$2000 of prudent is For Insurance

Literature Committee: Opening balance \$234.77 Closing \$854.77 (Debit Card) Open \$413.76 Close \$421.02