

**MINUTES OF
CENTRAL SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING Dec 7 2021
Zoom Meeting**

WELCOME AND OPEN: Meeting opened by Michael H. at 7pm pm with the

TWELVE TRADITIONS: The Twelve Traditions were read by Nick

Zoom ID address Meeting ID: 512 036 8953 Password: wecandoit

ROLL CALL:

EXECUTIVE	COMMITTEES	CSR	OBSERVERS
Chair -. Michael	Adhoc Bridging the Gap – Bill	Back to Basics – Paul	Area 82 –
Co-Chair -. Chris	CPC –.	Cole Harbour – Foster	DCM District 1 – Paul
Treasurer -. Bill	Corrections -. Tom	Fresh Start – Jeff	DCM District 2 – Blair
Secretary – Jamie	Entertainment –.	Hubbards – Sara/Barb	DCM 1 Alt –
	Help Email –	Any Lenghts – Jackie	
	Hospital Visitation –	Acceptance – Ian	
	Literature -. Joshua	Keep it Simple – Sherry	
	Newsletter –	Sunrise – Garth	
	Mid-Winter –	Colby Village – Zeta	
	PI – Clayton	Downtown Hfx – Mick	
	Telephone – Michael.	Downtown Dart - Mark	
	Treatment -. Sharman		
	Webmaster –		
	Webmaster Co-Chair –		

CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motioned to approve the agenda by Sherry Seconded by Joshua

MINUTES APPROVED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

Motioned to approve the Oct 5 minutes by Chris . Seconded by Jamie

Errors and Omissions

DTD group put there name forward to add us to the list during the update for treatment. DTD also announced that they will host the Christmas Eve Social.

REPORTS

Secretary

It has been an interesting month. There was a problem with the recording of last months meeting. The minutes were put together as best we could. I recommend that any additions be included in this month's minutes to ensure we have an accurate record. This will be my last meeting as Secretary. I will do this month's minutes and if there is no replacement in January I'll send out the agenda through the Chair and conclude my duties with CS. It has been a wonderful 2 years and thank you all for you support. Jamie Q. Secretary CS

Treasurer

Central Service Committee

Treasurer Report
December 7, 2021

November Activity

Opening Balance: \$3,270.29

Credits:

Donations:

Atlantic \$ 100.00

Back to Basics \$ 300.00

Cole Harbour \$ 444.80

District 2 \$ 250.00

Sunday Nite Serenity \$. 100.00

Sub-Total: \$ 1,194.80

Insurance:

Cole Harbour \$. 50.00

Fall River \$. 50.00

Highland Park \$. 50.00

Living in Solution' \$. 50.00

Lost & Found \$. 50.00

Sunday Nite Serenity \$. 50.00

Sub-Total: \$. 300.00

Debits:

PI Committee \$. 100.00

Closing Balance: \$ 4,665.09

Prudent Account: plus \$0.20 interest. \$ 4,897.08

Literature:

Opening Balance: \$1,961.54

Credits: \$. 669.86

Closing Balance: \$ 2,631.40

By Tradition Central Service Committee makes decisions on donations to AA World Services and Area 82 in June and December. The following is for your consideration.

Projections for December, 2021

Known:

November Phone Bill: \$277.84

December Phone Bill: \$275.60

PI literature: \$ 45.00

Cocktail Party: \$400.00

Total: \$ 998.44

Unknown Misc.:(Guess) \$. 300.00

Total: \$1,284.44

Closing Balance: \$ 3,380.65 (estimated)

Unknown Revenue: \$ 500.00

(Colby VBB\$50.00)

Possible Balance: \$ 3,880.65

Possible Contributions to AA World Services and Area 82 – \$500 or \$1000.each.

- Keep in Mind that Corrections, forensics, Hospital visitations, St. Mark's Meetings and entertainment are not functioning.

Foster – What is outstanding for insurance pymts. Bill – Chris would have a better idea. Chris – Approx – 1200
Michael – Back to Basics sent an ins pymt that is not showing anywhere. This will be looked into

Co-Chair

I have been working on getting Insurance pymts.

Some discussion on insurance

Paul - Why would insurance be required if meeting on zoom. Chris – Because we have to be on the full year. It is very difficult and time consuming if groups are not on the policy and then want to open back up

Chair

Final Central Service Chair Report
Ladies and Gentlemen,

So... here is my final report to the Central Service Committee. First, many thanks to Chris V. for his commitment to service, replacing me this coming January. I will have 7 years continuous with Central Service in January. 3 years Hospital Chair, 2 years co-chair, and 2 years as Chair. Service is where I feel that I am maturing in AA. Love and Tolerance, Principles before Personalities all come into play when we alcoholics in recovery commit our lives to service work.

I was one month into the Chair position when the Covid lockdown happened. It was damn near poetic how all of us came together as family and set a different course to continue to get the message to the still suffering alcoholics.

Zoom was a thorn to some, and God sent to others, yet Zoom is what brought us together once again during the challenging times of early Covid protocol.

The covid protocols forced groups and central service committees to reassess to decide if they were to shutdown their current face to face groups all together or continue with zoom. And with the different phases coming into fruition, opening the doors once again, and to continue zoom as a hybrid, or shut down zoom altogether.

Everyone in central service played a role to ensure the changes occurring were as seamless as possible. I thank you all for giving your all when and where it was needed to ensure our primary purpose never slipped.

We had a successful on-line Zoom Midwinter Round up in 2021, defying the Covid risks, with shares from around the Globe and an on-line dance, which was a first for me.

Finally, I would also like to thank the districts 1 and 2 leaders for showing up every month, and participating in the discussions, providing the wisdom where needed, and the reports of the General Service folks.

In closing, I am truly grateful to have worked with all leaders within Central Service and hope to see everyone in the rooms of AA in the very near future.

In Love and Service, Michael H. Central Service Chair Districts 1 and 2

Committees:

Adhoc – Bridging the Gap

Had a meeting last week and hoping to roll everything out by end of month

CPC

No report

Corrections

No change in info from corrections

Tom S

Chair - Corrections

Entertainment

No report

Help Email

3/6

Semi busy month with 12 individuals reaching out to us.

I feel as though they ask the same kind of questions or concerns each month. Was thinking maybe we can add a paragraph and numbers regarding these issues on our webpage on the meeting list page.

I can give examples at new business.

Gave all information required regarding their questions.

Your friend in Service Sherry G

Hospital Visitation

Good evening everyone November as been quiet other than a request from a dal student re requesting some info I forward her to PI committee .Our Gerard from sagewood is on zoom for meetings on a regular basis. and our brother Dino N is at the infirmary and getting calls from Wayne O. Yours truly Gilles D

Literature

Lots of groups purchasing literature and brochures

It was asked where literature sits financial. Joshua explained it is in the treasurer report and he is working with Chris on developing something so they are able to report it themselves

Mid-Winter

No report

Newsletter

No reprot

PI

The public information committee met on 13 Nov 21. We have been working on the following things:

1) Updating list of clinics/doctors office.

2) Contacting shelters/salvation Army locations. Looking to give out pamphlets & business cards.

3) Made up information packages (pamphlets , business cards, ect) for 18 shelters in the HRM. They were delivered on 3rd & 4th of December.

4) The PI committee was planning to do a quick virtual presentation for the NSCC Ivany Campus Therapeutic Recreation class on 06 Dec 21. It didn't happen that day, there were issues connecting. Investigating the possibility of rescheduling in the new year.

Thank you & take care Clayton Public information committee

Telephone

Good evening friends,

All is going well with the phones.

We are still in need of daytime phone persons as well as overnight.

The overnight phone is for a month commitment and the day phone for one week every 8-10 weeks.

Yours in service, Michael A Phone Chair

Treatment

The NS Detox facility is up and running again . The schedule is in the December newsletter. We will be going in once a week on Sunday evenings. Thank you to the groups who have volunteered to be in the schedule.

The Marguerite Center is going well, also, with a schedule ... a big thanks to one of my co-chairs, Jodie, for setting that up.

The NS Forensics facility has reached out to me wanting to know if we can go in and put meetings on again. I am unable to take that on at this time. Tonight I'm hoping to have another co-chair for Treatment to help me out. Angie , my 2nd co-chair, will not be filling that position from now on. I have contacted Forensics to let them know we will be in touch with them soon.

Thank you and have a nice Christmas. Sharman M Treatment chair

Blair – Forensics falls under treatment not corrections

Sharman – Yes it has always come under treatment

Webmaster

No report

District 1

No report

District 2

Good evening, I am grateful to be here and grateful to be sober. The month of November was busy with Area 82 and District 2 business.

Updates from GSO:

▯ The new General Manager of GSO Bob W. wrote a Gratitude Letter, as November is thought of by many A.A.s as "Gratitude Month." It is a time when A.A. groups often choose to make special contributions to their local service offices or committees and to G.S.O.

▯ The reports from the 2021 Fourth Quarterly Meeting of the General Service Board have been distributed.

▯ AAWS is currently offering "A Trio of Holiday Special Offers!" on some literature items.

Area 82 has been in contact with the NS Department of Labour and Advanced Education Safety Branch to clarify what restrictions are in place for meetings. I strongly encourage your group to follow the Phase 5 COVID restrictions of mandatory mask wearing at meetings due to the hefty penalties for non compliance. Social distancing is no longer necessary, proof of vaccine is not mandatory, and there are no gathering limits at meetings, but your landlord may impose these restrictions. The Area Delegate (Trudy) also distributed some service documents which will help groups host meetings safely.

District 2 held their November meeting on Zoom with 4 groups represented, plus the Alt. DCM and Treasurer.

▯ The groups in District 2 were reminded to submit their \$50 payment for the Group Insurance

▯ District 2 discussed a proposed budget for 2022 which will be voted on in December

▯ District 2 will be holding a Public Information Workshop in December

▯ District 2 still has an opening for the position of Secretary for a one-year term

▯ District 2 will be holding their regular monthly meeting on December 19 at 2pm on Zoom

During the last month I have come to appreciate and understand the importance of the "upside-down triangle" in AA. It is ultimately the group conscience that decides how groups hold meetings, as Area or District have no authority. I strongly encourage your group to discuss the Phase 5 COVID restrictions at your next business meeting, as it is the groups responsibility to enforce.

Yours in Service,

Blair A.

DCM District 2

Area 82

No report

A motion was made by Mike A and Seconded by Sherry to approve the reports.

OLD BUSINESS

A) Central Service Elections

CPC – carried forward to January

Entertainment – carried forward to January

Mid Winter Round Up – carried forward to January

Webmaster – carried forward to January

Co Chair – carried forward to January

Treasurer – carried forward to January

Secretary - carried forward to January

- B) Palooza – Bill no report
- C) Xmas Social – being hosted by Downtown Dartmouth

NEW BUSINESS

- A) Literature is looking for a way going forward to be able to have something in place so whoever takes over literature does not have to worry about finding funds to purchase books. Bill and Chris will look into getting a prepaid card for the literature chair to be able to place book orders going forward.
- B) With the return to more "normal" days where most meetings are going in-person, should we consider going back to the rule where any new group should be open for 6 months before we include it on our lists? I'm just looking for direction.
- C) Vote on Zoom – Discussion on this. Bill be it moved that the incoming chair is authorized to purchase a zoom membership for the next quarter, Chris seconded. Carried
- D) Proposed Budget 2022 – Discussion on some errors and omissions. Michael suggested that all the revisions be made first and then the proposed budget be resubmitted to look at it again next month

Announcements from the floor

Cole Harbor group Dec 19 – 42 years as a group Sunday 8pm
Four Season Candle Light Gratitude Meeting Dec 23 at 730pm
Colby Village Gratitude meeting Dec 20 and the first Monday in January 5 birthday
Downtown Dartmouth last Monday of the month Blair is celebrating
Kevin P was in an accident and they are asking for prayers

Next meeting Jan 4 22, 7 PM

Meeting adjournment at 838 PM with the Responsibility Pledge.