

I'm looking at getting this finished in the next couple of weeks to send out before December meeting.

Best Regards

Central Service Committee
November 2, 2021
Treasurer Report

[October, 2021 activities]

Opening Balance: \$3,711.38

Credits:

Donations

Four Seasons \$ 750.00

Timberlea \$ 175.00

Downtown Dart \$. 640.00

Insurance:

Early Risers \$. 50.00

Keep it Simple \$. 50.00

Circle of Sisters \$ 50.00

Downtown Dart \$. 50.00

Total Credits: \$ 1,765.00 \$5,476.38

Debits:

Oct. Phone Bill \$ 275.60

Insurance Premium \$ 1,745.00

Phone Repair \$. 172.49

Stop Payment \$. 13.00

Total Debits: -\$ 2209.09

Closing Balance: \$3,270.29

- Stop payment: Insurance payment amount issued to reimburse personal credit card payment. Mail not received. Stop payment done, and new cheque issued and hand delivered.
- With insurance payments and projected expenses for next two months of about \$1200. Should have sufficient operating capital to take care of first four months of 2022 when donations are historically low.

Prudent Account: \$0.21 interest \$4,896.88

(Sunday Night Serenity paid insurance \$50. For Nov.)

Literature Committee

Opening Balance: \$1,473.94

Credits: \$1,141.47

Debits: \$ 1,942.00

Closing Balance: \$1,961.54

Co-Chair

Chair

Central Service Chair Report

There were 18 members in attendance total at the October Central Service meeting with 8 Central Service Reps combined from both Districts 1 and 2.

Official Executive Committee Elections Call-out

Pamphlet P-8 "The Twelve Concepts of Service; Due to A.A.'s principle of

rotation, furnishing our service structure with able and willing workers has to be a continuous effort."

The following Executive positions within Central Service require to be filled by 01 January 2022:

Positions are:

Chair - Elected on October 6 th Mr. Chris Veach

Co-Chair

Treasurer

Secretary

To understand the responsibilities of these positions, please refer to the Central Service Guidelines at ref: <https://www.aahalifax.org/wp-content/uploads/Guidelines/Central-Service-Guidelines-Jun2021-v2.pdf>

If you are interested in helping others, meet the guideline requirements, please attend the next Central Service Meeting on 2 nd November 2021, on Zoom at 7pm.

Zoom data can be found on the AAhalifax.org website, the bluenose bulletin, Central Service Monthly minutes in Archive, or below;

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5120368953?pwd=a1RIRnRNVEdFZlVqSW85My84S2JiZz09> ; or

Zoom Ident # 512 036 8953

Password: wecandoit

Finally, as you can see, the next year's chair is getting his feet wet before 100% rotation occurs' in January. Thank you, Chris, for volunteering to carry the torch of Central Service Chair.

I hope that all AA members look within, and ask themselves, am I giving back to AA, that was so freely given to me, Step 12.? We have positions that need to be filled before January 2022.

Thank you all for your hand in service, Michael H. Central Service Chair Districts 1 and 2

Committees:

Adhoc – Bridging the Gap

CPC

No report

Corrections

No change from corrections, Awaiting a call from corrections. Have 5 people willing to put on meetings whenever we start up again
Yours in service Tom S. Chair Corrections

Entertainment

No report

Help Email

Slow month with 18 ppl reaching out.

All for the same reasons each month. Such as ... where they can attend a meeting...open and closed... how to be a member etc.

Gave them all the info required. Yours in service Sherry G

Hospital Visitation

October was quiet month there were no request for visitation. At our volunteers meeting we finally finish our letter the poster is ready .We decided to wait to send our package to the nursing homes and care facility for a wile longer we want to see what stage 5 will bring us. We sign in a new volunteer and look forward to our next meeting. Till next time yours truly Gilles HVC

Literature

Mid-Winter

Tom R was to carryout a feasibility check, group participation, cost effectivity etc, but we are in a conundrum now. There is 8 weeks left. Al-Anon has asked if we are doing something.

Traditionally, and even with Zoom, a midwinter roundup plan took months. I believe we should motion to stand-down 2022 Midwinter roundup, and plan for 2023.

Newsletter

Just a reminder that meeting notices / updates should be sent to both the Webmaster (Webmaster.aahalifax@gmail.com) and the Newsletter (Newsletter.aahalifax@gmail.com) to ensure your message is communicated to your target audience. Newsletter submissions for December should be submitted to Newsletter.aahalifax@gmail.com by the 25th of November, 2021. Thanks Mike

PI

The public information committee last met on 02 Oct 21. We have been working on the following initiatives:

- 1) Updating list of clinics/doctors office.
- 2) Contacting shelters/salvation Army locations. Looking to give out pamphlets & business cards.
- 3) Delivering AA material to high school guidance counselors.
- 4) On 21 Oct 21 a committee member and myself gave a brief presentation to Maritime Business Collage Health and wellness classes. Three classes of approximately 15-20 students were engaged. We kept the presentation short and inline with AA's speaking at non-AA events literature. The students were very interested and engaged. They were also getting a presentation from Al-anon and other 12 step groups.
- 5) 2 PI committee members are going to present to NSCC Ivany Campus Therapeutic Recreation class on 06 Dec 21. The presentation will take on a similar form to the last one, with the goal being describing what we do and what services we provide for someone struggling with alcohol.

Thank you Clayton Public information committee

Telephone

Everything with the phone committee is going well. Sandy D says the evening phone continues to go well with volunteers. Colin D and Day phone has seen 5 new members Join. Overnight phone and weekend phone are going well. Thank you Bill for getting the weekend phone fixed. 2022 weekend rotation sent to the newsletter. Yours in service, Michael A

Treatment

Hi Everyone

I hope you are all well.

I'm happy to say that the Marguerite Center AA meetings are going well. The girls in the facility really enjoy having the ladies twice a month.

The NS Detox facility is hopefully going to open up this month. I was talking to the manager, Jill. She wants me to call back next week to check with her.

There is a notice in the Bluenose bulletin this month regarding looking for groups that are interested in putting meetings on there. I haven't been able to access the treatment emails because I apparently need help getting set up; due to my own gmail account. I am asking for assistance if anyone knows how to do that.

Thank you and have a good evening. Sharman M Treatment Chair

Webmaster

Web Admin Report for November 2021 (October 2021 activities)

Since early summer the requests for adding or modifying information on the website has been decreasing, from a few changes per day to one per week. This last month of October we have very few meeting changes and only one flyer.

In the graphic below we can see how traffic to our website has been declining at the same time as meetings started to be held in person.

Other activities executed have been software updates on WordPress and plugins, backups, and general maintenance. I finally fixed an ongoing issue with our mailing list and was able to send a Newsletter to our subscribers. Since the crash of our website more than a year ago we only collected ~100 subscribers.

I had a couple of people interested in co-chair position but after some demo of the role and responsibilities they decided not to proceed.

Yours in service,
Pedro G
Web Administrator

District 1

Dear GSR's OF District 1, At this time I would like to welcome you all to our monthly meeting. We as an executive want to let you all know that in the AA fellowship, we are all in this together to learn and grow.

1. The Month of Oct was filled with Learning, Love and tolerance and patience. This month I had numerous calls regarding Groups not following the Masking process set out by the Dept of Health. I have had a few talks with the Dept. of Health, and they are quite concerned and is keeping a close eye on this situation. They have made me aware that they might be doing spot checks in our meetings so I should spread the word. Masks are Mandatory in all our meetings. Please share this with your groups.

2. I attended the Central Service Meeting, and they have a lot of positions open. Starting in the New Year, I will be asking if any of the District Executive can step in for a few Central Service meetings in my absents. I have been asked to sit a Committee from GSO regarding updating some pamphlets. The Date of this Committee is also the first Tuesday of Every Month.

3. We had our Fall Assembly and here are some of the highlights.

- District 1 had 7 out of 27 groups represented at the Assembly roll Call.
- The Budget was passed by the body and is approximately 31,000 A finalized report will come out at the end of the year.
- The Area is looking for someone to help with their website. Please contact the Area Delegate or Alt Delegate for more information.
- All Spring assemblies will be Virtual next year.
- We had 45 voting members at the assembly. This is a low attendance according to other years.
- Craig from GSO gave a Great workshop on Group Services

4. Over the past Decades, the GSO contacts list for district 1 has not been updated. Therefore, we need to send the GSO all of the GSR contacts which include mailing addresses, phones. Please email Michelle, your contact information so we can update our records at the GSO. This is important to groups so that you can get GSR kits, etc.

Yours in Service
Paul B
DCM District 1

District 2

District 2 Report
November 2, 2021

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

Updates from GSO:

- The new General Manager of GSO Bob W. released his first communication which talks about his primary focus being service and an update on GSO during COVID.
- The electronic version of the 71 st General Service Conference Reports is available
- The 2022 Eastern Canadian Regional Forum will be held on May 13-15 in Charlottetown. District 2 hopes to be able to send representation.

The Area 82 Fall Assembly was held October 8-9 on Zoom. A total of 34 groups and 9 districts were represented. Thank you to Sunrise and Cole Harbour for participating and representing their groups in District 2. GSO guest Craig W. from Group Services held a workshop on Friday evening and shared on GSO's upcoming new website and how GSO supports the Area structure. Tim M. was elected as the Area 82 nomination for the Eastern Canadian Trustee. Joh W. was elected as the Nova Scotia Co-Chair of Corrections. The following were discussed and passed:

- The Proposed Area Budget for the upcoming year be available for review by groups no later than September 1 of each year
 - The Area Committee will research the cost and responsibilities of hiring an outside Webmaster for Area 82 with a report given at the Spring Assembly
 - Area 82 will support CERAASA by paying the \$174 requested from the 10 Areas represented at CERAASA
 - The separate Service Weekends for Nova Scotia and Newfoundland will be changed to a combined Virtual Assembly held each spring
 - The Area Guidelines to be corrected in the sections of Alt Delegate Responsibilities and Election of Officers to correspond with the approved minutes from previous Assemblies
 - A total budget for 2022 was approved for \$30,900
- The Alt. DCM Chaired the District 2 meeting in October as I was not able to attend and we had only 1 group represented, plus the Alt. DCM.
- The groups in District 2 have been informed that Chris V. will be contacting them concerning the \$50 payment for the Group Insurance Policy
 - The 4 th Step Inventory in person workshop held by District 2 in October which was a huge success with 29 people in attendance. Our next workshop will be held in December.
 - District 2 still has an opening for the position of Secretary for the 2021/2022 term
 - District 2 will be holding their regular monthly meeting on November 21 at 2pm on Zoom
- 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.
- Yours in Service, Blair A. DCM District 2

Area 82

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

OLD BUSINESS

A) Central Service Elections

CPC – no nominations

Entertainment – no nominations

Mid Winter Round Up – no nominations

Webmaster – no nominations

Co Chair – no nominations

Treasurer – no nominations

Secretary - no nominations

B) Virtual Round Up – Tom R

C) Palooza – Bill

D) Paper Meeting List –

E) Xmas Social –

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to not go ahead with the mid winter round up for 2022

Announcements from the floor

Next meeting Dec 7 21, 7 PM

Meeting adjournment at 7 PM with the Responsibility Pledge.