

District 1, Area 82  
 General Service Committee  
 Zoom Video Conference Meeting  
 July 28/2020

1. **Welcome and Call to Order** by Alt DCM Lisa N. at 2:11 pm. It was agreed by all that the videoconferencing meeting would be recorded using the Zoom platform software.
2. **A Moment of Silence was observed, followed by the Serenity Prayer.**
3. **The Twelve Traditions** were read by Brian
4. **The Twelve Concepts** were read by Christine
5. **Roll Call / GSR Reports**

Emily	Acceptance Group	Alt. GSR
Lisa	Acceptance Group	Alt DCM
Keith	Back to Basics Group	GSR
Natalia	Four Seasons Group	GSR
Leah C	Fresh Start Group	GSR
Rick H.	Highland Park Group	GSR
Jessica M.	Second Chance Group	GSR
Christine M.	Serenity Sisters Group	GSR
Trudy A.	Sunday Night Serenity Group	Area 82 Alt. Delegate
Paul B.	Welcome Group	Secretary of District 1
Michael H	St Margret Bay	GSR
Brian	Hubbard's Group	GSR

- Rick H. – On average, the Highland Park Group is having 12-15 people. they have not had a business meeting a quite some time but will be having one soon Their meetings take place on Tuesdays at 12:15 pm and Fridays at 7:30 pm.
- Emily – The Acceptance Group holds a meeting every Saturday at 10 am, with a good attendance. They are talking to the church about opening a Face to face meeting and will continue to hold a Zoom meeting
- Natalia Alt GSR, of the four seasons. Attendance is great and are getting a lot of international members with a Ave of 28 people. Zoom has been a Saviour and people are starting to get a handle on how zooms Works They a meeting have soon on how to open up their meeting to Face to Face. They are still having their monthly business meetings. With a attendance of 15-20
- Leah – The Fresh Start Group has an open discussion Zoom meeting on Wednesdays at

8:30 pm, except the last Wednesday of every month which is a birthday celebration meeting. Attendance is averaging between 20 to 25. The fresh start group will be having 2 meetings starting in August. 1 will be face to face and the other one will be via Zoom. They have a meeting soon to discuss Face to Face meetings.

- Jessica M. – Attendance is a little lower, in the Second Chance Group's Zoom meetings which are held every Monday and Sunday at 7:30 pm. They will be having a meeting to discuss getting back to Face to Face meetings in the next few days. They continue to have their month Business meetings. Beside that meeting are going well
- Christine M. – The Serenity Sisters Group is a women's group which meets three times a week using the Zoom online platform; that is, every Tuesday and Friday evening at 7 pm, and every Sunday at 12 noon. Serenity sisters are having discussions to continue Face to Face. Their Business meetings are the second Tuesday of every month. They are having 4 birthdays in July with Christine Celebrating 2 years
- **Paul B.** – Meetings are going well, but Attendance is a little lower. Zoom meeting attendance is averaging between 30 and 40 members, with meetings every Tuesday and Saturday nights at 7 pm. The Welcome Group is also sending a contribution to GSO. Their last business meeting was well attended we had 14 people attend. We will be meeting with the church in August to discuss reopening.
- Michael H. from the St Margret Bay group. They had their first Face to Face with an attendance of 8 people. They have 2 meetings, Face to Face on Wednesday at 8 pm and zoom on Sunday at 8 pm. Their attendance as well is getting a lot of international members
- Keith Alt GSR. – Meetings take place on Wednesdays at 8 pm, and on Fridays at 7 pm. Attendance at regular meetings is averaging 25 to 30 people and are having a lot of international members joining the meetings on various days. They also have seen an increase of newcomers in the past month. Keith is celebrating 5 years at the end of the month. They are still doing their Group business meetings
- Brian, GSR for the Hubbard's group. Attendance is half of what it used to be and are getting a lot of international members. They are facing the same issue as a lot of groups with the decision to go to Face to Face or stay on Zoom
- Trudy, Sunday Night Serenity Group. They have opened their Face to Face meetings and there is few restrictions. Their door is lock shortly after 7 and they have a contact list. Meetings are held in the Gym

**6. Call for New Business Agenda Items.** New business items were introduced:

1. Nominations for DCM
2. Nominations for Alt DCM
3. Area Budget for the fall assembly
4. Anonymity of email correspondences
5. Anonymity of recording of meetings
6. Central Service Chairperson's request for alternative District 1 General Service Committee meeting
7. Email from District 1 and District 2 and from Alt DCM of District 10

**Motion to Approve the Agenda. Paul moved** that the agenda be approved as amended, and Heather C. **seconded. Motion carried** unanimously.

**7 Amended Minutes of the February 23, 2020, District 1 Meeting**

**Omissions and corrections:**

Paul is going to go through the Tape recording of the meeting and tried to bring back some minutes

**8 Minutes of the July 28, 2020, District 1 Meeting**

- a. Omissions and corrections:** None. **Motion to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2020, District 1 meeting** was made by Leah, **seconded** by Jessica. **Motion passed** unanimously.

**Officer's Reports**

**a. Treasurer's Report**

- Lisa N., Opening working bank balance: \$3749.09 Deposits totaling: \$120.00. No cashed cheques. Closing bank balance: \$2128.76. Opening prudent reserve balance: \$2,128.76 Interest deposit: \$0.09. Prudent reserve account closing balance: \$2,128.85. Equity share balance: \$5.00. Total assets: \$5882.94
- Paul Ask does Steve have to pay back any money we already reimburse him. Lisa Said yes he owes money back from assembly and maybe for the ticket for Cerressa . Lisa will follow up with Steve and report back at the next meeting
- Leah is wondering what the expenses for Steve was. Lisa mentioned there was DCM expenses and will get more details and report back
- Trudy clarified it was not Cerressa it was the Regional Forum
- Budgeted to Actual Report - There were expenses in June for \$20.00 for Steve for Zoom Fees, we have a Surplus for \$100 to year to date January to December actuals is \$317.84
- Contributions Sober Gals closed, and they gave us \$120.00 for the month of June totalling contribution for the year 1317.15

**b. Secretary's Report: See Attachment**

**c. Alternate DCM'S Report: See Attachment**

**d. DCM's Report** None

**9 Other Reports**

- a. Central Service Committee Chairperson** by Michael H. Reports the following They had 25 ppl present at their CS meeting ,there is no Covid insurance ,CSR and GSR please contact the Webmaster if there is any changes to Face to Face meetings or Zoom or any changes to positions in your group there is a new search function on the Web site ,CPC really busy during Covid , Flyer went to Doctors NS, had a call from a Pharmacy

looking for Info, Entertainment there is no camping at Dollar lake Corrections all meeting on hold ,Literature is maintaining its inventory in a great facility ,Mid winter Round up is going Virtual in Feb, News letter need your Face to Face information and any other group updates ,PI attended workshops in the USA and Bill sent out flyers to Doctors NS

b. **Area 82 Representative's Report** by Trudy A, Alternate General Service Delegate, Area 82:

- Trudy would like to remind all GSR to please send all information to the Webmaster about Face to Face and Zoom meetings ASAP because the quicker its out there more members will be aware of what groups are opening and what Groups are still on Zoom.
- Please check the meeting guide App and to make sure all information is accurate
- The Assembly in October is Virtual, and the area is exploring the option of setting up a poll for the election process
- Zoom classes will resume to prepare the GSR" S for the upcoming election
- First order of business in the October Assembly is the Election and the Second is the Area Budget

**Motion to approve the Reports of the July 28 District 1 meeting** was made by Paul., **seconded** by Rick. **Motion passed** unanimously.

## 10 Unfinished Business

- a. **Feedback from District 1 groups on hosting CERAASA 2023 in Nova Scotia from February 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023.** [A total of \$2,500 in seed money will likely be available (repayable). [CERAASA 2021](#) is scheduled to be held in St. Catharines, Ontario, from February 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021.]. Trudy reports that If we cancel Cerressa we owe the Hotel 45000 and if they cancel, we owe nothing. This is because we still can be under the Covid 19 Restrictions. Lots of discussion took place and it was decided that we take this back to our groups for another discussion. More information is needed from the Groups to move forward.
- b. **Two motions approved by the Acceptance Group on June 20, 2020, for consideration by the District 1 General Service Committee**

- 1- Acceptance Group Passed Motion #1: As stipulated by a motion passed at the 2017 Area82 Assembly, and if the calculations deem a contribution for 2019 is necessary, the Acceptance Group maintains that the required Area 82 contribution to GSO for fiscal year 2019 ought to be made on or before October 31, 2020, by any officer of the Area 82Executive Committee. Background information: Dwayne M.'s approved 2017 Area 82 Assembly motion (see New Business Item #1, above, for details). There was a lot of discussion and confusion and questions on this motion. It was determined that it was missed **Emily GSR for the acceptance group agrees to rescind the first motion for it has been resolved**

2 -Acceptance Group Passed Motion #2: The Acceptance Group asserts that once the required Area 82 contribution has been made to GSO for fiscal year 2019 as per Motion #1(immediately above), the "excess funds guideline proposal" motion passed at the Area 82

Assembly in October 2017 is rescinded. Brian ask for more clarity on this motion. After a lot of discussion and comments, **Leah suggested that this be brought back to our next meeting as a Single motion where we can discuss this in more detail.** All Agreed

**District 1 Treasurer position opening.** AltDCM Lisa N, called three times for nominations to fill the vacant District 1 Treasurer position. No nominations were received. Lisa N. will continue as Acting Treasurer.

## 11 New Business Items

- A. **District 1 DCM position opening** Paul nominated Lisa for DCM and she accepted this Position. She Qualified and was voted in as DCM
- B. **D District 1 Treasurer position opening 1 Alt DCM position opening** Lisa nominated Paul B for Alt DCM and he accepted the positioned Paul Qualified and was voted in Alt DCM. Emily ask Paul was this going to be too much work. Paul indicated not at all. Leah Ask was Paul going to Step Down as Secretary yes, the will but will continue the duties until we find a Secretary Emily Abstained
- C. **District 1 Secretary position opening** Trudy animated Leah and she Declined
- D. **Central Service Chairperson's request for alternative District 1 General Service Committee meeting: Paul** recommends that CS need to change their guidelines and then we can discuss this topic. It was agreeing to rescind this item of new business
- E. **Email from District 1 and District 2 and from Alt DCM of District 10:** There was a long discussion from the GSR" s and many unanswered questions and confusion. Trudy A explained what it reads in the Area 82 guidelines It was decided to put this proposal to rest. See Attachment of proposal

Lisa N asked if any items can be deferred because we are well over our time. Brian indicated that the Anonymity of recording of meetings can be tabled to the next meeting. Lisa N ask Keith is it ok to table his item and he was not present, so it automatically got tabled to the next meeting. Paul indicated he would like his item discussed for he has to do the minutes as Secretary

- F. **Anonymity of email correspondences** Paul made a motion to send out emails with out BCC everyone. Leah second the motion. After, various comments and suggestions , a vote was taken, and motion was defeated.  
Brain made a motion to ask the Secretary to always BCC all of the GSR" s Paul and Lisa and Jessica and Natalie has abstained. Motion was passed

**12he next District 1 General Service Committee meeting** will be held by online Zoom video conferencing on **Sunday, Aug 30, 2020, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.**

**13The next District 1 Workshop** will be held by online Zoom video conferencing on **Sunday, Sept 27, 2020, from 1:00 to 2:00 pm.** The workshop topic is: **Third Legacy Procedure**

**14 Adjournment – Rick. moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Paul Motion carried** unanimously. Lisa N declared the meeting adjourned at 4:45

**15Meeting closed with the Responsibility Pledge.**

