

**District 1, Area 82
General Service Committee
ZOOM VIDEO Conference Meeting – Oct 26, 2022**

Welcome and Call to Order:

Meeting opened by Paul B. at 7:00 pm. It was agreed by all that the video conferencing meeting would be recorded using Zoom software.

1. A Moment of Silence was observed, followed by the Serenity Prayer

2. Twelve Traditions: The Twelve Traditions were read by Rick.

3. Twelve Concepts: The Twelve Concepts were read by Jonathan.

4. Interpretation of Concepts: Concept 10 was interpreted by Michelle.

November - Concept 11 Interpretation – Michael

5. Roll Call / GSR Reports¹:

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT	HOME GROUP	DISTRICT 1 EXECUTIVE	UPDATES
No (Tie only)	Welcome	DCM - Paul B	In attendance, see Appendix C
Yes	Highland Park	Treasurer – Rick	In attendance, see Appendix A plus attachments 1 & 2
Yes	Back To Basics	Alt-Treasurer– Mary W	In attendance
Yes	Back To Basics	Secretary– Michelle W	In attendance, see Appendix B
VOTING	HOME GROUP	DISTRICT 1 GSR's	UPDATES
Yes	Back to Basics	Michael H	Wednesday & Friday, in person
Yes	Highland Park	Sharon N	Tuesday & Friday, in person
Yes	Downtown Halifax	Jonathan	Wednesday on Zoom, Sunday in person
Yes	Fresh Start	Pam B.	Wednesday & Friday in person
Yes	Acceptance	Rick A	Saturday
VOTING	HOME GROUP	OBSERVERS	UPDATES
No	Highland Park	Stacey	Observer, will be replacing Sharon as GSR on Jan 1

- *8 voting members in attendance, the DCM will only vote in the event of a tie.*

6. Call for New Business Agenda Items:

-Area Officers Meeting

7. Motion to Approve the October 26, 2022, agenda:

-Michelle made a motion to approve the agenda, Michael seconded, motion passed.

8. September 28, 2022, Meeting Minutes:

a. Errors, omissions & corrections – No errors or omissions were raised.

¹ GSR reports may include, *among other things*: notices of group meetings; numbers participating in group meetings; updates on group meeting formats and other group activities; participation rates in group business meetings, and updates and descriptions of group members' involvement in sponsorship and in service to Alcoholics Anonymous, etc.

b. Motion to approve the minutes – Michael made a motion to approve the minutes, Jonathan seconded, motion passed.

9. Officer's Reports:

Treasurer's Report: Rick provided the Treasurer's report, see Appendix A (Treasurer's Report), Attachment 1 (District 1 – Budgeted to Actual) and Attachment 2 (District 1 – Group Contributions) at the end of the minutes.

Secretary's Report: Michelle presented the Secretary Report, see Appendix B.

Alternate DCM's Report: Position vacant.

DCM's Report: Paul presented the DCM report, see Appendix C.

Questions for the DCM:

If the media inquiries he received had gone to Central Service instead of the District 1 DCM, would they have known to sent that to the GSD?

DCM was uncertain on this answer.

Regarding the answering service he mentioned in his report, can he confirm where we are with that item?

DCM explained he sent an inquiry in for a quote back from them for the answering service, which would be similar to the current Central Service telephone committee from a responsibility perspective. District 6 currently uses this service and pays \$90 a month, whereas Central Service currently pays approximately \$300 a month for the telephone.

How would this be handled if we want to make use of that service, should the quote be reasonable/under \$300?

This item would be discussed at the District 1 level and taken back to groups for discussion, if the District voted for that, then groups would filter any recommendation through their group CSR's to Central Service.

10. Other Reports:

Central Service Chair's Report: CS chair emailed her report, the Secretary read the CS Chair's Report, see Appendix D.

Area 82 Representative: No Area 82 representative provided a report.

11. Unfinished Business:

-Elections for District 1 positions for 2023-2024:

DCM called for nominations for the DCM role, no nominations were put forward.

DCM called for nominations for the Secretary role, no nominations were put forward.

DCM called for nominations for the Alt DCM role, no nominations were put forward.

DCM called for nominations for the Alt Treasurer role, no nominations were put forward.

GSR Action: Discuss with your group the need for participation at the District level. Currently, the District is looking for a DCM, Alt DCM, Alt Treasurer, and Secretary. Recruit where possible and bring potential committee members to the November meeting.

DCM Action: Determine what type of service pamphlets are available to help communicate the District 1 roles to the groups.

Questions for the DCM:

Is the recommendation that the district committee members should be going back to the groups to have GSR's nominated, who can then stand for the district executive or can anyone stand for these positions?

If a member meets the qualifications for the role and the body elects that member, they do not necessarily have to be a GSR. Qualifications can be found on the aahalifax.org website in the District 1 Guidelines.

-Discuss with your group how you feel the CS Committees/Districts should be organized.

There was extensive discussion around CS Committees and District 1 and 2 have worked in the past and how they work today vs. how they could work in the future. Knowing how Central Service has struggled with executive role participation, District 1 and District 2 struggle to have a full executive and GSR complement, how can we make the best use of the collective members who do participate?

For example, Central Service currently has all the committees under their mandate, including PI, CPC, Corrections, should we consider moving these to the Districts 1 & 2 in the future?

Should we consider amalgamating Districts 1 & 2 and have a joint executive for these two districts?

Motion: A motion was brought to the floor to combine District 1 and District 2 and GSO committees. The motion was defeated.

This was followed by some general discussion about the motion and the desire of the GSR's in attendance to get their group conscience prior to voting on this type of motion.

GSR Action: GSR's to take back to their groups the idea of combining District 1, District 2 and all GSO committees (CPC, PI, Corrections & Treatment) under one body, to better serve group and district interests. GSR's to bring any recommendations from their groups back to the next District 1 meeting for further discussion and direction.

-Motion Logbook: Forward to next meeting

Work has started on the new motion logbook with 2020 meeting minutes review, the secretary will continue to work on the logbook.

Secretary Action: Continue work on recreating the Motion Logbook in paper form for the District 1 motions.

12. New Business:

- Area Officers Meeting:

DCM Action:

-Take the issue on the Treasurer's Report for Area related to the GSO Conference expense line being inaccurate. Mary W to forward the details of the issue to the DCM, the area treasurer, and the area delegate for review.

-Discuss the idea of polling the Districts in Area 82 to determine what the barriers are to service participation at the Area in person and zoom assemblies and lack of participation of the groups at the district meetings throughout the area.

13. Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 30th, 2022 – 7 - 9 pm

14. Next District 1 Workshop: Wednesday, November 30, 2022, 6 – 7 pm (Kindling Your Passion With Service)

15. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 8:32 pm.

16. Meeting closed with the Responsibility Pledge

Appendix A – Treasurer’s Report

District 1, Area 82 Monthly Financial Statement Month Ending 30 Sep 2022

<u>Operating Account - Opening Balance</u>	<u>\$ 3,435.60</u>
Deposits – 14 Sep 22 Any Lengths Big Book	\$ 60.00
<u>Operating Account – Closing Balance</u>	<u>\$ 3,495.60</u>
Pending Deposits:	Nil
Pending Withdrawal:	Nil
<u>Operating Account – Working Balance</u>	<u>\$ 3,495.60</u>
<u>Prudent Reserve – Opening Balance</u>	<u>\$ 1000.15</u>
Deposits - Interest (29 Sep)	\$ 0.21
Withdrawals -	Nil
<u>Prudent Reserve - Closing Balance</u>	<u>\$ 1000.36</u>
Pending Deposits:	Nil
Pending Withdrawals	Nil
<u>Prudent Reserve – Working Balance</u>	<u>\$ 1000.36</u>
<u>Equity Share - Account Balance</u>	<u>\$ 5.00</u>
<u>Total Assets</u>	<u>\$ 4,500.96</u>

Sign



Attachment 1 to the Treasurer's Report – District 1 Budgeted to Actual

District 1, Area 82														30-Sep-22	
Budgeted to Actual Report for 2022															
For the first month period ending Sep 30, 2022															
Revenue	2022													2022	2022
	Proposed Budget	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Jan1 to Sep30 Actual	Jan1 to Sep30 Variance F(U)*
Group Contributions	\$ -	\$ 265.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 310.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 753.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 340.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 60.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,578.00	\$ -
Seventh Tradition	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Totals	\$ -	\$ 265.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 310.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 753.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 340.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 60.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,578.00	\$ -
Room	\$ 300.00	\$ 210.71	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -210.71	\$ -
Rent	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
Workshops	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
ERAASA or Regional Forum - DCM	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
Assembly - DCM	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -500.00	\$ -
Assembly - ADCM	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
Nova Scotia Service Weekend - DCM	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
Nova Scotia Service Weekend - ADCM	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
Expenses - DCM	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
Expenses - ADCM	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
Expenses - Secretary	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
Expenses - Treasurer	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
Insurance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
Miscellaneous	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
2022 Nova Scotia Provincial Roundup	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
2022 Nova Scotia Provincial Roundup - Reimbursement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.00	\$ -
Totals	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 54.29	\$ 115.00	\$ 310.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 753.00	\$ -300.00	\$ 340.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 60.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,867.29	\$ -
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ -	\$ 54.29	\$ 115.00	\$ 310.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 753.00	\$ -500.00	\$ 340.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 60.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,667.29	\$ -

Attachment 2 to the Treasurer's Report – District 1 Group Contributions

2022 District 1 Group Contributions															
Group	Meeting	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	
1	Acceptance Group													\$ -	
2	Any Lengths Big Book Study Group	\$ 35.00			\$ 35.00					\$ 60.00				\$ 130.00	
3	Armview Sunday Morning													\$ -	
4	Atlantic Group					\$ 253.00								\$ 253.00	
5	Back to Basics Group													\$ -	
6	Bedford Group													\$ -	
7	Downtown Halifax Group													\$ -	
8	Four Seasons Group							\$ 340.00						\$ 340.00	
9	Freedom Group	\$ 230.00	\$ 115.00											\$ 345.00	
10	Fresh Start Group			\$ 110.00										\$ 110.00	
11	Grateful Group													\$ -	
12	Halifax Sunday Morning Group													\$ -	
13	Halifax Young Peoples Group													\$ -	
14	Highland Park Group					\$ 200.00								\$ 200.00	
15	Hubbards Group													\$ -	
16	Hubbards Step Sisters Group													\$ -	
17	Lions Den Group													\$ -	
18	Live & Let Live Group													\$ -	
19	Living in the Solution Group								\$ 500.00					\$ 500.00	
20	Lost & Found Big Book Discussion Group													\$ -	
21	New Hope Group - Gone													\$ -	
22	Only Requirement Group													\$ -	
23	Primary Purpose Group													\$ -	
24	Recovery Support Meeting, Mt. Uniacke													\$ -	
25	Second Chance Group													\$ -	
26	Serenity Sisters Group					\$ 310.00								\$ 310.00	
27	St. Margarets Bay Group													\$ -	
28	Step 11 Meditation Open Meeting													\$ -	
29	Sunday Night Serenity Group													\$ -	
30	Timberlea Group													\$ -	
31	The Last Stop Meeting													\$ -	
32	Welcome Group						\$ 200.00							\$ 200.00	
33	West End Step Group													\$ -	
Totals		\$ 265.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 763.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 340.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 60.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,388.00	

Appendix B – Secretary’s Report

District 1 Secretary’s Report October 26, 2022

Below is a recap of the activities of the District 1 Secretary since our last meeting.

October Activities:

- District 1 meeting minutes:
 - Completed meeting minutes, emailed to District 1 executive and GSR group.
 - Emailed to the Webmaster for updating on the AA website.
- 2022 District 1 Contact Group:
 - Maintained existing GSR group contacts, mailing and email records as required.
- Communications:
 - District communications (meeting minutes, provincial & regional news, district agenda, reports, etc.).
 - Communications on behalf of the District DCM.
- Other Business
 - Began work on the new Motion Log for the year 2020, will continue on this in the coming weeks.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions related to this report. Michelle

Appendix C – DCM's Report

DCM
Monthly report
Oct 26/2022

Good evening, friend, it's an honor and privilege to Serve as your DCM. In our District, we are in need of several positions to be filled and hopefully you all can bring this back to your groups. In order for the district to function as a District t, we will need at least the Secretary and Treasurer positions to be filled. However, it's extremely important to have a DCM to Represent the District at the area level. Below are some of the highlights

- Contacted several Members to see if they were interested in the district executive positions
- Attending the area officer meeting, in which a lot of questions were raised in regards to the Financials. There were 2500 separated into several categories, which threw members wondering why this was necessary.
- Asked Area to do a poll to see how other Districts are doing with the lack of Service in Area 82. The GSD will bring back a poll at the next Quarterly meeting.
- Reach out to other districts to get information on what they are doing in their districts regarding Service
- Please check out some of the cool things on the AA.org website

In closing as mentioned above, our District is in need for members to step up on the district levels. Please pass this along, thank you for allowing me to Represent all of you as the DCM of District 1.

Yours in Service

DCM District 1

Paul

Appendix D – CS Chair's Report

Good evening everyone, I am Samaira and I serve as your Central Service Chair. I'm very sorry that I'm unable to attend this meeting tonight.

We will be having our elections again on November 1 at 7 PM on zoom. There are many ways to show how grateful we are for our sobriety. This is a great way to give back what was so freely given to us.

Things are gearing up for the mid winter round up in February. Our website, AAhalifax.org has all the updated information.

Yours in Service
Samaira G.
C.S. Chair

Have a blessed day.