

**District 1, Area 82
General Service Committee
ZOOM VIDEO Conference Meeting – September 27th 2023**

Welcome and Call to Order:

Meeting opened by Michael H 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 Rachael
- 3. Twelve Concepts:** The Twelve Concepts were read by Michelle
- 4. Interpretation of Tradition:** Interpretation of Tradition 8 read by Jonathan, Tradition 9 to be done by Samaria.

5. Roll Call / GSR Reports¹:

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT	HOME GROUP	DISTRICT 1 EXECUTIVE	UPDATES
Yes	Back to Basics	DCM- Michael H	
Yes	Back to Basics	Treasurer – Mary W	
Yes	Downtown Halifax	Secretary– Jonathan	
VOTING	HOME GROUP	DISTRICT 1 GSR's	UPDATES
Yes	Back to Basics	Michelle W	
Yes	Four Seasons	Gilles	
Yes	Highland Park	Stacey	
Yes	Sunday Serenity	Racheal S	
Yes	Welcome Group	Paul B	
Yes	Second Chance	Samaira	
Yes	Acceptance	Rick	

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

6. Call for New Business Agenda Items:

- Rules of Debate

7. Motion to Approve the September 2023, agenda:

- Approved by 9-0 vote.

8. September 2023, Meeting Minutes:

- a. Errors, omissions & corrections – No errors or omissions were raised.
- b. Motion to approve the minutes –Voted on by 9-0 vote.

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.

9. Officer's Reports:

Treasurer's Report: Mary W presented her Treasurer report. See attachment for End September 2023 Financial Report.

Secretary's Report:

August 2023 District One Activities:

- Wrote last months minutes and distributed to website and GSR's.
- Wrote up the agenda for this months District meeting.
- Passed on e-mails from DCM too the GSR's
- Passed on Fall Assembly agenda and meeting information to GSR's

Alternate DCM's Report: Position vacant.

DCM:

DCM 1 September Report

Open Executive Positions for Election

1. Alternate DCM
2. Alternate Treasurer

It is important that these positions be filled. This is a great way to give back what was so freely given to us. Please find the courage and time to commit to help AA Service at the District level.

Group Insurance Status:

This is the last mention of Group Insurance for this year. The AA group insurance policy will be renewed on October 3rd, 2023, and will be open to all groups in Nova Scotia. For groups in District 1, there will be no change from previous years.

Groups currently insured will automatically be carried over to the new policy with the address that is on file. If your group has moved, going to move, or is new, Central Service Insurance Rep Foster L. @ treasurer.aahalifax@gmail.com must be informed to keep the Insurance Contract current.

Annual fee will not be sought at this time (last year was \$50). This year it will probably be around \$30. Due January 2024. More info to come soon regarding group payments.

Attended the Active Area Committee meetings. District 1 DCM, CPC, and Treatment attended. It is an open invite to all committee's who report to Central Service to update all in Area 82 what's happening regarding Committee's. Area 82 Corrections Rep reported at this time, that there's movement afoot regarding AA Zoom meetings within the facilities, facilitated by AA members. It's currently on the rise in the USA, and talks are now taking place in Canada. These are the types of things that we learn at the Active Area Committee meetings held every month on the last Monday.

Finally, this is our last District1 meeting on zoom before the Area 82 Fall Assembly, held at Corner Brook NL. Oct 6-8. There have been many emails regarding this event sent to GSR's. The cost, times, dates, Zoom Addresses for specific meetings within the Assembly. For more information, its all under <https://area82aa.org/events/> Area 82 Fall Assembly. I look forward to seeing as many GSR's as possible from District 1.

Have a great day all!

Yours in service,

Michael H.
DCM 1 Area 82.

10. Other Reports:

Central Service Rep:

- Well attended Central Service meetings.
- Executive elections coming up in October
- Insurance liaison position to be voted in.
- Central Service guidelines review coming.
- Still lots of committee chairs- co chairs to be filled
- AA has talent rescheduled to December 9th.

Area 82 Representative: N/A

11. Unfinished Business:

Elections for Alt DCM/ Alt Treasurer- No nominations.

Grapevine Display- Sunday Serenity group has it, going to Highland Park group next.

12. New Business:

Motion 1- MOTION: District 14 is presenting a motion that in order to the have the Area Assembly more accessible, all Area Meetings will have the option for all districts and groups to attend via Zoom.

Was discussed by everyone and agreed on this motion by a vote of 9-0. Was agreed that there is no downside to this as it pertains to accessibility for maximum participation of attending, and assists the groups as it pertains to cost of sending their GSR's to the Fall Assembly.

Motion 2- Motion: To end the mis-use of 7th Tradition contributions for the purchase of mementos, to exchange as gifts during the General Service Conference.

Was discussed by everyone and was voted 7-2 in favor of the motion. Some groups would like an amendment made to set a cap on limit of 7th for mementos/ gifts.

ADHOC committee, guidelines 2022 recommendations-

All agreed that time restraints to go through these during the Fall Assembly will be challenging, recommendation is to send back to ADHOC to revise and re-format.

Rules of Debate- Was brought up as a reminder that during assemblies, or business meetings that people are voting on the root of the motion and not to take things personal. It has always been about principles and not personalities.

13. Next Meeting: Wednesday October 25th 2023, 6 pm.

14. Next District 1 Workshop: November 29th, 6 pm, 2023

15. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:57pm

16. Meeting closed with the Responsibility Pledge