

**District 1, Area 82
General Service Committee
ZOOM VIDEO Conference Meeting – August 30th 2023**

Welcome and Call to Order:

Meeting opened by Michael H at 6:00 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 Mike M

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

4. Interpretation of Tradition: Interpretation of Tradition 7 read by Mike M, Tradition 8 to be done by Sharman.

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	Mike M	
Yes	Highland Park	Stacey	
Yes	Downtown Halifax	Maria R	
Yes	Serenity Sisters	Sharman	
Yes	Sunday Serenity	Racheal S	
Yes	Welcome Group	Paul B	
Yes	Second Chance	Samaira	
Yes	Fresh Start	Pam	

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

6. Call for New Business Agenda Items:

- Fall Assembly Finances, at Fall Assembly, typically the DCM's and GSR's do not see the Area 82 Budget. Mary wanted to go though the budget of the last Fall Assembly so groups could possibly formulate questions to be asked.

7. Motion to Approve the August 2023, agenda:

- Samaria made a motion to approve the agenda and Mary seconded, motion passed 10-0.

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.

8. July 2023, Meeting Minutes:

- a. Errors, omissions & corrections – No errors or omissions were raised.
- b. Motion to approve the minutes –Samaria made a motion to approve the minutes, Michelle seconded, motion passed 10-0.

9. Officer's Reports:

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

Also reminded the GSR's that groups should be discussing on where their 7th Tradition will be going.

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
- Made up and distributed September 2023 Workshop flyer to all DCMS, Area Secretary, Newsletter and Website

Alternate DCM's Report: Position vacant.

DCM:

DCM 1 August Report

A few short notices of importance.

Open Executive Positions

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 to commit to help AA Service at the District level.

Group Insurance Status:

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.

Those updates of your groups should be in by Sept 15 so Foster can liaise with the insurance broker.

Annual fee will not be sought at this time (last year was \$50). More info to come soon regarding group payments.

Finally, the September workshop on the last Wednesday, 27 Sept 2023 at 6 pm, on the District 1 Zoom identification platform will be titled, " Traditions". The workshop guest speaker will be our very own alt-gsd of area 82 Mr. Dwayne M. Please check your newsletter for more details.

Have a great day all!

Yours in service,

Michael H.

DCM 1 Area 82.

10. Other Reports:

Central Service Rep:

- Insurance Liaison Chair to be established under Central Service.
- CPC/PI having monthly workshops in Sackville at 45 Connolly Road.
- Point Pleasant Park Picnic coming in September
- AA has Talent coming in September
- Continue to look for Chairs for a lot of the Comities.

Area 82 Representative: N/A

11. Unfinished Business:

Elections for Alt DCM/ Alt Treasurer- No nominations.

Grapevine Display- Four Seasons Group has it. Going to the Sunday Serenity group next.

12. New Business:

Finances- Mary reiterated what she was saying at the start of the meeting that the GSR's can take a look at the last Assembly budget, and groups can formulate questions that they may want answered at the Area level.

ADHOC Committee - Michelle W explained that this pertains to guidelines. The committee wanted to go back at the Area level through all motions to see if it was done correctly. Also, any new changes to guidelines that are coming are brought into the light here.

Motion 1- end the practice of the 7th Tradition being used to purchase mementos/ gifts to visiting GSD's.

Motion 2- Motion to have all Area Assembly's available on Zoom.

Area Officer and DCM Quarterly Meeting – usually happens before Assembly, a lot of topics due to time restraints are passed onto next day and then the next assembly. During Covid, they were meeting, eventually allowed observers but no questions allowed.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that this needs to be adjusted and corrected therefore it ensures that the whole of AA is making the decisions.

Missing Minutes from Area was brought up, and it was also agreed that it would be better to ask in person at the Assembly in lieu of sending an e-mail.

13. Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 27th 2023, 7 pm.

14. Next District 1 Workshop: September 27th, 6 pm, 2023

15. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm

16. Meeting closed with the Responsibility Pledge