

**District 1, Area 82**  
**General Service Committee**  
**ZOOM VIDEO Conference Meeting – March 29<sup>th</sup>, 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 Pamela.

**3. Twelve Concepts:** The Twelve Concepts were read by Michelle W

**4. Interpretation of Tradition 3:** Tradition 3 was interpreted by Stacy.

**April– Tradition 4 Interpretation – Michelle**

**5. Roll Call / GSR Reports<sup>1</sup>:**

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT	HOME GROUP	DISTRICT 1 EXECUTIVE	UPDATES
Yes (Tie only)	Back to Basics	DCM - Michael	
Yes	Back to Basics	Treasurer – Mary W	
		Alt-Treasurer–N/A	
Yes	Downtown Halifax	Secretary– Jonathan	
VOTING	HOME GROUP	DISTRICT 1 GSR's	UPDATES
Yes	Back to Basics	Michelle W	
Yes	Four Seasons	Mike H	
Yes	Downtown Halifax	Peter J	
Yes	Sunday Night Serenity	Rachael	
Yes	Second Chance	Samaira	
Yes	Welcome	Paul B	
Yes	Fresh Start	Pamela	
Yes	Highland Park	Stacy	
YES	Halifax Sunday Morning	Pam S	

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

**6. Call for New Business Agenda Items:**

- Zoom District Meetings to In Person Meeting
- Workshop
- Conference in Newfoundland

**7. Motion to Approve the March 29<sup>th</sup> 2023, agenda:**

- Pamela made a motion to approve the agenda, Jonathan seconded, motion passed.

<sup>1</sup> 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. February 2023, Meeting Minutes:

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

## 9. Officer's Reports:

Treasurer's Report: Mary W Presented the District 1 February 2023 Financial Report ( attached to the Minutes), 2023 Group Contributions, Bank Statement and Proposed Budget (all were attached to the Agenda)

Secretary's Report:

March 2023 District One Activities:

- Wrote up the minutes of the February 2023 District One Meeting and distributed to the GSR's. Will be submitting to the website upon approval tonight.
- Passed along all correspondence from the DCM to the District One GSR's and from the GSR's to the DCM.
- Entered a few of the new GSR's to the District One contact list, ensured they had their GSR form filled and passed along the information to the GSO.
- Meeting with the DCM and Treasurer to talk about Agenda items for this meeting.

Alternate DCM's Report: Position vacant.

## 10. Other Reports:

Central Service Chair's Report: Samaira presented the Central Service Chair's report.

- Stressed that Central Service are still looking to fill lots of committee chairs and co chairs.
- CPC chair and committee has been filled.
- ADHOC Phone Committee has been formed to report on answering service.

Area 82 Representative: N/A

## 11. Unfinished Business:

- **Proposed 2023 Budget-** the last part of the Budget that had to be discussed was Proposed Revenue to bring in at \$4, 680 dollars.
- Mary W put a motion on the floor to approve the revenue of the Group Contributions at \$4680 dollars for the 2023 Proposed Budget. Samariah seconded. Motion passed.

**Elections for Alt DCM/ Alt Treasurer-** No nominations.

**Grapevine Display-** Discussion was had to come to a decision on whether we should search for the display by going back thru the minutes, asking people in groups on if they have seen it. Was also discussed if we could purchase a new one.

Michelle W mentioned that a wide search was completed including a notice on the website and newsletter.

Samariah mentioned that even if the old one is found that it is likely out dated so purchasing a new one may be the right way to go.

Mary W noted that the last kit was actually made from a member.

Samaria stepped up and will make up a Grapevine Display Kit.

Motion by Michael H that Samaria to make up a Grapevine Display Kit so she can show it to the group at the next District Meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup>d by Samaria, motion passed.

## 12. New Business:

**Area 82 Officers Meeting (end of April)-** District would like to bring up to the Area reps about the Participation Survey going forward.

- Searching for last years missing minutes.
- Guideline updates.
- Minutes that have not been put on line.

**Disbursement of Funds-** Central Service Treasurer has told District that they do not need money and Mary W is still waiting for a response from the Area Treasurer. Mary W then asked if we should send money to GSO.

After a discussion it was agreed as we approved the 2023 Budget that \$1000 be sent to GSO.

**Unity and Participation:** Mary W proposed bringing back 4 committees (Treatment, Corrections, CPC and PI) from GSO and back to the District Level to help encourage more participation.

District 2 is also interested and both Districts have thought that splitting the 4 committees in two.

Samaira outlined the 4 committees to the group for the benefit of the new GSR's and explained that they fall under Central Service .

It was brought up by Michael H that in the service manual that those committees actually do fall under the District level.

It was brought up that the GSR's would have to report to their groups to discuss and the CSR's for the group would need to bring this up at the Central Service Level.

Also we would need to discuss with District 2.

GSR's to take this back to their groups to discuss: There is a movement to have 4 committees (Treatment/ Corrections/ CPC/PI) under Central Service back to District 1 and 2 so that it aligns with AA and the Service Manual.

GSR's also to ask their groups if they agree that District One and Two should split the committees in half.

**Zoom or in person District Meetings-** was all ready voted on that District One meeting on zoom for this year.

**Workshops:** Samaria mentioned that Area 82 on their website has a great template on Workshops and that workshops should be less speaker meeting, and follow the GSO specifications of what a workshop is. Guide lines should be followed during workshops.

Was suggested that perhaps GSO could come for a work shop on Conferences in general.  
DCM to action.

**Conference in Newfoundland:** flyer to be sent out.

13. **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, April 26, 2023 – 7 - 9 pm
14. **Next District 1 Workshop:** TBD May 31, 2023
15. **Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm
16. **Meeting closed with the Responsibility Pledge**

## **Appendix A**

### **DCM 1 March Report to District 1**

Good evening District 1 members and guests,

Groups have been sending me their group conscience decisions regarding the 73rd Conference Chapter IV on Finance. More specifically on Points from A-F. I will be presenting a District 1 Group Conscience brief on Chapter IV Finance at the 73rd Pre-Conference Workshop. My deadline is Saturday 01 Apr 2023 in the afternoon for tallying all the data, so if there is anyone who still hasn't given me their Groups Conscience report, please do by Friday.

Regarding my visiting groups as I requested last month as the DCM 1, 4 seasons, Downtown Halifax, and Sunday Night Serenity responded. Thank you.

District 1 proudly receives a new GSR. Pam S. of Halifax Sunday Morning in the Dixon Centre. Welcome Pam and thank you for stepping up for the GSR role for the next 2 years.

We are still looking for the now infamous Grapevine Display Kit. I'm curious what District 1 GSR wants to do with this matter. A) Continue looking B) Buy new Grapevine Display Literature

I attended the Active Area 82 Committee Meeting Monday night 27th March. It's on the last Monday of each month on zoom. The Zoom data can be found under Area 82 "Events" drop down at <https://area82aa.org/events/>. This is a chance for GSRs to get to know and chat with the Area Officers and Committee Members. The Archivist mentioned that there can be flash drives made available for e-archived literature, and the Area 82 Web manager expressed that the Area 82 website can be a great place to advertise/utilize what is going on in the Districts for a greater audience as well as AAHalifax.org.

With regards to GSRs attending the Fall Assembly in October, at Corner Brook NL, the alt-GSD is looking at alternative travel arrangements for those who require it. The alt-GSD has a mandate to propose options at the May Spring Assembly on zoom this year.

Furthermore, there is an Event Flyer that all District 1 GSR should have received for the Corner Brook event. Noteworthy: Greenwood Inn is giving an AA price for a block of rooms. How many is not known.

Hope that District 1 Groups send their GSR's. Re: The AA Service Manual page 8, Duties and Responsibilities #1 of the GSR states that "GSR's are asked to attend and participate in these assemblies."

Yours in Love and Service,

Michael H.  
DCM1

