

**District 1, Area 82
General Service Committee
ZOOM VIDEO Conference Meeting May 27th, 2026**

Welcome and Call to Order:

Meeting opened by Barney 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 Kim.
- 3. Twelve Concepts:** The Twelve Concepts were read by John.
- 4.** Interpretation of Concept 5 By Oli, interpretation of Concept 6 will be done next month by Kim.
- 5. Roll Call / GSR Reports:**

VOTING MEMBER S PRESENT	HOME GROUP	DISTRICT 1 EXECUTIVE	UPDATES
Tie only	Back to Basics	DCM- Barney W	
Yes	Back to Basics	Treasurer- Michelle W	
VOTING	HOME GROUP	DISTRICT 1 GSR's	UPDATES
Yes	Serenity Sisters	Kim J	
Yes	Back to Basics	Brendon M	
Yes	Fresh Start	Heather	
Yes	Consious Contact	Nathanial	
Yes	Rainbow of recovery	Oli O	
Yes	WESG	Dave T	
Yes	Hubbards	Eric R	
Yes	Downtown Halifax	Maria	
Yes	Lions Den	John H	
No	Alt GSD	Paul B	

10 (plus DCM) voting members in attendance, the DCM will only vote in the event of a tie.

6. Call for New Business Agenda Items:

The agenda passed in Nova Scotia that has now gone to Newfoundland

Also a report on the service weekend

7. Motion to Approve the May agenda:

Motion to approve by Heather, seconded by Kim, agenda approved unanimously.

8. April 2026 Meeting Minutes:

Omissions and corrections

None reported

Motion to approve the minutes by Eric, seconded by Brendon, minutes approved unanimously

9. Officer's Reports:

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer shared and read the:

- Monthly Treasurer Report
- CUA Bank Statement
- Budgeted to Actuals Report
- Group Contributions Report

- **Secretary's Report:** None this month

Alt DCM's Report: Role is vacant. No nominations

DCM:

Barney shared that The biggest part of his month was attending the service weekend in truro. He also made it to the credit union and is now officially a signing member for the district. He has been attending area meetings and is a cohost on the monthly active committee meeting. also has been at both adhoc meetings and reported it is going well but needs more input. The meetings happen every second Sunday at 7pm and all are not only welcome but are encouraged to attend. The next meeting is Sunday June 7th at 7pm.

Motion to pass officers reports

Motion by Kim Seconded by Michelle

Motion passed unanimously.

10. Other Reports:

Central Service Report

From the Central Service May 5th meeting

It was our first hybrid meeting with 17 attending in person and 9 attending via zoom. I think the meeting went well, and we will continue to tweak camera setup to try and make it more like we are all together.

Central Service continues to need positions filled: chair of entertainment and public information, and co-chairs for hospital visitation and treatment. Please announce this to your groups.

We will have our first ever CSR (group Central Service Rep) training/orientation meeting on Monday May 18th at 7pm via Zoom (same zoom link in newsletter for our monthly meetings). This is to review guidelines with CSRs on their rights and responsibilities, to introduce them to Roberts Rules of Order and hopefully get all comfortable to more fully participate in Central Service meetings.

Corrections put on their first meeting at the Burnside jail since COVID...6 years ago! This initial meeting was held on Wed May 13 at 7:30 in the men's side of the institution. Olt was a good turnout with 8 attendees. The next meeting will be in both the mens and womens sides on May 27. Corrections needs more volunteers! Men and Women! Please consider becoming involved and contact Dave T at corrections.aahalifax@gmail.com for what you can do to help.

Public Information (as part of CPC committee) is looking for help from individuals to make phone calls to Drs offices and medical clinics. The purpose is to get permission to bring in "newcomer" pamphlet packets and keep that location stocked with these pamphlets. We had this going before COVID and it's a huge amount of work to get it going again. But every person can make a difference by making some calls on behalf of the committee. Additionally they will need groups to agree to be responsible for a few Drs offices/clinics and keep these pamphlet packets stocked there. Again we had this going before COVID and we're trying to get it going again now. Please reach out to Natalie C at cpc.aahalifax@gmail.com and she'll tell you more.

Alternate GSD report

Area 82 Representative:

Paul B reported,

He talked about the sevice weekend and how productive it was. Spoke of Maria's report being passed so it will go to the assembly. Attendance levels from all districts was down for the service weekend but he is hopeful for higher numbers at the Fall assembly.

Elections- Alt Treasurer, Alt DCM

No nominations for these positions

11. Unfinished Business:

None

12. New Business:

Barney gave a report on the service weekend

Friday night there was a workshop hosted by Mary W on dispersment of funds by groups, with examples of percentages going to District and central service. On Saturday we had the roll call. He noted that while numbers in general were down, district 1 had 9 GSR's attend as opposed to just 4 at last years event. He also reported that the word "Eskimo" has been removed from the big book. While there was no voting at the service weekend there was a lot of good discussion about item that will be voted on in the fall. Succession planing was discussed on Saturday with everyone being asked to respond to the 3 questions that were put forward in an email from Mark Z. Anyone who has not already responded with their answers is encouraged to do so. Good succession planing will help everyone who does service work. Basil gave a workshop on Saturday evening about sucession planing and about service sponserhip and he did an excellent job at it! There was also discussion of non area members filling vacant service positions, there is nothing currently in the guidelines to say that an executive must reside in the district, just that they must be a amember. So even members of virtual groups can fill these positions if elected. That will be discussed and voted on at the fall assembly, which may or may not be available with a hybrid option this year. We did have one vote at the service weekend and that was to extend the archivists term from 2 years to 4 and to make it align better with other district election years.

Paul B added that if any members want to go see the physical archives to get in touch with Kathy or Mary W to arrange a tour.

Workshop Sub-committee

District 1 has a workshop every other month and typically we have what is called a workshop sub-committee, chaired by the Alt DCM. So we are going to see if we can get the sub-committee going again. All GSR's are encouraged to get involved to help plan future workshops. Be expecting an email about this and please think about it.

13. Next Meeting: Wednesday June 24th, 2026, 6:00 pm. But be there for

14. Next District 1 Workshop: Wednesday July 29th 2026, 6:00 pm. followed by our district meeting at 7:00 pm

15. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the meeting by Judy, it was seconded by Brendon, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

16. Meeting closed with the Responsibility Pledge

