District 1, Area 82
General Service Committee
ZOOM VIDEO Conference Meeting September 30th, 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 Lisa L.

3. **Twelve Concepts:** The Twelve Concepts were read by Judy H.

4. Interpretation of Concept 9 will be done next month by Kim. Also concept 10 will be done by Dave.

5. **Roll Call / GSR Reports:**

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT	HOME GROUP	DISTRICT 1 EXECUTIVE	UPDATES
Tie only	Back to Basics	DCM- Barney W	
Yes	Back to Basics	Treasurer- Michelle W	
Yes	Welcome group	Secretary Rob R	
VOTING	**HOME GROUP**	**DISTRICT 1 GSR's**	**UPDATES**
Yes	Serenity Sisters	Teasha M	
Yes	Sunday Night Serenity	Judy H	
Yes	Back to Basics	Brendon M	
Yes	Rainbow of recovery	Oli O	
Yes	Highland Park	Lisa L	
Yes	WESG	Dave T	
Yes	Downtown Halifax	Maria R	
Yes	Hubbards	Eric	
Yes	*Fresh Start*	*Heather*	
Yes	4 Seasons	David D	
Yes	New Hope	Cantrell C	

No	*Observer*	*Brianna C*	

No	*Welcome*	*Rob R*
No	*B2B Alt GSR*	*Daniel W*
No	*CS Cochair*	*Micheal H*
No	*Alt GSD*	*Paul B*
No	*Observer*	*Mary W*

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

6. Call for New Business Agenda Items:

District 1 Elections

7. Motion to Approve the September agenda:

Motion to approve by Brendon M, seconded by Dave T, agenda approved unanimously.

8. August 2026 Meeting Minutes:

Omissions and corrections

Motion to approve the minutes by David D, seconded by Dave T, 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: Rob shared his activities

- Forwarded all correspondence received to all distict 1 GSR's
- Maintained the mailing list

DCM report for District 1

Hello,

My work in the district this month has been mostly focused on our elections. Trying to ensure that the elections are held according to our guidelines and that any interested parties have enough information and support for nominations.

We also continue to prepare for our Fall Assembly which will be held in Corner Brook on October 9-11. Travel arrangements from the airport to Corner Brook can be made with Victoria H. cbassembly@gmail.com.

GSO has supplied a Frequently Asked Questions resource for our upcoming Fifth Edition Big Book. This can be viewed on the Area 82 website.

Yours in Service,

Barney W
Dcm D1

Alt DCM's Report: Role is vacant.

10. Other Reports:

Central Service Report

Central Service Report September 2026
28 Members present-23 Voting Members-5 Observers
Christmas Eve Social - 24 December 2026 - 1PM - 6 PM. $700.00 budgeted for event. Groups
have been for 2 months now, asked to bring this to their groups to see who would like to
volunteer to put it on. I'm asking GSR's of the Districts now to see whom would be interested.
Please let myself or anyone in Central Service know.
The draft 2027 budget has been taken back to the groups for review.
Elections - 2027-2028. Our first Elections round was carried out.The new incumbents have been
filled as follows:
Bluenose Bulletin - Lindsay

Phones - TBD
Webmaster - Bob T.
Entertainment- TBD
Literature - TBD
Hospital Visitation - Lorraine
Help EMail - Chris A.
Insurance - TBD
Cooperation with the PRofessional Community (CPC) - TBD
Corrections - Isaac W.
Public Information (PI) - Natalie C.
Treatment - Albert K.
Note * All Subcommittee Co-Chairs did not have nominations and are required.
MidWinter Roundup - There will be an early Flyer out next Newsletter Release. I am truly
excited about this coming 47th MWRU, the largest roundup in Nova Scotia and Newfoundland/Labrador. Come one, come all!
Literature - $1052,95 in sales in August. (busy month). $4640.23 order placed. Literature
will carry out an inventory full cost and report when done.
Webmaster had 10000 views, and 4300 visitors.
Corrections - Weekly meetings are going strong. 6-8 attendees for both women and men's
jails.Some attendees have been in AA in other jails previously. These members are helping to
carry the message inside the jail to those willing to do the steps. Amazing! There are a total of
15 volunteers. We need minimally 5 more - 3 men, and 2 women. Please pass onto your groups
this requirement. As you can see, we are making a difference. Also, these members in Jail
require literature to pass on the message. If groups wish to donate any literature, especially
pamphlets, small big books, 12 and 12, and grapevines, this would be very appreciative. We
have gone over budget buying Literature, and will need to continue buying as there is a need.
Lastly, September 30th, is a Corrections workshop (zoom link in Sep Newsletter) for those who
are interested in the fellowship of Corrections.
Phones - There have been volunteers stepping down. There is an ongoing requirement for
Phones volunteers. Please if interested, contact the Phone Chair. He would gladly take
your names.
Help Email is put to good use once again. 6 people asked how to get started in AA. That makes
everything worthwhile.
Hospital Chair - A reminder to all groups, if you have someone in your group that has been
hospitalized, Hospital Chair has the capabilities to visit this member, to feel the Unity of AA in a

time when it can be extremely stressful and/or lonely in a hospital setting. Do not hesitate to let
Hospital Visitation know. You will need to know the members last name or the floor and bed
number.
CPC - Chair has reached out to the CSR's of 10 groups regarding pamphlets packages to
deliver to 38 Doctors Offices. Only 1 CSR' has answered back to the CPC Chair of the
requirement. CPC helps pass the message to outside offices in areas that a struggling Alcoholic
usually initiates their drinking problem. It's a gargantuan tasking for 1 person, we need the
groups to participate in their area. Please ask your group what you can do to help CPC.
Chair - Urgent Reminder - Our Central Service PO Box has officially been closed. Do not send
checks to the PO Box. The new mailing address can be found on the Website's "contributions"
Page.
"We've Moved!!" Our new Hybrid address will be 185 Gary Martin Drive in Bedford! We are
very excited about our new place! Northwood is Pro-AA. They let us have a group in Northwood
on North Street, and now in Bedford for Central Service. Grateful!
Our next Central Service Meeting will be 06 October @ 7PM on zoom and at Bedford.
If you are curious about what we do, and how we do it? Come on by and sit in. Service is life
giving for Alcoholics in Recovery.
Yours in Service,
Michael H.
Co-Chair
Central Service
Districts 1 and 2
Area 82

Area 82 Representative: Paul B reported.

I just want to comment on the agenda. Like Barney said it's very important to print out the agenda, but sometimes agenda items come in after the fact and so unfortunately you're going to have to respect that some things may be added to the agenda. Currently the agenda that's on the website it's what we have received so far as of 2 weeks ago, but I can tell you that I'm hearing that there might be some other agendas coming up so yeah, expect that there could be changes to the agenda. And that's very common, just so you know.

A couple of things from the area 82, I know Dwayne sent out an email to Rob and all of the other secretaries and all of the DCM"s of the 76 conference final report. Barney you might have cut a copy that already I know that was sent to all of the DCM"s and should have been passed out to all the groups.

As mentioned earlier, the assemblies coming up. I am happy that a lot of you will be attending the assembly. It's a good way to learn about alcoholics Anonymous and how it works. As Barney mentioned, bring some pens, bring some paper and take some notes because there is a lot of information to take in to pass on back to your groups. So that's very important.

I know that Dwayne has sent out some information regarding the new edition of the big book and the writings and the big book and I believe Barney you might have got a copy of those as well. And the last thing is if any of you are letting your name stand for any positions at the at the assembly, I'm just putting it out there, the resume was sent to all of the DCM"s as well. So check out the area 82 website for the resume, and with that resume if you want to apply for any of the positions or let your name stand for any position so at the assembly you're welcome to it as well.

Thank you very much for your attendance

That's all from Area 82

Paul B

Motion to pass officers reports

Motion by Judy H Seconded by Lisa L

Motion passed unanimously.

11. Unfinished Business:

None

12. New Business:

District elections, Paul B, has agreed to act as chairman for our elections, with Micheal H and Mary W acting as scrutineers and counters. Rob will read out the descriptions and qualifications of the positions prior to the vote.

DCM

Michelle W nominates Barney W, Barney accepts the nomination.

Barney was put into an isolation room while we held discussions and a vote

Barney W elected unanimously

ALT DCM

No nominations

TREASURER

Michelle W nominated Brianna C, Brianna C accepts the nomination

Brianna was put into an isolation room while we held discussions and a vote

Brianna C elected unanimously

ALT TREASURER

No nominations

DISTRICT SECRETARY

No nominations

Paul B asked all GSR's to bring this back to thier groups and closed the elections.

Thank you for your service Paul B, Mary W and Micheal H and congratulations to Barney W and Brianna C! Thank you for stepping up!

District 1 Group Count

Barney had forwarded a list of known groups in district 1 to all GSR's We are going through the list tonight to see if anything has been left out. Barney read the list of known groups;

1. Four Seasons Group
2. Halifax Sunday Morning
3. Sunday Night Serenity
4. Downtown Halifax Group
5. Grateful Group
6. Second Chance Group
7. Timberlea Group
8. Highland Park Group
9. Welcome Group
10. Serenity Sisters
11. Lion's Den
12. The Bedford Group
13. Fresh Start Group
14. Back to Basics
15. The Only Requirement
16. Freedom Group
17. Rainbow of Recovery
18. Hubbards
19. West End Step Group

20. New Hope

21. Acceptance

22. Lost and Found Big Book Discussion

23. Atlantic Group

24. Conscious Contact

It was determined that we have the same number of registered groups this year as we had last year. If you know of a meeting that would like to registar as a group you can find the form to do so on the website.

13. Next Meeting: Wednesday October 28th, 2026, 6:00 pm. But be there for

14. Next District 1 Workshop: Wednesday November 25th 2026, 6:00 pm. followed by our district meeting at 7:00 pm

15. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the meeting by Heather, it was seconded by Brendon, and the meeting. motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

16. Meeting closed with the Responsibility Pledge