

**Alcoholics Anonymous**  
**Meeting Minutes District 2**  
**Online Meeting**  
**April 19th, 2020**

**Meeting call to order** – DCM Blair A. called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm, with the Serenity Prayer.

**Approval of Agenda** – the agenda was accepted.

**The 12 Traditions** - were read by Michael A.

**Interpretation of Concept 4** - was given by Beth P.

**Volunteer for Interpretation of Concept 5 for May** – Michael A.

**7th Tradition** - Was not observed.

**Roll Call/Group Reports**

Blair A. - DCM for District 2

Michael A. – Representing Keep it Simple

Beth P. – District 2 Secretary

Foster L. – District 2 Treasurer

Louis M. – GSR Cole Harbour Group

Ryan K. – Alt. GSR Cole Harbour Group

**Approval of previous months minutes** – A motion was made by Michael A. and seconded by Foster L. to adopt the previous months minutes. All in favour.

**Secretary Report** – No report.

**Treasurer Report**

April 2020

Good afternoon to all. As District 2 Treasurer I have had no activity since our March meeting. Finances are static from last month with the exception of the 7<sup>th</sup> tradition collected at the last meeting. I am holding this pending receipt of the return of funds we advanced the 2020 Provincial Round-up, which has now been cancelled. The initial refund will be \$\$412.00, followed by an amount of less than \$10.00 after all final bank charges are paid and the account closed.

The Nova Scotia Service Weekend will be held via Zoom and there will be no costs to the

District as registration fees have been waived.

We are in sound financial shape and at this time are suggesting groups use any funds they have to cover rents or other meeting costs (Zoom) that may still have to be paid, forgoing any further contributions to District until a need is indicated. Our expenses are limited, and our 2020 budget is fully funded.

Yours in service

Foster L.

Treasurer, District 2

District 2 Financials March 2020	
Opening Bank Balance	3375.26
Revenue	\$8.65
Expenses	
Outstanding Cheques	
Operating Balance	\$3383.91

### **Alt. DCM and Workshop Report**

a. Next Topic "Grapevine Writings" – Date?

b. Remainder of 2020

Blair asked if the table had any suggestions on future workshops and thoughts on presenting them online via Zoom. Our next workshop will be in June so we are to forward any ideas to Blair and we will discuss at our next meeting.

### **DCM District 2 Report**

April 19, 2020

The last month was very busy with District, Area, and Central Service-related business. I attended the Central Service, Provincial Roundup, and multiple Area 82 meetings during the last month. I communicated to District 1/2, Area 82, and Central service that we agreed to cancel the Pre-Conference and April Workshop. I have set up a Pro Zoom Meeting plan at a cost of \$20 per month to District 2.

I enjoyed attending the Central Service meeting and heard how District 1 & 2 are involved with carrying the message to current and potential members of AA. All the committees are doing a great job at serving Districts 1 & 2 during the COVID-19 pandemic. Central Service is delaying

the approval of the 2020 Budget due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Eastlink has agreed to display AA's local phone number and website on their information channel. Local Radio and TV stations have been contacted to broadcast AA's public service announcements. CPC has contacted their list of doctor offices to let them know our in-person meetings are cancelled and to check the website for a list of on-line meetings. All meetings at Detox and Corrections have been cancelled, but they are working on the ability to host Zoom Meetings for these institutions.

Literature had a very successful weekend in Sydney at the Cape Breton Roundup. The pandemic has delayed the analysis of the software they are using to track sales, purchases, and inventory. The Technology Committee was very busy working on ensuring the Zoom Meetings were operating successfully. Josh M. as Webmaster Co-Chair has been the Zoom expert in helping Groups and AA members with any challenges they have faced. Pedro is assisting Central Service with updating AAhalifax.org. The positions of Bluenose Bulletin Chair, Technology Co-Chair, Hospital Visitation Co-Chair, and Literature Co-Chair are still vacant.

The status of the Provincial Roundup was discussed by Area 82 and the final decision was made by the Roundup Committee to cancel. The NS Service Weekend has been cancelled and will be conducted through Zoom Meetings on June 12-14. The details of the General Service Conference being held virtually are still in the works, with a tentative date of May 16-20. These events are on today's agenda and will be discussed in more detail. The 2020 International Convention scheduled for July 2-5, 2020 has also been cancelled.

All District 2 GSRs and Committee Members have received the most up to date suggestions for groups or individuals hosting Zoom Meetings. Central Service and Area 82 are recommending groups do not make contributions to them at this time. If you have any questions, concerns, or ideas about the role of GSR in District 2 please feel free to reach out.

Yours in Service

Blair A  
DCM District 2  
Area 82

### **Central Service Report – no report**

### **Provincial Round Up Report**

a. Cancelled due to Covid-19

b. Refund on Deposit - \$412.00 has been returned for refund received from the church and the committee will remit the rest to us when all accounts have been settled.

**Approval of Reports** – A motion was made by Michael A. and seconded by Beth P. to approve all reports as given. All in favor.

### **Visitors with District related business – none**

### **Old Business**

1. ADCM Election - called three times for nominations. No nominations.

## **New Business**

a. Purchase of Zoom Subscription – Blair has purchased a Zoom subscription for \$20.00 per month for District 2 meetings.

b. General Service Conference – at this time the conference (June 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>) will be online in two sessions one for voting and one for information. It will be spread out over days and times to accommodate different time zones.

c. Feedback to Area 82 Delegate Kirk – Kirk would like us to complete this questionnaire and return to him. Feedback is to be from the groups as opposed to individuals. Blair will send this to us again.

### d. Nova Scotia Service Weekend

i. Virtual Format – June 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020

ii. Feedback for Planning Meetings - Area 82 has a weekly call with Nova Scotia and Newfoundland trying to get everyone familiar with Zoom and the next meeting is to gauge what is on the agenda. Anyone who is a GSR can have a vote on matters. There is a plan to combine the DCM meeting with NS and NL and have it before the Service weekend. Then a combined workshop with NS and NL representatives. The table discussed whether or not GSR's should be attending these meetings and Blair will bring that forward at the next Area 82 – Service Weekend Planning meeting.

iii. Proposals on Agenda – are on already on the agenda and NL would like a representative from the group who put the proposal forward to join the meeting when it is being discussed.

19. Announcements – Cole Harbour Group May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Foster will be celebrating 42 years.

20. The meeting closed at 3:00pm with the Responsibility Pledge.

Next meeting will be May 17th, 2020 at 2:00pm