

**Alcoholics Anonymous**  
**Meeting Minutes District 2**  
**August 16, 2020, 2:00pm**  
**Club 24**

**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 approved by Beth P. and seconded by Michael A.

**The 12 Traditions** - were read by Beth P.

**Interpretation of Concept 7** – prepared by Peter G. read by Blair A.

**Interpretation of Concept 8** – Michael A.

**Volunteer for Interpretation of Concept 9 for September** - Foster L.

**7th Tradition** – was collected.

**Roll Call/Group Reports**

Blair A. - DCM for District 2

Michael A. – Acting GSR Keep it Simple

Beth P. – District 2 Secretary

Foster L. – District 2 Treasurer

Mike H. – Chair - Central Service

Ryan K – Alt. GSR Cole Harbour Group

Regrets Peter G. - We Agnostics and John B. - Gaston Road Group

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

**Secretary Report** – No report

**Treasurers Report**

August 2020

Another quiet month with no financial transactions outside of writing the cheque to Club 24 to cover rent to December 31<sup>st</sup>. Interest on the prudent reserve was \$0.07. As of now we continue to be in good financial shape. Consideration should be given to the District making a contribution to GSO

in lieu of budgeted expenses.

Yours in service,

Foster L.

Treasurer, District 2

The table held a brief discussion and added this matter to the agenda see item h.

District 2 Financials August 2020	
Opening Bank Balance	\$3795.91
Revenue	
Expenses	
Outstanding Cheques	-\$240.00
Operating Balance	\$3355.91

**Alt. DCM and Workshop Report** - no topic for workshop in October – because this is the same weekend as the Assembly.

### **DCM District 2 Report**

#### **August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

The last month was very busy with District, Area, and Central Service-related business. I attended the Central Service meeting and was involved in discussions around Area 82 Financials with Alternate Delegate Trudy, District 1, and District 10. I have not decided on a topic for a workshop in October because it would be held the same Sunday as the Area 82 Assembly. Central Service will be holding their elections for Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs at the September meeting and will continue meeting via Zoom until January. Central Service is having a challenge contacting all the CSRs concerning the renewal of the Insurance Policy, so have given the Chair and Co-Chair contact information for the GSRs of District 2. If your group is going to start holding in person meetings or making changes to their zoom meetings, please remember to notify the Webmaster and Newsletter Committee to have your meeting information updated.

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. PI and CPC have been in contact with multiple health organizations and Legal Aid in Nova Scotia and attended the PI/CPC meeting for District 3 & 17 and Area 82 Committee Meeting. All meetings at Detox and

Corrections are cancelled and currently Zoom meetings are not being offered. Hospital Visitations are still not being offered but the option for Zoom Meetings or phone calls are available. The Telephones are now being shared between groups according to the same rotation that was used in the past and some members have reached out to volunteer for the daytime phones. The 2021 Mid-Winter Roundup will be held through Zoom on February 13 & 14 with a budget of \$3,500. The roundup committee is still looking for an Entertainment Chair and Co-Chair. The Ad-Hoc Technology Committee is currently working on their road map but have completed the printer needs and visual display assessments, so these will be discussed at upcoming Central Service meetings. Literature has completed the Square training that was facilitated by the Technology Committee and now operating with enhanced reporting capabilities. Entertainment is looking at the possibility of holding a Halloween Dance if social distancing restrictions will allow. The Help Email and Newsletter are operating as normal. Central Service is currently looking for a Secretary.

The Area82 Assembly on October 9-11, 2020 will be held using the Zoom videoconferencing platform. A communication was sent by Trudy the Alternate Delegate explaining what positions will be open for election at the assembly and the proposals that will be voted on. I was peaking to Trudy in early August to explain my reasoning behind the "Request for your support and help with two matters of financial importance in Area 82" email sent to all the Districts in Area 82. At this time, I am not sure if these topics will be proposals at the Area 82 Assembly because I was not able to have it come from a group in District 2 before the deadline of August 16. As a result of Steve A.'s resignation of DCM of District 1 I have been in contact with Lisa N. who has taken on the role as DCM. Paul B was elected as the new Alternate DCM of District 2. Mike H. (Central Service Chair) has met with me and Lisa to plan the running of the Central Service elections in September.

A report, financial update, and sharing session summary from Jan L (Eastern Canada Regional Trustee) has been distributed to the GSR's of District 2 which may be useful to share with your group. As stated in an update from GSO the AA.org website redesign is being reassessed due to financial constraints at GSO. If CERASSA 2021 must be cancelled in St. Catherine's because of COVID they will be hosting in 2023 and Area 82 will host in 2025. Area 82 has already received interest from a few Districts about hosting CERASSA.

District 2 will be holding their elections for DCM, Alt. DCM, Secretary, and Treasurer at their monthly meeting on October 18 at 2pm at Club 24. Please consider these positions as your next step in AA Service. 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** – Central Service is looking for financial support for the 2021 Mid-Winter Round up. It will be held on Zoom (conference package) and the theme is "No Matter What".

Estimated budget is \$3500. The plan is to offset costs by 7<sup>th</sup> and donations via eTransfer will be welcomed. The remainder of this report is a duplicate of the report given by Blair A. DCM.

**Approval of Reports** – A motion was made by Foster L. and seconded by Michael A. to adopt all reports as given. All in favor.

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

#### **Old Business**

1. **ADCM Election** – no nominees identified.

#### **New Business**

##### **a. Area 82 Financials E-mails to Districts**

The table held a discussion on this matter and the process involved to bring such matters forward and the deadline of August 16<sup>th</sup> to craft proposals for Assembly has passed.

##### **b. Area 82 Assembly and Elections**

A reminder of the assembly October 9-11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 held on Zoom and that Area Elections will be held on this weekend. Proposals will also be voted on at Assembly. It is important that the District have representation at this event.

##### **c. District 2 Elections in October**

DCM Blair plans to phone all GSR's that have not attended recently to discuss attendance and whether they have any interest in a position at District 2.

##### **d. Date and Time of District 2 Monthly Meeting/Workshops**

DCM asking if anyone has any feedback on changing the date and time for District meetings and workshops. The table held a discussion on this topic, and it was agreed that we should take this back to our groups for discussion. The decision will be made by the new Executive, but we will make a recommendation to the incoming Executive.

##### **e. Central Service Elections in September**

Listed on both the website and in the Bluenose Bulletin. Please spread the word.

##### **f. Club 24 availability**

There are groups that are not able to have an in-person meeting and wants members to know that Club 24 has availability to hold meetings. This is an outside issue, but we are urged to spread the word.

#### **Add Agenda items:**

##### **g. Michael A. Facebook Recovery Page**

Support page on Facebook – Michael A wants to post a notice on the Club 24 non dinner being held as a fund raiser for the Club. We discussed this and determined that because the Recovery Group is not AA so it is not a problem.

##### **h. Distribution to GSO**

The Treasurer Foster L. made a motion that we send \$1500 to GSO Beth Seconded it and all in favour.

**Announcements** – St. Margaret's Group have an in-person meeting on Sunday night 8:00 and a Zoom meeting on Wednesday Nights 8 Zoom Id and password are on the AA website

The Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm with the Responsibility Pledge.

Next meeting will be September 20, 2020 at 2:00pm