

OCTOBER 16 DISTRICT 2 Minutes Of Meeting

Hi I am Blair and I am an alcoholic. We will open this meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Approval of Agenda

Michael motions and Anne seconded.

Reading of 12 Traditions - Amy

Interpretation of Concept 10 - Michael

The long form - Every service response should be matched by an equal service report. The scope of such authority be always notified whether by trade, resolution, specific job description or by appropriate charters and by laws.

The principle behind this concept is clarity. Clarity of roles and responsibility and authority.

To simplify that - How effective will a successful business run without it. It's gone to great lengths to ensure that there is final and ultimate authority and define where it lies should any course of direction ever be needed. This Concept suggests that providing literally define jobs and authority to do jobs equally important. This is where the idea of the group conscience as the ultimate authority for the trusted servants is delegated. Clearly come across paths of each other to function. Our Service structure cannot function effectively and harmoniously unless at every level each operational responsibility is matched by a corresponding authority to discharge it.

This requires that the authority must be delegated at every level and that the responsibility and the authority and of every entity are well defined and clearly understood. As we have seen in Concept 1 final responsibility and ultimate authority resides within the AA groups themselves. They delegate this accordingly to the Conference which is Concept 2. The Conference in turn delegates to the General Service Board the authority to manage AA's affairs and in Concept 5 on its behalf. The Board is the authority over its recipients operating conditions. AA World Service Inc. and AA Grapevine are the ultimate authorities. They don't want to be involved with other things. The Directors are in authority over the executives of the corporation but delegates to those officers with the authority needed to carry out their administrative responsibilities and finally the executives delegate the GSO and the Grapevine staff members of authority necessary in carrying out the important service jobs. This is perfectly clear says Bill - When we delegate authority and it is going well we should not constantly be interfering with it otherwise he warns, those charged with operating responsibility will be demoralized. For example, the General Service Board owns the two operating incorporations and it's authority over them is absolute. Nevertheless as long as things go well it is highly important that the trustees do not unnecessarily interfere with the operating authority of these entities.

To sum it up let's always be sure there is an abundance of final or ultimate authority to correct or reorganize.. But let us be equally sure that all of our trusted servants have

clearly defined an adequate authority to do their daily work and to discharge their clear responsibility.

Volunteer for Interpretation of Concept 11 for November - Anne

Roll Call/Group Reports

Amy - GSR of Downtown Dartmouth Group. Meetings are going very well. We have four birthdays this month. Brian M. 1 year, Mark M. 4 years, Victor 42 years, Bermenidine 27 years.

Joanne - GSR of Cole Harbour Group

Our meetings have been going well. We have doubled in attendance since this time last year. I think our new location has really made a difference. We have had four new people sign up to be new members. Last birthday was in August- Mark L. 2 years. Our next birthday is in December 2 years We are having a business meeting October 19.

Michael - GSR of Keep It Simple Group.

Doing very well. Our attendance is good 25-30 people a day. We picked up two new chair people to help out during the week and we have a few new members.

Anne - GSR of Circle of Sisters Group

Our meetings are going well. Continue to have women from other groups attending our meeting and new people are joining our group.

I am Blair I am an alcoholic and DCM for District 2.

Adopt previous Minutes with or without Corrections

Amy motions to adopt Minutes. Joanne seconds.

Treasurer's Report - Blair

The only activity in the bank for month of September was \$60 outreach cheque for books for new men's meeting that has started up. We received two new contributions - Fall River \$200 and Sunrise \$200. Seventh Tradition \$10 in August and \$9 in September. We have \$1100 contributions budgeted and we have \$400 we just received +\$590 which equals \$990 so everything is going well.

Alternate DCM - Michael

There will be a workshop the second Sunday in December at 2 pm Club 24. I think it will be on the History of AA.

DCM Report - Blair

Central Service Meeting

Michael presented district 2 report in my absence.

Foster treasurer of Central Service reported when insurance is ready soon a copy will be distributed to each group.

Groups interested in hosting the Xmas Eve Social are asked to attend next central service meeting.

Following chair positions were elected for two year term.

Wayno - Hospital Visitation

Art B. - Newsletter

Heather L. - Web Master

Co-chair of Central Service remains vacant as are many chair and co-chair positions of sub committees.

Entertainment report - picnic at Point Pleasant Park was a success. We are looking for volunteers to Host Halloween Dance.

Hospital Visitation Committee had two requests for visits and members were able to attend.

Michael A. is helping with Literature

Mid Winter Roundup reported the theme will be Together Again. It will be held at Woodlawn Church on February 4, 2023.

Newsletter would like to remind everyone that submissions must be received by 25th of the month

Phones are running well. Need more daytime volunteers.

Treatment meetings at Marguerite Center are going well and Detox meetings are once a week.

Blair - I was unable to attend the Area Fall Assembly due to work commitments but Michael A. did a great job representing District 2.

Following were elected as new executive

Jerry D. - General Service Delegate

**Duane - Alternate General Service Delegate.
Anne - Chairperson
Jocelyn - treasurer
Deb - Secretary**

Most of Ad Hoc Finance committee recommendations were passed with some minor changes.

Monthly Active Area Committees meeting is open to anyone who is actively carrying the message to AA recovery.

AA World Service has extended their mixed title quantity discount on literature until December 31, 2022.

AA World Service is still experiencing printing delays and back orders of some literature.

Advisory Actions of General Service Conference from 1951 - 2022 is now available in digital format.

PI and GSO has started young people's video project and looking for submissions.

Blair - In closing I would like to apologize for not being able to attend the Fall Assembly, which may have caused some GSR's to not attend.

I chose not to run for Area executive as work commitments may conflict the Area Assemblies.

If you have any questions or concerns or ideas about your role in District 2 please reach out.

Joanne asking about ordering literature. Michael told her to send literature committee an email and he will quickly respond.

Adopt All Reports

Michael motioned to adopt all Reports. Joanne seconded it.

New Business

Elections are being held in November at our next District 2 Business Meeting for treasurer, secretary, alternate DCM and DCM District 2.

Qualifications of positions

DCM - background in AA service work. Two years as GSR suggested. Enough sobriety suggested. Five years sobriety to be eligible for election of Area Office.

Should have a service sponsor. Should have time, energy and desire to serve the district well and actively also working the twelve steps.

Alternate DCM - Same qualifications as DCM. Can also serve as GSR.

Treasurer - 5 years sobriety. Responsible person with good record keeping ability. Background in service at group and district level. Has a service sponsor, time and energy to do the job well. Actively working the 12 Steps.

Secretary - Two years sobriety. Be able to keep clear and accurate records. Has service sponsor. Time and energy to serve. Actively working the 12 Steps.

We will now close this meeting with the Responsibility Pledge.

THE NEXT MEETING IS NOVEMBER 20 AT 2 pm, 2022 at Club 24.