

MINUTES OF CENTRAL SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING

Jun 4th,2024

Zoom Meeting

WELCOME AND OPEN: Meeting opened by Paul B. at 7pm with the Serenity Prayer.

TWELVE TRADITIONS: The Twelve Traditions were read by Gilles.

ROLL CALL: 27 in attendance, of which 25 attendees were voting members (V= voting, NV non-voting)

EXECUTIVE	COMMITTEES	CSR	ALT CSR/OBSERVERS
Chair -Paul B. (Vote in tie situation)	Telephones -Johnathan G. (V)	Jake - CSR four seasons	Michael - DCM District 1
Co-Chair - vacant	Help Email -Sam (V)		Bernie S -DCM District 2 (NV)
Treasurer- Trudy D. (V)	Newsletter – Mark (V)		
Secretary – Louie (V)	Hospital Visitation -Wayne O. (V)	Toby H. - CSR Sunrise Group (V)	
	Treatment -Gilles D. (V)	David – CSR back to basics (V)	
	CPC -Kathy S. (V)	Naele F. – CSR Fresh Start (V)	
	Literature -Gerry L. (V)	Shaon – CSR Highland Park (V)	
	Corrections – No Show	John – CSR Lion’s Den (V)	
	Webmaster -Heather (V)	Robin M. – CSR Keep it Simple (V)	
	Mid Winter Round-Up – Michael	Mike A. – CSR Welcome (V)	
	Public Information -No Show		
	Entertainment – No Show, sent report.	Angela E. – CSR Serenity Sisters (V)	
	Insurance -Foster L. (V) No show	Emily – Circle of Sisters (V)	

7th Tradition: *Please email Central Service meeting 7th tradition contribution and group contributions to: treasurer.aahalifax@gmail.com *Please put a note along with your transfer as to what the donation is for and which group you represent.

Contributions can also be mailed to:
Central Service, RPO Gladstone, PO Box 31338, Halifax NS B3K 5Z1

CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS:

New Business items-
-Central service Fair

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was added to with the above items.

MINUTES APPROVED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

Motion to approve the agenda made by Heather, seconded by Gerry. All in favour. Motion passed.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

SECRETARY:

TREASURER:

This month we had total contributions of \$1197.12. \$77.12 from Bell Mobility that was credited back to us when we cancelled the phone plan, \$600.00 from the Freedom Group \$520.00 from the Four Seasons Group. There was nothing in 7th Tradition for the May CS Meeting. Thank you to every group and individual contribution. The 2024 budget projected a total revenue of \$13,552.36 and we have received \$5,771.12 towards this goal. Over the next 7 months we will hope to get the remaining \$7,781.24 to achieve our total budgeted amount without having to use any of the Prudent Reserve.

We spent a total of \$142.80 this month on the phone bill from Virgin Mobile. There is \$1297.37 left in the Telephone budget for the year. The CPC Committee spent 132.50 and has \$640.91 left in the budget.

I purchased the MS Office 365 and have 5 spots for any committee chairs who would like to join.

The Prudent Reserve account has \$3390.19 due to \$0.72 Interest this month. The Insurance Fund Reserve is \$4,336.40 due to \$0.92 Interest this month. I have attached 3 documents- The monthly CS statement, the 2024 Summary of revenue and expenses and the reconciled Bank statement for all the groups.

If there are any questions or if anyone sees an error, please contact me by email (treasurer.aahalifax@gmail.com or (902)293-3117). See you all on May 7th, 2024.

CORRECTIONS:

No Report sent

ENTERTAINMENT:

Our last event. Prayer and meditation through recovery went very well we had approximately 30 in attendance and I want to thank Robin M for doing a great job and the keep it simple group for all their support in this event. we had lots of great feedback so it looks like this may be something we will do again in the future.

Our next event will be Karaoke on July 6th at club 24 at 7pm, this will be a great night of fun fellowship and singing.

I have reached out to Tom at Dollar Lake for our annual AA camping, this should be a great success as we had to cancel last year due to the floods. I will have more information once I hear from them.

Thank you all for your service, Noelle.

HOSPITAL VISITATION:

Nothing new to report

LITERATURE:

The month of May has been slow. We had a total sale of \$544.50 for the month of May.

The expense was for a total of \$450.00. The expense was for the rent at Club 24 (From July to December 2024)

I made a deposit in the account of \$544.50. So right now we have a balance on the literature account of \$3120.79

As I mentioned on my last report the AAWS has increased the price of pamphlets as of May 1, 2024

I am still in the process of reviewing the price increase carefully and checking on the AAWS website for accuracy.

After the review is done I will inform this committee of the increase in the Canadian Fund.

Any questions.

NEWSLETTER:

Newsletter Report for June 4th 2024 CSR meeting.

Just a reminder that meeting notices / updates should be sent to both the Webmaster

(Webmaster.aahalifax@gmail.com) and the Newsletter (Newsletter.aahalifax@gmail.com) to ensure your message is communicated to the AA community.

Newsletter submissions for June 2024 should be submitted to Newsletter.aahalifax@gmail.com by the 25th of the month.

I am available to answer questions throughout the month.

MID-WINTER ROUND-UP:

This report was included in the District 1 report below.

PUBLIC INFORMATION:

No report sent.

TELEPHONE:

Over the last month we picked up a few people to help out with the evening telephone as well as a new group to help out with the week-end phone.

Require people to help out with the day phone.

WEBMASTER:

May has been a very quiet month with just the usual website updates including changes to the meeting lists, minutes, newsletter, etc.

TREATMENT:

Hello everyone not much to report other than a request from Lori Wilson clinical social worker at Forensics ask if a student from Dal who is doing a work placement at Forensics could attend an AA meeting . I invited Gracy to an open meeting at four seasons. I introduce herself to the group and she was welcome she listen to the preamble, the shares and to our closing .She was grateful and had a good experience. Nothing else to report at present in service Gilles Duhamel

HELP EMAIL:

May had 10 emails, all of which were the usual inquiries. There was one member asking how to find a sponsor. I provided my experience and suggested they find someone in the meetings they go to that has what they want. I followed up with that individual and advised of the Sponsorship Q & A Workshop being held June 9th, at Club 24.

INSURANCE:

We had zero activity to report this month.

DISTRICT 1:

District 1 has been seeking an Alt-DCM, Alt-Treasurer since January 2023. We've also been searching for an Archivist for Area 82 that resides specifically in District 1 due to the guideline requirements . The guidelines state that the archivist collection shall stay in the area of where the Archivist is located. The collection is currently being held in HRM, and no move of the collection would be required if the "new" Archivist came from HRM which includes District 2. Please consider.

Area 82 Spring Assembly - quick Summary

(Actual Minutes will come from Area 82 Secretary)

May 24th-25 th , 2024

Friday, May 24 th 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Roll Call was carried out and unofficial stats are as follows:

192 registered groups in Area 82, 25 GSR's (13%) were present for the Spring Assembly.

DCM's: 10 of 16 present (62.5%)

Area Officers: 5 of 6 present (83.3%)

39 voting members present plus the chair in the event of a tie = 40

MID-WINTER ROUND-UP: The 2025 MWRU held its June committee meeting . We are actively looking for two program co-chairs and if you are interested, our next MWRU meeting is at Club 24 1PM 7th July..

Many thanks to Samara G. for giving the AA Safety Workshop prior to the District 1 May meeting. .

Safety needs to be at the forefront of all members' minds and actions to ensure that AA is a safe place to be. It was well received with amazing questions and discussions after.

Our next workshop will be July 31 at 6PM, subject TBD.

CPC:

CPC had a meeting last month on May 6 th , discussions were mainly focused on the upcoming Porter's Lake job fair and meeting with 902 Man-UP staff.

The job fair was cancelled on us because the YMCA representative who invited us called to say that they could only allow employers to hold tables.

We did meet with 902 Man-Up on zoom on Tuesday May 7 th , with one of the staff members from the Halifax forum. CPC had good committee attendance. Other staff

couldn't attend that day.

We organized another one with them for the rest of the staff; however, there was a mix up on time, so we have now rescheduled it for June 13th at 1PM. CPC took pamphlets and a Big Book to Erica at the forum location the following Friday.

I put in a literature order so that we can provide the same pamphlet packages and Big Books to the other 2 Man-Up locations after the upcoming informational session, I will deliver them and personally meet some of the staff in the other locations. They are very interested in learning about the A.A. program. The one meeting we held raised a few good questions like, could a staff member take a client through the 12-step program? The big take away was that Erica said it was good to hear about the other side of alcoholism after members shared their experience, strength, and hope and to hear the joy in recovery, all she hears is how bad it is for their staff who are so sick with alcoholism.

We also discussed some upcoming professional organizations to offer presentations to. Had our June meeting and will report at next month's meeting.

DISTRICT 2:

I was not in attendance at the Fall Assembly Committee meeting in May because I was doing a meeting at the 902 Man Up shelter in Dartmouth. There were 3 clients from the shelter in attendance at that meeting. The following week there was 1 in attendance, and last week we had zero attendance.

I was in attendance at the Spring Assembly on May 25, 2024. A few elections took place. Marie M. was elected Webmaster. Basil M., the current interim treasurer took the treasurer position for the rest of this year, and Anne B, current chair will also assume the duties of the ALT GSD for the remainder of the year in addition to her duties as Chair.

I attended the Area 82 Active Committee meeting on Monday May 28. Good attendance this time.

I attempted to contact Public Information concerning the possible workshop in June, but no response. I did eventually reach Kathy from CPC and she informed me that due to some health issues, she would not be doing one at this time. District 2 has a workshop scheduled for June 9 on P-15 Questions And Answers on Sponsorship. That is also the weekend of the provincial roundup in New Minas so attendance might be down.

District 2 still requires a district secretary. As DCM, I have assumed the duties of the Secretary until such time as one is elected. Our Alt DCM had resigned but Danny M. from Sunrise has agreed to step into that position. He won't be elected officially until our meeting in June. Anyone interested in the secretary position should attend the next district 2 GSR meeting on June 16 at 2 pm at Club 24.

Lastly, Sunrise Group is preparing for their 60th anniversary on July 23. That will be an open meeting so families are welcome to attend also.

AREA 82:

No report at this time.

APPROVAL OF THE REPORTS:

Heather made a motion to approve the reports and Michael seconded it, motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Elections

-Co-Chair of Central service- no one nominated

-Co-Chair of Insurance Committee- no one nominated

All positions still need to be filled, Please go back to your groups to let members know we are seeking nominees for the above positions.

-Update on the Palazzo

NEW BUSINESS:

-Update on Homeless shelter meeting – The Halifax and Dartmouth locations are quite happy that we still provide a meeting at there locations.

-Central Service Fair – After going through the minutes from past years CS voted to have the Service Fair only on elections years in June. Some great discussion was had around location and date for our commitment of this event. Connelly road and the church at back to basics were among the most promising locations, inquires to availability will be put out and brought back to the group.

Neale put a motion that the Chair of CS take the lead and plan a service fair in Sept 2024, it was seconded by Cathy. A vote was taken and all where in favour.

An update will be gave at the next meeting in July.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next CS Meeting will take place Jul 2, 2024 at 7 PM on Zoom

Meeting ended with Responsibility Pledge