

October 20, 2024

District 2 meeting minutes

1. Open meeting with moment of silence, asking our higher power to guide us in any decisions we make and follow with Serenity Prayer.

2. Approval of Agenda.

Joan motioned, Danny Seconded the motion

3. Have a volunteer read 12 Traditions

Amy read the traditions

4. Ask predetermined volunteer to give their view on Concept 10. Blair. Concept 10, long form:

X. Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority— the scope of such authority to be always well defined whether by tradition, by resolution, by specific job description or by appropriate charters and bylaws.

5. Ask for volunteer to do November Concept 11 (Dany)

6. 7th Tradition.

Was observed

7. Roll Call, group updates.

Bernie S- Sunrise group member DCM for district 2

Amy A – GSR Downtown Dartmouth. Says 7th is good. November 9th, 75th anniversary.

Joan, - GSR Keep it Simple. Good attendance, 40 people every Friday afternoon. Robyn will be stepping up for Keep it Simple, that all the positions are filled.

Peggy – GSR Colby Village Big Book Study Group, all positions are filled for their group

Sandy B – GSR, Early Risers, 19 members and three meetings a week adding Monday morning at 9:30 am.

Danny – Sunrise group member – discussing when to do regarding group's service position Danny is alternate DCM trying to learn more about the position of DCM.

Noelle D – Sunrise Group member – says she's a new member there and is observing the meeting today

Joanne, outgoing GSR for Cole Harbour - says they were able to get a new treasurer and secretary however the position for GSR, Alt GSR and secretary are vacant. Alternate is not stepping up for GSR and is stepping into the treasurer role. Says that they have some new members.

Blair A – Treasurer and member downtown dartmouth

Claire T – Secretary and member downtown dartmouth

8. Adopt previous minutes with or without corrections.

Joanne motioned to accept the minutes without corrections, and Amy seconded

9. Secretary Report – Claire T.

No report to give

10. Treasurer Report – Blair A.

\$13.00 dollars came in from last month's 7th tradition

\$30.00 dollars from roundup committee

\$60.00 dollars for the full rent for the roundup committee

Spent \$17.00 dollars

Cash balance \$2809.09, with a prudent reserve of \$1600.00

Adjusted balances match the cash balance because cheques have not cleared that.

Blair says that he was working on the new budget, he was thinking about the budget being between 1500 -2000 for the fall assembly. 1700 is what we brought in this year, but because of that big expense Blair anticipates a deficit of 1100 dollars.

Blair saying that he will give us a budget to look at next month.

11. Alt DCM and/or Workshop Report – Danny M.

No report to give

12. DCM Report - Bernie S

Below is the DCM report by Bernie in its entirety:

I was not able to attend the Area 82 Active Committees Meeting on September 30. I was delivering a big book to someone in Marguerite Centre.

I was able to attend the Central Service meeting on October 1. At that meeting, I was asked to conduct the central service subcommittee elections. A CPC chair and co-chair were elected as well as the Help Email chair.

I attended the Mid-Winter Roundup Committee meeting on October 4th.

Registration for that event is now open. Several persons on the committee now have receipt books. The flyer would be finalized and made available.

I was able to attend the Fall Assembly on October 11-13. There were 5 groups out of 17 groups in District 2 represented. Two online groups list me as the group contact, however I was representing the district so I could not speak for those groups. Elections were held for Area Committee positions.

Dwayne Mac was re-elected General Service Delegate. For Alt GSD, it was a tight race between Anne B (Area Chair) and Michael H, (DCM1). After five unsuccessful ballots, it went to the hat. Anne was elected. George M. was elected Area Chair. Basil M was re-elected Treasurer. Area Secretary was vacant, until Nick, the DCM for District 15 let his name stand for Area Secretary and was elected. No Alternate Treasurer was elected. Next up was NS Archivist. Kathy, the former CPC chair was elected NS Archivist.

Motion #1 was passed. That was to bring back the service weekends. At first, the DCM from District 6 wanted to remove the motion from the agenda. That was defeated and when the vote was taken on the motion, it was almost unanimously passed. An exact date was not decided on, but June of 2025 is

the approximate time frame. Motion #2 had to be amended since there would be no Spring assembly. It was decided that the deadline for motions for the Fall Assembly be submitted by March 1st and then discussed at the Service Weekend, to be voted on at the Fall Assembly.

Motion # 3 was tabled until the next Assembly. It was tabled by Marie.

Motion # 4 was defeated as stated. But then it was amended so that it would come into effect at the assembly in 2026. This amended motion was passed.

Motion #5 was removed because there would be no zoom-only events.

The recommendation from Gary of District 17 to have a line restored to the Guidelines will be discussed at the next Assembly. Also, there were three floor actions that were added to the Agenda. The first was concerning dual signatures of etransfers. That is already in the Guidelines and indicates the the Treasurer needed to investigate this and make a report which Basil did do.

The second was concerning the hospitality fund proposed by former delegate Tim Milligan. A line item has been added to the budget.

The third item was concerning a donation that a group wished to make to a specific service body (the Archives) and any such donation should always go through the Treasurer.

The budget for 2025 was discussed and approved.

The 2025 NS Provincial Roundup committee meeting is next Saturday at Club 24 at 1 pm. There is as yet no committee. So, I will keep the district updated.

CERAASA is being hosted by Districts 1 and 2 in February of 2025, at the Delta Marriott. CERAASA stands for Canadian Eastern Region of Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly. It only happens here once every twenty years.

I sent everyone a flyer. You can find that flyer at the Area 82 website.

We will be holding elections today for the 2026 and 2027 term. I will not be staying on with this committee for health reasons. It has been both challenging and rewarding to serve with all of you and I wish you the best in whatever role you choose to do, if any.

Yours in love and service

Bernie S.

DCM District 2

Area 82

13. Central Service Report – Paul?

No report to give

14. Approve all reports. Sandy made a motion to approve all reports, and Dany seconded

15. Visitors with District/Area related business.

No visitors at the meeting

16. Old Business: a. Elections – DCM

For elections 2025/2027:

DCM – does anyone want to let their name stand for DCM x3 – no one stepped up

DCM needs to have 5 years, and recommended that being a GSR as a guideline

Alternate DCM - Alternate DCM letting his name stand as Alternate DCM, Dany has already served a term.

Treasurer – Blair is the current treasurer. Bernie saying that he nominates Blair. Blair declines.

Joanne – Summarizing what Joan said about postponing elections to next month.

Secretary – didn't get to that, that these elections would be postponed till next month.

Additional question:

Sandy asked if they need to send cheques if there can be e – transfer instead

Blair said it can be sent to the treasurer email, for the e-transfer instead of cheques.

17. New Business: a. NS Provincial Roundup

No report for that one, no committee formed yet. There is some expressed interest but no one has stepped up yet.

b. CERAASA - organized by Trudy S

18. Announcements:

No announcements

19. Date of next meeting: November 17, 2024

20. Thank everyone for attending and close meeting with the Responsibility Statement.