

Area 83 Eastern Ontario International

Area Committee Meeting Minutes

January 5, 2013

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Motion: “I move that in addition to my signature, we appoint Tony A., Area 83 Secretary and Kimberley M., DCM District 26, as the secondary signing authorities for Area 83 for the 2013 / 2014 term”.

2. Appointment of Auditors, 2011-2012 Finances	Rob M
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Motion: “I move that we appoint Kimberley M., DCM District 26 and Jack H., DCM District 28 as auditors to assist me in auditing Area 83's books for the years 2011/2012”

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“I move that Area 83, Eastern Ontario International, support the initiative by Area 84 North-Eastern Ontario to redistribute the delegate panels for the Eastern Canada Region by changing Area 84 from an odd panel to an even panel.”

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Area Committee Meeting – January 5, 2013

1. Opening

Area Chairperson, Kim S. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

Moment's Silence – Serenity Prayer
12 Traditions Read By Trevor C, DCM – District 82
12 Concepts (Short Form) Read By Sue B., DCM – District 62

Welcome to Quinte West – This is our first area committee meeting of the new term. This is your meeting and is an opportunity for you all to share what is happening in your districts. Remember that this is YOUR committee – it is where recommendations to the assembly are discussed and formulated, where tasks assigned by the assembly are carried out. It is where your questions are answered and your concerns addressed. So please feel free to voice any concerns or questions you may have. There may be someone in the room who has the same question or concern and it always helps to share. It is important for us all to think of our First Tradition - "Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity." If we work together in a spirit of cooperation, the next two years will provide continued strength and direction to AA in Area 83 and, for each of us, untold personal growth and the satisfaction of a job well done.

Some reminders

This is a non-smoking facility. A break will be called sometime around 11:00 am and again in the afternoon. Lunch is not shown as an agenda item, but we will break around noon. Please turn off your cell phones or anything else that might beep.

Area 83 Officers for 2013-14

Delegate	Mel C
Alternate Delegate	Joyce C
Treasurer	Rob M
Secretary	Tony A
Registrar	Scott M
Immediate Past Delegate	Robb W
Chairperson	Kim S

Area Committee Chairpersons

Public Information Chairperson	Herb W
Cooperation with the Professional Community Chairperson	Dan N
Corrections Chairperson	Gary O
Treatment Chairperson	Ruth F
Grapevine Chairperson	Heather M
Self-Support Chairperson	Jim A
Archives Chairperson	Gary C

Appointed Committee Members

Area Archivist	David T
Area Webmaster	Todd S

Introduction of Past Delegates:

Today we have Panel 51 Past Delegate currently serving the fellowship as a Director of World Services, Joe D. We also have Panel 53 Past Delegate, Roy R. and Panel 57 Past Delegate, Dot D.

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Housekeeping:

Our meeting schedule up to and including the tentative dates to the end of January 2014 will be included in the minutes. Last term's chair Joyce secured our meetings and assemblies up to and including Jan 2014. The next Area Assembly and Service Information Day will be in Kingston on the weekend of March 22, 23 & 24, 2013.

Year	Month	Date	What	Where
2013	January	January 05	Area Committee Meeting	Westminister United Church
	March	March 22, 23, 24	Area Assembly	Ambassador Hotel, Kingston
tentative	June	June 01	Area Committee Meeting	Westminister United Church
tentative	September	September 07	Area Committee Meeting	Westminister United Church
tentative	October	October 25, 26, 27	Area Assembly	Ambassador Hotel, Kingston
2014	January	January 04	Area Committee Meeting	Westminister United Church

Food:

Lunch has been arranged by our Treasurer, Rob at a cost of \$5.00, per item. Please put your money for lunch in the buckets supplied by him.

Seating:

As much as possible – District Committee Member's and Sub-Committee chairs sit on the outside of the tables. Alternate District Committee Member's on the inside. Visitors and Past Delegates are asked to sit at the tables set up at the side of the room. This seating arrangement helps to facilitate the voting.

Who votes?

All area officers, including the immediate past delegate, but not the chair can vote. All area sub-committee chairs. All district committee members of districts in Area 83; in their absence, the alternate district committee member may vote on behalf of their district. There is one vote per person.

How do we vote?

Procedure:

Alcoholics Anonymous has traditionally made decisions by 'substantial unanimity'. In practice, this has translated to 2/3 majority. At times, I may ask for a show of hands to get a 'sense of the meeting'. This is not a vote, and anyone may raise his or her hand. I believe that the first part of the agenda today can be handled under simple majority. *The items under new business are of such a nature to be under 2/3 majority and I will ask for a motion when we get to that point in the agenda.* If, at any time, you think that we should move to a 2/3 majority, please make the motion.

Minority Opinion:

Alcoholics Anonymous has always protected the voice and opinion of the minority. When we have a vote, unless the voting is unanimous, or if the vote was to cover items such as acceptance of minutes, I will ask if anyone wishes to speak to the minority. To be able to do this, you must have voted with the minority on the motion. **If, after the minority has spoken, someone from the majority side of the vote wishes to change their vote, he or she may make a motion to reconsider.** If this is seconded and passes by a simple majority, we start discussion again on the *original* motion.

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Calling the Question:

During the discussion on a motion, a member, once recognized by the chair, may move to “call the question”. This is a motion to end discussion and move to the vote. This motion needs to be seconded, is not debatable, and requires a 2/3 majority to pass. If it passes, we go directly to the vote of the motion or amendment we were discussing. I would caution you not to use this privilege too often or too early – many good points and opinions will come out in any discussions, and if discussion is prematurely cut off, we will not get to hear them.

Who may address the committee meeting?

It has been the *practice* at the area committee level to use the same *principle* as we do at the assemblies: only voting members of the committee have a voice. This is important for two reasons

- It keeps the focus on the fact that this committee is in effect the steering committee of the assembly – members are representing their district’s positions or area’s in the case of our officers, rather than their own.
- It also maximizes the time available for members to voice the opinions and needs of their district. All who are attending may say their piece during sharing time.

I respectfully ask for your cooperation in this. If you don’t have a vote, as I mentioned, please keep your input for sharing time which is scheduled for later this afternoon. At that time, all in attendance are welcomed to participate and their opinions will be heard.

Floor Motions

If you are making a floor motion for the area committee to consider today, it would be much appreciated if you would write your motion out and give it to our secretary, Tony.

I would entertain a motion now to carry out the first part of today’s meeting by simple majority:

Motion for simple majority

Moved: Gary O., Area Corrections Chair

Seconded: Elaine H., DCM – District 06

Vote: Carried

2. REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Before calling for a motion, are there any items that should be added to today’s agenda?

- a) Old Business to be added
- b) New Business to be added

13 (3) “I move that Area 83, Eastern Ontario International, support the initiative by Area 84 North-Eastern Ontario to redistribute the delegate panels for the Eastern Canada Region by changing Area 84 from an odd panel to an even panel.” Robb W.

Motion: to accept the agenda as amended

Moved: Dan N., Area CPC Chair

Seconded: Murray O., DCM – District 18

Vote: Carried

3. ROLL CALL

Scott M., our registrar, has circulated the attendance sheets – please sign in the appropriate spot – there is a separate section for visitors.

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4. REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF AREA COMMITTEE MEETING - December 1, 2012.

Motion: to accept the minutes

Moved: Sandra B., DCM – District 86

Seconded: Lynne H., DCM – District 36

Vote: Carried

5. DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORTS (Sequence of reports to be drawn from the hat)

We have requested written reports from all committee members, including district committee members. Members are asked to keep in mind the 2 minute time limit for verbal reports. Written reports may be as long as you like and will be included in the minutes in their entirety, if given to Tony A., our secretary.

I would ask members to come up front to the mic to give their report. Order is determined by the chair drawing district numbers from the bag. I will announce who is on and who is on deck. If you are "on deck", please come up to the front and be ready to present when the DCM before you steps down. Please clearly state your name, your position and your district when you are up here, thank you.

District 02 - Malton

Newly elected Ray R. Alt DCM, Shane H. Treasurer, Julie P. Secretary Register. Elections for all other chair positions will be held on 13 January 2013. We will miss one of our District greatest supporters Dan N. We hope him the best as CPC chair.

Financially; District is Okay Corrections; TWDC is scheduled to close (Date?) Ontario Correctional Institute 3 AA meetings a week and a Big book study all are well. Deirdre B. new GIR. P.I.; (Julie P. Chair) is looking into racks in police station and hope to be coordinate with the new district 6 PI chair, and trying to contact the Peel Police Chief to find out about putting in racks. Treatment; (Shane Chair) meeting going very well at Brampton detox. Gift of life noon meeting we share with other districts we will see how things go? Royal York Group covering Jan and the Spirit of the Big Book Group covering Feb. Thank you, Robert B – DCM District 02

District 06 - Mississauga

Good Morning and Happy New Year friends – I am an alcoholic, a member of the Streetsville Group and it is an honour and privilege to serve as the incoming District Committee Member in District 06. My name is Elaine and I am excited to be here in this role.

District 06 is the western most district in Area 83, bounded by Sixteen Mile Creek in Oakville Lake Ontario, Scarlett Road/South Kingsway and north of Eglinton. We have 33 active registered groups – GSRs attending District meetings or points of contact for 32. Recently we are one less as the Parklawn Group moved to District 12 – we wish them well.

We concluded our Panel 61 term with a pizza night at which we said thanks and farewell to some GSRs, alternate GSRs, retiring Committee chairs and a special thank you to our retiring DCM Scott who guided us so well – he left big shoes to fill! We welcomed a number of new GSRs and alternate GSRs and our new table officers –Secretary-Treasurer David B, Registrar-Webmaster Marilyn L, Alternate DCM Chris H, and myself as DCM. I am excited to be working with them all.

Our District is in excellent shape in terms of attendance at the District table, the support received from groups in the District and our financial commitments to Area and GSO.

One last piece of business in 2012 was the adoption of new website Guidelines – the final piece of our new website.

We continue to carry the message in Treatment weekly service meetings (although we can't touch District 12!) at the Cawthra shelter and the Jean Tweed Centre and we share a commitment with Districts 2 and 14 at the Gift of Life meeting. We are active in correctional facilities both in and outside our district and we continue our initiative with District 02 for AA literature in police stations in Peel.

We will elect our new Committee chairs at our January meeting and already a number of folks have indicated they will let their names stand. We are excited about the new term and our first planned activity - our District 6 Service day, scheduled for March 9– stay tuned for more details.

Yours in love and grateful service, Elaine H DCM – District 06

District 10 - Toronto South Central

My name is James O'D. and I am an alcoholic. Currently serving as DCM for District 10. The following chairs have not been filled yet:

Secretary, Public Information, AccessAbility. Financially we are doing well. I would like to thank Tony and Vince who have gone before us.

Anita A is now serving as ADCM and we will do our best to serve the District. First meeting in this new year will be held on Tuesday January 8th.

Yours in love and service, James O'D., DCM – District 10

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District 12 - Toronto South West

I'm Greg and I'm an alcoholic. District 12 is doing very well and is meeting all of its' service commitments due to the support of the active groups at the table. Our finances are stable and meeting our needs. Our December meeting was our pizza night. It was well attended and we thank Tony A. for his talk on service. Our December meeting had all incoming GSR's, a few guests, seeing what's going on, and inexplicably, a new comer at his first AA meeting showed up. He was transferred to the Friendly Group. I'm very excited at the caliber and energy of the new GSR's and I'm sure we will do very well with this group. I would like to introduce Paco A. District 12's Alt DCM who is with us today. We will be electing our subcommittee positions at the Jan meeting.

Yours in Service, Greg H., DCM – District 12

District 14 - Toronto North Central

I am an alcoholic; member of the Aurora group, incoming DCM and my name is Gord MacL. We enter the next 2 years with a great group of members forming our committee, sub-committees and representing our various groups; many have been serving District 14 for several years. Our finances are strong, with our rent prepaid for the next several months. Our first meeting will have orientation for new GSRs and sub committee members. We are providing our District 14 PPG Manual and the 2011/12 Service Manual to those that require them. Moving forward highlights for District 14. We have an ad hoc committee starting to review our D14 PPG manual; Our Service Workshop should go into planning soon & District Inventory in the fall.

In service, Gord M., DCM – District 14

District 16 - Distrito Hispano de Toronto

Absent and No Report Submitted

District 18 - Toronto City East

Good evening friends. I am an alcoholic, and have the responsibility and privilege of serving as the DCM for District 18, Toronto City East, and my name is Murray O. Our district is looking forward to the new term and new group of committee members. We were able to finally fill all our officer positions with bi-elections in November and December. Our 2013/2014 slate is as follows:

DCM – Me from the East York Group; A-DCM Katrina E from the Joy in Sobriety; Treasurer – Victoria B from the Danforth Group; Secretary – Steve B from the Leslie Group; Registrar - Frank from the Unionville Group.

We will be electing our sub-committee chairs and alternates once the new GSRs arrive this coming Tuesday. Our district is financially sound and has been able to contribute to Info AA Day and send splits to Area and GSO in the last few months. Our archives committee will be able to pick right up with our past chair's project to upgrade our display unit. All our outgoing sub-committee chairs will be handing over vibrant and active service committees, opportunities and undertakings.

I pray that our new committee will be granted open hearts, minds and souls that we may continue to do God's work again this term and keep the 3 legacies alive and well in our District.

Yours in Love and Service, Murray O., DCM – District 18

District 22 - Scarborough

I am an alcoholic, a member of the Sunday Scarboro Group my name is Bryan D., and I am privileged to serve as the DCM for District 22.

Not much has happened since the last area committee meeting in December, as we have only had one meeting since. Our district is functioning well and we are able to meet all our financial obligations.

District 22 held its election for sub-committee chairs in November and all but the literature and self-support chairs have been filled. Elections for unfilled sub-committee chairs and alternate sub-committee chairs will be held at our district meeting on January 13, 2013. In addition to the elections, we also plan to have a workshop for the incoming GSRs at the January meeting, time permitting; else it will be held in February.

I am eager to meet the incoming GSRs, Officers and Sub-Committee Chairs again and to work alongside them in 2013/2014.

I would like to introduce to you our Alternate DCM Eddy G who is here today.

Yours in Loving Service, Bryan D., DCM – District 22

District 26 - Lakeshore West

Good morning friends, I'm an alcoholic, a member of the Ajax Area Group, and my name is Kimberley. It is my privilege of serving as DCM for District 26, Lakeshore West. At our December district meeting, the remaining positions of PIC chair and Treatment chair were filled by Diane M and Stuart B respectively. One of the newer groups in our district, the Young People's Group, has folded. They had been struggling this last year. Our annual Christmas Alkathon, held in cooperation with District 28 was appreciated by many again this year and well supplied with yummy treats. Our District is doing okay financially. Our district meeting will be held later this month so I look forward to meeting our new GSR's at that time. Our committee chairs seem eager and enthusiastic to learn and to serve. I am grateful to be learning and serving with them and also with you here at the Area. Yours in love and service, Kimberley M., DCM – District 26

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District 28 - Lakeshore East

Good morning, I am an alcoholic, a member of the Bowmanville Group and my name is Jack H. I have the honor and privilege of serving you as DCM for District 28. Here's hoping that your holidays were great and filled with lots of good times with family and friends. As this is our first area meeting for this term, all that I can report is that our committees are all in place. Financially, our district is in good shape and we are currently working on our projected budget for 2013. We held our 24 hour Alkathon from December 24 -25, 2012, in conjunction with District 26. All groups contributed one hour of their time. It was a great success. We have also started a self support committee, being chaired by Carl C., from the Kedron Group. We will be holding our first district meeting on January 13, at that time, it will be my chance to meet all of the new GSR's at the district table. I am looking forward to serving Area 83 to the best of my ability. Please be patient, I am new too! But, I am SURE that I can count on some great assistance from my Alternate DCM, Maria!! This concludes my report for today. Yours in Love, Service, and the Fellowship of the Spirit Jack H., DCM – District 28

District 30 - Quinte West

I am an alcoholic and my name is Pierre B. My home group is the Fresh Start Group in Campbellford and I am the DCM of District 30. Our district is off to a good start with most service positions filled at the table. Yours in service, Pierre B., DCM – District 30

District 34 - Quinte East

My name is Linda D. and I have the privilege of representing District 34 Quinte East as the current DCM. Our elections went well and all of the positions in the district are filled with the exception of the registrar. Dan D. is the Alt DCM and he is with us today. We have recently passed a new set of operating procedures and will be handing them out to all of the members of our table at our next meeting. We have also changed our meeting venue as of January 2013. We are now meeting at the Hillcrest Community Centre in Belleville instead of Thomasburg. We are hoping that this move will increase the number of attendees at the monthly district meeting. I look forward to my new appointment and will do my best for District 34 and Area 83. Yours in service, Lind D., DCM – District 34

District 36 – Kingston & The Islands

Good morning. I'm an alcoholic; a member of the Frontenac Group, my name is Lynne. It is my privilege to serve District 36 as their DCM. Thanks to last term's DCM, Roxane, Treasurer, Sandy and Secretary, Mary for all the effort put in the last two years and during this transition. Thanks as well to the past committee chairs and GSR's who are also passing information and experience to the newly elected representatives. I look forward to working with the new table: Heather (A-DCM); Wayne (Treasurer); Monique (Secretary); Bonnie (PI/CPC); Barry (Treatment); Ann (Grapevine); Carrie (TLC); Kathy (Archives) and a yet to be named Corrections Chair. We are anticipating a warm welcome for and from the new GSR's and hope that the table can adequately serve the groups. Our District has had a couple of new groups formed and our monthly meetings can become very full and quite lengthy. Patience will be our code during the next few months as we all get a bit more comfortable in our new roles. As always group contributions appear just when needed and we have been able to conduct the business as requested by the groups. I am looking forward to a two year learning curve and some fun along the way. In gratitude and in service, Lynne H., DCM – District 36

District 38 - Thousand Islands

Absent and No Report Submitted

District 42 - St. Lawrence International

[Read by Louise T] My name is Allan C. and I am an alcoholic. I was elected DCM for District 42 in November of 2012 and am honored to serve. As the Alternate DCM, Louise T. will be representing the district on my behalf until I am able to cross the border. The positions we currently have filled for the new term are as follows: DCM - Allan C., Alt DCM - Louise T., Registrar - Kenny B., Treasurer - Mary H., Secretary - Anne L., PI/CPC - Tanya M.

One of the challenges we face is that many of us have less than five years of sobriety. I intend to fully utilize the experience and knowledge of those who have come before so that our district may be served in a manner that reflects the intent of our founders. I will continue to encourage group representatives to attend district meetings and solicit the participation of those groups that have traditionally been absent from the district table. Milner G. went to great lengths to strengthen our district and I am very grateful to have the opportunity to contribute to the progress that he has made over the past two years.

District 42 continues to meet on the 3rd Sunday of each month. We recently secured a permanent location to store the archive collection. There is a motion scheduled for discussion and vote in January to suspend the district meeting during the summer months due to attendance conflicts that have historically been a problem during this time. This promises to be a lively discussion.

Again, I am honored to be given the opportunity to serve our district and am extremely grateful to Louise T. for assisting me in this endeavor. God Bless, Allan C., DCM – District 42

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District 46 - St. Lawrence Adirondack

Absent and No Report Submitted

District 48 - Seaway Valley North

Hi everyone my name is Michael C. and I am an alcoholic and member of the Kemptville Gratitude Group and currently have the privilege of serving as DCM for District 48. Wishing you all of the best for 2013 one day at a time. As this is my first report it will probably be my shortest as well. The district is financially sound and able to meet all of its current fiscal commitments including our 19th annual round-up Saturday February 2nd at Matilda Hall Dixon Corners where we will celebrate the Freedom to Live Well, Laugh Often and Love Much. There will be AA and Al-Anon speakers and panels starting at 8:30 am with breakfast and winding up with a pot-luck dinner. All are welcome. Flyers are in your district mail folders. After our elections in November, we still had some openings at our district table, I am happy to report that most of them have now been filled including the Alt DCM position by Rick M leaving only the district secretary, grapevine and self-support chairs. I am hopeful that we will soon have these positions filled. I look forward to seeing most of you at our round-up next month and the rest of you at the assembly in March. I am happy to report that our district website is up and still under construction at www.seawayvalleynorthdistrict48aa.org. Yours in love and service, Michael C., DCM – District 48

District 50 - Cornwall

Absent and No Report Submitted

District 54 - Ottawa Rideau

Good morning, my name is Bob B., serving as the DCM for District 54, a member of the Beacon Hill Group, and I am an alcoholic. The month of December was spent familiarizing myself with some of the responsibilities associated with the DCM position. Conducted some research on the upcoming Canadian Eastern Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly on February 22-24, 2013 in Montreal and submitted a budget to cover the expenses of the District 54 Committee Member, that was approved at the January district meeting by two third majority. Met with the new incoming Ottawa Intergroup chairman, Tony P., and proposed setting-up a joint meeting of all three Ottawa DCM's and their alternates, to discuss issues pertaining to AA in Ottawa. I will speak with the other DCM's and the Ottawa archivist, David T., about holding an initial meeting in early February. I secured the participation of our new Area 83 delegate, Mel C. for the proposed 2013 Ottawa Gratitude Day in June. Spoke with Gregg C., past DCM, and he confirmed that Ottawa Rideau District 54 had no written operating procedures. A copy of Ottawa West District 62 operating procedures was obtained which was revised for District 54. A draft copy was distributed at our recent district meeting for review and discussion at our next meeting on February 7th. I have also started to review the groups in our district to ensure we have an updated list. All our 2013-2014 sub-committee positions have been filled. We are currently assessing the need for an archive position at the district level. This year's Alkathon was a success including the attendance at the New Year's Eve dance. Finally, we are able to meet all our district's financial obligations including the maintenance of a prudent reserve. We will be finalizing our 2013 spending guidelines at our upcoming February meeting. YIL&S, Bob B., DCM – District 54

District 58 - Ottawa Bytown

Hello everyone, my name is John V. and I am a grateful, recovering alcoholic. I am the new DCM for District 58, Ottawa Bytown, and a member of the Laurier / Sandy Hill Group. As of our first district meeting on January 14th, the following positions are filled: secretary, treasurer, A-DCM, archives liaison, CFT liaison. We are actively seeking CPC, PIC, and Grapevine representation, but as of this writing, these positions remain open. Simultaneous to our district meeting, an Ottawa area GSR training session was being held, so I hope that attendance will be boosted next month.

Our District finances are in good order and our prudent reserve has been topped back up to where it should be. In the immediate future, I look forward to working with my other Ottawa area DCM counterparts. My personal goal for the term is to attend all of the 37 meetings listed in the district, in order to increase awareness of service opportunities and to gather input from groups not currently sitting at our table regularly – and, of course, to encourage them to come to the table.

I have asked all those holding district positions to forward their notes and reports to their area counterparts, and hopefully that information flow will begin shortly.

Yours in Loving Service, John V., DCM – District 58

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District 62 - Ottawa West

Good morning and Happy New Year. I am an Alcoholic, a member of the Parkwood Hills Group in Ottawa and look forward to serving District 62, Ottawa West, as their DCM. My name is Sue B. Our new Alt DCM, Alai H., could not make it today due to work. She sends her apologies, however will be here at future meetings. I will introduce Alia to you at that time. As in years past, Ottawa just completed the Alkathon over Christmas and New Years. It was very well attended. There were 24 hours of meetings with plenty of food and coffee for fellowship. New this year was a New Year's Eve dance from 10 pm – 1 am which was a smashing success.

At our January 14, 2013 meeting, our Past Delegate, Sandy S. will be putting on a GSR Workshop. Both District's 58 and 54 have been invited to attend. I believe this will be a great help to the new GSR's who will be in attendance. Unfortunately our treasurer for the 2013 – 2014 term has had to step down due to illness. We wish Peter all the best in his recovery. At our January meeting, we will be looking for a treasurer and Grapevine representative. Finances in District 62 have seen better times. Donations are at their lowest in six years. We shall, however, do our best to better this situation. Yours in love and service, Sue B., DCM – District 62

District 66 - Golden Triangle

My name is Rod and I am an alcoholic. I am the new DCM for the Golden Triangle District 66. Today, I am also joined by our Alt DCM Elaine S. I am pleased to report that District 66 is currently in a sound financial position and has been able to contribute to both Area 83 and GSO on a regular basis. I also wish to announce that service positions for the district have all currently been filled. We are now starting preparations for our spring round-up which has always been a great celebration for Alcoholics Anonymous in our district. I am looking forward to working with you the next two years. Yours in love and service, Rod D., DCM – District 66

District 70 - Renfrew Pontiac

Hello friends, I am an alcoholic and member of the Sunday Night Serenity Group in Renfrew and my name is Michelle. I am privileged to be starting off the New Year in my new role as DCM for District 70, Renfrew-Pontiac. Our elections for this new term went extremely well, and the only outstanding position is that of registrar. It remains in old business though, and I am confident that the position will be filled in time. We have our annual spring roundup coming up on Saturday March 16 in sober celebration of St. Patrick's Day at the Renfrew Armories. Please feel free to take some flyers from the back and distribute to your groups. Our roundup is always sure to be a fun day filled with good food and great people and we look forward to seeing you there. We have a great variety of speakers, including an Al-Anon panel which offers some valuable insight into how this disease affects those that we love. Nothing else to report, other than my gratitude for this new opportunity, and I look forward to doing some wonderful service work with all of you. Yours in Service, Michelle R., DCM – District 70 district70dcm@gmail.com

District 74 - Pembroke

Absent and No Report Submitted

District 78 - Madawaska Valley

Absent and No Report Submitted

District 82 - Victoria Haliburton

Good morning friends. I am an alcoholic and a member of the Minden Centennial Group and currently serving as the DCM for District 82 Victoria Haliburton. Everything is still the same from December. We had our elections and every position has been filled, the first time in many years. Financially, we are doing good. I am looking forward to serving District 82 to the best of my ability. Yours in service, Trevor C., DCM – District 82

District 86 - Kawartha

Thank you Kim and everyone here today. Good day, I am an alcoholic, member of Friendly Friday in Peterborough and DCM for District 86, my name is Sandra. I am really pleased to be at the table. I would like to thank you each and everyone who did the planning and set up to make this meeting possible and a success. In the Kawartha District, we have 23 groups registered. In the past, GSR attendance has always been close to about 85 percent. We have 84 percent of the sub-committee chairs filled and we will likely fill the positions for Treatment and Grapevine soon. I am looking forward to chairing the first district committee meeting for the 2013/2014 term tomorrow. Once again, thank you and it is an honour to serve as DCM for our district in this area and to help carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic. Yours in love and service, Sandra B., DCM – District 86

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6. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

a) Public Information Report

Herb W.

Welcome everyone! My name is Herb, I am an alcoholic. I am a member of the Trenton Redwood Group and I would like to thank you all for giving me the privilege to serve the next two years as your Area 83 Public Information Chairperson. First, I would like to congratulate all the newly elected committee members and especially those who let their name stand for positions and were not elected. It is such an encouragement to see such great enthusiasm and willingness in Area 83. I would like to thank Rob McC. for taking the time and effort to make a trip to Trenton to pass the Public Information display and literature to me. He went over the highlights of his past term as PI chairperson with me and I sincerely hope I can fulfill his dedication and effort. I have already received my Public Information Kit from GSO. I spoke with our delegate, Mel C. concerning the content of the PI workshop in March at our Assembly and was pleasantly pleased to hear that he is going to be on the Public Information Committee when he goes to the General Service Meeting this year! And knowing Mel, I will not be short in lacking information for my workshop! Michael C. DCM from District 48 Seaway Valley North has invited me to participate at their annual Roundup on Feb.2, 2014. , and I am looking forward to being apart of what always is a great event! I have the CPC display and a fresh supply of literature to pass on to Dan N. our incoming Cooperation with the Professional Community chairperson and look forward to working with him over the next two years. A reminder, keep your district contact changes updated with the area so that my contact information stays current. Please send me your district minutes and if there is an event that you would like me to attend on behalf of Area 83 let me know ahead of time so that I can schedule your event. In closing, a warm thanks for the honour and such a true privilege it is to serve Area 83, Eastern Ontario International and to work with such a dedicated committee for the 2013 – 2014 term. Herb W., Area 83 PI Chair

b) Cooperation With The Professional Community

Dan N.

Hello friends. I'm an alcoholic, a member of the Royal York Group and the Area 83 CPC Chairperson and my name is Dan N. I'm very happy to take on this service function and will do my best to fulfill the responsibilities. As stated in our area and committees operating procedures, "The CPC chairperson shall be responsible for the implementation of CPC policy within the area. The chairperson shall liaise with the districts and intergroups' CPC committees, and shall provide assistance, when requested, in accordance with the workbook for CPC." My first meeting was at the December Toronto Intergroup CPC committee meeting. There are two GSRs that are continuing for the next little while as co-chairs as new district CPC chairs begin to take part. I offered to find out what GSO sponsored conferences were going to be held in our area in 2013 and have introduced myself to the GSO CPC person by email. I have also volunteered to contact the Canadian Nurses Association and the Ontario Nurses Association and inquire what conferences, if any, are going to be held in our area. I'll be attending the next committee meeting in January. in closing, I'd like to offer my assistance and support for any district or intergroup CPC committee in our area relating to CPC. Please feel free to contact me at cpc@area83aa.org. I'm very excited to serve in this function and look forward to meeting you in the next little while. Yours in love and service, Dan N., Area 83 CPC Chair

c) Corrections Report

Gary O.

Good Morning Area 83 officers, past and present DCM's and guests. My name is Gary O., a member of the Living Sober Group in Newmarket, Ontario. I am proud to have been elected to the Area 83 Correction Chair position for 2013/2014 term. As some of you are aware, I have been involved in corrections for the past 25 years, not only as a client but as a chair at both the district and area level. I look forward to working with all of you over the next two years. Our Area 83 corrections committee has a few mandates. One of these goals is to carry the message of AA behind the walls of all the institutions in our area. Of the utmost concern in the institutions is the absence of AA meetings - we know meetings are a key ingredient in helping those clients who want to either obtain or keep their sobriety. As AA members, I feel it is our job to help ensure that meetings are available to those behind the walls on a regular basis. We have a lot of work to do and we need your help. Another process we oversee is carrying the message of AA through the Bridging the Gap program; this program works with New York area and our districts. In short, this program involves compiling a list of AA members who would be willing to act as contacts for the clients coming out of the institutions in our area. Once a connection is established between the client and AA member, assistance can then be given to help guide these clients to an AA meeting and to help introduce AA outside the walls. A smooth transition from "inside" AA to "outside" AA helps increase a person's chance at keeping sober and finding a new way of life. Our goal is to keep this program running as smoothly as possible but we need everyone's continued help in order to achieve this objective. I would like to ask all the DCM's to please email me your minutes - I look forward to reading them and keeping up to date with the events taking place in all of our districts. Please send them to cf@area83aa.org . In closing, I would like to thank you for electing me as your Area 83 Corrections chair and I look forward to working with all of you for the next two years - thank you. Yours in service, Gary O., Area 83 Corrections Chair

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d) Treatment Report

Ruth F.

Good afternoon, my name is Ruth and I am an alcoholic. My home group is the Agincourt Acorn group, in District 22, Scarborough. I am currently serving as the Area 83 Treatment Chair. After a few days into the term, I have been busy reading. I have already received my kit and workbook from GSO. The literature is interesting, and full of information. The first thing that jumped out at me as I read was unity and enthusiasm. I agree. If we are to pass on our message of hope, by attraction, then there is no better way than with enthusiasm! The program and the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous saved my life! Enthusiasm is easy! Without unity, AA is in trouble. It is exciting to me to see members of AA share their experience, strength and hope! As we carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic, we are also given gifts. As I begin to "gain interest in our fellows", I am blessed also. With the Traditions always in mind, our unity is assured. The workbook, on page 6, has a list of places where Treatment might carry the message. These are: youth non correctional facilities, nursing homes, psychiatric hospitals, halfway houses, outpatient rehabilitation programs, shelters, veteran's hospitals or facilities. I am reminded that anywhere in treatment, where there is a suffering alcoholic, we have an opportunity to offer our experience, strength and hope! As some districts are still conducting elections in January, I will wait until the end of the month to compile my email list of all district treatment chairs. If there is a district without a treatment chair, I will include the district DCM as the treatment contact for that district. If I can be of any assistance at any time, please drop me an email! Just send an email to the treatment link on the Area 83 website. The email is treatment@area83aa.org. Please send me your district minutes if you are able. I would enjoy keeping up with what is happening with treatment in your district. Thank you for the opportunity to give back, I have been given much! Sober sure is better, Ruth F., Area 83 Treatment Chair

e) Grapevine Report

Heather M.

I'm an alcoholic, member of the Prince Edward Group, currently serving as Area 83 Grapevine Chair, my name is Heather M. I attended the year end dinner and Grapevine meeting for the dedicated Grapevine reps of the GTA. I've also been in contact with a couple of other Grapevine chairs for their districts and groups. Many districts do their elections for district GV chairs this month. Please have your district Grapevine chair email me at grapevine@area83aa.org with their contact info so we can keep in touch. I will follow up with the applicable DCM if I don't hear anything by mid February. The Grapevine reps of the GTA like to put in a bulk order for grapevine materials so that they can take advantage of the discounts offered with larger orders. If your district would like to participate in such an endeavor or start your own centralized bulk order (where your district would combine with districts in your neck of the woods) please let me know and I will put you in touch to learn how. I've been in contact with Leo and have the area grapevine display and materials. I've received my "kit" from NY. I love a job where the "kit" is little more than a pamphlet! I've been invited to the District 48 Cornwall Round-up on February 2nd, I've Google-mapped it, and plan to attend. If your district has an event they would like me at please let me know in advance if possible, and let me know whether you simply want the display up or whether you'd like me to speak about Grapevine. I'd be happy to do either. If you or anyone in your district has any questions feel free to use the grapevine@area83aa.org email address. I will reply promptly. Yours in service, Heather M., Area 83 Grapevine Chair

f) Self-Support Report

Jim A.

Good morning everyone, I am an alcoholic a member of the East York Group, my name is Jim A. I have the honour and privilege of serving as your Area 83 Self Support Chair. On the job for only 5 days, so nothing really to report. I have done a cursory review of all the material handed over by my predecessor last night. But you have to know where you have been before you know where you are going. I would like to continue the path that was taken by the two previous chairs, Panel 59 was "Inform, Inform, Inform" and Panel 61 was "Gratitude and Awareness. The Self Support pamphlets sub title is "Where Money and Spirituality Mix. The common conception of Self Support is that is all about money and fundraising. I want make the "d" silent and make it about fun-raising. Service rocks, so does sobriety. The energy that exists here in this room at our area committee meetings is transferable to our district meetings and to our home groups. The joy of carrying a message of hope is our primary purpose, and we can have a lot of fun doing it. Self Support is not just the 7th tradition; it is every step, every tradition and every concept. Greater participation comes from better information and greater awareness of AA as a whole and the whole of AA. If you build it they will come.... As I look around this room, I see a talented group of dedicated individuals, committed to our fellowship, those they serve and those who will eventually come here. You are the treasure, who invests their time and talent of carrying the message of recovery and the service of helping others. Other areas that I hope we, the district chairs and their local committees, can focus on are: service sponsorship, the AA structure and all that good stuff in the service manual, myth busting from better information. I hope to meet as many of the chairs as possible and look forward to working with all other area committees. Self Support is the silent partner of every other part of AA service. Wouldn't it be great if there were 27 Self Support chairs! Another goal, get more involvement. I have introduced myself to Area 86 and will be working with their treasurer (they don't have Self Support) in sharing ideas and experiences for our mutual benefit. I look forward to hearing about the challenges obstacles and success stories from anywhere in Area 83 so that it may repeated everywhere else in Area 83. We do not have to reinvent the wheel every time and obstacle becomes an opportunity. We have all heard the abc's at the end of the "how it works" reading. The abc's can also mean: A better community, a broader conception, or a bigger constituency. With God's help....Yours in Love and Service, Jim A., Area 83 Self Support Chair

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g) Archives Report

Gary C.

Hi, Everyone. I am an alcoholic, a member of the Stonewall Group in Peterborough in Kawartha District 86 and my name is Gary C. I have the honour and privilege of serving as your Archives Chair for the next two years. As I am just beginning to acquaint myself with this position, there is not a lot to report. I welcome the opportunity to work with our Archivist, David T. My first priority will be to work with David to establish an agenda for 2013 of things we know have to be done. There will also be things come up through the year. I will be contacting all districts to see where I might be of assistance with archives in each district, even those that don't currently have an archives chair. I am grateful for the assistance of Peter N., the outgoing Area Archives Chair, for all the information he has passed on to me. Let Gratitude Be Your Attitude, Gary C., Area 83 Archives Chair

7. REGISTRAR REPORT

Scott M.

Greetings to all & Happy New Year! I'm alcoholic, a member of the Bloordale Group in District 06 and my name is Scott M. Hi! What an honour & privilege it is to serve the fellowship in this manner. It seems like just yesterday that we were counting down 63 days to Panel 63 and now we're here – day 5. Only 715 days left. Your area registrar from last term has been very helpful with the transition of the position. We met last Saturday to go over the files that I'll require and do some training. I've been able to make changes to group information on the FNV database and have a pretty good idea of how it works. Yesterday afternoon I received my certificate from GSO's FNV support staff, of whom I'll be working close with, and this was less than four hours from the time that Tony's certificate was revoked. FNV is the database that we use, short for Fellowship New Vision. The digital certificates are necessary for users to access the database securely. There is all kinds of support and along with calling Tony, I have also been invited to be part of an email discussion group that has two past area registrars as mentors. I just await confirmation & then the group can share their experiences with this position. With this group there will not be any need for Webinar training.

This terms' new group forms and group information change forms, updated with my address and contact email (registrar@area83aa.org) have been posted on our Area website (www.area83aa.org) under Resources + District Resources. These are easily downloadable. I have received many already, both from Tony and now by email and continue to update information. I would like to request that you pass along to your district registrars that it would be most beneficial to me to have all changes to a form highlighted or bolded. I kindly ask that updates or new group forms are sent to me by email and created in a Word format as indicated on the bottom of the form. You may also scan and fax if needed to me at 905-454-5008. If you are planning to fax documents, please call me first so I can have the machine turned on to receive your info. I will send out a copy of the updated district rosters by request or prior to each of our four area assemblies. I have asked our GSO Records Dept. how long the turn-around is to receive a GSR kit and have been told between 10 – 15 business days. Now, this is progress. Tony had indicated last term that the wait was about a month. If there are any eager, energetic or enthusiastic GSR's that await kits, the current 2012-13 light blue AA Service Manual is available on line at www.aa.org. Choose the For Groups & Members tab along with Getting Involved in General Service. Most of the items listed here will be in the GSR kit. Tony has also provided me with all registrar files, paper work and supplies housed in 4 bins that he used last term. Soon, I will go to work on sifting through the files and supplies to create a system that will work for me. Wish me luck as I trudge the road of registrar destiny. Again, thanks for the opportunity to serve. Yours in Love & Service, Scott M., Area 83 Registrar
registrar@area83aa.org

8. TREASURER REPORT

Rob M.

Hi, everyone. I'm an alcoholic, a member of the Kedron Group in District 28, and my name is Rob McA.. It is an honour and privilege to serve as Area 83 Treasurer. Thank you to Joyce S, and Jim A for all of the assistance you have provided to me. Jim handed all the Treasurers supplies over to me and gave me detailed instructions on serving as Area 83 Treasurer. Jim also prepared the final financial reports that I will go over now. The following are the financials for the period ending December 31, 2012. The total income to date is \$61,859.79. This amount consists of \$5,572.96 in 7th Traditions; \$50,938.78 in group and district contributions and \$722.39 in cost recoveries. Our group contributions are up \$5191.38 compared to last year at this time. The total expenses for the period ending December 31, 2012 were \$63,722.93. To date our expenses are \$ 1,863.14 higher than our income. The bank opening balance as of January 1, 2012 was \$34,977.40. Total income of \$61,859.79 less expenses of \$63,722.93 leaves a balance in the operating account of \$33,114.26 as of December 31, 2012. The December bank reconciliation has been done and the balance in the operating account is accurate. Our reserve account, which is set aside for unforeseen circumstances, has a balance of \$20,000. The second page is a detailed breakdown of the expenditures summarized on the first page and page 3 shows the Contributions by Districts. I have put contribution envelopes in all the DCM's mail folders. The envelopes have a spot on the return section where the District and Group Treasurers can print their return address along with your Group Name, Group Number and District Number. This will help me to mail the receipt confirmations to the correct people. If there is not a group or District number listed, then the contribution will appear under unspecified and your District will not get credit for the contribution.

Please ask your Treasurer's to make your contribution cheques payable to: **Eastern Ontario International Area 83** and mail to:
Area 83 Eastern Ontario International C/o Rob McA. 121 Tremont Street Whitby, Ontario L1M 1G1

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I received the rates from the Ambassador hotel for the spring and fall Assemblies, they are as follows;

Room Rates: Renovated with 2 Queen Beds, 97.00; Comfort Class with 2 Queen Beds, 117.00; Business Class with 1 King Bed, 117.00; Renovated Whirlpool King Room, 137.00; Renovated Whirlpool King Room with Sofa Bed, 157.00; All rates subject to applicable tax

Food and Beverage Prices: Saturday Dinner Buffet - 38.00 per person including gratuity and tax; Coffee Service – 8.75 per person including gratuity and tax. Yours in Love and Service, Rob M., Area 83 Treasurer

See Appendix A for Attached Financial Statements

Seventh tradition collected during Jan 5, 2013 ACM: \$233.30

9. SECRETARY REPORT

Tony A.

Good day. Happy New Year and a very warm welcome to you all!! I am an alcoholic, a member of the St Clements Group in District 10 and currently serve as your Panel 63 Secretary for Area 83 International and my name is Tony A.

Since my rotation from registrar to secretary, I have been quite busy getting all of the rosters updated and the related duties of this position. I have passed over the laptop to Scott, our current registrar, and provided some basic training on how to use the FNV system and various registrar tasks. I have received many district change forms but there are still quite a few districts that have not sent their changes to me. Please send this in as soon as you can so I can get the information inputted and you can receive your DCM kit. The email address to submit changes and submit secretary related queries is secretary@area83aa.org. The downloadable district change form is available on our area website under the district recourses tab. When submitting your committee reports, please remember to submit these in a Word formatted documents as this makes for a smooth transcription process and I thank you in advance for this and for those who have submitted your reports to me already. I have placed a copy of the district and sub-committee rosters in their respective slots in the bins. Please check these for accuracy and let me know if there are any edits that need to be made. I have only placed the district rosters that had submitted a change form. There are also 3 copies of the ACM minutes from our December 1, 2012 meeting and a name card in your bins. Please place your name cards on the table in front of you so we can all see your name. The committee chair registrations have already been sent in to GSO by the previous secretary back in December. The chairs should be receiving their kits soon if not by now. Please let me know if you have not received your kit in the next couple of weeks so I can follow up for you. There really is not much more to report and I am yet again delighted to have the opportunity and privilege to be of service and thank you for the trust that you have placed in me.

YIL&S, Tony A., Area 83 Secretary

10. ALTERNATE DELEGATE REPORT

Joyce S.

Happy New Year's everyone! I hope you all had a great, safe holiday. I am an alcoholic, a member of the Twelve Steps Group in Scarborough and my name is Joyce S. It truly is an honour to serve this term as your Area 83 Alternate Delegate. After I got home from our last assembly, I received many welcoming emails from delegate's in areas across Canada and the U.S. It was so overwhelming. In one particular email, the delegate said that when she was alternate delegate she prayed everyday for her delegate. Simply because, if the delegate becomes ill, the alternate delegate assumes the duties of the delegate. Mel should feel safe because I have started to pray for him everyday. Of course, he has already handed over the coffee towel to me so I can get him coffee whenever he wants one. As with many of you here today, I still have to familiarize myself with what is expected of me. To date, I have not done any alternate delegate duties. However, I have 4 items already marked in my Grapevine pocket planner. On January 21, 2013, I will be on a conference call for the Remote Communities. I look forward to being active in this. Hopefully, I can make a contribution to help the still suffering alcoholic in remote communities and to continue on with the influence that Area 83 has already provided. I will be attending the first District Sharing at Toronto Intergroup on February 5th. Our operating procedures define part of the position description of the alternate delegate as being the liaison between general service and Intergroups in Area 83. In Area 83 there are Intergroup offices in Toronto, Ottawa, Oshawa and Peterborough. In the future, I will be in contact with the chairs of these Intergroups to let them know what we at Area 83 do and to see if there is anything that we can do to have a healthy relationship. The Ontario Delegate's Conference is from March 1-3 in Thunder Bay. I have not been informed as to what I will be presenting on, but am I am excited about going as it is always a great weekend. This conference is open to all members of AA. Please join us if you can. The Information AA Day Committee has asked me to take part in their day on May 25th by speaking on how general service and Intergroup work together to fulfill our primary purpose. Bruce D., the Chair of Toronto Intergroup will be speaking about Intergroup and I will be speaking about our General Service Office. I look forward to being on the panel with Bruce. Please ask your district secretary to add my email address to the minute distribution listing. I enjoy reading what is happening in your districts and would welcome receiving them. My email address is alt.delegate@area83aa.org. It will be such a pleasure to fulfill my commitment as alternate delegate and to work with all of you to continue in keeping Area 83 as healthy as it is. I would like to thank you for the trust you have shown me. It will be a great, fun filled two years with lots of enthusiasm.

Yours In Love and Service, Joyce S., Panel 63 Alternate Delegate - Eastern Ontario International

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11. DELEGATE REPORT

Mel C.

Hello everyone, my name is Mel and I am an alcoholic, currently serving the fellowship at Panel 63 Delegate for Area 83 Eastern Ontario International - good to be here, good to be sober. I am a grateful member of The Hill Group in District 12, Toronto South West. This is the point in every officers term that they say... "I'm gonna...". I'm gonna do this and I'm gonna do that! I have some I'm gonna's too!

Newsletter - I've got the first one done now, I was just waiting to see who would comprise the Service Information Day committee. I will get it out this week to a fairly broad distribution list and I hope you all will pass it along to anyone you think might benefit. If you run across anyone who wants to be added, just have them write delegate@area83aa.org. Website - Delegate section: I will be utilizing the delegate section of our website quite a bit. You will be able to find all 8 newsletters I will do along with both years delegate's report, a running calendar of my delegate schedule and other things of interest to our Area. I hope you'll look at it often.

I need a tally of the number of GSR's in your district to order Conference Final Reports for everyone. I'm passing a list around now. Please fill it in for me.

Date Bookings: On my bookings, I have already been booked for a fair number of dates, so if you want me in your locale for a delegate report or something else, please contact me directly and as soon as possible. I hope to be able to work with Todd to get a calendar up on our area site so you can see at a glance when I am available. Thank you for your trust and confidence, I will do my best to earn it.

Mel C., Delegate, Area 83 - Eastern Ontario International

Chairperson: At this point in the agenda, I would like to recommend that we move to 2/3 majority.

Motioned: Michael C., DCM – District 48

Seconded: Linda D., DCM – District 34

Discussion: None

Vote: Carried

12. OLD BUSINESS

None

13. NEW BUSINESS

a) Appointment of Signing Authorities

Rob M

Motion: "I move that in addition to my signature, we appoint Tony A., Area 83 Secretary and Kimberley M., DCM District 26, as the secondary signing authorities for Area 83 for the 2013 / 2014 term".

Seconded by Herb W., Area PI Chair

Vote: Carried Unanimously

b) Appointment of Auditors, 2011-2012 Finances

Rob M

Motion: "I move that we appoint Kimberley M., DCM District 26 and Jack H., DCM District 28 as auditors to assist me in auditing Area 83's books for the years 2011/2012"

Seconded by Pierre B., DCM – District 30

Vote: Carried Unanimously

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c) Motion

Robb W

"I move that Area 83, Eastern Ontario International, support the initiative by Area 84 North-Eastern Ontario to redistribute the delegate panels for the Eastern Canada Region by changing Area 84 from an odd panel to an even panel."

Seconded by Murray O., DCM – District 18

Discussion:

Robb W. (P61 Delegate) asking for Area 83 to support this motion as we currently are an odd panel; there are 4 areas in with Area 86 would make this a an even 50/50. Murray O. (Dist 18) asked for clarification and will this be going to the assembly? And Robb W. indicated that it did not need to go to the assembly. Mel C. (P63 Delegate) indicated that the letter needs to be written by the delegate and Robb W. is in agreement; Michael C. (Dist 48) asked what will happen to Area 84 delegate and do they only serve 1 year? Robb indicated that it would be a most definite challenge to serve 3 years and Mel said that ultimately GSO in NYC will make the decision and we are only supporting the motion and not making a decision for the area.

Vote: 33 in favour; 1 abstain - Motion carried

Election of Service Information Day Committee

Area Committee

Area Chairperson read the following:

From the Area 83 Operating Procedures: Each regular Assembly of Area 83 shall be preceded by a Service Information Day. To ensure involvement by all members of the area in the Service Information Day program, the Area Committee, at the beginning of its term, shall elect a standing committee to be known as the Service Information Day Committee, comprised of six District Committee members. This committee shall then elect a chairperson and a secretary from amongst these six District Committee Members

Dot D. (Panel 57 Delegate) was introduced and facilitated the Service Information Day elections.

Nominations were from roll call

Michelle R., DCM – District 70
Rod D., DCM – District 66
Sue B., DCM – District 62
Michael C., DCM – District 48
Lynne H., DCM – District 36
Linda D., DCM – District 34
Kim M., DCM – District 26
Murray O., DCM – District 18
Greg H., DCM – District 12
Elaine H., DCM – District 06
Robert B., DCM – District 02

Since there were more than 6 members nominated:

- Each nominee gave a short resume
- Each voting member was given a ballot
- Election was by plurality (top 6 vote counts successful)

Congratulations to the six District Committee Members who will be serving on the Service Information Day Committee for the term 2013-2014:

Sue B., DCM – District 62 (SID chair), Elaine H., DCM – District 06 (SID secretary), Linda D., DCM – District 34, Kim M., DCM – District 26, Murray O., DCM – District 18, Robert B., DCM – District 02

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“Motion to destroy the ballots” called by Dot D.

Motioned: Herb W., Area PI Chair

Seconded: Sue B., DCM – District 62

Vote: Carried

The elected SID committee was invited to stay after the meeting had been adjourned to receive their guidelines and to work on the agenda for the Spring 2013 Area Assembly.

14. SHARING – WHAT’S ON YOUR MIND?

15. NEXT AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

Kim S. – Area Chairperson

I would recommend the next committee meeting be held here at Quinte West on **June 1, 2013**. Would someone be willing to make a motion to that effect?

Moved: Elaine H., DCM – District 06

Seconded: Michael C., DCM – District 48

Vote: Carried Unanimously

Reminder: The Area 83 Spring Assembly is March 22-24th.

There will be an open meeting on Friday night. There will be workshops on Saturday and the area business meeting on Sunday.

16. CLOSING

It is now 2:00 p.m. and I would like to thank everyone for their participation today and wish you all a safe drive home. I look forward to seeing you again at the Spring Assembly March 22, 23 & 24th.

Motioned: Murray O., DCM – District 18

Seconded: Gary O., Area Corrections Chair

Vote: Carried Unanimously

CLOSED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION

**I AM RESPONSIBLE...
WHEN ANYONE, ANYWHERE, REACHES OUT FOR HELP,
I WANT THE HAND OF A.A. ALWAYS TO BE THERE.
AND FOR THAT:
I AM RESPONSIBLE.**

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AREA 83 EASTERN ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL**

Appendix A – Financial Statements

EASTERN ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AREA 83 AS AT: December 31st, 2012

RESERVE ACCOUNT	
TD GIC 1.85% maturing 9/16/14	\$ 20,000.00
Interest received in 2012	148.77
Transfer to Operating	(148.77)
RESERVE ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$ 20,000.00

INCOME	
7th Tradition	\$ 5,572.96
Cost Recoveries	722.39
Flow Through to GSO	261.00
Grapevine Seasonal	4,215.89
Group & District Contributions	50,938.78
Interest Accrual	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 61,711.02
TRANSFERS FROM RESERVE	148.77
TOTAL INCOME & TRANSFERS	\$ 61,859.79

EXPENSES	
Accommodations	8,486.43
Meals	11,095.59
Travel	16,973.20
Long Distance	88.00
Postage	713.55
Printing	2,743.01
Literature	1,152.75
Stationery	1,176.96
Miscellaneous	2,166.60
Area Web Site	98.39
Total Committee Expenses	\$ 44,694.48
Ad Hoc Committees	0.00
Area Committee Meetings	942.64
Area Contribution to GSO	4,000.00
General Service Conf. Assessment	6,424.46
Bank Service Charges	137.55
Forums	1,257.58
Grapevine Seasonal	4,215.89
GSO Flow Through	261.00
Ontario Delegate's Conference	1,789.33
Total Other Expenses	\$ 19,028.45
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 63,722.93

OPERATING ACCOUNT	
Opening Balance as of January 1, 2012	\$ 34,977.40
Total Income & Transfers	+ 61,859.79
Total Expenses	- (63,722.93)
OPERATING ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$ 33,114.26

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Position	Accommodations	Meals	Travel	Long Distance	Postage	Printing	Literature	Stationery	Misc.	Total	Annual Guideline	Balance +/-	YTD Usage
Delegate	244.35	141.41	1,978.15	48.00	152.00	-	-	-	-	\$ 2,563.91	2,900.00	336.09	88.41%
Alt. Delegate	423.75	278.84	1,681.05	40.00	37.56	34.22	69.18	19.20	-	\$ 2,583.80	1,900.00	-683.80	135.99%
Immediate past Delegate	-	141.18	1,198.35	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 1,339.53	1,325.00	-14.53	101.10%
Chairperson	150.00	181.33	775.60	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 1,106.93	1,325.00	218.07	83.54%
Secretary	307.56	331.17	1,559.57	-	170.78	2,107.47	-	240.39	-	\$ 4,716.94	4,175.00	-541.94	112.98%
Treasurer	-	250.47	513.50	-	322.50	161.29	-	198.50	-	\$ 1,446.26	1,550.00	103.74	93.31%
Registrar	-	365.09	359.50	-	-	-	-	322.00	-	\$ 1,046.59	1,200.00	153.41	87.22%
Area Web Site/Webmaster	108.48	50.42	818.30	-	-	-	-	-	98.39	\$ 1,075.59	1,250.00	174.41	86.05%
Archives	421.42	428.95	1,153.70	-	-	174.86	-	-	77.41	\$ 2,256.34	2,000.00	-256.34	112.82%
Archivist	565.11	237.41	236.70	-	-	124.57	-	-	60.00	\$ 1,223.79	1,750.00	526.21	69.93%
Cooperation with the P.C.	-	129.00	509.70	-	-	8.48	488.51	-	67.80	\$ 1,203.49	1,250.00	46.51	96.28%
Corrections Facilities	-	37.00	780.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 817.50	1,100.00	282.50	74.32%
Grapevine	105.77	323.10	1,090.60	-	-	59.88	-	15.79	27.82	\$ 1,622.96	1,425.00	-197.96	113.89%
Public Information	-	177.00	686.00	-	10.52	-	434.02	8.24	-	\$ 1,315.78	1,350.00	34.22	97.47%
Self Support	124.38	163.90	1,070.74	-	20.19	64.74	35.55	133.38	-	\$ 1,612.88	1,150.00	-462.88	140.25%
Treatment Facilities	109.89	144.89	754.79	-	-	7.50	125.49	-	-	\$ 1,142.56	1,150.00	7.44	99.35%
Service Info Day Cmte	1,261.08	915.45	1,806.45	-	-	-	-	239.46	-	\$ 4,222.44	3,275.00	-947.44	128.93%
Spring Assembly	2,278.08	3,399.49	-	-	-	-	-	-	561.47	\$ 6,239.04	6,450.00	210.96	96.73%
Fall Assembly	2,386.56	3,399.49	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,372.10	\$ 7,158.15	7,200.00	41.85	99.42%
TOTAL COMMITTEE EXP.	\$ 8,486.43	\$ 11,095.59	\$ 16,973.20	\$ 88.00	\$ 713.55	\$ 2,743.01	\$ 1,152.75	\$ 1,176.96	\$ 2,264.99	\$ 44,594.48	\$ 43,725.00	\$ 969.48	102.22%
Adhoc Committees	600.00	342.64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ -	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Area Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 942.64	900.00	-42.64	104.74%
Bank Charges	-	-	133.50	-	-	-	-	-	137.55	\$ 137.55	135.67	-1.88	101.39%
Forums	874.08	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	250.00	\$ 1,257.58	1,750.00	492.42	71.86%
Grapevine Seasonal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,215.89	\$ 4,215.89	4,215.89	0.00	100.00%
GSC Assessment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,424.46	\$ 6,424.46	6,600.00	175.54	97.34%
GSO Contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	100.00%
GSO Flow Through	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	261.00	\$ 261.00	261.00	0.00	100.00%
Ontario Delegates Conf.	563.43	253.90	959.57	-	-	12.43	-	-	-	\$ 1,789.33	1,789.33	0.00	100.00%
OTHER EXPENSES	\$ 2,037.51	\$ 596.54	\$ 1,093.07	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12.43	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,288.90	\$ 19,028.45	\$ 19,751.89	\$ 723.44	96.34%
TOTAL EXPENSES \$	\$ 10,523.94	\$ 11,692.13	\$ 18,066.27	\$ 88.00	\$ 713.55	\$ 2,755.44	\$ 1,152.75	\$ 1,176.96	\$ 17,553.89	\$ 63,722.93	\$ 63,476.89	\$ 246.04	100.39%

Income Summary	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	Change
7th Tradition	5,572.96	55,876.73	5,983.06
Bank Interest	148.77	-	-
GSO Flow through	261.00	-	-
Contributions	50,938.78	-	-
Cost recoveries	722.39	-	-
Grapevine Seasonal	4,215.89	-	-
\$ 61,859.79	\$ 61,859.79	\$ 55,876.73	\$ 5,983.06

to Dec31st	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	Change
INFLOWS	61,859.79	55,876.73	5,983.06
OUTFLOWS	63,722.93	53,797.12	9,925.81
	\$1,863.14	\$2,079.61	-\$3,942.75
Contributions	\$ 50,938.78	\$ 45,747.40	\$ 5,191.38
Contributing Groups	173	164	9
Contributing Districts	20	17	3

For the term
117,736.52
- 117,520.05
\$216.47

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GROUP & DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS TOTAL 2012 YEAR TO DATE AS AT Dec. 31st, 2012

			<u>TOTAL</u>
District	00	Unspecified	\$ 0.00
District	02	Malton	2,409.88
District	04	Humber	309.18
District	06	Mississauga	4,134.17
District	10	Toronto South Central	5,860.08
District	12	Toronto South West	1,202.35
District	14	Toronto North Central	5,072.18
District	16	Hispano De Toronto	100.00
District	18	Toronto City East	5,101.17
District	22	Scarborough	3,379.17
District	26	Lakeshore West	1,901.60
District	28	Lakeshore East	491.30
District	30	Quinte West	710.00
District	34	Quinte East	1,413.18
District	36	Kingston And The Islands	3,040.00
District	38	Thousand Islands	73.61
District	42	St. Lawrence International	393.93
District	46	St. Lawrence Adirondack	0.00
District	48	Seaway Valley North	1,770.00
District	50	Cornwall	663.00
District	54	Ottawa Rideau	1,265.77
District	58	Ottawa Bytown	172.41
District	62	Ottawa West	1,512.80
District	66	Golden Triangle	3,635.00
District	70	Renfrew Pontiac	1,070.00
District	74	Pembroke	975.00
District	78	Madawaska Valley	590.00
District	82	Victoria Haliburton	2,175.00
District	86	Kawartha	1,518.00
Total Contributions YTD:			<u>\$ 50,938.78</u>
Total from Groups			38,135.14
Total from Districts			11,674.46
Service events			1,129.18
Total Contributions YTD:			<u>\$ 50,938.78</u>

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Summary

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	Term
Total inflows	\$ 55,876.79	\$ 61,859.73	\$ 117,736.52
Total outflows	<u>-\$ 53,797.12</u>	<u>-\$ 63,722.93</u>	<u>-\$ 117,520.05</u>
	\$ 2,079.67	-\$ 1,863.20	\$ 216.47
Contributions to Area 83	\$ 45,747.40	\$ 50,938.78	
# of Groups	164	173	
% of groups	27.8	28.7	
# of Districts	17 of 28	20 of 28	
Contribution to GSO	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Prudent reserve (months)	12	10	