

Area 83 Eastern Ontario International

Virtual Area Committee Meeting Minutes

November 28, 2020

Amended minutes were approved at January 9, 2021 Area Committee Meeting.

Addressed under item 4, Review and Acceptance of Minutes of November 28, 2020 ACM at January 9 2021 minutes:

Correction to the November 28, 2020 Minutes – [Treasurer's Report Page 26](#) bottom of the page paragraph starting with "The opening bank balance..." The 3rd sentence is, "As of November 21, our expenses were \$2,245.89 less than our income". The proper wording should be "As of November 21, our expenses were \$2245.89 **more than** our income."

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Area Committee Meeting – November 28, 2020

1. OPENING

To allow our Area 83 Registrar to properly complete the Attendance for the meeting, please rename yourself on your ZOOM picture as follows: First name Last initial. – Position D## (eg. De R. – DCM D02) If you are an Alt DCM and your DCM is not present, label yourself as Acting DCM. Visitors label themselves as: Dave M. – Visitor

Please do that now.

If you have any technical difficulties today, please contact one of the members of the Zoom Ops team in chat. Special thanks to this team which is made up of our neighbors from Area 86. Please welcome Wim – DCM D25, Dave – GSR of the Preston Scout House Group, Jeff – A86 Alternate Delegate and Sandi – Area 86 Delegate. If you are having difficulties with weak wifi connection it is suggested to turn off video. Bottom left corner.

Area Chairperson, James O'D. opened the meeting at **10.00 a.m.** (There were 64 signed on at this time)

Good morning!! I'm an alcoholic a member of the GSM Group in District 10 and my name is James. It's an honour to serve Area 83 as your Chairperson.

Before we continue, I would like to share the sad news of the passing of Barry Watson, our Panel 49 Area Delegate. He passed in Kingston on November 22nd. Perhaps we could remember him and all those faithful trusted servants who have gone before us during our moment of silence.

May we have that moment now, followed by the Declaration of Unity

12 Traditions read by Julie F., DCM-elect, District 74

12 Concepts (Short Form) read by Jill B, Treasurer/Secretary District 06

Welcome to our 7th and final ACM of our term on Panel 69. It's great to see everyone here today. This is your meeting and it is an opportunity for you to share what's happening in your Districts. The Area committee is where recommendations to the Assembly are discussed and formulated and where tasks assigned by the Assembly are carried out. It is where your questions are answered, and concerns addressed. Please feel free to voice any concerns or questions you may have. There may be someone in the room who has the same question and it helps to share. It is important for all of us to remember our First Tradition - "Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity". We are here to ensure that Alcoholics Anonymous remains unified and strong in Area 83 Eastern Ontario International. Our personal recovery, as well as the recovery of the still suffering Alcoholic, depends upon it.

Even though we are on a virtual platform, I would ask you to remain attentive to whomever is sharing. Let's be courteous to all who give reports and during motion discussion.

Some reminders

This is a non-smoking virtual space. This includes e-cigarettes and vaping. If you feel the need to smoke or vape please turn off your camera or wait until the break. 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.

At this time, I would like to introduce our Area Committee. Picture it, 2020, a lonely church off the 401, we're sitting in a chilly basement. Now move your attention to the virtual long table at the front and let me introduce to you our Area officers.

Area 83 Officers

Our Panel 69 Delegate
Alternate Delegate

Rob M.
Kimberley M.

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Secretary	Amy L.
Treasurer	JoAnn P.
Registrar	Dave L.
Past Delegate	Kim S.
And I'm your Chairperson	James O'D.

Area Sub-Committee Chairs

Public Information Chair	Ray R.
Cooperation with the Professional Community Chair	Bill C.
Correctional Facilities Chair	Les M.
Treatment/Accessibility Chair	Shane H.
Grapevine Chair	Jenny C.
Self-Support Chair	Mike B.
Archives Chair	Marty M.
Service Information Day Chair	De R.

And for the last time as Chair I have the privilege to say: *These are your Area Officers and Sub Committee Chairs for 2019- 2020*

Also, with us today we have:

Previous Delegates:

Panel 63 Delegate, Mel C and Panel 65 Delegate, Joyce S.

Appointed positions:

Area Webmaster, George McQ. and Area Alternate Webmaster, David C.

Notable Guests:

Sandi W. Area 86 Panel 70 Delegate and Jeff S., Area 86 Panel 70 Alternate Delegate

Housekeeping:

Our meeting schedule, up to and including tentative dates in 2021, will be included in the minutes. These dates are booked and secured with the hotel and church. Some are listed as tentative as the date of the following Assembly/Meeting is approved at the end of each meeting. We will be meeting again as an Area Committee in December this year.

Year	Date	Status	Type of Meeting	Where
2021	January 9	Confirmed ¹	Area Committee Meeting	Virtual
2021	March 26-28	Confirmed	Area Assembly	Virtual

¹Voted and approved at November 28, 2020 Area Committee meeting, see [agenda item 15 in these minutes](#).

The agenda for the ACM was sent out on October 30th. It is sent to DCM's to distribute to the GSR's. This is so that groups will have time to discuss the items and vote at the **group level** and at the **district level** prior to the ACM.

Food:

Lunch has been arranged by you. Hope you enjoy it! There will be a 45-minute lunch break.

Who votes?

All Area Officers, including the immediate past Delegate, but not the Chair. 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?

SENSE OF THE ROOM

At the bottom of the participant window you will see a green YES button and a red NO button. We will use these buttons to gauge the feeling of the room – this is not a vote. We will also use this function to second a motion. IF YOU WISH TO SECOND A MOTION USE THE “YES” BUTTON.

I would like to take moment to ask everyone to click on the YES button. If anyone is having a problem, please raise your virtual hand.

VOTING:

For anything requiring a vote we will be using the polling feature. There will be two options: For/Against. When we arrive at agenda item 14D) Elections of the 2021-2022 Area Subcommittee Chairs, the meeting will be handed over to Mel our Panel 63 Area 83 Delegate. At this point of the meeting I will hand over the reigns of the meeting and will also become a voting member for the election process.

DISCUSSION/RAISING HAND:

If you would like to approach the virtual mic and stand in virtual line to share a new perspective or ask a question, please raise your virtual hand using the RAISE HAND FUNCTION located at the bottom left of the participants window. Zoom will keep people in line in the order in which hands have been raised.

Reminder: **IF YOUR IDEA OR COMMENT HAS ALREADY BEEN PRESENTED PLEASE LOWER YOUR HAND**. Your humility and cooperation in this regard is appreciated.

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 and old 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: A.A. 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, that person may make a motion to reconsider.** If this is seconded and passes by a simple majority, we start discussion again on the *original* motion.

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 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 message me your motion in the chat.

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

- **Motion for simple majority**

Moved:	Bev H., DCM, District 34
Seconded:	Jack R., DCM, District 36
Discussion:	none
All those in favour:	34 votes (100%)
All those opposed:	0
Motion:	Carried

2. REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Are there any other items that should be added to today's agenda?

OLD BUSINESS TO BE ADDED—

None

NEW BUSINESS TO BE ADDED—

None

- **May I have a motion to accept the agenda as amended?**

Moved:	Terry N., DCM District 26
Seconded:	Trevor F., DCM District 62
Discussion:	none
All those in favour:	32 votes (100%)

All those opposed:	0 vote (0%)
Motion:	Carried

3. ROLL CALL

Our Area Registrar Dave is taking the roll call today and will be sharing his results during his report. Please make sure that your name matches the naming protocols outlined at the beginning of the meeting.

FROM THE REGISTRAR'S REPORT: The roll call for the Area Committee Meeting of November 28, 2020 is:

The roll call for the Area Committee of November 28, 2018 is: 15 Area Officers (including Alternate Area Webmaster), 1 Immediate Past Delegate, 2 Past Delegates, 21 District Committee Members, 8 Alternate District Committee Members and 17 Visitors. For voting purposes, we have: 13 Area Officers eligible to vote (including 1 Immediate Past Delegate) and 21 District Committee Members plus 1 Alt DCM for a total of 35 votes. Total delegation for this meeting is 73.

4. REVIEW & ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES –AREA COMMITTEE MEETING September 12, 2020.

Minutes of the September 12, 2020 ACM were originally distributed by email September 16, 2020

There were no errors or omissions noted.

- **A motion was made to accept the September 12, 2020 ACM minutes as circulated.**

Moved:	Eileen S., DCM District 28
Seconded:	Jane S., DCM District 74
Discussion:	None
those in Favour:	33 (100%)

Those opposed:	0 (0%)
Motion:	Carried

5. DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

(Sequence of reports were 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 Amy, our Secretary.

Order has been determined by drawing District numbers from the bag. I will announce who is up and who is on deck. If you are "on deck", please be ready to come up to the virtual mic to give your report when the DCM before you is finished. Please clearly state your name, your position and your District before presenting your report, thank you.

Let's get started

District 02 Malton

Good morning all, I am an alcoholic, grateful member of the KF Group and have had the honour and privilege of serving as District Committee Member for District 02 – Malton and my name is De.

We last met for our business meeting, November 15, 2020. There were six in attendance, although not enough for quorum. To my knowledge we have three groups meeting in person, one meeting hybrid with the other ones meeting virtually. Attendance at these groups varies but all report attendance is below what it was pre-Covid. A few of our Reps are suffering health conditions which has prevented them from attending our business meetings and we keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Our District is still in need of an Alternate District Committee Member and Secretary/Registrar and we have not elected any Sub-committee representatives. We hope this will change in December or January. It is very disappointing that we cannot support our General Service Reps as their term ends, especially in these difficult times. It is with a heavy heart that I leave District 02 without the means and support to sustain business to our incoming District Committee Member Patrick B., but I know in his capable hands this will turn around.

Financially we are stable and are grateful to the groups who continue to support us monetarily.

As well as positions available for election we still do not have a dedicated virtual account as we did not have quorum to vote. The hope was to have a zoom account beginning the new term. Thanks to Randy C., of the Freedom Group for allowing us to use his personal zoom account for business meetings.

My time as District Committee Member has been a wonderful experience and I have to thank my predecessor, Shane H., for actively involving me while I served as Alternate District Committee Member – I learned a great deal from him and am grateful for his support during my current position and term.

Thank you also to everyone on the Area Committee for making this experience a memorable one.

Thank you for allowing me to serve District 02. De R.

District 06 Mississauga

Good Morning Friends, I'm an alcoholic, member of Daily Reflection Group in Oakville. I have the honor and privilege to serve as the District Committee Member for District 06, Mississauga, Etobicoke and Oakville, my name is Susan.

Approximately 27 people make up our virtual Business Meetings. This represents 50 - 60% group participation. A quorum has always been maintained so that District business can be conducted.

This month we invited Amy L, Area Secretary who came well prepared with a workshop on the duties of a General Service Representative and Mel C. Panel 63 Delegate gave a workshop on Service Committee Positions available in District 06. The purpose of the event is to help incoming GSR's and is held in November of the second year of the term. Once again, the event was well attended with 43 in attendance. Thank you, Amy and Mel, for helping us out.

Online meetings continue, 2 in person meetings, all other in person meetings have closed.

Our finances remain in good shape with a surplus above and beyond our prudent reserve will be voted to disburse in December to GSO and Area 83.

One of our Treatment Centers has reached out requesting online meetings which we will be facilitating once per month, the other 2 remain closed. Toronto South Detention Centre remains shut to meetings.

Our incoming DCM had to resign. Our incoming ADCM has agreed to assume the DCM role for 2021/22, thank you Jill B. We will be holding elections for the Panel 71 ADCM next month. Ivy, our outgoing Webmaster Registrar was elected to the position of Secretary Treasurer and Bart B from the Credit Valley Group was elected Webmaster Registrar. Our Sub Committee elections will take place in January with the incoming GSR's.

Our website ad hoc committee has been working hard to improve the look and functionality of the site. We will be migrating from our Joomla platform to WordPress today.

I thank all of District 06 and Area 83 for your fellowship and service. It has been a tremendous opportunity and a pleasure to have served as DCM over the past two years. Thank you for my sobriety.

Yours in Love and Service, Susan K

District 10 Toronto South Central

Hi everyone. I'm an Alcoholic and my name is Ann. I'm a member of the Eglinton Park Group in Toronto and am honoured to be serving as your DCM for District 10. Having just had one District meeting since our Fall Assembly, I don't have a lot of new news. On that note though, we were very pleased to see so many of our current and new GSR's at the Assembly!

Overview of Groups and Participation: District 10 currently has 26 groups, with a new group in the process of registering, which is exciting! Of those with GSR's, we average 80%-90% attendance at our monthly District meeting, with between 18-22 attendees, a great representation and a great meeting.

Group Activities: 24 of our 26 groups are still online, holding about 45 online meetings a week. Of the three groups which had moved back to in-person or hybrid, at least one has gone back to 100% online with the new restrictions in Toronto.

Groups with an electronic 7th are still at about 75%. Many are now able to make contributions, to District, Area, GSO and Intergroup, as their group conscience guides them in these unique times.

People and Positions/ Service Commitments and Service Committees:

Aside from our Archives and CPC and Treatment chairs who have been quite busy, others have been quiet. At our November elections we elected 5 enthusiastic sub-committee chairs for the new term and hope to fill the remaining 4 positions early in the new year.

We continue with two of our six Treatment Service meetings on Zoom, CAMH and Women's Own, and Our Treatment Chair is keeping in touch with the other 4 to encourage them to restart as well.

Finances & District Activities:

Our dedicated ad hoc team continues to work hard toward a phase 1 revision of our District Operating Procedures, to be presented to the table in December. The team is very excited about the project, making it fun, which is always important.

Overall, D10 is currently financially stable. Although we usually wait until December to do the final year-end contributions to Area and GSO, given the most recent GSO situation we passed a motion for a special Contribution of \$1000 to GSO in November 2020.

Summary

In summary and looking forward, along with our sub-committee chairs, we also held elections for DCM and ADCM. Personally, having been DCM and AltDCM for only 1 year each, I felt I had a lot to learn and contribute at the District level. So, after talking with my service sponsor and another couple of people experienced in general service, I stood and was elected as DCM for the new term. I'm so grateful and thrilled to be continuing. For ADCM, we had 4 candidates standing and 4 ballots, which made for a lively and exciting third legacy experience! Our table has been so fortunate to have Dewi M as our ADCM in 2020, she's been amazing. At the same time, I'm pleased to announce that Joe M, an outgoing D10 GSR, will be our new ADCM. In 2021, as well as new faces at the table, some of our members are returning in new roles, a great mix of new and experienced for the new term.

Finally, I'd like to thank our peer districts, the Area, and GTA Intergroup for providing us with their guidance and support, as well as working with us so closely. Have a safe and happy holiday season and see everyone in the new year!

Yours in Love and Service, Ann J.

District 12 Toronto South West

I am an alcoholic a grateful member of the Westmoreland group. And District Committee Member for District 12, Toronto South West, my name is Dennis McC. Our incoming DCM and Alt-DCM, as well as our Registrar, were elected this past November 26th and will be attending the Area 83, January 9th Area Committee meeting. Our finances are in good order and we are covering all service commitments. Most of our Groups are using zoom twice a week and 4 groups are still doing hybrid meetings while in lock-down.

Yours in Love and Service, Dennis McC.

District 14 Toronto North Central

Absent, no report

District 16 Distrito Hispano De Toronto

Good Morning everyone, I'm an alcoholic and grateful member of Grupo Amistad. I have the privilege of serving as District Committee Member for Distrito Hispano 16 and my name is Gregorio. The members of District 16 had the last meeting in April and since then all the information collected by the DCM and DCM alternate from all the zoom meetings attended have being shared via email.

The conscience of the members at the district decided to continue with the same positions until the pandemic is over and we regroup and take it from there. Therefore, we did not have any elections this year. There are 3 groups that have in person meetings here in Toronto, Grupo Amistad, Grupo Amor y Paz, Grupo Unidad y Paz and Grupo Distinto Amanecer in Kitchener; they meet 4 times a week following the health recommendations, but the attendance is low. The District will meet in person once it is safe.

Yours in Love and Service, Gregorio A.

District 18 Toronto City East

Good morning friends. I am an alcoholic, member of the East York group, having the honour, privilege and responsibility to serve, as the District Committee Member, for District 18 Toronto City East. My name is Glenn.

This term, I have been inspired by the efforts, dedication, and perseverance of all active Trusted Servants in AA: GSO, Grapevine, Area 83, other District Committee Members, their alternates, Toronto Intergroup, our groups, our members and the District 18 table. Thank you for both showing up and honouring commitments!

I have been awestruck by our Area 83 leadership's innovation and initiatives. Examples include Zoom technology training and Area 83 Procedures refurbishment. We have benefited from and also implemented /duplicated/applied these initiatives in District 18. I am grateful for your patience during my slow learning curve.

I am grateful to our D18 groups for keeping their doors open, either physically, virtually or both. District 18 remains unified both with respect and adherence to the 12 Traditions, our second legacy. Approximately half of our 26 groups are continuing to proactively embrace zoom meeting technology. The District 18 table is well supported, by those willing to serve/participate. District 18 is both financially and spiritually fit.

District 18 is well positioned for the 2021/22 term. Our elected officers are Christy F. (DCM), Greg R. (ADCM), Katrina E. (Secretary), John M. (Treasurer), Jeff A. (Registrar). There is substantial interest in our sub-committees and we expect that a webmaster position will be created shortly for our comprehensive website: www.district18.org

Christy, Katrina, Greg and I, serve on a D18 procedures review and recommendation ad hoc committee. We expect to present a comprehensive report to the D18 table in December.

I wish to express my gratitude to our D18 officers, GSRs, Sub-committee chairs/alts, and other service minded workhorses from both past and current terms. I have enjoyed serving with you all. I appreciate your love, tolerance and dedication. Thank you for your service. Thank you all for allowing me to serve.

Yours in loving Service, Glenn G

District 22 Scarborough

Good morning everyone. It is my honor and privilege to serve as the District Committee Member for Scarborough District 22. I am an alcoholic, member of the Fifth Tradition and my name is Lynn.

As a District we are financially secure, and expenses are minimal due to meeting via zoom.

Treatment – Meetings are shut-down due to pandemic at Scarborough General Hospital

Corrections – Facility has been on lock-down due to pandemic at Toronto East Detention Centre

Meetings – most groups continue to meet via Zoom. We had a handful of meetings open however with the change from orange to red zone.

District Officers Elections were held on Sunday Oct 4, 2020 facilitated by Past DCM Tom S. Please join in a warm welcome to our incoming 2021 2022 Officers

DCM George W, ADCM Bert J, Treasurer Mike S, Registrar Elise M, Secretary Angela J.

Sub-Committee Elections were held at our last meeting with two chair positions filled

Corrections – Gale R Accessibility – Vivien C

There are several vacant positions and there is hope that these will be filled at our final District meeting, which will be held Sunday Dec 13, 2020.

I am pleased to continue to be of service through the remaining weeks of 2020, holding two group inventories planned for Dec 13 / Dec 20.

Lastly, I would like to thank District 22 for allowing me to be of service, staying strong together and active through this challenging time. These past couple years truly have been remarkable as I continue on this journey in Alcoholics Anonymous. Wishing everyone a safe and sober Holiday season. Thank you for my sobriety.

Yours in Love & Service, Lynn E.

District 26 Lakeshore West

Good Morning Friends, I'm an alcoholic, a grateful member of the Sober Sisters Group and my name is Terry. It is my honour and privilege to serve as District Committee Member for Lakeshore West District 26.

Our District is doing well, our finances are secure, and attendance has been around 34%.

- November 8, 2020, I attended the last of 5 Service Days, a great report by Kim S. Immediate Past Delegate, Kimberly M. Alt Delegate and Rob M. Delegate.
- November 15, 2020, we had our District Meeting and Filled the following Positions.

Ian C. Liverpool Group DCM; Shawna R. Accessibility Chair; Erin G. Public Information Chair; Paul B. Alt. Chair

I am grateful for the opportunity to service.

Yours, in Love & Service, Terry N.

District 28 Lakeshore East

I'm an alcoholic, member of the Gratitude Group and it's my honour and privilege to serve as District Committee Member for District 28, and my name is Eileen.

I really want to thank all of you for allowing me the opportunity to witness and be a part of the phenomenal actions to keep AA thriving in Area 83 during Covid-19.

Unfortunately, our annual Alcathon has been cancelled because of Covid. There are some in-person meetings; however, the majority are on Zoom.

Being DCM of District 28 has been an incredible service journey for me. Two years have gone by quickly.

I feel blessed to be amongst such powerful and influential members of Alcoholics Anonymous, and fortunate to have been given the opportunity to serve on the Service Information Day Committee.

Thank you to all those who are rotating out for their continued service and support at District 28. I feel confident that District 28 will be in an excellent position as we move further into this new world of Covid-19 with incoming DCM Kathie T and Alternate DCM James S. Kathie has been proactive in arranging for District Zoom meetings for her entire term. I hope all of you have a safe and healthy holiday season.

Yours in Love and Service, Eileen S

District 30 Quinte West

Good morning friends, I am an alcoholic, a member of the Hope Group, presently serving as the Alternate District Committee Member for District 30 Quinte West, my name is Maria.

Presently District 30 has several groups open as well as a few online meetings. Even with a minimal number of groups open, groups have contributed to the District which has enabled us to meet our financial obligations. The Hope Group celebrated 71 years earlier this month, thank you to Panel 61 Delegate Robb W. for sharing his experience, strength and hope at the Group Anniversary.

District 30 will be having its last monthly meeting of this term December 19th and I am optimistic more positions will be filled at that time. I look forward to the New year and term, be it in person or via zoom.

Wishing everyone a Happy and Safe Holiday Season

Yours in Love and Service, Maria M.

District 34 Quinte East

Good Morning – I am an alcoholic currently serving as District Committee Member for District 34 – Quinte East. My home group is Women Living Sober, and my name is Bev H.

Alcoholics Anonymous is alive and well in District 34. Our financial commitments are being met and we have some groups contributing to District, Area and GSO.

We held our final District table meeting Thursday night for the term and the year. I am confident the new executive will honor their AA service commitments to ensure the message of Alcoholics Anonymous will continue to reach the still suffering alcoholic. The positions of Self-Support and Co-Operation with the Professional Community were still vacant as of Thursday night. The district meetings for the new term will continue via a Zoom platform.

Groups and members of our District were very generous in their financial contributions for the month of November. This will help when the new term starts in January – to assist the new executive moving forward with their financial commitments.

The Addictions Centre in Belleville is changing up the delivery of their treatment program to include woman and youth. The rotation will be a 12-day program with a maximum of 7 residents at a time. These changes will take effect beginning in January 2021. There are still no in-house AA meetings happening at this time.

I want to take a moment to thank you for allowing me to serve Alcoholics Anonymous. On behalf of everyone in District 34, we wish you a happy, joyous, safe, and sober holiday season and all the best for 2021.

Yours in Love and Service, Bev H.

District 36 Kingston & The Islands

Good morning friends, I am an alcoholic and a member of the Saturday Morning Step Stop Group in Kingston and I am honoured and privileged to be serving as the DCM for District 36 Kingston and the Islands. My name is Jack.

It has been a challenging year in District 36 as it has been for everyone. I have been impressed and grateful for the enthusiasm and energy that our district has continued to show in these last several months. We had our elections on October 28 and all our positions were filled except for Corrections chair, but this week at our November meeting Seth P. stepped up and was acclaimed to the position. Thanks to Area 83 Alternate Delegate Kimberley for facilitating the election. Congratulations to our new DCM Jonathan C-J. and Alternate DCM Rich K. and all the other members of the District 36 table! Our district is well positioned with great leadership heading into another term. On a sad note, we recently lost a long-time member of Kingston Young Peoples Group, Barry W. who was the Panel 49 Delegate for Area 83.

As I come to the end of my second time as District Committee Member for District 36, I want to thank all the members of the Area committee for helping me to grow in this position and showing me that service work is a rewarding and enriching experience. I especially want to thank the members of the Service Information Day committee; we all adapted to the changing landscape and had some fun doing it! I look forward to the next phase of my service journey, whatever that may be!

Yours in Gratitude and Service, Jack R.

District 42 St. Lawrence International

My name is Ted and I am a member of the Fall Island Big Book Study Group as well as the DCM for District 42. Things are going quite well at D42 with attendance at district meeting being way up for the last few meetings. We have the activism of Natalie N, our Alternate DCM, and David L our webmaster, for this. At present

we have most of our positions filled for the upcoming term. Heidi C was elected to the correction chair position at the last meeting.

The live meetings that were starting to come back are being cancelled again. At present we have just two live meetings being held. Some of the zoom meetings have fallen away because of lack of participation.

The zoom meetings that we started at the County Jail have not been well attended. This may stem from the Zoom set up the jail uses where the computer is set up in a room and the inmates are several feet away. They also must share one screen. Hearing the inmates is difficult and I don't think their experience is much better. There is one zoom meeting occurring for treatment. This is a speaker meeting and I hear it is going well.

That is the news for D 42. Things are actually going better than I thought they would, but I can't wait for the pandemic to end so we can get back to face to face AA work.

Yours in love and service, Ted R

District 48 Seaway Valley North

Good morning friends, my name is Wayne, and I am an alcoholic. I am grateful to be a member of the Kemptville Sunday morning group and privileged to be District Committee Member for District 48, Seaway Valley North.

I would like to start by congratulating everyone who stood for Area 83 Officer positions in October, as well as those who were successful in being voted into those positions. We are all winners in Area 83 with such great participation and dedication.

In District 48, we now have six face-to-face meetings and six online meetings, including one new online meeting this month. One face-to-face meeting has had to reduce capacity due to more COVID-19 restrictions in the Ottawa region. We still have four positions to fill since our October elections, including the District Committee Member position.

While I am concerned about the significant decline in participation at the District table since the spring, I do have great faith that District members will step up to fill the vacant positions. We are trying to get the word out to members that we need their support at the District, but it has been a challenge when only about thirty percent of our GSRs currently attend District meetings. I know that my faith in our members is well placed, after having had phone conversations this past week with several of the GSRs that have not recently attended District meetings. Each one is committed to getting the word out to our members and to get our positions filled. I plan to speak with other GSRs in the coming days, and we already have someone wanting to take over as Grapevine Chair in January.

Thank you for my sobriety.

Yours in Love and Service, Wayne L.

District 50 Cornwall

Good morning everyone, I am an alcoholic and DCM for District 50 in Cornwall. We have a few new meetings in our district. On Tuesday night, 7 pm, at the First Baptist Church, which has been extremely accommodating to us, we have a Men's only Closed meeting. It has been going on for four weeks. This coming Wednesday at the same location we will have a Women's only meeting that is Open at 7 pm. We also have our Saturday night meeting, 7 pm, sample location. This is a Speaker meeting and it has been going on for two months. We still have the Sunday morning meeting at 10:30 am on Zoom. As far as district, we have not met since March 2020. We have informal meetings with some of the GSRs. Tuesday night is looking for younger members to take it over. Both of our Friday meetings have been put on pause, as it was older members who were putting on those meetings. I truly believe, when things become more normal that someone will step up to get those meetings going. I am so grateful to have this program, and to stay in contact on a local basis with sponsees and my sponsor and other members. We are hoping in the coming year to probably have a Zoom meeting for the GSRs. We are down to 10 registered groups in the district. Hopefully in the new year I will have more to report on our district.

Yours in service, Steph L.

District 54 Ottawa Rideau

My name is Jo D. I am a member of the Search for Serenity Group in Orleans. I am privileged to serve as District Committee Member for District 54 Ottawa Rideau. I am an alcoholic.

District 54 continues to meet every month on zoom. When I reported to the Assembly a month ago, I was thrilled to report that nine of the ten positions on our Committee were filled. Today I am over the top delighted to say that last position was filled at our November District meeting. With all positions filled and a strong financial position, I am relieved to hand over a stable Table to our new DCM, Kevin O., who is here today.

Kevin and I, along with Karen A., our new Alternate DCM, have begun our transition meetings. Kevin is brand new to general service but I know that he will find the Area 83 Table as supportive as I have found it over these past two years. I am grateful to this Table for all that you have taught me, including a couple of things that I was embarrassed to discover I was wrong about!

I am registered for the December 5 Regional Forum, so I expect I'll see many of you there!

Ottawa Alkathon Committee is holding a virtual Alkathon this year, shorter but with the same dedication and enthusiasm for carrying the message.

I want to acknowledge the 2019-2020 officers and service committee representatives who served District 54 these past two years. It is a remarkable group of women and men who showed up regularly and actively participated in District activities and discussions. Laura S. and Karen A., Treasurer and Registrar, have been particularly supportive as the District has moved through the pandemic.

I have reached out to all 22 of our registered Groups. Most are meeting either on zoom or in person; those that are not meeting, are at least finding support at other meetings.

With the zoom and in-person meetings, there are more than 20 meetings a week happening in the District. In the broader Ottawa Area there are over 120 online meetings and over a dozen in-persons meetings taking place. We are in good shape.

I wish everyone safety and health. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Yours in service, Jo D

District 58 Ottawa Bytown

Absent, no report

District 62 Ottawa West

I am an alcoholic, a member of the Stittsville Second Chance Group and have the privilege of being the District Committee Member for District 62 - Ottawa West, my name is Trevor F.

District 62 has slowly been filling the vacancies for the 2021/2022 term. Kerri D let her name stand for Alternate District Committee Member, and Gene M for our Intergroup Liaison. We still have three committee liaison positions to fill, as well as our District Secretary position. We've been seeing between a third and a half of our 44 registered groups in attendance at District meetings. District 62 will be holding a GSR workshop at our January District meeting, with Mike B presenting to our incoming and returning GSRs, and we will have participation from the Ottawa Service committees as well as the Ottawa Intergroup Chair. We have also extended the invitation to members of District 54 and 58 as well.

In person meetings at the Ottawa Withdrawal Management Center, our local Corrections facilities and Pre-Treatment Centers are all still temporarily closed. Our Ottawa Intergroup office is still closed to the public as well, but they are doing curbside pickups for literature, and the phones are still being answered. A few groups in

District 62 have started in person meetings again on a trial basis, and some are doing hybrid meetings, while the majority are choosing to remain on Zoom for the time being. There are also a few groups that haven't been meeting at all during the pandemic.

Financially, District 62 is doing well, contributions are down - but expenses are minimal. It's been wonderful getting to know you all over the past year, and I look forward to seeing you all as we trudge the road of happy destiny.

Yours in Love and Service, Trevor F.

District 66 Golden Triangle

Good morning, everyone. I am an alcoholic, member of the Saturday Night Smiths Falls group, DCM of District 66, and my name is Neil.

We are very fortunate one of the health units within District 66 is allowing us to meet at 35% capacity to a maximum of 50 people. Following all social distancing guidelines, of course. This is all dependent on the policies of our meeting places. A few groups are using this to open bricks and mortar meetings, while others are increasing the size of their meetings. Many groups have decided to remain on Zoom for now.

District 66 will continue to flourish at the group level despite the current situation.

Personally, I would like to thank our Panel 69 Area 83 Officers. I do not recall a more proactive and dedicated group of people. You have all done an amazing service to Alcoholics Anonymous.

As I come to the end of my term, I am very confident District 66 is in excellent hands, with Theresa stepping into the role as DCM. Monthly District meeting attendance has been low. Hopefully, Theresa and the incoming team can change this. All of our positions are filled for the upcoming term.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve, Neil P.

District 70 Renfrew Pontiac

I am an alcoholic and my home group is the Douglas Group. I am honoured to be the DCM for District 70 and my name is Lisa. We held our elections at our November district meeting and due to low attendance, all our present positions were filled with those who had previously held them with the exception of Bridging the Gap. That position is vacant as well as alternate DCM, and PI/PCP.

We received some income from the groups to help pay the bills and set up e-transfer on our account.

I am looking forward to serving you as Grapevine representative and DCM for the next term.

Yours in Service, Lisa C.

District 74 Pembroke

I am an alcoholic, member of the Hand of AA Group and my name is Jane. I serve as the District Committee Member for District 74, Pembroke and surrounding area.

Our District Elections were held at the November meeting. The new trusted servants will be taking over January 1, 2021 and are as follows:

District Committee Member - Julie F., River Group; Alternate District Committee Member - Cody P., West End Group; Self Support Chair- Vacant; Webmaster - George McQ, River Group; Grapevine Chair - Sara McG., Petawawa Triangle Group; Events Chair – Vacant; Interim Treasurer - Lindsay D., Petawawa Triangle Group; CPC/PI - Lori M., The Hand of AA; Archives Chair (appointed)- Maryanne Harrison, White Lake Group.

Thank you, Amy and Joanne for facilitating the elections for us! It was a fun experience for all of us.

In the District, the West End Group is adding a Tuesday night meeting to fill in the gap for one of our meetings that closed due to Covid. There will be a Candlelight Meeting at the West End Group on December 13, 2020 which will be an in-person and zoom meeting. This is in lieu of the annual Christmas Fellowship Meeting normally held. The Petawawa Triangle Group will host a Christmas vigil meeting from 8 PM on December 24, 2020 to 8 AM on December 25, 2020. This will be strictly a ZOOM meeting. The past two years serving as the DCM for District 74 has been a rollercoaster to say the least. We have struggled, as many do with apathy in service. We handled a worldwide pandemic by quickly adapting to zoom meetings and “parking lot” meetings. We did our best to continue to carry the message of recovery and hope to the still sick and suffering alcoholics with our helpline and newspaper advertisements. We have seen some of our Groups close their doors while others expanded. We have done all these things by the grace of God, and I am truly grateful and better for the experience.

Hope to see you all in person on the road to happy destiny soon. Thank you for this opportunity to serve and grow.

Yours in love and service, Jane S.

District 78 Madawaska Valley

I’m an alcoholic, member of the Bancroft New Hope Group, serving as DCM for District 78 Madawaska Valley and my name is Michelle. AA is still going strong in the Valley. Out of our 5 groups, 3 are meeting on Zoom and 2 are face to face. Our District table has been meeting over zoom as well and we are doing fine financially. It has been an interesting and also challenging term as DCM, but I look forward to seeing where my service journey takes me. It has been truly an honor and a privilege to serve District 78 and I wish our new DCM, Barbara well as she takes over in January, she has served our District well. I hope to see you all again as we trudge the road to happy destiny!! Yours in love and service, Michelle C-H.

District 82 Victoria Haliburton

Good morning, I am an alcoholic. I belong in the Bolsover Pines Group and AA as a whole and my name is Glenn. Currently I am the DCM for District 82 Victoria Haliburton.

Our district is doing well financially so far during the pandemic. Currently we have two meetings that are open for meeting in person. We have not met for our district meeting since March of 2020. Unfortunately, I have nothing else to report at this time.

It has been an honour to meet so many new people during this term. I wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

Yours in service, Glenn B.

District 86 Kawartha

Good Morning Friends, I am an alcoholic, proud member of the Freedom Group, currently serving as District Committee Member of District 86 and my name is Tim F. It has been an honour to serve in this capacity for the last two years. I have enjoyed getting to know the other DCM’s, Sub-Committee Chairs, and Area Officers a little better. It’s unfortunate that we’ve had to do much of this virtually but still better than not at all. I wish you all good health, happiness, and serenity in your journey going forward.

District 86 is continuing to do well during these difficult times. We have one face to face meeting and many Zoom meetings. We still have three Committee Chair positions to fill for the 2021-22 term. Hopefully we will fill these at our final District meeting next Sunday. I’m looking forward to watching Bruce B learn and grow as DCM. He’s been by my side the last two years, so I know we are in good hands. Our Memorial Candlelight Meeting, where we remember those we lost this year will be held virtually December 20th.

With us today, is Jeffary F., our new Alt DCM who will be celebrating 10 years on December 2nd. He will be celebrating his medallion virtually at Coffee Club on Wednesday at 7pm. If you would like to join us, you can find the link at the District 86 website.

Yours in Gratitude, Love and Service, Tim F.

Thank you to all those who gave reports.

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

Moved:	Terry N., DCM District 26	All those in favour:	30 votes (100%)
Seconded:	Tim F., DCM District 86	All those opposed:	0 (0%)
Discussion:	none	Motion:	Carried

6. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

We now come to our Area Sub-Committee Chair reports. We rely on your humility and compassion to keep your reports brief. As with the Districts, written reports may be as long as you like and will be included in the minutes in their entirety, if given to Amy, our Secretary. I would ask the committee members to stay at the front after their reports to answer any questions, if any.

***FRIENDLY REMINDER THAT ITEMS SHARED IN THESE REPORTS ARE MEANT TO BE SHARED WITH GSR'S
AT THE NEXT DISTRICT MEETING SO THEY CAN TAKE THE INFORMATION BACK TO THEIR GROUPS.***

A. Public Information

Ray R.

I'm an alcoholic, a member of the last chance group. My name is Ray. I have the privilege of serving as the Area 83, Panel 69 Public Information Chair.

Things are relatively slow as I wind down the term; not many inquiries, requests for workshops or anything of the sort. But from what I have heard from the reports, Public information is alive and well in Area 83. But do know, I am still available until December 31st.

One highlight was when I contributed to a newsletter being put out by archives regarding the history of public information. I learned so much about our history, not just P.I., but all of AA. I've also attended some ongoing workshops and regular meetings and looking forward to the December 5th Regional Forum.

When I look back at my term as public information chair, I can't help but feel delighted by the experiences I've had, the people I've met, and the opportunities that have come my way. It has greatly enhanced my sobriety. But I'm most grateful to you, the fellowship, who has shown me nothing but support while allowing me to grow.

This is a bittersweet moment as I prepare to step down from this position, now that I'm getting the hang of it, but excited to see where this journey will take me. I remain open as I move forward and await the day that we can all be in the same room together.

Thanks for allowing me to serve, and thanks for my sobriety.

In love and service, Ray R.

B. Cooperation with the Professional Community **Bill C.**

I am an Alcoholic, a member of The West End Group in District 74 Pembroke, and my name is Bill. It is my privilege to serve you as your Area Cooperation with the Professional Community Chair for this term of Panel 69.

For this last report, I thought that I would share my experience serving as the Area 83 CPC Chair for Panel 69, rather than an update on activities over the past month.

I have found that every position in Service for me is like opening a door into a room of possibilities. And this opportunity to serve as Chair for Area 83 CPC was no different.

- The door to a world of opportunities was opened by the former Chair Jim S who welcomed me into the position with some sage words of advice. Go for it!
- The CPC Workbook provided a great introduction to the world the CPC. It framed the central challenge of “making the professional who deals with the problem drinker in the course of their work” aware that AA is in their community and is there to help their clients. This has been our mantra over the past two years.
- I had the opportunity to meet all of the District CPC Chairs though email and quickly came to realize that everyone was as excited as I was about the opportunities that lay ahead. At our first Workshop the District Chairs agreed that we should have quarterly Zoom meetings where we could talk and share about challenges we were facing and work on solutions. We kept these meetings going through the course of our term. They were highly productive, and in addition to getting to know and help each other we ended up producing a Pay It Forward document which summarized our experience and provides suggestions for the incoming Chairs.
- We made an early connection with the CPC Coordinator (Diana L) at the General Service Office (GSO). Initially this was for assistance with the Pri-Med conference. However, this mutually beneficial relationship with GSO grew and became instrumental in helping with a number of other initiatives, including establishment of a North American CPC Chairs Working Group.
- The CPC Chairs Working Group has been able bring a large majority of the 93 Chairs together. This has been an opportunity to meet and work with so many inspired people. Many new friendships have grown out of this opportunity. Many initiatives and events have been are being shared across the entire North American Fellowship.
- The most amazing part of the possibilities in the room was the opportunity to work with the people at this Panel 69 table. For me, the chance to work with everyone here has truly been an amazing chance to learn, to grow personally, to build strong friendships and to give back just a little to AA. May everyone find the opportunity to continue in your service journey.

Thank you for allowing me to serve not only Area 83 but Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole.

Yours in Love and Service, Bill C.

C. Correctional Facilities

Les M.

Hello My Friends. I'm a alcoholic, member of the Foxboro Friendship Gr in District 34, have the honor and privilege of being your Area 83 Corrections Facilities Chairperson.

Still getting minutes from the Districts. Unfortunately, not much going on as far as meetings on the inside are concerned. Collins Bay minimum are having a meeting with one outside member not rotated and five inside members rotated.

Zoom was talked about at Warkworth but no action taken.

Had a request from GSO about questions on BTG program. Also talked to our Archives Chair Linda M about the history of Corrections in Area 83

Like to give thanks to all the District Correction's Chairs for their great service work. Thanks to all of you for allowing me to be part of this Wonderful Service Journey.

There have been no BTG requests in quite a while. I attended Area Zoom Meetings plus did Area Correction Workshop. Also Special Thanks to the Service Information Day Committee for a Great Job.

I'm here for a resource for you to use. Email: cf@area83aa.org

On a last note *if know one told you today that they love you, let Me be the First.*

Yours in Love and Service, Les M.

D. Treatment Facilities/ Accessibility

Shane H.

Hello friends I'm an alcoholic my name is Shane and a member of reaching out group in Brampton District 2, it's an honour and privilege to serve as your Area 83 Treatment/Accessibility Chair.

Not much has gone on in Treatment and listening to DCM reports of late there are no visitors permitted to attend or volunteers to facilitate meetings. I have received 4 Bridging the Gaps since our assembly.

Accessibility is very active in North America it seems Covid19 has created even more barriers. Wow what an amazing journey this has been it started all because I put my hand up and said I will do it! What an exciting time for Accessibility and Area 83. Thanks for allowing me to serve.

Yours in Service Shane H.

E. Grapevine

Jenny C.

Hello friends. I'm an alcoholic member of the smiths falls Saturday night group in district 66. Currently serving as your panel 69 Grapevine chair. My name is Jenny C. So, at this point I can only assume that one of two things happen when everyone gets their new edition of Grapevine. 1) You go right to the jokes to see how fabulous they are OR 2) you go to the contents to see if anyone from Area 83 submitted an article. So, I apologize to everyone that already read this gem.

Died happy

A young boy often accompanied his sober dad to AA meetings. One meeting was at a church where the boy spotted a row of plaques on the wall. Each plaque contained a name and dates. "who are they?" The son asked.

His father explained, "those are people who died in service." Shocked the boy grabbed his father's hand and asked, "was it Area or District Service?"

Bob R, Shelburne, Vt
November 2020

On that note. I have to ask, "Who has two thumbs and is really going to miss reading these fantastic grapevine jokes to all you fine people?" . . . (pointing at herself) "This guy!"

Wow I can't believe this is the last area committee meeting of the term.

Any time spent doing service is a learning and growing opportunity. During the past 2 years I was blessed to meet so many wonderful members of Alcoholics Anonymous and Some very passionate grapevine supporters. It is a delight to see so many active members, and to know that aa is very much alive and well in area 83. Thank you to all the districts that placed an order for grapevine pocket planners and wall calendars. All but 3 have left my possession with arrangements being made for distribution. An even bigger thank you to all the members that volunteered to help distribute the orders. While being safe it was very nice to get to say hello to some members while doing drop offs.

Thanks to the members of the GTA Grapevine Intergroup for continually including me in their monthly Zoom meetings. It has definitely been a highlight in my meeting routine. Being able to watch and see what other districts are doing to promote grapevine is inspiring.

Don't forget the carry the message project where you can gift a subscription to other members or a sponsee. For those looking for the pertinent information A one-year subscription for grapevine is currently \$45.50 Canadian

You can also make purchases aagrapevine.ca until December 31st and get free shipping on select items. Check it out. These can also be good gifts for the up coming holidays.

Thank you everyone for the opportunity to serve Alcoholics Anonymous and area 83. I will always be GrapeFull for every opportunity. If you are on the fence about services and standing for a position, I promise you will not regret it. Let your name stand. You too will be GrapeFull you did.

Thank you all for all your hard work and dedication to our fellowship

Stay safe and happy holidays, Jenny C.

F. Self-Support

Mike B.

Good morning, I am an alcoholic and a member of the Parkwood Hills Group in Ottawa and have the honour and privilege of serving as your Panel 69 Self Support Chair for Area 83 Eastern Ontario International. My Name is Mike B.

The top phrase used in AA in the past might have been, “Keep coming back”. However, in 2020, I believe the 2 top phrases were, “*Can you hear me?*” and “*Please mute yourself !!*”. We are living in different times with new challenges. And I believe we are up for these new challenges.

A special shout out to all our visitors here today. This might be a record attendance for our Area Committee Meeting. You are the future of Alcoholics Anonymous in Area 83. A big welcome to each and everyone of you. It is fabulous to see you all here.

I heard it mentioned at our virtual Fall Assembly by a brand new General Service Representative (GSR) at one of the breaks ‘that isn’t it great that we are meeting on Zoom for the Assembly because by using this platform GSR’s that probably couldn’t make it to a face to face assembly for a variety of reasons could definitely attend because there is no travel or expenses involved’. Although I appreciate and love the sentiment and the enthusiastic spirit it was said in, attendance numbers tell a different story. At our Fall Assembly, there were 125 GSR’s present compared to 229 the previous year for our face to face Assembly. That equals to 104 fewer groups represented. That is 104 fewer groups who did not have a voice or a vote at our Assembly. Considering we also have 579 registered Groups in Area 83. These numbers show that we still have a lot of work to do. I hope this discussion will continue under new business today on our agenda. Self-Support is not only about money, it is also about time and furthering 12 Step work. If you would like to view the attendance numbers over the years, attendance numbers are available in our past minutes or from our Area 83 Registrar.

I would like to thank all the Districts who continue to send us your minutes. Rest assured I read them all. And in reading the District minutes, sadly, I have also seen a pattern of lower attendance at the majority of District meetings by GSR’s, Committee Chairs and also table Officers since we have moved to a virtual platform.

I mention this because Self-Support is not only about money. That is why we use the word contribution as opposed to donation in AA. “Twelfth Step work is the lifeblood of Alcoholics Anonymous — carrying the message to the next suffering alcoholic. Without it, the Fellowship would wither and die. Yet, even at its simplest level this vital contact between one alcoholic and another involves an investment of time and money.

Now that we are sober in A.A., the word ‘support’ has to do with sharing, people, self-respect, gratitude, and what we are privileged to give...

Serving all of Area 83 as your Self-Support Chair has been a wonderful adventure along the road of service. From meeting face to face to moving virtually and being able to assist groups in the digital age has kept me busy and in the middle of the herd. I have attempted to serve with enthusiasm and dedication. Thank you for allowing me to serve. I hope I have lived up to your expectations. As with all things in life and the spirit of rotation in AA, our term comes to an end. I have rotated out of many service positions over the years, but I must say, this might be the hardest one to let go of. This will be my last

report at Area 83 for the foreseeable future. My service journey and my home life will be taking a different path.

I would like to wish the incoming Panel 71 Committee all the best and I hope in this ever-changing world of AA that these 3 words will assist you as you move down the service structure ladder...

Yours in Love and Service, Mike B.

QUESTIONS FOLLOWING SELF-SUPPORT REPORT:

QUESTIONS: Susan K., the numbers regarding our groups. We have about 7 service groups that do not participate at the district table or at the Area. If we are just looking at numbers, it changes our percentage of participation from 60% (factoring in those service groups to 85% when we do not count the 7 service groups. I am not sure what the expectation is of the service groups, but it would be good to separate service groups from other groups. Otherwise.... Leaving them in is misleading. Our participation is better than it seems, and this may also be the same in other districts.

ANSWER: That would be something that would have to be addressed with the Area 83 registrar. I fully understand the figures I put out were comparisons from this year to last year.

G. Archives

Marty M.

Hello everyone, my name is Marty and I'm an alcoholic. I am a member of the Open Hands group in Mississauga, District 6 and I am privileged to serve as your area Archives Chair.

On Sunday November 8 I had the pleasure of hosting the 36th annual Greater Toronto Archives Breakfast. The First Virtual Breakfast was a huge success. We had a great turnout with over 100 in attendance. The Virtual tour of Stepping Stones was really cool, Sally put on an amazing presentation. I highly recommend, if you are in the area north of New York City, that you take in the tour for yourself. That is after things go back to normal of course. You can always visit the website for yourself and see some of the historical items and rooms such as Wits End, Bill W's writing studio and see the desk where he wrote the 12 & 12 and parts of the Big Book. Then we had a terrific speaker; Ruth P. (Pine Hills Group) in Toronto, she has 47 yrs. of sobriety. What a great message Ruth shared with us. Unfortunately, our original speaker; Shirley B from Ottawa fell ill and could not make it. Shirley is still not well and could use our prayers, if we could all pray for her, that would be nice.

The Archives newsletter 'The 83' will be out very soon. This special edition will be the Origins of Area 83's Service Committees. I know many of you contributed info to Linda, thank you for this. The newsletter is essentially done, just some formatting needs to be done. Stay tuned!

The GTA Archives committee continues to work on the 80 years of AA in Ontario book. Please continue to send in your group and oral histories. We want to hear from you; we want your town or group to be in the 80 year book.

This term has been the most interesting and the most challenging of my journey not only in service, but in sobriety. I came into this position two years ago with not much experience and feeling very overwhelmed. But just like the twelve steps, I learned that I didn't have to take it all on at once, I could do it in piecemeal with the help of those who came before me. I am truly grateful for all of the help I have received.

To take a quote from our very first Area 83 Archives Chair Gord H. in 2006; *"I was very enthusiastic about Archives when I first started, but that enthusiasm and interest gets greater as time goes on"*.

It has been amazing reading over the minutes of the Area Assemblies and Area Committee meetings. Seeing the names of those whom I look up to, those past delegates and Service men and women, reading their names as GSR's and DCM's from years ago.

This is a very unique time we are living in right now. I never would have imagined that in person meetings would be completely shut down and recovery would be limited to online only. I was the speaker the

other night for the first time on Zoom, and it was very unusual to say the least. But just like in person, I felt so great afterwards. I still wouldn't trade this life for my former existence.

I look forward to the day we can all meet again in person. I pray that we all stay safe and continue to be there for one another. I'll see you on the other side of this.

Because We are Area 83 Strong

Yours in Love and Service, Marty M.

H. Service Information Day Committee Chair De R.

Hello everyone, I am an alcoholic, member of the KF Group, District Committee Member for District 02 – Malton and have had the honour and privilege of serving as your Panel 69 Service Information Day Chair and my name is De.

Thank you once again to Lynn, Eileen, Bev, Terry and Jack for all your amazing work this term, with arranging the great workshops 2019 and changing gears so quickly for 2020's virtual service day sessions. It really has been a pleasure to work with you all and I hope you enjoyed being on the Service Information Day Committee. I hope I will have the opportunity to continue to work with you in a different capacity within Area 83.

I encourage all District Committee Members to stand for this committee as it is a unique service experience working together and with the Area Committee to bring informative, inspirational, and knowledgeable workshops to the Assemblies.

It is clear the first Assembly of the Term March 2021 will be a virtual one. In the Fall of 2020, our Panel 69 SID Committee switched from an in-person venue to a virtual one, and with the help of our Chair James and the Area Committee we were able to present a Service Day for Area 83. In doing so, we learned some valuable lessons and recommendations. Some of these may seem obvious, but you only have a few weeks from your election to get started. Some things we found helpful:

- first, I would suggest referencing the two-day Fall Assembly, its structure and Agenda and review of the minutes; also reading the minutes of the Area Committee Meetings of June 13, 2020 and September 12, 2020 might be helpful
- a review of the material from past SID Committees was of great help and provided some important documents and templates (on USB for the Chair, as well as for the Secretary)
- the most important thing is communication – between all committee members as well as the Area Chair
- meet frequently in the beginning for planning the workshops – it might help if the Area Chair is invited to these early meetings, and she can arrange the zoom meeting times
- staying in communication with the Area Chair is crucial as she designs the Friday/Saturday business Agendas
- recommend a series of informative Sub-committee workshops over several weeks from January until early March
- if you are to include wildcard (not a Sub-committee) workshops perhaps discuss this with the Area Chair
- we found Sunday evenings seemed to work best and keeping the sessions under two hours one to avoid zoom-fatigue
- keep in mind that the Alternate Delegate, will be presenting the Concepts over the course of the Term so communicating with him would be helpful
- if you decide on a speaker Friday coordinate with the Area Chair would
- keep in mind that our Delegate invites a speaker for Saturday

- stay in contact with each committee member via email and zoom meetings to plan effectively – the Chair would be happy to arrange this
- be adaptable and open-minded to work efficiently and productively
- document meetings, discussions, and planning
- record the minutes of your zoom meetings to be used for reference for yourselves and future SID Committee
- get together after each assembly via zoom to debrief and document recommendations

If you have any questions please ask any of us from the SID Committee, or anyone on the Area Committee, as many of them have been on the Committee. Good luck, I know your new SID Committee will do an awesome job in the new Term.

Thank you for allowing me to serve, De R.

7. REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Dave L.

I am an Alcoholic, a member of the Liverpool Group in District 26 and my name is Dave. It is my honour and privilege to serve as your Area 83 Registrar.

The attendance for the Area Committee of November 28, 2018 is presented under [Agenda item 3\) Roll Call](#).

I cannot tell you what a pleasure it has been working with all of you. With only 1 unknown Groups at this time I would have to say all of the districts have done very well to keep the groups in your districts connected to AA as a whole.

The information I am sharing here, should be considered more of a reflection of your hard work than anything else. Over the course of my term I have been keeping a record of my FNV & NetSuite entries for Group updates. It is a quick way to keep track of what I have done and any outstanding issues. I have tracked over 760 group information changes. Area 83 has grown to 579 Active groups.

A further launch of My Portal functionality is anticipated in mid-December. The December deliverable will be a basic platform, providing the ability to add additional functionality in future releases based on feedback and engagement from the membership.

The focus for the December My Portal Release 2.0 will be on improving the Communication tools between the Area Registrars and G.S.O. The survey responses clearly indicated a strong desire for the Area Registrars to be able to own their own data and they will be establishing the foundation to do just that.

Specific items related to the My Portal Release 2.0 are as follows:

1. Edit/update capabilities of Position Holder and Group information. Some actions/updates will require a review by G.S.O. prior to updating NetSuite to help prevent duplication of Group and Position Holder records, as well as to ensure appropriate communication and transition of responsibilities, e.g. with the Registrars, Delegates and Alternate Delegates. Adding a new Group and a first-time Position Holder poses some technical challenges that are still being addressed.
2. Search, filtering and downloading information currently contained in the My Portal reports will also be supported in the December Release.
3. There will be a new "Position" created for an Alternate Registrar that will be provided the same capabilities as the Area Registrar if requested by the Area. Delegates and DCM's will be provided 'read only' access at the area-level.
4. Several Waves of training/rollout are anticipated
 - a) Training/Rollout Wave 1: The Area Registrars will be trained beginning December 15th
 - b) Training/Rollout Wave 2-3: Alternate Registrars, Delegates and DCMs (sequence and timing TBD)

For all those groups that are electing and installing their new GSRs and Alternate GSRs for the 2021-2022 term, you can pass those updates on to me at any time by way of your district Registrars.

For now, all changes to Group, GSR and Alternate GSR information, should be sent to me by way of GROUP INFORMATION CHANGE FORMS.

If you are sending it electronically, please send the Forms to: registrar@area83aa.org

Thank you for this opportunity to be of service.

Yours in Love and Service, Dave L

8. TREASURER'S REPORT

JoAnn P.

Hello friends, I am an alcoholic, a member of Courtice 12 and 12 Group in District 28, and my name is JoAnn. It is both an honour and a privilege to serve as your Panel 69 Eastern Ontario International Area 83 Treasurer.

It seems like it was only a few weeks ago (it was) that we gathered on Zoom to conduct our Fall Assembly. Since the Assembly I have assisted our Area Secretary Amy with District 74 Pembroke elections on November 21st.

I am grateful that Area 83 Eastern Ontario International is navigating our current reality and continuing to serve the still suffering alcoholic. My tasks as Treasurer have slowed. I know that for most of us, our Groups are meeting on video conferencing applications. Some groups have reached out regarding starting e-Transfer for their home Group. This mode of contributing to Area 83 is convenient and safe. If you would like assistance setting up e-Transfer, I would be happy to help. Our 7th Tradition is as equally important today as it was before the pandemic.

Before we talk about the numbers, I am going to again reference the integration of ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) system has caused some challenges in timely acknowledgement of Group and District contributions to GSO. Each Group (after integration) has 2 identification numbers – one is your 6-digit Legacy Group Number (Group Service Number), and one is a new 9-digit number which will be called a Group NetSuite Number. Any new Group will be assigned a NetSuite 9-digit number only. The Legacy Group number will be able to be used in all communications with GSO. While these Legacy Group numbers will not be used in new communications from GSO, your information as a Group will be accessible. In my communications with Groups, I have started to reference Legacy Group Numbers and NetSuite Numbers. There will be a time that only the NetSuite 9-digit number will be used, however, I have no timeline to report. Area Registrar Dave L will be reporting on this issue.

Please continue to remind groups who would like to contribute using PayPal to include their six-digit Group Service Number with any contributions using PayPal so that the group may get credit for their contribution. The place to enter the group number is the screen after entering credit card information. PayPal charges a fee of 2.9% plus 30 cents per transaction. There have been 5 contributions, so far, this year using PayPal.

There have been 102 contributions via e-Transfer so far in 2020 (over 50 from the Area Assembly). This method of contributing to Area 83 is proving to be easy for the Groups and Districts and straightforward to process Letters of Receipt. Please consider this payment method when your Group or District discusses contributing to Area 83. As with all contributions, please reference your Group and or District Name and Service Number in the memo field.

At the Fall Assembly the recommendation by the Area Committee that Area 83 accept contributions from individual members with appropriate safeguards to ensure contributions are from AA members only and do not exceed a maximum of \$1000.00 per year was passed. Our Webmaster George has added this information to the A.A. Contributions page on the Area 83 website. There is a question "Are you a member of Alcoholics Anonymous?" and if you click on yes, you will have access to the various methods of

contributing to Area 83 Eastern Ontario International. If someone were to click no, the response is "Thank you for your interest in supporting Alcoholics Anonymous, but in keeping with A.A.'s Seventh Tradition of self-support we accept contributions only from A.A. members." We have also updated the e-Transfer memo field instructions if you are contributing to Area 83 as an individual. I have updated the spreadsheets and individual contributions will show up as District 0, Unspecified, Individual on Page 3 of the financial reports.

When a Group or District or individual sends in a contribution, they will receive, in return, a thank-you letter of receipt. Emailing these to you costs the Area nothing, whereas mailing them requires a stamp, envelope, paper, and ink. Please encourage your Treasurers to include an email address with your contributions, and I can email your letter of receipt. Please make your cheques payable to "Eastern Ontario International Area 83". You can find contact information on the Area 83 website: area83aa.org under the tab "About Area 83" click on Area Contributions.

Let's discuss the Financial Statements for the period ending November 21, 2020.

Page 1 ([Appendix A₁](#)) is a financial summary. It shows our reserve account, which is set aside for unforeseen circumstances, has a balance of \$20,000 in the form of a GIC which matures September 11, 2023.

Income for the period as of November 21, 2020:

- 7th Tradition collected at the January (in person), June (virtual) and September (virtual) Area Committee Meetings and Fall Assembly - \$2362.70 (\$50.00 sent in advance for the November ACM) – Fall Assembly 7th was \$1485.65
- Cost Recoveries - \$56.00
- GSO Flow Through - \$1,635.00
- Grapevine Seasonal - \$1,805.00
- Group and District Contributions - \$24,182.85
- Interest transferred from Reserve - \$300.66 (GIC Matured September 11, 2020)

Total Income for the period is \$30,342.21.

Expenses for the period as of November 21, 2020:

- Committee expenses are \$9,601.23
- Area 83 Contribution to GSO - \$5,000.00
- Area Committee Meeting, January 4th rent and refreshments \$477.19
- General Service Conference Assessment \$8,821.80 (US\$ 6,500.00)
- Bank Service Charges \$73.65
- PayPal Fees - \$12.12
- Grapevine Seasonal - \$1,456.09
- GSO Flow Through - \$1635.00
- Ontario Delegates Committee \$5,663.02
- Refund regarding Eastern Canada Hospitality Suite at International Convention - \$150.00

Total Expenses for the period are \$32,588.10.

The opening bank balance on January 1, 2020 was \$40,490.20. Total income of \$30,342.21 less expenses of \$32,588.10 leaves a balance in the operating account of \$38,244.31. As of November 21, our expenses were \$2,245.89 more¹ than our income. Thank you to the 98 Groups and 11 Districts for your generous contributions to Area 83.

¹ Addressed under item 4, Review and Acceptance of Minutes of November 28, 2020 ACM at January 9, 2021 minutes: Correction to the November 28, 2020 Minutes – expenses were \$2245.89 "more than" our income not "less than" as originally stated.

Page 2 ([Appendix A₂](#)) shows details of expenses. Here we see an itemized breakdown of expenses for the period for each Area Committee Member as well as all other expenses to date.

Some of the numbers you see here:

- The amount shown under Miscellaneous for Alternate Delegate is \$417.66 which covers our annual Area 83 Zoom Standard Pro account until early June 2021 (\$235.70) and 3 large group add on charges (\$181.96).
- The amount shown under Printing (\$285.00) for Secretary is for September 2019 ACM minutes and January 2020 ACM Agenda.
- The amount shown under the Treasurer for Stationery is for a \$173.20 cheque reorder.
- \$701.54 for Service Manuals – some of this may be recouped at the next physical Area Assembly.
- The amount shown under Registrar (\$192.21) is for an order for name badges.
- Spring Assembly amount of \$1,288.25 is the cancellation charge levied by the Ambassador Hotel. We will be receiving this amount as a credit in a future period when we are able to gather en masse.
- Fall Assembly amount \$4,540.44 (US \$3,388.50) to Tech 12 for the technical requirements for our virtual Assembly.
- Rent and refreshments for the January 4th ACM is \$477.19. We met in Quinte West.
- Bank Charges and PayPal fees are \$85.77.
- Grapevine Seasonal cost is \$1454.09.
- The General Service Conference (GSC) Assessment. At the Spring Assembly in 2007, a motion passed stating that “provided it doesn’t affect our prudent reserve, Area 83 will pay to GSO the full annual expense for our Delegate to attend the General Service Conference”. Area 83 calculated \$6,500.00 US\$ (Canadian \$8,821.80). This amount was remitted to GSO in January of 2020. The GSC Assessment covers the total cost of the General Service Conference divided by the 93 Delegate Areas. Traditionally, these costs include expenses for Delegates, Trustees, and GSO staff to attend, as well as meeting rooms, A/V equipment, printing (includes the final conference report sent to each group) and miscellaneous expenses. With the 70th General Service Conference moving to a Virtual Conference, Eastern Canada Regional Trustee Jan L, reported that each Area contributed the required \$1,800 and some contributed more. The total amount received was \$14,000 less than the cost of the virtual GSC.
- Ontario Delegates Committee is \$5,663.02 for event hosted by Eastern Ontario International Area 83 in Toronto February 28-March 1. This event is to prepare the 4 Ontario Delegates and 4 Alternate Delegates for the 70th General Service Conference. These costs were for hotel meeting rooms and refreshments, organizing committee hotel rooms, meals and transportation, and guest presenter’s hotel rooms, meals, transportation as well as the organizing committee’s printing and stationery.
- Flow through amount forwarded to GSO on behalf of 3 Groups and 1 District in Area 83 (\$1,635.00).

I would like to point out that Approved Spending Guideline amounts, balance plus and or minus and year to date usage have been added to the financials. Full disclosure, the amounts that were accepted at the Fall Assembly for Cooperation with the Professional Community and Corrections were not input properly which results in a plus and minus for the 2 subcommittees. CPC should have been \$25.00, and Corrections should have been \$251.35. This was my error and I apologize for the mistake. The correct amounts will be reflected in the year end financials presented at the January 9, 2021 Area Committee Meeting.

Since there is an additional or bonus ACM in 2020, I do not have a corresponding period to compare our financial position. A year end comparison will be reported at the ACM in January 2021 by our Panel 71 Treasurer, Dave L. Here is a snapshot of our net change to the operating account.

Page 3 ([Appendix A₃](#)) shows contributions by District. These amounts include contributions from Districts, as well as Groups. 98 Groups and 11 Districts have contributed to Area 83 in 2020.

We will be collecting the 7th Tradition today. Please e-transfer your contribution and reference November 28 ACM in the memo field. Email address is treasurer@area83aa.org. I will group the contributions and report the total in the year end financials.

As we navigate the remaining month in 2020, we will have very few expenses paired with a possible continued reduction of Group and District contributions.

Please rest assured that Area 83 Eastern Ontario International is financially stable and ready to withstand any challenges as they appear.

Training for your incoming Treasurer will occur in mid to late December.

As this will be the last time that I am reporting to you, the Area Committee, I would like to thank everyone who contributed, supported, and questioned. I have enjoyed serving Area 83 as your Panel 69 Treasurer and I wish Panel 71 Area 83 Eastern Ontario Treasurer Dave L. a smooth transition. Panel 69 saw Area 83 embrace new technology, accepting e-transfers and individual contributions.

I am filled with gratitude and I remain truly captivated by the commitment and dedication of our trusted servants in Area 83.

Yours in love and Service, JoAnn P.

QUESTIONS FOLLOWING TREASURER'S REPORT:

QUESTION: Our operating account, does that include reserve account?

ANSWER: no, our operating account does not include the \$20,000 reserve account. We have an operating account of \$38K plus the \$20K reserve account.

QUESTION: when you forward contributions to NY, do you do this by cheque?

ANSWER: yes, I do.

QUESTION: Where was our operating account at this time last year?

ANSWER: We do not have a December ACM in the first term, but it was \$34,767.90 this time last year. So, in short, we are in a better position this year, compared to last year.

9. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Amy L.

Hello Friends, I'm an alcoholic, a member of the Liverpool group in District 26, and my name is Amy. It has been an absolute honour and pleasure to serve Area 83 as your Panel 69 Secretary. I can't believe the term is almost over. I have a little bit of that sad feeling in the pit of my stomach, like someone has turned on the lights and yelled "Last Call".

Okay, let's get to the business part of this report. I want to thank those Districts who have sent in their new District updates. From your DCM reports, it sounds like most of you have had your District elections by now. Please have your District record keeper submit these updates to me as soon as possible. I will be happy to submit to GSO the Panel 71 District Rosters as soon as I get them. Remember, I must submit these to GSO so that they can enter the information. Neither Dave nor I have the ability to add information to the GSO database. GSO will be glad to receive the rosters in advance of January 1. There will be about 45 other areas submitting their district rosters and GSR data for Panel 71, so let's get ahead of the rush and get submitted what we have. I am sure your committee chairs will appreciate receiving their service kits before the start of their term.

Another very important matter is to get the contact details for the incoming DCMs. If you haven't already, please send me their name and email address this weekend. If you have all of the information (address, telephone number, etc) that is even better. Emails are essential so we can seamlessly continue to keep the groups (via the DCM) in contact with the GSO and send out welcome letters and agendas. Also, we would like to keep essential services like Bridging the Gap operational.

Thank you to all who have already submitted your reports for inclusion in the minutes. You all have been great about getting these to me so quickly, and I have rewarded you with a quick turn-around of the minutes. Let's finish up the term strong!

Thank you all for your service to Area 83 and your Districts. I would encourage everyone who is eligible and has the time and energy to commit to the Area subcommittees to put your name forward in the elections today. Whether you continue your service journey or not, remember you are important ambassadors for General Service to AA. Sometimes we are AA's best advocates for newer members to get involve....its okay to promote the attraction.

I have enjoyed my time working with you as your Secretary and consider myself just one among many who are interested in seeing that Alcoholics Anonymous is functioning well in Eastern Ontario. I am humbled by the trust and confidence that you have placed in me to allow me to continue to serve Area 83 as the Chairperson. Thanks to virtual meetings, and the ease with which I can get around, I look forward to seeing many of you in the next term. Be well and have a safe holiday.

Yours in Love and service, Amy

10. ALTERNATE DELEGATE'S REPORT

Kimberley M.

Good afternoon, I'm an alcoholic and a member of the Ajax Area Group and my name is Kimberley. It has been a privilege to serve as your Panel 69 Alternate Delegate for Area 83 Eastern Ontario International.

Here are some of my activities since last reporting to you at the Assembly.

On October 27th and November 24th, I attended the GTA Intergroup General Meeting. On November 10th, the Intergroup chairs met to share ideas and experiences with each other. On November 14th I attended the lakeshore Intergroup Meeting.

It was a pleasure to facilitate the District 36 and District 14 elections. As well as a Group inventory for the Welcome Group.

On November 1st I invited James to join me at the monthly Alternate Delegate sharing session. There was discussion on what the role of alternate delegate includes which varies from area to area.

On November 8th, our Service Information Day committee hosted the Delegates workshop where I had the opportunity to share on the role of Alternate Delegate in our Area and what I have been doing this term.

On November 12th, Jan L, our Eastern Canada Regional Trustee invited the alternate delegates of our region to join the delegates to hear her report back after attending the General Service Office Board weekend.

On November 16th James joined me for the Inter Area Remote Community Workgroup meeting. There were a lot of new faces at this meeting. Some had joined because they wanted to learn how to start a remote community committee in their Area. While discussing this topic someone asked why the accessibilities committee doesn't handle remote communities? The response came from the chair of Area 79, BC/Yukon where there are a lot of geographically remote communities. She said that their remote communities committee helps people get to the meetings and the accessibilities committee ensures that the meeting can accommodate them.

Trish our Trustee at Large Canada also joined this meeting to give a brief presentation. She shared that many countries were not going to hold a Conference this year. But because the US and Canada went ahead with a virtual General Service Conference, many of those countries took a leap of faith and had the confidence to have a virtual Conference as well.

Trish wanted to share with us her vision for connecting members in the northern remote regions of Canada with members in the far southern and remote regions of Argentina. AA around the world is divided into World Zones. Canada, the United States, Mexico, Central America and South America all belong to the same World Zone. This is an exciting initiative and I look forward to hearing more about it as it unfolds.

Upcoming events:

On December 5th is the first virtual Eastern Canada and US Regional Forum. The sharing and informational sessions are designed to help the General Service Board stay in touch with AA members, trusted servants and newcomers to service throughout the AA service structure. Hopefully you can attend and will encourage your GSRs to attend.

On December 17th I look forward to joining the other alternate delegates and delegates from Eastern Canada to hear an update from Jan our Eastern Canada Regional Trustee.

Planning has begun for the 2021 Pre-Conference Agenda Sharing sessions. All members of all groups in Area 83 are invited to join and share their opinions on the various agenda items that will be discussed at the 71st General Service Conference. The proposed dates for these sessions are:

March 21, 22, 30, 31 and April 6, 7, 8, 11 and 12. The agenda and background information will be available shortly after the February Family Day weekend.

I am experimenting with ways for hard of hearing members to participate in our Area meetings on Zoom. Setting up a Google Meets on a Chromebook and aiming it at a 2nd monitor seems to work well. Then a member can join the Google meets and select closed captioning to read what participants are saying and see who is speaking. It seems to be working well and could be made available to members who want to attend our Area meetings and workshops who are hard of hearing. The next step is to enable them to speak and share in the meeting if they wish too. The experimenting continues.

If you are eligible, I encourage you to continue your journey in general service by letting your name stand for a position today.

I'd like to thank each of you here today for your service to AA and to our Area. You have hung in there, despite the many challenges. Well done Area 83!!

I would like to thank Rob for his service to Area 83 over these past two years. He has done an amazing job as our Delegate. Thank you Rob!

It is a custom in our Area for the Alternate Delegate to get coffee or tea for the Delegate. I did my best to fulfil this responsibility right up until our last in person meeting which was the February 2020 Ontario Delegates Committee meeting. It is now time to pass the coffee towel on to the incoming Alternate Delegate to pick up the tradition once we can meet in person again. James, I present to you, the coffee towel.

I wish all of you a safe and sober holiday followed by a happy and healthy New Year!

Yours in Love and Service, Kimberley

QUESTIONS FOLLOWING ALTERNATE DELEGATE'S REPORT:

QUESTION: We are trying to implement closed captioning, and you mentioned google meets. You did a workshop on Zoom that included closed captioning, how is that different that what we are trying to achieve now?

ANSWER: closed captioning in my workshops come through a feature available in Power Point. This is only grabbing what is being said by the person presenting. When I close my powerpoint, and everyone in the meeting starts sharing, none of that is captured in closed captions. Google-meets will close caption all that is being said. The downside is that it can get hard to tell who is speaking.

11.DELEGATE'S REPORT

Rob M.

Hi everyone. I'm an alcoholic, a member of the Motorcity Group in District 28, and my name is Rob M. It's an honour to serve as Panel 69 Delegate for Area 83 Eastern Ontario International.

Here's what I've been doing since our Assembly last month.

November 7th and 8th I was on the Area 86 Assembly. I was asked to look after the breakout rooms for phone in voters, and visitors. It was the first time I was logged into zoom on two laptops with one broadcasting the

main room Assembly into the visitor's room while taking votes from call in members. There were a few hiccups but it was a great learning experience and a wonderful weekend with our friends from Area 86.

On November 8th Kim S our Immediate past Delegate, Kimberley M our Alternate Delegate, and me presented a Delegates workshop, the final workshop of the Service Information Day Series. Thank you to our Service Information Day Committee for a great job on transitioning the workshops from in person to virtual. They were well organized and nicely presented.

November 12th the Delegates and Alternates of Eastern Canada met with our Regional Trustee Jan to hear her report on the General Service Board weekend she had attended October 30th – November 1st. I just received highlights from the weekend meeting and will ask Amy to send them out. Also on this meeting was our Trustee at Large Canada Trish L. Trish reported an initiative she is spearheading to bring the northern Remote Communities, hear in Canada, together with the Southern Remote Communities of Argentina for a virtual forum type event. There are parts of southern Argentina, the southernmost point of South America, that share similar challenges as northern Canada when it comes to carrying the message. It will be amazing for these two remote communities to come together virtually to share ideas. More information will be provided when available.

The Eastern Canada Region will meet again with Jan on December 17th to discuss an orientation for incoming Delegates since CERAASA was cancelled and revamping the Regional Forums schedule.

Kimberley mentioned the Pre-Conference Agenda Sharing sessions planned for March and April. It is important for DCMs, both outgoing and incoming to share this information with GSRs, and to stress the importance of encouraging their Group members to attend. These sessions are designed to provide feedback to the Delegate from the whole fellowship, and to give all members the opportunity to be part of making decisions that affect the future of AA. Over the nine sessions this year about 120 members shared. Let's encourage even more members to join us next year.

I look forward to presenting a GSR workshop for District 1 in Halifax tomorrow, and moderating a workshop for USCAN, the virtual Eastern US/Canada Regional Forum on December 5th. A video invitation to the forum from the Chair of the General Service Board Michelle G has been added to the forums page at aa.org. Preregistration is encouraged and is now open on the forums page. Hope to see all of you next Saturday.

As Panel 69 comes to a close I look back over the last two years with much gratitude and happiness. The pandemic has presented new challenges and made us look at new ways to carry the message. In Area 83 I see dedicated members of Alcoholics Anonymous and know that the Fellowship as a whole works because of the time and effort you give it.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your panel 69 Delegate and I look forward to the time when we can meet in person. Until then I wish all good health and hope to see you online.

Yours in Love and Service, Rob M.

QUESTIONS FOLLOWING DELEGATE'S REPORT:

QUESTION: Is the delegate training session that is taking place instead of CERAASA is open to anyone to attend?

ANSWER: I am not sure yet, our Eastern Canada Regional Trustee, Jan is in the planning process. We will be meeting on December 17th when she will give us more information. I can let you know after that.

12. AREA CHAIR'S REPORT

James O'D.

Good afternoon everyone. My name is James O'D and I am an alcoholic – currently serving Area 83 as you Chairperson. It is with mixed emotions that I stand before you today. A little sad that this will be my last meeting in this position but also looking forward to the new service adventure that begins in January. The last two years have been an amazingly formative time for me as a trusted servant of Alcoholics Anonymous but even more so as a person.

There was no way to predict what was going to take place in the term when I was handed the reins back in January 2019. It has been a great time of trust, learning to be flexible and of faith. Faith in all the members of this committee and also in the process itself.

I look forward to working closely with our incoming Chairperson to make the transition as smooth as possible. We will be working on the agenda for the January ACM which will most likely be sent out by next weekend.

Before I close, I would like to extend my thanks to all those who will be standing for positions later this afternoon. It is this willingness to serve which keeps our fellowship strong and united. There were a few times on my service journey when I was afraid to say “yes” but managed to get the word “stand” out of my quivering mouth as my heart raced. Good luck to all the candidates.

Thank you for the faith you placed in me almost two years ago. I will continue in my duties as Chair until I am relieved on January 1, 2021. As the saying goes, “It isn’t over until it’s over”. Continue to contact me if there is any way I can serve you, your group or your District.

We are in great hands with Amy taking over as Chair and I am looking forward to reporting back to you in January as your Area 83 Alternate Delegate. Again, thank you for allowing me to serve.

13. OLD BUSINESS

A. None

14. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion: How did we do at our Election Assembly? Comments for 2022.

Jack R., DCM D36: Over all it went very well. The tabulating of votes went much quicker than an in-person assembly. The preplanning of the registration was very useful. It seemed like it was money well spent with the outside firm.

De R., DCM D02: The training that was offered in advance of the assembly was very helpful. Demonstrate basic Zoom procedures. There were a few hiccups, that may have happened because there were some who didn’t attend this training.

Terry N., DCM D26: It was an awesome assembly, and the two training sessions was very helpful. The outside firm, Tech 12, handled everything very well.

Bill C. CPC chair: sending a shout out to Dave L for designing the system for having the votes registered properly. It probably took a lot more effort than it appeared on the surface, so thanks Dave.

Bev H., DCM D34: my only recommendation would be to make it more accessible for those with challenges and to make the effort to make them feel included. I brought this forward only because we had a member attend a meeting who was visually impaired. We had some issues in his inclusion with the voting process, so maybe that is something that held back some members of Area 83 in their participation.

Mike B Self-Support Chair: Technologically, it went very smoothly. There were a few blips in the beginning and the breakout rooms where the members could get more intensive assistance was great. Unfortunately, there was a decline in attendance. Going forward, the responsibility falls on the incoming DCMs to create some enthusiasm in your districts. Help the members, and anyone with accessibility issues; be that computer technology, band width, fear of getting on Zoom. Create some enthusiasm as this is the future of Area 83, and we don’t know how long we are going to have to use this type of technology to conduct our business.

Marty Archives Chair: I thought the Assembly went extremely well. I would like to look forward to the next assembly. In of what we have learned, it would be good to have a simulcast google meets meeting so that it is Closed Caption.

Neil P., DCM, d66: I just googled it, and there is some discussion about Zoom and Closed Captioning. Has anyone investigated into it? It is on the Zoom website. This is a natural progression, and these software companies are bound to offer it.

Rob M., Delegate: Zoom does offer Closed captioning. The reason we didn't go with it is that it is very expensive. At this time, they basically hire someone to type into the keyboard everything that is said. It is an hourly rate. There has been some talk about Zoom coming out with a free option. If not, I think the google meets option might be something we can implement on our own.

B. Discussion: Position Description for Accessibility Chair.

I would like to take this time to explain how we arrived at the description for the new Accessibility Chair. The Assembly tasked us, the Area Committee, with the creation and election of a new sub committee Accessibilities Chair position. The attachment entitled POSITION DESCRIPTIONS TAKEN FROM THE AREA 83 OPERATING PROCEDURES P. 10-13 was sent out on October 30th with the agenda for this meeting.

You will notice that item 3.13 Area Treatment/**Accessibility** Chair – the word Accessibility has been bolded. Later this afternoon during elections, we will be voting on these two positions separately.

Item 3.17 AREA ACCESSIBILITY CHAIR has “Proposed Only” in brackets and the whole position description is bolded. It has been extracted from the Treatment/Accessibilities minus all reference to Treatment. It is “proposed only” because the actual description does not currently exist as a separate form in our operating procedures.

This is by no means a final product but only an interim workaround so that we may proceed with electing the two chairs separately. In keeping with Concept #3 – “Right of Decision” – it seemed appropriate to leave the exact wording of the position descriptions to the newly elected Sub Committee Chairs. It is hoped that they might present something for consideration at the January 2021 ACM so that discussion can take place and a motion might be brought forward to our Spring Assembly.

At this time, I would invite discussion from the floor.

Discussion:	No discussion followed
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C. Motion: “To separate the housekeeping items from voice & vote privileges in the recommendations made by the ad hoc committee to review the Area 83 Website Guidelines and Webmaster Responsibilities.”

Terry N., DCM District 26

- **Motion: “To separate the housekeeping items from voice & vote privileges in the recommendations made by the ad hoc committee to review the Area 83 Website Guidelines and Webmaster Responsibilities.”**

Moved:	Terry N., DCM D26
Seconded:	Jack R. DCM D36
Discussion:	<p>Terry N. explained that at the Assembly, folks were showing uneasiness with the Webmaster having a vote and a voice while being an appointed position.</p> <p>Marty Archives Chair: I mentioned at the Assembly, that the Archivist should have a voice at the Assembly to the very least. Therefore, I would recommend the same (having a voice) for the webmaster, but do not necessarily see that they should have a vote.</p> <p>De R., DCM D02: have other Area's had this come up and dealt with, or are we the first?</p> <p>Mike B., Self-Support: We are only voting to separate the two things, housekeeping and vote.</p>

	Jack R., DCM D36: By separating them, will we be bringing both motions to the Assembly in the Spring? James, Chair: we will bring them to the ACM in January, and vote on them.	
Those in Favour	32 votes (100%)	
Those opposed	0	
Motion	Carried	

Housekeeping Items

This Ad Hoc committee recommends to the Area 83 committee the following regarding the Area 83 Website Guidelines (Appendix Seven of the Area 83 Operating Procedures)

Under the Section “Contents and Services – Describes the types of information approved for display”

➤ **SECTION A SUB SECTION 1**

Change the third sentence from: **“The information will be limited to materials provided by other AA entities and will also be limited to display in PDF format only.”**

To: **“The information will be limited to AA related materials and will also be limited to display in PDF format only.”**

➤ **SECTION F**

Change the wording from: **“All website visitor messages should receive a timely reply, even if nothing more than a "Thank You" for the message”**

To: **“All valid A.A. inquires through the Area 83 Website shall receive a timely response, even if it is just a “Thank you for your question” message.”**

➤ **SECTION G – SUB SECTION 1**

Replace the first sentence in section 1: **“Group meeting information for Groups and Meetings within Area 83 with type of meeting, time and location through links to websites sponsored by bona fide A.A. service entities (Districts/Intergroups) that will be provided as a service to the website visitor (we will not publish nor be responsible for updates of individual district or intergroup meeting lists).”**

with the wording: **“Links to District websites within Area 83 with a header suggesting that meeting information may be found on these sites”.**

➤ **SECTION G – SUB SECTION 2**

Remove section 2 **“Area 83 District meeting information. Time and location, mailing address, and answering service telephone number.”**

➤ **SECTION G – SUB SECTION 3**

Replace section 3 **“Area 83 Intergroups. Contact information, location and hours of operation.”**
with the wording: **“Links to Intergroup websites within Area 83 with a header suggesting that meeting information may be found on these sites”**

➤ **SECTION G – SUB SECTION 9**

Change section 9 from: **“Any approved Area 83 newsletter”**

To: **“Area 83 newsletters including the Delegates Newsletter and “The 83”, Area 83’s Archives newsletter”**

This Ad Hoc committee recommends to the Area 83 committee the following regarding the Area 83 Operating Procedures

➤ **SECTION 3.19 WEBMASTER AND ALTERNATE WEBMASTER**

Change the last sentence, in the second paragraph from: **“The Webmaster shall assure the 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts, GSO guidelines and policies and Area 83 Website Guidelines (Appendix Seven) are followed relating to the World Wide Web.”**

To: **“The Webmaster shall ensure that the Area 83 Website is aligned with the 12 Traditions, A.A. Guidelines on the Internet (MG-18), Frequently Asked Questions about A.A. Websites (SMF-101) and Area 83 Website Guidelines (Appendix Seven).”**

- Change the wording of the last sentence in paragraph 3 from: **“The Area Webmaster or Alternate Webmaster suggested to attend the Area Committee Meetings and the Area Assemblies.”**

To: **“It is suggested that the Area Webmaster or Alternate Webmaster attend Area 83 Committee Meetings and Area 83 Assemblies.”**

Voice & Vote Privileges

The Ad Hoc committee recommends to the Area Committee that the position of Webmaster include the right of participation and as such, the Webmaster (or in their absence, the Alternate Webmaster) be given a voice and vote at the Area Committee Meetings in Area 83 and the Area 83 Assemblies.

Reminder: *Motions going to the assembly need to be shared with GSRs to take back to the groups. This will prepare GSRs and DCMs to make informed decisions at the Assembly. Ideally, everything discussed collectively at this meeting would be shared with GSRs and their groups.*

D. Election of 2021/2022 Area Sub-Committee Chairs by Area Committee.

Mel C. – Panel 63 Delegate

James handed over the meeting to Mel C., Panel 63 Delegate who will be facilitating the elections. Mel, welcomed everyone, and noted that he would be following the Election Agenda, (Appendix Four: Section A. Election Agenda). He read from the Area 83 Operating procedures 4.01 Regular Bi-Annual Elections: Area Committee: Sub-Committee Chairs (Order of election, Eligibility, Who Votes, and Election Process). Lastly, Mel read the Third Legacy Procedures (page S21-23) of the Service Manual.

Panel 71 Subcommittee Election Results: See [Appendix B](#), for voting details.

(1) Area Public Information Chair	Jack R.
(2) Area Cooperation with the Professional Community Chair	Jo D.
(3) Area Correctional Facilities Chair	Marty M.
(4) Area Treatment Chair	Tim F.
(5) Area Grapevine Chair	Jane S.
(6) Area Self-Support Chair	Bev H.
(7) Area Archives Chair	Shane H.
(8) Area Accessibilities Chair	Jenny C.

15. Rotation of Area 83 Chair

James passed the gavel through his monitor to Amy L.

I would like to take a moment before proceeding and thank James for his service as Chair. I know it is not an easy job as chair, and I think you did an amazing job transitioning our meetings from in-person to virtual format. The Area accomplished and evolved quite a bit this term, thank you for steering us through the pandemic fog. I have learned a lot working with you as the secretary. Thank you and Congratulations to all who were elected today.

16.SHARING - WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

Kim S., Immediate Past Delegate: Marty M., celebrated 10 years on October 18, 2020. Alex, celebrated 25 years today, her medallion is next month at St. Clements. Shane is 14 year on November 30th.

Joyce S., Panel 65 Delegate: Congratulations to all of you newbies coming in and those coming back. You are all going to do a great job. I am sure you are going to be a great team and you will work well together. Good Luck. It is going to be such a joy to watch all of you grow and change.

Rob M., Delegate: Congratulations to all those elected, and you will be getting a form from me by tomorrow to collect your current information for GSO. Please respond in a timely manner. I just want to say thank you x 3, to our friends from Area 86 who did a wonderful job doing the technical assistance with Zoom. We truly are blessed to have Area 86 as a neighbor.

Les M., Corrections Chair: When I became alternate GSR of my group I never expected to come this far. Thanks to all of you. Out of this journey I made a lot of great friends. Love you all.

Ann J., DCM D10: It has been a great meeting, and a great term. It is Kim S' celebrated 31 years on November 24th.

Ray R., PI Chair: This is one of the most exciting election processes that I sat through. Congratulations to all of the winners. When I started on this journey, I used to see those guys at the front of the rooms, I used to be scared just looking at you. I never imagined I would be there. I served 3 terms at the Area. That is an experience I am going to take with me for the rest of my life. I want to say though, I am not finished. I am going to go back to my home group, go to intergroup.... wherever I am needed. Thank you for planting that seed in me.

Jeffery F., Secretary, D86: Tim F., will be celebrating 13 years on December 10.

17. NEXT AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

I would recommend the next committee meeting be held virtually on **January 9, 2021.**

- **Would someone be willing to make a motion to that effect?**

Motioned by:	Marty M., Archives Chair
Seconded:	Trevor F., DCM District 62
Discussion:	None
In favour:	31 votes (100%)
Opposed:	1 votes (0%)
Motion:	Carried

18. CLOSING

It is now 6.38 p.m. and I would like to thank everyone for their participation today and wish you all a safe walk to the couch. I look forward to seeing you at the Regional Forum on December 5.

- **May I have a motion to end this meeting?**

Motioned by:	Maria M., Alt DCM District 30
Seconded:	Eileen S., DCM District 28
Discussion:	None
In favour:	28 votes (%)
Opposed:	2 votes (%)
Motion:	Carried

The meeting 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.**

Appendix A₁ Financial Documents—Financial Summary (as of November 21, 2020)

EASTERN ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AREA 83
as at November 21, 2020

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RESERVE ACCOUNT		Actual
January 1, 2020 Opening Balance		20,000.00
Interest		300.66
Transfer to Operating Account		(300.66)
RESERVE ACCOUNT BALANCE		20,000.00

INCOME		
7th Tradition		2,362.70
Cost Recoveries		56.00
Flow Through to GSO		1,635.00
Grapevine Seasonals		1,805.00
Group & District Contributions		24,182.85
	TOTAL INCOME	30,041.55
TRANSFERS FROM RESERVE		300.66
TOTAL INCOME & TRANSFERS		30,342.21

EXPENSES		
Accommodations		0.00
Meals		5.00
Travel		1,500.00
Long Distance		0.00
Postage		121.59
Printing		414.00
Literature		927.89
Stationery		365.41
Miscellaneous		6,267.34
	Total Committee Expenses	9,601.23
Ad Hoc Committees		0.00
Area Contribution to GSO		5,000.00
Area Committee Meetings		477.19
General Service Conf. Assessment		8,821.80
Bank Service Charges		73.65
Paypal fees		12.12
Forums		0.00
Grapevine Seasonal		1,454.09
GSO Flow Through		1,635.00
Ontario Delegates' Committee (ODC)		5,663.02
CERAASA		0.00
International Convention		(150.00)
	Total Other Expenses	22,986.87
TOTAL EXPENSES		32,588.10

OPERATING ACCOUNT		
Opening Balance as of January 1, 2020		40,490.20
Total Income & Transfers		30,342.21
Total Expenses		(32,588.10)
OPERATING ACCOUNT BALANCE		38,244.31

Appendix A₂ Financial Documents–Detail of Expenses (as of November 21, 2020)

Area 83 Eastern Ontario International
Details of Expenditures
as at November 21, 2020

Position	Accommodations	Meals	Travel	Long Distance	Postage	Printing	Literature	Stationery	Misc.	Total	Approved Spending Guideline	Balance +/-	YTD Usage
COMMITTEE EXPENSES													
Delegate	0.00	0.00	138.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	138.40	\$363.40	225.00	38.08%
Alt. Delegate	0.00	0.00	167.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	417.66	584.86	\$717.20	132.34	81.55%
Immediate past Delegate	0.00	0.00	144.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	144.80	\$169.80	25.00	85.28%
Chairperson	0.00	0.00	149.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	149.60	\$204.60	55.00	73.12%
Secretary	0.00	0.00	38.13	0.00	0.00	285.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	323.13	\$348.13	25.00	92.82%
Treasurer	0.00	0.00	38.14	0.00	121.59	0.00	0.00	173.20	0.00	332.93	\$436.34	103.41	76.30%
Registrar	0.00	0.00	38.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	192.21	0.00	230.34	\$255.34	25.00	90.21%
Area Web Site/Webmaster	0.00	0.00	224.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.99	245.79	\$249.80	4.01	98.39%
Archives	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	129.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	129.00	\$154.00	25.00	83.77%
Archivist	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$25.00	25.00	0.00%
Cooperation with the P.C.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$251.35	251.35	0.00%
Corrections Facilities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	226.35	0.00	0.00	226.35	\$25.00	-201.35	905.40%
Grapevine	0.00	0.00	148.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	148.80	\$173.80	25.00	85.62%
Public Information	0.00	5.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	\$45.00	20.00	55.56%
Self Support	0.00	0.00	216.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	216.00	\$241.00	25.00	89.63%
Treatment / Accessibility	0.00	0.00	176.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	176.00	\$201.00	25.00	87.56%
Service Info Day Cmte	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	701.54	0.00	0.00	701.54	\$801.54	100.00	87.52%
Spring Assembly	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1288.25	1288.25	\$1,288.25	0.00	100.00%
Fall Assembly	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4540.44	4540.44	\$6,000.00	1459.56	75.67%
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ 5.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 121.59	\$ 414.00	\$ 927.89	\$ 365.41	\$ 6,267.34	\$ 9,601.23	\$ 11,950.55	\$ 2,349.32	80.34%
OTHER EXPENSES													
Adhoc Committees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$0.00	0.00	0.00%
Area Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	477.19	477.19	\$477.19	0.00	100.00%
Area GSO Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000.00	5,000.00	\$5,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Bank Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	73.65	\$100.00	26.35	73.65%
Paypal Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12.12	\$15.00	2.88	80.80%
Forums	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$0.00	0.00	0.00%
Grapevine Seasonal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,454.09	1,454.09	\$1,454.09	0.00	100.00%
GSC Assessment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,821.80	8,821.80	\$9,821.80	0.00	100.00%
GSO Flow Through	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,635.00	1,635.00	\$1,500.00	-135.00	109.00%
Ont Delegates' Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,663.02	5,663.02	\$5,663.02	0.00	100.00%
CERAASA	-	-	925.80	-	-	95.95	61.64	-	1,917.10	2,000.39	\$2,000.00	3.39	100.00%
International Convention	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	150.00	150.00	\$150.00	0.00	100.00%
TOTAL	\$ 2,073.20	\$ 581.28	\$ 925.80	\$ -	\$ 7.05	\$ 95.95	\$ 61.64	\$ -	\$ 12,670.18	\$ 22,986.87	\$ 22,861.10	\$ 105.77	100.46%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 2,073.20	\$ 586.28	\$ 2,425.80	\$ -	\$ 128.64	\$ 509.95	\$ 989.53	\$ 365.41	\$ 18,937.52	\$ 32,588.10	\$ 34,831.65	\$ 2,243.55	93.56%

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YTD 2020	
Income To Date	30,342.21
Expenses To Date	32,588.10
Net Change To Operating Account -	\$ 2,245.89
Contributions	\$24,182.85
Contributing Groups	98
Contributing Districts	11

Income Summary :	
11/21/2019	2,362.70
7th Tradition	300.66
Bank Interest	1,635.00
GSO Flow through	24,182.85
Contributions	56.00
Cost Recoveries	1,805.00
Grapevine Seasonals	1,805.00
Total Income	\$ 30,342.21

Appendix A3 Financial Documents—Contributions by District (as of November 21, 2020)

GROUP & DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS as at November 21, 2020

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District	0	Unspecified, Individual	\$0.00
District	2	Malton	\$200.00
District	6	Mississauga	\$2,349.97
District	10	Toronto South Central	\$2,247.47
District	12	Toronto South West	\$1,421.64
District	14	Toronto North Central	\$559.21
District	16	Hispano De Toronto	\$0.00
District	18	Toronto City East	\$2,500.25
District	22	Scarborough	\$961.00
District	26	Lakeshore West	\$845.00
District	28	Lakeshore East	\$1,756.00
District	30	Quinte West	\$300.00
District	34	Quinte East	\$1,250.00
District	36	Kingston And The Islands	\$1,520.00
District	42	St. Lawrence International	\$12.61
District	48	Seaway Valley North	\$575.00
District	50	Cornwall	\$0.00
District	54	Ottawa Rideau	\$628.98
District	58	Ottawa Bytown	\$120.00
District	62	Ottawa West	\$2,340.72
District	66	Golden Triangle	\$1,215.00
District	70	Renfrew Pontiac	\$550.00
District	74	Pembroke	\$1,840.00
District	78	Madawaska Valley	\$130.00
District	82	Victoria Haliburton	\$150.00
District	86	Kawartha	\$710.00

Total Contributions YTD: \$24,182.85

Total from Groups	\$18,361.70	98	Groups
Total from Districts	\$5,711.15	11	Districts
Total from Individuals	\$0.00	0	Individuals

Appendix B. Voting details for the Election of 2021-2022 Area Sub-Committee Chairs

1 FOR THE POSITION OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
Jane S.	12	12	10			
Jack R.	16	20	24			
Terry N.	5	1				
Total Votes Cast	33	33	34			
2/3 of Votes Cast	22	22	23			
1/5 of Votes Cast		7	7			
1/3 of Votes Cast		12	12			

2 FOR THE POSITIC COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY

CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
Jo D.	10	14	17	21	24	
Terry N.	4	2				
Glen G.	2	0				
Ray R.	10	10	8	6		
Les M.	8	8	8	7	11	
Total Votes Cast	34	34	33	34	35	
2/3 of Votes Cast	23	23	22	23	24	
1/5 of Votes Cast		7	7	7	7	
1/3 of Votes Cast		12	11	12	12	

3 FOR THE POSITION OF CORRECTIONS

CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
Terry N.	3	0				
Shane H.	6	5				
Ray R.	9	7	7			
Marty M.	16	21	27			
Total Votes Cast	34	33	34			
2/3 of Votes Cast	23	22	23			
1/5 of Votes Cast		7	7			
1/3 of Votes Cast		11	12			

4 FOR THE POSITION OF TREATMENT

CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
Tim F.	9	12	15	22	24	
Jane S.	6	7	9			
Lynn E.	5	3				
Ray R.	8	7	10	12	10	
Les M.	6	5				
Total Votes Cast	34	34	34	34	34	
2/3 of Votes Cast	23	23	23	23	23	
1/5 of Votes Cast		7	7	7	7	
1/3 of Votes Cast		12	12	12	12	

CPC

Motion to go to Ballot 5

Marty M., Archives Chair
Susan K., DCM D06
For 5th ballot 29
Against 5th ballot 5

Treatment

Motion to go to Ballot 5

Susan K., DCM D06
Dave L., Area Registrar
For 5th ballot 29
Against 5th ballot 5

Appendix B. Voting details 2021-2022 Area Sub-Committee Chairs *continued*

5 FOR THE POSITION OF GRAPEVINE

CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
Michele C.-H.	1	1				
Jane S.	11	17	18	23		
Eileen S.	2	1				
Lynn E.	0	0				
Glenn G.	3	1				
Shane H.	6	5	8	10		
Ray R.	4	3				
Les M.	5	5	7			
Total Votes Cast	32	33	33	33		
2/3 of Votes Cast	22	22	22	22		
1/5 of Votes Cast		7	7	7		
1/3 of Votes Cast		11	11	11		

6 FOR THE POSITION OF SELF-SUPPORT

CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
Bev H.	10	1	15	15	16	Hat!
Lynn E.	1	0				
Glenn G.	4	0				
Jenny C.	12	16	18	18	17	
Les M.	6	3				
Total Votes Cast	33	33	33	33		
2/3 of Votes Cast	22	22	22	22		
1/5 of Votes Cast		7	7	7		
1/3 of Votes Cast		11	11	11		

7 FOR THE POSITION OF ARCHIVES

CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
Terry N.	6	7	6			
Glenn G.	4	1				
Shane H.	9	9	13	18	18	Hat!
Ray R.	5	5				
Les M.	8	10	13	14	14	
Total Votes Cast	32	32	32	32	32	
2/3 of Votes Cast	22	22	22	22	22	
1/5 of Votes Cast		7	7	7	7	
1/3 of Votes Cast		11	11	11	11	

8 FOR THE POSITION OF ACCESSIBILITY

CANDIDATE NAME	BALLOT #1	BALLOT #2	BALLOT #3	BALLOT #4	BALLOT #5	THE HAT
Michele C.-H.	1	0				
Terry N.	3	1				
Glenn G.	1	0				
De R.	10	11	14	13	12	
Ray R.	3	2				
Jenny C.	9	13	17	18	18	Hat!
Les M.	4	3				
Total Votes Cast	31	30	31	31	30	
2/3 of Votes Cast	21	21	21	21	20	
1/5 of Votes Cast		7	7	7	6	
1/3 of Votes Cast		11	11	11	10	

Self-Support

Motion to go to Ballot 5

Maria M., AltDCM D30
Tim F., DCM D86
For 5th ballot 24
Against 5th ballot 13

Archives

Motion to go to Ballot 5

Marty M, Archives Chair
Mike B., Self-Support Chair
For 5th ballot 24
Against 5th ballot 10

Accessibility

Motion to go to Ballot 5

Dave L, Area Registrar
Jo D., DCM D54
For 5th ballot 23
Against 5th ballot 7