

District 3 Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2014

The meeting was held at 7PM in the Lee, MA Court House. There were 14 attendees, 10 Groups with 9 GSR's, 2 Alternate GSR, Anne F. Area 31 Delegate, Tony T. DCM and 1 guest.

Start@ 7:00 p.m. Tony opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer and read the statement on the GSR from page S26 of the Service Manual.

Robin D. read Tradition of the month and checklist.

Amelia S. read Concept of the month and checklist.

Jessica D. reviewed District 3 meeting highlights from last month's secretary's report.

GSR group reports:

Jessica D. GSR for the women's 12&12 Pittsfield reports: Group is strong, 25-40 attend weekly. All office positions are filled. Last month commitment to the woman at BCHC has dropped down to once a month unless we need to cover. The same people were bringing in the commitment and it was getting old for the inmates. All rents paid & donations are done by the pie chart. Over all its great.

Irene R. GSR for the Dalton Young at Heart group reports: 30-40 attend, group is strong. All office positions are filled. Looking for an Alt GSR. They will have 2 anniversaries this month, Jen with 6 yrs. & Liseann with 2 yrs. The group missed their commitment to Jones. Haven't had a treasurers report in 2 months and they have too much money in the kitty.

MJ GSR Friday Night Lenox reports: Attendance about the same for the last 6 to 8 months. They had a group inventory 3 years ago and 17 different things reported and all but one were done. One service position not filled. Rent paid and donations are done per the pie chart.

Kate L. GSR & Brenda N. Alt GSR for Sober at Sunrise reports: 30 plus attend every day. The group is dealing with a disruptive member. Kate wrote an email to our GSO. Kate read the email response to the group which gave some ideas how to handle this disruptive member. Also reminds the group the singleness of purpose of the group (to carry the message of A.A. to the alcoholic that still suffers). The group has decided to have a sponsorship meeting every quarter. Tony DCM asked if anyone of us attending the meeting had any advice how to handle a disruptive member. MJ, Robin & Rick gave advice to pray, be kind loving and speak to this person or add it to your format that disruption won't be tolerated.

Rick R. GSR Lanesboro Big Book reports: They changed their format. Strong group 25-30 attend. All office positions are filled with all young new members. McGee commitment is filled. Larry B. will celebrate 24 Years this month. Group might make more donations using the pie chart.

Eric R. GSR Men's Great Barrington Thursday reports: well attended. The group is behind on treasurer's report due to the treasurer being sick. Donations are done by pie chart.

Dan R. GSR Keep it Simple Great Barrington reports: Attendance all over the place. Had their business meeting today- most of the office positions are filled. Not sure about donations standings. All is running well. They have asked the pastor of church to use another room.

Zack N. GSR Sheffield 12&12 reports: The group celebrated 39 years and had pasta dinner with 200 in attendance. The group had an Al-Anon speaker from Springfield & A.A. speaker from Boston. Jack will celebrate 49 years this Wednesday. Financially doing very well. Donation are done by the pie chart all the time. All positions are filled. The group sponsors a beginners meeting Friday night at the local senior center.

Amelia S. GSR Watch Your Step Housatonic reports: The group doing 1 step & 1 tradition a month. Gives them more in-depth of the step & tradition instead of rushing through the steps & traditions. Mostly well attended. Group treasury.

Robin D. Alt GSR Northern Berkshire group Williamstown reports: Not doing well with the sign up calendar. No treasurer's report for 2 months. Most office positions are not filled, 2 coffee makers, GSR & Alt GSR, that's it. Group is really struggling. Might need to do an inventory and Tony (DCM) gave Paul H's, Area chair, and phone number (###) ###-####. Paul will set-up and schedule the inventory.

Area 31 Committee report:

Anne F. Area Delegate spoke lightly on the Members Survey. Four groups have been selected and a date will be determine. The survey is anonymous.

Berkshire Intergroup Report:

Berkshire Intergroup not in attendance at this District 3 meeting. Tony reports that Berkshire Intergroup had there open house and was fairly well attended. Tony (DCM) briefly went over what Berkshire Intergroup does. District 3 will work will Intergroup for workshops coming soon.

DCM Report:

Tony T. DCM handed out Area and other A.A. info, Grapevine subscription order form, A.A Grapevine 70th year celebration, June (G.S.C) calendar, A.A. Guidelines (yellow paper) & Anonymity online. Tony also reports: Area committee will sponsor a Tradition meeting the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM in Holyoke, September 18th bus trip to G.S.O in N.Y.C. \$35 a ticket contact Tom H. (###) ###-####. Tony had everyone read a paragraph from Anonymity online & its importance.

Old Business:

CoDCM service position is still open. Position responsibilities and qualifications read by Robin D.

New Business:

Ad Hoc committee formed to determine workshops. District 3 will work with Berkshire Intergroup to determine time, place and subject.

Motion to close:

A motion was made to close the meeting by Dan R., it was seconded by Zack N. and all were in favor.

Meeting closed at 8:26PM with I am Responsible.

Meeting minutes submitted by Jessica