

DISTRICT 5 AREA 31 GSR MEETING

March 6, 2017

Jerry opened the meeting at 7:30 with a moment of silence and serenity prayer.

11 GSR present, and Mark the alternate Delegate.

New GSR: Jennifer Alternate from Cold Spring Belchertown.

Secretary report read by Ann Marie.

Scott LCM: Reported the he attended Ware Young People's Group Business meeting, to talk about service in AA, and the importance of a GSR and service. Jimmy called him asking about a good 12 step meeting, he suggested the Jaraco meeting in Holyoke on Monday night.

No other groups have responded to him about going to a business meeting to reach out to inactive groups. Scott is volunteering if anyone wants to attend an inactive group and you don't want to go alone, just give him a call and he will gladly go.

Group Share:

Andy: Green St Thursday night Monson. Informed us that St Patrick's church where the meeting is held is now non-smoking on the property. Group Secretary is stepping down, will be electing a new one.

Bob: Randall Group, Longmeadow. New times are working out well and anniversary went well.

Jim: Brimfield Academy Group, Group is doing well no issues.

Bill: Brimfield Tri-Area Group, Having 42nd group Anniversary April 10th Starts at 6:30 with cookies and snacks, speakers, and then food.

Tony: (Alternate) and Chris: Chicopee Beginners Wednesday night. Hot topic is people are qualifying only as addicts. They are discussing what to do.

Kyler: E. Longmeadow Sunday Night Group No issues at this time

Neal: Here and Now Group, East Longmeadow, St Marks Wednesday 8:30
Group is still struggling financially, member are helping out, purchasing supplies

Phil: Do or Die Group, Wednesday Night, St Paul's E Longmeadow
Anniversary April 19th 6:00-7:00 Food, followed by speaker.

Mike: Hampden Group, Tuesday Night, No issues

Jennifer: Alternate from Belchertown Cold Spring Group, Have a scription to Grapevine and give out to recovery homes.

Ann Marie: Ludlow Group, Thursday Night 7:30 corner of Sewall & Hubbard St.
No issues at this time.

Visitor Mark Alternate Delegate:

Spoke about Area Mini Conference, 300 Appleton Street Holyoke, First Unitarian Church
April 1st 2nd Saturday April 1st 10:00-4:00, and Sunday April 2nd 1:00-5:00.

Very important as GSR we should go. This is where we speak for our group, GSR are the voice of you home group.

He put on a slide show presentation about being a GSR, it was very interesting.
Area 31 is called the Golden West. Focused on AA and how voting occurs in AA.

NERF: North East Region Forum, is coming up In Pittsburg PA (see flyer attached)

Old Business:

Time change for the GSR monthly area meeting. This was tabled from last month

Jerry is going to talking to Sue (Area Chair) at the area meeting on March 15th to find out more information on this. We as GSR are to go back to their groups for input.

Last month a motion was made and a second motion was made, now we need to vote. A vote will be made at our next meeting, scheduled for April 3rd 2017.

Rene: Also was asked about boards for your group if you want them for your groups anniversary.
You can go to the website and email the committee you want:

Wayne from Archives: ###-####

Carol from CPC: ###-####

Tamara from Intergroup: ###-####

New Business:

Readers for April:

- March we didn't have readers, made a motion and accepted to just continue on track with the schedule.

Tradition 4: Rene will do a report

Chapter 7: The Annual Conference Meeting, Jerry will do a report.

Jerry also pointed out that we still have money to run another workshop. Bring ideas to the next meeting. Rene will bring some ideas she picked up at NERASSA.

Meeting was closed with "I am Responsible" at 8:50.

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