

**Area 31 Public Information Minutes
May 14, 2013**

7:30 pm till 8:45 pm

Roll Call – Roll call was called off the contact list in an effort to better organize better meeting structure as well as an aide in learning group member’s names. New members were asked to provide contact information and will be added to the contact list.

Area Report:

Our Area Delegate Brian gave a report on upcoming events including 50th State Convention, NERF, Archive Open House, WMIG Picnic, WMCYPAA Bus Trip to GSO. All dates are on the Area 31 website at www.area31aa.org

Discussed recent 63rd annual convention topics including 2016 NERASSA, Bob W at Large, and 75th Ed. Big Book vote.

Round up May 18-19th – Clarion Hotel, West Springfield.

Chairperson: Jim W.

Jim gave a brief explanation of what PI does and doesn’t do. He also reminded the members of the importance of keeping commitments. Jim also read for the PI Handbook.

Monthly commitments were filled, including chairperson and “shadows”, with an explanation of what each commitment entails.

COMMITMENTS:

Radio Show: Mondays - arrive at 5 PM, Basketball Hall of Fame

DATE	CHAIRPERSON	CONTACT #	SHADOW	CONTACT #
5/6/13	Angie		Adelaide	
5/13/13	Dan		Dan	
5/27/13	Sam/Garrett		Adelaide	
6/3/13	Angie		K.C	
6/10/13	Jon M		Jason A	
6/24/13	Bobby P		James M	

Phoenix Academy: meets 3rd Wednesday. 7 PM @ 15 Mulberry St., Springfield.

DATE	CHAIRPERSON	CONTACT #	SHADOW	CONTACT #
5/15/13	Paul		Dan M.	
6/19/13	Jim W		Adelaide	

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IOP: meets 2nd Thursday 1 PM @ Start Program has moved. to 8 Atwood Dr., Northampton, MA 01060 located on the second floor. This is next to The Clarion Hotel. Contact: Phone #413.582-0471 or 800.322.0424 - Maureen Blackmore email: MBlackmore@csoinc.org

DATE	CHAIRPERSON	CONTACT #	SHADOW	CONTACT #
5/9/13	Steve		John C	
6/13/13	Angie			

OLD BUSINESS:

- Discussion was had explaining role of PI. Group agreed that topics such as Tradition 11 and media anonymity were the responsibility of the group members of their own groups, and these topics should be brought back to home groups for discussion. It is not the role of PI to carry this message, but the role of the group member
- Steve gave a mock presentation of speaking at school. Dan W. shared his experience as a long standing member of PI and gave the group some guidelines and suggestions. He also shared some personal experiences with commitments and the group appreciated his feedback.

NEW BUISNESS:

- Round Up Assignments:

Sunday May 19, 10 am Chairing Meeting on Willingness

Group elected Jim W. to chair the meeting and group discussed having Jim take excerpts from literature concerning willingness (*Big Book, As Bill Sees It, 12&12*). He will write these on paper and have members of the meeting pick them out of hat and discuss on what they have picked. This should make the meeting very interactive.

- Jim W. spoke on most recent Somers Commitment and ways to reach new schools
- Paul P. gave quick demonstration of a how a speaking commitment to a school is done.

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Meeting Closed at 8:50 pm with Responsibility Pledge.