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# Area 31 Committee Meeting-June 15, 2016

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## **Secretary's Report:**

- Old Business
  - None
- New Business
  - None

## **Treasurer's Report:**

- Beginning May Balance: \$4,460.14; Group Contributions: \$3,001.29; Total Area Expenses: (\$1454.01); Closing May Balance: \$6,007.42 plus Prudent Reserve: \$7,500 = \$13,507.42 Total Funds Available.
- Further comments:
  - Contributions in May 2016 increased by \$1437.07 from contributions in May 2015. There were 39 contributions made in May 2016. There were 35 in May 2015. Contributions in May 2016 YTD increased by \$5,072.65 from contributions in May 2015.

## Registrar's Report:

- Pretty quiet month
- Reminded DCM's to send in their information on GSR's to him using any method they are comfortable with.

## **Area Archivist Report:**

- Brought the 2016 evaluation forms to the 2017 Neraasa Committee in Framingham and brought the BEO's from the Marriott's 2016 Neraasa to show the Sheraton the volume of rooms needed.
- Reminder that information presented to Archives should have date, event and any relevant info available
- Continuing to scan area 31 committee meeting minutes.
- To begin scanning the area 31 group histories.

## **Webmaster:**

• No report

#### Accessibility:

- Continuing the weekly commitment at Mt Marie and 2 other commitments.
- Working on a lead with PI.
- Will be providing sound equipment at Mass State Convention and translation documents.
- Looking for participants for commitments.

#### **Archives:**

- Low attendance.
- Brought boards to 6 anniversaries in 9 days and 2 in one day, and continue to do so.
- Discussed a bus trip to the Wilson house.
- Had a working meeting.

## CPC:

- Reviewed the Round-Up commitments and they were a success.
- Kicking off the Round-up in 2017 again.
- 1 new commitment this month at Bay state.
- Working on educating the Mercy Life staff.

#### **Grapevine:**

- 12-14 reps attended.
- Grapevine app became available in May.
- Boards available to be brought to anniversaries.
- Grapevine has a 7 minute story audio project for members to submit.

## **Public Information:**

- Ad care commitment doing well
- Good attendance at the meeting.

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- Looking for nighttime commitments.
- Discussed the sponsor a library program.
- Anonymity presentation online.

#### **Website Committee:**

- The committee can give you instructions on how to use the website..
- Discussing the possibility of a workshop to inform people on how to use the website.
- Passed out handouts.

### **Western Mass Round Up:**

- 2016 Round-up was a success.
- 20 professionals showed up at the Cpc kick off meeting.
- Next year's Round-up dates June 9,10 and 11 2017.
- Hoping to get a stronger involvement from the bi-lingual community next year.

## Ad Hoc Committee's Report(s)

- Area Inventory Ad-Hoc Committee
- Created continuity between panels.
- Homework to group the issues and identify the strengths as reported.

#### **Invited Committees**

## **Institutions:**

- Treasurer's report: total donations \$2279.70 expenses \$118.27 ending balance for book purchase \$2061.43.
- BTG reports 0 calls received and will attend district meetings to raise awareness.
- Liaison reminded IGR's and anyone who holds a commitment signs in to update info.
- A motion to eliminate (the suggested understanding of the concepts as a requirement for and service position) and the elimination of the area having a vote.

### **Berkshire Intergroup:**

- Planning a workshop for September 10<sup>th</sup> at the Lenox community center. Sponsorship and the importance of the Home group
- Attendance is doing well.

## Western Mass Intergroup:

- Still some difficulties with phone coverage. Please have group coverage sheets to Intergroup on the Wednesday prior to your coverage beginning.
- Intergroup picnic August 28<sup>th</sup> 11 am-6pm Moose family Center.
- There will be a raffle at the picnic and are accepting donations
- Help with set up and tear down welcomed.
- Steering committee is working on making boards.
- Flyers can be made for groups and put on the website for anniversaries and events a month before if possible.
- All are welcome to attend the intergroup meeting and all committees have a standing spot on the agenda if they choose.
- Intergroup commitments to groups can be made by contacting intergroup Chair or by calling the office.

### **WMYPAA**:

Movie night was not well attended and a new chair will be elected soon.

#### **MSCYPAA:**

- August 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> Sheraton in Springfield
- July 9<sup>th</sup> Bonfire South Hampton.
- Rave party being discussed.

## **DISTRICT REPORTS:**

#### District 1:

- Attendance is low.
- May have a new secretary
- Spanish meetings are doing wel

#### **District 2:**

- Planning a workshop. Possible Topics participation, meeting in between meetings or money stolen at meetings.
- Date and time to be revealed.

### **District 3**:

- Talked about the check list questions
- Discussed the long timers who are struggling
- Question about whether the treasurer report was available to all.
- Donations list and why is a groups not shown.
- Where is the pie chart?
- Is the handbook available yet?
- Working on a workshop with intergroup.

### **District 4:**

- Planning a workshop for August 13 1-4.
- Round-up meeting went well
- 10 gsr's down a few.
- Lots of participation.

### **District 5**:

• Primary purpose issues at a group passing out pamphlets.

### **District 6**:

• W.M. Hospital 25<sup>th</sup> June workshop

## **Delegate's Remarks**

- Gave a lot of information at the Round-Up.
- Nervous at the Round-up
- The people at the conference were terrific
- Communication is the key for the gsr through the district
- GSO looking for a new class a trustee and a new class b trustee at large
- Grapevine app in effect.
- The literature committee looking for manuscripts from young people 500-1000 words.

## **Alternate Delegate Remarks:**

• GSR presentation ready to go.

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- Mass State Planning committee stuffing party July 26<sup>th</sup>
- Convention date Nov 11,12,13

# **Area Chair Remarks:**

- Service commitment June 25<sup>th</sup> Enfield group 7pm.
- Spoke about service positions and why both chair and co-chair should be attending the area meeting.

## Old Business:

• Conversation regarding the handbook and why it is not available yet. The handbook chair answered the questions.

## **New Business:**

• No new business.

Meeting closed at 9:30PM.