

DISTRICT 1 MEETING 11/21/2019

Joe B: Opened the meeting with a moment of silence and the serenity prayer.
Chris M.: Read the tradition of the month (Tradition 11).

Attendees:

District Chair: Yolanda
District Co-Chair: Joe B
Secretary: Aaron (Mikey S. training)
GSRs: Chris, Mikey, Aaron, William, Mike
Invited Guests / Visitors: Paul - (soon to be) Area Delegate.

Agenda: Discuss district 1&2 collaboration workshop, Mass state convention, discuss fall assembly.

GSR Duties Review: Read by William.

Discussed

Aaron: 2019 Christmas Alcathon @ inter-group got all of the slots filled.

Yolanda DCM Report: NO inter-group report because they did their budget. They talked about the Berkshires and did the Alcathon scheduling.

Joe B Co-DCM Report : We have a \$300 budget to keep district meeting running / workshops / rent. Discussed the book that was requested by the Berkshires (relocating sober). Requested that the GSR's talk to their groups about their book, and discuss with them what their feelings are.

Paul: Discussed GSR duties, to make decisions based on the information exposed to, rather than just the group conscience. First meeting is January 28th at the Sheraton in Framingham, MA. for the planning committee for State convention.

GSR Reports

GROUP: BYOBB, Mikey S. - Still pieing out all money, things are going well for the group. Meeting all commitments aside from the aforementioned. Pie'd out roughly \$815 to inter-group, \$630 to area, \$417 to institutions, \$210 to GSO last month, were on a 3 month-ish schedule for pie'ing out. Celebrating regular anniversary. Meeting all commitments.

GROUP: Better Life Group, Mike N. - Reports growing attendance. Continuing to follow up with service commitments, had one individual join last business meeting.

GROUP: Mixed Nuts Group, Chris M. - Reported having 2 x meetings typically, closed beginnings meeting and a step 1,2,3 meeting. Attendance and membership is steady. a-lot of local programs coming in. Rent is paid, no one has recently joined, but they have a core group of members.

GROUP: Second to None Group, William - Sporadic attendance, but meeting continues on. States they are making their rent. "Some weeks are good, some weeks are bad." William also reported that he is getting 5 years next month and celebrating on Thursday the 26th of December.

GROUP: Original Downtown Group, Yolanda - Had their 76th year anniversary. Yolanda said that there was an awesome spread of food. But that they still struggle.

Invited Guests

- (soon to be) Area Delegate Paul - Mike B. is going to be our alt delegate Steve M. will be our chair, Ray will be or treasurer. He reported that Area 31 was able to provide 18 total speakers who shared at the Mass State Convention this year. International convention in Detroit, MI. For the first day of registrations 10,000 people registered. Next General Service Conference April 21st - 25th, 2020 in Ryebrook, New York. Consider developing a book called AA comes of age #2. Chronological order of history events since the first book. Possibly amend title of Living Sober book ("how to not take the first drink"). Motion to remove to wives, the family afterward and too employers from the new edition of the big book. Consider translating the Big Book into "plain language" to where it could be read at a 5th grade reading level. Our area (southern Berkshire district group) made a motion (passed) to have AA GSO to make literature devoted to relocating in sobriety.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

We have one more meeting before the workshop. December 9th @ 6:00pm @ 474 Pleasant st. (upstairs). Talking about getting the workshop in order. December 14th @ 11-3pm is our district workshop. Yolanda is bringing the food for us. Set-up will be Yolanda, William and Tracy. Joe B and secretary will be helping out with cleanup.

Meeting closed with the responsibility prayer.