

## **DISTRICT 2 GSR MEETING MINUTES, MAY 2021, VIA ZOOM 5/10/2021**

### **ATTENDANCE** 6 GSR'S 2 ALTERNATE GSR'S

Anne M. 2<sup>nd</sup> year CO-DCM

Chris K 1<sup>st</sup> year CO-DCM

### **Visitors**

Mike R. Western MA Intergroup Chair

Steve M. Area 31 Chair

**Secretary's Report** Emailed to all GSR'S prior to meeting. Accepted unanimously.

**Service Manual** Anne read from the AA Service Manual (pg S26) The General Service Representative (GSR)

**Monthly Summary** Concept 5 was presented by Kerri

Trusted Servants have a right to appeal. The minority opinion has the right to appeal when they feel the majority is wrong. Minority opinion matters even if the majority has come to a vote, the minority has the right to appeal. There is a process for this, and it is in Chapter 1 of the Service Manual.

**Home Group Business** Kerri announced that The Wild Cats Home Group is holding their 5<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary on Monday, June 7, 2021. The food and fellowship will begin at 5PM, all are welcome, and bring a dish if you'd like. This will be held at 459 Mill Street, Agawam outside, and the Beginners Meeting is at 7PM, and the Speaker Meeting begins at 8:30PM.

- Flyer attached.
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Peg C announced the Holyoke Group Celebrated their 75<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary via Zoom. It included their history of Covid-19 Pandemic.

### **DCM Report**

Since a lot of meetings are changing to in-person &/or some sort of hybrid format, remind groups to submit a change form to Western Mass Intergroup so that Kevin can accurately change the lists posted for finding meetings. No changes will be posted without the change form.

GSR's were asked to bring to their group business meeting the following information about events coming up:

Area 31 52<sup>ND</sup> Western MA Round-Up on Saturday May 15, 2001 on zoom (flyers on the Area 31aa.org website) There will be two different consecutive zoom accounts providing meetings during the morning. The Delegate's Report from the 2021 General Service will be at 1:00pm. And, other meetings will happen thru 9:00pm. Encourage all AA members to attend.

MA State Convention planning meeting will be held Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7PM on zoom. It will be held every last Tuesday of each month up until October of 2021. Anyone interested in joining the planning committee please email the following address:

[557MAStateConventionchair@gmail.com](mailto:557MAStateConventionchair@gmail.com)

A virtual Northeast Regional Forum is being held via Zoom on June 4-6, 2021. The Regional Forums are presented by the General Service Office so there is no registration fee, but please ask anyone planning to attend to pre-register on aa.org At Regional Forums, AA members can hear more about the wider world of AA.

Unity & Service Conference is being held Via Zoom on July 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, 2021. This is a Traditions and Concepts focused event. Please, go to [unityandserviceconference.org](http://unityandserviceconference.org) to register.

### **Old Business**

None

**New Business** The church is closing on Pleasant & Hampden Street where the Intergroup Office is located. Also, the District 2 GSR Meeting was held there. There was a lengthy discussion about where the monthly District GSR Meeting will be held if and when it resumes meeting in person. Will this possibly be held hybrid? The Alano Club is an option that's located within the boundaries of District 2, but there is no WiFi at this location. There is the possibility to sign on to a Hot Spot or conference call members in. There is a small fee for the conference calling. There are 2 meetings a day being held at the Alano Club in Agawam. The Alano club is sanitized, and cleaned after each meeting. They supply the cleaning supplies. There was a motion made to table this discussion about where the GSR District 2 Meeting will land until next month.

Currently, the only entity moving will be Intergroup. Western Mass Intergroup is moving to the corner of Appleton & Maple St. However, the GSR Meeting will continue meeting monthly Via Zoom until we find a location.

### **Guests**

Mike R, Chair of the Western MA Intergroup Steering Committee informed us there is a new App built by Kevin for your phone. There is a barcode to scan. This has all area information on it. Kevin did a great job on this app. There was a motion to give Intergroup \$3,000. For the move. The Steering Committee advised Intergroup to decline this offer. They suggested to pay loan through literature account, and transfer the money from the literature account in to prudent reserve. Mike R said "thank you for all your donations without your help we wouldn't be able to do this." Mike R said "follow the pie chart."

The Intergroup Office and Store are definitely moving to the Church located on the corner of Appleton & Maple Streets in Holyoke. A move date has not been announced, but is expected to be in June, 2021.

Steve M, Western MA Area Committee Chair announced the Concept Meeting is the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month @ 7:30PM Via Zoom. The next Concept Meeting will be held Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 7:30PM. The Sponsors Service Manual Meeting which there are 12 of will be held Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM. The Area is available to sets up outgoing commitments to groups. Speakers from the Area Committee talk about how service has enhanced their sobriety. Steve also mentioned that he can be contacted to set up Past Delegates who are willing to moderate a group inventory.

The next District 2 GSR Meeting will be on Monday June 14, 2021 on Zoom starting at 7PM.

**Closing with I am Responsible pledge.**

**Respectfully submitted** Paula D., Secretary