

MINUTES DISTRICT 3 GSR MONTHLY MEETING

November 16, 2018, Lee, Ma, 7:00pm

The meeting was opened and chaired by the DCM Tom L. After a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, he introduced himself, Tim the new Co-DCM who was out of town doing volunteer work, Mark LCM, Paul Area Co-Chair, and secretary Pete.

The statement of GSR duties and responsibilities from page S26 of the AA Service Manual was read by the DCM.

Jen read tradition and concept eleven for the month of November.

When asked if everyone received the minutes from last month, no one indicated they had not.

Two new GSR's were welcomed; Rich L. from BLT and Joshua P. from Northern Berkshire

GSR Introductions and reports

Mark B. – Have had several anniversaries, in fact one tonight. Everything fine, good regular attendance.

Jon S. – Cent Berkshire Group, difficulty in filling positions, attendance good.

Rick T. – Berkshire Big Book, since moving the attendance is down. The meeting is only 4 min down the road and it is possible people have not adjusted yet to the move, need to fill some positions, had 2 anniversaries, collections good with a good reserve.

Jen M. – Young at Heart, meeting shrinking, positions not filled, it was strong but kind of in decline.

Joshua P. – Northern Berkshire, Meets Sunday and Tuesday at 730pm. Not much to report, meeting attendance steady, having some problems filling positions.

Patrick B. – Lanesboro Friday Night, there is a core level of people very strong but attendance feels like it is going down, financially very strong.

Jenn B. – New Way of Life, moving soon, there have not been any anniversaries for a few months, attendance sporadic, Positions filled, Have jail commitment.

Jo P. – South Berkshire Friday night, Speaker meeting, large group, the business meeting well attended twenty plus, have service commitments and just added another, need to see if the new commitment will affect any of the other commitments, or be something can't fulfill. Lots of anniversaries. Sponsoring New Year Eve Alkathon at the senior center in Gt. Barrington and looking for groups to chair. There is a flyer on the table.

LCM Report

Mark B. Is continuing to visit meetings to promote groups to have a GSR.

Area Committee

Paul Area Alt-Delegate reported and gave a good description of Concept 11 and how it pertains to questions and rumors concerning a merger of GSO and the Grapevine operations in sharing office space, finances, and personnel. This is a very confusing matter, and to some violates the tradition and concepts, however to others looks to be very practical. It is best before presenting anything to the groups to get all the facts. There will be an ad hoc committee to investigate and gather the facts to report and discuss at the spring assembly. It was stressed gathering all the facts and information is most important.

NERAASA is coming up in February 2019 in Hunt Valley, MD. To register Area 31 is taking a 15 passenger van, and if anyone wishes to get a place contact Paul on altdelegate@area31.org This is on a first come basis only.

Berkshire Intergroup

Mike M. Intergroup Chair reported the lase meeting was well attended. It was a good-sized group but always nice to have more. There will be a Christmas alkathon Christmas Eve through Christmas day. The next meeting will produce the flyer.

DCM Report

Tom L. attended the Mass State Convention last week and recommended attending the next one if anyone has never attended. There was good fellowship and amazing speakers. If groups have not completed a Group Histories Report lately please consider doing so.

Next month is the last meeting of the year and the outgoing positions stepping down. If anyone wishes to bring munchies, they will be welcome and there can be a festive atmosphere.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at approximately 755pm

Respectfully submitted

Pete C.