

DISTRICT 3 MONTHLY MEETING 9/17/21

MEETING STARTED AT 7PM

Motion to accept the secretary's report passed.

Meeting opened with The Serenity Prayer and sharing on Tradition 9 and Concept 9. Tory shared on Tradition 9 and Lisa shared on Concept 9. *To learn more about the Concepts you can attend the Area Concept meeting on zoom the first Thursday of the Month. Go to the calendar on the area31aa.org website for login information.*

GROUP REPORTS

Mens 12th Step Group - attendance steady. Attendance from Keenan House. New landlord but the group should keep the space.

GB Women's Group - Group has healthy attendance of 15-20. Member started on Zoom and recently celebrated 1 year sober.

Watch Your Step Group - Attendance is about 45 people.

Keep it Simple Group - Concurrent Zoom and physical meetings. In person meeting has been lax on local COVID restrictions. Discussed at business meeting, asking chairperson to help enforce.

The district had discussion about enforcing mask compliance - making landlord's wishes known, greeter to do contact tracing, position to enforce mask wearing.

Southern Berkshire Group - Keeping a list of people willing to be called for newcomers to meeting. Group is maintaining position descriptions. Holding off on return to in-person meetings. The group is having trouble with in-person / online flux of institution commitments.

INVITED COMMITTEES

BIG -

- Newsletter still in production. Contact Susan to be added to the list.
- Discussing Christmas alcothon.
- Meeting list calendar on the berkshire intergroup website has been fixed.

DCM -

- Attended institutions meeting on Wednesday - new chair - Bronwyn (B) - There were not many institution group representatives. Please encourage group to be represented. Trouble filling commitments at the moment. Mcgee will take Zoom or in person commitments. CSS is only taking in person commitments.
- Fall Assembly 10/15, 10/16 and will be hybrid. Info is on area website.
- MA state convention November 13-14, 2021 Virtual. Registration should open up early next week ([REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN](#)). Needs people to help with hospitality room. Volunteers only need to hang out in an online meeting and chat with people. 9/18 10am is the Program Committee for MA State Convention. Overall planning meeting 9/28. Meeting information is available on [area31aa.org](#).
- Area is looking for a new location and is still in the process.

Area Service Rep (Delegate) -

- GSC final conference report is available in a digital format. Request from Paul at delegate@area31aa.org (all service position emails can be located on [area31aa.org](#)).
- Agenda item passed allowing online meetings to become part of the AA services structure. Previous action had classified online meetings as “online correspondence meetings” which could not participate in the AA general service structure.
- New safety statement available from [aa.org](#).
- Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly will be 2/25-2/27 in Pittsburgh.
- Contributions YTD through first 6 months 4.9MM - 51% of what was budgeted. 5.7MM - 65% of budgeted amount in literature sales.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion about going hybrid - would need equipment to go so and would also need two people willing to go to the physical location should one person not be able to make it. District could request enough money in budget to purchase tech later.

NEW BUSINESS

Secretary Needed - can be a GSR

Should we create an alternate LCM (Local Committee Member) position? District has 69 groups - could we split by North and South county? LCM has traditionally been a person to reach out to groups. Generally somebody who likes to go to a lot of meetings and announce in the meeting importance and role of the GSR position. TABLED

Motion to forego next month's meeting passed

Meeting Closed