

DISTRICT 3 MONTHLY MEETING June 16, 2023

MEETING START 7:20 PM

1. 6 present: 4 Zoom/ 2 Lee Courthouse
2. Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer

SECRETARY REPORT

3. No May 2023 meeting was held per group conscience, no Secretary's Report read.

WELCOME

4. Area 31 Delegate, Mike B in attendance.

TRADITIONS AND CONCEPTS

5. Spread the word and join us at District 3 Traditions Meeting and Area 31 Concepts Study Meeting. The Traditions meeting is held on the 2nd Sunday of the month @7pm. What a Concept is held on the 1st Thursday of every month @7:30pm. Links to these meeting can be found at the Area website at <https://www.area31aa.org>

6. Reading of Tradition 6 (short form) by Co-DCM: “An AA Group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.”

7. Reading of Concept 6 by Co-DCM: “The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be exercised by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the General Service Board.”

GROUP REPORTS

8. I Don't Have a Clue: The group is working to encourage regular meeting attendees, which includes many who are not business meeting attendees, to participate in group service vis-a-vis volunteering to chair a meeting. Setting length of commitments is being discussed.

9. Lenox Big Book Step: Going strong, has a commitment at McGee. The meeting has coffee and good cookies.
10. Southern Berkshire Group: Group has many service positions that aren't being easily filled at the moment. It takes a lot of hands on deck to run the live/hybrid meeting.
11. Watch Your Step: The group is going back live and has service commitments.

INVITED COMMITTEES

12. Berkshire Institutions - Did not attend
13. Berkshire Intergroup - Representative not present. No report this month Links to Berkshire Intergroup is <http://www.berkshireaaintergroup.org/>
14. Area 31 - Area 31 Delegate Mike B. talked about the General Service Conference furthering conversation regarding AA business.

DCM Report

15. Chaula H. announced she is stepping down effective this night, Co-DCM Brian W will be taking the role of DCM for District 3; DCM and Co-DCM to transition accounts and change status with Area Registrar

Co-DCM Report

16. Co-DCM Brian W. Report from Area Meeting 5/16/23:
 - A. Webmaster noted that a new fillable, Group History form is available on the Area 31 website for download and can be submitted in electronically
 - B. Accessibility Chair Bruce Van D would like to come to the District 3 Meeting in July and discuss accessibility in AA and the Accessibility forms, Brian W to reach out and offer invite
 - C. Cooperation with Professional Communities (CPC) in Western Mass is looking for referrals from Groups and Districts, the CPC is willing to travel to provide outreach
 - D. District 3 co-chaired the Sunday Morning Home Group meeting at the Area Roundup; no recordings are available for the Round-Up except the Delegate presentation
 - E. Berkshire Intergroup has secured a new Office Manager
 - F. Western Mass Intergroup will be hosting upcoming events:

- G. Golf Tourney at Agawam Country Club on August 25th, start is at 9:45 and cost is \$45 and includes lunch
- H. Picnic at Moose Lodge in Chicopee on August 20th starting at 11am (additional information will be getting posted to the Area 31 website)
- I. Area has purchased a new monitor for the hybrid meetings held at United Methodist Church, 30 Carew St., South Hadley, MA; new monitor is a way of supporting accessibility to all groups in the Area

SAFETY MOMENT

- 17. No safety moment due to late start and time constraint.

OLD BUSINESS

- 18. Reminder to groups to contact accessibility@area31aa.org for a new accessibility questionnaire so we can update all that info about our groups.

NEW BUSINESS

- 19. DCM Brian W. reached out to the Chair of the Accessibilities to extend an invitation to July's meeting.
- 20. Motion was made and seconded to close the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
- 21. The meeting ended with the Responsibility Pledge.

MEETING ENDED at 7:55pm