

District 4
Area 31
GSR Meeting
7:00PM Dec. 19

Presiding:
Ben Co-Chair
Lisa Co-Chair

Attending:

John D.	Only Requirement	Greenfield
Sean B.	Sunday Night	Haydenville
Ryan C.	Sunday Night	Haydenville
Susan B.	One Speaker	Conway
Catherine S.	Attitude Adjustment	Greenfield
Caitlin M.	Valley LGBT	Northampton
Lina M.	Amherst Mon. Night	Amherst
Lisa W.	Women's Health	Florence
Michael B.	Sat Night Live	S. Deerfield
Todd A.	BTDT	NoHo
Laura H.	Sunderland Serenity	Sunderland
Tara M.	Fri. Night Group	Grapevine Greenfield

G.S.R. Reports

Haydenville had a discussion about working on membership outreach

Amherst reported that they had their annual elections and that the intergroup rep was looking for clarification of duties and more involvement.

Conway group reiterated that their new meeting time is 7:00

BTDT reported that they discussed monthly contributions to the PIE and the treasurer would be doing so in the future.

Co-DCM Reports

- The purpose of NERASSA was discussed and we were reminded that it will be taking place in Feb.23-Feb in Cromwell Conn.
- The accessibilities committee will be holding an event that will highlight accessible meetings and offer simulated disabilities.
- Treasury reported that there were continued legal proceedings regarding acquiring tax-exempt status. It was reported that AA World Services is now 85% self-supporting. Groups are again reminded that monthly contributions are best for day to day expenses of intergroup
- Grapevine has a phone app. compatible with Ipods and Andrioids. They would like voice recording of ~7 minutes stories. An AA member who is deaf was assisted in getting her story recorded by the Grapevine committee. We were also reminded that people who are incarcerated may receive a free subscription to the Grapevine by sending a request to the GSO.
- Public information has a continuing conversation regarding anonymity and the QR on new posters and google analytics.
- We were reminded that all flyers and calendars are should be submitted to webpost@area31aa.org.
- W. Mass Intergroup will be having alcathons Dec 24th to Dec 25th and Dec 31st to January 1st. It was also announced that there is a new where and when coming out in February and the deadline for changes is January 25th.
- The Roundup will be 5/11-5/13 at LaQuinta in Springfield.

Old Business

New Business

Ben initiated a discussion surrounding concerns brought to him by a member that a group was not honoring our singleness of purpose. She felt that the discussion often drifted in to issues other than alcohol, specifically that the discussion often drifted in to drug talk. A discussion followed that meetings should limit discussion to alcohol. It was pointed out that if we are not following the AA traditions it simply is not an AA meeting.

Invited Guest

Mike, our Alternate Delegate was our invited guest. Mike reported that there will soon be a slide show GSR presentation about GSR's that will be available early next year. There will be planning meeting for the MA state convention January 30th in Framingham. It was also mentioned that a lawsuit regarding an original Big Book manuscript has been dropped.

Respectfully submitted,
John D.
Secretary