

**District 4 GSR Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, September 20, 2022**

**Welcome New GSRs:**

**Moment of Silence followed by Serenity Prayer**

**Group Check-Ins**

- **Saturday Night Beginners Group in Northampton:** Group moved back to the basement of the First Churches last Saturday, which is exciting! Most people are happy to be back in the basement space. Group will discuss having coffee and snacks again
- **The Only Requirement Group:** Group has had steady attendance with a 50-75% full room. Has not had commitments for September, but it seems like the group will be pretty busy in October. At the last business meeting, we had a couple of new group members join.
- **Florence "I" Opener:** Had an anniversary picnic last weekend at Maine's Field with food, fun, and fellowship. It was a great Group started commitment to women's prison in Chicopee after trying to get it going for several months.
- **New Perspectives Group:** Group has continued to grow and are starting to outgrow the room they are meeting in. Attendance is ~18-20 people per meeting. Group is going to get registered with Area 31
- **Spontaneous Combustion:** All is well.
- **Making Progress:** Group is hybrid with numbers in person exceeding numbers online. All is well.

**David E to present on Tradition 9**, which states...

- **Short Form:** "A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve."

**September 2022 Area Meeting Recap**

- Share events with Webmaster: Minutes preferred in Word and flyers preferred in PDF
- The Round-Up is looking for volunteers next year
- Area 31 Fall Assembly
  - October 15th & 16th at Lenox Community Center (65 Walker St, Lenox, MA 01240)
  - Saturday 9AM - 3PM AA Service Fair (Lunch Will be Served at Noon)
  - Sunday 12pm - 4pm Area Business Meeting
    - GSRs have both a say in the conversation and a vote!
- 58th Annual MA State Convention: November 11-13, 2022 at the Sturbridge Host Hotel
  - Convention Registration: Early bird only \$25 thru Oct 15; \$30 thereafter. Visit [www.area31aa.org](http://www.area31aa.org) or visit our website to Register and choose your dinner/breakfast options today at [aamastateconvention.org](http://aamastateconvention.org)! Lunch boxes will also be available at the Hotel. Mailed registrations & checks must be received by Oct 31st.

- Room Reservations: Guaranteed Convention Special \$129+tax rate expires Oct 20. To credit the AA Account, please reserve directly by phone with the Sturbridge Host Hotel and Conference Center Tel. 508 347-7393 View hotel rooms [www.sturbridgehosthotel.com/](http://www.sturbridgehosthotel.com/) or visit 366 Main St. Sturbridge

### **Hear from Invited Guests**

- **Area 31 Delegate, Mike B**
  - NERAASA will be on February 23rd through 26th in Albany at the Desmond Hotel. Registration is open. <https://www.neraasa.org/register/>

### **Old Business:**

- Any new GSRs, please fill out a GSR Group Change Form: <https://area31aa.org/docs/registrar>
- GSRs attend meetings in small groups in District 4:
  - Cumington Candlelight - Group contact collected
- Workshop ideas for 2022
  - Combined workshop with District 5
  - Topic Suggestion: Keeping your triangle balanced (unity, service, and recovery)
  - Wil C makes a motion that we have this as our topic for a workshop, seconded by Terri. Motion carries
  - Format: Hybrid alternative
  - Donna makes a motion that we have the workshop as a hybrid workshop, seconded by Bonnie. Motion carries.
  - Interactive workshop (rather than speaker workshop) is more engaging

### **New Business:**

- Bonnie to present on Tradition 10 at the October District 4 Meeting
- Upcoming elections will be held in November for Co-DCM
- Bonnie will be our new District 4 Secretary effective October 2022!

Donna motions to close the meeting at 7:59pm, seconded by Terri. Motions carries.

**Close with Responsibility Pledge:** I am responsible... When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at 7:00pm on Zoom