

# District 4: Area 31 AA GSR Meeting

Date: 10/18/2022

## Attending:

Adam (CO-CDM), Morgan, Bonnie, Dan B, Terri, Leah (DCM), Bob P, Linda, John G, David E, Todd C, Will C, Rebecca (new), Beth, Arthur

Opened meeting with Serenity prayer.

## Reports:

Linda - Sunderland Security Tuesday 7-8 PM: In-person attendance is up and down from packed to light. Elections will be held this month to be more in sync with district calendar.

David E - Making Progress 7:30-8:30 Hadley hybrid meeting: In-person 9-10 people and on line are 5-6 people. Elections are held at the end of October so he may not return.

Todd C - Better Safe than Sorry is on Zoom 7 nights per week with different formats. Attendance has been steady. Their group just held elections.

Will - Only Requirement Grapevine 6:00 PM Sundays in Greenfield. Had commitments in Lowell, Athol, and Holyoke since the last meeting.

Morgan - Chapman Street Group Friday evenings 7 PM at with 2 speakers each meeting. Attendance has increased. Their group may do some detox commitments.

Bob (Alternate) - Eye Opener in Florence. Meeting is Zoom and in-person with 40-50 people. Their annual picnic went very well.

Dan - Sunday Night Life Group in Haydenville which is a 2 speaker meeting. Fewer attending than before Covid with 50-70 people at meetings, last week 64 people. Have worked to provide a safe environment for attendees. Anniversary, their 41st, will be celebrated the 3rd Sunday in November (11/20/22).

Terri - Saturday Night Beginners in Northampton is now at 30-40 people and they are serving coffee and cookies.

Bonnie - New Perspectives Women's Meeting in Hadley on Wednesday 6:30-7:30 PM is hybrid with 18-25 people in-person and 4-6 people on Zoom.

Arthur - Valley LGBTQ Group in Northampton hybrid meeting is smaller than before Covid.

Rebecca - Amherst Sunday Step Group 7:30 PM Amherst is hybrid. Their elections are in December or January.

## Announcements:

Bonnie S is now Secretary for District 4 Business Meetings

Bonnie S presented on the 10th Tradition.

Institutions Committee has been relocated to 300 Appleton Street Holyoke. Adam

attended the Fall Assembly in Lenox.

John, the PI Chair, has a radio show on at 5 AM on Station 94.7 and 6 AM ON 98.1. People interested in sharing can use studio from 1-4 PM on Tuesday through Thursday.

District 3 has a Traditions Meeting on 2nd Sunday at 7 PM which is in-person and on Zoom.

Submission of stories for the next edition of the Big Book are due by 10/31/2022. Massachusetts

State Convention Committee

has one more Planning Meeting on 10/25/22 at 7PM in Sturbridge and on Zoom.

Massachusetts State Convention is November 11-13 at Sturbridge Hotel. If mailing a registration it must be received by 10/31/22. If reserving a room, please call the hotel and let them know you want the AA block of rooms. The convention will have many activities as well as meetings.

In the last 6 months CPC has begun doing commitments again.

All special committees would like support from groups and need members.

The Accessibility Committee is doing a survey of groups about accessibility to your meetings. The surveys will be available on-line.

Grapevine has a podcast at [AAGrapevine.org](http://AAGrapevine.org).

Roundup planning is starting on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6 PM.

Service Manual Meeting is the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 PM. What A

Concept Meeting is the 1st Thursday of the month.

The Christmas Alcahthon needs to be relocated. Anyone with ideas is welcome to share them. Area contributions over the last 6 months have increased from the same time last year. Most committees continue to meet in both hybrid and in-person formats.

## Presenter: John G - Area Chair

Looking for people to co-chair on many of the committees at the area level. If you are interested you can do OTJ learning. Please let John know by emailing ([areachair@area31aa.org](mailto:areachair@area31aa.org)). You can also just show up to these groups, there is no need to be elected to it.

## Old Business:

There are elections next month for Co-DCM for District 4. This is a 2-year commitment. The position involves attending district meetings and area meetings on the 2nd Wednesday 7:30 PM (in-person location is South Hadley). The first year you will be Co-CDM and the second year you will be the DCM for District 4.

There is a GSR change form to be completed by groups if their meeting or representatives change. You can also reach out to Sally who is Registrar for Area 31 ([registrar@area31aa.org](mailto:registrar@area31aa.org)).

Last month the Workshop topic was decided as Unity-Service-Recovery and that the style of the workshop would be interactive. Next steps will be finding a location, finding out if District 5 wants to participate with us, and advertising the workshop. The past 2 years the workshop was virtual and 30-40 people attended. This year the plan is to do an in-person workshop that includes food. The date for the workshop will be decided after we have a location. Next month, November, will we plan to have a location and then set a date for the workshop.

### New Business:

Need a speaker for Tradition 11. Todd offered to present on Tradition 11.

Motion to end the meeting. Seconded. All in favor.

Closed meeting with AA Responsibility Statement.