

District 4: Area 31 AA GSR Meeting

Date: 11/15/2022

Attending:

Leah, Adam, Beth, Bonnie, Dan B, David E, Donna, Linda, Mike, Rebecca, Terri S

Reports:

Linda - Sunderland Security Tuesday 7-8 PM: The meeting is in-person only since there is no wifi at this location. Group attendance fluctuates between 50-60 people and 20. Their 48th Anniversary Meeting is coming up and there will be appetizers and desserts. They held elections last month for GSR and Intergroup and there is a new GSR representative and alternate.

Rebecca - Amherst Sunday Step Group 7:30 PM Amherst is hybrid. New people have been coming to the meeting and to business meetings.

Donna - Florence I Opener 7:00 AM for 7 days a week. This is a hybrid meeting with 60 people who attend on-line and 15-20 people in-person. Sunday is a social meeting when people meet at Look Park and walk. Last month they also had a meeting in Whately around a bonfire. The group has 2 regular commitments, one is at the Western Mass Regional Women's Prison in Chicopee.

Dan B - Sunday Night Life Group in Haydenville which is a 2 speaker meeting. Their anniversary, will be celebrated on 11/20/22. About 50 people attend the meeting.

Terri S - Saturday Beginner's Meeting in Northampton 7:00 PM. They will be celebrating an anniversary. Attendance ranges from 30-40. (Beth is the alternate GSR)

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

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. Absent due to weather conditions.

Announcements:

- The Registrar now has a master list of Area 31 groups and their group number, which is changing from the past group number. The list contains 300 meetings in our area. Information will be available through Fellowship Connection at Area 31 website possibly in January.
- The MA State AA Convention had 650 people registered. Mike chaired the Old Timer's Meeting.
- Adam attended the MA State AA Convention and was part of the Home Group Celebration.
- The Planning Committee for next year's MA State AA Convention is looking for people to participate.
- The Area Chair, John, said there are service positions available at the area level.
- The 2022 Final Report of GSRs from April is now available in print. There is also an electronic version. Copies are available at the Intergroup Office.
- What A Concept Meeting is the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM. It is a hybrid meeting. The address for the meeting is 30 Carew St., South Hadley, MA. It is a discussion meeting based on the service manual.

- Service Manual Meeting is the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM. It is a hybrid meeting. The address for the meeting is 30 Carew St., South Hadley, MA. • District 3 Traditions Meeting is the 2nd Sunday of the month at 7:00 PM and currently is on line only.
- NERAASA registration is open. The Convention is February 24-26 in Albany NY. Area committee members will be reimbursed for attending. The meeting is open to anyone. • District 4 will be holding elections tonight (November 15, 2022).
- The Accessibility Committee has a survey on-line for each group to complete. The survey takes 5-10 minutes.
- The Connecticut State Young People's Convention is being held November 25-27 at the Sheraton in Windsor Locks. The link for information is <https://ct-aa.org/young-people-in-aa/>

Old Business:

Please do a GSR change form if there are new GSRs from your group.

A new co-DCM is needed for District 4. Adam will be the DCM beginning in January. The position is a 2-year term that involves serving as co-DCM the first year and DCM the second year. It is recommended to have experience in service work and 4-5 years of sobriety. Duties are listed on the Area 31 website.

Dan B agreed to be a candidate and was elected unanimously to the position of co-DCM.

Workshop: District 5 is unable to commit to doing a workshop right now. A site for the workshop has not yet been located. David E will find out if the Wesleyan Church in Hadley would be willing to let us host the workshop there in January. He will check if the church has openings on a Saturday in January. Beth will make a flyer for the workshop. Dan B said he was able to set up a hybrid meeting.

New Business:

Tradition 12 volunteer for December is Donna C.

Christmas Eve Alcathon will be held at 485 Appleton St (Saint Paul's) in Holyoke. Not enough groups have volunteered to fill all the available slots. Please contact Dan B (###-###-####) or email intergro4@aol.com if your group would like to participate. Openings are from 1 AM - 8 AM Christmas Day. Donna C's group will fill the 10 AM slot.

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

Closed meeting with AA Responsibility Statement.