District 4: Area 31 AA GSR Meeting

Date: 2023-01-17

Attending: Adam (DCM), Beth, Beth BG, Bonnie, Dan B (Co-DCM), Donna C, Jo-An, Liam, Michelle, Nancy P, Steve M, Terri, Todd C, Will C.

Reports:

<u>Liam - Making Progress</u> 7:30-8:30 Hadley hybrid meeting. Liam is the new GSR.

<u>Terri S - Saturday Beginner's Meeting</u> in Northampton 7:00 PM. About 60 people at the last meeting.

<u>Donna C - Florence I Opener 7:00 AM</u> for 7 days a week. This is two separate meetings with 60 people who attend the on-line meeting and 20-25 people who attend the in-person meeting. Sundays anyone can come to a meeting in Look Park for a walk. They are planning a Fun Night and held another Fun Night 2 weeks ago.

<u>Will C - Only Requirement</u> held on Sundays 6:00 PM at the Grapevine. They have stable attendance. Their group is planning to buy new chairs.

<u>Jo-An Sunderland Security</u> Tuesday 7-8 PM reported good attendance, the group is stable and doing well.

Nancy - Shelburne Falls Meeting 7:00 PM Thursday is a step study group. Hybrid is not an option at their location. The attendance at the meeting is up. The group is sending Nancy to NERAASA and funding her.

Bonnie - New Perspectives Women's Meeting in Hadley on Wednesday 6:30-7:30 PM is hybrid with 20-25 people in-person and 8 people on Zoom.

<u>Beth BG - Women's Health Northampton Group</u> (Saturday 12:00 PM not sure this info is correct) Beth is the alternate GSR. Beth is also the treasurer for her group and asked for help in getting Venmo set up for her group.

<u>Dan B - Sunday Night Life Group</u> in Haydenville reported that they use PayPal for their group.

Tradition:

Group decided to continue reviewing traditions by the month. At the February meeting Terry will speak on Tradition 1 and Nancy will speak on Tradition 2.

Announcements:

• The link to the form for new GSRs will be put in the chat.

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- The Registrar reported that there are 310 active groups in District 31. Of these, 308 are regular or hybrid and 2 groups are virtual only.
- The archivist has a printout of meetings.
- District 31 has a new Webmaster: Tom.
- The Accessibilities Committee is looking AA meetings for rehabilitation centers and nursing homes. The would like additional committee members.
- Archives Committee needs additional members. Currently there are only 2 representatives.
- PT is a free on-line radio show.
- Roundup in May is looking for a location for the meeting.
- Western Intergroup and Berkshires Intergroup also invites committees to report.
- Delegates to NERAASA don't contribute agenda items.
- Steve M is the alternate delegate. Those interested in participating in the Convention Planning Committee can go by carpool. Steve leaves from the Mercedes Benz dealership on Burnett Road in Chicopee at 6:15 PM sharp. The committee meets in January, March, May, September, and October.
- The New England Regional Forum (NERF) will be held June 2-4 at the Boston Marriott. The meeting is sponsored by the GSO and they hold workshops about their work. Please email Steve M if interested in attending.
- What A Concept meeting is 2/2/23 in-person at Carew Street, there is also a link for virtual attendance.
- John G said Area 31 people will come to individual group meetings if they are invited to come and share. Please have your group email them.

Old Business:

Workshop on Keeping Your Triangle Balanced: Unity - Service - Recovery has not yet found a location. The Grapevine building doesn't have a strong enough wifi connection. Liam will follow up on holding the workshop at Wesleyan Church. Beth is doing the flyer for the workshop. The budget for the workshop is currently \$200 and more money is available to pay for the venue and supplies. Will stated that Grace Episcopal Church has a large enough space and wifi available. Steve said that space is available at 30 Carew Street in South Hadley. Nancy would like to keep the workshop in District 4 if at all possible. Dan B said he could speak to people at Carew Street once there was a date for the workshop. Bonnie suggested March 4 or March 11. The Spring Assembly is at the end of March so we should avoid that weekend. Adam suggested that we table the discussion for a date and place until next month. The motion was passed to table the workshop discussion.

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New Business:

No new business was discussed.

Steve M gave a presentation on being a GSR representative. The group thanked Steve for his presentation.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and seconded.

The meeting ended with the Responsibility Prayer.