

Area 31/District 5 August Minutes

Bob opened the meeting at 7:30 with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Rich read the role of the GSR from the Service Manual.

There were 12 in attendance.

New GSR's and Alt GSR's

Bob, GSR, Randall Group

Secretary's report was accepted from July.

Bob lead the discussions on Chapter5 and Tradition 8.

Group Sharing

- **Belchertown Saturday Night Group** GSR Gae I. / Alt Ryan
Group has no issues or concerns.
- **Chicopee Beginners Step Group** GSR Rich J.
Group has no issues or concerns.
- **Do or Die Group** GSR Keith K.
Weekly attendance is 60 to 80 with about 10 to 12 active Group members.
Looking for a point of contact so group can have an incoming service commitment. (Contact was made)
- **Green Street Group** GSR Beth Y.
Group has an ongoing concern with Singleness of Purpose.
Anniversary August 20th @ 6pm
- **Keep it Simple Group** GSR Enrique
Group has no issues or concerns.
- **Morning Light Group** GSR Jerry K.

Group has an upcoming anniversary in October and will possibly be held at Szot Park on the 25th.

Many new members and newcomers.

- **Randall Group** GSR Bob I.

Group has no issues or concerns.

- **Wilbraham Group** GSR Mark L.

Group has no issues or concerns.

Area Report:

- Archives' will not have an open house this month.
- CPC is looking for contacts
- Intergroup picnic will be August 23rd and will gladly accept any donations.

LCM Report:

- No report

Delegate's Report:

- Anne talked a little about Tradition 8 and the paid workers in AA. These people work very hard to help our fellowship!
- The fall assembly will be held the weekend of Oct 17th. There will be an Area Inventory on the 17th and elections will be held on the 18th. She also noted that it is the GSR's responsibility to attend the Assembly.
- NERAASA 2016 Planning Committee meets on the last Thursday of every month at the Sheraton Hotel in Springfield at 7pm.
- Berkshire Intergroup will be hosting a Service Day August 22nd 10am to 3pm at Lennox Community Center. Topics include diversity and safety in AA.
- District 4 will host a workshop on September 19th from 1pm to 4pm at 474 Pleasant st, Holyoke. Topics include, How AA changed my life.
- If your Group would like the Area Committee to come for a Service Commitment, contact our Area Chair Paul H.
- Check out the calendar on the area site www.area31aa.org for info about activities
- WMYPAA now meets on the 2nd Thursday at 474 Pleasant st at 6pm just before the Intergroup meeting.

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- Jerry brought up a topic for discussion. How do you deal with the problem of people taking on Service positions and not living up to the obligations that the position requires? There was some discussion and we will discuss it further next month.
- District 5 workshop will be held October 3rd at 474 Pleasant st from 1pm to 4pm. Topics will be primary purpose, being of service and safety in AA. Please contact Bob and volunteer to help out.

Keith volunteered to lead the discussion on Chapter 6 next month and Renee' volunteered to lead the discussion on Tradition 9

Meeting closed at 8:40 with "I am Responsible"

Yours in Service

Rich J.