April 3, 2017 Area 31 District 5 GSR Mtg Minutes

12 GSRs, LCM, Co-DCM & DCM Present

3 Visitors from the Area: Area Chair and 2 Websites committee members

Jerry opened the meeting at 7:30 pm with a moment of silence and the serenity prayer. Scott read the role of a GSR.

- * New Alternative GSR: Mark from the Wilbraham Friday NIght Group.
- * New GSR: Susan from Belchertown Friday Night.
- * Brimfield Meeting: Voting tonight regarding their financial contributions; possible changing the contributions from quarterly to monthly. GROUP ANNIVERSARY April 10th
- * South Hadley Friday Night Group: 50TH GROUP ANNIVERSARY, May 19th.
- * Cold Springs Group: 42nd GROUP ANNIVERSARY: June 22nd.
- * Here & Now Group: Still struggling to pay rent.
- * Longmeadow Live Long Group: Struggling with number of group members.
- * Do or Die Group: Church asked about obtaining Liability Insurance; consultation with the past Trustee, Bill Wilcox, is in the works.
- * Scott, LCM: was able to attend one inactive group in this district this month. He reported he will present GSR information at htis group's business meeting this month. Anyone who attends an inactive group and provide information on the role of a GSR please contact Scott, either prior to attending the meeting (so he could provide some support with going with you) or after attendacne to inform him which meeting you attended and what was the outcome.
- ** Review of the monthly reading: Renee reviewed and shared on Tradition 4: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole.

Jerry reviewed and discussed: the General Service Conference which is held in New York and our Delegate will be attending in April.

- * Tradition 4 checklist.
- * Listing of district #5 group's financial contributions for the past 6 months.

Sue, Area Chair, discussed: Spring Assembly and reviewed what happens at the Fall Assembly.

- * Monthly Tradition Meeting: 3rd Wednesday of the month @ 474 Pleasant Street (upstairs) in Holyoke at 7:30 pm.
- * Monthly Concepts Meeting: 1st Thursday of the month @ 474 Pleasant Street (upstairs) in Holyoke at 7:30 pm.
- * Mass State Convention Planning Mtg: Last Tuesday of the odd months. Next mtg will be on May 30th, car pool from the end of 291 in Chicopee, Burnett Road, meet in the Bowling Alley parking lot.
- * Round Up June 9th, 10th and 11th. Delegate's Report to discuss what happened at the Conference.
- * Area committee members are available to conduct an incoming commitment to your home group to discuss there experince, strength and hope and how service has strengthened their sobreity. Email the Area Chair at least 30 days prior to the date you would like the commitment.

Terry and Steve, Website Committee, discussed: Each district can design their own page, input for these designs can be submitted to this committee.

- * District 5 monthly readings are posted in the website; area31aa.org.
- * Check out the website; accesses the all events occurring in this area.
- * Round Up: Tickets available, Registration \$15, Saturday night Buffet \$25 and Saturday night dance \$10. ROUND UP COMMITTEE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS FROM GROUPS; COFFEE, BOOKS (AA approved literature), and RAFFLE PRIZES.

NEW BUSINESS: District #5 taking on a lead role on a commitment for the Mass State Convention; possible the Hospitality Room.

Another workshop? Ideas and topics?