

DISTRICT 5 AREA 31 GSR MEETING

January 1, 2018

8 GSR present, 1 visitor Sue Area Chair

New Members:

Stacey: Singleness of Purpose

2 Visitors: Scott and Mike Area Chair

Rene opened the meeting at 7:30 with a moment of silence and the serenity prayer.

Rene, read the role of a GSR

Secretary was read and accepted.

Bill, LCM is working very hard on going to “ghost groups”, offering to attend their business meeting And share with them about the importance it is for groups to have a GSR. He is offering if anyone would like to attend please give him a call.

Readings: Tom read Tradition 1, “Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon AA unity”. He shared how AA members can’t keep the gift if he doesn’t give it away. Saying such as “I can’t we can”, personal recovery depend on giving back.

Russ: Tradition 1, He shared about the TRADITION CHECKLIST (see attached).

February Meeting Paul will attend with a presentation about the role as a GSR. Due to the new year, with new faces.

Rene: Discussed what a GSR is. Go to the Spring and Fall Assembly’s, attend every month to the Service Meeting. 1st Monday of every month. **If the Monday is a Holiday there still a meeting.**

She also shared we have a \$500.00 budget for workshops. Last year’s we had 2 with great success, working on it for 2018.

If you are a GSR for multiple groups, when it is time for you to vote you only have one vote.

A discussion came up about in the future or is there a way to donate with an AA app????
Less and less people don’t carry cash with them, how could they pay with online??

Mike: New Area Chair, Hello Mike.

Thank You Mike for the calendars for the area meeting for the month of January 2018. (see attached)

Spoke about NERAASA 2018, February 23-25 Cromwell Ct. (see attached)

GROUP SHARE

Alyssa: Friday Night Belchertown Group, Masonic Lodge Belchertown.

Group had elections they now have a new intergroup position. Still struggling with attendance.

Stacey: Singleness of Purpose, St Rose de Lima Church, Chicopee

Over the past year the group has grown, seeing a lot of younger people, along with new sobriety.

The group offers out New Comer Packets, Grapevines, and Big Books.

“Us as a group we stive to work together to reach out to the newcomer and welcome any new member”.

Ann Marie: Ludlow Group, Thursday Night 7:30

No issues. Had elections in November, everyone start their new positions.

Tom: Moning Light Group, Mon-Sat 7:00 am, Chicopee

Have been reading an abbreviated version of the 7th tradition and safety card.

for the group, and new comers.

Group just spent \$100.00 toward new literature

Juan: East Longeadow Sunday Night Group: St Michaels

No issues

Jennifer: Cold Springs, 7:30 Thursday Night Belchertown

No issues

Russ: Green Street, Thursday Night , Monson

Russ was elected to GSR, John C elected Intergroup

Russ: Belchertown Saturday Night

No issues.

New Business

We would like to put on another workshop this year, not sure of the date maybe October sometime.

Topics of the Workshop??? Attached is a list of suggested topics, which we will discuss next month.

Scott suggested about how important the Slogans are, also AA etiquette was suggested.

Round Up: Tickets are available Registration \$15, Saturday night Buffet \$25, and Saturday night Dance \$10.00. You can bring donations to next GSR meeting Andy will be collecting items, such as coffee, books, and raffle prizes.

Mass State Convention: Area 5 taking a lead role on a commitment.

Please see attachements: Safety and AA: Our Common Welfare

And Suggestions for 2018 Conference, (for workshop)