

District 5 GSR ZOOM meeting
October 2020 minutes
10/5/2020

Opening

The regular zoom meeting of District 5 was called to order at 7:30 by Bill our DCM.

Groups present

6 GSR's were present:

Kate from *Wilbraham*

Ali from *Chapter Two*

Ehra from *Randall*

Cindy from *Cold Springs*

George from *Belchertown Saturday Night*

Jessica from *Miracles in the Making*

visitors

Steve M, our Area Chairperson

Reading of S26, The GSR

Kate read the description of the GSR

Secretary report from prior month

Jim F read the notes from the September meeting

LCM report

No LCM's were in attendance

Reading and Sharing on readings for the month

Ehra read Tradition 10 "Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy."

Alcoholics Anonymous could do nothing but die if it was not for this tradition. If AA "officially" held opinions on various issues outside the program, that could serve to alienate members who disagreed.

Kate discussed Concept 5-

“Throughout our structure, a traditional “Right of Appeal” ought to prevail, so that minority opinion will be heard and personal grievances receive careful consideration.”

This assures that everyone gets a voice and gives the minority voice a chance to sway the majority position

Group Sharing

Ehra from *Randall* reports that Randall is reopening on a live format. She is also moving to Florida to care for her father so this will be her last GSR meeting

Kate from *Wilbraham* reports that they continue to zoom. More attendance at beginners zoom meeting. The group had an outgoing commitment LIVE to Randall which was well attended.

Ali from *Chapter 2* reports their zoom meeting is still going ok-still no use of physical building. Not collecting money yet. She needs a GSR Packet

Cindy from *Cold Spring* reports they are zooming still. They had a LIVE outgoing commitment

Tom from *Morning Light* reports they have new zoom entry codes. They have a live meeting on Saturday.

George from *Belchertown Saturday Night* reports that they zoom their meeting still. They also have about 10 people who meet in person at a member’s house which is also zoomed. Ice cream and pizza served as health food at the live meeting. Not collecting money yet from either zoom meeting.

Jessica from *Miracles in the Making* is a new GSR who also needs a GSR packet

Visitors Reports

Steve M went over the many workshops going on via zoom. Fall Assembly is Oct 24 and 25 via zoom. Go to area31.aa.org for details on all the workshops and Fall Assembly information

Old Business

Cindy was voted in as new Co DCM

New Business

Jennifer our LCM has moved out of the area. Discussion on how to better contact zoom groups. Bill will break down the 60 plus groups in the District into ones that are zooming and give the GSR's who are willing, a list of groups they can zoom attend and make a pitch to have a GSR come to the monthly meeting.

Next month's readings and discussion

George will read Tradition 11 and Kate will read Concept 4

Next month's meeting will be Monday Nov 2@ 7:30PM

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

Contact information

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Secretary Jim F