Area 31 - District 6 GSR Meeting Minutes March 17, 2014

The meeting was called to order by District 6 Co-DCM Wayne M. at 7:30p at the Alano Club in Agawam, MA.

Present at the meeting were:

- Wayne M. Co-DCM
- Wendy S. LCM

Invited Guests:

- Paul Area Chair
- Mark N. Alternate Delegate
- Eddie K. Intergroup Chair

GSRs:

- Erick M. Enfield Young People's (Enfield, CT)
- Joey L. Secretary / Somers Sunday Night Beginners (Somers, CT)
- Bill E. Granville Group (Granville, MA)
- Don F. Westfield Primary Purpose (Westfield, MA)
- Joe D. Suffield Men's (Suffield, CT)
- Ed L. Alanooner (Agawam, MA)
- Wendy S. stood in for Westfield Tuesday Night Group (Westfield, MA)
- Jenny A. Somersville Big Book (Somersville, CT)

Group Reports:

- Wendy S. group planning a trip to Bill W.'s house.
- Joe D. group elected new secretary, group anniversary is coming up in May.
- Jenny A. new GSR! The group didn't have one for a while.

Area Report: Paul

- Talked about the Spring Assembly & Mini Conference & passed around signup sheet for committees.
- MA State Convention Planning Committee meetings last Friday of odd months Mar, May, July, Sept. Committees are available for people to join.
- Explained that Area Delegate attends the General Service Conference in NY & gives a report at the Roundup.

Intergroup Report: Eddie K.

- Intergroup info at westernmassaa.org
- Intergroup meeting 2nd Thursday at 7:30p, with the bookie meeting preceding it at 7p.
- Had to cancel meeting in Feb due to snow storm.
- New When & Where in Jan, has a red cover.
- Intergroup provides 24 hour phone coverage in the area. Need new people for the backup phone

list - can set flexible times around your schedule, and could be advertised more.

- PayPal & shipping are available.
- 75th Anniversary Big Books are \$12 at Intergroup, shipping in April.

LCM: Wendy S.

- Trying to connect with groups without GSRs.
- Wants to bring GSR pamphlets for those groups.
- Found out that we can charge pamphlets to the district at the Intergroup office.

New Business

- District 2 wants to conduct an inter-district workshop in May.
- Wayne will talk to their DCM about it.
- We talked about the length of our meetings & discussed introducing ourselves and our meeting more succinctly after each GSRs first meeting, and then announce anything new or things the group needs help with. Will discuss further at April meeting.

Rather than having someone summarize a concept or chapter of the Service Manual, Alternate Delegate Mark N. gave a presentation on what GSRs are & how they relate to the overall service structure in AA. I will not attempt to summarize it here - I would not do it justice, and it would take several pages.

The responsibility pledge was read and the meeting was adjourned at 9p.

The next meeting is April 21st at 7:30p at the Alano Club in Agawam, MA.