AREA 31 WESTERN MASS INSTITUTION COMMITTEE P.O. BOX 1391 HOLYOKE, MA 01041-1391

BUSINESS MEETING Wednesday April 1, 2015

The Committee Chair, Andy, opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, and read the Articles of Purpose from The Western Massachusetts Institution Committee Area 31 – Guidelines and Job Descriptions (p.1) as well as guidelines for Institution Group Reps.

Tradition of the month and Concept of the month was read by Steve.

New Institution Group Reps (IGRs): Greg from Live Love Laugh, Fred from M&M Group, Bruce from Here and Now Group

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

0	Total donations	\$1,615.65
0	Expenses	\$152.31
0	Ending Balance for Book Purchase	\$1,363.34

A motion was made and passed to accept the Treasurer's report.

BTG Report

Kaitlyn reported there were 7 calls this month, all were connected with people. Really need help updating the list; copies available for bridging the gap sign up sheets. Suggestion to be 1 year sober to give rides.

Liaison Report

Rich reported things are going pretty well, addressed that problems last month taken care of. Franklin county corrections really needs meetings.

INVITED REPORTS

<u>Area Delegate</u> – If you would like more info about Delegate activity or to contact people on the Area Committee go to <u>www.area31aa.org.</u> July 2 to July 5 is the International Convention in Atlanta, GA.

<u>Area Chair</u> – Paul H let us know that the area web site is <u>www.area31aa.org</u> and the area calendar is available on the site. He also reminded everyone that the Area Committee is

- New pamphlets available for the area website
- May 29-31st in Albany- NERF
- Anyone can attend any of the committees if you're interested.
- o 2015 Roundup will be held June 6th and 7th at the La Quinta Inn and Suites in Springfield

 What A Concept Meeting is held the first Thursday of the month at Intergroup @ 7:00pm.

- Check out the calendar on the area site <u>www.area31aa.org</u> for info about activities
- $_{\odot}$ $\,$ 2016 NERASAA will be in Springfield, MA, there will be lots of opportunities for service at that conference
- The area website has information about all the area committees.

<u>CPC</u> – Tim P gave report, says they had commitment last month at Elms College, and they are looking for commitments, contact CPC through <u>www.area31aa.org</u>

Berkshires Institutions - Darren stated all is going well in the Berkshires

Andy gave definitions of "Roll Ins" and "Roll Outs", it is suggested sponsors have one year of sobriety, and alternates have 6 months of sobriety.

ROLL OUTS

• No roll outs

ROLL INS

- Craig into Carlson 5th Monday
- Peter into 3rd Monday Hampshire County House of Corrections
- Julia into 4th Thursday Chicopee Hampden County

ROLL CALL

Did Meeting Roll Call

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

o New liaison

ADDITIONAL MOTIONS:

- Motion was made and passed to spend \$1,363.34 on books
- A motion was made and passed to close the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

The meeting was closed with the Responsibility Declaration.

Your 2015 Institution Committee

Chair	Andy	email:
Co-chair	Rich J	email:
Secretary	Holly W	email:
Treasurer	John R	email:
BTG	Kaitlyn	email:
Librarian	Victoria	email:
Liaison	Jerry	email:
Berkshires	Darren M.	email:

Respectfully submitted,

Holly W

Secretary Institution Committee