

**AREA 31 WESTERN MASS INSTITUTIONS
COMMITTEE
P.O. BOX 1391
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**BUSINESS MEETING
Wednesday, November 7, 2018**

41 members in attendance.

Erick opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

Chris read the tradition and Andy, the concept of the month.

Introductions.

New Institution Group Reps (IGRs):

- Peter, Haydenville Sunday Night Life
- Ryan, Haydenville Sunday Night Life
- Savannah, Amherst Young Peoples
- Nicki, Women's Tuesday Night

Welcome!

Secretary's Report: Read by Dan; Report accepted, seconded, and passed.

Treasurer's Report – Charlie was present gave a report.

- Total donations \$2115.03
- Expenses \$196.99
- Ending balance for book purchases \$1918.94

Report accepted, seconded, and passed.

Grapevine – Mike was here and gave a report. Grape Jam was a resounding success... except for the dance... which was, eh. Members with commitments in prisons, please tell inmates that they can write to a certain address with their name, prison ID, and other information, and they will be eligible for a free subscription to the Grapevine. These subscriptions are sponsored by individuals and groups who wish to support AAs in prisons. Information about this program and the address are available on the Intergroup website.

Erick read the articles of purpose.

BTG – Annie was present and gave a report.
Three males and two females contacted the service. All were reached.

Liaison – John was present and gave a report.
Karen from WMCAC has provided John with packets for volunteers at the Mill St and Ludlow Section 35 Facilities.

Librarian – Nancy was present and gave a report.
Come get some books!

Erick 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 –

- Meghan and Mike, Providence Psych Unit, Monday Night

ROLL OUTS –

- Mike, Mill Street Section 35, 1st and 5th Sunday at 6:00 PM
- Chris, Amherst Young Peoples, Salvation Army 2nd and 4th Thursday
- Patrick, Amherst Young Peoples, Mill Street Section 35, 2nd and 5th Monday

OLD BUSINESS

Ron R. – There will be a gratitude dinner for all escorts 11/8 at WMCAC, contact Karen Dean, flyer attached.

Lori – Salvation Army 1st and 3rd Thursday and 2nd and 4th Thursday, still looking for Chairpersons. Dave rolled in tonight to one of them.

Erick – Elections will be held next month. Openings will be Co-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian.

NEW BUSINESS

Nancy, Franklin Recovery Center, Greenfield - Two new programs are being created in Greenfield, a jail divergence program and a dual diagnosis program. Both are scheduled to open soon.

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Elections for Institutions Committee Officers for 2019

Co-Chair: Charlie
Secretary: Nicole
Treasurer: Cathy
Librarian: Kristina

ADDITIONAL MOTIONS:

- Motion to spend \$1918.94 on books, all in favor.
- Motion to close the meeting, all in favor.

The meeting was closed with the Responsibility Declaration.

Your 2018 Institution Committee

Chair	Erick	institutions@area31aa.org
Co-Chair	Jimmy	
Secretary	Dan	
Treasurer	Charlie	
BTG	Annie	
Liaison	John S.	
Co-Liaison	Chuck	
Librarian	Nancy	

Respectfully submitted,

Dan H.
Secretary, Institutions Committee