

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

BUSINESS MEETING
Wednesday March 3rd, 2021

13 Members were in attendance.

Michelle opened the meeting at 7:00 with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer, and the guidelines of the committee, the tradition of the month, and the concept of the month.

Introductions of the committee members.

New Institution Group Reps (IGRs):

Matt F., Bring Your Own Big Book, Springfield

Secretary's Report: Dan was not present to read the minutes of the last meeting.

Treasurer's Report - Mitch was present to give a report.

• Ending Balance from Prev.	\$900.00
• Total donations	\$1428.43
• Expenses	\$20.23
• Ending balance for book purchases	\$1408.20
• Ending Balance to Carry (reserve)	\$900.00

The Better Safe Than Sorry group donated \$500.
Report accepted, seconded, and passed.

BTG – Jeff was not here to give a report.
Calls to the BTG number are now working.

Liaison – Cody was not here to give a report.

Librarian – Position is currently vacant.

Berkshires – Jenn was not here to give a report.

Open discussion of meeting issues - There have been some complications at BMC commitments, reported by Jenn. Michelle will work with Berkshire Institutions to address these.

Area Delegate – Steve, area chair, was here to give a report. Steve reported on the Spring Assembly, and reiterated that the Area Website Committee had been dissolved. Also, \$3600 has been donated to the Berkshire Intergroup. The church at 474 Pleasant Street in Holyoke has decided to close its agreement with our Intergroup offices and the Area meetings that are held there. All of this will likely have to be relocated in the near future. Steve also reminded us of the monthly service manual and concept meetings, which will also need to be relocated. The Mass State Convention has not been canceled. It will occur this fall, as planned. Roundup is coming up on May 15 via Zoom. See the Area website for details, www.area31aa.org. The Area committee is available for outgoing commitments and group inventory. Also, Area 31 is looking for a website coder to assist with website updates and document posting.

ROLL OUTS –

None.

ROLL INS –

None.

OLD BUSINESS -

From Charlie: A request to those present for someone to take on the roles of secretary (currently pro-tem). No takers.

NEW BUSINESS:

Candy asked about literature availability. We have the following on hand: 120 Came To Believe, 176 Living Sober, 390 Big Books, 61 Daily Reflections, and an unknown quantity of 12&12s. All inventory is in the possession of our librarian, Kathy. Michelle gave 40 books to Providence Detox and CSS, Andy will bring some to Mill Street.

Motion to spend \$1408.20 on books. All in favor.

Next meeting will be on May 5th.

Your 2021 Institution Committee

Chair Michelle
Co-Chair Andy
Secretary Dan H.
Treasurer Mitch
BTG Jeff
Liaison Cody
Co-Liaison Andy
Librarian Kathy

Respectfully submitted,

Dan H.
Scribe Pro Tem

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Open Commitments

Institution	Day	Time
BMC CSS VIRTUAL	3rd Friday	7:00 PM
BMC CSS VIRTUAL	4th Friday	7:00 PM
BMC McGee Unit VIRTUAL	3rd Thursday	7:00 PM
Mill Street (M) VIRTUAL	1/2/3 Mon	7:00 PM
Mill Street (M) VIRTUAL	1st Tuesday	7:00 PM
Mill Street (M) VIRTUAL	Tue	7:00 PM
Mill Street (M) VIRTUAL	1 Wed.	7:00 PM
Mill Street (M) VIRTUAL	3 Wed.	7:00 PM
Mill Street (M) VIRTUAL	2&4 Wed	7:00 PM
Mill Street (W) VIRTUAL	Tuesday	6:00 PM
Mill Street (W) VIRTUAL	3rd Monday	6:30 PM
Mill Street (W) VIRTUAL	1st Wed	6:00 PM
Mill Street (W) VIRTUAL	2nd Wed	6:00 PM
Mill Street (W) VIRTUAL	3rd Wed	6:00 PM
Mill Street (W) VIRTUAL	4th Wed	6:00 PM
Mill Street (M) Spanish VIRTUAL	Monday	7:00 PM