### AREA 31 WESTERN MASS INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE

224 books distributed

# P.O. BOX 1391 HOLYOKE, MA 01041-1391 BUSINESS MEETING Wednesday May 1, 2024

\_ members were in attendance.

Matt opened the meeting at 7:02pm with serenity prayer

In agreement and cooperation with the Responsibility Pledge of Alcoholics Anonymous, the primary purpose of the Institutions Committee is to coordinate the work of the individual AA members and their groups who are interested in carrying the AA message of recovery to all alcoholics who might benefit from a meeting brought into their facility and to facilitate a means of Bridging the Gap from the institution to the larger AA community.

Introductions of the committee members;

Chair Matt, Jill Secretary, Librarian JD, John BDG, Liaison Carla, Treasurer Steve.

#### Reports

Secretary's Report- Jill read April's report;

Treasurer's Report-Steve

Ending Balance from Prev. Month \$545.00

Total donations \$1175.12

Expenses \$228

End Balance w/ Reserves and expenses \$645.40

Ending balance for book purchases \$847.12

To Next Month \$

**Bridging the Gap (BTG)-** (John) ~If you're going into an institution make sure they are using the database

**Librarian-**  $(J.D) \sim 991.00$ /books only bought 81 books. We are giving out more than we are bringing in

Liaison- (Carla) ~ HCHC one group going in twice a month and don't want more. Letter of clarification in Greenfield. There is only New View(Greenfield) for section 35 females. Take

others off list (Northern Hope and Franklin Recovery Center) and defer to Springfield. Carla will reach out for further information.(will get schedule)~ My Sister's House is getting commitments being held and would like books. Carla sent out an email requesting a letter of intent.

\*Daryl(BHN)(Carlson Recovery)- Nothing closed they just consolidated (BHN)/Carlson Recovery is trying to get a commitment everyday if possible. They would like to honor the people that have been coming in. 164, Do or Die, SYPAA, BYOBB, Holyoke Group, Better Life, Pioneer Valley. He is keeping the meetings that have been consistent(through institutions) and opening up the days that groups are not registered through institutions. 7pm-8pm(new meeting time)

Berkshire Institutions: Madison

# **Invited Committee Reports**

CPC-

Accessibilities- Carol from Care One is looking for groups to come in and put on a group commitment

PI-

CO-Chair report-

#### **End Reports**

**Issues with Current Commitments** ~ Glenn and Rick took a meeting at the Hairston House and there is no one at this institution.

New Institution Group Reps (IGRs) ~ Scott(Scrambled eggs)
Julie(Way Out) Erica(Step Group)
Matt(164) Mike(Better Life)

# **Roll Outs- Glenn(Hairston House)**

### Roll Ins ~

#### Old Business ~

**New Business** ~ Steve 847.00/books(passed), Carla motion to take Care One added to our database(passed), Carla motion to remove Hairston House from database because there is no interest (passed), Questions about My Sister's House being an institution-

Chair	Matt Fournier	phone: [redacted] Email: institutions@area31AA.org
Co-Chair	Lina Mendez	phone: [redacted] Email: [redacted]

#### **Your 2024 Institutions Committee**

Secretary	Jill F	phone: [redacted] email: [redacted]
Treasurer	Steve Gurau	phone: [redacted] email: [redacted]
BTG	John F.	phone: [redacted] email: [redacted]

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Librarian JD phone: (413) 544-1540 email:

jdlittlewolf@outlook.com

The next meeting will be at 7pm on xxx at 30 Carew Street, South Hadley.

Motion to close @

Closed with Responsibility Pledge

Berkshire Institutions Chair Hedley phone: [redacted]

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# **End minutes**

# **Open Commitments**

Institution	Address	Type of Facility	Day	Time
Mission Care at Holyoke	35 Holy Family Rd, Holyoke, MA 01040	Long term care, dual diagnosis, Compassionat 1st & 3rd Care provider for inmates Wednesday		

		MA Dept. of Correction s or 4:30 PM Thursdays CO-ED
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Franklin Recovery Center Franklin Recovery Center Franklin Recovery	298 Federal St, Greenfield  298 Federal St, Greenfield  298 Federal St, Greenfield	Women's Facility 2nd, 3rd or 4th Monday7:00 PM Detox & CSS  Women's Facility Every Tuesday7:00 PM Detox & CSS
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Highvie w of Northam pton	Leeds, MA	Co-ED Tuesday-Th ursday6:00 PM Nursing Home

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