Archives Committee Minutes January 7, 2020

Meeting started at 7:30PM

Present: Frank M(Holyoke Group), John G (Suffield Monday Night), Carol L(Wilbraham Group), Dan B(Haydenville Sunday Night Live), Thomas D(Monday Night Beginners Grapevine), Liz C (Not so Young People), David B(Florence I-Opener), Jarel W(Belchertown Saturday Night), Carol N (Joy of Living Group)

We started the meeting at 7:30pm with the serenity prayer and tradition one. All members introduced themselves

Paul, the area chair, noted the new area 31 handbook is available. He gave information about the international convention. All the particulars are at aa.org. He gave an up-date on NERAASA, information on accessibility pamphlets as well as some history and needs addressed. He also gave information on the General Service Conference.

It was noted that our boards will be at the Randell Group in Longmeadow and the I-Opener in Florence.

There was some discussion on what is the mission of the archives committee in area 31. We discussed converting audio tapes into a written form as software is available. Also some discussion on organizing these materials in archives.

There was discussion on visiting district meetings to explain archives and what we do, so that more histories are available.

We also discussed doing an up-date to the area 31 handbook

All of the above was a general overview of what is the agenda for the 2020 archives committee.

There was some discussion on digitizing archives material, bus trip discussion to GSO in New York

All members will be texted about the next meeting and time. We plan to continue to have working meetings at 6:PM followed by the regular meeting at 7:30PM

Meeting ended at 8:25PM with the responsibility Pledge.

Submitted by Frank M