# Area 31 Public Information Minutes 3/11/14

### 7:30 pm till 8:45 pm

- Sign In/ Chair Steve R, Co-Chair Marc C.; 20 Members and Mark N. Area 31 Alt Delegate (6New Members) Joseph M., Karen F., Tim F., Peter C., Richard P., Ryan G.
- **Moment of Silence / Serenity Prayer/Brief description of PI Committee Service**
- ① Chairperson Steve R. brief introduction and welcome to new committee members.
- **Members introduced themselves and from which group they represented.**
- Mark N. Area31 Alternate Delegate Brief Area Report. 4/12/14-4/13/14 Spring Assembly/ Mini Conference 395 High Street Holyoke Mass sign-up sheet passed around for panel discussion on Saturday Am, 5 Area committees to be discussed. PI, CPC, Grapevine, Institutions. 4/12/14 9am-3pm Panel Discussions 4/13/14 1pm-5pm Area Business Meeting
- **②** Filled April 2014 Standing Monthly Commitments and confirmed March Commitments.

#### **COMMITMENTS:**

**Radio Show**: Mondays - arrive at 5 PM, Basketball Hall of Fame Springfield, Mass for recording of show. (WHLL 1450 AM) on your radio Dial. 6:00am and again at 6:30 on Sunday Mornings

DATE	CHAIRPERSON	CONTACT#	SHADOW	CONTACT #
3/03/14	Meg		David S.	
3/10/14	Garrett M.		Dave S.	
3/24/14	Marc C		Sam S.	
3/31/14	Deirdre B.		Ginger P.	
4/7/14	Jim W		Peter C.	
4/14/14	David S		Karen F	
4/28/14	Dan W		Rick V	

Phoenix Academy: meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday. 7 PM @ 15 Mulberry St., Springfield.

DATE	CHAIRPERSON	CONTACT #	SHADOW	CONTACT #
3/19/14	Marc. C.		Paul G./Harry H.	
4/16/14	Rick D.		Joseph M	

<u>IOP:</u> meets 2nd Thursday 1 PM @ Start Program has moved to 8 Atwood Dr., Northampton, MA 01060 located on the second floor. This is next to The Clarion Hotel. Contact: Phone #413.582-0471 or 800.322.0424 - Maureen Blackmore email: <u>MBlackmore@csoinc.org</u>

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3/13/14	David S		3 People	
4/10/14	Sean L		Harry H./ Rick D	

Concept meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month 7pm 474 Pleasant Street Holyoke Please Attend

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Still Working on New Contact information on person supervising The Start Program (IOP) in Northampton. Maureen B. No Longer in Charge. Left for Private practice. Meeting was cancelled last month due to inclement weather!

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#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- New Commitment Driver Adult Education Program in Western Mass. 3 Dates will be covered in March. All in Springfield Location on Thursday 3/13/14 10:45am will be covered by David S. and Garret M., 5;45pm commitment covered by Sean L. and Dan, 7:45pm will be Covered by Rick V. and Jim W. This looks like an exciting new opportunity for PI. February Commitments were followed by phone conversation with Program Coordinator Bridgette. She and her peers working in program are extremely pleased with job PI is doing there by carrying the AA message Steve mentioned the importance of Reading the Pamphlet "Speaking at Non- AA meetings". We are not Professionals yet we need to carry a consistent Message.
- Mark C. (Co-Chair) mentioned that during area meeting it was brought up that our Service information boards may need to be updated. Suggested bringing them to next committee meeting for review.
- Mark Also brought up that PI will be hosting a meeting at The Area Round Up in June. Our topic will be "Carrying the AA message thru Sponsorship."
- A pamphlet inventory was to be taken and pamphlets handed out for Group commitments. Discussion on Funding for supplies was brought up and decided that any purchases were to be brought up thru group conscious and all final decisions and purchases were to go thru PI Chair.
- When and where schedule books are needed on a monthly basis.
- Area Secretary Position was up for Discussion. New position was created last year to help in transition of PI Chair Position. Jim W. (Past Chair) temporarily held position until Group was

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ready to look into permanent Secretary. Deirdre B. showed interest. Garret M. Nominated Her. Unanimously Deirdre B. was elected and Appointed New PI Secretary. Jim W. will help in Transition.

- Check your E-mail for Pop-up Commitments. It is not uncommon for PI to get last minute Commitments. Stay Connected
- Reading of Tradition 3 from Hand out from Steve R, followed by brief discussion about "The only Requirement for Membership is the desire to quit drinking" Great discussion after reading Tradition. Garret M., Rick D., Dan W., Paul G., Brandon, Deirdre B., and Patrick commented on This Tradition and Steve R. Wrapped up Discussion with a final comment.
- Of Group seems to be getting a lot from reading the Monthly Tradition at Meeting.
- Mock Non-AA Speaking commitment presentation bypassed due to time restraints.
- We are not Professional on anything concerning medical, legal or financial advice. All we know is How Alcohol nearly destroyed our lives and many others and what we do to live in recovery on a daily basis. The Program of Action found in the Book, "Alcoholics Anonymous"
- Minutes will be E-mailed to all Active Committee Members and selected Area 31 officers
- Another great PI meeting full of energy. The nicer months are ahead of us. Let's have faith that this committee will stay as strong thru the nicer weather.
- O Next Meeting 4/08/14 7:30 474 Pleasant Street (Upstairs)
- ① Meeting closed at 9:05 with I am Responsible Pledge