August 8, 2022 Public Information Meeting Minutes

Meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Attendees

John M- Chair
Mark H- Co-Chair Beginners Grapevine Group
Matt P- Randall Group
Rebecca- Holyoke Step Group
Kathy- Daily Reflections Group
Guest
Mike B, Area Delegate

Mark H read and reviewed Tradition 8 for us. I didn't ask for a volunteer to do Tradition 8. If anyone would like to volunteer let me know.

Old Business:

John reviewed last month's meeting minutes important topics and discussions. Discussion was had about possible ways to increase participation with the committee and ways to reach out to obtain commitments that we had before covid hit. The three members that were at last month's meeting all had past experience with P I.

Discussed the changes to our Radio Show and participation issues due to limitations Audacy has with times to pre-record the show.

John has updated the Information Sheet and sent it out to the committee to share with their groups.

New Business:

Not much new business to discuss but we did talk about Adcare, West Springfield. John has been trying to reach out to the Director, Annie Park who he knew from a previous Outpatient program he went through some years ago without success. Mark H has volunteered to go in person to make contact with her or someone else to offer our service.

Mike, Area Delegate report:

Mike made a good suggestion about finding AA's available to meet time frames for the Radio Show. Attend Day meetings to pass on information by leaving Info. Sheets and announcing this. Those that attend day meetings probably don't work days!!

There has been discussion on how to use some excess money in the Area Treasury. A time has been set up for the Finance Committee to meet and results will be discussed at our next Area meeting.

Neraasa is scheduled for the last weekend in February 2023 in Albany, NY. Registration is already available on our website.

Ongoing Service Manual and Concept meeting info. On our website. Mass State Convention is scheduled for November 11-13 in Sturbridge. Planning committee meets again September 27th in Sturbridge. All information is also on our website.

There is a new Agenda Item being put together to create a separate area with its own delegate since there are now 164 virtual groups registered in the US and Canada. There are two registered with GSO in Area 31. The final report from this year's Conference will be available in digital form By late October or early November. The hard copy is delayed due to supply issues.

Mill St Commitment: John logged on as the Chair and his speaker attended.but Mill St did not. I will contact Ron at Mill St to find out if there is a problem and schedule this month's meeting. John will again chair the meeting and obtain a speaker on the 31st at 3pm. If anyone is available and wishes to join let me know.

Our meeting closed with the Responsibility Pledge!