

Public Information Committee Meeting Minutes 6/13/2023

Attendees:

Mark H, 2023 Chairperson

Yolanda R, 2023 Vice Chair

Lara A, Wilbraham Friday Night

Pat L, E. Mountain Group

Jerry E, Holyoke Step Group

Dan Mc, Do or Die

John G, Sunday Night Life

Alex M, Friday Night Eyeopener

Area Guest – Steve Area 31 Delegate

Mark H – Opened meeting with moment of silence followed by Serenity Prayer

Mark H – Read PI Statement of Purpose

Yolanda R – Read Tradition 6 and reviewed for all

(Dan Mc volunteered to read and review Tradition 7 next month)

Old Business:

Mark H – Reached out to North Regional HS and hasn't heard back. Will try again.

Pat L – Gandara has several open dates for Wednesday or Thursday's each month at 6:30PM. Group agreed to pursue commitment during an open Wednesday (2nd, 3rd, or 4th). Pat to forward contact info to Mark to confirm date.

Yolanda and Dan – Opportunity House is very open to having PI come in and share. Dan talked with Daz who is open to any day. Group asked Dan to continue discussion and iron out a good day for a monthly commitment moving forward.

Mark/Jerry/Elaine – Continue to reach out to contacts at South Hadley, Holyoke, and Pathfinder HS to see about potential commitments.

Yolanda (Andrew Report) – Honest Beginnings in Belchertown is interested in having 2 meetings/month. Mark H. to reach out consider days that would work.

Pat L – Contact list will be updated and sent out with meeting minutes.

Yolanda/Mark H. – Mill Street is looking to become in person commitment. Mark H. will send blank CORI form to be distributed to committee members for in person at 155 Mill Street, Springfield.

Still going to have Zoom Meeting for May 31st meeting. Pat L. to chair.

New Business:

Mark H – Reached out to North Regional HS but end of school year approaching. Going to give contact info to Yolanda for Fall.

Mark H – Radio Show did not make contact with us. Seems like miscommunication is occurring so Lara is going to reach out. General Overview, trying to coordinate meeting at the studio at the Basketball HOF for recording for Sunday Morning Shows. If more info comes available, will be reported next month.

Mark H – Mill Street is moving to live meeting. Mark filled out CORI, takes about 2 days to complete and if interested, have to schedule with Sarah to fill out. Currently our commitment is for a Men's meeting, and we discussed possibility of adopting a Women Only Commitment. The Zoom meeting for May did not pan out as computer on our end did not work.

Dan Mc – Opportunity House Commitment scheduled for first Thursday of each month beginning 7/6 at 6PM. Pat will take first commitment and Dan will take August.

Mark H – Contact for Gandara provided to Mark. Going to reach out for possible date.

Mark H – Honest Beginnings Belchertown had some confusion. Reached out to Nick S and Dwight. Going to reach out again.

Mark H – South Hadley HS wrapping up. Contact Sue Cook for Alcohol and Drug Program will try to coordinate with us for next year.

Jerry E – Holyoke HS contact has left position. No longer any contacts here.

Pathfinder – Elaine not in, however, anticipated that HS probably on hold until fall.

Alex M – Asked about colleges. Mark H said we do go to Springfield College twice a year. Also invited all group members to go out and pursue additional commitments.

Steve Area 31 Delegate:

Concept Meeting – First Thursday each month at 7:30PM. Hybrid Option available on Area 31 website

MA State Convention – Planning Meeting last Tuesday of each odd month. July 12 next meeting.

- Opportunity for service and meet people
- Area 31 is hosting so our committees need to bring boards
- Carpool coordinated from Chicopee

- Nov 10 -12 Sturbridge, MA. \$129/Night. Use the “MA State Convention” Block Archives Committee – July 29th, pull archives of 2 speakers and listen
- Dist 4 Workshop – Aug 4th
- Intergroup Dist 2 Workshop – Sept 8th
- Intergroup Picnic – Aug 20th
- Golf Tournament – Aug 25th Agawam Municipal Golf Course. \$45/Day
- Request made that PI Committee consider having representative attend Intergroup Meeting on 2nd Thursday each month at 7PM to report on Committee events.

Tamara purchased PI Books 2 years ago and they came in. Were distributed to members.

Next meeting July 11th, 2023 at 7:30PM.

Meeting was closed at 8:33PM with the Responsibility Pledge