

District 3 Meeting Minutes
July 23, 2026 at 7:30 pm

AREA 31 REDISTRICTING

- There is an Area 31 Ad Hoc committee considering redistricting Area 31.
- They now have a proposed redistricting map which would cut Berkshire County into two districts (See attached photo)
- This proposal is likely to be discussed at the hybrid Area 31 meeting on August 12 (<https://area31aa.org/events/area-general-service-meeting/>) and the hybrid Redistricting Ad Hoc Committee Meeting on August 19 (<https://area31aa.org/events/redistricting-ad-hoc-committee-meeting/>)
- Ultimately, any redistricting proposal will be voted on at the fall Area Assembly taking place in Berkshire County in the fall (more info below)

FALL AREA ASSEMBLY

- Likely dates are October 3 and 4, likely location is the Berkshire Waldorf High School in Stockbridge, being finalized by the area

PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM SEEKING DISTRICT SUPPORT

- The Sober on Saturday Group is supporting a Proposed Agenda Item (PAI) to be submitted to the General Service Conference, and they are seeking District support for the PAI.
- The PAI proposes that annotations be added to the Plain Language Big Book, referencing the corresponding passage from the Big Book.
- The PAI and an example are attached.
- **Please review and consider this PAI with your group before the August District meeting.**

GROUP AND INTERGROUP SUMMER EVENTS

- August 8 - Virtual Sober at Sunrise Picnic at Sheffield Town Park 11-4
- August 16 - Western MA Intergroup Picnic
- September 19 - Men's Meeting Picnic at Sheffield Town Park beginning at noon

DISTRICT EVENT PLANNING

- Planning continues for the “Area-level Service 101” event this fall. The ad hoc planning committee is exploring the possibility of combining that event with the GSR speaker jam that Berkshire Intergroup is planning for September 26. Possibility for two-part event, with second part coinciding with the Fall Area Assembly.
- Planning also ongoing for “fun” events - the ad hoc planning committee is exploring a relaxed summer lakeside outing and also hopes to plan a contra dancing event for late fall/early winter. No dates set yet.

MA STATE CONVENTION PLANNING

- MA State Convention will be held on November 6-8
- Planning committee meets every 4th Thursday at 7 pm, in-person at the Best Western in Marlborough MA (carpool available) or on Zoom. Except August - No meeting on the calendar for August
- More info here: <https://area31aa.org/events/ma-state-convention-planning-meeting/>

INSTITUTIONS COMMITTEE

- Currently need male members to volunteer for Bridging the Gap. Bridging the Gap occurs when a member of AA volunteers to pick up someone in an institution (ie sober house), or recently released from an institution (McGee, CSS, Jones, BCH) and bring them to at least one AA meeting
 - Direct link to Bridging the Gap volunteer form:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CHzGI4vJ3SfKRKsRYuHUkGiJsUaa81FIO9ADVjroelo/viewform?pli=1&pli=1&edit_requested=true
- Open institutions slots:
 - CSS - 5th Monday at 7 pm; 5th Tuesday at 7pm; 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Friday at 7 pm; 1st, 4th, 5th Saturday at 7 pm; 2nd, 4th, 5th Sunday at 7 pm
 - McGee - 4th and 5th Monday at 7 pm; 1st and 5th Tuesday at 7 pm; all Saturdays at 11 am
 - Jones - 2nd Wednesday at 6 pm; 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday at 10:30 am
 - BCHC - 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 6:30 pm

AREA 31 CALENDAR

<https://area31aa.org/calendar/>

DISTRICT 3 WHATSAPP GROUP

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Lf8t13Si0clHjhKJQLkQ1N>