

District 5 Meeting October 6, 2025 Minutes

Opening

The regular meeting of District 5 was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chris K., our DCM.

Chris, DCM, read "What is a GSR" from the AA service manual.

Justine read the Secretary report.

Groups Present

Taylor– Do or Die

Matt-Eye Opener Step Group

Justine-South Hadley Friday Night Meeting

Jason- Hitchcock Academy Group

Wayne- Sunrise Group

Karl- South Hadley 12 and 12

Chris- Sunrise Group

Sarah- South Hadley Sunday Night Women's Group

Jim- Green Street Group

Dave- East Longmeadow Sunday Night Group

Alicia- Lost and Found Group

Steven G.- Wilbraham Men's Group

Joanne- Wilbraham Fright Night Group

Group Shares

Taylor, GSR Alternate GSR Lilly – Do or Die

- Day/Time of Meeting: Wednesday 7:00pm
- Address: 181 Elm Street, East Longmeadow
- Financial Contributions: None last month (Was brought up at business meeting and tabled until next month)
- Service Positions Filled: Treasurer, GSR, Intergroup?, Supplies, Coffee, Shepard, Bookie
- Commitments Incoming/Outgoing: East Mountain Group (Incoming)- 10/15 (Outgoing) 10/17
- Institutions: Carlson 3rd Thursday monthly (10/16/2025)
- Group Share Discussion: Attendance at business meetings is low.

Matt: GSR- Eye Opener Group

- Day/ Time meeting: 7:00-8:15
- Address: 485 East Street, Ludlow, Ma
- Location: Faith Community Chapel

- Financial Contribution: N/A
- Service positions: GSR, Bookie, Institutions, Intergroup, Archives
- Commitments: Wildcats Agawam (Incoming) 10/10 (Outgoing) 10/13
- Institutions: N/A
- Group Shared Discussion: N/A

Justine, GSR- South Hadley Beginners Meeting

- Day/Time of meeting: Friday 6:00
- Location: 11 North Street, South Hadley
- Financial Contributions: None
- Service positions filled: GSR, Grapevine, Intergroup, P.I, Intergroup
- Commitments: N/A
- Group Share Discussion: The church is being rented by a new Pastor. I brought up having an institution's commitment and it was tabled until next month.

Jim K.: GSR- Belchertown Saturday Night

- Day/ Time meeting: Saturday Beginner's meeting at 6pm- 6:45 Speaker meeting 7pm-8pm
- Address: 18 Park Street Belchertown
- Financial Contribution: None
- Service positions: GSR, Institutions, Intergroup, P.I
- Commitments Incoming/Outgoing: N/A
- Institution: None
- Group Shared Discussion:

Wayne GSR & ALT GSR Chris- Sunrise Group

- Date and time of meeting- Daily 7am-8am
- Location of meeting- Palmer Historical and Cultural Center
- Financial donations: We donate 4 times a year automatically and bring books to prisons.
- Outgoing/Incoming Commitments- N/A
- Service positions filled- All major positions are filled
- Institutions- Ludlow Jail on Tuesday and Mill Street on Monday and there is a new women's group going to institutions
- Group share discussion- N/A

Karl, GSR- South Hadley 12 and 12

- Day/Time of meeting: Tuesday at 6 pm
- Location: All Saints church South Hadley
- Financial Contributions: We contribute to the pie
- Service positions filled: GSR
- Commitments: NA

- Group Share Discussion: Attendance is steady, weekly step meeting with tradition of the month read last Tuesday of the month. We have been talking about increasing our rent payment.

Dave: GSR- East Longmeadow Group

- Day/ Time meeting: Sunday 6:30
- Location: 1 Porter Road East Longmeadow
- Financial Contribution: \$430 to the Pie Chart
- Service positions: GSR, Bookie, Institutions, P.I
- Commitments: Not this month
- Group Shared Discussion: NA

Alicia: GSR- Lost and Found

- Day/ Time meeting: Thursday night 6:30pm
- Location: Church of Christ 284 Montgomery Street Chicopee
- Financial Contribution: N/A
- Service positions: GSR
- Commitments: N/A
- Group Shared Discussion: NA

Sarah B.: GSR- South Hadley Sunday Night Women's Group

- Day/ Time meeting: Sunday 6pm
- Location: 7 Woodbridge Street All Saints Episcopal Church
- Financial Contribution: Quarterly contributions
- Service positions: GSR
- Commitments: N/A
- Group Shared Discussion: NA

Jim R.: GSR- Green Street Group

- Day/ Time meeting: Thursday 6:15-7:30
- Location: Columbia Hall Green Street Monson
- Financial Contribution: Regular contributions to the Pie
- Service positions: GSR, Intergroup
- Commitments: We have one incoming and one outgoing
- Group Shared Discussion: NA

Steven G.: GSR- Wilbraham Men's Group

- Day/ Time meeting: Thursday 7pm
- Location: Grace Union Church
- Financial Contribution: N/A
- Service positions: GSR, Institutions
- Commitments: We have one incoming and one outgoing
- Institutions: Mill Street and Stoneybrook
- Group Shared Discussion: NA

Dorey GSR and Joanne ALT GSR- Wilbraham Friday Night Group

- Day/ Time meeting: Friday 6:30-7:15 Beginner's Meeting 7:30-8:30 2 Speaker Meeting
- Location: Grace Union Church
- Financial Contribution: No contributions
- Service positions: Yes
- Commitments: Holyoke Nooner (Incoming) 10/10 and (Outgoing) 10/11
- Institutions: None currently, it is in discussion.
- Group Shared Discussion: NA

Old Business-

- Fall Assembly October 18th- 19th. It is a voting year, and elections will be on the 19th as well as the business meeting.
- NERF registration opens in October.
- MA State Convention is November 15th-16th and there will be a comedian, ice cream social, presentation on Carl Young, and a writer's retreat.
- The Concept meeting is the 1st Thursday of the month.
- The Area will come to your home group, do an inventory, and use a tradition and concept checklist.
- NERF registration opens in October.
- The Area will come to your homegroup to speak or do a group inventory using the traditions and concepts checklist

New Business-

- Grapevine is made a new board design
- P.I has a commitment at Baystate and will be starting a radio show.
- The Round-up planning committee is starting to meet the 2nd Monday of the month
- Berkshire Chili Cookoff is on 10/12
- Institutions need money for books
- Western Mass Intergroup is looking for all positions to be filled.
- All committees need support.

Visitor- Steve Delegate

- NERF is 12/15-12/17 and you can register now. Chairman from GSO will be there to do a Q & A.
- Register for NERASA rooms go fast! NERASA will be on 2/19-2/22
- The last planning meeting for the MA State Convention will be 10/29 and starts an hour early to stuff envelopes (a great way to do service work). Next year's planning starts on 1/27/2025.
- Intergroup Thanksgiving Alcahthon will be at 11 North Main Street South Hadley from noon until Midnight.

- Christmas Alcathon will be at the New Freedom Group in Holyoke from 6pm on 12/24-12/25 at 6pm.
- Second Thursday of November slots will be picked for the Thanksgiving Alcathon and Intergroup reps need to attend.

Last month's readings-

- Matt- Tradition 10
- Karl- Concept 10

This month's readings-

- **Joanne Tradition 11**
- **Sarah Concept 11**

Next month's meeting will be November 3rd 2025 @ 7:00 pm in person at 30 Carew St., South Hadley, and on Zoom. Login info at area31aa.org.

Closed with the Responsibility Pledge.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45