May 19, 2025 - District 6 Area 31 - **Meeting Minutes** 7PM (Zoom Only)

Attendees

- Greg, DCM
- Pat
- Keith
- Jarod
- Bonnie Secretary
- Judy
- Katrina
- Dan
- Brian
- Steve Area Alternate Delegate
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Greg - DCM opened the meeting at 7 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

PLEASE NOTE: THAT JUNE, JULY, AND AUGUST MONTHLY MEETINGS WILL BE HELD BY ZOOM ONLY (unless otherwise noted).

Bonnie summarized March's minutes.

GSR Reports:

- Keith Southwick Nooner, nothing new to report. The group was exploring moving to a new location however this fell through. Gone to the wayside for now. Nothing new to report. Attendance is good. All is good.
- Dan Path to Recovery, Wednesday night, Western MA Hospital. Big Book meeting. Approximately 12-25+ people. The good part of attendance is from the inpatient TSS facility, patients come down from time to time. More of an open meeting as the patients have other substances of choice. Unique set up, great setup, check it out. Dan's schedule changed and is hopeful he has a replacement for him soon.
- Katrina Enfield Young Peoples meeting Friday nights, 7:00 p.m. at the Methodist Church in Enfield, CT. Katrina will be stepping in at the end of June for Jarod. Attendance is roughly 30-35, going well. No issues. Jarod Nothing really to add except for letting us know that Katrina was coming on board.
- Pat East Mountain Group, Friday night at West Mass Hospital, Westfield. Meetings been going well, 40-60 people (lost area long time group member known throughout the area district services June 22nd). Going well. No major issues. Getting regulars back from Florida. Will be requesting a commitment from the Area in November. I am happy to be taking advantage of this opportunity.
- Judy Hand of Hope meets at 10:00 a.m. Saturday at United Methodist Church in Hazardville, CT. Great group of people. Attendance of 20-30 people. Group anniversary coming up. Will be electing officers for the group in June. Nothing major is going on.

Going well.

• Brian – Westfield Tuesday night group – No major issues. The person who oversees the building tends to rule with an iron fist and creates problems when there are no problems. We were entertaining the thought of moving, but will be staying where we are. 20-25 people in attendance. Flat ground and wheelchair accessible.

Greg provided information from the May 14th Area meeting:

There is an opening for a non-trustee. Reach out to Bob if you would like more information.

Round up coming up. District 6 assignments for Area 31 Round-up (June 6-8, 2025, Pittsfield, MA – Holiday Inn/Suites – 413-499-2000, Area 31 Round-up block):

- June 6th 8:00-8:50 p.m. District 6 Alkathon Topic: "HALT"
 - DCM to get a GSR to volunteer their group to host the meeting. Both meetings will be in one of the breakout rooms. General format to follow. Greg does not have the format. Any volunteers (No)? Get back to this at the end of the meeting.
- June 7th 11:00-11:55 a.m. Topic: "Amends Beyond I'm Sorry"
 - DCM/Co-DCM speaks on the topic then opens for discussion or selects a speaker to speak on the topic. Greg has to work and is hoping Caroline will be able to arrange speakers.

Round-up registration is \$30, and banquet is \$35. <u>Area 31 Round Up – 2025 – Area 31 – Western Massachusetts</u>

MA State Convention – November 14-16, 2025 – Best Western Royal Plaza7/29/, 181 Boston Post Road, West Marlborough, MA . Planning meetings on Tuesday's 7:00 p.m. 7/29, 9/30 & 10/28. Also available via Zoom. Contact Alt. Delegate Ray for Rideshare. <u>Mass State</u> <u>Convention 2025</u>

Northeast Regional Forum (NERF). December 5-7, 2025; Friday: 6:30 p.m. – Sunday: 12:00 p.m. Omni Providence Hotel, 1 West Exchange Street, Providence, RI. <u>Free Registration – will be available online</u>. Registration open October 3rd. Hotel rate \$199/night – Book by November 14, 2025. <u>EN 2025 NERF-Flyer.pdf</u>

AA 2025 International Conference – Vancouver Convention Center. July 3-6, 2025. Tarrifs have been budgeted for. However, be aware of potential cost changes due to. <u>International</u> <u>Convention | Alcoholics Anonymous</u>

Fall Assembly – Will have to discuss next month.

Ray – Area Alternate Delegate briefly discussed:

- District 4 workshop at the Grapevine Clubhouse. Attended by about 60 people. Well attended.
- > Fall Assembly Tentative dates (not locked in yet) October 18/19, in District 2 –

Holyoke. Time to vote on the slated area officers. Time for DCM's/GSR's voices to be heard. GSR attendance is suggested.

- Steve was in NY at the yearly conference New theme will be coming out. Most likely new themes will be discussed at the round up.
- Ray will be attending the International Convention July 3-6 Vancouver. Will be shown and showing how to use the grapevine app at a workshop.
- Plain Language Big Book workshops District 2 workshop will be at the fall assembly. District 3 will hold a workshop in Stockbridge, MA.
- MA State Convention November 14-16, 2025 Marlborough, MA . Area projector requested as Susan B needs it.
- ➤ Round up Go support your committee.
- NERF GSO roadshow. NY Trustees come out to talk about what's new and what is going on in AA. No fee for the event. - also, hybrid.
- Area Concept Meeting 30 Carew Street, S. Hadley Concept 6.
- The Area offers services such as incoming commitments. Members of the area committee come out and speak. Reach out to area chair.
- Area offers to have past delegate moderate an Inventory for your groups reach out to area chair.

New business - No New Business -

Old business – Caroline to work with Tom Webmaster for workshop on the Area 31 website for a date in September if not then try for date in November – Greg will reach out to Caroline. Motion to table workshop conversation, seconded – tabled until next motion.

Volunteers for the Round up – Southwick group may be able to fill in on Friday.

Motion to Close the meeting.

Pat summarized Chapters 9/10 – general service board/trustees – AA service manual.

Katrina volunteered to summarize Concept 6 at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: June 16th VIA ZOOM.

Any questions? No questions.

Meeting closed with the "I am Responsible Pledge"

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Online platform: Zoom Meeting ID: 850 5066 1264 Passcode: 862389 Zoom Meeting Link

Please see <u>Area 31 – Western Massachusetts – of Alcoholics Anonymous</u> for more information on meetings.