

October 20, 2025 - District 6 Area 31 - **Meeting Minutes**
7PM (Zoom/In-Person)

Attendees

- Greg, DCM – In-Person
- Bonnie, Secretary - Zoom
- Pat - In-Person
- Lynn - Zoom
- Katrina - Zoom
- Paula - Zoom
- Brendan – Zoom
- Keith – Zoom
- Brian - Zoom
- Steve – (Guest – Alt. Delegate) – In-Person

Greg opened the meeting at 7 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Greg read what the GSR is responsible for.

Bonnie summarized September's minutes.

GSR Reports:

- Katrina - Enfield Young Peoples meeting Friday nights, 7:00 p.m. at the Hazardville United Methodist Church in Enfield, CT. Speaker/discussion meeting. Attendance is roughly 30 consistently, going well. Beginning to plan their Annual New Year's Dance.
- Pat - East Mountain Group, 7:00 p.m. Friday night at Western Mass Hospital, Westfield. 2 Speaker meeting, going very well. Have ~60 people including 15 group members who are very active with Service positions. Area will come in and do a Commitment.
- Paula –Tuesday night Women's meeting 7:00 p.m. at the Enfield Congregational Church, Enfield. Going well, good participation, 30 women every week. Speaker/Step/Speaker/Tradition monthly rotation, many new women attending, contribute to the pie chart. Annual Anniversary will be coming up on October 28th, 6:00 p.m. food and fellowship followed by a 2-speaker meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- Brendan - Southwick Sunday Big Book Step Group, 7:00 p.m. Sunday night at the Daily Grind. It is going well. Attendance is good, steady flow, about 30 a week, newcomers coming in. Healthy group. Most group members all have service positions, very active. 10-year members as well as new members. Healthy amount of people joining. No issues. Area will come in for Commitment.
- Judy – Hand of Hope, Hazardville United Methodist Church. Saturday, 10:00 a.m. Average 25-30 people (attendance varies per week). Having issues with memberships – need more members for open service positions. Group Inventory by the Area Chair was suggested.
- Brian – Westfield Tuesday night group. New location is really nice with better parking, better attendance - about 30 attendees. Future looks bright there.

- Keith – Southwick Nooners. Going well. Nothing to report. Well attended.

Greg had reports from the Fall Assembly – Treasurers report. Email Greg for copies.

Greg thanked all who participated in District 6 workshop in September. Much appreciated.

Greg reported on:

- Fall Assembly – Business meeting Sunday.
 - November 13 Intergroup having elections, so if your group needs someone who needs service work to maintain their sobriety or help another alcoholic, encourage other group members to step up, step in, help out. Intergroup will show/teach what these commitments/duties need to be done. Face the fear factor rather than run.
- District 3 will hold a Plain Language Big Book workshop on November 22nd from 10am-1pm at the First Congregational Church, 4 Main Street, Stockbridge, MA.
- If groups are looking to have an inventory done, please contact the Area Chair. A time will gladly be set up to come out and do an inventory for the group.
- NERASA (Northeast Regional Area Service Assembly) is booking. February 20-22, 2026 – Holiday Inn by the Bay Hotel, 88 Spring Street, Portland ME. Holiday Inn by the Bay is sold out. Refer to [Hotel Information - NERAASA](#) for overflow hotels.
- The Intergroup is in need for Publisher for service material. If interested, please forward resume and application by November 12th.
- Votes/Elections from the Fall Assembly. Effective January 1, 2026:
 - Area Delegate selected – Ray (former Alternate Delegate)
 - Alternate Delegate selected – Bob (former Chair)
 - Area Chair selected – Justin (former Treasurer)
 - Area Treasurer selected – Kate (former Area secretary)
 - Technology - Laura
- 61st MA State Convention – November 14-16, 2025 – Best Western Royal Plaza, 181 Boston Post Road, West Marlborough, MA. Banquet is still available; however, room block is full. Registration is open. Please register. For more information or to participate please contact Sue W. (Chair) at 978-223-3803 or Steve M. (Treasurer) at 413-626-5854 or email massstateconvention@aaemass.org. Last planning meeting at 6:00 p.m. 10/28 (stuffing party). Join Ray in his carpools. Join the planning meetings via Zoom at ID: 8784199-4146 Password: hkJvj8.
- 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. Free Registration and you must register! Registration is now open aa.org. Hotel rate \$199/night – Book by November 12, 2025. 1-800-the-omni. Just reference NERF to

receive the group rate.

- Area 31 Concepts Meeting – 30 Carew Street, S. Hadley. 1st Thursday of each month, also available Hybrid.

Steve touched on:

- Intergroup will be holding Alkathons on Thanksgiving, November 27th from 12pm-12am, Morning Star Baptist Church, 11 N. Main Street, S. Hadley. Christmas Alkathon, December 24-25th from 6pm-6pm at Saint Paul's Episcopal Church, Appleton Street, Holyoke .
- AA World Services and AA Grapevine are both looking for people.
 - AA Grapevine is looking for a Class A trustee for Board of Trustees (Amateur or Non-Alcoholic). November 12th deadline to submit application. See What's New or News on the Meeting Guide App for more information.
 - In need of a Publisher.
- The next live Area Meeting will be held on November 12th – Annual budget group development meeting.
- Last planning meeting for the Mass State Convention will be at 6:00 p.m. 10/28 (stuffing party).

New Business – Elections next month. Encourage others to do Service if you are rolling out. Have them join us at the next meeting.

Old Business – None.

Suggestion Only. Wait until new group is elected and have joined the group to discuss District 6 monthly Monday night meetings moving elsewhere. Change the location of meeting. Get more members to come to District 6 meeting to agree to change the location. Discussion on moving to Western Mass Hospital, Westfield. Pat will check in on this. They do have availability on Monday nights. Lynn offered to reach out to Hazardville United Methodist Church to see if they have availability to move the Area31 District monthly meeting there.

Paula summarized Concept 10. Brendan volunteered to summarize Concept 9 at the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn.

No questions.

Next Meeting: November 17th at the Daily Grind and via zoom.

Meeting closed with the "I am Responsible Pledge."

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Online platform: Zoom
Meeting ID: 850 5066 1264
Passcode: 862389
[Zoom Meeting Link](#)

Please see [Area 31 – Western Massachusetts – of Alcoholics Anonymous](#) for more information on meetings.