

## **Berkshire AA Intergroup Committee**

Meeting Minutes

December 9, 2024

Serenity Prayer

Preamble

Articles of Purpose

**Roll Call:** Michael W (Northern Berkshire), Cheryl V (Virtual Sober at Sunrise), Dwayne M (Co-Chair), Robin D (Office Manager), Peg F (On Awakening and Monterey 11<sup>th</sup> Step), Mary E (Watch Your Step), Courtney L (Chair), Joan P (Southern Berkshire), Craig (Web Servant), Bob W (Keep It Simple), Ray M (Alternate Delegate), Clover (Stockbridge Tower), Rusty C (Great Barrington Men's), Sam H (Treasurer), Susan B (Secretary)

**Secretary:** (Susan B) Minutes accepted.

**Treasurer:** (Sam H) Report accepted.

**Office Manager:** (Robin) Things are going okay. The Plain Language Big Book has sold out. A second printing is being expedited. Some pamphlets have been back ordered. There are 20-40 Western MA Intergroup meeting lists left. A volunteer is working on updating the hot line list.

**Website:** (Craig) All is well. The alkathon calendar is up on the website. A suggestion was made to add a link to the committee meeting in the reminder email.

**Area 31:** (Ray) In November, the Area had their annual budget meeting. Budgets will be presented in December.

NERAASA will be entirely virtual February 21-23, 2025. Registration is open.

The Round-Up planning committee has a hybrid meeting before the Area meeting from 6:00-7:00.

There has been good feedback about the Mass State Convention. The first planning hybrid meeting for the 2025 convention (which will be held November 14-16) will be at 7:00 pm on the last Tuesday of January. A carpool leaves the bowling alley in Chicopee at 5:30. To reserve a spot, email [altdelegate@area31aa.org](mailto:altdelegate@area31aa.org).

Western MA young people will host the MA state young people's convention at the Marriott in Springfield August 15-17, 2025.

Ray will be doing a GSR slide show at district meetings.

The new service manual is now available.

**District 3:** (Absent)

**Institutions:** Elections were held in November. All positions were filled.

**Chair:** (Courtney) Courtney thanked everyone and let people know that if they have questions about being chair to contact her.

**Co-Chair:** (Dwayne) Dwayne reported that two speaker exchanges took place at the bookie meeting.

He reported that all is on schedule for the alkathon which will be at St. Charles on Briggs Avenue in Pittsfield from 5:00 pm Christmas Eve to noon Christmas Day. A budget of \$450 was proposed and passed.

As liaison to the Western MA Young People in AA (WMYPAA), Dwayne reported that there will be an ugly sweater party on December 21 from 6:00-10:00 pm and a game night on January 26.

**Old Business:**

The time of the bookie meeting was changed to 6:30.

A discussion continued regarding anonymity and the area website. It was proposed that the minutes not be posted on the area website. Ideas included having more than one version of the minutes; with and without names. Further discussion was tabled. The minutes will continue to be sent to the area for the time being. The newsletter will not.

Elections – no one volunteered to be co-chair or treasurer. Sam was nominated to be co-chair. He said he would consider it but there needs to be a new treasurer. Rusty C will be the new Intergroup secretary.

**New Business:**

No new business.

Meeting adjourned with the Responsibility Pledge.