

## **Berkshire Intergroup**

Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2025

Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, A.A. Preamble and Articles of Purpose.

**Roll Call:** Robin D (Office Manager), Dwayne M (Chair), Dennis (In-person Sober at Sunrise), Melissa (Observing), Mary E (Watch Your Step), Sam H (Treasurer), Joan P (Southern Berkshire), Ryan S (Great Barrington Men's Group), Bronwyn aka "B", Ilene M (Institutions Chair), Craig (Webservant), Karen L (Great Barrington Women's Group), Susan B (Substitute Secretary)

**Secretary:** (Susan subbing for Rusty) December minutes accepted.

**Treasurer:** (Sam H) December report accepted.

**Office Manager:** (Robin) Report accepted.

**Website:** (Craig) Craig reported that, "All is well."

**Area 31:** (Absent)

**District 3:** (Absent)

**Institutions:** (Ilene) Ilene reported that new officers have been elected to the Institutions Committee; Ilene (Chair), Sue N (Co-chair) and Jules (Secretary). Ilene expressed a goal to have someone from Institutions present at the Intergroup meeting on a rotating basis. Meetings on Wednesdays at the Jones 3 unit are back. Ilene shared the url for the shared spreadsheet which has the schedule for commitments. It is:  
[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1\\_0\\_I5AWDN4BxfMYIPoJR2j2fUtcTILqw5k6RSLp-Gxw/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_0_I5AWDN4BxfMYIPoJR2j2fUtcTILqw5k6RSLp-Gxw/edit?usp=sharing)

Ilene reminded people that the Berkshire Institutions Committee is funded by the Western MA institutions Committee which pays for a Zoom account and literature.

**Chair:** (Dwayne) Dwayne is the Berkshire liaison for Western MA Young People.

**Co-chair:** (Vacant)

### **Old Business:**

The Christmas alkathon was reported to be a success and the committee was thanked.

Elections: Bronwyn aka "B" was elected to be treasurer and Mary E was elected to be co-chair.

**New Business:**

Robin reported that the alkathon went over budget and proposed that the committee approve \$54.85 so that \$250 can be donated to the church. This was approved.

Robin proposed that the expense of \$35 for each of three officers be covered for them to go to NERAASA which will be online in February. This was approved.

Robin reported on projected expenses: \$4,500 for rent, \$360 for parking, \$2,500 for the answering service, \$1,600 for two phone lines and a Zoom account. She proposed that there be four events: a holiday alkathon, chili cookoff and two other events with a budget of \$250 each.

Robin expressed interest in Berkshire Intergroup becoming a non-profit 501c3.

Dwayne reported that he met with Yolanda, the current chair of Western MA Intergroup and their shared interest in getting reps and officers together. He brought up the idea of having a workshop with two speakers and an opportunity for fellowship on a Saturday afternoon in March in Westfield. The committee supported this idea.

Robin brought up the Round-up which will be held in Pittsfield at the Holiday Inn June 6-8. It will be a weekend event with a banquet, delegate report, workshops, and A.A. meetings. The Round-up committee asked Robin if Berkshire Intergroup would be interested in selling literature that weekend. The motion passed. "B" and Ilene volunteered to help.

The meeting adjourned with the Responsibility Pledge.