

## CPC Minutes for Aug. 2025

CPC Chair: Caren

CPC Co- Chair: Tania

Opening: Serenity Prayer

Attendance: 11 total including virtual coordinator and Area Delegate ( 5 in person, 6 online).

Secretary Report: Read and accepted

Old Business: Post Card development (details after updates from reps.)

Flier requesting help from the AA groups for leads or contacts

Representatives' Updates:

- David: has to relinquish the opportunity at Massability due to a conflict of interest. Tania volunteered to follow up with them. Brought two new possible leads to look into. Dr. Quiggly from Human Development at CHD and Service Net which has several locations throughout W. Mass. but most notably 100 King St., Northampton. David will look into the CHD and we will need someone to take on Service Net.
- Don: He made contact with Christine of Wsfld State Univ.'s Ace Program. They are interested in us coming in Oct., ( likely a Saturday). The exact date is T/B/A. He also had contact with Robert Hayes, from the psychology dept. at Wsfld State, and there is a possibility for us to come sometime in Sept. It was intimated, by Hayes, that there might be an opportunity in offering students ( from the psych., legal and nursing depts.) extra credit to attend a presentation by us. Wsfld.State also holds a Community Day, and we may garner an invite to that as well.
- Michael: Reported that the July event at Bay Path went well, appx. 50 students were present. They would like us to return on 09/09/25, 10am-12pm. The event will be a round table to be led by a psychologist, addiction specialist and a CPC member. We are still in need of persons to give rides and accompany students to OPEN AA meetings in E. Long. and Long. He noted that Tania is working on a spreadsheet to help the committee identify who and from where folks need rides and conversely who is providing the rides.
- Tania: following through with Valley Medical Grp.
- Bruce: He will take the AIC commitment on 09/03/25, Tania will be joining him and will bring the "transportation" spreadsheet with her. This will extend that list to 2 colleges worth of names of students interested in attending an OPEN AA meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS: Caren inquired with our Delegate as to whether or not CPC could establish an Ad Hoc committee similar to Institutions' "Bridging the Gap". There appears to be no conflict in us doing so. It was suggested that there be named one liaison just for that service, but it was agreed that whoever does the commitment that gathers new names should be the liaison for that group of professionals/students. We had one committee attendee, not a rep., who was looking specifically to see how she could be of service getting folks to meetings.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Postcards to be developed and handed out at service commitments.

The postcards will have a QR code that will direct the user either to the CPC section in the Area website, the CPC video or to a liaison for a ride to an Open AA meeting. There was much discussion on the updating the video and the CPC section of the website as well as using the postcard graphic on our homepage. These would have to be accomplished before distributing the postcards. Caren is going to work with Tom, the Area Webmaster, to get the updates done. Our Delegate, Steve, mentioned that it might be wise to move CPC's contact info to the top of the CPC webpage. Brian W. from the PI Committee designed a "draft" of a postcard for us. It was agreed that it was excellent and only a few adjustments were necessary, such as: change the website contact at the bottom to the Area31 site, we will need to add the QR code once we decide where we want it to direct the user. The back of the postcard was add'l info about CPC and we had no time left to fully review. The concept, overall, of the postcard is that the front is to attract the host entity and the backside to inform the host as to what they can do.

Develop a flier to be posted at groups to attract new leads.

Janet drafted 2 that were ok. but felt lengthy or clunky. The graphic on the second was more acceptable than the first. After seeing the postcard, Janet has decided to draw from that to create a refined flier to present to the committee for approval next month.

New Business: none

We concluded the meeting with The Responsibility Pledge.

