

Grapevine Minutes 6/2/2025

Meeting Opened: 6:30 pm (Serenity Prayer)

Attendance: Bonnie, Susan, Butch, Joe (Chair), Anisa (Co-Chair), Dave, Juliet, Lea

Quote of the Day (From GV App or Website) - Bonnie

Statement of Purpose (Found as PDF online) - Susan

Group Rep Reports

Susan - Sent around form from GV Working Group about new book topics at business meeting.

Lively discussion!

Butch - Filling in for Joy of Living (Feeding Hills) rep this month

Lea - Southwick BB - 1st time attendee (Welcome!)

Launa (reported by Lara) - Friday Night Wilbraham also saw the GV Working Group book suggestions as hot topics

Secretary's Report given by Joe (acting in place of Launa; see May 2025 Minutes)

New Reps suggested to become familiar with resources on AAGrapevine.org, particularly those found in the Rep Resources section under the Get Involved heading

(<https://www.aagrapevine.org/gvr-resources>). This information can also be found on-the-go via the Grapevine App.

Service Rep positions:

Board Designer (Bonnie)

Heard At A Meeting Correspondent & If These Walls Could Talk Liaison (Susan)

Event Coordinator (Open, filled by Juliet)

More positions available - if reps think of something fun, let's do it!

Discussion of materials needed for Creator's Retreat at Round Up (June 7, 3-4:30 PM, Holiday Inn, Pittsfield)

Pens, Name tags, and paper available for our committee in Area closet.

GV Boards packed up and brought along

2 hr slot for MSCYPAA (Mass. State Convention of Young People in AA) scheduled for Saturday, August 16, at the Marriott in Springfield. Time TBD.

Discussion about holding a creator's retreat at the MA State Convention (Nov 14-16) at the Best Western in Marlborough, MA. Committee is receptive, but has not yet scheduled anything with the MA State Convention Planning Committee.

Sober hike and Story idea from NERAASA

A local meeting called the Triumphant Arch Group, will be hosting a quarterly sober hike and meeting. Attendees will meet at the Mt Tom North Trailhead (96 East St, Easthampton) on

Saturday 6/21 at 3:00 PM and hike to the Eyrie House Ruins for a meeting. Joe and Juliet will attend to see what hosting a sober hike might be like for our committee.

Reps reminded of our Area Webpage (<https://area31aa.org/grapevine-committee/>) and to review the webpage for GV Scavenger Hunt issues

Discussion on what to bring to Round Up:

30 copies each of GV Submission Guidelines, Editorial Calendar, and Pg 2 of “Writing Workshop Guidelines”. Copies will be reimbursed by Committee

News from Area Committee given:

Webmaster looking for landscape photography of W. MA to put on area website landing page

CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community) committee needs help. Looking for Secretary and Co-Chair.

Meeting closed (I am Responsible) 7:20