Worcester Area Intergroup, Inc. Delegates Meeting Minutes February 11, 2021

7:00 PM: Ted K. opened Meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Responsibility Declaration and encouragement of Service Sponsors.

Introductions of Attendees: 20 attendees –Ted K. (chair), Lynne S. (alternate chair), Brandy H. (Office Manager/Alcathon co-host/ Zoom Chair/ It all starts here delegate), Bill S (Treasurer, BookieXchange), Casey N (Secretary), Eduardo M(Alt Secretary, delegate Happy Joyous and Free), Ray M, (Joint Treatment, BTG, MSCYPAA), Rich D (Alternate Treasurer, Public Information chair, delegate Come As You Are), Fred F. (Trustee, Nashoba BBSS delegate, Website chair), Norine (Alcathon Co-chair), Bill G (Trustee), Naomi D(delegate Way of Sobriety), Michael G (delegate Northboro Saturday AM), Teresa P (Wednesday BBSS), Jesse C (delegate Main South Sobriety), Richard M (Dist 26 Liaison), Jim M (Saturday Beginners), Erika L (delegate Daily Choice), Heidi M (delegate Green Hill Park), Sue D (Way Out Group)

Attendees Sign In Sheet: (Casey N) taken from Zoom attendee list

Welcome New Delegates: Michael G, Jim M, Heidi M

Individual Anniversaries: Rich D (3 years)

Secretary's Report: (Casey N) January minutes were passed.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> (Bill S) Total Income January 2021 \$5485.65 Cost of Goods Sold \$1015.29, for a Gross Profit of \$4470.36 Office Expenses were \$3863.99 and Committee Expenses were \$17.29 for Total Monthly Expenses of \$3863.99 Checking Balance \$20,889.15, Debit Account Balance \$0, Petty Cash \$150.00. Committee Remaining Budget Balance \$10,174.13 Available funds \$19,903.87 minus Prudent Reserve \$9525.00 for Net Available Funds of \$10,378.87.

Office Manager's Report: (Brandy H.) Total YTD contributions are \$3,924.46 UP \$420.42 from this time last year \$3,506.04. January contributions were \$3,924.46 DOWN \$447.48 from December \$4373.94. Total product sales year to date are \$1,356.35 DOWN \$4903.20 from 2020 \$6,259.55. January product sales were \$1,356.35 UP \$445.60 from December. Summer Hours will remain in effect until further notice: M 10-2, T 10-8. W 10-3, Th 10-2, Sat 10-2, closed Friday and Sunday.

<u>Website Report:</u> (Fred F): Site Visits From January: -2% from December. Web Site Hosting Fees (YTD thru 2/10/2020): \$34.58. January Avg Page Views +16% from December (7.6). Noteworthy changes and updates: Responsive CSS (mobile-friendly design) cleanup & minor tweaks, Meeting List page now fully integrated with CSS/Site Navigation, Calendar Page (not used by WAI) fully integrated with CSS/Site Navigation, Mobile Layout Call HALTLine | Find Meeting shown at top on mobile devices, Service Positions updated to reflect incoming chairs, officers, trusted servants, District 25 support for service emails, web development collaboration

Alcathon Report: (Lisa G) Committee met on 1/19/21. Ascension/St. Johns unsure about hosting Alcathon.

<u>Treatment Facilities Report:</u> (Ray M.) – Area Joint Treatment Meeting 3rd Friday of the month. Treatment facilities are booking virtual comittments. COVID-19 is slowing admissions and turnover in detox and residential treatment. Treatment advisors and 12 Step volunteers needed. Groups are asked to sponsor Grapevine subscriptions to treatment and corrections facilities. Encouragement for people to sign up to the Bridging The Gap.

<u>Corrections: (Steve O.)</u> No report

HALT Line: (Donna H) No changes this month, and all slots are filled.

Area 30 Liaison Report: No report.

District 25 Liaison Report: No report

District 26 Liaison Report: Area 30 representative presented, low GSR attendance

<u>Public Information Report:</u> (Rich D) UMass Medical School is looking for speakers to share their stories with students on 2/25/21 at 3pm.

Social Committee Report: (Brandy H) "A Journey Through the 12 Steps" 2/26, 2/27 featuring local speakers

BookieXchange Report: (Bill S.) Bookie Exchange email responded to 110 requests since 1/13/21, through 2/10/21. This is an increase of 2 requests since last month's 108 requests. There are currently 55 bookie on the WAI bookie list. There will be continued efforts to recruit from Districts 23, 24, 25, and 26.

Zoom report: (Brandy H) In January we had 570 meetings with 7992 participants, using 403,893 minutes.

MSYCPAA Bid: (Ray M) Sheraton Framingham has been sold, and July 16-18 will be virtual. MSCYPAA bid for 2022 in Central MA

Old Business: Bill G nominated for Trustee. Voted on unanimously.

New Business: Guidelines changes were presented to delegates. Changes will be voted on next month

What's On Your Mind?: NERASSA 2/26-2/28.

Adjournment 8:15 PM Serenity Prayer
Next Meeting: March 11, 2021