

## Worcester Area Intergroup, Inc.

### Delegates Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2023

(Presented at April 13, 2023 meeting)

**7:00 PM:** Jane P. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Responsibility Declaration. Jane reminded the group that Service Sponsors are a vital part of service. Ray, Brandy, Bill G., and Ted volunteered to be Service Sponsors.

**Introductions of Attendees (16):** – **Jane P.** (Chair/Grafton Reflections), **Brandy H.** (Office Manager / Zoom Chair / Worcester Come As You Are), **Ted K.** (Worcester It Starts Here), **Bill G.** (PI Committee), **Katie M.** (Treasurer/Main South Sobriety), **Ray M.** (MSCYPAA/State Convention), **Richard M.** (Liaison D26), **Cathy H.** (Secretary/Grafton Reflections), **Gina C.** (Dudley Day At A Time), **Brenda B.** (Grafton Reflections), **Rich D.** (Beacon Co-Editor), **Lynne S.** (Interested AA), **Matt S.** (Liaison District 25), **Dante Q.** (Social Committee), **Cathy V.** (Shrewsbury Eternal Vigilance), **Eric N.** (Worcester The Way Out).

**Individual Anniversaries:** Matt S. celebrated 3 years on March 3rd.

**Secretary's Report:** Recorded notes were presented, and the minutes were accepted.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Total Income February 2023	\$6,919.30
Cost of Goods Sold	\$1,031.42
=Gross Profit	\$5,887.88
Office Expenses	\$5,878.22
Committee Expenses	\$-123.10
=Total Monthly Expenses	\$6,001.32
Checking Balance	\$4,595.92
Savings Balance	\$3,000
CD Balance	\$10,000
Petty Cash	\$-150.00
=Available funds	\$17,745.92
Prudent Reserve	\$-15,000.00
=Net Available Funds of	\$2,745.92

Ted questioned the increased rent reflected in February's totals. Brandy clarified that Salem Covenant cashed the \$50 check in February instead of January.

Motion to accept the report as submitted was passed.

**Office Managers Concerns:** (Brandy H.)

- New meeting lists are purple.
- New price list, effective April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- The group discussed possibly hanging a sign on the outside of the office's door asking anyone not feeling well to wear a mask.

**WAI Holidays 2023:** Monday 1/2/23 New Year's observed // Monday 5/29/23 Memorial Day // Tuesday 7/4/23 Independence Day // Monday 9/4/23 Labor Day // Thursday 11/23/23 Thanksgiving Day // Monday 12/25/23 Christmas Day

**Website Report:** (Fred F):

- The glitch with the meeting guide was fixed.
- Flyers can be uploaded directly by Committee Chairpersons using the upload feature after logging in.

**Beacon Report** (Rich D.)

- There's a meeting every Friday, let them know if have a topic for an article.

**Alcathon Report** Dante read the report.

- They need more support.
- Committee meets the third Thursday of the month.

**WAI Joint Treatment Facilities Report:** (Ray M.)

- See report.

**Corrections Committee:** (Position for Chair / Co-Chair still open. Would be shared with D25)  
No report

**Liaison District 25** (Matt S.):

- Delegates for Districts 25 & 26 will be at the April 4<sup>th</sup> meeting to review the General Service Conference Meeting agenda items.

**Liaison District 26** (Rich):

- Held a Bingo night.
- New meetings lists are yellow.
- Filled Alternate Registrar and Registrar positions.
- 50th Anniversary on May 27<sup>th</sup>, speaker at 6:30PM

**Liaison (WAI-Area 30):** See report.

**HALT Line:** (Sue R absent) Nothing to report.

**Public Information:** (Bill G.) See report.

**Social Committee:** (Dante Q.) See report.

**Bookie Exchange:** Position is OPEN. Speak with Lynn and groups for volunteers to work this committee

**MSCYPAA:** (Ray M.)

- See Minute To Win It Game Night flyer for details. Event is on March 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Last Tuesday of March is the next meeting for the State Convention. More information at [aama.org](http://aama.org).

**Zoom Report:** (Brandy H.)

- Meetings are held under our account, not private accounts.
- Check out Naomi's noon meeting for a good online meeting.

**Finance Committee Report:** (Rich D.)

- It was noted that the cost to purchase a Big Book increased from \$10.50 to \$13.00 and that WAI receives a \$1.00 profit from each sale to offset the costs of running the office.
- WAI prices for Conference-approved materials, chips, medallions, and coffee mugs are increasing but still reasonable compared to Boston's prices. Brandy is researching new vendors.

**Old Business:** Same open positions.

**New Business:**

- Brandy mentioned that there is a desperate need for 12 Step Volunteers. The list has decreased from 45 to six volunteers. The volunteer's information remains confidential, and the office calls you not the person seeking help. There is a new form that can be filled out to volunteer, and it can be found on the [aaworcester.org](http://aaworcester.org) site as well as on the Beacon website. A reminder to never go on 12 step calls alone. Delegates, let your group members know of the need for volunteers.

**What's On Your Mind?**

- Cathy V. asked if there are still any active hybrid meetings. Hybrid meetings are denoted with an "Hy" on the meetings lists.
- Cathy V. mentioned apathy toward service among the general membership seemingly high was discussed at the NERAASA Convention. It was suggested to keep asking for service volunteers but try asking for a specific task instead.

**Adjournment 8:02 PM**

**Serenity Prayer**

**Next Meeting: April 13, 2023 @ 7:00 PM**