

Worcester Area Intergroup, Inc.
Delegates Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2020

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: 18 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), Erika L (delegate Daily Choice), Heidi M (delegate Green Hill Park)

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

Welcome New Delegates:

Individual Anniversaries:

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

Treasurer's Report: (Bill S) Total Income February 2021 \$5080.11 Cost of Goods Sold \$175.78, for a Gross Profit of \$4904.33 Office Expenses were \$3882.37 and Committee Expenses were \$25.29 for Total Monthly Expenses of \$3907.66 Checking Balance \$21,098.25, Debit Account Balance \$0, Petty Cash \$150.00. Committee Remaining Budget Balance \$11,337.42 Available funds \$21,248.25 minus Prudent Reserve \$9675.00 for Net Available Funds of \$11,573.25.

Office Manager's Report: (Brandy H.) Total YTD contributions are \$7,930.99 UP \$2025.11 from this time last year \$5905.88. February contributions were \$4,004.53 UP \$78.07 from January \$3,926.46. Total product sales year to date are \$2,265.55 DOWN \$9,8096 from 2020 \$12,072.45. February product sales were \$909.20 DOWN \$456.15 from January 1,356.35. 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.

Website Report: (Fred F): Site Visits From February: -7.4% from January. Web Site Hosting Fees (YTD thru 3/10/2020): \$51.87. February Avg Page Views +6.6% from January (8.15). Noteworthy changes and updates: WAI Calendar updated to include AA events of interest in metrowest/Area 30, Announcements page updated to show district, group, and general AA news, Meeting list page updated to reflect resuming in-person meetings, Faithful Fiver added as a contribution option on the Contributions page, Faithful Fiver Form/Landing Page with \$5-\$50 subscription options added, Public Info and Treatment mobile web apps (& links) included on committee pages, District 23 domain and website files migrated to WAI hosting account, District 24 "demo" site deployed, District committee voted to migrate to new site, District 25 support for service email & website design/development continues, Area 30 Website committee meetings held via Zoom, Ionos Account login credentials/access shared with WAI office manager

Alcathon Report: (Lisa G) Committee met on 2/25/21. Committee meetings to be held 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm via Zoom starting 3/17/21.

Treatment Facilities Report: (Ray M.) –Area Joint Treatment Meeting 3rd Friday of the month. Treatment facilities are booking virtual commitments. 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.

Corrections:

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

Area 30 Liaison Report: Literature Committee Workshop 3/27/21, NERAASA took place 2/26-2/28. GSC survey agenda items submitted, AAs may take online survey prior to 4/15.

District 25 Liaison Report: (Brandy H) Worcester County House of Corrections has restarted Zoom commitments, seeking speakers with security clearance. Service to dark meetings, contacting meeting members to set up Zoom IDs, District 25 Treatment Facilities funding for Zoom license for their meetings was approved in Feb.

District 26 Liaison Report: Richard M reported

Public Information Report: (Rich D) 2/25/21 – 14 AAs met with 140 medical students to share experience, strength, and hope, and answer questions from students and faculty. Meeting to discuss new ideas to share AA message on 3/20/21 via Zoom.

Social Committee Report: (Brandy H) No upcoming events. “A Journey Through the 12 Steps” was held 2/26 and 2/27. 65 attendees on 2/26 and 45 attendees on 2/27.

BookieXchange Report: (Bill S.) Bookie Exchange email responded to 43 requests since 2/10/21, through 3/10/21. This is a decrease of 67 requests since last month’s 110 requests. From last year’s report for the same dates, The Bookie Exchange had responded to 25 requests. In 2019 The Bookie Exchange had responded to 29 requests. This time of year appears to be less active, with this year’s requests being about 25% higher than previous years. There are currently 54 bookies 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 470 meetings with 6720 participants, using 341,836 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:

New Business: Guidelines changes were voted on and passed unanimously. A motion was made to deposit an additional \$75 into prudent reserve (total deposit \$325) in order to reach goal of \$10,000, which passed unanimously.

What’s On Your Mind?:

Adjournment 8:04 PM Serenity Prayer
Next Meeting: April 8, 2021