

Worcester Area Intergroup, Inc.

Delegates Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2023

(Presented at June 8, 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. Brandy, Stef, and Bill G. 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), Ray M. (Interested AA), Richard M. (Liaison D26), Stef D. (Beacon Co-Editor / Green Hill Park Noon), Cathy H. (Secretary/Grafton Reflections), Sean O. (Dudley Day At A Time), Brenda B. (Grafton Reflections), Lynne S. (Interested AA), Naomi D. (Worcester Mid-Day), Jeff L. (Liaison Area 30/Alt. Del. Grafton Reflections), Eric N (The Way Out), Dante Q (Social Committee), Eduardo M. (Grafton Happy Joyous and Free), Katie M. (Treasurer), Cathy V. (Eternal Vigilance), Fred F. (Website), Jeff W. (Alcathon)

Individual Anniversaries: Brenda with 17 years on May 7th, Katie celebrated 11 years on March 24th.

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

Treasurer's Report:

Total Income April 2023	\$ 7,899.04
Cost of Goods Sold	\$ 2,388.97
=Gross Profit	\$ 5,510.07
Office Expenses	\$ 5,795.98
Committee Expenses	\$ -29.33
=Total Monthly Expenses	\$ 5,766.65
Checking Balance	\$ 4,047.87
Savings Balance	\$ 3,100.21
CD Balance	\$ 10,000.00
Petty Cash	\$ -150.00
=Available funds	\$ 17,298.08
Prudent Reserve	\$ -15,000.00
=Net Available Funds of	\$ 2,298.08

Correction: The extra \$100 included in the March Savings Balance of \$3,100.21, was due to a \$100 deposit into the savings account instead of the checking account.

Bill G. asked if we were having financial difficulties and Katie replied yes. Stef asked if money had been taken from the prudent reserve. Brandy said \$1,000 was moved from the checking account to the

savings and is now down to \$900. Brandy will send Stef information showing the net profit on books sold per his request.

Brandy motioned we announce to groups that WAI could use additional money. Brenda seconded it and the motion passed without objection.

Motion to accept the report as submitted was passed.

Office Managers Concerns: (Brandy H.)

Rich D. resigned employment and his last shift was on May 2nd. Brandy will be taking Monday's off through August, Pat and Matt will cover the remaining shifts.

Brandy is looking for volunteers to help inventory pamphlets and would like to do it all at once, preferably on a Friday.

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: (Brandy read report):

- Stef requested a count of number of people requesting the Beacon each month.
- Brandy requested we add Finance Committee page to the Beacon and Fred agreed. This will require an update to the WAI Guidelines.

Beacon Report (Stef)

- One hundred copies of the Beacon were distributed to meetings.

Alcathon Report (Jeff W.)

- Committee needs help and they meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

WAI Joint Treatment Facilities Report: (Ray read report for Matt S.)

- Need help with outreach.
- Lynne mentioned that the Women's Long Term Residential Program at Willow is not on the calendar. Women are desperate for help and incoming commitments.
- The yellow safety card doesn't cover all the safety issues that come up at meetings.

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

Liaison District 25 (Matt S.):

Liaison District 26 (Rich):

Liaison (WAI-Area 30): See report.

HALT Line: (Brandy covered)

Public Information: (Bill G.)

- Outreaching to schools and creating a list of contacts.
- Bill G. is giving up the NERF stipend he was awarded due to WAI financial issues.
- Naomi is also going to NERF.
- PI Committee meets on the 3rd Thursday from 6:00PM-7:00PM online.

Social Committee: (Dante Q.) See report.

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

MSCYPAA: (Position is Open)

Zoom Report: (Brandy H.)

Finance Committee Report: (Rich D.)

Rich D. stepped down. Kattie nominated Ray to be on the Finance Committee, citing Ray's wide range of knowledge and diverse experience as assets he would bring to the position.

Jane requested the committee meet to identify and suggest cost cutting ideas to the Steering Committee based on a concern of the WAI current financial status. Several ideas were tossed around and discussed during the meeting but will ultimately be considered and generated by the Finance Committee to be brought back to the Steering Committee for further consideration.

Lynne asked if a graph could be included in the minutes going forwarded showing a rolling 12-month expense versus funds report and Katie agreed to provide one. Katie is also requesting that an Alternate be identified to assist with some of the Treasurer's workload.

Old Business: Same open positions.

Jane appointed Fred Chair of Joint Treatment Committee.

New Business:

- Brandy reminded everyone that reports are due to her by noon the Wednesday preceding the monthly meeting.
- Katie nominated Ray to the Finance Committee as the 5th person. Jane appointed Ray and none were opposed.
- If Finance Committee is unable to pick a new chair by June meeting, Jane will appoint one.
- District 25 Liaison, Matt S., stepped down. Replacement tabled for next meeting.

What's On Your Mind?

Adjournment 8:30 PM

Serenity Prayer

Next Meeting: June 8, 2023 @ 7:00 PM