

Worcester Area Intergroup, Inc.
Delegates Meeting Minutes
June 9, 2022
(Prepared for July 14, 2022 meeting)

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

Introductions of Attendees: 15 attendees – **Lynn S.** (Chair & delegate Westboro Sunday Morning), **Brandy H.** (Office Manager / Zoom Chair / delegate Come As You Are), **Ted K** (Trustee & Worcester It Starts Here), **Bill G.** (Trustee), **Fred F** (Webmaster, delegate Nashoba Sunday Morning), **Eduardo M** (Secretary & delegate Happy, Joyous & Free), **Rich D** (Treasurer, PI Chair & Beacon Committee), **Ray M** (co-Treatment Chair, MSCYPAA & Area 30 Liaison), **Naomi D** (delegate Worcester Mid-Day), **Harry W.** (Dudley Day At A Time), **Richard M.** (Liaison D26 / Pepperell Spiritual Awakening), **Sean K.** (Trustee) / **Matt S.** (Liaison D25 & Green Hill Park Group) / **Chris G.** (Webster Triton Group) / **Brook H.** (Millbury Group)

Attendees Sign In Sheet: Eduardo M. (Zoom attendees also recorded with Brandy's help)

Welcome New Delegates / Interested AAs:

Individual Anniversaries: Naomi D. celebrated 48 years on May 30th!

Secretary's Report: Eduardo M. presented and minutes were accepted

Treasurer's Report: Total Income May 2022 \$8,323.48 // **Cost of Goods Sold** \$3,276.76, for a **Gross Profit** of \$5,046.72 // **Office Expenses** were \$5,884.27 and **Committee Expenses** were \$37.78 for **Total Monthly Expenses** of \$5,922.05 // **Checking Balance** \$18,448.46 // **Petty Cash** \$150.00 // **Available funds** \$18,598.46 minus **Prudent Reserve** -\$15,000.00 for **Net Available Funds of \$3,598.46**

Office Manager's Report: (Brandy H.) **Total MAY contributions** were \$3,768.56 compared to April @ \$3,782.83 **DOWN** \$14.27 // **MAY product sales** were \$4,186.55 compared to April @ \$4,256.30 **DOWN** \$69.75 // **YTD 2022 contributions** were \$20,020.83 compared to 2021 @ \$23,502.96 **DOWN** \$3,482.13 // **YTD 2022 product sales** were \$18,998.82 compared to \$8,316.45 **UP** \$10,682.37

- Received 90 Group Contacts to date. Office asks that all Delegates ask that their groups submit 2 contacts from their home and announce at any other meetings attended.
- Office is now mask MANDATORY.
- Supply chain issues continue to impact inventory of books on hand. Suggested to call the office beforehand for inquiries regarding any book's inventory on hand.

Summer hours were discussed and will run from Memorial Day to Labor Day as follows: Mon: 10am-2pm / Tues: 10am-3pm / Wed: 10am-8pm / Thurs: 10am-2pm / Fri: CLOSED / Sat: 10am-2pm

Website Report: (Fred F):

Web Site Hosting Fees (as of 5/8): \$167.9. This overhead from other two districts

Site Visits MAY 2022: 11,359 (-4% vs April 2022 / -7% vs. May 2021)

Avg. Page Views in March: 8.77 (same as April 2022)

Noteworthy Changes & Updates:

WAI Calendar: Events have been added and exported for use in THE BEACON

WAI Bookstore: Updated PayPal payment/checkout to fix new error

WAI Announcements: AA news events and announcements updated and posted

New to AA: Frequently Asked Questions page added!

Beacon Report (Rich D)

Editors: Stef D. (a.k.a. The Cyber Sot) and Rich D. (a.k.a. The Digital Drunk)

- June issue is out and hard copy version is now available at the WAI Office.
- Welcoming submissions of articles, jokes, cartoons, quotes with deadline on the 23th of every month following prior month's issue. Send to: beacon@aaworcester.org

Editors meet most Fridays at Dinky's Blue Belle Diner, 70 Clinton St. in Shrewsbury @ 8:30 AM. ALL are welcome!

Alcathon Report (Committee Chair position is still OPEN. Committee is still of volunteers)

- No report.
- Delegates are asked to go back to their groups and ask for volunteers.

WAI Joint Treatment Facilities Report: (Ray M.)

Treatment advisors are needed and Ray endorsed as a great way to be of service! Also, Ray is looking for help with the Bridging the Gap pamphlet. Contact Ray at: Treatment@AAWorcester.org

District 23 – No update.

District 24 – No update.

District 25 – There will be a June initiative to distribute Bridging the Gap pamphlets to facilities for their aftercare coordinators. A more formal presentation with CPC coming soon. Exploring ways to work with PI.

- ALL facilities are opening up to in-person commitments. Reserve on Treatment Calendar posted on WAI webpage at AAWorcester.org
 - Evolve Recovery Center – Needs commitments for Sun, Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri
 - Sunrise Detox – Needs commitments for Mon, Thurs, Fri & Sat
 - CHL Detox – Needs commitments for Sun, Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri
 - Spectrum CSS – All days open for commitments. Note: one male floor & and one female floor and this floor is open to coed incoming groups.
 - Washburn sites – Need commitments

Suspended Commitments:

- CHL CSS – Passages
- AdCare – remains closed, as of late May
- CHL TSS - Thayer
- Taravista

District 26 – Working to get copies of Grape Vine into every facility. RCA is only facility being serviced at this time

HALT Line: (Sue R, presented by Brandy)

No changes.

Several slots now open that need coverage.

Any questions can be sent to Sue's email @ sbobitaille.3333@gmail.com or hotline@aaworcester.org

Liaison (WAI-Area 30): Position is OPEN. Speak to Lynn if interested. Meeting is in Lynn, MA and also virtual.

Liaison (WAI-District 25): (Matt S.) Reported that there have been questions raised in opposition to the new wording of the Preamble "...fellowship of people"

Liaison (WAI-District 26): (Rich M.) Reported on upcoming Campout, sponsored by the District

Public Information: (Rich D.) No additional work on the Library Project. Time constraints impacting work this past month. Rich met with Cindy (District PI Rep) and looking to work with her in the future.

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

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

MSCYPAA: (Ray M.)

- Planning Committee for the upcoming Massachusetts State Convention meets in person in W. Bridgewater and virtually the 1st Saturday of every month. July 2nd 4-6pm is next meeting, either at:
 - In person: Club 24, 320 West Center St. W. Bridgewater, MA
 - Virtual: Zoom ID: 869 1334 3981 // Passcode: 620884
- Annual MSCYPAA Campout is happening weekend of August 19-21.
 - Location: Emerald Lake Park in East Dorset, VT
 - Spots are limited and registration is open. \$25 registration fee for campsite. Parking is extra. Go to: <https://form.jotform.com/220635311201134>
- MA State Convention is October 20-22
 - Location: Plymouth Hotel 1620, 180 Water St. in Plymouth, MA
 - Registration is \$15. Go to: <https://www.hote.1620.com> PROMO CODE: MSCYPAA2022

Zoom Report: (Brandy H.)

- April had 246 meetings with 2603 participants
- May had 254 meetings with 2559 participants
- ALL numbers reported through the WAI Zoom account and do not include private accounts

Old Business: Positions OPEN: Alcathon Co-Chair, Liaison to Area 30, Bookie Exchange, Alternate Secretary, Corrections Committee Co-Chair and Social Committee Co-Chair. Lynn asking for interest from attendees and for each Delegate to also pass on these opportunities for service to their groups.

New Business:

- Brandy will be out for a period of time, including hospitalization. Looking for on-call employee for coverage.
- Bill G. discussed D25 archives have information dating back 40 to 50 years

Addendum:

- Extensive notes of the 72nd General Service Conference Committee meeting were submitted for the Delegates meeting, covering current and future actions under all committees and votes taken at the Conference. Copies are available.

Adjournment 7:52 PM

Serenity Prayer

Next Meeting: August 11, 2022 @ 7:00 PM