

Worcester Area Intergroup, Inc.

Delegates Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2026

7:00 PM: Chairperson (Cathy H.) opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Responsibility Statement. She reminded the Group that Service Sponsors are part of service. Fred F. and Brandy H. volunteered to be a Service Sponsor.

Cathy H. introduced the use of a small microphone to enable those on Zoom to hear individuals speaking in the in-person part of the meeting.

Introduction of Attendees:

Ted K.	Alternate Chair
Brandy H.	Office Manager/Zoom/Delegate GHP/HALT Co-Chair
William S.	Treasurer
Karen B.	Delegate Worcester Mid-Day
Wendy S.	Secretary
Fred F.	Website
Jeff L	Liaison to Area 30
Naomi D.	Trustee/Delegate People Helping People/HALT Co-Chair
Kelly S.	Delegate It All Starts Here
Kristi B.	Trustee
William B.	Trustee
Lynne S.	Trustee
Charlie S.	Liaison to D26
Jenn D.	Alcathon Chair
Jennifer M.	Delegate Shrewsbury Women's BBSS
Paul B.	Liaison to D25
Cathy H.	Chairperson
Sean O.	Delegate Dudley Day At A Time/Corrections
Jess R.	Delegate Auburn Happy Hour
Jackie	Interested AA
Bill G.	State Convention
Gabby S.	Delegate Worcester Gratitude
Nick J.	Delegate The Way Out

Welcome to New Delegates: Jackie, Come As You Are; Kelly, It All Starts Here

Individual Anniversaries: Cathy H., 37 years

Reminder About Voting: Only Group Delegates (or their Alternates) can make motions, second them, and vote.

Cathy H. read the Safety Card.

Secretary's Report (Wendy S.): Written report was distributed and accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report (William S.): Report was read and accepted with one change. Noted that last year, 81% of meetings contributed while this year, only 64% of meetings contributed.

Office Manager's Report (Brandy H.): Compared to May, June contributions were up \$1970.77 to \$5967.90. Again compared to May, June product sales were down \$245.86 to \$3252.74. Year-to-date, contributions are down \$5864.56 and product sales are down \$2635.36. The next office closing is September 7, Monday, Labor Day.

Website (Fred F.): Web hosting fees and expenses year to date are \$320.24. Monthly web site visitors were 64,248, a record. Monthly average page views per visit remain around 2.5. Pages have been updated appropriately, including information regarding the closure to AA of parking at the side of the building.

Beacon: Open.

Alcathon (Jenn D.): Reported a successful July 4 Alcathon, and that \$197 were received in contributions. Kudos to the facility staff who had set up all tables and chairs. Highest attendance at any point was about 75.

Corrections (Sean O.): The WAI sponsored meeting on Thursdays at 6:00 PM at the Worcester County House Of Corrections is attended by 3 AAs and about 17 inmates each week. District 25 also has a weekly meeting at the facility.

HALTline (Naomi D.): Whenever the WAI office is closed, the Grasshopper-powered HALTline is functioning. Brandy continues to handle temporary computer changes and Naomi handles the schedules, member contact lists, and any permanent changes.

Area 30 (Jeff L.):

- Important change for online contributions: email Treasury@AAEmass.org to get a new group number, now 9 digits instead of 6. Checks for contributions to Area 30 should be made payable to legal name: General Service Committee of Eastern Mass. Please add the group name, town and meeting night in memo for contribution identification.
- Pre-Conference Assembly in 2027 will be held in District 25, approximately March for April 11-17 Conference.
- Next Area 30 Assembly: Saturday, September 13, 2026, 10:00 AM, Districts 9/10, North Easton, MA.

District 25 (Paul B.):

- District 25 Group Inventory available at www.aaemassd25.org under the "Confidential" pages. Password: [REDACTED]
- Several open positions, and also need technical assistance to set up for Zoom each month.
- 2026 District 25 Round Up Report showed a successful program ("Stronger Together, Trusted to Serve") as demonstrated by responses on feedback forms. Financially, expenses were about \$1200 below available funds (district contribution, ticket sales, onsite contributions).

District 26 (Charlie S.):

- District meeting suffered from low attendance, but Lynne S. gave an appreciated presentation on WAI. Finances good. Some open positions.

- Social events include a family picnic on July 18 at the Polish-American Club; a sober camp out (tickets gone); and a WooSox trip.

Public Information (Bill B.): Getting set up with connections and meetings.

Social: Open.

Zoom (Brandy H.): In June, WAI supported 224 Zoom meetings with 1964 participants. In response to a request, next month Brandy will report on how many individual groups use Zoom, since some hold multiple meetings each week, and whether they donate to WAI.

Old Business:

- Cathy H. noted that WAI works with other arms of AA, such as Trustee Lynne S. making presentations on WAI to other groups. Paul requested Lynne visit District 25.
- Cathy H. requested that new delegates obtain a Delegate Package from the WAI office.
- Cathy H. noted open positions for Alternate Treasurer, Alternate Secretary, and Alternate Chair, as well as Beacon, Treatment and Social Committees.

New Business:

- After discussion on contributions, Cathy H. requested more data on contributions trends over the past 5 years.
- Sean offered to make suggestions to Lynne S. for groups to receive her presentation on WAI.
- Cathy H. indicated a presentation by the Area Delegate had been planned for this meeting but they couldn't make it. It was postponed until the August meeting.

State Convention (Bill G.): To be held November 6-8, 2026, at the Best Western Royal Plaza Hotel, 181 Boston Post Road West, Marlborough, MA. The next working meeting is July 28, 7:-00 PM at the Best Western.

What's On Your Mind: On the occasion of Cathy H.'s resignation from her position as Chairperson of the Steering Committee of WAI due to unavoidable personal circumstances, many participants shared remarks on her leadership, competence, and devotion to service. Ted K. will move from his role as Alternate Chairperson to Chairperson.

Adjourned 8:18 PM

Next Meeting: August 13, 2026