Worcester Area Intergroup, Inc. Delegates Meeting Minutes July 14, 2022

(Prepared for August 11, 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: 17 attendees – Lynn S. (Chair & delegate Westboro Sunday Morning), Jane P. (Alternate Chair), Brandy H. (Office Manager / Zoom Chair / delegate Come As You Are), Ted K (Trustee & Worcester It Starts Here), Bill G. (Trustee), 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), Sean K. (Trustee), Matt S. (Liaison D25 & Green Hill Park Group) / Chris G. (Webster Triton Group), Jeff W. (Interested AA), Tony D. (Millbury Traditions), Dante Q. (Interested AA), Jean O. (Northboro Saturday Morning)

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

Welcome New Delegates / Interested AAs:

<u>Individual Anniversaries:</u> Naomi D. celebrated 48 years on May 30th! <u>Secretary's Report:</u> Eduardo M. presented and minutes were accepted

Treasurer's Report: Rich D.

Total Income June 2022 \$7,995.12 // Cost of Goods Sold \$918.86, for a Gross Profit of \$7,076.26 // Office Expenses were \$5,127.66 and Committee Expenses were \$37.95 for Total Monthly Expenses of \$5,165.61 // Checking Balance \$20,546.79 // Petty Cash \$150.00 // Available funds \$20,696.79 minus Prudent Reserve -\$15,000.00 for Net Available Funds of \$5,696.79

Office Manager's Report: (Brandy H.) Total June contributions were \$3,965.9 compared to Mayl @ \$3,768.56 UP \$197.34 // June product sales were \$3,831.25 compared to May @ \$4,186.55 DOWN \$355.30 // YTD 2022 contributions were \$23,968.73 compared to 2021 @ \$27,969.92 DOWN \$4,001.19 // YTD 2022 product sales were \$22,803.87 compared to 2021 @ \$11,488.65 UP \$11,315.22

- Received 106 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.
- Supply chain issues continue to impact inventory of books on hand, e.g. Daily Reflections projected to be out of stock until mid-August. 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: Sunday: CLOSED / Mon: 10am-2pm / Tues: 10am-3pm / Wed: 10am-8pm / Thurs: 10am-2pm / Fri: CLOSED / Sat: 10am-2pm

Website Report: (Fred F): Submitted report, though absent

Web Site Hosting Fees (as of 7/11): \$185.68. Site Visits June 2022: 11,069 (+5% vs. May 2022)

Noteworthy Changes & Updates:

WAI Calendar: Events have been added and exported for use in THE BEACON
WAI Announcements: AA news events and announcements updated and posted
Treatment Calendars: Treatment Center reports, iCal export (.ics calendar files) ADDED
Home Page Splash Image: AA's 3 Legacies graphic added (with example provided in report)

Beacon Report Co-Editors: Stef D. (a.k.a. The Cyber Sot)

- July issue is out. Also, emailed to +100 subscribers. Printer delivered hard copy version is now available at the WAI Office to be distributed to district, area, groups and visitors to 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

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

- Ray to discuss outdoor billboard advertisement at next week's meeting.
- Delegates are asked to go back to their groups and ask for volunteers.

WAI Joint Treatment Facilities Report: (Ray M.) *NOTE: Ray M. announced that he will be stepping down at the end of 2022.*

Treatment advisors are needed and Ray endorsed as a great way to be of service to help improve commitments at TCs and to improve outreach! One year of sobriety is requirement. Contact Ray at: Treatment@AAWorcester.org

District 23 – No update.

District 24 – No update.

District 25 – Ray M. reported the following regarding Treatment Facilities:

Schedule is under review for revisions. Some changes have occurred.

- ALL facilities are opening up to in-person commitments. +100 openings, at this time. Reserve on Treatment Calendar posted on WAI webpage at AAWorcester.org
- Suspended Commitments:
 - CHL CSS Passages
 - o CHL TSS Thayer
 - Taravista

Ray M also provided flyer and reviewed dates & details of the upcoming 58TH Annual MA State Convention and all are welcome to be part of the Planning Committee:

- Plans STILL proceeding to have Convention in person at the Sturbridge Host Hotel
 - Planning Committee meets in person at 7pm: July 26th, September 27th and Oct. 25th
 - In person planning committee meetings meet at the large conference room overlooking the lake. Hybrid format too. Zoom Login: 833 4526 2186 // Passcode: 164112

Convention Dates: November 11-13, 2022. Pre-registration @ \$25 at AAMAStateConvention.org. Price goes to \$30 after November 1

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Liaison District 25 Matt S. reported the following:

- Software was purchased for surveys for the District, e.g. district, fellowship and matters of archives
- Discussion on ALL meetings in person, though Delegates meetings for July and August would be virtual.
- Looking for Alternate Intergroup Rep.

Liaison District 26 – Rich D. attended meeting and reported the following: Working to get copies of Grape Vine into every facility. RCA is only facility being serviced at this time

<u>Liaison (WAI-Area 30)</u>: Position is OPEN. Speak to Lynn if interested. Meeting is in Lynn, MA and also virtual. Ray submitted report on their behalf, having attended their last meeting. **See ADDENDUM for mention of report, also contained in last month's meeting notes.**

HALT Line: (Sue R absent, presented by Brandy)

No changes.

Several overnight slots now open that need coverage.

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

<u>Public Information:</u> (Rich D.) **NOTE: Rich D. announced that he will need to step down, creating an opening in the PI Committee, reducing his hours at WAI Office, continuing as Treasurer for the length of his term and continuing his position as Co-Chair on the Beacon Committee.**

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.
 - o 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
 - o Location: Plymouth Hotel 1620, 180 Water St. in Plymouth, MA
 - o Registration is \$15. Go to: https://www.hote.1620.com PROMO CODE: MSCYPAA2022

Zoom Report: (Brandy H.)

June had 190 meetings with 2367 participants

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

<u>Old Business:</u> 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:

o Bill G. willing to carry on the PI's Library Project from Rich D. Lynn proposed appointment and the Delegates approved.

Addendum:

 Extensive notes of the June 2022 Monthly meeting of Area 30 Delegates was submitted, covering the 73rd General Service Conference Committee and its theme: "AA's Three Legacies – Our Common Solution".

Adjournment 7:52 PM Serenity Prayer Next Meeting: August 11, 2022 @ 7:00 PM