

Worcester Area Intergroup, Inc.
Delegates Meeting Minutes
October 8, 2020

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

Introductions of Attendees: 14 attendees – Steve O. (chairperson), Brandy H. (Office Manager/Alcathon Chair/ Zoom Chair/ It all starts here delegate), Ted K (Treasurer), Hilary D. S. (Secretary/Main South Sobriety Delegate), Ray M, (Treatment Chair/Del. Greenhill Noontime Meeting/Interim Area 30 liaison), David C. (The Way Out Delegate), Bill S. (Alternate Treasurer, BookieXchange, Northboro Sat AM Delegate), Fred F. (Trustee, Bolton BBSS delegate), Teresa P. (delegate Wednesday BBSS), Bill G (Trustee), Lynne S. (alternate chairperson), Casey N (alternate secretary) , Meera J (delegate Westboro forge), Eduardo M(delegate Happy Joyous and Free), Rich D (rep. daily choice)

Attendees Sign In Sheet: (Hilary D. S,) taken from Zoom attendee list

Welcome New Delegates: Meera J

Individual Anniversaries: Theresa P (10 years), Bill G (30 years)

Secretary's Report: (Hilary D. S.) September 2020 written reports accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report: (Ted. K/ Bill S,): Total Income September 2020 \$7136.85 Cost of Goods Sold \$2809.22, for a Gross Profit of \$4327.63 Office Expenses were \$3946.60 and Committee Expenses were \$17.29 for Total Monthly Expenses of \$3963.89 Checking Balance \$16,625.80, Debit Account Balance \$0, Petty Cash \$150.00. Committee Remaining Budget Balance \$10,442.92 Available funds \$16,775.80 minus Prudent Reserve \$8765.00 for Net Available Funds of \$8010.80.

Office Manager's Report: (Brandy H.) Total YTD contributions are \$50,180.37 UP from this time last year \$22,357.53. September contributions were \$5839.52 DOWN 863.28. Total product sales year to date are \$20,156.95 DOWN \$ 31,648.55. September product sales were 1237.60 DOWN 383.75. Brandy has inventory at her house so orders can still be fulfilled. You can pick items at Brandy's house in addition to having them mailed. Uncheck the shipping option and Brandy will call you and make arrangements. We are currently running on Summer Hours while the Grove St. office is closed. M 10-2, T 10-8. W 10-3, Th 10-2, Sat 10-2, closed Friday and Saturday. The office will be closed through the end of the year

Website Report: (Fred F): Site Visits From September: 10,406 (-31% from Aug). Web Hosting Fees (YTD thru 10/6/20): \$220.27. Meeting information updated to show both online & resuming AA meetings (on web site & Meeting Guide app)

Alcathon Report: (Brandy H) All 3 alcathons this year will be on zoom. District 26 will be joining us for the zoom alcathon. We will have an account through New York which can host up to 500 people. Next meeting is 10/9 and slots will be drawn on 10/10 for the thanksgiving alcathon. We are still looking for hosts for 2 hour shifts or longer. If interested email alcathon@aaworcester.org

Treatment Facilities Report: (Ray M.) – Next Virtual treatment meeting on 10/16 . Virtual AA commitments will be restarted, likely on a Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday schedule at 7pm. Continue to look for volunteers to help people transition from facilities for bridging the gap. There will be a bridging gap landing page for the website to help people get connecte If interested contact Ray M. at treatment@aaworcester.org . In person commitments are occurring at Independence Hall, likely on Saturdays. Ray has been unable to reconnect with Sunrise Detox. Treatment chair is now open at district 25. Spectrum continues to have a COVID + unit. Oasis new dual diagnosis facility opening and is currently awaiting licensing

Corrections: (Steve O.) Commitments have resumed at the jail. No new orientations, only orientations to renew licenses. .

HALT Line: (Donna H.) All shifts are covered. Have been requests for Spanish speaking meetings. Requests for more people on 12 step volunteer lists.

Area 30 Liaison Report: GSO had to pull an additional \$1.5 million for prudent reserve. An additional push for each member to donate \$8.16 at contribution.aa.org

District 25 Liaison Report: (Steve O.) Events committee will have a virtual AA trivia night on Friday 12/4 at 7pm. Planning committee is 10/15

District 26 Liaison Report: No report

Public Information Report: No Report

Social Committee Report: No Report

Beacon Report: Brandy will now be serving as interim Beacon editor.

BookieXchange Report: (Bill S.) BookieXchange responded to 87 requests in last month, a decrease of 8 from previous month. Currently posts are 19. Total posts for 2020 is 109 same as last month.

Zoom report: There is a form on aaworcester.org to update everyone when they resume meeting in person. No recent trainings, but Brandy is happy to train new hosts.

MSYCPAA Bid: Meeting in person and on zoom on 10/10 at 7pm at Institute Park in Worcester to start the 2022 MSYCPAA bid

Old Business: Current nominations for Intergroup are as follows:

- Chair: Lynn S
- Alt. Chair: Ted K
- Secretary: Casey N
- Treasurer: Bill S
- Trustees: Fred F., Steve O., Emily D., Hilary D. S.
- Beacon: Brandy H
- Corrections: Steve O
- HALTline: Donna H
- District 25 Liasion: Steve O
- District 26 Liasion: -elected by district 26
- MSCYPAA: elected by MSCYPAA
- Treatment: Ray M
- Website: Fred F
- Zoom: Brandy H
- **Open Positions: Alternate Secretary, Alternate Treasurer, Alcathon Chair, Area 30 Liasion, Public Information, Social Committee**

New Business: Brandy and Fred reported back from Intergroup Conference. Other intergroups are using member names in quickbooks instead of the word "member" None of the information about donations will be published beyond quickbooks. People will have the option to only listed as "member."

Motion Made to document for WAI in the way: 12 in favor 1 opposed. **Motion passed.**

Motion made to have zoom group become an official WAI committee **Motion passed unanimously.**

What's On Your Mind?: Last year only 40% of groups were gave financial support to GSO.

Adjournment 8:19 PM Serenity Prayer
Next Meeting: November 12, 2020