**Central Mass Area Meeting Minutes September 9, 2019**

The NEXT Central Mass Area Service Committee meeting will be **October 7, 2019 at 6:30pm** at

Greendale Peoples Church, 25 Francis Street, Worcester MA

*Please note: Due to a new church policy, we are now required to keep the front door locked at all times. Please ring the doorbell that we have provided. In the event that you are locked out, please call the or text the number on the door.. Please do not prop the door open even if you just run outside for a few minutes.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS TO GROUPS**

**GSRs please read all announcements at your group business meeting**

*If your group does not have a GSR, any trusted servant or group member can attend the Area meeting in order to bring concerns, changes or announcements from the group for the area minutes and to bring information and area news back to the group.*

* **Friday Night Step on Greenwood St is holding their 21st Anniversary and the Journey Retreat Halloween Dance Fundraiser Dance on Friday October 18th with the meeting (free!!!) from 6:30-8:00pm and Halloween dance and costume contest from 8:00pm-close Tickets to the dance are $5 in advance and $7 at the door with kids under 16 FREE**
* **The Narcathon Committee is hosting their Second Karaoke Night and Sponsorship Auction on Friday October 11th from 8pm-Midnight at Our Lady of Lourdes 1290 Grafton St Worcester. Tickets are $5 with food included (no addict will be turned away)**
* H&I is in need of support (panel leaders/speakers) we meet the 3rd Sunday of the month at 6pm at Adcare Hospital in Worcester. Please see attached flyer for more information.
* Step by Step is a new meeting now on Saturdays 1-2pm at 297 Central Street in Gardner MA, this will be a closed 12 step literature/discussion meeting
* The Only Requirement is the Desire group is a new meeting to be held at the YMCA in Fitchburg (85 Wallace Rd) from 7-8:30pm
* Clinton Hope Not Dope meeting is changing to an earlier time on Wednesday nights. The meeting will now be from 7-8:15 without a smoke break they are also in need of support
* The Living Clean meeting that meets at Greendale People’s Church on Sunday from 6:30-7:45 is also in need of addict support
* The Westminster No Matter What group is changing its meeting time from Saturdays 7- to Wednesday 6-7pm at RCA
* Pricing for meeting lists are increasing to 50 for $8.00 and 25 for $4.00

**Central Mass Area mailing address:**

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The meeting opened with a moment of silence, followed by the WE version of the serenity prayer and a reading of the twelve traditions and twelve concepts.

**ROLL CALL:** See Attached Attendance 27 groups present/ 31 groups absent/ groups total 58

**Area Trusted Servants and Sub-Committee Reports**

**Chairperson (Meredith B.): No Report**

**Vice-Chair (Shaun W.): No Report**

**Secretary (Katie D.): No Report**

**Asst. Secretary (Nick F.) No Report.**

**Treasurer (Nate B.): See Attached**

**Activities Committee (Nikki T.): No Report**

**Campout Committee: (Penny D): No Report**

**Hospitals & Institutions (Chairperson: Joe C.):** **See Attached Report**

**Narcathon (Chairperson: Michelle B): No Report**

**Literature (Chairperson: Brandon T.): No Report**

**Meeting Lists (Chairperson: Paula B.): No Report**

**Outreach Committee (Chairperson: Tim G.): No Report**

**Policy (Chairperson: Ben B.): No Report**

**Public Relations (Chairperson: Andy M.): See Attached**

**RCM (Chairperson: Kyle C): See Attached**

**Website (Chairperson: Sean B.): No Report**

**NA Area Phone Line (Bruce): No Report**

**Administrative SubCommittee: No Report**

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**GROUP CONCERNS: Meetings are still in need of support from experienced members, see above for meetings in need and please announce at meetings you attend during NA announcements**

**NEW BUSINESS: A motion was submitted by The Only Desire Group to be given a new starter kit as the facility where the meeting is held inadvertently threw away the groups tote. The intent of the motion is to replenish the meetings start up materials. This motion was passed with 18 votes**

**A motion was submitted by Noel D. to reimburse a member for the PR literature order in the amount of $157.75 with the intent to be financially responsible. This motion was passed with 18 votes.**

**OPEN FORUM: Tim G. recommended the forming of an AdHoc committee to explore Project Based Management in regards to subcommittee support as there has been a significant decline in subcommittee support by experienced members in the last few years (i.e. Activities, Narcathon, Campout, Outreach and PR).**

**A discussion was had regarding the clarity of NA meetings in our areas and newcomers receiving a “mixed message”. It was decided to form an AdHoc committee to explore hosting a workshop that focuses on the traditions and concepts. Several members expressed interest in getting involved. More will be revealed**

**ILS, Katie D.**