# Central Massachusetts Area of Narcotics Anonymous Meeting Minutes

## October 2, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

Mailing Address: Central MA Area Service Committee

P.O. Box 60492

Greendale Station

Worcester, MA 01606

Next Meeting: September 11, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Hybrid Format

Physical Location: Greendale People’s Church

25 Francis Street, Worcester, MA. 01606

Zoom: Meeting ID: 982 1512 6502

Passcode: NA1953

## Meeting Opened

The meeting opened at 6:30 p.m. with a moment of silence, followed by the “We” version of the serenity prayer, the 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts.

## Announcements to Groups

GSRs are asked to 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 to bring concerns, changes, or announcements from the group and to bring information and Area news back to the group.

* Anyone new to Area should attend at 6:00PM for orientation
* Events:
  + Narcathon BBQ Fundraiser Sept 17 from 12-6pm 44 Temple St Worcester- Raffles, Food, Facepainting, Fellowshipping
  + Together We Can Leominster Friday Night 7-830 is having their 27th Anniversary Oct 6. Food, Fun, Fellowship 6-7pm followed by the regular meeting.
  + Out of the Dark Townsend Mon 7-8pm is celebrating 1st anniversary Sept 30th from 4-7pm with Food, Fun, Fellowship. Flier is attached.
* New Meetings:
* Announcements:
  + Show Up to Grow Up 791 Main St Worcester Thurs 7-830 is changing to 25 Pleasant st Worcester-still Thurs 7-830 Open Format
  + Please encourage your groups to donate directly to area!
* Meetings in need of addict support
* Motions:

Attendance Report

Sign in sheet attached to minutes in PDF format.

## Area Trusted Servants and Sub-Committee Reports

Chairperson: Kevin H.

Paid 6 months of a new mailbox but may be able to get old box back. An update next month will be made on the status of the box. Old mail has been sent back to the designated companies. Getting ready for area inventory

Vice-Chair: Jason M.

Report was emailed and submitted to the secretary to be included with these minutes.

RCM: Teri T.

No Report

Alternate RCM: Kevin

Report was emailed and submitted to the secretary to be included with these minutes.

Secretary: Alyssa T

Minutes were distributed as well as the treasurer’s report. Our meeting this month was reported as Sept 4 on NERNA, so I reported a change which was made on the website. Thank you for getting reports to me in advanced. As a reminder, if reports are not emailed to the secretary email, they need to be written out and given to the secretary at area.

Asst. Secretary: Katie

No Report.

Campout Committee: Evelyn

Report was emailed and submitted to the secretary to be included with these minutes.

Hospitals & Institutions: John

Report was emailed and submitted to the secretary to be included with these minutes.

H&I Orientation video: <https://youtu.be/izgiNI81qeM>

H&I Basics Survey ends in March 2024 to help gather input on revision of H&I resources.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/handibasics>

Narcathon: Shane

Holding a BBQ Fundraiser Sept 17th 12-6 St at Temple St Worcester. Looking at DJ’s and different ideas for Narcathon. Subcommittee Meeting was held 8/8 which is also on the 2nd Wed of every month. Received donations from various groups and are picking up the stuff from previous narcathon’s. BBQ can be inside or outside and will have face painting, DJ, and fun! Looking at a Halloween dance for October.

Outreach Committee: Chris G.

The report was made to Area and will be attached to these meetings as an attachment.

Treasurer: Sean G.

The report was made to Area and will be attached to these meetings as an attachment.

Asst. Treasurer: Wendy R.

No report.

Website/Media: Jonathan

The report was made to Area and will be attached to these meetings as an attachment.

Policy: Michelle B.

No Report.

Public Relations: Tom G.

The report was made to Area and will be attached to these meetings as an attachment.

Phone Line: Krist

1 phone call, no emails.

## Old Business

* Starter kits order will be followed up on

Group Concerns

* Sat Night live is back in full swing. All service positions are filled and regular attendance of 15-25 people. A suggestion was made to change wording to not sound so desperate as “in need of addict support” to “in need of experienced members” and it has been working.

## Open Forum

* If you have things in need of going into storage let Meredith know and she will gladly accommodate you.
* Environmental Scan survey is out for service body Delegates for the October Regional Service Committee meeting in Leominster. The survey ends November 2023. It is to be filled out as an input all together by RCM for service body. To create focus workgroups.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/23-24_environmental_scan>

Groups: Please answer questions 1-4 and the GSR will relay the answers to our RCM at Area

* Events for smaller holidays or smaller groups that don’t have places to go (fathers day, mothers day, labor day, etc.) Instead of adhocing every holiday, will gain feedback on the idea such as interest and adding it to narcathon policy.
* Getting additional costs to Area on sending 2 additional people to Northeast State Service Symposium

## New Business

* Talking to Asst Treasurer regarding a special election.

## Motions to Groups

ILS,

Alyssa T.