



Reading - Berks Intergroup

Meeting Minutes of 27 February 2024

The meeting came to order. We recited the Serenity Prayer. Alt Chairperson Read Tradition #2.

“For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.”

New Representatives:

Chair's Report –Kay. (Contact: Chairperson@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

1. Attended NERAASA in Hershey – 1315 attendees. Conference for the NE region of AA (Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont which includes 18 areas (we are Area 59); 13,000 groups; 340,000 members
2. District officers at large will be giving a more comprehensive overview of the conference.
3. I attended and represented Reading Berks Intergroup for 2 sessions at around table discussion.
4. Topics discussed were:
 - > how to reach “dark” groups (groups that do not send an IGR)
 - > cost and efficiency of our hotlines
 - > how to determine if only eligible voters are voting on motions on the floor
 - > having a “share” day with our districts to work together and minimize redundancy in our service efforts (PCP/PI, Bridging the Gap, Corrections, etc)
 - > methods and equipment to have hybrid intergroup meetings
5. Ideas for “fun-raisers” and Unity: gratitude dinner or serenity breakfast with silent auction, workshops, Bingo, Old Timer Speaker Event, Burn Your Resentments Bonfire, Fourth of July Fireworks, Sobriety Skit/puppet show, Sober Splash (ocean, pool party, lake, etc), trip to GSO or Founders Day, dance or Gala with local art and artisan silent auction.
6. Have an RBI YPAA liaison (Young People’s AA)
7. I just got home 2 days ago, and I will be considering these ideas and how they may impact us going forward. More will be revealed.
8. Also – had new or refresher RBI training today. Do we need another?

Alt. Chair's Report – Dave (Contact: Alt-Chair@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Completed changes to the RBI structure manual. It will be distributed next month so that the groups can review and provide feedback on the changes.

Secretary's Report – Gregg G (Notes to: Secretary@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Minutes were emailed out after last month’s meetings, paper copies here tonight. Report accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report – Tammy G. (contact: Treasurer@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Donations will go into the General fund unless otherwise designated.

If using the Cash App or Venmo that can only be used for the General fund. Donations for other funds must be sent by check and marked of the fund.

Can use some \$ support in the activities fund for upcoming events. Donations to that fund must be marked for the activities fund.

	Previous Balance	Current Balance
Prudent Reserve	\$3020.00	\$3020.00
General Fund	(515.40)	142.78
Activities Fund	222.50	502.50
Petty Cash	50.40	50.40
Workshop / Convention Fund	223.26	223.26

A motion was passed unanimously to accept the Treasurer’s report. You may send donations here: P.O. Box 12157 Reading PA 19612

Service Position Reports

Institutions – Mark (Email: Institutions@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

March commitments filled. March listed below. You can email Mark at Institutions@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org and reserve your groups commitments in advance of the RBI meeting.

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
Wernersville	Teen Challenge Women	Haven	Teen Challenge Men	Haven
6:45 PM	7:00 PM	7:30 PM	7:00 PM	7:30 PM
Apr 8, 15, 22, 29	Apr 9, 16, 23, 30	Apr 10, 17, 24, May 1	Apr 11, 18, 25, May 2	Apr 12, 19, 26, May 3

You can scan this QR code to link to see which commitments are still available.



Hotline – Bill (contact: Hotline@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

January 24, 2024 to February 27, 2024

Talk-3

Info-16

Hang ups-6

Still looking for Spanish speaking women volunteers.

We currently have 25 women and 26 men volunteers.

Anyone interested in being a Hotline volunteer must have 1 year of sobriety. If interested email Hotline@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org

Schedules – Tim M (contact: Schedules@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Schedules are available here in packs of 10. Tuesday night Albright meeting has closed.

Website – Steve P (Email to: website@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

12th Step page on Website was 6th most visited place on the site

Added some old Alternative newsletters from the 1990's The final Agenda for the GS conference is posted on the RBI site

You can update information about your meeting by following the links at the bottom of the screen on the meeting app for that meeting.

Archives – Vacant (Email: Archives@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Still A vacant position

Literature – Bill C. To order online Literature@readingberksintergroup.org

No Report- Inventory will be emailed out with meeting minutes

Committee Chairpersons Reports

Alternative – Stu (Contact: mailto:Alternative@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Alternative newsletters are available at this meeting and will be emailed out with the meeting minutes.

Unity – Jen. (Contact: Unity@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Meditation and mindfulness Skills session near the end of April finalized date and time TBD. Still looking for a church to hold the event.

Will soon begin planning for the picnic which we hope to have in June this year.

Corrections

Men's – Robbie K (Email: Mensprison@readingberksintergroup.org)

All is well. Meeting every Thursday. Accepting applications to get approved for this work. Then you can attend the training which is good for 1 year. We have 5 regulars and 3 applications in process. You can get the applications on the RBI site.

Women's – Susan W. (via: WomensPrison@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Feb, May, Aug, and Nov there will be training. Applications for training need to be submitted.

We are meeting Mondays @ 6:30

Required 1 year sober and two teats out of the prison system.

Bridging the Gap/First Contact–Kent (Contact: BridgingGap@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

calls this month.

Always interested in new volunteers

Visitation – Tim M (Contact: Visitation@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

PI/CPC – Jen P (Contact: PublicInfo@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

Met with rep from Oak Street Health. We provided Literature.

If you know of a location that should have information, please contact Jen and she can provide you the material and you can follow up on that location.

Next month we will be presenting a budget estimate for the work expected this coming year.

District Rep Reports

District 33 – Mike – NERAASA was an awesome event. Area 59 Alt delegate has resigned.

4/27 will have district inventory at Fleetwood @ the Come As you Are Location

GS conference is coming up in NY.

District 66 – Tom – It is important that each group has a GSR. If you don't have one you could miss important information.

Next year NERAASA will be virtual.

We are having a workshop to review GS conference agenda items at St Pete's Church 12:30 -3:30 Wilshire meeting location. March 16th.

District 67 – Kelly

We had some recent visitors presenters @ district 67 to discuss their work of PI/CPC.

Grapevine subscriptions are going up in price April 15th

District 67 revised their Structure manual, and it was approved

Other Important notes to share with your home groups:

We need donations for the activities fund to support new activities

Meeting information updates can be shared with IG Website by clicking on the icons at the bottom of the page for you meeting on the meeting guide app.

Grapevine subscription price is increasing 4/15

Commitments are going fast. If your group wants a commitment, please look on the website and let Mark know what you want

Group GSR should be providing information to your homegroup. If you do not have a GSR please consider electing one.

Old Business

Looking for Archives chair-- Nomination for Shirley for Archives position. Made and approved

New Business

Shirley is the Archives chair.

Next Intergroup Meeting: 26 March 2024 @ 7pm