



Reading - Berks Intergroup

Meeting Minutes of 22 October 2024

The meeting came to order. We recited the Serenity Prayer. Alt Chairperson Read Tradition #9

“Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.”

New Representatives: Kate (Happy Hour) Larry (Walnut St) Dennis (8:15) and Beth (Saturday Morning Women).

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

- EPGSA 11/8-10/24
- Plain language big book available 11/1/24, \$11.00. Approved at 74th GSC April 2024.
- RBI elections for January 2025, two year terms, will be in November. Kay will be rotating out of Chairperson Position for 2025-2027.

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

- Dave will be rotating out of Alternate Chair Position for 2025-2027.
- Helping Kay, nothing to add.

Secretary's Report – Zach L (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 – Gregg 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	\$1450.17	\$2363.05
Activities Fund	\$246.56	\$540.47
Petty Cash	\$50.40	\$50.40
Workshop / Convention Fund	\$223.26	\$223.26

You may send donations here: *P.O. Box 12157 Reading PA 19612*

-+ \$1308.50 Group donations. Upcoming -\$430 rent and -\$1700 insurance.

-Motion to accept treasurers report was made and approved unanimously.

Service Position Reports

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

- If you cannot meet a commitment that you took, please notify Mark. If it is a same day cancellation, please call the location.
- You can email Mark at Institutions@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org and reserve your groups commitments in advance of the RBI meeting.
- Women’s Teen Challenge commitments available.
- December commitments listed online now.

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



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

- Start: September 24, 2024
End: October 22, 2024
Talk: 1
Info: 20
Hang Up: 4
- Still looking for Women Spanish speaking volunteers
- Anyone interested in being a Hotline volunteer must have 1 year of sobriety. If interested email Hotline@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org
- Bill will be stepping down at the end of this term.

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

- 4th quarter schedules printed
- 2 new meetings added

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

- Absent

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

- Larry nominated and elected archive chair.

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

- New IGR packets available.
- Updated literature list printed here at the meeting, and attached to the meeting minutes.
- Ordering 48 copies of plain language Big book, 22 copies spoken for.
- Bill will rotate out if someone wants to take literature.

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.
- Stu will rotate out if someone wants to take Alternative newsletter.

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

- Tim M agreed to organize Alcoho-than, with volunteers.

Corrections

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

- Thursday meetings, looking for volunteers, 11/14/24 training, Robbie has application and can be found on RBI website.
- Meetings attended well.

Women's –Lorraine B (via: WomensPrison@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

- ¾ weeks attended.
- Application on RBI website. Orientation in November for new volunteers.
- Looking to change meetings from Monday to Wednesday.
- Meetings well attended by interested and engaged inmates.

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

- Looking for volunteers.
- Kent rotating out at end of term.
- Applications on Area59.com, "Bridging the Gap," "Guide," "Application."
- Area59 calendar has zoom meetings 4th Thursdays 730pm for all "Bridging the Gap" participants.

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

- Caught up on women's meetings.

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

- Looking for volunteers at schools.
- Have extra wristbands.
- Jen and Bill will be rotating out at the end of the year.
- Kutztown University Health Epo 10/31/24
- Reach out if you are interested in attending as an AA rep at an event where PI/CPC will be. Please let Jen know.

District Rep Reports

District 33 –Mike-

- EPGSA 11/8-10/24 Voting 8:45 am Saturday.
- Grapevine cost increase.
- Orientation for new GSR 1/18/25.
- Leesport Chili cook-off, Dean R winner.
- Night out 11/12/24 @ Bottom of the BarrelGroup.

District 66 – Tom-

- Held elections
- 12/8/24 Area Business Meeting

District 67 – Kelly

Ad-Hoc Finance – Bob

- Final report emailed out.
- Motion made to seek only liability coverage eliminating "ESO and Sexual Harassment." Passed 25:1.
- Motion made; Dave(Alt Chair) to get quote from EHD, compare to quote in report, and move forward with coverage if cheaper without major changes to other liability coverage. Passed 22:1.

Other Important notes to share with your home groups:

- Elections for RBI in November
- Need volunteers for women's prison
- Need volunteers for Bridging the Gap
- Need volunteers for men's prison
- Next term has multiple vacant chair positions, must be present for election and an AA member to serve.

Old Business

- Motion passed for 20 copies of "Sure Beats Sitting In A Cell," for Men's Correction Committee
- Unity committee chair tabled until 10/22/24

New Business

- No volunteers for Unity chair, volunteers committed to organizing Alchoh-than.
- RBI voted to drop ESO and sexual harassment coverage. Also, voted to enroll in another Liability coverage provider pending cost and any changes to liability coverage. Dictated in final Ad-Hoc report

Next Intergroup Meeting: 22 October 2024 @ 7pm