



# Reading - Berks Intergroup

## Meeting Minutes of 25 Febuary 2025

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: Shay (Walnut St,) Deb, and Mike

Visitors:

**Chair's Report** –Gregg G (Contact: [Chairperson@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto:Chairperson@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org) )

- Nothing new to report

**Alt. Chair's Report** – Mike L (Contact: [Alt-Chair@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto:Alt-Chair@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org) )

- “Share Day” information likely to follow after quarterly budget passes

**Secretary's Report** – Zach L (Notes to: [Secretary@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto:Secretary@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org) )

- Minutes were emailed out after last month’s meetings, emailed today, and paper copies here tonight.
- Feb minutes will be emailed out and attendance sheet updated

Report accepted as submitted.

**Treasurer's Report** – Kay (contact: [Treasurer@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto: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               | \$2800.80        | \$3183.14       |
| Activities Fund            | \$849.47         | \$679.85        |
| 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*

- Both Jan and Feb reports accepted as submitted.

### Service Position Reports

**Institutions** – Mark (Email: [Institutions@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto: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](mailto:Institutions@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org) and reserve your groups commitments in advance of the RBI meeting.
- March commitments remaining reviewed to be taken by home groups.
- Requirements per facilities; 1yr of sobriety and have worked the steps with a sponsor.

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



**Hotline** – Trent B (contact: [Hotline@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto:Hotline@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org))

- Start: Jan 27, 202
- End: Feb 25, 2025
  - o Talk: 2
  - Information: 5
  - Hang Up: 11
- 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](mailto:Hotline@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)
- Will bring business cards next month for institution, correction, and community commitments.

**Schedules** – Tim M (contact: [Schedules@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto:Schedules@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org))

- Absent
- 1<sup>st</sup> quarter issued December at RBI business meeting

**Website** – Sam (Email to: [website@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto:website@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org))

- Absent

**Archives** – Robert P (Email: [Archives@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto:Archives@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org) )

- Reviewing contents of archives bins
- “Fun Fact;” Marty Mann, author of “Women suffer too,” spoke in Reading February 1947. She spoke to her desire to eliminate the stigma and ignorance regarding alcoholism and to encourage the "disease model" which viewed it as a medical/psychological problem, not a moral failing.

**Literature** – Bill C. To order online ( [Literature@readingberksintergroup.org](mailto:Literature@readingberksintergroup.org) )

- New IGR packets available.
- “Plain language” big book available.
- Updated literature list printed here at the meeting and attached to the meeting minutes.

## **Committee Chairpersons Reports**

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

- Alternative newsletters are available at this meeting.

**Unity** –Matt (Contact: [Unity@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto:Unity@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org))

- Nothing to report.

**Corrections**

**Men's** – Robbie K called report to Mike L (Email: [Mensprison@readingberksintergroup.org](mailto:Mensprison@readingberksintergroup.org))

- 5/8 next 90-minute training, badges are good for 12 months.
- New applications for 2025
- Thursday meetings, looking for volunteers, Robbie has applications.
- Meetings attended well and looking into having a Big book study.

**Women's** –Lorraine W (via: [WomensPrison@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto:WomensPrison@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org))

- 2 new women, up to 4..
- Application on RBI website.
- Meet on Mondays.
- Meetings well attended by interested and engaged inmates. Limited to 15.
- Brought in Grapevine Magazines to facility.

**Bridging the Gap/First Contact**– Chris O (Contact: [BridgingGap@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto:BridgingGap@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org))

- No requests this month.
- Looking for volunteers.
- Applications on Area59.com, “Bridging the Gap,” “Guide,” “Application.”
- Area59 calendar has zoom meetings 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays 730pm for all “Bridging the Gap” participants.

**Visitation** – Tim M (Contact: [Visitation@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto:Visitation@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org))

- Absent

**PI/CPC** – Larry (Contact: [PublicInfo@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org](mailto:PublicInfo@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org))

- Absent
- Looking for volunteers. **Needs help.**

**District Rep Reports**

**District 33** –Stu-

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**District 66** – Tom-

**District 67** – Tony

- Preconference sharing session, D67 meeting 4/12/25 @ St Paul’s UCC Douglasville, flyer here at meeting, attached to minutes and posted on Area website.
- An Open Letter To Health Care Professionals, that allows them to refer individuals to AA. Phone number to be changed to local hotline, added to RBI website, and copy attached to minutes. Steve Schmidt generated and presented at the SEPIA/Area 59 Share-A-Day. The letter is in English and Spanish.

**Other Important notes to share with your home groups:**

PI/CPC needs help.

RBI orientation 6pm 3/25/25

**Old Business**

- Motion made to add a link to “Hoover Home” to RBI website. Failed unanimously.
- Motion to form Ad-Hoc Archives committee. Passed unanimously.
- 2/15 8pm Pancakes Leesport 930pm speaker.

**New Business**

- Signup for RBI orientation 6pm 3/25/25 prior to business meeting.

***Next Intergroup Meeting: 25 March 2025 @ 7pm***