



Reading - Berks Intergroup

Meeting Minutes of 27 May 2025

The meeting came to order. We recited the Serenity Prayer. Alt Chairperson Read Tradition # 5.

“Each group has but one primary purpose- to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers.”

New Representatives: Kirk S (Hilltop Alt-Rep) Al (Walnut St Alt-Rep) Jim M (Time to Start Living Alt-Rep)

Visitors: Gabriel M

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

- Nothing to report

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

- Nothing to report, no word from Area about “Share Day”.

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

- April minutes were emailed out after last month's meetings, emailed yesterday, and paper copies here tonight.
- May minutes will be emailed out and attendance sheet updated later this week.
- Please initial sign-in sheet, write in changes, and contact data updated after business meeting.

Report accepted as submitted.

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

- Donations will go into the General fund unless otherwise designated.
- 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	\$2000.00
General Fund (minus PR)	\$4061.77	\$4798.65
Activities Fund	\$779.85	\$929.85
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**

- Unable to add Vemo or Cash App.
- Since 2019 RBI is income tax exempt, but not exempt from sales tax.
- Reviewed worksheet of first quarter expenses described in page 9 of structure manual. Projected evidence to lower prudent reserve.
- Suggested combining funds, Ad-Hoc
- Language of the Heart Convention, Kate has information
- May report accepted as submitted.

Service Position Reports

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

- If you cannot meet a commitment that you took, please notify Mark. If it is the 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.
- June commitments remaining reviewed Women's Teen Challenge Tues night available.

-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)

- Start: April 22, 2025
- End: May 27, 2025
 - o Talk: 2
 - Information: 10
 - Hang Up: 6
- Looking for Men and Women Spanish speaking volunteers.
- Anyone interested in being a Hotline volunteer must have 1 year of sobriety. If interested email Hotline@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org
- Found more Business cards, brought to meeting. Did not purchase more.

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

- This quarter schedules printed in March, copies available here tonight at May meeting.
- June will publish third quarter, please notify Tim of changes by June 15th.

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

- No issues with website.
- Formatting Archives to be uploaded.

Archives – Robert P (Email: Archives@ReadingBerksIntergroup.org)

- Walnut St history reviewing, and Karen to be visited.
- “Fun Fact;” First Alateen Group met in Reading May 1st, 1968.

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

- Books in the car!
- 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, will be included with minutes.

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

- Absent

Corrections

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

- Absent
- 8/14 are next 90-minute training, badges are good for 12 months. Thursday meetings.
- New applications for 2025, see Robbie. Do not use application unless clearly marked for 2025.

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

- 6 fulltime participants, Monday meetings (Memorial Day no meeting d/t CO staffing). Application on RBI website.
- Spoke to Jessica (Treatment Coordinator) about bringing more literature.

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

- 0 requests this month. Nothing to report.
- Looking for volunteers.
- 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)

- One female volunteer is visiting women groups that left Atonement to speak, scripted, on behalf of RBI. Seeking another to assist.

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

- Gabriel M volunteered, nominated by a rep, and elected to position unanimously.
- Chair will contact Jen for guidance. Looking for volunteers.

District Rep Reports

District 33 –Stu-

- District night out at Come As You Are picnic 5/25.

District 66 – Tom-

- Area 59; 12-12-12 (Add concepts) passed with simple majority, will be reviewed.
- Fall workshop brewing.

District 67 – Tony

- Absent

Ad-Hoc RBI Workshop Tim M (Contact: tmcguirk@ptd.net)

Ad-Hoc RBI Picnic Forrest R (Contact: forreslakeman@gmail.com)

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Other Important notes to share with your home groups:

- What is group conscious on moving Petty cash and Workshop/ Convention Funds to General or Activites, to eliminate these unused and unchanged accounts?
- Ad-Hoc for RBI picnic looking for volunteers, see Forrest R (Advent Men’s). Looking to avoid conflicting with other homegroup picnics
- Ad-Hoc for Step workshop/ Speaker Jam looking for volunteers, see Tim M (Great Fact).
- PI/CPC and Unity committees need help, new Chair Gabriel M.
- What Institution commitments can be taken by homegroup.
- Hotline needs men and women Spanish speaking committee members. -6 month sobriety-

Old Business

- Motion passed to purchase 1000 business cards for Hotline <\$60. *More existing business cards found, did not purchase more*
- Continued discussion of accumulating funds, some ideas presented; Stepping Stones, Literature to Corrections, hosting conference, activity dance and trivia. **No motions were made.** Corrections will report literature needs once reviewed.
- Underground Garage added a Big Book Study prior to Sunday meeting @5:30 pm

New Business

- Motion passed to modify prudent reserve to \$2000.00 and update structure manual, including current expenses and reserve.
- Motion passed to create Ad-Hoc for RBI picnic.
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- Freedom from Bondage is adding BB meeting starting 6/5 @6:30 in the Church of Brethren. Picnic 7/20 4pm N. Stoltzfus Homstead.
- Leesport Group Celebrating 43 years 6/21 8pm Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity.
- Happy Hour picnic 8/23 (tentative)
- 8:15 Group picnic TBD.

Next Intergroup Meeting: 24 June 2025 @ 7pm