

District 20 – Monthly Business Meeting Minutes

Date: *November 3, 2025*

Time: 7:00 PM EST

Meeting ID: **898 7335 5689** Passcode: **District20**

North Andover Senior Center

481 Sutton St, North Andover, MA 01845

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1. Opening

- Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer.
 - Attendance taken.
 - Prior month's minutes reviewed.
 - **Motion to accept minutes:** Passed unanimously.
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2. Officer & Committee Reports

Alt DCM Report

- Checked in on local alkathons:
 - **Salisbury** confirmed for Thanksgiving.
 - **St. Lucy's** hosting their annual Thanksgiving Alkathon.
 - **Christmas alkathon** at the other location (Diana's) still uncertain; decisions pending.
- Shared information about the **State Convention**:
 - Mostly speaker meetings, not workshop-focused.
 - Strong educational value; large meeting rooms (~500 people).
 - Evening speakers are always a highlight.

- **Day pass** currently **\$35 online** (subject to increase at the door).
- Service manuals (new green editions) are available; area usually donates 50 copies.

Motion to accept report: Passed.

Treasurer's Report

- **Beginning balance:** \$2,269.39
- **Minus prudent reserve:** \$1,200 → leaves **\$1,069.39 available**
- **PO Box renewal:** \$117 (6 months)
- **Halloween dance deposit:** \$607 (mix of door + checks)
- **Eventbrite auto-deposit:** \$212.73
- **DJ payment:** \$300
- **Outcome:** District *spent* about **\$150** on the dance (considered money spent, not "lost").
- Discussion: District rarely makes money on events and shouldn't aim to profit.

Upcoming expense: January rent — \$300 for six months.

Motion to accept report: Passed unanimously.

Functions Committee

- **New Year's Eve Event:**
 - Location: Sand Lot (same as last year)
 - Cost: free to use
 - Proposed schedule:
 - **7–8 PM:** Potluck & fellowship
 - **8–10 PM:** Bonfire meeting
 - Minimum of five people needed; **6+ raised hands** — event approved.
 - **Action:**
 - Eldin will create a flyer.
 - The chair will contact Central Service to list it in announcements.

Halloween Dance Recap: Covered fully earlier; no additional discussion required.

Motion to accept report: Passed.

PI/CPC Report

- Reached out to various **local libraries** regarding carrying the **Plain Language Big Book**.
- Boston Public Library obtained multiple copies; smaller towns may require assistance.
- If a library agrees to catalog it but lacks funds, District may help supply copies.
- District has ~\$75 in PI/CPC funds that have never been used.

Motion to accept report: Passed unanimously.

Grapevine Report

- Representative continues distributing Grapevine magazines in meetings and rehabs.
- Encouraging members to download:
 - **Grapevine app**
 - **Grapevine podcast** (new episodes Mondays)
 - Daily quotes
- Monthly Grapevine meeting this Wednesday at 7 PM.
- Discussion on **bringing Grapevines into correctional facilities**:
 - Inmates often appreciate Grapevine issues more than Big Books.
 - Need updated contact at the jail since the previous coordinator passed away.
 - Members will help connect the representative with current corrections contacts.

Motion to accept report: Passed.

Website Report

- Recovering from surgery; limited updates this month.
- Will correct page with wrong meeting time.
- Will remove expired Halloween flyer.
- Expressed willingness to post New Year's Eve flyer once received.
- Shared contact information for easier updates.

Motion to accept report: Passed.

3. Old Business

Halloween Dance

- Already covered earlier in meeting during Treasurer and Functions reports.
 - No further old business.
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4. New Business

4.1 Functions Chair Position

- Current Functions Chair unable to fulfill the position due to personal obligations and transportation issues.
- Position officially considered **vacant** and open for rotation.
- The district encourages members—especially women—to stand for service.

4.2 Alkathons

- Thanksgiving: St. Lucy's & Salisbury confirmed.
- Christmas & New Year's to be reviewed next month.
- District members may sign up to take speaker commitments (especially overnight slots).

4.3 Area 30 Newsletter & Treatment Platform

- The secretary shared that Area 30 has:
 - A **newsletter sign-up**
 - A centralized **treatment commitment platform** at:
area30treatment.org
 - The district discussed posting the newsletter link on its website for members.
 - A shared **Google Drive folder** is being created to organize district documents, flyers, and minutes.
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5. Closing

- Motion to adjourn: Passed.
- Meeting closed with:
 - Responsibility Statement
 - Lord's Prayer

