

History of Area 30 Website

Date	Description
October 1999	A.A. member of Brockton Sunday Morning Group in District 6 reserves domain names aaemass.org and aamass.org .
August 2002	<p>Ad-Hoc Area 30 Web Site Opportunity formed with the following purpose and scope.</p> <p>Purpose - To investigate and report on the usefulness of an Area 30 website. Scope - Perform research, gather data, and consider format, both technical and financial, on tasks and steps required to facilitate and maintain an Area 30 website.</p>
October 2002	Final report of Area 30 Web Site Opportunity Ad-Hoc presented (including a final draft of the website) and accepted to bring back to groups through districts and committee's. To be presented under new business at January 2003 Kick-Off Assembly.
January 2003	<p>Final report presented (including a final draft of the website) and adoption of the drafted Area 30 Web Site unanimously approved by the voting members of the fellowship present at the Area 30 Kick-Off Assembly.</p> <p>The Final Report includes "the committee proposes that an area website would be useful as a communications vehicle in three areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To carry the AA message to the alcoholic who still suffers, to professionals and the general public, and to members of the fellowship. 2. To serve as a communications tool within Area 30 by providing information about area activities and events. 3. To further general service participation within the fellowship by serving as an exchange of information about opportunities for involvement in area activities. "
January – February 2003	<p>As a result of the area adopting the website the following was able to simultaneously occur:</p> <p>Website drafted by ad-hoc committee goes live with url of http://www.aaemass.org and includes pages for general information, calendar, area and district contacts, e-mail addresses for area officers, conference and standing committees, link to Area 30 site from www.aa.org and guidelines for the website.</p>
January 2003	<p>Second ad-hoc committee created with the title of Area 30 Web Site Ad-Hoc Committee with a scope and purpose of:</p> <p>To adopt (i.e. implement) recommendations from the ad hoc committee final report, as unanimously accepted at our January 12, 2003 Kick-Off Assembly, including but not limited to:</p> <p>Continuing to perform research, gather data, and consider format (both technical and financial), on tasks and steps required to facilitate and maintain the Area 30 Web Site, and developing a recommendation on the future maintenance of the Website.</p>
February 2003 – May 2004	Ad-hoc committee met once face to face and nine times in a private Yahoo group to perform its work. Much committee work was accomplished by the members. The committee considered many items, closely keeping in mind our spiritual principles of anonymity, autonomy and participation. In addition to the experience, strength and hope of the committee work, seven motions were included in the final report presented at the February 25, 2004 area committee meeting and the Area 30 assembly on May 16, 2004. All presented items gained assembly approval and were

	<p>passed with substantial unanimity, most unanimously. Items included a project to have the Area 30 web site available in Spanish in a similar format to AAWS's.</p> <p>The assembly re-affirmed that the Area 30 web site is for area, regional and international events and business. That district events and e-mail addresses be maintained and listed at the district level and that districts be encouraged to develop web sites¹. The assembly also re-affirmed that the Area 30 web site is not to post any documents either in a published or non-published link any pages or documents that include any individual names, phone numbers or e-mail addresses. The assembly also accepted the positions and tasks of Web Site Chair, Web Master, and Postmaster as outlined in the committee guidelines, as well as other committee members.</p>
June 2004 – December 2004	Ad-Hoc committee members implemented items receiving assembly approval including, web page for area docs, document created for meeting info, direct links to locations at www.aa.org and www.aagrapevine.org .

¹ As of December 2004, two districts have web sites and at least two more have formed web site committees.