



A.B.E. Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous

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DATE: Tuesday, November 26, 2024

Chairperson – Kevin M. (chairperson@aalv.org); Rich H. (Vice-Chair)

Secretary – Darlene H. (secretary@aalv.org)

- 31 groups were represented during Roll Call
- The October 2024 Minutes were approved.

Treasurer – Brandon M. and Pam B. (treasurer@aalv.org)

- The proposed 2025 budget was presented and discussed. The 2025 budget will be voted on at the January meeting.
- Group contributions are down significantly (\$4,000) from last year. The possible continuation of this trend will be reflected in the 2025 budget, mostly in the Public Information and Unity committee budgets. It is requested that groups make their contributions prior to the end of the calendar year if possible. Contributions were \$18,000 in 2022, \$21,000 in 2023 and only \$17,000 this year.
- The October Treasurer's Report was approved as submitted.
- Mike (Tatamy) requested a sheet that compares the 2024 and 2025 budgets. Brandon and Pam noted that it could be prepared and sent out.

Bookstore – Lois (bookstore@aalv.org)

- Plain language books are available at the bookstore and going fast.
- The bookstore will be closed on both Christmas eve and New Year's eve.

Unity – Dawson N. (unity@aalv.org)

- Dawson continues to work on New Year's Eve party with LVYPAA. 96 tickets have already been sold. There will only be 150 total tickets available. Tickets are available online through Paypal or at the bookstore.
- Val is collecting gift baskets for the New Year's Eve party to be raffled. Proceeds will go to LVYPAA.
- Operation Road Trip continues. Volunteers are needed and a flyer is available. Dawson visited 2 additional new meetings this past month.
- The Unity Committee will be sponsoring food at 2 different meetings in 2025 to provide a greater opportunity for fellowship among reps. The first dinner will be at the January IG meeting. Come early (6:15).
- LVYPAA is holding a variety of events to fundraise for an upcoming Young People's conference. Flyers for upcoming events will be on the aalv.org website.

Schedules – John D. (schedules@aalv.org)

- Printed schedules can be picked up at the bookstore.
- It is recommended that members check the online schedule for meeting cancellations due to the holidays.
- Forward John flyers of any holiday events and he will include them on the website.

Public Information – Deb Z. (publicinfo@aalv.org)

- Deb can always use additional committee volunteers.
- ViaMedia responses are high.



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- Brandon suggested researching Instagram or other social media for ads to bring down advertising costs. A volunteer will be needed to conduct that research.

Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) – Tom C. (institutions@aalv.org)

- No report this month.

Telephone Hotline – Staten Island Bobby. (telephone@aalv.org)

- Grasshopper has been working well as the new service provider at a cost of \$40/month.
- 15 new volunteers joined the hotline this past month. There is still a need for female volunteers.
- Bobby asked that reps return to him the sign up sheets from the flyers with any new volunteers. He will reach out to them.

District 37 Jared (d37adcm@gmail.com) No report

District 57 – Mac E, (district57@aalv.org) No report

Old Business

- Reps discussed whether IG should continue the current \$200 contribution per month to GSO in NY since Intergroup just made a \$2,500 contribution. The majority of representatives agreed that the monthly contribution should be discontinued at this point.

New Business

- The Easton Spring Garden group in Easton is starting up again. They will be sending a representative in the future. It is a 7:30 Thursday meeting.

Meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting – November 26, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

Thank you for your service!

ABE Intergroup Steering Committee