



# A.B.E. InterGroup of Alcoholics Anonymous

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**DATE: Tuesday, April 21, 2025**

**Chairperson** – Kevin M. ([chairperson@aalv.org](mailto:chairperson@aalv.org)) called the meeting to order.

**Secretary** – Darlene H. ([secretary@aalv.org](mailto:secretary@aalv.org))

- 25 groups were represented during Roll Call
- The April 2025 meeting Minutes were approved.

**Treasurer** – Brandon M. ([treasurer@aalv.org](mailto:treasurer@aalv.org))

- Brandon presented the financial report for March 2025. The report was approved as submitted.
- The ABE InterGroup tax forms are filed for the year. The payment to the accountant is reflected in the financial report.
- The amount of recommended prudent reserve has gone up because of rising prices and costs. The increase in prudent reserve is reflected in the financial report.

**Bookstore** – Lois ([bookstore@aalv.org](mailto:bookstore@aalv.org))

- Lois noted that the Bookstore is still very busy and items sell quickly. She will be placing another large order soon.
- New volunteers would be appreciated and training is provided for those that are interested.

**Unity** – Dawson N. ([unity@aalv.org](mailto:unity@aalv.org))

- Dawson said he continues outreach to meetings that do not have InterGroup representation. He can always use assistance with this effort.
- LVYPAA committee is also looking for additional volunteers to host the upcoming PA Young People's conference in the Lehigh Valley.

**Schedules** – John D. ([schedules@aalv.org](mailto:schedules@aalv.org))

- John distributed newly updated schedules.
- He reminded representatives to contact him as early as possible if a meeting is to be cancelled or changed so that all revisions can be updated on the computer as soon as possible. Any schedule changes should be sent to [schedules@aalv.org](mailto:schedules@aalv.org)

**Public Information** – Deb Z. ([publicinfo@aalv.org](mailto:publicinfo@aalv.org))

- Deb noted that a new round of PSA's will start in May.
- She distributed a copy of the InterGroup By-laws to each representative. She also distributed some Guidelines from AA General Service Office so that representatives would be aware of where the messages come from for our PSA's. All of the PSA's come from the GSO office and are AA approved.

**Hospitals & Institutions (H&I)** – Tom C. ([institutions@aalv.org](mailto:institutions@aalv.org))

- Tom reported that Victory House on Fillmore Street in south Bethlehem will be hosting new meetings, but more volunteers are needed to chair them. Meetings will be held on Tuesdays and Fridays at 7PM and Sundays at 11. Victory House is a men's facility. Reach out to Tom if you are interested.

**Telephone Hotline** – Bobby. ([telephone@aalv.org](mailto:telephone@aalv.org))

- Bobby asked that all cancelled meetings (due to a holiday or some other interruption) should be reported to the schedules committee as soon there is awareness of the cancellation. He noted



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that at least four meetings were cancelled during the Easter holiday. Unfortunately, the cancellations were not reported to the schedules committee in advance and, therefore, not posted on the website. When callers reached out to the Hotline looking for meetings during the holiday, it became clear that at least 4 callers were unintentionally sent to meetings that were cancelled. Alcoholics that volunteer on the Hotline reference the website when giving recommendations about meetings. It is important that the Hotline volunteers have updated information when providing information to callers in need.

## **District 37 Fred** ([d37adcm@gmail.com](mailto:d37adcm@gmail.com))

- Fred reported that District 37 is planning an October workshop.

## **District 57 – Janis** ([district57@aalv.org](mailto:district57@aalv.org))

- Janis encouraged groups to send a GSR representative to meetings if they do not do so already.

## **Old Business**

- None.

## **New Business**

- Kevin reminded IG reps that all four officer positions (chair, vice chair, treasurer and secretary), along with the Unity and Schedules chairs will be elected at the June meeting. The new terms will start at the July meeting. These are 2 year commitments.

## **Commercials**

- Bob mentioned that on May 24 (from noon to 3) there will be a workshop at 81 E North Street in Bethlehem (where 9<sup>th</sup> Tradition meets) where a panel will discuss the history of the Young People's conference.
- The Sober Tent at Musikfest will be sponsored by a local nonprofit. More details will be available at upcoming meetings.
- The next Serendipity Breakfast will be held on May 24 at 8:30. Tickets are selling fast.

Kevin adjourned the meeting at 8:30PM.

The next meeting – May 27, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.

Thank you for your service!

**ABE Intergroup Steering Committee**