

# A.B.E. Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous

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DATE: Tuesday, May 27, 2025

**Chairperson** – Kevin M. (<u>chairperson@aalv.org</u>) called the meeting to order.

## Secretary - Darlene H. (secretary@aalv.org)

- 25 groups were represented during Roll Call.
- The May 2025 meeting Minutes were approved with no changes.

## Treasurer – Brandon M. (treasurer@aalv.org)

- Brandon presented the financial report from the prior month. The report has a new format now because it is being printed directly from QuickBooks for simplicity. Brandon reviewed the new report format.
- The expenditures are in keeping with projected expenses for this time of year, however contributions are below the projected amount at this time.
- The report was approved as submitted.

### Bookstore - Lois (bookstore@aalv.org)

- Lois noted that the Bookstore is running well and items are selling quickly. She is currently working on simplifying the paperwork process for record keeping purposes.
- Spanish languabe books will be distributed to hospital emergency rooms to assist the Warm HandOff program.
- New volunteers would be appreciated and training is provided for those who are interested.

#### Unity – Dawson N. (unity@aalv.org)

- Dawson explained to representatives what LVYPAA (Lehigh Valley Young People in AA) is. The LVYPAA committee is scheduling several events to promote the selection of the Lehigh Valley to host the Young People's conference in an upcoming year. A barbeque and dance will be held on July 26. Flyers will be available on the AALV.org website.

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

- Current paper schedules are available for distribution. John requests that representatives only take what they need since only a small amount are printed.
- Flyers for many summer events are on the aalv website.

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

- No report.

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

- Tom reported that Victory House meetings are up and running on Tuesdays. He still needs people for the Friday meetings.
- Both the Northampton and Lehigh county jails have been difficult to reach or unresponsive lately. Tom asked reps if they have any contact information for those facilities. He May also make a trip to the facilities to introduce himself.
- Beginner packets have been assembled for distribution at the prison facilities. He thanked the volunteers that helped to assemble these packets.

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



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Sue reported in Bobby's absence tonight. She 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. She noted that some meetings were cancelled because of Election day. Unfortunately, the cancellations were not reported to the schedules committee in advance and, therefore, not posted on the website. Unfortunately some callers were sent to meeting that were not taking place that day. It is important that the Hotline volunteers have updated information when providing information to callers in need.

## District 37 - Fred (d37adcm@gmail.com)

- Fred reported that District 37 will be holding an October 25 workshop from 9 to 12. The workshop will include 6 speakers and each will speak on one of the AA slogans. Flyers will be available in the near future.

### District 57 – Janis (district57@aalv.org)

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

#### **Old 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.
- Kevin asked if anyone in attendance was willing to take these positions or if there were any nominations for these positions. There were none. Kevin encouraged all representatives to talk at their groups to see if there are interested members at the meetings they attend.

#### **New Business**

- Kevin introduced Alex G., the Alternate Delegate for Area 59, which covers all of Eastern PA. He is also the Intergroup Liaison for Area 59. Alex introduced himself and discussed the importance of service. Area 59 will be holding a Share A Day event on August 17 in Tannersville. More detailed information is available on the Area website, area59aa.org. The next quarterly Share A Day will be in Orangeville outside of Bloomsburg.

Kevin adjourned the meeting at 8:30PM.

The next meeting – June 24, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.

Thank you for your service!

**ABE Intergroup Steering Committee**