

**District 16 Business Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2025 Wednesday**

Roll Call

Reader for Long Form Tradition 7- Terry
Reader for Long Form Concept 7- Penelope

New GSRs

Jeffrey L, new GSR for Hole in the Wall Group
Cindy new Alt-GSR for FridayCentral Point Meeting
Tonia new GSR for Medford Fellowship Group
Caitlin new GSR for Sticks with the Winners Group

No visitors present

Secretary counts eligible voters

Secretary Reports- 20

Secretary Report - August 13, 2025 Minutes
Motion Passed - 14

Treasurer Report:

Motion Passed- 16

Rain M. decided to remain the Alt-Treasurer so a new Treasurer was voted in. John Ford was voted in as our new Treasurer by vote of 18. Our new Treasurer is John Ford effective as of this meeting September 10, 2025.

District 16 Treasurers Report

For: September 10, 2025 Meeting

	General Account	Speaker Meeting	White Can Fund	Total
Beginning Ballance	8,528.71	1,686.92	397.34	10,612.97
Income - Contributions	982.19	208.74	334.57	1,525.50
Expenses	176.27	391.61	0.0	567.88
Ending Balance	\$9,334.63	\$1,504.45	\$731.91	\$11,570.59
Less Prudent Reserve	(1,250.00)			
Total Cash Available	\$8,084.63	\$1,504.05	\$731.91	\$10,320.59

1. DCM - Kathleen

Hello District 16 Friends -

During this past month, District 16 hosted the SOSM/Service Fair on August 23.

The Events and SOSM

Committee Chairs will report on the success of the event. I was unable to attend, but I would like to thank all

District 16 Trusted Servants who worked so hard to put this event on. I would especially like to thank Ken J who manned the DCM table!

A great deal of work and planning is already being put into the next event, TYSTD. The Events Chair has

detailed this information in her report linked to this Agenda, and will also share this tonight.

In reference to updating the District 16 Guidelines, I have received several suggestions from Committee Chairs, and those suggestions will be reviewed by the Committee and a new and updated version of the Manual will be completed before my term ends. Speaking of my term ending, I will be moving on in November. I can only hope (with a Little prayer too), that someone with a service heart will come forward to stand for the DCM position for next term. I'm sure we all know just how important it is for District 16, that we have a candidate willing to stand for this position. The 2026 Budget will be presented for vote at the October meeting. Committee Chair suggested changes have been submitted, and the Treasurer will present the report for vote. Thanks to all for allowing me to be of service to District 16.
Kathleen S
District 16
DCM

2. LDCM-A Vacant Position

3. LDCM-B

District 16 LDCM – Report

Hello – Penelope J here representing as LDCM-B. Nothing much to report, just getting back from vacation and happy to get back to basics. I've been outreaching new GSR's in the Ashland, Medford and Central point regions and looking forward to getting back to making business meetings again. Please reach out to me for any support I can provide to other GSR's or meetings.
Penelope J
541-602-0808
Ldcm-b@medfordareaaa.org

4. LDCM-C Vacant Position

5. LDCM-D Vacant Position

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Access- Vacant Position

Archives- Jennifer

At Meeting no written report

Corrections Facilities Men- Todd

Men's Corrections District 16 AA, August 2025

On 8/13 we had two English and two Spanish speaking men go into the jail, sharing their experience, strength and hope. Six men from the inside attended the meeting with a very positive response.

On 8/23, during the District 16 Service Fair/SOSM, men's corrections were able to recruit four for service into the jail. Now just waiting for their applications to clear.

On 8/27 we had three English and two Spanish speaking men go into the jail sharing their experience, strength and hope. Eight men from the inside attended and once again we had a very positive response with us.

They were also able to bring in Big Books and other AA literature, provided by the "White Can Fund", which was appreciated greatly by the men inside. There was discussion about getting Spanish AA literature into the jail and then for it to be distributed where needed.

August was a good month for men's corrections.

Thank You District 16 for allowing me to be of service

Sincerely

Todd J.

Corrections Facilities Women- Mollie

Not at meeting; no report available

Treatment Facilities- Randy

District 16 Treatment Report

August 30th., 2025

Fresh Start Withdrawal Management, 20 bed detox center, located in Medford has invited AA to bring panels into their facility on Tuesday evening's at 7PM. Attendees have described it as quiet. My last visit; I had two interested men. This is the epitome of "speaking to them while they're still quite shaky".

Women's residential treatment in Medford, "The Reddy House". Allows us to bring panels in on Wednesday's at 1pm and 2nd Sunday of each month at 7pm.

Peg

M leads the Wednesday group and Buffy, the Sunday group.

Men's residential treatment in Medford, "The C. Mason House". Allows us to bring panels in on Wednesday's at 1pm. We have leads for each of 5

Wednesdays

of the month and attendance has been solid as of late.

Area Treatment Committee meets on the first Monday of the month. If interested let me know and I will get the log in information to you.

And to those groups that support taking literature into the Jails and Treatment facilities by way of the "White Can Donations" we say Thank You.

For treatment guidelines go to GSO/Treatment Guidelines (MG-14) or Oregon Area 58 AA Treatment Guidelines or GSO Treatment Workbook.

*****And, next month your DCM will be appointing a new Treatment Chair. I

have exhausted my connections in looking for a replacement-----please, if anybody

is interested or you know of someone interested, contact your DCM or me if you need more information on the position.

Any Questions

Thanks For Allowing Me To Be of Service

Randy

7. SOSM- Laura

September 2025 SOSM Report

Southern Oregon Speaker Meeting Chair Report

Submitted September 10, 2025

Laura S.

Overview:

Upcoming SOSM: Saturday, November 1, 2025 with Todd L., from Aliso Viejo, CA

preceded by a Full District 16 Service Fair

Report:

The August 23 Speaker Meeting was a success. Sue brought a powerful recovery

message of hope as the main speaker and Denise F. also touched us with the Language of the Heart. Raffle ticket sales did not keep up the momentum we had begun

to accumulate but our Raffle Ticket team has met to discuss ways to subtly improve

sales. After winnings were given to Holly who won the 50/50, the SOSM takeaway was

\$395. 7 th Tradition was lower as well, coming in at \$171 with no real explanation. \$2

came in from the Zoom audience.

I'd like to thank Terry and her team for putting on an exceptional Ice Cream Social and

Mini Service Fair attracting more members to join in fun and fellowship before the Speaker Meeting.

As mentioned in my August Report, expenses will be a bit higher for the next speaker

meeting with the speakers staying in hotels, but rest assured, I've negotiated a great

rate. This will be offset with the February and June speakers being guests at my home. I

was able to get a great bargain on the flight for our February speaker and already purchased that.

As usual, I am asking the District Committee Members and GSRs to spread the word. I

have attached a flyer with this report and it will be in the chat at our District 16 Meeting.

Save the Date: Our next SOSM will be Saturday, February 28, 2026 with Dawn M.,
Laguna Hills, CA.
with deep gratitude and in dedicated service,
Laura S.

8. Events Chair- Terry

9/10/2025 - Events Chair Report - D16 Business Meeting

The Ice Cream social and mini service fair was a great success! Thank you Taylor and Jane for doing such a great job attractively promoting at the GSR table! The hope was to educate and inform members on the interesting and vital works of a group GSR and you did just that! Thank you Todd with Corrections and Congratulations on recruiting more members to attend the men's jail meeting!

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Many times the GSR find themselves interested in standing for other positions at the District and Area level as the next step of our humble obligation to give back what has so freely been given - Service at the District level is that next step on the amazing journey through the Upside Down Triangle. Check into some of the Open positions here and see if you have 20 to 25 hrs per month to invest in helping to serve the community.

2025 - We've Got A Solution - D16 OPEN Service Positions (2).pdf

Our Primary Purpose is to Carry the Message of AA

That is done through:

- (PI) Public Information (taking pamphlets and panels into schools, detention centers, teen and youth crisis centers)
- (CPC) Cooperation with the Professional Community (going to courts, police, probation, judges with information about what AA is and what AA isn't)
- Access (Safety and Inclusion Workshops, Nursing Homes, Hospitals)

- Corrections

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Full Service Fair - November

Prior to the November Speaker Meeting we will be organizing a full Service Fair with all District 16 Positions

being represented. I will be calling on past DCM to help cover positions that are currently OPEN. If you would

like to be a part of organizing this, please reach out to me and we will find the job that suits you!

Remember God doesn't call the qualified, God qualifies the called!

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TYSTD - Take Your Sponsor To Dinner and Guest Speaker - Oct 4th

Reservations are currently being sold and we are expecting to serve up to 150 members. Please let everyone

know how they can purchase Dinner Reservations (see below)

Suggested AA Related Announcements Script

Have you heard about the District 16 Take Your Sponsor To Dinner Event?

Dinners must be purchased by advance reservation only and you will not be able to purchase your dinner at the door.

Reservations for the Oct 4th Lasagna Dinner to celebrate all Sponsors at the Ascension Church on Black Oak

in Medford can be purchased three ways - via Venmo, by mailing in your check or by reaching out to our reservation sellers

To make reservations:

- via Venmo @AADistrict16 - make sure to leave a comment "TYSTD". Include # of reservations &

names for each reservation.

- Mail checks to:

- D16 PO Box 4751 Medford OR 97501

- Make sure to indicate in the memo "TYSTD"

- And include the # of reservations - including names for each reservation.

- Purchase Dinner Reservations from:

- Terry C (Events Chair)

- Sonja N (Events Co-Chair)

- Kathleen S (DCM)
- Penelope J (LDCM-B)
- Laura S (SOSM Chair)
- Randy S (CTF Chair)
- Sherman G (member at large)
- Taylor M (GSR)

FYI only

A spreadsheet will be maintained by the Events Chair and Co-Chair with all names added weekly to our Dinner

Reservations list and a "Hostess" for the evening will check off names at the door.

Dinners are sold by advance reservation only so we can reduce costs and still have plenty for those attending.

This decision means that in order to be more accurate with the food budget there will be no "at the door or day

of purchases" for this event.

We will be relying on all of you to help the fellowship understand this process and information. If you have

questions please follow up with me via text or email. Thank you in advance for your efforts!

What questions do you have?

Terry C. 541-690-2360

events@medfordareaaa.org

9. Grapevine - Vacant Position

10. Technology Chair - Laurie

Technology Committee Chair Report

September 10, 2025

District 16, Rogue Valley, Oregon

I've been learning more about the calendar on our web page. If you have noticed I've posted all the

District events I could find. If I missed something please forward the event flyer and info to me and I'll

get it onto the web page calendar.

I am looking for some committee members to be dedicated to assisting in the web page upkeep and possible re-design. Any one interested in getting involved in the new age of technology in AA can contact me directly at 541-499-2163.

I received the \$100 registration fee for the upcoming NAATW, thank you Kathleen and Rain for helping me with that. I might ask if my co-chair, Mike B. would like to attend to fund his registration fee as well.

In Love and Service,
Laurie Hopkins
Technology Chair, District 16

CO Liaison-Dianna

At Meeting; no report available

Alanon Liaison- Trish not at meeting no report available

GSR Reports

How It Works

Things are going well. The meeting is getting a lot of attendance including the semi-regular appearance of vanloads of treatment center clients. At our most recent business meeting we renewed our discussion around the acoustics in the room and making sure all attendees could hear the speaker and the discussion. We are going to start encouraging everyone to stand when they share, we'll see how that goes. If that turns out to be insufficient we also floated the idea of becoming a podium meeting. Hope it doesn't come to that, it would scare hell out of 3/4 of the group. I guess the group conscience will rule in any event. . .

Thanks for your service!

Chris Thompson

Women of Worth

Our Women of Worth meetings are at 5:30 on Zoom. Tuesday is a speaker and Thursday is a Big Book study. We finished the Plain Language version and have gone back to the 4th Edition, at least until the

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th edition comes out.

Our group sponsors the All 12-Steppers Women's Camp Out. We have a new venue that looks way

better than the last one. More RV spots, better cabins, etc. We have a new Chairperson but we're

looking for a lot of other positions to be filled for next year. If you want to be a part of this exciting

experience please contact me @ 541-499-2163. Our next Zoom Business meeting will be on at 11am

on Zoom, Sunday September 21st .

My alternate GSR, Debbie B. and I are all registered for the Area 58 Assembly in Roseburg next

weekend. We have a room reserved and I am excited to be at an in-person event with y'all.

YILAS,

Laurie Hopkins

laluhop@gmail.com

Women of Worth Medford #000336488

Sticks With the Winners

September 2025 GSR Report

Sticks with the Winners, Ashland

Caitlin F. (New GSR)

Overview:

The meeting's ad hoc committee is continuing to work on our Guidelines.

Report:

We are continuing to improve on our Business Meetings each month.

Currently we are updating our format to help utilize the time we have during the meeting.

Our ad hoc Guidelines Committee meets once a month and we are moving along quite well.

We regularly welcome new women as we are one of the only women's meetings in Ashland.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service. This is my first time as GSR and I look forward to learning and growing together.

Thank you,
Caitlin F.

There is a Solution

John S. was present but did not give written rep

Old Business: none

New Business: none

Motion to Adjourn- made by, Chris seconded by Terry
Motion Passed 16

Meeting Closed at: 7:00pm

- DCM has been made aware during the vote for acceptance of the minutes, treasurers report and the vote for new Treasurer no motion or second was requested.