

District 16 Monthly Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, Jun 10, 2026
In Person and Hybrid Meeting Open to All AA Members

Penelope J opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer. She asked for any June AA birthdays. Carmen K celebrated 50 years of Sobriety on June 7. Cody S, new GSR, is celebrating 2 years of sobriety today. Randy pointed out that today is Alcoholic Anonymous's birthday, Founders Day, with 91 years!

Mae M read the long form of the Tradition of the month and Randy S read the Concept of the month.

Carmen K was acting as host for the hybrid zoom meeting. Penelope asked for any new GSRs. Cody S, online, is the new GSR for the Hole in the Wall group. A count was taken of eligible voters, with 11 present at the in person meeting and initially 4, later 5, at the zoom meeting, for 16 total.

Taylor M made a motion to approve the minutes of last month's meeting, which was seconded by Marci S and approved unanimously.

Randy S gave a presentation on the open Treatment Chair position, as he held this position in the past. He discussed the 3 main treatment facilities that AA meetings are taken into, the Mason House (men), the Ready House (women) (ARC) and the Detox Center (ARC). When Randy was chair, he contacted 35 different treatment facilities to see which ones were interested in help from AA. He mentioned it would be good for the next Treatment Chair to attend the District monthly meetings and give a report each month. There is the White Can Fund to pay for literature to take into treatment facilities. The White Can Fund is no longer a duty of the Treatment Chair, there is a separate White Can committee. Randy expressed that he really enjoyed going into the treatment facilities and being the Chair of this committee. He then asked for questions. Ryan asked which other treatment facilities Randy had contacted. Apparently the VA was contacted in the past but was impossible to work with due to all the regulations and insurance requirements. Some places just asked for literature, not meetings, and that was given. Randy mentioned that we also do not have a PI/CPC chair at this time. Travis asked whether it was the chair's responsibility to get speakers for the meetings that go into the treatment centers. Randy said no, there are AA leads for the different treatment centers that mostly handle this. There is one AA woman who goes every Wednesday to the Ready house, which is how that center wants to do it. The Mason house has a meeting taken in every Wednesday. The Treatment Chair may be called on to get speakers for this if needed. There is a lead who is mostly organizing the speakers for the Mason house. Detox meetings are taken at 7 pm on Tuesday night, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Tuesdays. The AA speaker goes to the Detox Center and the Center checks to see if anyone is interested in the AA meeting. Usually 2 or 3 clients come to the meeting. These meetings are still ongoing, despite the absence of a District Treatment Chair at this time. Randy checks in with the AA leads to see if they need any literature, as he is involved in the White Can Committee. The Treasurer, the Women's and Men's Corrections Chairs, the Treatment Chair and all the leads that go into the facilities are on the White Can Committee. That Committee decides what literature to obtain and distribute.

Penelope gave her report:

District 16 has had a great month of service and fellowship. The events crew put on a fabulous and extremely well attended picnic where Denise got to set up a table and had the chance to share with others about what District 16 does, positions we have open and connect with members from around the area. Though we didn't have a lot of action, we didn't come up short handed as we got a new Access chair out of the exposure. More on that in a few moments.....

We also held an Area 58 watch party at my house. It was a small group, but it lead to great questions and

conversations in shafted understanding about what the information meant and how we could apply it in our district.

Last Sunday's post Delegate was well attended and full of valuable information about everything new coming down the AA information pipeline. Thank you all who came together in making that event happen.

Finally, if you are a GSR interested in attending our next District Assembly in September at Gold Beach but don't have the funds? Now is the time to request a scholarship form as the District may have the funds to help with some of the cost. We'd love to have more members experience an assembly first hand and in person.

Honored to serve as your District 16 DCM

Penelope J

Beverly C Secretary made a brief report. The recording process is working well for the minutes.

Penelope presented the Treasurer's Report as John F the treasurer was not able to attend the meeting. She mentioned that only 2 groups donated to District 16 this month, likely because groups are sending more to GSO and Area due to their deficits. .

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Laurie H made a motion to approve the treasurer report and Hallie C seconded the motion. This was approved unanimously.

Penelope then introduced Mae M who she has appointed as our new Access Chair. Mae gave her service resume and expressed her enthusiasm for serving in this position.

Penelope announced that Jennifer A will be resuming as the Archives Chair, but was unable to attend the meeting tonight.

Cindy C is the Women's Correctional Facilities Chair and had submitted a written report, describing what the committee does, from Joey M of Area 58:

Taking an A.A. meeting into a correctional facility is a great privilege and responsibility. Many alcoholics behind the walls are suffering deeply and are hearing the message of recovery for the very first time. Because of this, it is essential that we remain firmly grounded in the A.A. Traditions whenever we carry the message into institutions.

Our responsibility is not to bring our personal opinions, outside causes, or individual agendas into these meetings. Our responsibility is to carry the message of recovery found in the program of Alcoholics Anonymous. Tradition Five reminds us that "Each group has but one primary purpose — to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers." When we stay focused on that purpose, we protect the unity and effectiveness of A.A.

A.A. is not all things to all people. We are not counselors, reformers, religious organizations, political movements, treatment programs, or social service agencies. While many of those services have an important place, Alcoholics Anonymous has a single purpose: one alcoholic helping another alcoholic achieve sobriety through the Twelve Steps. When we attempt to become more than that, confusion follows and our message becomes diluted.

The correctional setting can sometimes create strong emotions and difficult situations. There may be disagreements about meeting formats, literature, conduct, relationships with facility staff, or what message should be carried. This is why problems and concerns that arise ought to be discussed within the Corrections Committee rather than through gossip, resentment, or personal attacks.

The committee structure exists to help us work together in unity and in service. By discussing problems within the Corrections Committee, we allow trusted servants and experienced members to seek solutions guided by the Traditions, Concepts, and collective group conscience of A.A. This protects the fellowship from division and helps ensure that decisions are not based on personalities, fear, or emotion.

Tradition One tells us that “our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.” When we ignore the Traditions, personalities often begin to overshadow principles. But when we humbly place principles before personalities, we create an atmosphere where the alcoholic in custody can hear a clear and consistent message of hope.

Many alcoholics in custody have experienced chaos, broken trust, and conflict throughout their lives. What they need from us is not controversy or confusion, but an example of unity, humility, and spiritual purpose. They need to see Alcoholics Anonymous functioning as it was intended — a fellowship united in carrying the life-saving message of recovery.

The Traditions are not restrictions placed upon us; they are spiritual protections that preserve A.A. for future generations. By respecting them in corrections work, we help ensure that the hand of A.A. will always be there for the alcoholic who reaches out for help, both inside and outside the walls.

Thank you,

Joey M.

Thank you for letting me be of service,

Cindy C

Todd J submitted a Men's Corrections report, read by Penelope:

Men's Corrections Report May 2026

We had another great month for men's corrections. Thank You for allowing me to be of service. On May 13th; we had three men go into the jail sharing their experience, strength and hope. A total of seventeen men attended who seemed interested in the program. On May 27th we had three men go into the facility sharing their experience, strength and hope to eleven men with a very good response from those in attendance. Literature continues to be distributed, at the meetings, thanks to the contributions from the “White Can Fund”! Big Books, Newcomer Packets and Grapevine's, along with other misc. AA pamphlets. Any Questions?

Thanks For Allowing Me To Serve

Gratefully

Todd J

Hallie C, the Events Chair gave her report:

District 16 Events Chair Report, Jun 10, 2026

On May 23, District 16 had our Growing Together in the Sunlight of the spirit picnic. It was a lot of fun and we were blessed with perfect weather. So many people collaborated to make it an amazing event. Being my first event after taking over the position, I absolutely could not have done it without my co-chair, Chris C. His experience and service was greatly appreciated and incredibly valuable. I also want to extend a heartfelt thank you to the entire event committee -each person brought their individual strengths and talents to the table.

I wanted to let you all know that, due to personal reasons, our co-chair has stepped away from the events committee. I am grateful for their service and support. I love being of service and want to continue chairing this committee for as long as I can, but I can't do it alone. I'm reaching out to see if anyone feels called to step into

a co-chair position or help with putting on events. You don't need to have a lot of experience-just a willingness to help and be a part of crying the message through service. If you are interested I would love to talk with you. Thanks for helping keep our fellowship strong and making sure our events continue to bring us together in unity!

We also had a pretty good turnout for our delegate report. And it sure has people talking about AA and eskimos! We do have a workshop partially planned. Safety and inclusion. Still working out the details as the date will have to change due to the venue not being available that day. I will be meeting with a committee on Saturday and have a new date on the calendar after the weekend. YILS, Hallie

Laurie H, Technology Chair, gave her report:

Happy Founder's Day everyone! I have not much to report as this has been a busy time of year for me so far. I attended the Delegates Report Back on Sunday morning. It was very informative. Other than that I've got nothing more to report. See you all next month. Thank you for letting me be of service.
Laurie H., Technology Chair/Webmaster, District 16

Open Positions were mentioned by Penelope, including PI/CPC and Grapevine.

GSR reports were given by:

Doug S, GSR for 2021 Central Point Meeting

Taylor M, GSR for Ashland Young People's Meeting

Marci S, GSR for 99 & Under Group

Tess V, co-GSR for Medford Fellowship Group. There will be a picnic and rib cook-off July 28 at 11am.

Caitlin, GSR for Stick with the Winners Group, announcing change of meeting room.

Dee D GSR for Just for Today Group, with a picnic at the end of June.

Written GSR reports:

Ryan B, GSR, How It Works Group: All is well. Meeting is well attended. Business meeting is well attended. This month we held elections and rotated our bi-yearly service positions. Our yearly BBQ is being held Sunday, July 12th at Cantrall Buckley Park. Food is at noon. Meeting is at 1pm. Must pay to park so carpool if you can. Thank you, Ryan B.

Linda B, GSR, Women of Worth meeting:

The All 12 Steppers Women's Campout is rapidly approaching! A whopping 66 women are registered. This is approximately double the number of campers in 2025. There are still a few spots left, but hurry, it is filling up fast. Please contact Carmen K. for more information. Her number is 541-326-1681.

We are excited to share that one of our members is celebrating 50 years of continuous sobriety on June 7. When congratulated on this milestone, she reminds us that all any of us have is today and that should be our focus. It seems to have worked for her. She has 18,250 "todays," and hopefully many more to come. It was an honor to attend our delegate's presentation today. I am looking forward to presenting some highlights to our group. It is clear to me that we need to get the word out that AA needs us to dig a little deeper into our pockets when we practice the seventh tradition. This is particularly a challenge with an online meeting such as ours. However, we have some very dedicated members and I am confident many will respond with generosity. Overall, our group is doing well. Our secretary on Tuesday's speaker meeting has done a great job of finding inspiring speakers and our secretary on Thursday's Big Book study keeps the meeting moving at a perfect pace with plenty of time for reading and sharing. It is an honor to have the opportunity to serve as a GSR. I am looking forward to growing and learning in this capacity. In Love and Service, Linda B.

Jane M, GSR, Keep It Simple Women's Meeting:

We read the stories in the Big Book and on the last Wednesday of the month we have a speaker and celebrate milestones in recovery. We also have fellowship, and serve coffee and snacks beginning at 11:30 the last Wednesday of the month. Our business meeting is held on the second Wednesday of the month after the regular meeting. Attendance remains consistent - averaging 15 - 30 participants.

We elect new officers to fill positions being vacated every June and December. We will be filling vacated positions at our next business meeting on June 10th. We are presently donating a Big Book a month to a women's treatment facility with funds from our Seventh Tradition funds as well as contributions to District, Central Office, Area 58 and GSO. We hope to purchase copies of the booklet "AA For The Older Adult" to have available at our meeting and possibly provide copies for senior living facilities. We also have a small scholarship fund to assist with fees related to AA activities. We paid registration fees for the Area 58 assembly for our GSR to attend via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted, Jane M, GSR

Hallie C, GSR , There is a Solution Group

Hello, My fellow members. I serve as the GSR for There is a Solution meeting. Held Mondays 6:30p It is a closed AA meeting. This month we have had really good attendance. We average 1 to 2 newcomers every Monday. At this month's business meeting we discussed area 58, GSO and district financials. The group decided to contribute money to both area 58 and GSO. We also discussed the delegate report event that was being held the following Sunday.

There were about 5 that attended from my group. There will be a rotation in the service positions so if anyone is interested in being of service you do not have to be a homegroup member to do literature, secretary and greeter. Come join us on the last Monday of the month for a long share speaker and coins for birthday night. Thank you for allowing me to be of service. Hallie C

Michelle M, GSR The Eagle Point Step Sisters have changed their name to Women's Big Book Story Hour and so has our format. We are now reading the stories in the back of the Fourth Edition Big Book and we will rotate through other editions as they get voted in. Our zoom number remains the same 835 8378 6574 Password Monday. We meet on Monday evening from 6:00 to 7:00pm. We have about 7 women in attendance but are hoping that will grow as women hear about our fresh new format. Following the reading the meeting is open for sharing about how we can each relate to the story. It has been beyond fun reading about how sobriety was for our sisters back in the 1930's. Please come and join us!

Michelle M, GSR, Eagle Point Women's Meeting online

The Eagle Point Women's Meeting on zoom meets Thursday evening from 6:00 to 7:00pm our zoom number is 847 1104 6897 Password is Thursday. Our format is we have a visiting speaker for the first 15 to 20 minutes of the meeting then the meeting is opened up for sharing from the other women in attendance. We usually have from 4 to 10 women in attendance. We are a closed meeting. Please give us a try. We are a great safe group of women and we love newcomers and new members.

Old Business was discussed by Penelope. District 16 will be hosting the September 2027 Assembly and a committee will be forming to organize and plan for this event.

Ken J asked that he be included in more emails from District 16 and particularly from Area 58, which the DCM and the Secretary will endeavor to make happen.

Taylor M made a motion to adjourn and Hallie C seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

