

District 5 GSR Meeting Agenda

Wednesday August 12th, 2026 | 6:45PM – 8:15PM

Zoom ID: 829 0126 1204 PW: district05

I. **Opening:** Serenity Prayer, New to District, Introductions, & Housekeeping

- A. GSRs - In person: 8 Online: 1
- B. Workshop: Tradition #8 - Led by Isaiah
 - a. Tradition #9 in Sept. to be led by: Allie
 - b. Tradition #10 in Oct. to be led by: Matt

II. **Reports**

A. **Officers**

- 1. **DCM** (Brian B.): Attended Area 74 Meeting in July via Zoom. Difficulties with the audio but did stay logged in. Low attendance with approx. 10 in person. Concerns were brought up on whether or not it was worth it to rent a room out for one day at \$1000 for 10 people when it was offered via Zoom.
- 2. **Alt. DCM** (Kaufua X.): Our next potluck is scheduled for September 12th - hosted by the Monday Night Big Book Study. More information to come though we have confirmed that there will be a District 05 Workshop on the Treatment Committee.

During this last month, I ventured down to Whitehall and visited the Beautiful Morning Group and dropped off some flyers.

Monday Night Big Book Study	9-12-2026
Brown Bag	10-24-2026
Flimsy Reed	11-6-2026
Back to Basics	12-12-2026

- 3. **Secretary** (Christine): Unable to attend the meeting. Meeting Minutes had been distributed via email and in the newsletter.
 - 1. Isaiah: Motion to approve last months Meeting Minutes
 - 2. Second: Nathan
 - 3. Motion passes by acclamation

4. Treasurer (Moriah M.)

2025 BUDGET	STARTING	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	REMAINING
ADMINISTRATION	\$1,300	-\$77.92	-\$17.92	-\$17.92	-\$131.41	-\$17.93	-\$177.92	-\$60.00	-\$17.92					\$781.06
ALT. DCM	\$700				-\$92.20	-\$14.97								\$592.83
ARCHIVES	\$800	-\$324.95					-\$276.41							\$198.64
CORRECTIONS	\$1,500													\$1,500.00
CPC	\$250				-\$202.71		-\$34.27							\$13.02
DCM	\$700	-\$171.67			-\$180.72	-\$132.03								\$215.58
GRAPEVINE	\$360				-\$252.00									\$108.00
LITERATURE	\$400					-\$63.10								\$336.90
NEWSLETTER	\$25													\$25.00
PI	\$1,500				-\$847.88				-\$180.00					\$472.12
SPECIAL NEEDS	\$50													\$50.00
TREATMENT	\$1,200	-\$30.00		-\$110.00	-\$30.00	-\$691.87		-\$30.00						\$308.13
WEBSITE	\$750			-\$143.88		-\$552.00								\$54.12
	\$9,535													\$4,655.40

JULY 2026 REPORT

Beginning Balance	
CHECKINGS	\$917.96
SAVINGS	\$516.57
OUTGOING	
7/29/2026 PI : Reimburse Kevin L. - NWSF Tickets	\$180.00
8/12/2026 Admin : Zoom Payment	\$17.92
INCOMING	
7/8/2026 Dispute Refund	\$10.00
7/7/2026 7th Tradition Contribution	\$100.00
7/8/2026 7th Tradition Contribution	\$200.00
7/8/2026 94995	\$30.00
7/18/2026 83917	\$90.00
7/25/2026 223682	\$100.00
7/28/2026 39757	\$50.00
8/7/2026 781189	\$45.00
Ending Balance	
CHECKINGS	\$1,140.07
SAVINGS	\$516.75
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7th Tradition Contributions* Contributions from groups without current Group ID #. Kaufua to forward Fellowship Connection to Moriah to get updated Group #s for reporting accuracy.

Discussion

- Question from Eric: Does District take contributions from individual AA Members?

- Kaufua: As previous Treasurer, we did accept a couple checks from individual AA Members including Birthday Contributions.
- Sue: Is there a top limit amount that we can accept? Such as with GSO, it is capped at \$5000. Is this something we should review for the District if not already?

Consensus to move this to new business for further discussion.

1. Matt: Motion to approve Treasurer's Report
2. Carrie: Second
3. Motion passes by acclamation.

B. Committee Chair Reports

1. **Corrections** (Nate): No word on women's meeting or in person men's meeting in trempealeau county jail, have a couple volunteers getting ready to go into Eau Claire county men's, a couple volunteers for Dunn and pepin county women's

Talk about getting into EC Juvenile Hall. No more information than that.

Discussion

- Isaiah: Are we still going to EC?
 - Nathan: Once a week.
 - Brian: At one point we were bringing multiple meetings into EC. Has something changed?
 - Nathan: Not that he's aware of.
2. **P.I.** (Kevin) - Nothing new to report. Has not met yet this month. Had another successful year at the fair about a month ago. 30 volunteers or so altogether. Booth staffed with 1 person for the entirety of hrs of operation. No call ins. Everyone that wanted a ticket, got one. Received reimbursement for tickets. Not as expensive as originally forecasted.
 3. **C.P.C.** (Eric) - Spoke to Dayton - Area Web guy - trying to figure out how to get business cards specifically for CPC. Thinking it would be a good idea. Hoping to get updated business cards made up to give out to businesses. Reached out to someone who is in the program but works for the county thru CPC- spoke to human services about having some kind of connection with AA. Contacted them

and they were interested in having someone come into Juvenile Detention. Referred to someone else and met with her last Wednesday - Molly & Martin - shared with them what AA is and what it isn't and trying to find out what they are looking for. They want AA and Al Anon and thought they were the same program. They had 2 meetings set up - one with AA and one with Al Anon . Jim is involved with the Finance Committee with the County and had brought the idea to Human Services. Jim asked Eric to sit with the Al Anon and Alateen meeting. Mostly interested in Juvenile Detention : seemed more like it fit better for the Corrections Committee. Can pass it over to Nathan otherwise would be happy to help with it.

Discussion

- Carrie: Are they looking for an actual meeting or information session?
- Eric: Looking for us to facilitate an AA meeting once a week. Was also informed that individuals in the long term program are allowed to go to meetings with AA members.
- Nicole: What are the requirements to get clearance to go in there?
- Eric: Had asked them 3 times and no answer. They basically asked for names and phone numbers of individuals that are interested.
- Brian: Speaking as an alcoholic, if we want to represent AA well, we should suggest that individuals who have crimes with children shouldn't apply.
- Nathan: Generally background checks are done for normal jails. Juvenile detention is essentially that for kids so assume there would be a background check completed. Would submitting names to them be considered breaking anonymity?
- Dave: What if we disclosed our background prior to application to help weed them out.
- Brian: Sometimes those experience have the most impact. Jails often allow criminals back in to do 12th step work. How can the District support you in this?
- Eric: Leave it up to Nathan on how we should proceed as he is Corrections Chair. Churches have gone in and have had to conduct background checks on them.
- Kaufua: Could we narrow down specific questions to present to them to help better define what they are looking for and how we can better serve them? Present something concise as we had initially struggled with Eau Claire County losing money when members signed up but didn't complete courses. I would hate to see something like this happen if we don't have specifics. As we talked about Alateen, because they work with minors, they have to take a very specific course to get certified.

- Eric: Willing to draft an email with clarifying questions which may help rather than just talking to them and asking.
- Sue: Would love to have the Treatment, CPC, and Corrections committee to get together to discuss the overlap. Generally with minors, they are not looking for traditional AA as they are minors. Would be willing to help since she has a background in education.
- Nicole: Be more concise with information needed as previously stated. Urgently wanting it before the school year but we don't have the information needed to make that happen. It would not be realistic to expect it to get going by the school year.
- Isaiah: Before sending the email with concise questions, it would be good to meet with Sue and Nathan with a direct plan. There could also be a contact with GSO to help guide or maybe another Area or District that may have experience with this.

4. **Treatment** (Sue) - Main responsibility is to schedule speakers for all four programs. There are 3 locations total but we count Arbor Place as two programs as one is for men and the other is for women. The locations include: Arbor Place, Affinity, and Farhman Center. Continued to support the Better Way Meeting by purchasing books though it is now technically its own meeting. Also just purchased a big book order of \$700 and have delivered them to all four programs. Also placed labels on the literature that state the literature is a gift from the District 05 AA Treatment Committee which also includes the District website. Hoping to create a little library for each center with books and supplies. Hoping to create a contact with each location to help resupply as literature gets low as it has been difficult to ensure what the needs are. Will also be hosting a workshop at the Traveling Potluck in September.

5. **Special Accessibilities** (Sara Lynn) - Had bimonthly meeting this month. Focusing on helping groups become more accessible and hoping to improve the Meeting Guide app to list what meetings are accessible. For example, the Gay Chatter has an elevator but does not currently list that it is wheelchair accessible. Trying to figure out the logistics about how to collect this information for all the meetings in District 05 whether that is reaching out to groups or creating a spreadsheet.

Also discussed creating a Geek Squad with members who can help set up Zoom for those that may have difficulty doing so. It was suggested we create a flyer and then provide it to the District to distribute.

Discussion:

- Isaiah: Would you prefer the GSRs report back to their groups now or wait to hear back from you first?
- **Sara Lynn: If GSRs or Groups are able to supply as much detail about your meetings accessibilities that would be great. We are mainly focused on figuring out if the meeting location is wheelchair accessible or has elevators but can go into as much detail such as having accessibility for hearing, etc.**

Please email any of this information to: specialneeds@district05.org

- Sara Lynn: Marybeth has been working primarily on Club 12's parking and making it accessible.
- Allie: Would this include door clearance, etc?
- Brian: Recently discussed this at his home group. There is a new member that works in architecture and building who was able to figure out specifics for accessibilities by looking at something. Would be happy to connect him with Sara Lynn.

III. Old business

- A. Review guidelines update - continue to get copies out before we vote on it.

Brian: Did we decide on voting the guidelines this month or do we hold off now with the discussion?

Kaufua: Per last meeting minutes, it was voted on and decided that we would make a vote at this month's meeting. Would we like to proceed with voting and amend later motions or wait until the amendments?

Patti: Wait to vote in after all amendments.

Consensus to Jump to New Business

IV. New Business

- A. Limit on contributions from individual members - Sue

- a. Sue reads current GSO Contribution Guidelines:

In keeping with AA's tradition of self-support, contributions from non-AA members are not accepted. Individual AA members' contributions to the General Service Board are limited to \$7,500

per year; there is no limit for A.A. groups. A one-time bequest in a will from a deceased member is limited to \$12,500.

1. Nathan: **Motion to approve GSO Contribution Guidelines into the District 05 working guidelines document.**
2. Allie seconds
3. Motion passes by acclamation

B. Patti: **Motion to amend in the District 05 Guidelines under Treasurer, Line 7 to read:**

“Issue thank you letters to groups *and individuals* upon receiving contributions.”

1. Matt seconds
2. Motion passes by acclamation

Whiplash back into Old Business

III. Old business

- A. Review guidelines update - continue to get copies out before we vote on it.
 1. Isaiah: **Motion to approve updated District Guidelines as reviewed with the added amendments that include GSO Contributions Recommendations and amendment to Treasurer, Line 7.**
 2. Nathan: Seconds
 3. Motion passes by acclamation

Jumped to VII. Open Mic (2 minutes each) Open sharing from general membership of District 05

- A. Allie: Brown Bag has a date for their Traveling Potluck | Oct 24th 11a-2p Taco Bar at the Alano Club | Panel on the 9th step promises | flyer still needs to be updated then will be distributed.
- B. Patti: Eleva Step Group now has an Alt. GSR. Will complete the form and return to Brian for updates.
 - a. Brian: Area 74 still needs a Registrar
- C. Brian: The District 05 PO Box received a letter from the Whitehall Meeting at the Gunderson Hospital with a dire request for literature and resources. Which committee would like to take this on?

- a. Nathan: Has attended this meeting before and is aware that their treasury is fully funded and are more than capable of ordering literature themselves. They may just not know how.
- b. Zach: CVIG is looking to donate literature. Can take a look to see what they can do.
- c. Kaufua: Will make a trip down there to make contact.

VI. Committee/Conferences

- A. WICYPAA: 2/19/2027-2/21/2027 in Green Bay, WI | www.wicypaa2027.com
 - a. Registration is on pause while they figure out their treasury but you can now book your room at their website.
- B. CVIG : Zach looking to get clarification on the insurance discussion and requests Brian's presence at the next CVIG meeting on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 6PM.
 - a. Brian: Quick clarification: District can't put their name on insurance but intergroup is run like a business so they can put their name on for insurance. The District would be on as a rider.
- C. Recovery on the River: 10/2/2026-10/4/2026 | www.recoveryontheriver.org
 - a. Isaiah: Hospitality Sign Up Sheet was distributed at last month's meeting. Any questions, reach out.

Nathan motion to close the meeting | Isaiah seconds

Next Meeting: September 9th at 6:45PM

Close with Responsibility statement: I am responsible, when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there, and for that. I am responsible.