

**Proposed District 25 Meeting Minutes
September 7, 2024 at 10 AM**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89722648932?pwd=Q3owK2tGYU1lcnFqeU94dXIRTTQwQT09>

*** *District Meeting Purposes* (from Guideline G-15 <https://al-anon.org/pdf/G15.pdf>)***

1. Opening

- Moment of silence and Serenity Prayer
- Attendance – Brenda, Sue F, Maggie E, Vera M
- Reading of Twelve Traditions (odd months) &/or Twelve Concepts of Service & General Warranties (even months)

2. District reports

- Secretary (Kathleen V, absent 9/7)
- Treasurer (Maggie E)

Date	Entry Data	Amount \$
August 2024	Ending Balance	1,214.02
August 3, 2024	Donation to AIS	-30.00
August 27, 2024	Serenity Seekers	50.00
August 28, 2024	Newark Serenity	30.00
September 2024	Current Balance	1,264.02

- AIS, NYN and WSO donation discussion will be tabled until after Fall Assembly
- Discussion about limiting the financial report information in the minutes relative to listing the names of who donates and or listing the amount donated. It was decided that we will continue to list both in the minutes.
- Developing an annual budget for 2025 was proposed so we can track donations and operational costs.
- District Representative (DR) (Brenda L)
 - Brenda attended the Summer AWSC meeting and noted the following information:
 - A. WSO provided guidance about AI. NYN was considering using AI for electronic meetings for note taking only. WSO has requested that AI NOT be used for this purpose unless they create their own program which will ensure anonymity
 - B. Formation of new groups will now be required to vet the name by the WSO to ensure inclusion. They are concerned that group names that limit participation to “women”, “men” or “parents”, “LGBTQ” is impacting inclusion and will be requesting that names do not include these limiting words. A subtitle or description that describes the average participants of the meeting, if any, will be allowed.
 - C. The NYN literature coordinator spoke about the importance of using and selling literature. Literature sales underwrite a large share of the expenses of operating the WSO.
 - Brenda’s anticipated expenses related to participation in the Fall Assembly will be between \$110 and \$150
 - Alternate DR remains vacant, no volunteers

3. District topics

- Confirmed the next District meeting date & location will be Hybrid on Oct 5th at 10 AM - all are welcome, the zoom link is on the website
- Brenda asked if there were any question about upcoming 2024 Fall Assembly events, there were none
- Note the following upcoming dates and events:
 - Fall AWSC -- 9/13 @ 7 PM on Zoom - Brenda will Attend
 - New GR meeting -- 9/20 @ 7 PM on Zoom
 - Alateen Interest Meeting -- 9/20 @ 7:30 PM – on Zoom
 - 2025 Spring Assembly monthly planning -- 10/3 @ 6 PM on Zoom
 - Next monthly GR/DR meetup – 10/20 @ 4 PM on Zoom

- Fall Assembly -- 9/28, 9AM-4PM – N. Syracuse Education Assn, 210 S Main St, N. Syracuse 13212 & on Zoom - the meeting attendees have registered for the conference. Brenda L and Sue F, plan to attend in person, Maggie E and Vera M plan to attend via Zoom
- **GRs to prepare in advance for the Fall Assembly!** Reports will be posted at <https://nynafg.com/news.html> before the assembly - pay attention to ensure that the reports are current in preparation for the meeting
 - Several expected voting items at the Fall Assembly:
 - ❖ Election for Web Coordinator (Maria S is the temporary appointee.)
 - ❖ Vacancies for Alateen Coordinator, Public Outreach Coordinator, Secretary
 - ❖ Whether to create a Task Force for a potential Technical Coordinator position
 - ❖ Proposed 2025 Budget
 - ❖ Whether to increase Delegate's expense line item
 - ❖ Policy to include Electronic Groups in the NY North Area
 - ❖ Spiritual Panel -- 9/29 @ 9 AM on Zoom
- Vera M had to leave the meeting.
- Potential district donations

Discussion of obtaining information from other groups so District 25 can establish a budget for operation and a donation schedule. Maggie E said that she will reach out to another treasurer for information about the organizations that are supported and how much is given to each. Preliminary categories include:

 - Meeting expenses
 - Transportation
 - Special Events
 - AIS
 - NYN
 - WSO / AFG, Inc.
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- Member(s) to monitor & report on Rochester AIS news
 - Maggie reported on the WSO In the Loop Newsletter –
 - A. There is a new topic for the member blog in the Forum
 - B. There will be a Road Trip on October 26, 2024 to South Carolina
 - C. A new 48-page book will be coming out entitled “Healing Within our Alcoholic Relationships” and will be available at bookstores and through the AIS
 - Vera M volunteered to keep the group up to date with the NY North Northern Hi Lights and AIS Rochester news letters
 - District Projects – there was brief discussion related to potential district projects.

4. Adjourn and close with the AI-Anon Declaration

Let It Begin With Me.

*When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help
let the hand of AI-Anon and Alateen always be there
and Let It Begin With Me.*

Where to find information and newsletters about additional links of service

<https://www.aisrochester.org/> <https://www.aisrochester.org/newsletter/>
<https://nynafg.com/> https://nynafg.com/northern_hi_lights.html
<https://al-anon.org> <https://al-anon.org/for-members/wso/news-from-the-wso/>

Please send donations to: District 25, c/o Maggie E, 487 Marletown Road, Newark, New York 14513