

**District 25 Meeting Minutes**  
**October 5, 2024 10:00 a.m.**

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

- *Uniting groups within the District*
- *Informing groups of news from the Area World Service Committee (AWSC), Area Assembly, & World Service Office (WSO)*
- *Encouraging members to become involved in service*
- *Planning program-related events for fun, fellowship, and sometimes fundraising*
- *Coordinating service and public outreach projects*

**1. Opening**

- Moment of silence and Serenity Prayer
- Attendance: Brenda, Kathleen, Maggie E, Jessica, Jenna
- Introductions: Jenna new GR for Serenity on Saturday on Culver District 19.
- Reading of Twelve Traditions (odd months) &/or Twelve Concepts of Service & General Warranties (even months)

**2. District reports**

- Secretary (Kathleen V)- September meeting minutes accepted as submitted
- Treasurer (Maggie E)- Report accepted by consensus

Date	Entry Data	Amount \$
September 2024	Beginning Balance	1,264.02
September 9/16/24	Stepping Stones donation \$100	
	Current Balance	1,364.02

- District Representative (DR) (Brenda L)
- Alternate DR (vacant)

**3. District topics**

- Confirm next District meeting date & location: Nov 2, hybrid
- **2024 Fall Assembly debrief:**
  - Maggie enjoyed Carol C's report. Maggie also enjoyed not reading through minutes/reports at the meeting. She feels it is better doing it ahead of time. Maggie also felt it was a well-planned assembly.
  - Brenda- Carol C. was a highlight and a rich demonstration of how the area works, and how Al-Anon works in applying the principles.
  - Jenna enjoyed the informal dinner afterward and getting to know others. She was a little confused about how outreach works, but has since had her questions answered.
  - Ellen V. sent out an email follow-up survey to attendees. If attendees did not previously complete a survey, they can do it through their email.

- Another survey is coming out asking about workshop interests, ideas, topics for Spring Assembly
  - Brenda wanted to highlight that she learned it is possible to hold a group meeting on the AI-Anon App.
  - The area voted that they will accept fully electronic meetings in the NYN Area. Groups can petition to join the NYN Area.
  - New group names will need to be approved. The group name will not be able to specify a specific type of participants, such as “parent, womens, etc”. However, groups can have a data point/filter where they can specify who typically attends the meeting.
  - District Reps will be asked to talk to groups in their district about changing their group name if it currently states that the meeting is for a specific type of participant, such as “mens meeting, etc.” District Reps are asked not to approach groups until all the necessary information is available regarding this. More information is available on the NYN website notes.
  - Area World Service Committee (AWSC) meeting, New GR meeting, & Alateen Interest Meeting
  - Assembly - reports are still posted at <https://nynafg.com/news.html>
  - Jenna elected new Public Outreach Coordinator at Fall Assembly
  - New GR meeting was held
  - Alateen interest meeting. Brenda joined the meeting briefly and there were just the 2 existing coordinators there.
  - Fall Assembly meeting cost- Brenda will work on her expense report. The total may be lower than expected.
  - Brenda has been communicating with various members regarding service
- **Conference of The Lakes**- This is an AA Conference with a lot of AI-Anon involvement.
  - The committee is looking for more AI-Anon involvement. Jessica suggested asking groups in the district to help in some way- perhaps by sponsoring a dessert bar at the conference. Discussion followed. The Conference of The Lakes takes in place in April. This will be added to agenda for later discussion.
  - **Potential District donations to AIS, NY North and/or WSO**- this discussion is tabled for now
  - **Rochester AIS news, including newsletter**- new piece of literature available. Vera volunteered to share info.  
Maggie is a member and AIS meetings. All are posted on the AIS website.  
AIS Rochester Events list
  - **NY North Northern Hi Lights newsletter**- no updates
  - **WSO In the Loop newsletter**- International news shared here. They are also asking for stories to be submitted for the Forum
  - **2025 Spring Assembly monthly planning** - first Thursdays @ 6 PM on Zoom - <https://nynafg.com/calendar.html>
    - The committee needs help.
    - The Hospitality Room chairperson is looking for help. Brenda has done this in the past and stated it was a great experience.
    - Fundraising is very important. The convention costs a lot of money up front.

- The Spring Convention committee is looking for baskets for the raffle

- **Next monthly GR/DR meetup** - 11/17 @ 4 PM on Zoom - <https://nynafg.com/calendar.html>

#### 4. Group reports & topics

- Newark Sunday Serenity did an outreach event at the Newark Public Library. Maggie stated that despite the low attendance, it was a very worthwhile event. In the future Maggie stated she will need to follow up with more closely with the Newark Public library to make sure they have the information in their bulletins etc.

#### 5. Adjourn and close with the Al-Anon Declaration

***Let It Begin With Me.***

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

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*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://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 Marbletown Road, Newark,  
New York 14513

\*\*\* Remember to note the WSO/Group number when making Group donations \*\*\*