

Akron Area Intergroup Council

Minutes for October 2025

The meeting was called to order on October 5, 2025 at 12:00 PM at the Paradise Club by Tony T, Executive Board Chairman with the I Am Responsible Statement and The Serenity Prayer.

Roll Call: 45 Groups Represented: 44 Groups Represented: Afternoon Alkies, Broad Highway Group, Carry This Message, Coffee Donuts & Discussion, Cornerstone Candlelight, Cuyahoga Falls, Dalton Men's, East Akron, Faith and Hope, Falls Discussion, Flame Breakfast Group, Garden Of Hope, Goodyear Group, Hobos In The Park, Hope Group, Hudson Clockwatchers, Hudson Terex PM, It's In The Book, Kenmore Group, Kent Friday Night, King School Group 1, Language Of The Heart, Royal Oak Big Book, Mantua Fun Group, Noetic Bloomers, North Hill Men's Discussion, One Day At A Time, Post Office Group, Ravenna Sobriety Checkpoint, Redemption Recovery, Road to Recovery, Saturday Morning Happy Hour, Serenity Big Book Study, Sons Of Ebby, Stay While You're Here, Sunday Night In Paradise, Sunday Nite 12&12, The Turning Point, Thursday Night Freedom, Thursday Night Men's Non Smoking, Towers Discussion, Trusted Servants, Tuesday At The Border, Tuesday Women's Big Book, We Are Not Saints.

Executive Board Members Present: Tony T, Rick R, Ed B Jr, Judy K, Mark D, Dana S, Dick W, Mike L, Joe C, Ed F, Emily M. **Excused Absence:** Curtis W, Rachel B.

Founders' Day represented by Juanita W, Area 54 John K. Archives Chris B.

Treasurer Report: Ed B, Jr.

July Financial report was presented and explanation of question from last month regarding Total Cost of Goods was given. The report was correct. Report Accepted as presented. August Financial report was presented and reviewed. The report was accepted as presented. The reports submitted for approval are summary reports, as previously requested by Council. Ed announced that he has copies of the full report available to anyone who wants one. Question was asked about whether the Intergroup makes contributions to General Service and Area 54. Intergroups and Central Offices are not a part of the AA structure. General Service does not expect donations from Intergroups. At times we have made donations when we had more than our Prudent Reserve, and that was approved by council. At the end of a year, if we have a gross surplus Council could vote to donate. In the past we have donated to other Intergroups before donating to General Service. Discussion about terminology in our reports using Non-profit language, i.e. surplus instead of profit. Our present accounting system is not for a non-profit therefore non-profit terms are not in the reports. We would have to change to a completely different system to change the terminology. Also, the General Service raised the amount that can be left in a will from \$10,000 to 12,500. An individual can donate \$7,500 per year.

Secretary Report: Judy K.

The September Minutes were presented. Reading was waived. Minutes were approved with one correction. Change Dorsey Pearson to Doug Pearson. Minutes were accepted.

Executive Board Report: Tony T

Update on progress at our new location. Above All Construction has completed demolition and has framing in for the walls. Examples of the signage for the new building was presented. Construction is due to be completed around mid to late November and we have contracted with the moving company who will move everything. The anticipated move will be the first to mid-December. The stained glass is being dismantled and repaired and installed at the new location on the Archives side of the new sight. Tony reviewed a handout with updates of current move as of October 2, 2025.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Committee Reports

12 Step Fund Drive Dana S All groups should have received the mailer regarding the Fund Drive. We are asking the representatives to read the letter and make announcements at their meetings.

Picnic – Rachel B No Report

Literature – Dana S The committee voted to add a newcomer packet to add to our store. They are still working on details. Also, new books are being reviewed by the committee.

Office – Rick R The office is doing a lot of work with their group of volunteers to get ready for the move. They can always use more volunteers, if you have some time, call and see if they have anything for you to do. Recognized all the help that the office staff give to the committees and keeping volunteers organized.

Answering Service – Rick R, Nine callbacks. 6 12-step calls, 2 for general information and 2 for meetings. If you want to be added to the 12-step call list, call the office.

Golf Outing – Rick R The golf outing is full with 144 members signed up. It is a memorial golf outing and groups can still purchase a sign to be placed along the course for \$20. Need two more volunteers.

Information Technology -Ed F

The IT members committed to running the network cables before the contractor finishes the drywall. We have a wiring plan to both provide wired and wireless access throughout both sides of the new location and we believe the wiring will be completed within the next two weeks.

The committee in conjunction with the Archives committee also is developing software requirements for the touch screens and multi-media displays we will be using in the new location.

Next Meeting is October 14 at 6:00 pm at the Intergroup Office

Group Services – Mark D Continuing to update lists and add emails to the groups. The goal is to be able to get communication to the groups via email instead of mailings. A suggestion is that groups create a group Gmail account so that email can reach members of the group.

IG Anniversary – Mike L Date for the Intergroup Anniversary is April 26, 2026. It will be at Guy's party Center. If anyone would like to join the committee there is a planning meeting set for October 14th at 6:00 PM at the Intergroup Office.

Corrections – John C for Curtic W John shared his experience with working as a member of the Corrections and how he got started. He has been serving on the committee since 2018 after being encouraged by others to join. He has two new people ready to be active on the committee. Still have three men's facilities that need men to take meetings in. We now have some women who are active but we still need more. We do not have anyone in Wayne or Holmes Counties.

NYE Dance – Tony T for Curtis W Venue St. Sebastian's and menu will be the same as last year. They still need some volunteers to fill some positions. Can use help with decorations and set-up. Tickets are printed and will go on sale soon. The price is \$25.

Treatment – Joe C A handout of report and current needs list was distributed. Pointed out where most needed spots are. The next T & C meeting will be on October 11th at the Paradise Club at 3:30. They are seeking two women to fill a meeting need for IBH on Sunday 10/26. Also seeking women to be backup for women's meetings Sunday at IBH. See Facility Coordinator Dani to get on the list. They are seeking a County Coordinator for Medina County. Three new volunteers went through the Summa process who will be supporting IOP meetings at Hudson, Barberton and Juve Facilities.

Public Information/CPC – Dick W With the help of Sonya B. Dick and Greg prepared a letter for about 140 schools, judges, magistrates and Clerks of Court in Summit, Medina and Wayne counties. The letter went out today. The University of Akron reached out to us to participate in their Alcoholism Awareness Event on October 16. Dick and two others will have an information table at the event. Lastly there is a correction to last month's information about Safe Harbor. Their meetings will be at 2:00 PM on Wednesdays.

IG News – Emily M Last meeting was September 27th to proof the October Newsletter. Next meeting will be October 18th at 9:00 AM at the Intergroup and could always use more members. Encouraged people to sign up for the email subscriptions. QR codes have been added to the

newsletter for the email subscription, and to submit articles and to make donations. Encouraged participation with articles. Some new people have submitted articles which has been helpful.

Founders' Day – Juanita W Next meeting will be on October 6, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Intergroup office. The Founders' Day Committee gave a check in the amount of \$114,604.59 to the Intergroup. They are still working with the University of Akron on the contract for next year. The university is undergoing a lot of changes and has new staff so there might be some changes for next year. More information to come.

Archives –Chris B Received a donation from Columbus Archives of \$573 which was used for packing material. Individual and bus tours have picked up. Gail L continues to help with going through the archival material to clean up the collections. We have been able to help several other archives with their collections. Chris continues to open the Archives on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM so that people who work during the day can volunteer. They are looking to expand the list of people to give tours. We would like to have enough people to always fill tour requests. If you are interested in getting trained let Chris know.

General Service – John K No update currently about the General Service move except that they plan to begin tours again at the end of October. The Spanish Speaking Intergroup is still in the planning stage. The Area 54 Gratitude Sunday will be November 16th at 2:00 PM. Akron multi-district will have the Fall Seminar on October 18th.

Good and Welfare

Ed B, Jr –The 2026 budget will be presented at the next Council Meeting. Cuyahoga Falls Saturday Night needs support. YPAA will be hosting the next anniversary. There will be elections October 12th at 2:00 Pm at the Paradise Club. It's In the Book Group will be celebrating their first anniversary on November 3rd. Goodrich will have their anniversary on October 23rd. Primary Purpose will be hosting their second annual Men's Conference on Saturday October 18th. Broad Highway anniversary will be October 14th.

Motion to adjourn made and seconded at 1:10 and the meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectively Submitted

Judy K, Secretary

Next Three Meetings: November 2, 2025; December 7, 2025; January 4, 2026