

Akron Area Intergroup Council

Minutes for December 2025

The meeting was called to order on December 7, 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: 42 Groups Represented: Akron Men's Big Book Study, Barberton Monday Nite, But For The Grace Of God, Carry This Message, Coffee, Donuts & Discussion. Cornerstone Candlelight, Dalton Mens, Dry People's Wednesday Night, Faith and Hope, Falls Discussion, Flame Breakfast Group, Garden Of Hope, Hobos In The Park, Hope Group, Hudson Clockwatchers, Hudson Terex PM, Keep It Real At Our Place, Kenmore Group, Kent Friday Night, Language Of The Heart, Mantua Fun Group, Medina Tuesday Night, Morning Meditation, Noetic Bloomers, One Day At A Time, Post Office Group, Primary Purpose Group, Ravenna Sobriety Checkpoint, Redemption Recovery, Saturday Morning Happy Hour, Sons Of Ebby, Spiritual Solutions, Sunday Nite 12 & 12, Sunday Women's Big Book Study, 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, Curtis W. Ed F., Joe C.

Absent: Rachel B.

Founders' Day represented by Juanita W. General Service by John K.

Secretary Report: Judy K.

Motion to waive the reading accepted. November minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report: Ed B, Jr.

Everyone received a copy of the October Report. Ed reviewed the figures on the report. The report will be posted on the website. Ed also has a copy of General Service Financial report if anyone is interested. The report was accepted.

Executive Board Report: Tony T

New office is complete and is ready to be moved into. The Archives moved most of its materials yesterday. There were about 20 volunteers at the old office to pack on Saturday. The movers will be at the office Wednesday. The IT committee will be moving the computers on Monday or Tuesday. The office will be closed all next week and anyone who wants to help is welcome. We hired ServePro to clean the new building since all construction is done.

Old Business: The 2026 Budget was presented by Ed B. A copy had been mailed to all groups. A motion was made and seconded to accept the budget. The motion passed.

New Business: None

Committee Reports

12 Step Fund Drive Rachel B absent, Tony T. gave report

Everyone received a report for the income. If your group is listed on the balance sheet, please make sure that gets taken care of. Over all we have a 45% increase in contributions for November, mostly due to the moving. Increase for the year is 33% due to the moving fund. We thank everyone for that.

Picnic – Rachel B absent, Tony T gave report

The shelter is paid for and the Picnic will be August 16, 2026.

Literature – Dana S

We have our Newcomer Packet and it will be on sale at the new location. There are brochures inside and the front has a place to put phone numbers. You can add to the packet or take away; however, your group wants to do it.

Answering Service – Rick R, Vice Chair

Calls for Information in November were 9, 12-step calls were 1, calls that were hang ups or dead air were 59. We have been getting a lot of dead air calls all day. We will use the answering service during the move.

Office – Rick R, Vice Chair

After our last meeting people did go out to see the new location. New safety glass has been installed where the stained-glass window will go. Volunteers put up shelves in the committee room, Founder's Day room, and the Archives. New signs are made for the front and we are waiting for them to be installed. There will also be a sign on Romig Road. We met with the Fire Marshall last week. Above All Construction workers are all in the Fellowship and they did a lot of extra work for us, so we want to thank them.

Information Technology -Ed F

The IT Committee did not meet formally in November or December but instead met to complete the network tasks at the new office. All the network wiring is now complete. The security cameras and computer equipment will be moved and setup at the beginning of the week. The copier machine is under lease. The leasing company is scheduled to move it to the new location on Thursday. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 13 at 6 PM.

Group Services – Mark D

We are up to approximately 80 groups with email attached to them. They have created a how-to for groups to set up a group email. There are instructions to set up the email accounts. Groups are encouraged to set up an account and update the Intergroup. The email is for Group services to be able to reach out to the groups. There will still be mailings of certain information. A note: the 12-Step fund drive continues all year so if your group is inclined to donate as a group please do it.

IG Anniversary – Mike L

The date of the event is April 26, 2026. It will be at Guy's Party Center. The facility is reserved. We will have a photo booth again. We have a speaker from Texas scheduled. Tickets will go on sale in February. The next committee meeting will be January 6th at 6:00 PM. They are still looking for any volunteers who want to join.

Corrections – Curtis W

The next Corrections Committee will be December 20th at 10:00 AM at the new location. They are still looking for volunteers. They will be having their quarterly meeting with the Treatment Committee on January 10th at the Paradise Club. He thanked all who are presently taking meetings into facilities. They are looking for more people to take meetings. They will go through a process to get permission to go in.

NYE Dance – Curtis W

He has tickets here today. Doors will open at 8:00 that day for anyone who wants to help set up. They have everything set up and they will be looking for people to help clean up. Tickets can also be purchased on-line. The tickets are \$25. The next meeting will be on the 20th at 11:00 AM at the new location.

Treatment Joe C

There was a detailed report passed out for attendees. The committee met on December 2nd and the next meeting is January 6th. They are still seeking women to be backups at IBH. There are seven IOP locations affiliated with Summa and they are looking for volunteers to take a meeting in once a month and tell them what AA is about and what we do. There is a new detox center in downtown Akron so there is another opening. Looking for men to fill a Monday evening meeting at Root House in Ravenna. There will be the January 10th meeting with the corrections committee and there will be many activities and speakers.

Public Information/CPC – Dick W

We were contacted by Jillian Zetts the Program Manager for The Turning Point Program, Summit County Felony Drug Court. I forwarded his email and my response to him to the Corrections Committee.

Life After Loss contacted PI/CPC and our response was an explanation of our 6th Tradition that we cannot promote or be affiliated with outside enterprise. On a personal level I would relay their information and purpose which is to assist the bereaved.

Sonya Bell, Greg and I reviewed sending emails instead of introductory letters to our contacts when we could. Sonya and I are revising our spreadsheet of contacts and adding email addresses to it. This way we can save hundreds of dollars on postage.

IG News – Emily M They met on November 15; there were five people and the next meeting will be December 20, at the new location. They have added instructions on how to print the newsletter in this issue. They are looking for more submissions of articles.

Founders' Day – Juanita W

Founder's Day will be June 12th to the 14th in 2026. Tickets will be \$45. If you sign up early you could get a ticket for the JAR in case of bad weather. The coordinators have their speakers.

Archives –Chris B absent, Report by Tony T.

A great portion of the Archives has been moved. They hope to start tours in February. Also, requests for information might be delayed until unpacking is done. They want to thank Jeff Capen for his efforts to restore the stained-glass window. Gene M thanked everyone who helped them move on Saturday.

General Service –John K report by Jerry C.

Encouraged groups to send GSRs to represent the Akron Area. There are only about five who go to meetings now. An example of our need to attend came up when Area 54 had funds to donate. Someone proposed that they give it to the Akron Area Intergroup for the move. It got tabled because there weren't enough GSRs representing Akron. More people need to be on board.

Good and Welfare

A special to all volunteers who are helping with the move. A mention was made to investigate the amount Area 54 pays for rent. Brenda W had 37 years on the 15th. Someone celebrated 11 years on November 10th. Sons Of Ebby has their anniversary coming up in January 13th with a Chilli Cook Off. OYPAA has an event today and everyone is invited. John C celebrated 10 years on November 27th. Saturday January 2nd there will be the second running of the Day of the Spirit at St. Sebastian's. There are flyers on the website for these events. Morning Meditation is having their anniversary on January 1st. Doors open at 6:00 AM. Al B a member who volunteered at the office passed away.

Motion to adjourn made and seconded at 1:00 and the meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectively Submitted

Judy K, Secretary

Next Three Meetings: January 4, 2026; February 1, 2026; March 1, 2026