

Akron Area Intergroup Council

Minutes for March 2026

The meeting was called to order on March 1, 2026 at 12:00 PM at the Paradise Club by Tony T, Executive Board Chairman with the I Am Responsible Statement and The Serenity Prayer. This meeting is being recorded.

Roll Call: 45 Groups Represented: Barberton Monday Night, Carry This Message, Coffee Donuts & Discussion, Cuyahoga Falls, Dalton Mens. Dry People's Wednesday Night, East Akron, Faith and Hope, Falls Discussion, Flame Breakfast Group, Garden of Hope, Hobos In The Park, Hope Group, It's In The Book, Kenmore Group, Kent Living Sober, King's School Group 1, Ladies Big Book Study, Loyal Oak Big Book, Mantua Fun Group, Morning Meditation, Noetic Bloomers, North Hill Mens Discussion, One Day At A Time, Primary Purpose Group, Primary Purpose – Medina, Progress Not Perfection, Ravenna Sobriety Checkpoint, Redemption Recovery, Road To Recovery, Saturday Morning Drop The Rock, Saturday Morning Happy Hour, Serenity Big Book Study, Sons of Ebby, Spiritual Solutions, Sunday Night In Paradise, Sunday Nite 12&12, Sunday Women's Big Book Study, The Turning Point, Thursday Closed Womens, Thursday Night Freedom, Towers Discussion, Tuesday At The Border, We Are Not Saints, YANA.

Executive Board Members Present: Tony T, Ed B Jr, Judy K, Mark D, Dana S, Dick W, Mike L, Curtis W, Emily M, Founders' Day represented by Juanita W. Archives Chair Chris B.

Absent: Rachel B, Ed F Rick R, **Resigned:** General Service John K.

Secretary Report: Judy K.

Everyone had a copy of the February Minutes. Motion made and seconded and passed to waive reading. Motion to accept as written made and seconded and passed.

Treasurer Report: Ed B, Jr.

Everyone was given the simplified report for January, 2026. Income for the month of January was \$19,528. OPEX was \$39,125. Net deficit of \$34,920. Balance Sheet total Assets \$334,822. Total Liabilities \$16,885. Reviewed Profit and Loss by Committee. Reviewed Profit and Loss by Events. According to the By-Laws the Treasurer is supposed to calculate this year's Prudent Reserve. The Prudent reserve for us is to be 6 months of operating expenses taken from the previous calendar year. The calculation for this year is \$130,102. Full reports will be posted on our website. In response to a question there is currently about \$86,000 in the Prudent Reserve currently. A motion was made and seconded and passed to accept the Treasurer's report.

Executive Board Report: Tony T

The sprinkler system is repaired and fully functional. Our Area 54 Representative John K, had to step down from his position. Since John K. was appointed and there were no other candidates from our last election, a request was put out for someone to accept being appointed as our New Representative. John C. volunteered and he will finish out this term until the August Elections.

Old Business:

Joe C explained possible revisions to our standing Motions and Rules. This was discussed at our last meeting, and the Executive Board addressed it at the March meeting. The following motion was made, seconded and passed. (43-2) *Note: the number at the meeting was 44-2 because there was one vote that was not eligible.* Strike the following: 5/03/81 (IG) Groups with outstanding bills will receive no additional credit. (note: limit has been set at \$200) and 7/07/96 (IG) Charging privileges only for registered group. And add the following: "The Intergroup Office and Store will no longer extend credit and charging privileges to groups or institutions. Everyone was given a list of group contributions and outstanding balance. It was suggested that you take this list back to your group, and get the word out to take care of these balances. We invoice institutions and other Intergroups and this will continue. Question: will we eat the outstanding balances, answer No. We will still require groups to pay their balance.

Open House: Tony announced that the Akron Area Open House will be held Saturday March 28, 2026 after regular hours, from 1:00 to 3:00. Everyone is welcome. A 15% discount will be on all items in the store, excluding event tickets and subscriptions. There will be refreshments and raffles. There will be information from all the committees. There will be Archive Tours. We have extended invitations to other Intergroups, especially Cleveland and Youngstown. This is a free event, come down and have some fun and see the new office.

Committee Reports

12 Step Fund Drive Rachel B Absent

Mark D reported that the 12 Step Fund Drive is announced every October, however the drive continues throughout the year, so groups can and are encouraged to contribute throughout the year. Our contributions are up, thank you to all the groups. We still need to try and collect more. There is an article in the March Newsletter. Stressed that it is time for members to put more into the baskets. The value of a dollar has changed.

Picnic – Rachel B Absent

No new report

Literature – Dana S

As reported last month the Founders' Day order has been placed. The committee has decided on the pin. We are still waiting for the Sandy Beech Book.

Answering Service – Rick R, Vice Chair Absent

Tony reported. We had 3 calls for information, zero 12 step calls and 36 dead air calls.

Office – Rick R, Vice Chair No report.

Information Technology -Ed F No report

Group Services – Mark D

Everyone was given a list of the groups that have no way to be contacted. Mike K will be working on getting the information, if anyone knows that info or attends to meetings, please get that information to the Intergroup. We currently have about 130 emails for groups; we need to continue to update the list. Email is now a required field on the groups.

IG Anniversary – Mike L

Last committee meeting was February 3rd. Tickets have been on sale since February 14, 2026. The event is Sunday April 26, 2026, doors open at noon. There will be another meeting Saturday March 14th at the Intergroup Office and anyone who wants to help can attend the meeting. Asked everyone to promote the event. You can get them at the Intergroup office or from committee members. They also need raffle baskets.

Corrections – Curtis W

Thanks everyone for helping to get the orange cans out to the groups. Contributions for corrections are up. Members taking meetings into facilities have all tightened their belt. Refer to Treasurer Report. Donations can be made at the Intergroup Office and line by individuals. The Oriana House and Summit County Jail are steady and there are no complaints or concerns. We have six people waiting for their clearance to start taking meetings into institutions. Next meeting will be March 21st at the Intergroup Office

NYE Dance – Curtis W They will start getting together later in the summer.

Treatment Joe C

Everyone was given a full written report. Committee met on February 24th. They continue to seek members to take meetings into the areas. We have over 60 facilities in this area and more are always opening. The Armada Detox has been open since December. So far, we have three

meetings in there. Encourages more people to consider to help. Groups can adopt a meeting. The next treatment and corrections meetup will be April 11th at the Paradise Club.

Public Information/CPC – Dick W

He continues to add emails to the Summit County list.

The emails are hopefully going to be able to replace using postage to contact these institutions. Greg at the Intergroup Office continues to help with this. There will be a table set up at the walk in their shoes” event on Friday March 13th He attended the Public Information zoom meeting with Area 54 on Sunday February 8th. Ideas were discussed about placing public service announcements on busses. There will be a Public Information at the 51st NE Ohio Convention. Information about the conference can be found at area54.org.

IG News – Emily M

The committee met on February 21st. There is a QR code to register for Founders’ Day and to donate to the Intergroup Office

Founders’ Day – Juanita W

Founders’ Day registration opens today March 1st. The ribbons are here and they are dark royal blue. Will be meeting at the Intergroup Office Monday March 2nd.

Archives –Chris B Continuing setting up the displays and stained-glass window. They have about a dozen volunteers. So far everything has been donated so they have not had to dip into the money yet.

General Service –Report by Jeff C Akron Multi District always needs help. If your homegroup does not have a general service representative you do not have a voice in general service. Encourages everyone to have a rep. The multi-district meets every third Saturday at Pilgrim Church. The Assembly meets the third Sunday in Brunswick. The Akron multi-district picnic is chaired by Dick W on July 18th, and the Akron multi-district Spring seminar on March 21st.

Good and Welfare Jeanne and Rick R need prayers. Falls Discussion is having their 48th anniversary. Kent Friday is having their anniversary. AA young People is having their business meeting. Brenda M has 16 years. North of Akron is having their Annual Spring event. Serenity Big Book anniversary.

Motion to adjourn made and seconded at 1:09 and the meeting ended with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectively Submitted

Judy K, Secretary

Next Three Meetings: May 3, 2026; June 7, 2026; 6/28/2026