

Akron Area Intergroup Council

Minutes for August 2026

The meeting was called to order on August 2, 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: 56 Groups Represented: 100 Men & Women Big Book Study, Afternoon Alkies, Akron General, Back To Basics. Broad Highway Group, Brunswick Monday Night Mens, But For The Grace Of God, Carry This Message, Coffee, Donuts & Discussion, Cuyahoga Falls, Dalton Mens, East Akron, Faith and Hope, Hobos In The Park, Hope group, Hudson Clockwatchers, Kenmore Group, Kent Friday Night, Kent Living Sober, King School Group 1, Ladies Big Book Study, Mantua Fun Group, Medina Tuesday Night, Morning Meditation, Noetic Bloomers, North Hill Mans Big Book, Post Office Group, Primary Purpose Group, Ravenna Sobriety Checkpoint, Road To Recovery, Rootstown Monday Night, Saturday Morning Drop The Rock, Serenity Big Book Study, Sons Of Ebby, Spiritual Solutions, Stay While You're Here, Saturday Night In Paradise, Sunday Night 12 x 12, Sunday Women's Big Book Study, Tallmadge Heritage AA Group, The Place To Be, The Turning Point, Thursday Closed Womens, Thursday Night Freedom, Thursday Night Men's Non Smoking, Towers Discussion, Trusted Servants, Tuesday At The Border, Tuesday Women's Big Book, Women's Tool Box, You Are Not Alone.

Executive Board Members Present: Tony T, Rick R, Ed B Jr, Judy K, Mark D, Dick W, Curtis W, Joe C, A A Founders' Day represented by Karen K.

Secretary Report: Judy K.

Everyone had a copy of the July minutes. A motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the minutes.

Treasurer Report: Ed B, Jr.

Everyone had a copy of the June 2026 financial statement. A motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the Treasurer's report.

Executive Board Report: Tony T

Election of Executive Board Members. Tony thanked the outgoing members for their service for the last two years. Tony read the rules for the election. Ballots were passed out for everyone to vote using the sign-up list. The Ballots were collected and taken to another room to count.

RESULTS: Brenda M (30), Tim Q (54), David H (53), Darnella C (46) Ed Fuller (33) and Jerico G (32)

Old Business: Joe C gave a report on the ad-hoc subcommittee for Finance. The next meeting is October 22, 2026 at 5:30 at the Intergroup Office. They are working on a long-term plan for the Intergroup. There will be a Board Orientation on Saturday August 8th at the Intergroup Office at 3:00 PM.

New Business: None

Committee Reports

12 Step Fund Drive and Group Services - Mark D

Reviewed donation report. Reviewed need for Zone Captains. Passed out a sheet on open zones. Encouraged groups to keep their group information up to date. They are reviewing a software package called givebutter. Packets for the Fund Drive will be put together after the September Council Meeting.

Literature – Dana S Absent No Report

Answering Service – Rick R, Vice Chair

Calls for information 8, Calls for meetings 3, 12 Step Calls 1, hangups 14. There was a higher than usual charge for June because of Founders Day, Rick is suggesting that the new Vice President look at the answering service that we use. Perhaps try something different for answering calls after office hours.

Office – Rick R, Vice Chair

Reviewed the groups that still have credit balances. We are doing away with credit. Lastly, he went over the Golf Outing that will be in October.

Information Technology -Ed F Absent No Report

IG Anniversary – No Report

Corrections – Curtis W

Thanked everyone for continued donations to the Orange Cans. When you donate be sure to specify that it is for the Corrections Committee. Next meeting will be October 15th at the Intergroup office. Explained the process for getting approved to go into facilities.

NYE Dance – Curtis W No report. Will get committee active after the picnic.

Treatment Joe C

Everyone was given a detailed list of the Committee's needs. They met on Tuesday July 28th. Five new people attended the meeting. We still have needs for new volunteers. Currently there are about 50 people taking meetings into facilities. People can visit the facilities without attending the monthly meeting. Went over the list to highlight needs.

Public Information/CPC – Dick W

There was a handout with information that Dick reviewed. The Public Service Announcements are in the buses now. The \$1000 was paid for by Area 54 Multi-District. On July 21st he went to RAMAR and spoke to clients. July 18th set up a table at the Multi-District Picnic. July signed the contract with Gateway Outdoor for 100 buses. It will go for 2 or 3 months. We will track to see if it generates more action at the Intergroup. He thanked Darcy Fitzgerald of Area 54, Jeff Capen and Akron Multi-District for their help. He also had special thanks to the office staff for all their help with his projects. He contacted Veterans Service Commission of Stark County and gave them information about contacting us when they have an event.

Intergroup Picnic – Emily M absent report given by Ray.

A flyer for the Picnic was distributed to everyone. Ray reported that everything is going as planned. Still needed baskets for raffles and for people to bring side dishes to share. Committee met on July 11th and confirmed everything. Everything is moving along. Two treatment facilities are sending people to help set up, manage the waste and clean up. This is an opportunity for us to show newcomers sober fun.

IG News – Emily M absent report by Tony.

Mary Beth will be taking over the computer part of the Intergroup News to help the new Chairperson for the committee. Next meeting August 23. Need articles for the newsletter.

Founders' Day – Karen K

Final number of registrations was 6,781 and that is a 15% decrease from last year. Not as many buses came from out of town this year. We have a 110-page itemized invoice that is being reviewed and the final numbers should be available by the next council meeting.

Archives –Chris B Absent Mary K gave report.

Archives is open all the time and the committee is there every Wednesday. Chris will be returning from his leave of absence soon. They are always looking for new people.

General Service –John C – Absent Tony gave report

He was not able to make it to the Multi-District due to health problems. Mentioned that there is \$29,000 missing from the Area Treasury and they are considering that future treasurers be bonded. There is an investigation.

Good and Welfare

John D passed away this month. He was active with the Archives Committee. Prayers requested for Chris and his family due to the illness of his granddaughter. Sue L died this week, prayers for her family. Julie S celebrates 34 years, prayers for a sponsee's daughter of a member Sue who passed away. Hobos in the Park is having their anniversary August 19th, Jerry celebrated 39 years of sobriety. Joe C celebrated 8 yrs. Tanya celebrated 2 yrs. Prayers requested for Mike B and Racheal B due to the illness of her son.

Motion to adjourn made and seconded at 1:30 and the meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectively Submitted

Judy K, Secretary

Next Three Meetings: August 30, 2026; October 4, 2026; 10/5/2026