

January 2025 Rep Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 1/14/2025 @ 6:30pm



6:30 PM Chairperson Brad C. opened the meeting

Co-Chairperson Alan B. read the Central Office Preamble

Roll Call:

Brad C.	Chair	Diane B.	Grapevine
Alan B.	Valley View/Co-Chair	Nick	"Interested AA"
Jennie S.	Speak Easy Ladies/Secretary	Jason H.	Conscious Contact
Nick C.	Sugarhouse Mens/Technology	Sue W.	Conscious Contact (Former)
Elan B.	We Agnostics/Outgoing Technology	Brian W.	Ashley's Angels/Outreach Chair
Sharisse E.	Women in Sobriety	Blake S.	Sugarhouse Men's/Hotline Chair
Chris G.	Spreading the Message/Treasurer	Shane	"Interested AA" Hotline Committee
Tullivan	Sunday Morning BB	Kyle A.	Stonewall Group
Jose G.	Sunday Morning BB (Alt)	Jeremy L.	District 2 Liaison
Riley S.	Salt Lake Young People	Dan B.	13th East A.A. Meditation
Mark O.	Bog Irish BB Study	Julia M.	Hillcrest/Trustee Dist 13
Liz M.	Up Group	Max	Outgoing Hotline, incoming
Ben S.	Murray Group	Kim B.	Volunteer Chair
LeAnne P.	An AA Group	Vince S.	Activities Chair
Avery L.	5:15 Happy Hour	Danny B.	Primary Purpose/Lifeline
Todd H.	5:15 Happy Hour (Alt)	Declan O'F.	Across the Room/Dist 10 Liaison
Roger L.	5:15 Happy Hour (Former)	Jerry E.	12th Step Chair
Melissa E.	Stonewall/PI Chair	Laurie A.	South Valley Lunch Group
Kevin W.	West Jordan AA	Jeff P.	Webservant
Rafael C.	Group Libertaad	Jeff D.	Across the Room
Sean L.	Balkers BB Study	Robin R.	Rise & Grind
James P.	City at Seven	Brian L.	Southenders
Rob G.	Hot Topic	Samantha S.	Hope on 90th
Lindsey B.	South Davis Group	Jamie K.	Every Night Firelight
		Derek B.	Draper Group

Secretary: Jennie S. asked everyone to sign the attendance sheet on the clipboard circulating around the room. Announced that flyers of the open Central Office positions will be emailed with the minutes.

⇒ Chris G. made a motion to approve December Central Office Rep Minutes, passed unanimously

Treasurer's Report: Chris G.

See attached Financials. Group Donations finished strong, up 25% from last December, which means we were up 1.45% in 2024 vs 2023 with a grand total of \$45,564.53. We also received some large end-of-year donations from individuals, so total contributions for the month were roughly \$6500. The operating income for the month was \$5,300, which is fairly high for our operations.

As of the end of December, we have about \$90k in cash or cash equivalents, which is well over our required prudent reserve. Also, our tax documents for 2023 were filed on time by the CPA.

We have roughly \$154 K in total assets, with a good chunk as inventory. Our prudent reserve is \$40K.

→ Declan wanted to know if there are any risks having such a large cash balance. It was mentioned that we need to negotiate new rent this year so it's good to have an excess (see New Business).

⇒ Declan made a motion to approve the 2024 December Financials, passed unanimously

Trustee at Large (District 2 liaison): Jeremy L.

See attached District 2 Newsletter. We have one District Committee Member position still open, and four alternate DCM positions open. The District has a surplus in funds.

Trustee at Large (District 10 liaison): Declan Ó F.

Hi, my name's Declan. I'm on the Central Office board of trustees and serve as liaison to District Ten. The District Ten GSR meeting was held on the first Monday of the month. It was well-attended, and they covered a lot of business.

- Open positions include DCMs for Sections One and Two, alternate DCMs, and Grapevine Chair.
- Sue, the literature chair, mentioned that new service manuals are available. They're here on the literature racks for four dollars!
- Rick, the immediate past BTG chair is working with treatment to get meetings into Salt Lake Behavioural Health. It's a fun program, and I'd encourage it to anyone interested in service positions.
- Craig, the treatment chair, is looking for experienced AAs to chair treatment centre meetings. And he's looking to visit at least one treatment centre per week.
- Catherine, the corrections chair, reported issues with construction on pods. Right now, pod B is expected to be closed through part of February.
- Two chairs from District Ten will be attending PRAASA in Alaska this upcoming March. We're eager to hear back from them.
- District Ten is introducing the practice of alternating printed and verbal standing chair reports every other month, to give GSRs more time to actively lead the meeting. Having talked with Brad and the rest of the board, I know in Central Office we're always looking for ways to better encourage our own bosses – you, the CO Reps – to take charge, and this is one of the ideas brought to the floor at our board meeting. So, I thought I'd float that idea by you, and let you know that if you're interested, this is your meeting, and you have every right to raise that idea for consideration.

Trustee at Large (District 11 liaison): OPEN

Elections: No one stood

Trustee at Large (District 13 liaison): Julia M.

Robust meeting, well-attended. The December 2024 meeting with District 13 was well attended by the GSRs. Alan and Julia both attended and folks had a good opportunity to connect with Julia and wish Alan well as he continues to be of service at the Central Office. The District is trying to fill three open positions; at this time, the treasurer position remains a critical seat to fill. The outgoing treasurer's report was reviewed in detail - which included a rundown of expenses and a proposed budget. Most representatives talked about their respective meetings growing with the Herriman High School meeting suffering due to cancellations as the result of their location.

Alternate Trustee At Large #1 and #2: OPEN

Elections: No one stood

→ Sharisse E. wanted to know what a Trustee at Large does. Alan explained that a Trustee serves as a liaison between their District and Central Office. Requirement is to attend 3 meetings each month: the District GSR meeting, Board meeting the 1st Tuesday of the month, and the Rep meeting the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Hotline Telephone: Blake S.

Max gave the report and brought info Blake needs. One group decided to quit doing Hotline so he needs volunteers the 4th and 5th Saturdays of each month from 6pm to midnight.

Twelfth Step: Jerry E.

Kevin, alternate, spoke for Jerry. They have a list they are validating, would like to expand to Magna, Provo, Tooele, and Bountiful.

Activities: Vince S.

Nothing to report at this time.

Newsletter: Danny B.

Newsletter committee puts together the Lifeline at Central Office on the last Thursday of the month so feel free to join! We have funds for bulk rate mail for 6 months. Would love stories on Step 3 for March - deadline to submit is the 20th of each month. Also, please send Group Birthdays! lifeline@saltlakeaa.org

Outreach: Brian W.

Nothing to report at this time.

Website: Jeff P./OPEN

Elections: no one stood.

PLEASE take this to your groups. Very important!!

→ Mark O. inquired about the requirements and skillset. The position requires 2 years sobriety, experience with Wordpress preferred.

→ Declan has someone interested in being on the committee who is very technically advanced.

Jeff's report: web traffic has been very consistent; for the past year we've averaged roughly 5000 visitors/month, with most looking for meetings.

By-Laws: Max D.

Wants to make the By-Laws process more democratic so thinking of taking them to the groups to see what they want changed. Needs about 2-3 weeks to get this off the ground. Would love an assistant!

Volunteer: Kim B.

Remember the volunteer party at Central Office this Saturday Jan 18th from 11-3pm to celebrate our all-volunteer anniversary. There will be food, a raffle, speakers, and an opportunity to explore service positions.

We need volunteers at Central Office! All shifts are needing 2-3 more people and are very flexible - you can work a full day or few hours. Email volunteer@saltlakeaa.org if interested or you have any questions. Need people for Wed Thurs Fri. 10-5 Mon-Fri 10-2 Sat.

Literature: Charlie T.

By laws require inventory twice a year - needs help with that in February, probably on Sunday.

Archives: OPEN

⇒ Jose stood for Archives chair, and was unanimously approved. His sobriety date is 1/1/2014 and his Home Group the Sunday Morning Big Book Study. He has been a GSR and Central Office Rep in the past and has some Archival experience.

Corrections: OPEN

Elections: no one stood

Public Information: Melissa E.

Made contact with David, incoming PI for one of the districts as well as District 2 PI Dan B.; looking for the other 2 PI contacts. We have a PI Facebook page - please take a look and let Melissa know if there is anything else we want to see. Looking to track down a large bag of literature she used while she was the P.I. chair a while back, Kim responded that it was in storage - yay! Needs people for her committee. Melissa's number: 801-915-3573.

Coins: Kathy/OPEN

Elections: no one stood

Technology: Nick

Working out the kinks out for Zoom. Incoming chairs - come get access to your Central Office email.

Alt Technology: OPEN**OLD BUSINESS:****Elections - Open Positions and Descriptions****District 11 Trustee - No one stood**

2- way communication link/liaison between your District and Central Office. Requirement to attend the monthly GSR meeting and report to Central Office, as well as the Central Office Board Meeting/Rep meeting the 1st and 2nd Tuesdays of each month to report to your District. Please see Alan B. for any questions.

Alternate Trustee - No one stood

Fill in at meetings and activities when the regular Trustee at Large is unable to attend and to accept the position of Trustee at Large when that person is unable to complete their term.

Website - No one stood

The Website Committee's general purpose is to create and maintain Central Office's website for members and individuals seeking information about A.A. The website will include an accurate meeting schedule for all areas served by Central Office as well as current news and events.

Archives - FILLED

The Archive Committee will be entrusted with the safe keeping, organization, assembly and storage of all Central Office records as directed by the Board of Trustees and C.O. Committee.

Corrections - No one stood

The Corrections Committee will function in cooperation with the similar committees in Districts 2, 10 and 11 and Area 69. The Committee, in carrying out its duties, will refer to the GSO A.A. Guidelines and Kit for direction and guidance

Cooperation with Professionals - No one stood

The Cooperation with Professionals Committee will function in cooperation with the similar committees in Districts 2, 10 and 11 and Area 69. The Committee, in carrying out its duties, will refer to the GSO A.A. Guidelines and Kit for direction and guidance.

Coins - No one stood

Inventory and maintain anniversary coins for purchase from Central Office

Alternate Technology - No one stood

Fill in and perform the duties of the regular Technology Committee Chair when the Chair is unable to do so.

Technology Chair is responsible for the maintenance of Central Office computer hardware and software, network infrastructure, cloud services, and all software licensing compliance. Assists the hotline and website committees with the maintenance of their respective systems when requested.

NEW BUSINESS:

→ Declan expressed concern over our excess funds, referenced By-Laws; suggested we come up with a formal way to go about budgeting. Brad suggested a sub-committee and wants to address it next month. Kim asked when the meeting with the landlord would take place; our Lease is up in June. Brad will talk to the building owners and report back next month.

6:22 PM Meeting closed with the Responsibility Statement.

 **Next Central Office Rep meeting will be held on 2/11/2025 @6:30pm** 