

DISTRICT 36 MONTHLY GROUP CONSCIENCE MEETING

OCTOBER 12, 2026

Attendance: Randy K. (GSR) Big Book East, Ruth C. (GSR), Myra D. (AGSR) Big Book West, Jeff C. (GSR) Bridge Street, Ashley E. (AGSR) Dillsburg Group, Heather L. (GSR & Technology Coordinator) Harrisburg Area Women's BB Study Group, Craig L. (Liaison & Voting Member for Young People's Group) HAYPAA, Chris P. (GSR) Hershey Group, Mark W. (GSR) Hershey Nooner, Matt M. (GSR) Out of the Dark, Ashlee C. (GSR) Progress Group, Eric L. (GSR) Rainbow Connection, Ted J. (GSR) Rebellion Dogs, Kayla S. (GSR) Recovery on Reno Group, Craig Y. (Archivist) Michael W. (GSR) Some are Sicker Than Others, Meghan S. (GSR) There's More To Life, Misty D. (GSR) There Is A Solution, Bryan E. (GSR) Wellsville #1, Josh G. (GSR) West Shore Area Group, Amy L. (GSR) Women's Serenity, Nicole P. (Intergroup Liaison), Nicole G. (Treasurer), Young People's Group, James O. (DCM), Angelo S. (ADCM), Paul M. (Past Delegate guest), Zak S. (Guest of James O.)

Meeting Opened: 6:30 PM

- The meeting opened with the Declaration of Unity: "This we owe to A.A.'s future. To place our common welfare first; To keep our Fellowship united. For on A.A. Unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come."

Roll Call: Kim W.

Introductions/News from Groups

Summaries

- Jeff C. (Bridge Street) – Holiday Party will be held on December 13, 2026. More information to follow
- Josh G. (West Shore Area Group) – Friendsgiving Potluck Dinner, November 21, 2026. 442 Hummel Ave., Lemoyne, PA. A flyer will be coming soon.
- Ted J. (Rebellion Dogs) – Annual Potluck Dinner on October 15, 2026 at 6:30 PM.
- Craig L. (Young People's Group) – speaker meetings will be the last Friday of the month.

Actions

- None

Guests

- Paul M. (past Delegate)
- Zak S. (Guest of James O.)

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Actions: GSR's

- None

Nominations and Elections Update:

Election Chair: Paul M. (Past Delegate, Area 59, Panel 67)

Ushers and Tellers: Craig Y. and Zak S.

- By a show of hands and substantial unanimity, we allowed the GSR's on Zoom to vote.
- By a show of hands and substantial unanimity we allowed Paul M. to conduct the election process for D36.
- Paul M. read the AA voting procedures for the election. Election was done by paper ballots.
 - o DCM – all declined 1st time around. 2nd time around, Heather L. accepted. By substantial unanimity she was elected.
 - o ADCM – all declined 1st time around. 2nd time around, Craig L. accepted. By substantial unanimity he was elected.
 - o Secretary – Ted J. accepted. By substantial unanimity he was elected.
 - o Treasurer – all declined 1st & 2nd time around.
 - o Officer-at-Large – Jeff C. accepted. By substantial unanimity he was elected.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

- **Secretary Kim W.**
 - The October draft minutes will be sent out to everyone tomorrow because I am leaving for vacation for 10 days.
 - September's final minutes and associated files will be sent to Judy for uploading on the D36 website within 1 week from today.
 - There was 1 change to the minutes from James O.
 - The following sentence was added at the end of the 5th bullet under the DCM report. "The 2nd roll call ends at 9:00 AM and if you are not there, you will not be able to vote for the rest of the day."
 - Mike W. made a motion to accept September's minutes and Craig L. 2nd. The motion passed with substantial unanimity.
- **Treasurer Nicole G.**
 - See Treasurer report
 - We are currently operating above Prudent Reserve
 - Mike W. made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Ruth C. 2nd. The motion passed with substantial unanimity.
- **Officer-at-Large (OAL)**
 - Position is open – Position description page 9 of the District 36 Structure Manual.
- **ADCM Angelo S.**
- **Important Take Aways!**
 - 69th EPGSA convention, November 13-15, 2026, Wyndham Lancaster Resort and Convention Center, 2300 E. Lincoln Highway, Lancaster, PA. Please inform your home groups that volunteers are needed. Volunteer sign-up form can be found on area59aa.org under Events and click on EPGSA to find out more information. Any GSR's or alternates

that will be voting should **NOT** sign up to volunteer on Saturday November 14th from 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

- Area Day, October 24, 2026 from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 158 Fish Hill Road, Tannersville, PA. The Theme: "We've spent your money, come find out where."
- See attached ADCM report.

DCM James O.

- Important Take Aways!
 - BM-31 A.A. Service Manual/Twelve Concepts for World Services 2026-2028 PDF is on the Area website. Cost of \$5.75 onlineliterature.aa.org/Service-Manual-12-Concepts
 - October 13th deadline for the room block EPGSA. We need volunteers sign-up sheet on table or email Secretary@area59aa.org or alt-delegate@area59aa.org
 - October 24th Area Day 2026, 9AM – 4PM, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 158 Fish Hill Rd, Tannersville, PA 18372 To be held in District 41. Theme: "We've spent your money, come find out where". Great chance to ask any questions your homegroup has about where the money was used.
 - Observer for EPGSA is Joshua W. Baker Adjunct instructor mental health clinical is a Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner
 - The Fifth Edition Big Book will be available Feb.1, 2027 in a hard cover format with a dust jacket for \$20.00
- See attached DCM report

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Archives** - Mark W. (Chair)
 - o No report
- **Structure** – Josh G. (Chair)
 - o No report
- **Workshop** –Julie B. (Chair)
 - Heather L. asked if anyone would like to volunteer to help setup for the workshop and help serve food. Please see her after the meeting.
 - Fall workshop is scheduled for October 17, 2026 from 10:00AM – 4:00 PM. St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 530 Bridge Street, New Cumberland, PA. Lunch will be provided. You are welcome to bring a dish to share. The speaker will be James T. from Stepping Stone, the historic home of Bill and Lois Wilson.
- **Finance** – Meghan S. (Chair)
 - o No report
- **BTG** – Open position
- **Ad-Hoc District Split** – Eric L.
 - o No report

LIAISON REPORTS

District 36 Archivist – Craig Y.

- No report

District 36 Technology Coordinator – Heather L.

- No report

Bridging the Gap (BTG) – Kristen P.

- Not present.

District 36 Intergroup – Misty D.

- Misty D. presented her report at the October meeting and all went well.

Harrisburg Intergroup – Nicole P.

- Intergroup will have their nominations in November and will be conducting elections in December.
- CPC: Professionals & AA Workshop: November 10, from 5-9pm at the CareerLink Building ([100 North Cameron St. Harrisburg, PA](#))
- Website: Reveal Party for New Website: October 24, at 10am at Fellowship House
 - Virtual Reveal Party for New Website: October 29, at 6pm on Zoom
- Motions: Motion for Literature Committee to stop donating pamphlets to Fellowship House. In 2017 a motion was passed that the PI budget would be used to provide these pamphlets; it has since fallen aside and pamphlets are basically a "donation" now. Motion amended for Lit Committee to stop donating pamphlets and PI Committee to pick up the commitment out of their budget. Motion passed.

Harrisburg Area Young People Alcoholics Anonymous (HAYPAA) – Craig L.

- No report.

OLD BUSINESS

GSR Julie B. makes a motion to propose a donation to Stepping Stones using workshop funds, requesting that the GSR's bring this proposal to their home groups for an informed group conscience vote at the October-12th District 36 meeting. In the absence of Julie B. she asked me to ask the committee to consider rescinding the motion as it violates our 6th & 7th Traditions.

- The group chose to vote by a show of hands
- The motion to rescind the donation to Stepping Stones using workshop funds because it violated the 6th & 7th traditions.
- The motion passed with substantial unanimity.
- James O. stated that we are allowed to use the remaining workshop funds (with the \$300 cap) towards the speaker's travel, lodging, gas, food etc. This is allowable.
- This will be voted on at the November meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- None

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VOLUNTEERS

Tradition 11: Kim W,

Concept 11: Ruth C.

Meeting ended: 7:47 PM

Next Meeting: November 9, 2026 at 6:30 PM

Closed with Responsibility Declaration: “I am responsible when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help. I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that – I am responsible.”

Attachments:

- Agenda
- DCM Report
- ADCM Report
- Treasurer Report
- Everything AA App Update
- AA’s Voting Procedures
- Everything AA App Update

District 36 Meeting Agenda
Monday October 12, 2026
Zoom ID:714 4907 7806 PW:D36

Welcome Everyone!

Declaration of Unity Statement:

“This we owe to A.A.’s future: To place our common welfare first; To keep our Fellowship united. For on A.A. Unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.”

Roll Call:

Secretary: Kim W.

Name:

Home Group:

Position:

Summaries: (group announcements)

Actions: (items groups want discussed)

Guests:

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Officer Reports:

Secretary - Kim W.

Treasurer - Nicole G.

Officer at Large- Open Position - Position description pg.9 Dist.36 Structure Manual

ADCM -Angelo S.

DCM - James O.

Actions: G.S.R.’s

Nominations and Elections Update:

Election Chair: Paul M. (Past Delegate, Area 59, Panel 67)

Ushers and Tellers: Craig Y. and Zak S.

For this election, we’ll be using Third Legacy Procedure. All nominees are asked to either accept or decline the position they’re nominated for. Positions up for election include DCM, ADCM, Secretary, Treasurer, and Officer-at-Large.

For more details, including the responsibilities for each role, please refer to pages 8 through 10 of the District 36 Structure Manual.

Subcommittee Reports:

Archives: Mark W.

Structure: Josh G.

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Bridging The Gap: Open Position

Ad-Hoc District Split: Eric L.

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Liaison Reports:

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DCM Report

October 12, 2026

Events Attended

- September 23, 2026 - Area 59 North Wales storage facility, 7AM - 2:00PM (Filing workday)
- October 9, 2026 - There's More To Life Anniversary Meeting, 309 Herman Ave., Lemoyne
- October 11, 2026 - A59 Archives virtual Subcommittee meeting 9AM -10AM

Will Be Attending:

- October 17, 2026 - A History of District 36 & Area 59 – Area 59 of Alcoholics Anonymous Workshop, 530 Bridge St., Lemoyne, 10AM - 4PM
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- The Fifth Edition Big Book will be available Feb. 1, 2027 in a hard cover format with a dust jacket for \$20.00
- Check out Area 59’s We newsletter on area59aa.org
- December’s Agenda will not be sent out until Monday of that month
- Motions need to be sent in writing to the DCM 1 week prior to the next District meeting to be added to the agenda dcmd36a59@gmail.com Include:
 - o The full motion text.
 - o The name of the motion maker
 - o Any supporting documents or data.
- We ask that you read our business meeting minutes prior to the next district meeting and submit any questions or corrections to Kim W. secretaryd36a59@gmail.com
- o It is suggested to attend at least 1 quarterly area meeting a year.
- o A useful source for A.A. news, Box 4-5-9 is a quarterly newsletter from the U.S./Canada General Service Office. Free sign up with your name and e-mail

Helpful Links- Just click and be redirected to the page

[GSR KIT](#)

[Safety Card for A.A. Groups | Alcoholics Anonymous](#)

[SMF-223 - FAQ on Practicing the Seventh Tradition at Virtual ... DISTRICT 36 STRUCTURE](#)

[MANUAL - aaHarrisburg.org](#)

[P-16: The A.A. Group... where it all begins](#) [P-19: G.S.R. General Service Representative](#)

It's a Honor and Privilege to be your DCM of District 36

James O.

E-mail: dcmd36a59@gmail.com

ADCM REPORT
October 12, 2026
Zoom ID: 714 4907 7806. Password: D36

Attended:

- September 17, 2026 - There is More to Life Group, Grace United Methodist Church, 309 Herman Avenue, Lemoyne, PA.
- September 21, 2026 - Zoom Meeting. Hosted by Area 43 on AA Service Manual Concept II.
- October 2, 2026 - Back the Valley Group, Paxton United Methodist Church, 3550 N. Progress Ave., Harrisburg, PA.

Please Review:

- November 13-15, 2026 - 69th Annual Eastern Pennsylvania General Service Convention and Assembly (EPGSA). Doors open 1:00 PM on Friday. Wyndham Lancaster Resort and Convention Center, 2300 E Lincoln Highway, Lancaster, PA. Please inform your home groups that volunteers are needed. Volunteer sign- up form can be found on area59aa.org under Events and click on EPGSA find out more. Any GSR'S or alternates that will be voting should not sign up for any volunteer service on Saturday 14, 2026 from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM.
- October 24, 2026 - Area Day 2026, St. Paul's Lutheran Church Tannersville, 158 Fish Hill Rd., Tannersville, PA.
- It is strongly suggested that Committees meet monthly and have a report that the Committee chair can present at District 36 Monthly Meetings. For more information see page 16 of District 36 Structure Manual.

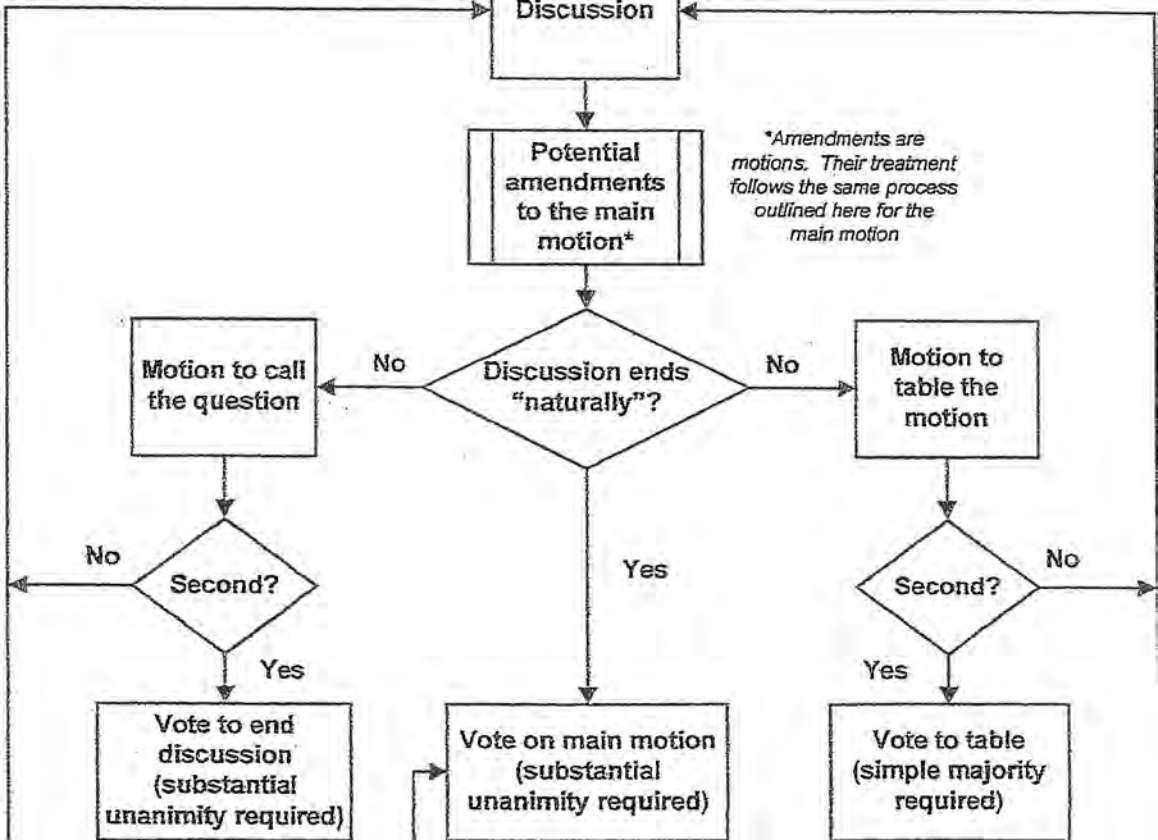
Please remember to go over previous meeting minutes and submit any question or changes to Kim W. (D36 Secretary). secretaryd36a59@gmail.com.

Submit any new motion at least 1 week (7 Days) prior to the next District meeting to D36 DCM at dcmd36a59@gmail.com.

Please keep your home group informed about area59aa.org. aaharrisburg.org and aa.org. Vast amount of information.

Any Question Please Feel Free to See Me After the Meeting.

Thank You for Your Service:
Angelo S. Trusted Servant



"We wear Roberts Rules like a loose glove."

Motion

2nd

Discussion

Discussion Ends Either...

VOTE

2. "All in favor"

3. "All opposed"

4. "Any abstentions"

5. "Would the minority opinion like to be heard?"

Organically (goes directly to a vote on the motion... OR

CALL THE QUESTION (definition: "We've discussed enough - let's vote.")

By a MEMBER: [MOTION PAUSES] [2/3 majority]

- "All in favor of stopping discussion and bringing motion to a vote"
- "All in favor of continuing discussion."

By a CHAIR: [NO VOTE REQUIRED] ("I'm going to take three (3) more/10 minutes ... then vote")

- "I'm going to CALL THE QUESTION to stop the discussion and call a vote on the motion."

By a CHAIR: [NO VOTE REQUIRED] ("I'm going to take three (3) more/10 minutes ... then vote")

MINORITY OPINION: The minority opinion is generally expressed to 1.) share something new (no repeats of previously stated opinions); 2.) if anyone feels they haven't expressed themselves adequately; 3.) if someone feels they feel the body is making a serious mistake. **Note:** The Chair can allow for repetition during the minority opinion if needed to ensure we 1.) move slowly and 2.) let everyone feel heard.

5. "To anyone who voted in the majority: Did that change your vote?" (REMIND THEM WHAT THE MAJORITY IS) (same thing as Motion to Reconsider)

• IF YES

- "So by default, there's a Motion to Reconsider is on the table - do I hear a 2nd?"
- "All in favor of Re-Opening discussion - All in favor of treating this vote as final."

(Motion starts over and we go into Discussion - then we vote. Vote is Final / No minority opinion)

• IF NO: Motion Passes/Fails

AMENDMENTS:

- **Friendly:** Given by someone trying to improve the motion without changing the meaning - the person who made the motion needs to accept the amendment
- **Regular:** Actually changing the wording & intent of the motion - requires the person who made the motion (AND THE 2nd) and the person who made the amendment to agree on the change to the motion (2/3 majority)

The amendment itself requires a 2nd person to vote on the motion.

POSTPONE: (requires a motion)

- Definition: **Postpone it TO A SPECIFIC TIME** (it makes sense to deal with it at a specific time in the future for whatever reason) [Gets put into OLD BUSINESS AT THAT FUTURE DATE]

POINT OF INFORMATION:

- Primarily used when 1.) Someone has a question to ask...or 2.) When they need some additional information (sometimes it's about them wanting to offer additional information).

POINT OF ORDER:

- Used when there is some deviation from the process or someone is being disruptive (Chair: Only use this when someone is being very mean spirited) (Chair rules on it when asked by a member)

TABLE: (requires a motion)

- Definition: We are **putting the motion off in the moment** and it will require the step of somebody taking it off the table.
- How it gets off the table: Likely it will be **automatically** put into OLD BUSINESS for the next meeting (not debatable / simple majority / no motion to reconsider or minority opinion)

Please direct all
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September 4, 2026

Everything AA App Update

We're excited to announce that the first release of the Everything AA app under the ownership of A.A. World Services is now available. We encourage you to update your app to Version 5.0 to access the latest features.

Over the last several months, the app team at the General Service Office has been working behind the scenes to address critical technical and infrastructure issues and ensure the app is stable, reliable, and ready to support app users. This work is an important step in establishing a strong foundation for the app's future as we review app content and design.

The app is a recent addition to the many services GSO provides to the Fellowship. It remains available for download without cost; however, there is an option to subscribe at \$1.99 a month or \$19.99 a year to support the app's continued development and maintenance. This optional subscription model follows a similar practice to the A.A. Grapevine's subscription model for its app. The AAWS board has engaged in thoughtful discussion and deliberation to ensure that this aligns with our Traditions. Subscribers will receive content, as noted below, and are not contributing to the Seventh Tradition with their subscriptions.

In the next year, as the app team continues to review and develop this important platform, you will notice phased changes to content and features along with the addition of new resources for all app users.

This first release includes a new feature: Bonus content for subscribers only. Subscribers will have access to "Voices of A.A. Today," which is excerpted from the 2025 International Convention commemorative book, **A Book of Fellowship - 90 Years of Sharing Love and Service**, now available for purchase only in print at the online bookstore. In the coming months, other treasures from our publications and archives, including audio and video recordings, will be made available to subscribers.

As always, we are working to ensure that the app is a trusted source of information and resources and is consistent with A.A.'s Twelve Traditions and AAWS and GSO policies and practices.

We're grateful for your patience during this process and look forward to sharing more updates and new features in the months ahead.

The Everything AA app is available on both iOS and Android.

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