

DISTRICT 61

Serving Batavia, Elburn, Geneva, LaFox,
Maple Park, St. Charles, and Wayne

MEETING MINUTES

Welcome

1	Meeting Called to Order	7:00
2	Meeting decorum and procedures	Reviewed by DCM
3	Roll Call checklist	39 attending (38 in person, 1 zoom), 38 not attending No guests
4	Readings	Tradition 1 read by Julie Concept 1 read by Teresa
5	Introductions and recognize new members	Bob A Cathy M Matt L
6	A.A. Anniversaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Betty – 39 years• Rob – 18 years• Kate – 18 years• Carol – 2 years• Hugh• Kyle – 4 years
7	7th Tradition was observed	
8	Approve December 3 Minutes	Typo noted for Julie's name Motion to approve with typo fixed: Julie P Seconded by Jeff Minutes approved with amendment
9	Elections / Positions	Open positions remain for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accessibility Chair• Accessibility Alt• Grapevine Alt.• CPCPI Alt

Officers Reports

1	District Committee Member Kyle W. Alt: Elizabeth S	Kyle - See Attachment Elizabeth: Working with Kyle and setting up Sending Friday Flyers – contact Elizabeth if you’re not receiving it. Also send her information on new events.
2	Secretary Kate K. Alt: Julie P	No report
3	Registrar Betty F. Alt: Dawn V (NP)	Made updates to registration lists and the meeting list
4	Treasurer Lance T. Alt: Rich N (NP)	Rich has been handling the duties, Lance will follow up with him and have a full report for next month The budget will be reviewed for approval in the February meeting. A budget will be sent prior to the meeting for review.

Old Business

1. Meeting location: Noted decision to remain at this location.
2. Meeting Dates:
 - a. Meeting packets have 2026 meeting dates.
 - b. Vote: Julie moved to approve, Randy moved to seconded. All favor, passed

New Business

1. Request to fund the Young Persons Committee Chair to attend ISCYPAA State Conference
 - a. New position without a current budget. Cost is \$31
 - b. Vote: Bron made motion to approve, Julie seconded. All in favor, passed
2. AA Trivia Jeopardy-Style event
 - a. This Sunday 2/1 at 4pm
 - b. Requesting funds of \$580, which includes \$308 that the event sent back to District after the last event plus requesting an additional \$272.
 - c. Discussion:
 - i. Noted that request should have been made in advance so there is time for agenda inclusion and discussion, and should be complete before event flyers go out.
 - ii. Lance noted there is no budget line item, we’ve funded in the past.
 - iii. Funds go toward food, venue rental, coffee and prizes. A full breakdown will be provided by Sarah and/or Terese.

iv. Intent is future events will be self-funding, but not there yet.

d. Vote:

i. Julie made motion to provide this seed money to the event. Carol Anne seconded the motion.

ii. 23 for, 1 opposed, 4 abstained.

iii. Minority opinion: this is a non-necessary expense. Opinion did not change vote.

iv. Motion Passed

3. Literature / Natalie

a. Natalie expected budget review for 2026, she needs funding before the February meeting.

b. More newcomer packets are needed. Following last year - 200 packets at a cost of ~\$1400-\$1500.

c. Discussion

i. Expectation of reorders is unknown – but she is out and has requests for packets.

ii. Discussed review of the current packet for changes before next print – Natalie will review and present at the next meeting

iii. We could start with 100, but noted it may not be a large discount

iv. Multiple noted that this is primary purpose, and unlikely to reduce budget Literature

d. Vote

i. Motion to order 100 packets made by Sarah. Terese seconded. All for, none against

ii. Motion passes

4. Budget Discussion

a. Noted Budget amounts start over each year / for 2026

b. Funds were sent to GSO in December. We currently have roughly \$2500, which is the prudent reserve.

5. Future District Meeting topics

a. Natalie noted there is someone who would like to come and discuss changes to grapevine and literature

b. Due to time, Kyle requested that other ideas be sent to him via email

Committee Reports

1	Accessibility Open. Alt: open	No report
2	Answering Service Sheila P. Alt: Jeanette J (NP)	Sheila took over from Natalie on January 10, she and Jeanette have received calls. 2 of 6 people have google phone activated, working on the remaining 4.
3	Corrections M: Todd M. Alt: Open W: Carol Ann	Men's meeting is going very well and is received with enthusiasm. Noted for next month's budget discussion that they get big books and 12&12's donated, they do not need to be funded. Excited that Carol Anne will be working on the women's program.
4	CPC & PI Janan O. (NP) Alt: Open	No report.
5	Literature Natalie G. Alt: Al S (NP)	See New Business above
6	Registrar Betty F. Alt: Dawn V (NP)	Roster updates made, Betty will add the new GSRs. Betty encouraged the group to contact her with meeting schedule updates.
7	Treatment M: Steve H W: Terese S	Steve noted the program is going well. Gateway in Aurora has added a year commitment for monthly men's visit. Terese noted she is looking for female speakers for the monthly RCA visit.
8	Webmaster Rick N. Alt: Katie R	Rick and Katie have split responsibilities for the website maintenance. Rick noted that GoDaddy is retiring the server our site is on, the site will be moved, but may come with fee changes – Rick is investigating. Katie has made some organizational updates to the website. She also noted google is presenting old data, will work to get that updated.
9	Archives Sarah L. Alt. Missy R (NP)	Sarah and Missy are just figuring things out for this new committee. Sara went to the IL Conference and picked up some free things from their Archive room. She's also checking aa.org, attending workshops and reviewing documents she's received. Missy is starting old-timer interviews.
10	Young Persons Dave D	Dave will be attending ISCYPAA next week and looking for ideas to bring to this new committee.
11	LCM Bron M. Alt: Kent R.	Bron noted they contacted 5 groups without GSRs and a couple have created the position. Others are expressing interest, they'll follow up and provide information. They will pass out GSR pamphlets.

Finding that some meetings are too small (a few only) to warrant a GSR – they'll stay in touch with those groups so they have representation and are kept up to date.

Bron also noted he can solicit feedback on the newcomer packets.

GSR Reports

None this week, there was a question about Tokens and Kyle will help there.

Wrap Up

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted by: Kate K

Next meeting date: March 25, 2026

Report Submissions

1/28/26 DCM report

As your new DCM I have been working on the transition from previous panel. All materials have been transferred to my custody, with the help of Katie processes have been put in place. Elizabeth and I have been working on making sure this district is working well for all those we serve.

I attended the Winter Committee meeting. During the meeting the information was shared that Big Book prices will be going up \$3 on February 1st. There is a new piece of literature coming out called "The book of fellowship" It includes historical pictures and stories.

A motion to combine electronic equipment and technology committee was discussed. Some changes were suggested and may come up for a vote at the spring conference.

Speaking of spring conference, please register to attend. If you don't want to enjoy the whole conference, you can just attend the assembly. Please submit your lunch order on the Spring conference website.

I look forward to working with the individual committees to make sure the alcoholic who still suffers can be served.

My yearly expenses are \$0