

February 2025 Rep Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 2/11/2025 @ 6:30pm



6:30 Call to order and roll call - Alan B., Co-Chair

Samantha read the Central Office Preamble

Attendees/Positions/Home Group Represented:

Brad C.	Chair	Jeremy L.	Trustee District 2
Alan B.	Co-Chair	Dan	11th Step Meditation
Jennie S.	Secretary, Speak Easy Ladies	Blake S.	Hotline Chair
Declan O.F.	Trustee District 10	Mark O.	Bog Irish
Julia M.	Trustee District 13, Hillcrest	Samatha S.	Hope on 90th
Max	By-Laws Chair	Amber A.	Early Beginnings
Melissa E.	Public Information Chair	Jaime K.	Every Night Firelight
Charlie T.	Literature Chair	Diane B.	Grapevine
Nick C.	Technology, Sugarhouse Mens	James P.	City at 7
Danny B.	Newsletter, Primary Purpose	Sean L.	Balkers Big Book Study
Jose G.	Archives, Sun Morning Big Book	Avery L.	5:15 Happy Hour
Clark	Visitor	Jeff P.	Outgoing Website Chair
Liz M.	Up Group	LeeAnn P.	An AA group
Ben S.	Wed Murray Group	Chaz	Original Way Group
Jerry E.	12 Step Chair	Rylee N.	Midvale Lunch
Kevin W.	West Jordan Basic AA	Lindsey B.	South Davis Group
Jeff D.	Across the Room	Brian L.	Southenders
Jay	Visitor	Kim B.	Volunteer Chair

6:35 Approval of Jan 2025 Central Office Rep Meeting Minutes

⇒ Motion to approve made by Ben, seconded by Declan. Passed unanimously.

6:40 Board of Trustees Reports

Chairperson: Brad C.

Co-Chairperson: Alan B.

Secretary: Jennie S.

New Central Office Reps: please make sure you give me your contact info before you leave tonight so I can put you on the email list for all Central Office correspondence.

Treasurer: Chris G. excused

⇒ Approval of Jan 2025 Financials tabled until next month

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

District 2 has a couple new GSRS; still trying to fill 4 alternate DCM positions. Open Central Office positions have been announced. Please see the attached District 2 newsletter.

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

The District 10 meeting was held on February 3rd and well-attended with 21 GSRs and a total of 27 participants. The district made a generous contribution to Central Office for which we are very grateful. Time was primarily given to GSRs for introduction to the newly-formed board and to bring questions to the floor.

Next month, floor time will be given over to an area visitor who has been invited to make a presentation.

The district's dispatch is attached.

During last week's board meeting, I presented three motions aimed at enhancing transparency, financial management, and the effective fulfillment of our primary mission. The first motion focuses on identifying and addressing issues related to excess funds. The second motion proposes conducting a group inventory of Central Office. The third motion seeks to amend our bylaws to improve financial transparency. These motions will come up later in the meeting in new business.

→ Declan listed the responsibilities of a Trustee and referred to the inverted pyramid. Brought up corporate poverty in Tradition 7 - Central Office has ceased making 7th tradition contributions to GSO. Alan said we would be talking about solutions at the March board meeting.

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

District #13 is quite strong. They filled the critical treasurer position and one DCMC spot. They're still needing to fill two service positions. I was able to visit a couple new-to-me groups. Both are doing exceptionally well. I'd like to highlight the Thursday night, 8pm, Herriman High School meeting. It meets in the media center just inside and to the right of the main entrance. It has about 30 people consistently attending. They're well-bonded and talk steps and sponsorship. Check it out!

6:55 Standing Committee Chair Reports

Hotline Telephone: Blake S.

Getting acquainted with the Hotline technology and software. Sunday night position (last spot) was filled by the Wed night Young Peoples group. Planning on reaching out and introducing himself to the current volunteers.

Twelfth Step: Jerry E.

17 percent of the 12 Step list has been confirmed and he recently added Tooele and Utah Counties. Would like to connect with any homegroup 12 step coordinators. Hasn't received any inquiries so far, so wanting to coordinate with the Volunteers and Hotline. Diane mentioned that she needs a new 12 step call list.

Activities: Vince S. n/a

Newsletter: Danny B.

The Lifeline committee is working hard to deliver the Lifeline. Things are going well. To help reduce costs, we encourage you to sign up for Lifeline delivery by email, rather than USPS delivery. If you choose email delivery, please send your name, street address and your email address to lifeline@saltlakeaa.org. Mail delivery and printed copies will continue to be available. Remember Lifeline is also available on our CO website at www.saltlakeaa.org

Reps, please take this information back to your groups. Please send in your group birthdays and written articles by the 20th of the month.

Outreach: Brian W. n/a

Website: Jeff P. (outgoing)

There have been several event submissions. Web traffic is holding steady at about 4500-5000 visits/mo, primarily to the meeting schedule page.

→ Julia had a question on updating last minute meeting changes - the link is on the website but an easy way to do it would be to email him directly.

Elections: Mark stood - His Home Group is the Bog Irish Big Book Study and his sobriety date is 5/15/2023. He is currently a software engineer.

⇒ Max made a motion to waive sobriety requirement, Melissa seconded. Voted in by unanimous accord

By-Laws: Max D.

Created a plain language version of the By-laws. Would like to enter a motion proposing an ad-hoc committee to address by-Law changes from Declan (see new business) and Brad's AI-adjusted version of the By-Laws that came up in 2024 (motions need to be officially proposed at least a week in advance per our current By-Laws).

Volunteer: Kim B.

Volunteer party held January 8th was a huge success. We've got 3-4 new people volunteering at Central Office. Could use a few more. Keep getting the word out. Call the office or email me at volunteer@saltlakeaa.org.

Literature: Charlie T.

We have plain language Big Books now. Central Office discounted the Alcoholics Anonymous Facsimile First Printing of the First Edition in HardCover to \$5. Come get them while they're hot!

Archives: Jose G.

Jose has taken these Steps:

Step 1: Admitted this is an exciting opportunity and surrendered to fact he is the Archives chair

Step 2: He needs help and can't do this alone! Reached out to Janet, the Archivist at Area 69 and she suggested that he initially work with Charlie and help with our Central Office literature inventory.

Step 3: He is open to taking guidance!

Public Information: Melissa E.

Reached out to several PI folks at the District level, including Andy and Tim, as well as the Area PI chair. Please look at the circulating example of a GSO business card printed from a template on their website that has our Central Office information with QR code linking to our website. Wanted to assess demand so she knows how many to print. Declan suggested leaving a space to write our names.

Coins: Kathy (outgoing)

Elections: Jaime K. stood. Her Home Group is Every Night Firelight and her sobriety date is 11/7/2022.

⇒ Voted in by unanimous accord

Technology: Nick C.

Brought up the possibility of purchasing new equipment, specifically a camera with a built in boom mic to streamline the Zoom process. Will do research and come back with pricing - his budget should cover this.

7:15 Old Business: Elections - Open Positions

District 11 Trustee - NO ONE STOOD

Description: 2- way communication link/liaison between your District and Central Office. Requirement to attend the monthly GSR meeting and the Central Office Board Meeting/Rep meeting (1st and 2nd Tues of each mo.). Please see Alan B. for any questions.

Alternate Trustee (2 positions available) - NO ONE STOOD

Description: 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.

Corrections - NO ONE STOOD

Description: The Corrections Committee will function in cooperation with the similar committees in Districts 2, 10, 11, and 13 as well as Area 69.

Cooperation with Professionals - NO ONE STOOD

Description: The Cooperation with Professionals Committee will function in cooperation with the similar committees in Districts 2, 10, 11 and 13 as well as Area 69.

Alternate Technology - NO ONE STOOD but Nick has interested candidates

Description: Fill in and perform the duties of the regular Technology Chair when the Chair is unable to do so, including the maintenance of Central Office computer hardware/software, network infrastructure, cloud services, and all software licensing compliance. Assists the hotline and website committees with the maintenance of their systems.

Treatment Facilities/Accessibilities - OVERLOOKED BUT OPEN!!

7:20 New Business/Open Discussion

Putting three motions to the body that were presented by Declan O F. to the board last week. Please see attached document "Regarding Finances".

1. Motion To Resume Publication of Bank Accounts Reports. (Bylaws change proposed.)
2. Motion To Utilise Excess Funds. (Formation of subcommittee to this end.)
3. Motion To Conduct Group Inventory. (Formation of subcommittee to this end.)

→ Declan formally presented these earlier (see Trustee report section above). Tabled for next month but it will be discussed at the board meeting.

→ Cathy from the Tooele area needed advice. They are short on money because they give their Big Books and coins away for free, and several treatment centers attend their meetings. Additionally, there have been 3 thefts from their money box and their newly-elected officials aren't keen to address this issue.

Max mentioned that each AA group is autonomous and gets to vote on what procedures they want. Melissa suggested talking to the Treatment Chair for District 2. Jennie suggested she talk to the District 2 Trustee, Jeremy since Central Office gave them a budget last year.

7:30 Adjourned with the Responsibility Statement

Next Central Office Rep meeting will be held on 3/11/2025 @6:30pm