

District 9 – MINUTES April 13, 2025

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Jennifer L. Opened the Meeting at 6:00pm with the I am Responsible Statement.

Amanda S. followed with a reading of the 12 Traditions.

Jennifer asked for a motion to approve the minutes from March 2025.
Motion by: Brendan P. 2nd by Michael D.

Announcements:

- DISTRICT 9 Meeting May 11, 2025
- Area 73 Convention July 25-27th Huntington, WV
- Fall Assembly September 26-28th Beckley, WV

REPORTS:

DCM:

Jennifer L. sent to all committee chairs information on "how to start a committee". Attended the Area 73 Spring Assembly in Martinsburg and submitted a request for reimbursement totaling \$294.29 which she turned in to Paula in person before the meeting.

Alt DCM: Kelly Jo not in attendance

Treasurer:

Paula V. attended in person and passed out copies of the [April Treasurer's Report](#)

Secretary:

Amanda S. attended in person. Informed all that the meeting was being recorded and asked that all enunciate and speak loudly for the purpose of recording.

Committee Reports:

A&T:

Ashley McE attended in person and had already submitted report via email:
[District 9 Accessibilities Treatment Chair Report](#) Date: 4/13/2025 Ashley McElwee

REPORT:

Spring Assembly Recap: I attended the Spring Assembly and met with Bob K, our Area A&T Chair, and several other district A&T chairpersons.

Focus on Recovery Point Charleston (RPC): Based on shared feedback, it was suggested that we focus efforts on RPC by encouraging a consistent AA presence at their in-house SOS Serenity on Stockton meetings (6 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays). I spoke with Carrie C., RPC Director, about possibly hosting a quarterly District 9 workshop at Recovery Point. She said yes, the date is TBD.

Suggested topics:

- o Chapter 5: How It Works
- o Sponsorship basics

Carrie shared that RPC needs sponsors for the women in their program.

Collaboration: Victoria H., District 1 A&T Chair, and I discussed working together to meet the needs of both districts (programs in District 1 also need sponsors).

Highland Hospital Meeting Update: The Friday at 6 p.m. meeting at Highland Hospital is still active but needs more support. Members from Mustard Seed consistently attend the meeting.

Please announce at your home groups that we're seeking volunteers to bring in the AA message.

- o There is no official rule from GSO on the required amount of sobriety before bringing a meeting into a treatment or accessibility facility. Districts and areas set their guidelines, often recommending:
 - o At least 6 months to 1 year of continuous sobriety
 - o Completion of a Treatment/Bridging the Gap workshop (District 9 last held on A&T workshop in Summer 2023)
 - o Having a home group, sponsor, and an understanding of spiritual principles and Traditions

Literature Wishlist:

I'm interested in providing the following AA literature to help support RPC and other treatment centers:

- AA Bridging the Gap Volunteer
- Is A.A. for You?
- Frequently Asked Questions About A.A.
- A Newcomer Asks
- Questions and Answers on Sponsorship

END REPORT

CPC:

Corey D - Not present / no report

Corrections:

Ryan M not in attendance. Brendan P. spoke on Corrections:

Training:

4 people have taken District Training, which allows participants to go into any prison in the state after completion

Paperwork:

Meeting: Friday 6pm, 6 people; Alyssa & Ryan Attended

Drive traffic to District 9 website; Bridging the Gap; Corrections

PI:

Grapevine & Literature: Not in attendance

Appointed Positions:

Archives:

Alyssa W not in attendance, nothing reported

Website:

Updated the website with a new live meeting calendar. Added links for BTG and Corrections. These links will get people directly in touch with the committee chairs via google forms. Interested parties will provide their contact information, which will email the chair directly.

Made a flyer to hand out to GSRs that can be shared with your groups. Also, want to remind you, if your group would like to have an event posted on the calendar, please get the information to me and I will get it posted.

Group Reports:

EastEnders

Michelle E attended in person and reported:

Attendance: 50-60 per meeting; attendance is up

Finances: Balance around \$475.

Ebby's Promise: Jonathan S. not in attendance.

Edgewood:

Travis reported that he attended the Spring Assembly and learned a lot; He attended a great GSR workshop on Friday night; Edgewood attendance is steady; Edgewood is great!

Hill Unity:

Audie C, new GSR, attended in person (his first District meeting) w/ former GSR Brendan P.

Reported:

Attendance reported 2 dozen people; more women;

Amanda followed up on Brendan's request for help from the District to encourage attendance at Hill Unity. Flyer created to address this: Copy of District Flyer [Carry the Message Meetings Flyer](#)

Monday Nite Women's:

Ashley McE attended in person; submitted [report](#) ahead of time:

- **Treasury Balance:** \$268.88 (after covering expenses to send GSR to Spring Assembly in Martinsburg)
- **Attendance:** Consistent, averaging 15-20 women per week
- **Meeting Format:** We continue to alternate weekly between a rotating literature study and an open discussion format.
- **Recent Events:** On March 31st, Jennifer L. gave her lead. The group provided pizza and snacks.

- Group Conscience (March):
 - o The group voted to hold a quarterly speaker lead, accompanied by pizza and snacks. The next quarterly lead will be in June, speaker TBD.

The Mustard Seed:

Balance: \$3243.81
Morning attendance around 30, on track. No issues.

Pinch/Quick

No issues. Attendance has been really good the last few weeks with 8-10 people per meeting. We started reading from the big book at each meeting, in addition to open discussion. Everything is good 😊

Tuesday Night Men's: Ryan M. emailed report:

Finances: Healthy reserves (90 day plus of expenses)
Attendance: Tuesday has 40 plus and steady
Issues within the group: No current issues

Vandalia Serenity:

Michael D. reported in person, that they're having a group conscience to possibly change the format of the meetings, after attending an As Bill Sees It literature study in St. Albans. This would be to rotate into the meeting format, and encourage topics in their small group meeting.

Young at Heart: No one in attendance

Old Business: none

New Business:

- Area 73 Spring Assembly 2025
Dates: March 21-23, 2025
Location: Comfort Inn
1872 Edwin Miller Blvd
Martinsburg, WV 25401
- SCHOLARSHIPS (?) Area 73 Convention "Progress Not Perfection" Dates: July 25-27, 2025
Location: Delta Hotel – Huntington

Open Floor:

Close Meeting - "I am responsible ... When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that, I am responsible."

Meeting Attendees: Sign In Sheet attached

Amanda S., Jennifer L., Michelle E., Brendan P., Audie C., Travis S., Michael D., Tony A., Paula V., Ashley McE.