

Advisory Committee Minutes

June 19, 2025 at 6:30 pm In-Person and Zoom

1. Welcome
 - The Chairperson Karin welcomes the Advisory Committee and starts the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.
2. Roll Call
 - Karin started introductions. Rick (Area 1), Dennis (Area 2), Al (Area 3), Karin (Area 4), Scott (Area 5), Marcus (Area 6), Linda (Area 7) absent, Tim (Area 8), Tammy (Area 9) absent, Kimberly (Area 10) absent, Bruce (Area 11).
3. Minutes
 - Karin asks Ralph if a quorum has been met. Ralph said there are 12 in-person, 3 online - 15 total. Quorum has not been met.
 - Advisory will need to approve March 27 minutes at the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

4. Chairperson asked for Committee Reports - Karin
 - Activities
 - Al welcomed the opportunity to see everyone who purchased a ticket for the Guardians baseball game on June 29.
 - Archives and Constitution
 - No report.
 - Communications
 - No report.
 - Corrections & Outreach
 - Dennis reported that most members are new to the committee. They are currently reviewing the GSO Corrections Workbook and discussing new ideas to improve processes, such as creating a private Facebook forum to take literature orders and maintain accurate records of transactions.
 - Karin announced the next Corrections Committee meeting will be held Monday, July 7 at 6:00 p.m.
 - Outreach
 - Tracy hand-delivered 10 packets to retirement homes but has not received responses yet.
 - She mailed 35 letters to retirement communities and hosted table events at Skyline Towers and Indian Hills during food bank distributions.
 - A nursing home requested to start an AA meeting, and Tracy connected them with a member eager to help establish it.
 - Matt Talbot facility expressed interest in starting women's meetings.
 - Tracy mailed 50 letters to local police departments and received one request from Strongsville Police for literature; she provided them with a literature rack and meeting schedules.

- She received an invitation to speak at a police roll call in September.
 - Cityview Nursing Home continues to request meetings at their facility.
 - Serenity Health and Wellness in Warrensville Heights expressed interest in hosting meetings.
 - Harbor Light requested Big Books to support their Big Book study group.
 - Tracy compiled a list of libraries and churches to contact about placing AA literature and meeting schedules in their facilities.
- Finance
 - Marcus said the Finance Committee has been discussing ways to reinvest into the Cleveland District Office such as increasing budgets for:
 - Outreach from \$1,000 to \$2,000
 - Technology from \$30,000 to \$50,000
 - New Sales and Service Associate for the Literature Department at a salary range of \$39,000 to \$43,000.
 - Marcus said there was also discussion on looking at inventory to get more accurate with pricing.
- Fund Drive
 - Jason said the Fund Drive has slowed down. He said as of YTD 5/31/24 the office received \$223,073 and this year YTD 5/31/25 the office received \$234,152 which is an increase of 4.85%.
 - Jason said all checks have been put in the system. So, there is currently no back log.
- 5. Old Business
 - No report.
- 6. New Business
 - Karin said the Operating Committee is still in search of a member to represent Area 7. Jason said the office will make an announcement with the defined area in the newsletter.
- 7. History Presentation
 - Bob M. shared:
 - History of the Cleveland Central Committee and Central Bulletin.
 - How Bill W wrote the “12 Points to Ensure Our Future” which developed into the Twelve Traditions.
 - Listened to Dr Bob’s final talk at the first International AA Conference in Cleveland.
- 8. Open Forum
 - Connie mentioned she would like to volunteer at the office.
- 9. Close Meeting
 - Connie asks for Motion to Adjourn, a second and meeting ends with the Lord’s Prayer.