

# GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY

Area 55, Panel 74 NW Ohio & Southeast Michigan  
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*Only GSRs, DCMs, (GSR/DCM Alternates may make motions and vote in their absence), Committee Chairs, Elected Officers and Past Delegates may make motions or vote, although everyone has the right to be heard. Business conducted normally requires substantial unanimity to pass (2/3 vote on most items).*

This meeting was held at the Senior Center; 2308 Jefferson; Toledo, OH 43604. 34 people were present including 6 Panel Officers, 3 Past Delegates, 14 GSRs, 4 Alternate GSRs, 5 DCMs, 3 Area 55 Committee Chairs/Co-Chairs, 0 guest(s).

## MEETING MINUTES FOR June 22, 2025

Larry B., Alternate Delegate/Area Chair, Area 55, Panel 74, opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. followed by the Serenity Prayer. The Mission Statement was read by Karen W.; David A. read Tradition 6; Tim M. read Concept 6. Panel 74 officers were introduced.

**New GSRs/Alternate GSRs:** Tawand P., GSR, Amazing Grace; Codie H., GSR, Warm Heart Serenity; Greg B., Alternate GSR, Monday Night Men's; Stuart J., Alternate GSR, Inner City.

**New DCMs/Alternate DCMs:** N/A.

**Past Delegates:** John C., Past Delegate, Area 55, Panel 66; Jim S., Past Delegate, Area 55, Panel 70; Sherry S., Past Delegate, Area 55, Panel 72.

**Approval of May minutes:** Dave F. made a motion to approve the May Minutes; seconded by Dalan S. Motion passed.

*Please note: Committee meeting minutes and District reports may also be submitted electronically by e-mail to [Recording.Secretary@area55aa.org](mailto:Recording.Secretary@area55aa.org). Reports need to be submitted by or on the day of the Area Assembly for the mailing to be completed on time.*

**Approval of April 2025, Treasurer's Report:** Michael D., Treasurer, presented the Financial Report for May 2025.

**Operating Account:** Beginning Balance: 05/01/2025: \$13,350.31; Income: \$2,583.26; Expenses: \$1,677.00; Ending Balance: 05/31/2025: \$14,255.63.

**Prudent Reserve:** Beginning Balance: 05/01/2025: \$5,006.82; Interest: \$0.00; Ending Balance: 05/31/2025: \$5,006.82.

**Area 55 Mini Conference:** Beginning Balance: 05/01/2025: \$3,443.45. Income: \$0.00; Expenses: \$330.04. Ending Balance: 05/31/2025 \$3,113.41.

**Group Contributions for YTD. 2025:** \$7,851.94

**Total Income Received YTD. 2025:** \$8,161.24

**Total Expenses YTD.:** \$11,763.35

**Assembly Basket:** \$ 0.00

**Individual Contributions:** \$0.00

**Motion to accept the financial report made by:** David A. Seconded by John C. Motion passed.

***\*In order to allow time for the full General Service Conference delegate report, a motion passed at the May General Service Assembly to skip committee reports in June. Reports that included financial updates were given - others included in these minutes were submitted in writing. All other committees will give full reports at the July Assembly.***

**Archives:** / Melissa T. / [archives@area55aa.org](mailto:archives@area55aa.org)

New Business: No Report.

**Next meeting: Monday, June 23, 2025, 6:00 p.m. Central Office.**

*The Archives Committee meets the 4th Monday of each month, 6:00 p.m, at Central Office.*

**Area Archivist:** Melanie R. / [mjreichart@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mjreichart@sbcglobal.net)

\*Correction for May Minutes: Melanie has everything she needs in connection with the check written by the Assembly. Expenses include: Total of \$337.67 in supplies; \$100.00 check from the body; remaining \$237.67 Melanie paid out of pocket for Archives Committee supplies. She's given Michael all of the receipts.

Motion made by Lisa K. to reimburse Melanie \$237.67 for the cost of supplies; seconded by Bob T. Motion passed.

*The Archives Committee meets the 4th Monday of each month, 6:00 p.m, at Central Office.*

**Multi-District Correctional:** Geneva M. / [corrections@area55aa.org](mailto:corrections@area55aa.org)

No report.

**Next meeting: May 21, 2025, 6:30 p.m. at Central Office**

*The Multi-District Correctional Committee has changed their meeting time. The Committee will now meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Central Office; the Committee may meet at an alternate location – for more information, visit [area55aa.org](http://area55aa.org).*

**CPC/PI:** Bev Z. / [cpc.pi@area55aa.org](mailto:cpc.pi@area55aa.org)

No Report—will be provided at next Assembly Meeting.

**Next meeting July 10, 2025, 6:00 p.m. at Central Office**

*The CPC/PI Committee meets the 2nd Thursday of each month, 6:30 p.m., at Central Office*

**Grapevine:** Scott L. / [grapevine@area55aa.org](mailto:grapevine@area55aa.org)

No Report.

**Approval of Grapevine Financial Report:** N/A

**Next meeting: July 10, 2025, 5:45 p.m. at Memorial United Church of Christ**

*The Grapevine Committee meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month, 5:45 p.m., Memorial United Church of Christ, 1301 Starr Ave.*

**Group Services:** Dalan S. / [groupservices@area55aa.org](mailto:groupservices@area55aa.org)

Group services met on 6/22/25, we discussed setting up for the state convention and worked on setting up for the general service assembly. Present were myself, Kennedy A. and Brian V. Our next meeting is 7/20/25 and all are welcome.

**Next meeting: July 20, 2025, 12:00 p.m., at Senior Center**

*The Group Services Committee meets the third Sunday of each month at 12:00 p.m. at the Senior Center, 2308 Jefferson Ave. Toledo*

**Accessibilities:** John C. / [accessibilities@area55.org](mailto:accessibilities@area55.org)

No Report.

**Next meeting: July 23, 2025, 6:00 p.m. at Central Office**

*The Accessibilities Committee meets the 4th Wednesday of each month, 6:00 p.m. at Central Office*

**Website:** Tim D. / [website@area55aa.org](mailto:website@area55aa.org)

No Report.

**Next meeting: July 9, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom**

*The Website Committee meets the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom. Meeting I.D. 595-694-351 password 800*

**Northwest Ohio/Southeast Michigan Intergroup Liaison:** No Report.

**Newsletter Liaison:** No Report.

**NOCYPAA:** No Report.

**MONCYPAA Liaison:** No report

## **DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER (“DCM”) REPORTS**

**DCMC Chair:** Jim S.

**Alt. DCMC:** Kellie S., Alternate District Committee Member Chair

**DCM Meeting: District 1:** Chris J. No Changes. **District 2:** David F.- Meeting held June 12, 2025 at SST. 3 GSR attended the meeting. Treasure Report \$57. Warm Heart -Cody GSR -Mary Beth ALT GSR. Discussed Changes in Living Sober -Taking God out- All is against that. Discussed Unity Day and service Sponsor. Next Meeting July 10 @5:30 at SST. **District 3:** Kellie S., DCM and David A., Alt DCM. Meeting was small. District 3 workshop (with District 5- Kellie will attend District 5 workshop to discuss). Date is October 4 at Grace Lutheran Church 4441 Monroe St - Doors open at 9. Focus on pamphlet: Where Money and Spirituality Mix. June 29th 12-3 Amazing Grace Picnic Shelter 1 at Olander Park. Came to Believe Anniversary 6-830 Gesu's Charles E Sullivan Center. Next Meeting : July 9 at 7:30 Faith United Lutheran Church. **District 5:** Karlotta H., DCM and Terri H., Alt DCM. Main topic of discussion was that District 5 is going to host/serve breakfast at the OH state Convention on Aug 9th from 7-9AM- Continental Style. Discussed Unity Day also. Next Meeting July 9 at 5:15 Eastside 12X12. **District 11:** GSR Karlee C. and Kay L. Alt GSR Women's New Beginnings. Unity Day was a success. Very laid back, good food and fellowship. Delegate Josh D. gave a condensed version of a report from New York. Alt Delegate : Larry B. gave his lead. Approximately 70 people attended.

**DCM Monthly Report: Next meeting: July 20, 2025, 11:30 a.m.**

*The District Committee Meeting meets at the Senior Center prior to the General Assembly Meeting at 11:30 a.m.*

## **DELEGATE’S REPORT:** Josh D. / [delegate@area55aa.org](mailto:delegate@area55aa.org)

Josh gave his report from the General Service Conference. He opened by discussing what Service Sponsorship is to the new GSRs/Alternate GSRs. The General Service Conference is a year-long process in which agendas are submitted for consideration at the Conference. There are 93 Delegates. 75 non-voting resource attendees. Ninety-five agenda items were discussed. 119 additional agenda items were proposed but not discussed at the Conference. **Advisory Actions:** We asked permission from the General Service Office in Great Britain to use their video for 12 Concepts for World Service. Link to video can be found in the Delegate’s Report at [area55aa.org](http://area55aa.org). We will also be adopting three videos from GSB Australia for AAWS for use in US and Canada. The videos can be found in a link in the Delegate’s Report at [area55aa.org](http://area55aa.org). **GSO Agenda Item Results for Area 55:**

**Agenda I, Items I and J:** Item I: Consider the request to suspend oral presentations of all Area Service Highlights and continue printing highlights in the final report. (PAIs 20 and 32). **Result:** The General Service took no action. Item J: Consider a proposed pilot for a Harmony and Effectiveness Session. (New Item). **Result:** The General Service took no action. **Agenda IV, Item A:** Consider a request to reaffirm the 1975 Advisory Action that delegates emphasize to the groups the effect that inflation has had on the contribution of dollar and the necessity for adjusting contributions accordingly, to support services provided by the General Service Board. [Floor Action from the 74th General Service Conference]. **Result:** The General Service took no action. **Agenda V, Item F (Grapevine/La Vina Committee):** Consider request to revise the pamphlet “Grapevine and La Vina: Our meetings in print.” (PAI 79). **Result:** Area 55 Mini Conference voted “Yes” on this item. **Agenda VI, Item J:** Literature Committee. Consider request that the Twelve Concepts for World Service and essays on the Twelve Concepts for World Service be included in the current publication, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions. (PAI 23). **Result:** Area 55 Mini Conference voted no initially, then yes after discussions. Final count 69 in favor, 61 against. Motion failed. **Item K:** Consider request to update the book Living Sober. (PAIs 34, 64, 106, 90, 92, 121,122). **Result:** Area 55 Mini Conference voted yes. The committee turned this over to the Trustee’s Literature Committee for updating. **Agenda XIII, Item C:** Consider that all Sovereign States flags be a part of the Flag Ceremony at an International Convention. (PAI 10). **Result:** Referred to Trustee's for further exploration, impact, and demonstrated need. For a full list of Advisory Actions and outcomes of the 75<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference, see link attached to the Delegate’s Report at [area55aa.org](http://area55aa.org).

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Collection:** \$48.00; Sherry S. made a motion to send \$48.00 to New York; seconded by Dalan S.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **NEXT GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY: JULY 20, 2025, 1:00 p.m. the Senior Center (corner of Jefferson Street and 23<sup>rd</sup> Street; Toledo, OH)**

The Mission statement will be read by Jim S.

Tradition 7 will be read by Karen W.

Concept 7 will be read by Karen M.

Cleanup for the June meeting will be Panel 74.

**Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by:** Dave F.; seconded by Jim S.

#### **Seconded by:**

Closed with "The Responsibility Statement"

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley L.

Recording Secretary, Area 55, Panel 74