

District 13 General Service Meeting Minutes

July 7, 2026 @ 7:00 pm

Opened with the Responsibility Statement at 7:00 pm.

Introductions:

Concept VII- Read by Karl. Next month Sue will read Concept VIII.

Officer's Reports:

Secretary (Barb)

- April minutes unanimously approved (motion by Christine; second Lenny.)

Treasurer- Krissy

- Krissy gave a financial report for both May 2026 and June 2026. (motion by Lenny; second by Ron)
- **Alt DCM- Ron** no report
- **DCM- Barb**

Barb will update on the Area Assembly and the Gratitude Celebration during this meeting.

A Word About Commitment – Read by Rani

Minneapolis Intergroup Report: Bob T. Intergroup Liaison: Bob

- Intergroup Open House will be on August 15 from 9:00-1:00. Looking for volunteers to help that day. Need a grill/charcoal or gas. Bring cakes because there will be a cake walk, games and prizes. Learn about phone volunteering and more. 7204 West 27th St. Suite 113 St. Louis Park, Mn.
- Intergroup is still looking for people to make a phone commitment on the 4th Monday of each month from 4:15-7:00pm. Bob brought a few copies of the recent Mirus too.
- Summer Outreach is going on with 70 locations being visited. Phone service workshop has come and gone but was well attended.
- Intergroup was at the MNYPA Youth Conference. Over 500 people attended.
- Recent Treasurers Report revealed that Intergroup is doing well. Past problems of recording information have been solved by using Cloud-based software. In the Intergroup by-laws it states that there must be a 6-month prudent reserve which they have. Percentage of what groups give has increased!

Focus: Barb HH DCM- Area Assembly Meeting Notes. It was held on June 20, 2026.

- Delegate is visiting groups in Area 36 to give his Delegate Report from the General Service Conference. Jen Alt Delegate attended the International Conference of Young People and spoke on the power of service work. Matt, our Area Chair, is working on the 2027 Area Calendar, and they will be putting out the Bi-Annual Inventory. Eric went over financials and Area has a balance of \$33,570.00 in checking. Expenses totaled \$37,000.00. New Contributions are up in past year. Special contributions are down. Information about all the financials is in the Pigeon Newsletter. Eric is looking at January 15, 2027, as the projected date for RUSC. Vince shared that he, as the Archivist, had his display at Gopher State and is willing to visit District Meetings and groups to set up and discuss archives. Corrections Temporary Contact Website is updated. Jay from Public Information will be at the State Fair and is looking for people to volunteer. They are running a 30 second spot about AA in the West End Theatre, Highland Theatre, Willowcreek, and in Mankato. If you would like to run this PSA at a theatre near you contact Jay at PI@area36.org. Josh our webmaster, went over in detail the new format for our Area 36 website. Bob T. was on the board to audit Area 36. Everything reconciled after going through digital paper copies of transactions, account software, quick book records. They looked at records from May, August and December 2025. Recommendations made to enter all future financial information into quick books in the future. The board concluded that all books reconciled.

Committee Reports-

- Accessibilities – **Open**
- Archives – **Open**
- Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) – **Open**
- Corrections – **Tim-** Tim's re-orientation is completed, and he can return to running AA meetings at the Lino Lake Prison for the minimum-security people serving time. Two AA meetings were held and two people attended. Scott S. and Tony H. are currently reapplying for their visitor pass. Additional volunteers for going in to present the AA meetings are still needed.
- Grapevine – **Open**
- Group Outreach – **Open**
- Literature – **Christine-** Will provide literature for the Anoka County Fair. She will assist Joe with the set-up of the AA Booth we have at the Fair. Christine had a table at the Gratitude Celebration and brought in an archive book with a had written flyer for a past Gratitude Celebration!
- Public Information – **Open**
- Registrar – **Open**
- Technology – **Open**

- Treatment –**Jordan**- no report

Old Business:

- **Delegates Report**- Doug H. our Area 36 Delegate will give his report on August 4, 2026, at the regularly scheduled District Meeting. Pizza and cake will be provided!
- **We will have a July District Meeting.**
- **Discussed 3 Motions brought to the DCMs by our Alt. Delegate to discuss with their Districts.**
- Motion 1:

"To add a digital distribution option of the entire unabridged Area 36 Newsletter, aka, "The Pigeon" through a vetted mailing platform which meets our spiritual principle of anonymity by AA at a cost of up to \$100/mo. The technical support for this program would be provided by the Area 36 Technical Team or the Newsletter Committee to ease accessibility and increase long term savings." **Consensus of the District: In favor. Right now, it costs Annually \$6000.00 to publish the Pigeon.**

- Motion 2:

"Provide Districts Organizational Units within the Area 36 Google Workspace account so that the appropriately determined District Officer or Committee Chair can manage District emails through the Area 36 account. The Area will provide a template of Officer and Committee Chair email addresses aligning with each District's needs. This will help Districts maintain consistent email accounts and access through chair rotations." **Consensus of the District: In favor.**

Motion 3:

- "Provide Districts subdomains through the Area 36 website where DCMs, Alt DCMs, and District Technology Committee members can manage District websites through the Area 36 account. The Area will provide a template website or support redirecting to existing externally managed district websites. This will help Districts maintain consistent website presence and access through chair rotations." **Consensus of the District: Makes sense. In favor**

New Business:

- **Please** consider signing up to sit at the District 13 AA booth at the Anoka County Fair on July 21-26th 2026. See Joe to sign up. You can contact Joe at: 612-703-1822.
- **Delegates Report:** August 4, 2026, during our regularly scheduled District meeting.
- **Gratitude Celebration:** Barb DCM gave an update.

GSR Report and Information- Rani said that she had contacted our Alt. Delegate Jen concerning her group's reaction to the motion about digitalizing the Pigeon in the future. The platform for the Pigeon is vetted so everything can be digitalized. Push notifications can be sent out automatically. In upcoming Pigeon publications, they will be asking if a person would like to continue to receive a paper copy of the Pigeon. By submitting that request to the Pigeon it will give the Pigeon a rough idea of what percentage of people still want to receive the Pigeon in hard copy. This request will be posted in the Pigeon for people to see and submit during a one-year period. Also, on a more personal note, Rani wondered why pictures cannot be taken of the Archives display at Gopher State. We found out it is because it protects anonymity for those mentioned in the display whether those individuals have passed or are still alive.

Anniversaries/Announcements-

Bob T. celebrated 46 years sober! Lenny celebrated 42 years sober! Ron celebrated 35 years sober!

- **Next District Steering Committee Meeting: July 27, 2026, at 6:00 pm.** In-person Panera Riverdale, 3540 Rapids Dr. Coon Rapids, Mn. 55448.
- **Joint Areas 35/36 Committees Meeting:** July 11, 2026 from 11:00-1:00pm. Online.
- **Next District Meeting: August 4, 2026, at 7:00pm.** Coon Rapids Methodist Church and via Google Meets.
- **Area Committee Meeting: On-line August 8, 2026.**
- **Area Assembly/Election and Budget:** October 17 from 9:00-5:00 pm. Jordan, Mn. Jordan Community Ctr.

Closed with the Declaration of Unity.