# BALTIMORE INTERGROUP COUNCIL OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, INC.

2026 Ballot

Please read below to find out more about council positions, descriptions, qualifications, and terms. Except where indicated, groups can vote for only 1 person per position from the field of nominees.

## OFFICERS and DIRECTORS

**INTERGROUP CHAIR**

**Qualifications**: must have and maintain at least five (5) years of continuous sobriety and must have previously served as a member of the Board of Directors or a Chairperson of a Service Committee.

**Term:** 2 years - no Director shall serve more than six (6) consecutive full terms on the Board. After serving the maximum time allowed, a person may again serve after being off the Board for one (1) year. **The Chairperson may serve no more than two (2) full terms as Chairperson.**

**Description:** The Chairperson shall preside at and conduct all meetings of the Board of Directors and the Intergroup Council. The Chairperson may sign all contracts and agreements in the name of the Corporation after they have been approved by the Board. The Chairperson will have regular conversations with the Executive Director to discuss the management of the Corporation and perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Board.

Nominee Name: Mike W. Group: Hopkins

**INTERGROUP VICE-CHAIR**

**Qualifications**: Officers and Directors must have and maintain at least two (2) years of continuous sobriety and must have previously served as an Intergroup Representative; an Intergroup Office volunteer, or a Service Committee Chairperson, member, or volunteer.

**Term:** 1 year - no Director shall serve more than six (6) consecutive full terms on the Board. After serving the maximum time allowed, a person may again serve after being off the Board for one (1) year.

**Description**: The Vice-Chairperson shall perform the duties of the Chairperson if the Chairperson is absent or unable to do so, assist the Chairperson as requested, and perform such other tasks as may be assigned by the Board.

Nominee Name: Odyssey G. Group: Mustard Seed

**TREASURER**

**Qualifications**: must have and maintain at least five (5) years of continuous sobriety and must have previously served as a member of the Board of Directors or a Chairperson of a Service Committee.

**Term:** 2 years - no Director shall serve more than six (6) consecutive full terms on the Board. After serving the maximum time allowed, a person may again serve after being off the Board for one (1) year.

**Description:** The Treasurer shall oversee and monitor the financial affairs of the Corporation, the day-to-day management of which has been delegated to the Executive Director. The Treasurer shall report on the financial condition of the Corporation to the Intergroup Council and to the Board and advise the Board of any significant financial matters that require Board action. The Treasurer and the Executive Director shall prepare the annual budget to be submitted to the Board for approval. The Treasurer shall be an authorized signatory on the banking and other financial institution accounts of the Corporation

Nominee Name: Dan P. Group: Southwest Mid-Day

**ASSISTANT TREASURER**
**Qualifications:** Officers and Directors must have and maintain at least two (2) years of continuous sobriety and must have previously served as an Intergroup Representative; an Intergroup Office volunteer, or a Service Committee Chairperson, member, or volunteer.

**Term**: 1 year - no Director shall serve more than six (6) consecutive full terms on the Board. After serving the maximum time allowed, a person may again serve after being off the Board for one (1) year.

**Description:** The Assistant Treasurer shall perform the duties of the Treasurer if the Treasurer is absent or unable to do so and assist the Treasurer as requested and perform such other tasks as may be assigned by the Board. The Assistant Treasurer shall also serve as the Treasurer of the Activities Committee.

Nominee Name: Don B. Group: Strangely Insane

**RECORDING SECRETARY**
**Qualifications**: Officers and Directors must have and maintain at least two (2) years of continuous sobriety and must have previously served as an Intergroup Representative; an Intergroup Office volunteer, or a Service Committee Chairperson, member, or volunteer.

**Term**: 1 year- no Director shall serve more than six (6) consecutive full terms on the Board. After serving the maximum time allowed, a person may again serve after being off the Board for one (1) year.

**Description:** The Secretary shall prepare minutes of all meetings of the Board and the Intergroup Council, make the minutes of the previous meeting available in advance of the next meeting, and present the minutes of the previous meeting at the meetings of the Board and the Intergroup Council, and see that the minutes of such meetings are maintained at the office of the Corporation.

Nominee Name: Jessica P. Group: ABC Group

**DIRECTORS AT LARGE** (vote for 5)
**Qualifications:** Officers and Directors must have and maintain at least two (2) years of continuous sobriety and must have previously served as an Intergroup Representative; an Intergroup Office volunteer, or a Service Committee Chairperson, member, or volunteer.

**Term**: 1 year - no Director shall serve more than six (6) consecutive full terms on the Board. After serving the maximum time allowed, a person may again serve after being off the Board for one (1) year.

**Description:** A Director at Large is a member of the Board who is not an Officer, but participates and votes in all board meetings and has the same rights and responsibilities as other Board members.

Nominee Name: Steve S. Group: ABC group
Nominee Name: Dave R. Group: Daybreak
Nominee Name: Ed C. Group: One Clear Moment
Nominee Name: Dave L. Group: Wrath of Grapes
Nominee Name: Jerry P. Group: Serenity Big Book

# COMMITTEES

**Each Service Committee shall have a chairperson elected by the Intergroup Council for a term of one (1) year. Service Committee Chairpersons may be re-elected without limitation. Committee chairpersons shall always be persons who are of lawful age, are AA members, have been continuously sober for a period of at least two (2) years, and belong to a home group that participates in the affairs of the Corporation.**

**ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE CHAIR**
**Qualifications:** shall at all times be persons who are of lawful age, are AA members, and have been continuously sober for a period of at least two (2) years.
**Term:** one (1) calendar year. Service Committee Chairpersons may be re-elected without limitation.
**Description**: The function of the Activities Committee is to organize, promote and conduct all social events run by the Corporation, which may include, but are not limited to, the Gratitude Breakfast, the Bull Roast, the Sobriety Show, the Friends of Bill W. Golf Outing, banquets, picnics, trips, and the like.

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| Nominee Name: Becca H. | Group: Hot Dog 12 x 12 |
| Nominee Name: Botzig | Group: Free at Last |

**ANWERING SERVICE COMMITTEE CHAIR**
**Qualifications**: shall at all times be persons who are of lawful age, are AA members, and have been continuously sober for a period of at least two (2) years.
**Term**: one (1) calendar year. Service Committee Chairpersons may be re-elected without limitation.
**Description:** The function of the Answering Service Committee is to arrange for AA volunteers to answer all phone calls made to the Intergroup Office's phone number at all times when the office is closed, such that people seeking assistance with problems related to alcohol can get help at any time of any day. The committee shall screen the volunteers to ensure that they have sufficient sobriety and knowledge of AA to be helpful to people seeking assistance. The committee shall provide training on handling 12th-step calls and other calls for assistance.

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| Nominee Name: Jeff H. | Group: By the Book |
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**COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY COMMITTEE CHAIR**
**Qualifications**: shall at all times be persons who are of lawful age, are AA members, and have been continuously sober for a period of at least two (2) years.
**Term**: one (1) calendar year. Service Committee Chairpersons may be re-elected without limitation.
**Description:** Explains to health and education professionals in the community what AA is and how we cooperate according to our traditions. Upon your own initiative or request provide lectures, speakers, discussion group: or may organize or present seminars, workshops or other informative activities which may be of assistance to the professional community. Other suggested means and methods to perform this function are found in the CPC Workbook published by AA World Services.

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| Nominee Name: Dave R. | Group: Daybreak |
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**LITERATURE COMMITTEE CHAIR**
**Qualifications:** shall at all times be persons who are of lawful age, are AA members, and have been continuously sober for a period of at least two (2) years.
**Term:.** one (1) calendar year. Service Committee Chairpersons may be re-elected without limitation.
**Description:** Coordinates and facilitates the sale of AA related literature to members/groups at Intergroup sponsored events. Works in conjunction with the Intergroup Office for literature and sales.

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**NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIR**
**Qualifications:** shall at all times be persons who are of lawful age, are AA members, and have been continuously sober for a period of at least two (2) years.
**Term**: one (1) calendar year. Service Committee Chairpersons may be re-elected without limitation.
**Description:** Encourages members to run for office; receive all nominations, review qualifications and counts votes.

Nominee Name: Dave L. Group: Wrath of Grapes
Nominee Name: Group:

**OUTREACH COMMITTEE CHAIR**
**Qualifications:** shall at all times be persons who are of lawful age, are AA members, and have been continuously sober for a period of at least two (2) years.
**Term:** 1 year; can be re-elected
**Description:** The function of the Outreach Committee is to inform home groups in the area about the services provided by the Baltimore Intergroup, update the Intergroup Office's records on home groups' contact information and meeting schedule, and encourage home groups to participate in the affairs of Baltimore Intergroup by choosing an Intergroup Representative, making contributions in all service entities, and volunteering for service positions.

Nominee Name: Alex M. Group: ABC
Nominee Name: Group:

**PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE CHAIR**
**Qualifications**: shall at all times be persons who are of lawful age, are AA members, and have been continuously sober for a period of at least two (2) years.
**Term**: one (1) calendar year. Service Committee Chairpersons may be re-elected without limitation.
**Description:** The function of the Public Information Committee is to inform the public about Alcoholics Anonymous in a manner that may reach the still suffering alcoholic. The Chair/Committee will carry the message by getting in touch with and responding to the media, schools, industry, and other organizations to educate on the nature and purpose of A.A. and what it can do for alcoholics. The suggested means and methods to perform this function are found in the Public Information Workbook published by AA World Services.

Nominee Name: Chris E. Group: ODAT
Nominee Name: Group:

**WORKSHOP COMMITTEE CHAIR**
**Qualifications**: shall at all times be persons who are of lawful age, are AA members, and have been continuously sober for a period of at least two (2) years.
**Term:** one (1) calendar year. Service Committee Chairpersons may be re-elected without limitation.
**Description:** The function of the committee is facilitating the intergroup's efforts to put on informative and educational workshops on AA related topics. The Workshop Chair books location, prepares flyers, arranges set-up and cleanup of meeting space.

Nominee Name: Heather S. Group: Monday Night Overly Monday Night
Nominee Name: Group:

**FROM REVISED FROM 2025 BYLAWS**
**ARTICLE VI - NOMINATION AND ELECTION PROCEDURES**

A. Nominations: **Nominations for candidates for the Board of Directors and Chairpersons of the Service Committees shall be made and recorded at the September and October meetings of the Intergroup Council.** The Chairperson of the Nominating Committee shall preside over the nomination process. If the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee is unavailable, the Executive Director of the Corporation shall preside. The nominating procedure shall be as follows:

1. **At the September meeting, nominations will be taken from the floor. A person who meets the qualifications of the office may self-nominate or be nominated by another AA member.** Nominations for offices shall be taken in the order that they appear in the Bylaws.
2. After the September meeting, the Nominating Committee shall make a determination as to the qualifications and willingness of each nominee to serve in the position for which they were nominated. The Nominating Committee will submit a report listing all qualified and willing nominees for each elective position no more than ten (10) days after the September meeting. That report shall be published in the October bulletin and posted on the AA website.
3. Prior to the October meeting, the Nominating Committee will attempt to recruit nominees for any elective position for which a nomination was not made in the September meeting.
4. At the October meeting, nominations again will be taken from the floor, using the same procedures as previously described. Nominations shall then be closed.
5. After the October meeting, the Nominating Committee shall make a determination as to the qualifications and willingness of each additional nominee to serve in the position for which they were nominated. The Nominating Committee shall submit a final report listing all qualified and willing nominees for each elective position no more than ten (10) days after the October meeting. The final report shall be published in the November bulletin and posted on the AA website.

B. Elections: The annual election of Directors and Chairpersons of the Service Committees shall take place at the Annual Meeting of the Intergroup Council on the 2nd Monday of November of each year at a time and place designated by the Board of Directors. The Chairperson of the Nomination Committee will preside over the election. If the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee is unavailable, the Executive Director of the Corporation shall preside. The election procedure shall be as follows:

**1.** All members of the Corporation, as defined in Article I, Section C, and only members of the Corporation, may vote in elections. Each member shall have only one vote**. Directors, Service Committee Chairpersons, and Intergroup Representatives must sign in for an accurate count of the eligible voters in the election.**

2. Voting shall be by secret ballot, except in instances where a candidate for any given position is unopposed, in which event the presiding officer shall call for a voice vote electing that candidate by acclamation.

3. For the positions where a single candidate is being elected (the Officers of the Board and the Service Committee Chairpersons), the candidate with the most votes is elected. For the five (5) positions of Directors at Large, the five (5) candidates with the most votes are elected. In the event of a tie vote, a re-vote will be held for that position. If the re-vote results in another tie vote, the Nominating Committee shall select the name of the winning candidate from a hat.

4. The Nominating Committee shall count the ballots and announce the results.

5. All questions as to the eligibility to vote and the validity of ballots cast shall be resolved by the Nominating Committee.

C. Appointment in lieu of Election: If no one is elected to any of the elective positions, the Board of Directors may recruit and appoint a person to that position.

D. Commencement of Terms and Transition: All terms of office are for a calendar year or years, beginning on the January 1st of the year following the election. During the time interval between the election and the commencement of new terms, outgoing Directors and Service Committee Chairpersons will orient their successors as to the duties and responsibilities of the position, inform them of any ongoing matters, and transfer any documents, records, monies, and supplies associated with the position.