BALTIMORE INTERGROUP COUNCIL OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES

September 14, 2026 | Next Meeting: October 12, 2026

Steve S.W. (Chair) called the meeting to order and opened with the Serenity Prayer. This meeting took place on Zoom and in person at St. Mark's on the Hill Episcopal Church.
New Group Representatives: There were four new group representatives for the Council to welcome.
Minutes: David R. (Recording Secretary) Mike W., for David R. (Recording Secretary), presented the minutes from the August 10, 2026 meeting. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Mike W. (Treasurer) presented the August 2026 Financial Report. Ordinary revenue was $12,174.62 which included $9,635.60 and from AA groups, $2,219.16 from individual members. Ordinary expenses were $16,012.82, yielding net ordinary revenue deficit of [-$3,838.20]. Literature revenue was $4,234.37 with literature expenses of $3,527.93, yielding a net literature revenue of $706.44. Therefore, net revenue for August was a deficit of [-$3,131.76]. Total bank accounts were $232,543.78.

Baltimore Intergroup reports its accounting on a cash basis, not on accrual.

Executive Director's Report: Kathleen W. reported

Visitors in Office: 77	Phone Calls Received: 175
Mailchimp: 32% of emails opened	12th Step Calls: 2
Are there better ways to spread announcements	Bridging the Gap Calls: 0

If you are not getting your bulletin or newsletter, please check spam for Dr. Bob

• We are sending out letters and emails to get updated group contact information. It helps when we need to reach out if a newcomer has trouble finding your group or we have questions about contributions or anniversaries. Please find out who your group contact should be and email kathleenw@baltimoreaa.org or call 410-663-1922. We hope to get name, phone, email, and mailing address.
• If your group has not had a GSR registered with the General Service Office (GSO) in New York, or a group contact updated within the past two years, your group may be listed as "Unknown". If your group's GSR has served in the position for more than two years, they should be re-registered to keep your group's records current. If your group does not currently have a GSR, updating the group contact information can help ensure that your group remains listed as "Active". To update your group's information, please contact Katie, Area 29 Registrar, at registrar@marylandaa.org, or let us know and we will help get the information updated.
• We understand that costs are rising for rent and other expenses for groups. We appreciate any contribution your group can make to the Baltimore Intergroup or individual contribution. As stated in the Self-Support pamphlet, "In the spirit of participation, no contribution toward carrying the message can be too small."
• Faithful Friends is a great way to support Baltimore Intergroup. You can set up an automatic contribution to us for any amount from $5-$500/month. It is an easy way to help us carry the message and keep the doors open. It is a great way to make an individual contribution.

Groups In Attendance

ABC
Agape
Baltimore Men's Group
Better Way of Life
But For the Grace of God
By the Book
Chance to Grow
Common Solution
Daily Reprieve
Dawn Patrol Zoom
Days End
Eastside Early Risers
Evergreen
Fort Smallwood Friday Night
Free At Last
Free Time
Glen Gardens
Happy Destiny
Hatchery
Hopkins
Hot Dog 12 & 12
Hunt's Church
Linthicum Monday Night
Linthicum Thursday Night
Magothy 12 & 12
Monday Night 12 & 12
Mustard Seed
New Beginnings of Hope
ODAT
One Clear Moment
Pasadena Wednesday Noon
Phelps Luck
Putty Hill
Queer Ideas of Fun
Retread
Southwest Mid-day
SODAT
SOS Liberty Road
Strangely Insane
The Elevator's Broken- Use the Steps
The Firing Line
Towson Women's
Working With Others
Wrath of Grapes

• Birthday Plan - To show your gratitude for sobriety, you can contribute $1 or more every year you are sober. Your name and anniversary will be added to the Birthday Plan and Anniversary List sections in the Bulletin. Please call in by the 20th of the previous month to be added to the bulletin.
• Please consider coming to next month's meeting in-person! We can bring any orders that are made via the website or online by 3pm the day of the meeting. It is also a great chance to pick up fliers, bulletins and newsletters to take back to your groups.
• As a reminder to your treasurer, if submitting payments for both Intergroup and the Institutions Committee, please send two separate payments and clearly indicate the purpose of each payment.
• Please remember to call in group closures for holidays, church activities, etc… This is important information for people seeking a meeting.
• New Intergroup Reps can register online! You do not need to sign up online each week. After initial registration, please just put name and home group in the chat for attendance.
• Please provide a copy of the bulletin and newsletter to your groups. We will mail them at no charge to Intergroup Reps, call the office with your address or email intergroup@baltimoreaa.org. Please make announcements about upcoming events. Please send us your group events flyers to be posted on the website.

Steve M. reported the following about the Intergroup website:
• There are currently 741 active meetings listed in our directory, consisting of 537 in person, 75 hybrid, and 133 online.
• There were 67,923 unique visitors to the website in August, more than twice as many as last August.
• QR campaigns produced 3 visitors from Little Libraries and 10 visitors from placemats.
• Steve attended the annual NAATW conference online and will be evaluating our website for SEO for better newcomer outreach and member interaction.

Nominations: Dave L., chairperson of the Nominations Committee, conducted the first round of nominations provided for in our bylaws. The results are reported on the sample 2026 ballot posted on the website.

Activities Committee Report: Don B. reported:
• The Bull & Oyster Roast will be held on November 22nd. Tickets are $38 each. Tables of 9 are $342. Asking groups to provide a basket for the basket raffle. The Big Meeting in the Sky slide show will be held again. If you would like to remember an AA member who is no longer with us, please send name, sobriety date, home group and 25 words or less about them and what they meant to you.
• The AA Play will be held on January 30, 2027 at Faith Community UMC on Harford Road. Tickets are $5. Snacks and drinks for sale at the event. Tickets will go on sale on November 2nd at the office.

Answering Service Committee Report: In August there were 89 calls and one 12th Step call. All shifts are currently filled. We always need volunteers for the wait list. Call the Intergroup Office if you can help.

Cooperation with Professional Community Committee Report: Ferdinand B. (Chair) reported:
• The committee will staff a table at the National Association of Social Workers, Maryland Chapter, on September 24th and 25th in Linthicum, Maryland.
• With Area 29, the committee will staff a table at the Chesapeake Gateway Chamber of Commerce's Drug and Violence Awareness Conference on September 17th at the Maryland Aerospace Heritage Center.

Institution Committee Report: Billy T (Chair) reported:
• The committee needs more home groups to sign up for commitments and more contributions to purchase literature.
• The committee needs co-sponsors for meetings at University of Maryland Medical Center, 22 S. Green St., on Sundays at 7:00 pm, Summit MD (women's), 22 E. 25th Street, on Mondays at 7:00 pm, and Hygea, 1210 Middle River Road, on Fridays at 7:00 pm.
• Elections will be held in September for Chairperson, Co-Chair, Secretary, Outreach, Schedule Coordinator, Literature Coordinator, Coffee Maker, and Greeter.

Literature Committee Report: No report

Outreach Committee Report: Becca H. (Chair) reported the committee will attend the following anniversaries:
• Pasadena Group celebrating 64 years on September 15, 2026,
• Day By Day Group celebrating 25 years on September 24th,
• Retread Group celebrating 54 years on September 27th,
• The Firing Line Group celebrating 6 years on September 29th.

Public Information Committee: Chris E. (Chair) reported:

- Placemats with Baltimore Intergroup contact information and QR codes that link to our website are being used at several local diners.
- The committee is placing Grapevines and other AA literature in Little Libraries around the area

Workshop Committee Report: No report. There will be a workshop on December 5th concerning the 9th Step. See the website for details.

Chairperson Report: No report
Old Business: None
New Business: None

Motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and passed. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Mike W for David R., Recording Secretary