Al-Anon Area 63 Business Meeting Agenda

Saturday, September 20, 2025 in Anchorage, AK and by Zoom

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8:30 AM: pre-meeting fellowship

9:00 AM — BUSINESS MEETING

- 1. Serenity Prayer
- 2. Readings
 - 1. Steps
 - 2. Traditions
 - 3. Concepts
- 3. **Zoom introduction** overview of Zoom etiquette (Tiana)

- 4. **Area Chair Welcome** Guidance on Area Assembly and Knowledge-Based Decision Making (KBDM) (Colleen)
- 5. **Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual 2022-2025** (free on-line) https://al-anon.org/for-members/members-resources/manuals-and-guidelines/service-manual/.
- 6. Area World Service Committee (AWSC), GRs & other attendees Introductions
 - 1. AWSC.
 - 2. GRs.
 - 3. Others in attendance.
- 7. Volunteer Spiritual Timekeeper

GR ATTENDANCE/GROUP REPORTS

- 1. GROUP NAME:
- 2. GROUP REP NAME and group email if there has been a recent change
- 3. MEETING METHOD in-person, hybrid, Zoom-only, phone-only
- 4. MEETING SIZE small, medium, large
- 5. 7th TRADITION how does your group contribute?
- 6. WHAT IS ONE THING YOU ♥ ABOUT YOUR MEETING???

9:30 AM —

- 1. Quorum Check (As of Fall 2023, a quorum shall be 50% + 1 of all Al-Anon groups in Alaska, as determined by the Group Records coordinator, *or* at least 10 GRs present, whichever number is lower) –
- 2. Approval of Spring 2025 minutes -
- 3. Request for new business -

AREA COORDINATORS' REPORTS

- 1. Outreach Committee:
- 2. Literature Coord.:
- 3. Archive Coord.:
- 4. Group Records Coord.:
- 5. Teleconference Coord.:
- 6. Alateen Coordinator:
- 7. Alateen Process Person (AAPP):
- 8. Website Coordinator: Susie.

TREASURER'S REPORT

1. Treasurer's Report

DISTRICT REPORTS

ELECTIONS/RE-ELECTIONS

- 2. Alateen Coordinator: Stacie holding over as of Fall 2024
- 3. Vote on Fall 2025 Vacancies

NOON LUNCH BREAK 12:00-12:30pm

SPEAKER(S) 12:30-1:00pm

RESUME BUSINESS MEETING 1:00 pm with Al-Anon Declaration

Note: Outcome of Old and New Business will be bolded and highlighted in blue below.

OLD BUSINESS

 Static Emails. Suggestion that we use static email addresses for service positions that indicate the service position you are in. Clarification: this is for AWSC positions and groups.

Discussion, when transferring position, the email would transfer with the area service and group position. Thought force. Mari - Chair, Suzi, Carol.

Charge; Suggestion that we use static email addresses for service positions.

Motion to create a task force to create email addresses for Area only service positions. First motion was retracted. Task force change.

Charge: investigation and creation of emails for members Area. Mike sec. passes.

2. **Backup Access to Area Financial and Electronic Accounts**. Policy on backup access for important accounts and services. Currently, previous treasurers and Colleen, Area Chair, are on the accounts. Al-Anon also has people on the account that we're no longer in contact with, and we must get in contact with them to remove them. Also, there were some on-line logins and there was difficulty recovering them from a person previously in service. Branwyn is willing to chair a thought force designed to bring ideas about addressing these issues to the spring assembly. Tamiah is willing to be on the thought force. MOTION PASSES.

TaskForce: Create policies for backup access to Area Financial and Electronic Accounts. Passes Lois seconded. Task Force - Linette, AJ, Liesel. Temp chairperson, Bryan, Tamiah and someone else.

3. **Literature Distribution Center (Mari).** Mari is willing to chair a thought force on an LDC. AJ will be on it. Motion passed Fall 2024.

Thought force did not meet, no volunteers.

Mari: I attended an LDC/AIS meeting through the WSO e-communities and it proved to be an interesting resource, if our Area wishes to start a literature

distribution center, however I have not heard any response at all after having it announced for the past 8 months in groups, so I am going to suggest we let this topic fall until time comes that someone is interested in pursuing it.

Terry: Place an order before fall assembly using LDC number as an experiment so folks could pick them up at Assembly?

Linette: Ask District 3 treasurer - they have ordered stuff. Linette would be happy to contact them to see if folks can order for Assembly.

Tiana: "Can an LDC be a "pop-up" aka event based distribution or must it be a brick and mortar location? Would our literature coordinator be allowed/willing to operate a pop up or CSA style (central meetup model) distribution.

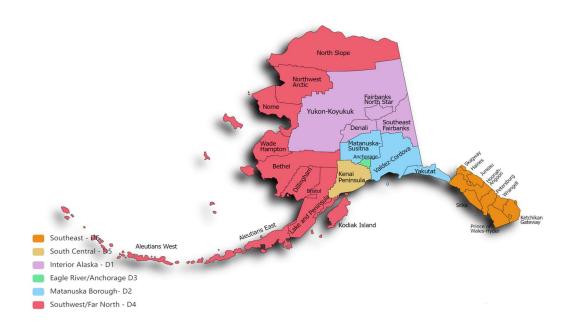
Carol: As the current literature chair, I'd have to think about that responsibility before committing - and also look under the position guidelines to see if having an LDC number and not a physical location with books makes me responsible for that purchase.

Tasks: Linette is following up with WSO and District 3 to find out what the status is of our LDC and how to best utilize the current LDC account.

4. **Redrawing District Boundaries (Mari).** Was this item completed and approved?

Terry, (see below) Crystal did make new color-coded map, better map with better boundaries. This version was updated on the website, and maybe can contact Crystal to get the layered version.

Liesel - at one point, added Valdez and expanded District 1.



Mari - Combining some districts might help to strengthen them. Some Areas have found that joining resources allows districts to gather more people to organize district activity. Is anyone interested in creating a thought or task force? It would be particularly useful to have people who live out of District 3 (Anchorage) to be a part of it.

Discussions of Thought Force. Linette asked if there was one in the past. Colleen - on agenda, never got dealt with and so eventually just got taken off. Linette - does anyone think it would be a good idea to have a task force? We have many districts without representation. Do we want to talk about it again?

Recommended to put on Fall Agenda to discuss again.

5. Regional Trustee Applications for the WSO Board of Trustees (Mari). There are openings in our region to think about for 2026.

Tabled for fall agenda.

6. Change format for assembly to half days four times a year.

Carol - what about two hours a month or broken up into four half days a year? Attract more people. Hard to get folks to commit to a whole day, even just twice a year. How to get people to do service?

Discussion, bring up at Fall assembly

NEW BUSINESS

7. Topics to be added.

REVIEW OF NEXT ASSEMBLY DATES Assemblies begin on the third Fridays in May & September:

- 1. **May 15–16, 2026:** Save the date.
- 2. September 18-19, 2026: Who Will Host?

4:15 PM —ANNOUNCEMENTS TO BE MADE AT MEETINGS

- 1. Spring Assembly Planning
- 2. Vacant or Holdover Positions Needed

4:30 PM — Adjourn & Close with Al-Anon Declaration

Let it begin with me — When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, let the hand of Al-Anon and Alateen always be there and let it begin with me.