

District 1 Meeting Minutes for June 15, 2026

Attendance: (In Person) Brian B, Lorraine J, Daniel S, Chloe G, Kenny G, Kevin L
(Remotely) Peggy R

Brian B opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

Concept: Kenny G read Concept 8.

Secretary's Report/Minutes: Lorraine J. **Motion** and **second** to approve May 18, 2026, minutes as submitted, all in favor.

Shared flyers for 2 upcoming local events: 1) SMIA Picnic, June 28, Noon to 4:00 pm; 2) District 36 2nd Annual No Talent Talent Show, July 18, 6:30 pm and for upcoming conferences: 1) Sunlight of the Spirit, August 7-9, York, PA; 2) 2026 VAC Convention, August 14-16, Richmond, VA; 3) Sessions by the Sea, August 18-23, Ocean City, MD.

Treasurers Report: Brian B shared the Treasurer's report for period 5/19/26 to 6/15/26 which shows a beginning balance of \$1,533.99; One Contributions/Credits (Awakenings) \$30.00; Expenses (bank fees/website) \$31.93; and an ending balance of \$1,532.06.

Motion and **second** to approve Treasurer's Report as submitted, all in favor.

DCM Report: David Y not present, no report.

Full Area 29 reports are always available at: <https://www.marylandaa.org/>.

Alternate DCM Report: Brian B reported there was no Area meeting this month.

SMIA Liaison Report: SMIA still needs a Treasurer. SMIA leaders have not had access to the SMIA mailbox and the signatories on the bank accounts have not been changed over. The Chair is working to submit the required letters of authorization and request a duplicate mailbox key so groups should see resolution of the issues surrounding uncashed checks soon. New Where & When's are being distributed. The idea of forming a subcommittee to develop spending guidelines was revisited. Motion that *"SMIA establish a temporary committee to develop recommended guidelines to help future event committees plan and conduct SMIA events and fundraising activities"* was passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Accessibility Committee: Needs a chair.

Bridging the Gap: Wil W not present, no report.

Events: Daniel S reported that the date for the District 1 picnic at Daniel S's house has been changed to August 22. Hope to have flyer ready soon.

Grapevine Committee: Brian B reminded group that the Grapevine is operating at a significant financial deficit, and they are NOT allowed to accept donations. Encouraged everyone to consider purchasing a subscription.

Institutions: Kevin L/Peggy K – Peggy K not present, no report on activities with the women's meetings. Kevin L reported that the men now have 3 groups for freshmen, mid-term and senior clients. Kevin is looking for a man to take meetings in on the 3rd Monday of the month.

Public Information Committee: **Kenny G** reported on restocking efforts for the racks located in all the various Behavioral Health offices and the libraries. Someone moved the Project Echo rack into storage. He plans to follow up with Echo staff in the coming week.

Web Committee: Bill L reported: Total visits 1762 since May 18, 2026, up 31%. There have been no significant web site updates and no meeting changes. Currently there are 50 meetings in Calvert (45 in-person, 4 online only), 1 (Sober By The Bay) is suspended. Phishing attempts are still an issue. The current variant sends a "warning" message about unpaid bills and service suspensions. We still need to encourage Calvert County groups to submit anniversary info via the SMIA website.

Corrections: Chloe/Daniel reported women'/men's meetings are being covered. Next round of orientations should be in the September/October timeframe. Chloe reported that two additional ladies have joined the volunteer pool.

Workshops: Will continue to support SMIA and other regional efforts.

Old Business:

1. Brian reminded the group that his term as Alternate DCM is over in October.

New Business:

1. Question was asked about whether AA needs insurance. It was noted that it is possible to get insurance for one-day events.

GROUP REPORTS

Reminder: new GSRs should go to: marylandaa.org -> "Documents and Forms" -> GSR Change to register.

Representatives from 231 Group, Bedouin, Cove Point, Happy Hour were present. Brian asked if anyone had anything to report on the group level. He did note that attendance at Cove Point has been down in recent months.

231 Group – Kenny G – see above

Awakenings – Wil W – see above.

Beach Beacon – Needs GSR

Bedouin Group – Chloe G – see above.

Cove Point – Brian B – see above.

Daily Reflections – Needs GSR

Daily Reprieve Group – Jake R – see above.

Do Drop-In Women's Group – Carol W – see above

Grapevine – John B – see above.

Grateful Alive Group - Needs GSR.

Happy Destiny – Ken S – see above.

Happy Hour –John O'G – see above.

Harmony Group – Needs GSR.

Keeping It Green - Needs GSR.

Living Sober– Danielle M – see above.

Lusby Big Book – Needs GSR.

Monday Night Men's Meeting – Ken S – see above.

North Beach Group – Needs GSR.

Prince Frederick Big Book – Allan C – Needs support.

Saturday Morning Breakfast – Mary Jo G – see above.

Solomons – New GSR not present, no report.

Today Group – Danielle M – see above.

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Meeting closed with Lord's Prayer.