

## **District 1 Meeting Minutes for March 16, 2026 – Via ZOOM**

**Attendance:** David Y, Brian B, Lorraine J, Allan C, Carroll W, Chloe A, Kenny G, Kim K, Mary Jo G, Peggy K, Peggy R, Wil W.

**David Y** opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

**Concept:** Kenny G read Concept 5 from the Plain Language Big Book.

**Secretary's Report/Minutes:** **Lorraine J. Motion** and **second** to approve February 16, 2026, minutes as submitted, all in favor.

**Treasurers Report:** **Peggy R** shared the Treasurer's report for period 2/16/26 to 3/16/26 which shows a beginning balance of \$1,520.61; Contributions/Credits of \$264.07; Expenses (bank fees/website) \$31.42; and an ending balance of \$1,753.26. Peggy compiled a 2025 District One Trust Fund Accounting Summary for 2025. David encouraged GSRs to share information about how District 1 is using their financial resources.

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

**DCM Report:** **David Y** area meeting is this weekend and conflicts with the Roundup. Brian will attend at least the first hour of the area meeting. Check out the full report at: <https://www.marylandaa.org/>.

**Alternate DCM Report:** Brian B encouraged GSR's to share information about the importance of providing financial support to the local, state and national service organizations. He noted that AA World Services is "very broke" right now.

**SMIA Liaison Report:** SMIA held elections. Todd will remain on as chair, Shaara as secretary, Emme J is Vice-Chair and Keith T is Parliamentarian. SMIA needs a Treasurer. Bruce is not able to stay on until someone steps up. Todd, current SMIA Chair, will serve as treasurer in the interim. Roy B, St. Mary's County Corrections Chair, is organizing a "Behind the Walls" workshop for April 25 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Leonardtown. There are 300 Where & Whens left. The next order will likely be placed in May.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Accessibility Committee:** Needs a chair.

**Bridging the Gap:** Motion and second for Wil W to assume the role of Bridging the Gap Chair, all in favor.

**Events:** **Jerry C** not present, no report.

**Grapevine Committee:** **John B** not present, no report.

**Institutions:** **Kevin L/Peggy K** – Peggy K reported that the women's meetings are being covered. Kevin L not present, no report on activities for the men's groups.

**Public Information Committee:** **Kenny G** is looking for workarounds to address the shortage of Where & Whens, but otherwise is staying on top of public information activities.

**Web Committee:** Bill L reported: Total visits 1082 since February 16 2026, up 12%. Calvert still has room to improve with their anniversary submissions. Reminded GSR's that the change request form on the SMIA website can be used to add notes when meetings are held in adjacent buildings, or obscure entrances. Bill L checks the website for updates every 12 hours and uses that information to update the

Area 29 website and the meeting guide app. Continue to be mindful of phishing attempts. Do not open any emails that appear to come from IONOS. Forward these emails to Bill at [webmaster@calvertaa.org](mailto:webmaster@calvertaa.org).

**Corrections:** Chloe S is hopeful that more women will go through orientation this month and increase the number of volunteers. Daniel S not present, no report.

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

**Old Business:**

1. David offered to go through the submitted treasurer’s reports so the District to acknowledge groups that have made financial contributions. Couldn’t locate a report for period ending February 17, 2025. Peggy was able to locate it and will forward it to David.
2. Brian looked into printing the District 1 Where & When. The pagination is a little off and it is not particularly user friendly. Brian asked if someone wanted to research it further. David will consult with his wife Vandy to see if she can assist.

**New Business:**

1. Peggy asked if the District wants to renew the Grapevine subscription. **Motion** and **second** to renew purchase a 3-year subscription, all in favor. Peggy K noted that Grapevines can be shared with Avenues.

**GROUP REPORTS**

**Brian** noted that new GSRs should go to: marylandaa.org -> “Documents and Forms” -> GSR Change to register.

**231 Group** – Kenny G – All meetings going well, averaging 10-12 attendees.

**Awakenings** – Will W – Going well, averaging 22 attendees. Friday meeting is well attended. They purchased 30 Plain Language Big Books for the Friday meeting. Last Friday they ran out of books.

**Beach Beacon** – Needs GSR

**Bedouin Group** – Chloe – All meetings are going well.

**Beyond Sobriety Group** (Women’s Meeting--Online Only) –No report.

**Cove Point** – Brian B – In a bit of a lull for members and attendance but it

**Daily Reflections** – Malinda - Not present, no report.

**Daily Reprieve Group** – Lorraine J, reported that the meeting is doing well but could use support from women.

**Do Drop-In Women’s Group** (Online Only) – not present, no report.

**Grapevine** – Lorraine J noted that the requests for support have helped and attendance is picking up.

**Grateful Alive Group** - Needs GSR.

**Happy Destiny** – Ken S - Not present, no report.

**Happy Hour** – John O’G – Not present, no report.

**Harmony Group** – Shawn H – Not present, no report.

**Keeping It Green** - Needs GSR.

**Living Sober**– Danielle M – Not present, no report.

**Lusby Big Book** – Needs GSR.

**Monday Night Men’s Meeting** – Ken S - Not present, no report.

**North Beach Group** – Jaimie R – Not present, no report.

**Prince Frederick Big Book** – Allan C – Can use support, but they are averaging 6 attendees.

**Saturday Morning Breakfast** – Mary Jo – Going well, still need a SMIA rep.

**Solomons** – John O’G – Not present, no report.

**Today Group** – Need GSR.

**We Wuz Wurz Group** – Ken S – Not present, no report.

**Meeting closed with the we version of the Serenity Prayer.**