2026 Host Committee July 27, 2025

**Attendees:** Bonnie W., Pam H., Dawn D., Lee G., Carolyn M., Pixie J., Karen G., John H., Jai \_., Patty \_., Morgan C., Emiley H., and **Karen** K.

John H.opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer

Concept 4 was stated by Pixie J.

## **Topics for Discussion**

John H. reported the Alateen Chairperson position remains open

# **Meeting Minutes**

Secretary, Karen K., read the minutes and reports from the June 29, 2025 meeting. Karen G. made a motion to accept the minutes as read; Dawn D. Seconded the motion; the motion passed as indicated by a show of hands. All minutes and reports are on the <u>Skyal-anon.org</u> website.

Chairperson Report John H. No Report

**Treasures Report**Bonnie W. reported she had made revisions on-line of the June Budget to reflect her approved report. She provided the July Budget and reviewed the balance on hand, expenses and monies collected from the Convention Cash Cans from AFG groups since our last meeting. Pam H. made a motion to accept the reports and Karen G seconded the motion. The motion carried as indicated by a show of hands. The approved budget reports are on the <a href="Skyal-anon.org">Skyal-anon.org</a> website.

**Co-chair Report** Kelly G. was not in attendance but had communicated to John H., there is no update for this report.

**Fundraising Chair report** Carolyn M. reported on amounts from the Convention Cash Cans. She also reported totals from the Friendship Group and Step by Step Group projects. The combined total from the Cans and Projects was \$766.32.

Carolyn reported a fundraising idea to provide recognition for Al-Anon members/Sponsors as a part of the convention using Butterflies with the member's name on them for \$5.00 each to be displayed during the convention. She also suggested this be included in the flyer to promote this fundraising.

Additionally, Emiley is working with her to provide the Bill W. plants for sale.

**Registration Chair report** Karen G. **REPORT** "I've looked into the necessity of a PO Box for registration. It was recommended that we get one due to the need for anonymity since

the address is posted on the Area and World Al-Anon website. As of June the current convention had 16 mail in registrations. No other report at this time."

There was discussion around using a P.O. Box versus providing an individual's email on the flyer for those that wanted to mail a check rather than using on-line payment options. The email recipient could provide a private mailing address for the participant to mail in their check. This process would be a way to protect anonymity and allow participants to mail checks.

### Flyer Chair report



Emiley H. Report attached below. Emiley presented options form the logo and one was selected with consensus of the group. Next steps will be to have a Save the Date ready for convention in September.

**Hospitality Chair report** Debbie D. No Report/Update

Publicity Chair report Amanda W. No Report/Update

**Entertainment Chair report** Dawn D. No Report/Update

**Literature Chair report** Pam H. No Report/Update

**Speaker Chair report** Pixie J. Report attached below.

**AA Chair report**Lee G. reported he is starting to look for a speaker

**Host Committee Tasks** timelines and tasks updates

Kelly G. has been added to the bank account Bonnie has requested and received the see money

The meeting was closed with the Al-Anon Declaration.

Dates for upcoming Zoom meetings....all are at 4pm August 31st September 28th October 26th November 23rd December 28th

#### **FLYER REPORT**

Dear Host Committee,

After the last meeting, I received many ideas from members of the committee. I appreciate that!

I went through the archives notes to see some previous flyers and ideas. I was blessed to also find members who have been involved in flyer creation in the past and wrote down a few. So far, I have reached out to 2 members besides those on the current committee that have served our fellowship in this way. I have heard back from one member & amp; have a meeting set up to brainstorm. I plan to reach out to a few other members to hear some ESH & amp; potentially work together if they are willing.

I received confirmation from the Host Committee Secretary that we voted for the theme to be Hope, Happiness & Healing with the Al-Anon butterfly including the colors of yellow symbolizing Hope, orange SymbolizingHappiness and green symbolizing Healing. When I reached out to the Chair for the ideas we had discussed about the butterflies, I received pictures including an average of 3 butterflies with magical trails. Therefore, I

included that theme in my original presentation. The feedback I received was that it may be better to use a single butterfly for the logo so I have done so with this presentation. I rather enjoyed the ideas I received from the Chair so I plan to use those ideas in the flyer after we make a decision on the logo.

Please see below for some new ideas using the feedback I received after the last meeting. Most are using ChatGPT as suggested for simplicity. I also included a coloring page that has a few different color variations. The middle butterfly is not colored in case we wanted to use that design so I could color it per instruction.

Love in Service, Emiley H.

#### SPEAKER REPORT

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I connected with Lee G, our AA liaison, to discuss the AA speaker. I have left it up to him to find our speaker and asked that it be someone in driving distance to save money on flights. I'm so grateful for his willingness to help us bring this convention together.

I will reach out to Lisa Fetter to see if she'd like to plan something for Alateen like she did at the Sponsorship Rally in Bowling Green this year.

I have listened to more speaker tapes and have one woman as a possibility. Part of me would like to find a man to be our final speaker so we have a male voice, as well. We do have diversity amongst the speakers already committed to coming, but feel having a male voice is important, as well. Some of the speaker downloads sent to me were men who have already spoke in the past 5 years. One possibility I reached out to has not gotten back to me. My goal is to have the final speaker selected by our next meeting. Thank you for your patience.

Yours in service,

Pixie Jarvis Speaker Chairperson