October 26, 2025 2026 Host Committee Minutes

**Attendees:** John H., Karen G., Debbie D,. Dawn D., Pam H., Amanda W., Karen K., and an unidentified attendee using a Samsung phone.

The meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer led by John H.

Concept 4 was stated by Karen G.

## **New topics discussed**

2026 Host Committee Chair openings include the Alateen chair and the Co-chair position. These remain open, all were encouraged to announce this opportunity for service in our Al-Anon meetings.

## Reports

**Secretary Report** Karen K. read the minutes and reports from the October 5, 2025 meeting. There were some minor errors noted during the reading of the minutes. Dawn D. made a motion to approve the corrected minutes, Karen G. seconded the motion. The motion carried by a show of hands.

## **Chairperson Report** John H. provided the following report:

Everything seems to be progressing well on the timelines. I would like to continue to encourage each of you to go back to your groups and announce that we have the co-chair as an open position. Please let me know if anyone expresses any interest. The Bowling Green Friendship group will be hosting at the Clubhouse on November 9th from 2-4pm a movie matinee When Love Is Not Enough the Lois Wilson Story. It's a fundraiser event for the 2026 Convention. Please announce at your meetings as well. If you need a flyer, please let me know and I can send it to you. And Thank you all for all the work you have done so far to make the 2026 Convention an amazing recovery weekend!

**Treasurer's Report** Bonnie had emailed the budgets and her report to all members. Her narrative report is below, the Budget and Proposed Budget can be found on <u>Skyal-anon.org</u> and attached with the email of this report.

Since our last meeting, we have had no expenses. We have deposited a total of \$343.03 in fundraising dollars. This leaves us with a working balance of \$2961.65. I created a progressive budget. I think the progressive budget appears scarier than it is. It is a current look at where we are. It helps to see our progress in spending. It also helps to see how much each of our fundraisers produce as we go along. I have revised the budget to show amounts that are still needed to reach each budget goal. I have posted that on the website.

We have already raised \$1479.13 in various fundraisers!

My prior versions of the progressive budget did not include the funds we have from Area and District as income. This was a big-time error on my part, because my brain has struggled around having to pay back seed money. The current budget assumes that we will pay back the Area's \$3000 seed money and will not pay back the District's \$2900 reserve funds.

The current amount of fundraising that is needed is \$4167. And remember that at our last convention, we made \$3000 in basket raffles (this is also the amount that last year's convention raised on baskets). So we need to stay enthusiastic about fundraising, and encourage registrations, and try to make a profit, but we don't need to panic.

Submitted by,

Bonnie W.

Treasurer

Amanda W. made a motion to accept the budgets and report, Pam H. seconded the motion. The motion carried by a show of hands.

Co-chair Report Open No Report

Fundraising Chair Report Carolyn M. No Report

**Registration Chair Report** Karen G. reported she had spoken with Bonnie, Emiley and John about elements that did and did not need to be on the registration flyer. The flyer needs to be designed in a way the bottom portion can be removed and submitted as the registration. Also, a physical address does not need to be included in the information provided by the registrant as we will have their email address and phone number on the submission.

Speaker Chair Report Pixie J. No Report

Flyer Chair Report Emiley H. No Report

Hospitality Chair Report Debbie D. No Report

Publicity Chair Report Amanda W. No Report

**Entertainment Chair Report** Dawn D. No Report

Literature Chair Report Pam H. No Report

AA Chair Report Lee No Report

## **Host Committee Tasks timelines and tasks updates**

**10-1 Emily** Submit Flyer for posting on website - Flyer is in process based on Karen G.'s report

**10-1 Emily/Karen** Submit additional information for posting to area website - Flyer is in process based on Karen G.'s report and will be added when completed

11-1 John Host committee decision/approval to give "How Al-Anon Works" to the newest member at the Saturday countdown - The group was in favor of acknowledging the newest and longest Al-Anon member.and provide a "How Alanon Works" book for the

newest member. Pam suggested allowing the winners to come to the Literature table at the convention and selecting their own book.

**11-1 John Meetings date set for 2026** - the following meeting dates were discussed and agreed upon.

2026 dates are on Sunday and would be via zoom at 4pm

January 25 th

February 22 nd

March 29 th (Palm Sunday)

April 26 th

May 31 st

June 28 th

July 26 th

August 23 rd

August 30 th

September 6 th (Sunday before Labor Day)

September 13 th

Pam H. asked about a final runthrough of the meeting spaces as done in the past. The group discussed and agreed to inquire if we can meet at the Convention Center for our August 30, 2026 meeting as a "walk Through".

**11-1 Karen** Registration packet "gift" like a ink pen decided yes/no. Some consideration was given to including a book mark and reaching out to the Area Chamber of Commerce and/or Bowling Green tourism for information about the area being added to the registration packets.

Dates for upcoming 2025 Zoom meetings....all are at 4pm

November 23rd December 28 th

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The meeting was closed with the Al-Anon Declaration