

FINAL_2025 August 13, 2025 - Ottawa Area Intergroup Meeting

Opening and Introductions

Chair opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Reading of the 12 Traditions: Steve C

Roll Call and Vote count: 22 Intergroup Reps and 6 voting Board members.

Acceptance of Minutes from the Last Meeting: May Minutes: Steve H/ Meg **Approved.**

Acceptance of Agenda: Steve H/ Meg

Reports:

Chair - Debbie W

- Purchases from approved office renovation budget
 - Desk and chair for office space
 - Panorama shot from international conference - discussed/ approved by executive board
- Officially sending out **requests for how intergroup should spend surplus money** (currently about \$20,000 over prudent reserve)
 - Please send ideas to secretary@ottawaaa.org by October to have a vote in November. Include why this idea is needed / what problem it will solve. No need to cost your proposal, intergroup will take care of that.

Vice-Chair - VACANT

- Unanimous election of Kevin M as new vice-chair

Treasurer - George W

- **Report below**
- Debbie renewed the lease at the Bronson center, which secures our competitive rent rate
- George is currently working with the previous treasurer to get a credit card set up for the literature coordinator
- New e-transfer system is working well so far

Webmaster - Karol G

- New website design still under work
- It is very useful to have a contact person for every meeting in case we need to confirm any changes in details
 - Receiving news from members that certain meetings are no longer where the listing states, that building is locked, etc. Listing cannot be changed without group conscience, which is why it is important to be able to reach a member from each group

Newsletter - George H

- July newsletter highlights a few upcoming events in the Ottawa area and a few articles written by our usual contributors
- Always happy to receive content, stories, pictures, articles, etc about stuff related to AA and related to recovery.

12 Step Coordinator / TAS - Kevin M

- 67/ 108 shifts covered July 9 - August 4 (62% - lower rate assumed to be because of summer holidays)
 - Filling Thursday shifts is still an issue
- Calendar updated until September 6
- Listing in Our Primary Purpose filled 2 more time slots
- Voicemails and emails all answered
- 93 12-step volunteers on list - updated on website July 24

Literature - ABSENT (Barry D)

Secretary - Catherine B

- **Attendance below**
- Meeting minutes can only go out once all reports are received from other board members. Since our financial statements are only updated at the start of a new month, minutes cannot go out any sooner
 - However, people may request meeting **notes** to bring back to their groups before the minutes have been finalized
- Send any questions for intergroup and any group updates to secretary@ottawaaa.org

Eastern Ontario Conference - Darlene K

- The Fall conference is happening October 18 and 19 at the Hellenic center
- Organizers have been visiting meetings across the city to generate “buzz” around it
- Speakers, panels, workshops, Q&As about service : a full and interesting event
- Al-anon and al-ateen will both be present

Detox Coordinator - Paul D

- \$905 spent on medallions and literature for detox
- First thursday of each month is open
 - Asking for a homegroup to adopt the available slot

New Business

Grapevine

Topic: Grapevine has requested that intergroup sells 5 each of day planners and calendars

Presentation of facts:

- Traditionally, GSR would sell Grapevine materials (place orders at group level)
- There has been no district-level grapevine rep since COVID and there are fewer GSRs than before
- The international Grapevine website has many materials available for order

Board analysis:

- After long discussion, the board decided against carrying Grapevine materials
 - It would add extra work for the literature coordinator, who already averages about 48 hours per month in this volunteer role
- Board proposes that intergroup **purchases** the same number of calendars and planners to give out as needed AND promotes the grapevine website on our website and in Our Primary Purpose

Contribution from members:

- Lots of support for the board's proposal and the work done

- Suggestion to also publish something along the lines of "If you cannot place an order online through the Grapevine website, please come see the INtergroup office"

Motion: A) Intergroup would **not** sell Grapevine materials AND B) Intergroup would buy limited stock (5) of the calendars and planners AND C) Intergroup would promote the Grapevine website for ordering

Steve H/ George W

Yes 75%, No 11%, Abstain 14%

Voice of minority:

- Why would be buy just the planner and calendar, not other Grapevine materials
 - Reply from Debbie: because that is what was requested by Grapevine
- Ask if anyone from the majority wants to change their vote
 - No, so motion is **passed**

Old Business

- N/A

Motion to Close: John P/ Steve H

Meeting closed at 8:09 with the Responsibility Declaration.

Next meeting: September 10, 2025, at 7:00 pm

Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82438786359?pwd=a3FoYVl4eXlJVkVraGtjV3VXM2hOdz09>

Treasurer Report for OAIG – Date Aug 25, 2025

As of DATE:

- Cash in Bank:
 - Chequing Account: \$ 34,894.13
 - High-Interest Savings Account: \$ 20,660.76
- GIC: \$ 0.00
- Cash on Hand: \$ 124.80
- EOC Cash on Hand: \$11.00
- PayPal: \$246.37
- **Total: \$ \$55,937.06**
- Prudent Reserve: \$ 30,000
- Bronson Centre Office Upkeep + Renos: \$1,536.64
- **Available Funds: \$ 25,937.06**

Please see the included **Balance Sheet** and **Profit and Loss** reports for deeper financial details and breakdowns.

Bronson Centre Office Renos:

On May 8, 2024, Intergroup voted to allocate \$2,500 towards Bronson Centre office renos and updates. Thus far, we have spent **\$963.36**, leaving **\$1,536.64** to be used where/when necessary. This is an update of our expenditures so far:

- Baseboards, caulking - \$146.96
- Curtain Rods - \$107.31
- Privacy Window Film - \$115.24
- Curtains - \$257.58
- Door Locks - \$336.27

Unchanged from the last report.

Additional Section:

Should you have any inquiries or require further details concerning this report or any financial matters, please do not hesitate to contact me at **treasurer@ottawaaa.org**.

Yours in loving service,

George W.

OAIG Treasurer

Ottawa Area Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous

Profit and Loss

January 1 - August 25, 2025

	TOTAL
INCOME	
42000 Literature Sales	17,615.71
42150 Medallions & Other Sales	3,921.92
Other Income	
42250 Group /Individual Contributions	18,351.24
42280 Investment Income	214.38
42300-1 Conference Income	
42311 Sales Spring Conf. Banquet	16,103.57
42315 Group Donations Spring Conf	1,950.00
51160 Spring Conference Expenses	-15,186.06
Total 42300-1 Conference Income	2,867.51
Total Other Income	21,433.13
Total Income	\$42,970.76
COST OF GOODS SOLD	
50000 Cost of Goods Sold	
51210 Literature	12,475.25
51240 Medallions & Other	3,031.63
Total 50000 Cost of Goods Sold	15,506.88
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$15,506.88
GROSS PROFIT	\$27,463.88
EXPENSES	
50340 Depreciation	17.50
51000 Office Expenses	742.71
Web Tool/Software	857.53
Total 51000 Office Expenses	1,600.24
51030 Bronson Office Rent & Parking	6,958.28
51040 Telephone	1,017.85
51080 Insurance	1,820.88
51100 Accounting Remote Access Fee	1,512.50
51120 Bank Charges	106.32
51121 QuickBooks Payments Fees	860.00
51122 Stripe Charges	1,024.09
PayPal Fees	1.36
Total Expenses	\$14,919.02
OTHER INCOME	
42305 Net Eastern Ontario Conference Income	
42312 Banquet Sales Eastern Ontario Conf.	4,393.64
42316 Donations Groups- East. Ont. Conf	300.00
51170 Eastern Ontario Conference-Expenses	-1,511.36
Total 42305 Net Eastern Ontario Conference Income	3,182.28
Total Other Income	\$3,182.28
PROFIT	\$15,727.14

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Balance Sheet
As of August 25, 2025

	TOTAL
Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	
10000 Cash in Bank	34,894.13
10005 Savings	20,660.76
10550 GIC -Investments	0.00
Cash on hand	124.80
EOC Cash on hand	11.00
PayPal	246.37
PayPal Hold	0.00
12000 Undeposited Funds	0.00
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	\$55,937.06
Accounts Receivable (A/R)	
11000 Accounts Receivable	0.00
Total Accounts Receivable (A/R)	\$0.00
12030 Advance-Spring Conference	1,000.00
12040 Advance - Eastern Ontario Conference	0.00
12060 Advance to Canadathon	0.00
12100 Inventory Asset	0.00
13260 Literature Inventory	8,280.10
13270 Medallions and Other Inventory	2,933.40
13280 Meeting List Inventory	0.00
13290 Grapevine Inventory	2,443.00
Total 12100 Inventory Asset	13,656.50
13200 Prepaid Rent Mac Hall	0.00
13210 Prepaid Insurance	0.00
13211 Prepaid Web Site for AA	0.00
13240 Prpd Mc Nabb Sunday Mtng. Rent	0.00
13241 Prepaid Rent Bronson	1,022.18
13250 Prepaid Legal & Accounting Fees	0.00
Credit Card Receivables	0.00
Uncategorized Asset	0.00
Total Current Assets	\$71,615.74
Non-current Assets	
Property, plant and equipment	
13410 Office Furniture	5,213.15
13420 Accum Dprctn. Office Furniture	-5,260.65
13450 Leasehold Improvements	15,157.77
13451 Computer Equipment	2,496.82
13452 Accum Dprctn Computer Equipment	-2,496.82
13460 Accum Dprctn.Leasehold Imp	-15,157.77
Total Property, plant and equipment	\$ -47.50
Total Non Current Assets	\$ -47.50
Total Assets	\$71,568.24

	TOTAL
Liabilities and Equity	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable (A/P)	
20000 Accounts Payable	0.00
Total Accounts Payable (A/P)	\$0.00
Credit Card	
BMO Credit Card ****1951	-53.63
Total Credit Card	\$ -53.63
20100 Accrued Liabilities	0.00
23000 Payroll Taxes Payable	-3.52
23100 Payroll Federal Tax Payable	-135.49
23110 CPP Payable	3.33
23120 EI Payable	135.68
Total 23000 Payroll Taxes Payable	0.00
23130 Salaries and Wages Payable	0.00
25500 GST/HST Payable Intrgrp Oprtns.	-436.05
25550 GST/HST Payable Spring Conf.	-118.98
25560 GST/HST Payable Fall Conf	674.43
Total 25500 GST/HST Payable Intrgrp Oprtns.	119.40
25600 Deferred Sales Revenue	0.00
Receiver General Suspense	0.00
Total Current Liabilities	\$65.77
Total Liabilities	\$65.77
Equity	
30000 Opening Balance Equity	0.00
Retained Earnings	55,775.33
Profit for the year	15,727.14
Total Equity	\$71,502.47
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$71,568.24

Groups In Attendance	2025-August-13
Group	Name
12 & 12 @ 12	
12 & 3 Discussion	
12 Steps to Serenity	
Alta Vista 12 Step Group	
Attitude of Gratitude	
Awakening Group	
Aylmer Triple A	
Barrhaven Tuesday Night	Bill B
Beacon Hill	Marushka T
Bells Corners Big Book Discussion	
Beginners	
Beyond Belief Secular Group	
B-United	Steve H
By the Book	
Carp Fellowship Group	Mike B
Carry the Message	
Centennial	
Chelsea Group	
Co-founders Newcomer Meeting	
Conscious Contact - 11th Step Meditation	
East End Group	
Easy Does It Group	
Fellowship Group	Dale D
First Avenue to Recovery	
Fourth Dimension	
Freebirds	
Freedom	
Friday Night Chelsea Big Book	
Friendly	
From the Heart	
Gleaning the Big Book	
H.O.P.E. Group	
Hand in Hand	

Happy Hour	
Heritage	Carrie D
Hope in Recovery	
Hull Liberty	
Keep It Simple	
Labyrinth Young Peoples Group	
Laurier-Sandy Hill	
Live and Let Live	
Lunch with Bill	Lilly W
Lunch Bunch	Jim R
Manotick Gratitude	
Maitland Step Group	
Men's AA Newcomers Group	James O
Merivale Group	Steve C
Metcalfé Last Chance	
Morning Glory	Claire L
New Day	Marcel L
New Day ONLINE	Randell R
Next Right Thing	
Nouvelle Liberté	
Oasis	
One Day at a Time (Online)	Kathy M
Orleans Hub	
Orleans Noon	
Osgoode Step	
Ottawa Men's Group	
Ottawa South	Meg
Peace and Serenity	
Pinecrest	
Podium/Hill Group	
Power Hour Virtual	
Queensway Carleton	
Rainbow	
Recovery on the Hill	
Remember When	
Richmond 11th Step	

Saturday Morning Big Book	
Saturday Westboro Speaker Meeting	
Search for Serenity	Kevin O
Secular Sobriety Group	
Secular Sundays	
Serenity at Sunrise	
Share and Care	
Share and Care Saturday	
Sisters of Sobriety	
Spirit Group	
Spirit of Hope	
Spirit of the Universe	
Step By Step	John P
Step Sisters	Olivia
Stepping Ahead	Ernest S
Steps on Bank	Susan B
Stittsville Second Chance	Mark P
Sunday Morning Venture Group	
Sunday Night 12 Step Meeting	
Sunday Night Big Book Study Group	Sylvie
Tuesday/Friday	
Unity Group	
Vanier Early Birds	Jenny
Vanier Happy Nooners	
Wakefield AA Awakenings	
We Can Recover	
West End Group	
Westboro Big Book Study - Joe and Charlie	
Women's Group	
Women in Step	
Voting Reps	22

Attendance (Intergroup Board, Committee Reps, Liaisons)	
Position	Name
Chair	Debbie W
Vice-Chair	VACANT
Secretary	Catherine B
Treasurer	George W
12 Step/ TAS Coordinator	Kevin M
Literature Coordinator	Barry D (absent)
Website / Email	Karol G
Newsletter Coordinator	George H
Voting Board Members	6
Spring Conference Chair (2026)	Lorrie
Eastern ON Conference Chair	Darlene K
Intergroup Liaison D62	
Intergroup Liaison D54	
Ottawa Withdrawal Management Center	Paul D
PI / CPC	
CFT	
Alt DCM - D62	
Area 83 Alt-Delegate	Bill C
Area 83 Chair	
Eastern Canada Regional Conference	
Guests	Bev C

General Service Report from Intergroup Liaison-Alternate Delegate Area 83

August 13, 2025

Ottawa Intergroup Monthly meeting

1. GSR POWER HOUR WORKSHOPS: August 19/20, 2025 (3rd Tuesday and Wednesday @ 8pm) Topic: **Service – outside of your comfort zone.** All the sessions are recorded so you can check them out if you happen to miss one that is of interest.

Please note that Area 83 has an updated QR Code for the Area 83 Communications Portal – lots of great information and current news! New content and format.

2. Area 83 – The Area Committee Meeting will be held on 6 September 2025. This is a fully hybrid event and anyone is welcome to attend. Mark your calendars for the Fall Assembly and Service Information Day. This will happen on the weekend of 31 October to 2 November 2025.

3. General Service Office – The International Convention 2025 was a really amazing event. Recordings of some or all the sessions are available for purchase. Please click [here](#) for more information. If you are interested, there is a Souvenir book celebrating this Convention called, “A Book of Fellowship” 90 Years of Sharing Love and Service” (\$18). For details on how to order please click [here](#) or [here](#). As well, there is an opening for A.A. Grapevine Inc, on-trustee Director. If you know someone who might be interested in volunteering their time, please pass along this opportunity.

