LANSING CENTRAL AA
GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 5, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Wally J. with the Serenity Prayer and Unity Statement.
Roll Call: Alisa H. – 19 groups present (Quorum)
Readings: 10th Tradition-John W. 10th Concept-Dolores P.
Volunteers for next month: 11th Tradition-Pam M. 11th Concept-Nate S.
Additions to Agenda: Lisa requested Treatment Chair instead of Fundraising chair for the remainder of the year and next year. Wally requested this be added under new business.
Approval of September 2026 Minutes: MOTION to approve 1st Dolores P. 2nd Denise M. All approved.
Standing Committee Reports
Treasurer: Present –Nate S. Nate reviewed the financial reports. Group contributions were $3,700 lower than the prior year. Retreat income was also lower, with corresponding expense reductions discussed. Total expenditures were $2,400 down compared with the prior year, and net revenue differed by $600. Nate noted that a $6,850 Heritage contribution supported the results. MOTION to approve Treasurer's Report: 1st Christie. 2nd-Lisa to accept the Treasurer's report. All in Favor – YES.
Answering Service: Present – Dolores P. Dolores reported that the Grasshopper answering system is working well following the September 14 transition to remote service. Mike confirmed that calls can be answered while traveling out of state. The report identified 125 calls, including eight hang-ups, leaving 117 other calls. Automated reporting now captures calls that were not consistently recorded previously, including overnight calls.
Volunteers were encouraged to log their call information. Additional volunteers are needed because some are covering double shifts. Six-hour shifts and call volume will be reviewed at a quarterly meeting. Training for new volunteers is planned for January, with training to be held quarterly.
Group Liaison: Vacant.
Activities: Present – Stephen M. Steve, Wally, and Molly plan to visit The Shack the following Saturday to assess it as a potential fall retreat location. Discussion focused on a fall retreat; no final retreat decision was recorded.
Silent auction donations are being collected. November 13 was clarified as the donation deadline. Updated flyers will be made available for distribution to home groups and other meetings.
Corrections: Present – Mardi M. Mardi reported a need for additional volunteers both for jail visits and supporting tasks. Physical donations are down, although a contact at a correctional facility has been gathering reusable books, journals and materials.
Marty and Kelly plan to meet. Quarterly committee meetings, rather than monthly meetings, may be proposed. Additional contacts and possible service needs at other

facilities are being explored, including a planned connection with John regarding Clinton. Members were asked to circulate Corrections Committee flyers.
Newsletter: Present – Mike M. The October edition of Reaching Out is available. Mike thanked Steven for his profile and Jim D. for his continuing contributions. Future profile subjects were discussed. Zoe S. is proposed for November, subject to being contacted and agreeing, and Dolores P. agreed to December.
Fundraising Committee: Present – Lisa R. Lisa notified the board that she was resigning as Fundraising Chair, effective immediately, and would send a resignation letter. Wally accepted the resignation.
Public Info: Vacant.
Digital/Tech: Vacant.
Office Manager: Present – Belinda T. Belinda directed members to page 6 of the newsletter for a summary of the office's work carrying the message, including calls, new volunteers, and a reported $1,200 purchase by Life Boat Recovery Services.
Membership: Present – Alisa H. Alisa will reach out to those not attending next month, is planning on getting with Belinda on a meeting and hopefully put together an orientation for new members.
Archives: Absent-David W. Belinda brought up group history forms. She encouraged members to get with their groups and collect information.
Executive Committee Secretary: Present - Carmen M. No report
Chair Elect: Present – Denise M. Denise plans to participate in the upcoming bylaws and budget committee meetings coming up soon.
Member at Large: Present - Justin W. Justin reported that the bylaws committee will meet again to develop proposed changes involving the statement of purpose, website, and related information.
Chairman: Present-Wally J. Wally referred to his report. Wally reported attending the September 30 District 6 meeting to request $698 for a new desktop computer and monitor. Wally is looking forward to visiting the Shack on Saturday.
YPAA: Present – Kelly C.Kelly distributed MCYPAA bake-sale flyers and requested that members share them with their groups. The bake sale will be held at the East Club on October 17th from 8:30 a.m. to 7PM, with setup and donation acceptance beginning at 8:30 a.m. MCYPAA is planned for the Friday through Sunday after Thanksgiving at the DoubleTree in Lansing. Registration is currently $35, with later increases discussed. Individuals and groups may purchase scholarship registrations through the regular registration process and identify them as scholarships in the form's comments. Scholarships may be requested in advance or obtained as available at the event. They cover admission and activities, but not hotel rooms or a separate banquet. A hospitality suite with food will be available around the clock.
Groups and service entities may arrange informational tables. Lansing Central plans to operate a mobile bookstore. Volunteers are needed for registration, greeting, and other service roles; contact information appears on page 7 of the newsletter.
District 6: Present -Pam M. Pam confirmed that District 6 expects to consider the computer request at by the last Wednesday of the month.
Alano Club West: Absent -Don M.
Old Business:

Bylaws Committee: Absent.
Budget Committee Update: Nate plans to coordinate a meeting with Belinda, likely the following week. Five committee members have committed to date.
Treatment Chair: MOTION: Wally moved to nominate Lisa as Treatment Chair, First Sherri Second Monica. Motion Approved. Lisa was welcomed to the position.
New Business: Members were asked if anyone wanted to take the Fundraising position. No interest.
Adjournment: 1st (woman) 2nd Nate. All in Favor – YES. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 .p.m.

Closed with the We version of the Serenity prayer
Next Meeting November 2, 2026, 6:00 pm