

DRAFT VERSION

This document is the draft version of the minutes as taken by the CER Secretary and reviewed by the CER Steering Committee.

1. Reports

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2. Opening

2.1. Opening with a moment of silence, reading of the 12 Traditions and the Declaration of Unity

2.2. Attendance

#	Name	From	Service Position
1	Adrian	Budapest	Observer
2	Alex H.	Berlin IG	RECLO
3	Alistair R.	Prague	Treasurer
4	Arendt	Italy IG	Region Rep
5	Anna T.	Costa Del Sol	Region Rep
6	Barry	Italy IG	Region Rep
7	Bill B.	Prague	GSR
8	Bruce	Bulgaria	GSR
9	Cameron	Berlin IG	Region Rep
10	Chris	Costa Del Sol	YPLO
11	Christian	Geneva IG	Region Rep
12	Christie	Cyprus	Region Rep
13	Ed	IG Bavaria	Webmaster
14	Elizabeth B.	Italy	Delegate
15	Gilian	North Costa Blanca	Delegate
16	Ian	Costa Del Sol	RASLO
17	Jan J.	IG Bavaria	Delegate
18	Jens	EOI	Region Rep
19	Jo	Geneva IG	Alt. Treasurer
20	Jonathan P.	Skopje	Delegate
21	Karen M.	Triborders	Alternate Delegate
22	Katie	Bavaria IG	Region Rep

23	Lars	Netherlands	Region Rep
24	Lee R.	South West of France	Region Rep
25	Lee	Budapest Group	Observer
26	Levey P.	Budapest	Trustee
27	Marina A.	Bavaria IG	Region Rep
28	Marisa	Geneva	Delegate
29	Markéta K.	Munich	Delegate
30	Matt S.	Vienna IG	Observer
31	Mia	Malta	GSR
32	Muriel	Geneva IG	Region Rep
33	Pascal	IG Maroc	Region Rep
34	Paul	Italy IG	Vice-Chair
35	Raymond B.	Costa Del Sol	Chair
36	Rebecca	Catalunya	Region Rep
37	Savannah R.	Budapest Group	GSR
38	Sarah V.	IG Bavaria	HLO
39	Stamatina	Greece	Region Rep
40	Sybil K.	RNIG	PILO
41	Tanya	Bavaria IG	Observer
42	Vicky	Greece	Observer
43	Yasmin	Bavaria IG	Observer
44	Yulia	Vienna IG	Stand in Region Rep

2.3. Apologies

Carina H. – Secretary

Peter S. – Archivist

3. Minutes from March 2025 Assembly

Motion: To accept the minutes of the March 2025 assembly.

The motion was seconded.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report

Alistair presented the financial report for the last quarter (March – May), which can be found in the online Filestore.

All Intergroups/groups please double check the list of contributions. If your group/Intergroup made a contribution that is not listed, please contact Alistair at treasurer.cer@aamail.org.

The treasurer expressed his gratitude to all the groups and intergroups who have made 7th tradition contributions as these help to support the whole service structure.

We are currently underspending on the budgets that we have set aside for our liaison officers. The money we receive is supposed to be spent on activities that help us carry the message.

5. Intergroup Reports

The following IGs/groups have submitted a report, which can be found in the online files.

5.1. Budapest Group – Savannah R.

5.2. Cyprus – Christie

5.3. European Online Intergroup – Jens

5.4. Geneva IG –Muriel, Christian

5.5. Italy IG – Barry

5.6. AA Greece – Stamatina

5.7. Mallorca IG – Dennis

5.8. Malta Millenium Chapel Group – Mia

5.9. Netherlands IG – Lars

5.10. North Costa Blanca – Gillian

The following groups are encouraged to submit their written report. Below are only a few notes of the highlights that were reported.

5.1. Barcelona/ Catalunya IG – Rebecca

Groups are having problems opening bank accounts. There are 10 group with 24 meeting in the Intergroup. Rebecca and Laurence will be rotating out as Region Reps next year. They are the first Region Reps to have attended CER assemblies.

5.2. Bavaria IG – Marina A

IG Bavaria round up will be held soon. The groups are generally in good financial standing.

5.3. Berlin IG – Cameron

10 – 12 meeting per day and many are online. The Intergroup made a donation to CER. Berlin will host an international convention at the end of August.

5.4. Bulgaria – Bruce B

Very small group. Hybrid meeting with more online attendees than in person. The group is involved in AA Bulgaria.

5.5. Costa del Sol IG – Anna T.

Public Information have been very busy, members of the PI committee attend zoom meeting with doctors from the St. George's University of London.

Costa del Sol has also been involved in a seminar for the British Consulate.

5.6. Greece – Stamatina

19 Speaking English-speaking groups. The groups also participate in the Greek service structure. Since Covid some groups have been having financial difficulties.

5.7. South-West of France – Lee

41 meetings in the Intergroup. The Intergroup has not made any contributions as they are looking to increase their PI spending. A convention is taking place next year in April in Nice.

5.8. Vienna IG – Yulia

The Vienna fellowship is growing. There are 8 English speaking groups and another one – a women's meeting - is starting soon. The IG is putting on a fellowship event in the summer as well as a special speaker event.

6. Nominations & Elections

6.1. Trustee

Matt S. was nominated as candidate for the GSB Trustee position. The nomination was seconded. Matt S. gave his service resume.

Bruce B. was nominated as candidate for the GSB Trustee position. The nomination was seconded. Bruce B. gave his service resume.

Matt S. was elected as nominee for the Trustee position with a 2/3 majority.

Bruce B. was elected as nominee for the Trustee position with a 2/3 majority.

6.2. Conference Delegate (x2)

Ian McD was nominated as Conference Delegate. The nomination was seconded. Ian McD gave his service resume.

Ian was elected as Conference Delegate with a 2/3 majority.

Sarah V. was nominated as Conference Delegate. Sarah V. accepted and gave her service resume.

Sarah V. was elected as Conference Delegate with a 2/3 majority.

6.3. Alternate Delegate

Yasmin M. was nominated as Conference Delegate. The nomination was seconded. Yasmin M. gave her service resume.

Yasmin M. was elected as Alternate Delegate with a 2/3 majority.

7. Approval of Clarification of Voting Procedures

The document on the clarification of the voting procedures was presented. There were some questions about the nomination process. It was clarified that the nomination process is set out in point 3 of the document.

It reads: "Any interested member is strongly encouraged to **submit their nomination for an open service position via the online form well in advance of the assembly**. The nomination is sent to the CER Secretary and the CER RECLO."

There have been no changes made to how nominations are made.

Motion: To accept the clarification of voting procedures.

The motion was seconded.

Vote: The motion was carried.

8. Arena Newsletter Guidelines

Motion: To accept the Arena Newsletter Guidelines.

The motion was seconded.

Vote: The motion was carried.

9. Regional Officers & Trustee Report

9.1. Archivist

Peter was not present and did not send a report.

9.2. Arena Editor

Tenzing was not present and did not send a report.

9.3. HLO

Sarah reported that she will discuss a Health Liaison Officers Conference in York and will give a presentation on the challenges and opportunities of health liaison work in CER.

She has also set up a working group to break down some of the initiatives that have been discussed during assemblies. If you are interested in joining the working group, please get in touch with Sarah.

Sarah reported on a healthcare package she has put together groups and individuals.

She has also given a talk to an Italian group about how to speak to healthcare professionals, which was translated into Italian.

Sarah has also been invited to speak at the South of France Intergroup.

9.4. PILO

Sybil has been getting up to speed with PI initiatives are happening across CER. She is also working together with the HLO and the YPLO.

Sybil is available to hold PI workshops at Intergroups.

9.5. RASLO

Ian gave a brief report about some setback to the RASLO initiatives due to some legal changes. However, he is confident that these can be overcome. He is also rotating out of his position in December 25. There seems to be a member interested in the RASLO position.

9.6. RECLO

Alex gave her report, which is available on the filestore.

She has been in touch with AAGB to discuss options to implement the meeting guide technology which CER and Intergroups within CER have been using for quite some time.

Alex is available to help Intergroup ECLOs with setting up microsites, hotlines or using other forms of technology.

9.7. Trustee

Levey gave his report, which is available on the filestore.

He reminded the trustee candidates of the deadline to submit their application, which is August 1st.

Members are encouraged to submit service-related articles for the AA Service News (AASN) to Levey.

There have been changes to the group registration form (also known as the 'pink form'). The changes will be announced in the AASN.

AAGB has a license to print the Plain Language Big Book, which should make it more available for members within AAGB.

All new and existing groups ought to register with AAGB.

9.8. Webmaster

Ed reported on technical maintenance of the CER website and management of the web updater team.

9.9. YPLO

Chris gave his report, which can be found on the filestore.

He attended a convention in Costa Blanca North and helped host two young person's meetings.

He also hosted a Young Persons workshop in May that was very meaningful for the people who attended.

All officers who have not sent in their report yet are asked to please submit their written report to the CER Secretary.

10. Delegates Report from Conference

The Delegates reported back from Conference. They shared their personal impressions as well as the answers to the Conference Questions.

Both the individual reports and the final recommendations to the Conference Questions are available on the Filestore. The recommendations to the Conference Questions have also been sent to groups and Intergroups via the AA Service News, which is also available with the AA GB website.

The Delegates will hold a webinar to report back on the Conference Questions [on June 21st at 10:00 am via Zoom](#).

11. Conference Question for European Service Office

Alistair gave some background on this agenda item. At the GSO Roadshow in March some informal discussions about establishing a European Service Office (like the Northern and Southern Service Office) took place. Since then, Alistair has been meeting with our Trustee Levey, Nigel, a former Trustee and GSB Chair, Ranjan, the General Secretary and Mike, a non-alcoholics trustee, to discuss proposing a Conference Question regarding a European Service Office.

A European Service Office would help groups in Europe carry out their primary purpose as it could provide a communication hub and make it easier to order and receive literature. There would be no financial implications for CER.

Additionally, Levey presented some background information on previous discussion about how to establish Service Offices and what this would entail.

A European Central Service Office would also allow English speaking groups who are currently not part of the AA GB structure make contact.

Motion: That the assembly gives the Steering Committee permission to put forward a question to Conference 2026 about establishing a European Central Service Office.

The motion was seconded.

Vote: The motion was carried.

12. Preparations for Upcoming Quarterly Assemblies

12.1. September 6th – 7th 2025 – Costa del Sol

12.2. December 6th – 7th 2025 – Online

12.3. March 7th – 8th 2026 – Proposal from Prague

Alistair presented a similar proposal as for the previous assembly to be held in Prague at the same hotel we met at last time. It was decided that the assembly will be held again in Prague and that Cyprus IG will prepare a proposal for hosting CER in September 2026.

12.4. June 6th – 7th 2026 – Online

13. Action List Arising out of the Assembly

13.1.	Cancel the CER subscription for QuickBooks	ASAP	Treasurer
13.2.	Write a Conference Question about establishing a European Service Office	By August	Steering Committee
13.3.	Discuss with Cyprus IG their proposal to host the CER assembly in September 2026	ASAP	Steering Committee