

**2026 MBAR Committee Meeting Minutes – Zoom Call – July 12, 2026**  
**Official Minutes**  
**Written by Michael B., MBAR Secretary**

Date: July 12, 2025

Location: Zoom

Type: Committee Agenda

Meeting Called to Order By: Jennifer

Opening: The meeting opened with a welcome to new attendees and recognition of a member's sobriety anniversary.

### **1. Welcome and Announcements**

- Attendees were welcomed and invited to share their contact information for future communications.
- Leah S share her information
- Dawn was recognized for her sobriety anniversary on June 22, 1984.
- Appreciation was expressed for the recent AA International Meeting in Vancouver, with attendees sharing insights and renewed enthusiasm.
- The upcoming Lawn Olympics in July was highlighted, and members were encouraged to participate.

### **2. Acknowledgments**

- Thanks were extended to Samantha for her creative planning of the 12-step relay race.
- Chris was recognized for coordinating the bake sale.

### **3. Treasurer's Report**

- The Treasurer reported no financial activity in June.
- Account Balances:
  - Total Balance: \$19,901.21
  - Tax Compliance Reserve: \$5,000.00
  - Convention Fund: \$15,001.76
- Financial planning for the Lawn Olympics was briefly discussed.

### **4. Financial Systems Update**

- The committee reviewed setup progress for PayPal, Venmo, and QR codes for contributions and event payments.
- The ability to use mobile devices as card readers was noted.
- Benefits of nonprofit PayPal status, including eligibility for free card readers, were discussed.
- A suggestion was made to use a cash box for the 50/50 raffle to simplify transactions.

## **5. Committee Roles & Volunteer Recruitment**

- Open positions were discussed, including Literature Chair, Registration Chair, Speaker Panel Chair, and Welcome Chair.
- Leah was nominated and confirmed as the new Welcome Chair.
- Additional volunteers were solicited for games, setup, and cleanup for the Lawn Olympics.

## **6. Lawn Olympics Planning**

- Budget and setup plans were presented, including the need for tables, chairs, and carpooling solutions.
- A tentative schedule for the event day was shared, covering setup, activities, and cleanup.
- Logistics around equipment transport and volunteer assignments were reviewed.
  - Lawn Olympics Schedule
  - 10:30 am - Set Up Start setting up games, food, banners, check in table, bake sale table, 50/50 raffle table, PA system, etc. Volunteers: 1. Chris T. 2. Tony 3. Chris H. 4. Tony 5. Sam 6. Katherine
  - 12:00 pm - Door Open We will need treasurers at the door collecting contributions and to sign waivers and stamp hands. Matt and TC will be doing the cooking. Daniella is doing Face Painting Chris H is doing Bake Sale Karen is doing 50/50 Raffle
  - 1:00 pm - Games start Yard Jenga - Needs a table Volunteer - Tiana Yard Yahtzee - Needs score and bucket Volunteer - Pictionary - needs markers, paper, and categories/clues Volunteer - Ali Corn Hole - TC Volunteer - Bocce Ball - Borrow from Shena or Micah Volunteer - Leah Yard Pong - Need wiffle balls - Joseph Volunteer - Dean Relay Races - Volunteer - Samantha
  - 2:30 pm - Meeting Starts Speaker is Jared B. from Good Morning Carmel.
  - 3:30 pm - Clean up Volunteers 1. Renee 2. Chris 3. Jenn 4. Sam 5. Katherine 6. Ali 7. Mark F. Garbage – Michael

## **7. Seventh Tradition and Fundraising**

- Emphasis was placed on transparency in collecting Seventh Tradition contributions.
- A suggestion was made to include the event logo on the donation baskets for clarity.
- QR codes will be implemented for donations and bake sale payments.
- Discussion included the potential for roaming ticket sales for the 50/50 raffle.

## **8. Additional Fundraising Ideas**

- Proposals included:
  - Selling leftover mug tumblers.
  - Producing and distributing event stickers and temporary tattoos.
- Pricing logistics and fairness to prior purchasers were discussed.
- A motion was made and approved to allocate \$150 to produce logo stickers and temporary tattoos.

## **9. Final Items & Adjournment**

- Dates for the next steering committee call and full committee meeting were confirmed.
- Members were encouraged to remain engaged and promote upcoming events.
- The meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer.
- Participants expressed gratitude and reaffirmed their commitment to the committee's goals.

## **Action Items**

- Test cell service/internet at the Lawn Olympics venue.
- Determine inventory and pricing for leftover tumblers.
- Design and distribute logo stickers and temporary tattoos.
- Send updated flyers with corrected event date (September 6).
- Coordinate with Carolyn on the cash box amount for the 50/50 raffle.