

NORTHERN ILLINOIS AREA 20

Alcoholics Anonymous

December 13, 2025

Delegates Report – Winter Assembly

Hello Area 20:

Well, this is my last Assembly report as your Area 20 Delegate. To say it has been an honor and a privilege doesn't quite do justice the experience. I am truly grateful and blessed to be a sober member of AA, and to have served in this capacity. It has allowed me to meet and interact with members that I might otherwise not have gotten to. I look forward to rotating into a past delegate, and plan to continue to be of service in Area 20 and help wherever I can.

Since our Fall Committee meeting, I've attended and participated in the following:

Oct. 6	Conference Inventory Implementation Committee
Oct. 16	Trustees Conference and Agenda Committee Joint Meeting
Oct. 17-19	Wisconsin State Alanon Convention
Oct. 22	Conference Inventory Implementation Committee
Oct. 29	District 61 Meeting – Geneva
Oct 30	CDPP Ad Hoc Committee
Nov. 5	East Central Region Monthly Meeting
Nov. 8	District 52 Workshop - Kankakee
Nov. 12	Conference Inventory Implementation Committee
Nov 14-16	Illinois State Conference
Nov. 22	District 79 Workshop – Rockford
Nov. 23	2025 Final Conf. RPT RVU – Zoom presentation
Nov. 26	Conference Inventory Implementation Committee

Dec. 4	CDPP Ad Hoc Committee
Dec. 10	Conference Inventory Implementation Committee
Dec 10	General Service Conference Sharing Session
Dec 12	Agenda Committee Discussion

75th GSC Final Report

The final report for the 75th GSC is available at aa.org. Printed reports are available today – I have plenty!

Q3, 2025 GSO Finance Updates

Indicator	YTD Actual Versus Budget	Versus Prior Year (nine months ended September 30, 2024)
Contributions	\$7.077M vs \$7.920M, 11% less than budget	\$7.077M vs \$8.096M, 13% less than prior year
Gross Literature Sales	\$11.951M vs \$11.200M, 7% more than budget	\$11.951M vs \$10.812M, 11% more than prior year
Net Literature Sales (Gross Margin)¹	\$5.965M vs \$5.739M, 4% more than budget	\$5.965M vs \$5.861M, 2% more than prior year
Gross Margin as a Percentage of Gross Literature Sales	49.9% versus 51.2%	49.9% versus 54.2%
Operating Expenses before depreciation	\$13.650M vs \$14.059M, 3% less than budget	\$13.650M vs \$13.417M, 2% more than prior year
Operating Surplus before depreciation	\$125K vs \$550K	\$125K vs \$1.176M
Reserve Coverage (# of months)	6.20	6.41

International Convention July 3-5, 2025 Vancouver

- Still waiting on final numbers – report should be out later this year. At the GSC Sharing session this week, Patrick C, International Convention Chair, texted me that the convention was essentially break even and a report would be coming soon.

Office Renovation

Renovation of our General service Office continues. In the process they discovered asbestos which will need to be remediated. Expected completion is now expected sometime early next year. The staff will continue to work remotely until then. The total project cost is expected to be \$2.1 million.

Status of the submitted PAI from Area 20

On Nov. 12, I received a response from the AAWS Board Secretary.

Essentially the AAWS Board met and discussed this proposed agenda item at the October AAWS Board meeting and agreed to take no action. Their reasoning lies largely in the fact that the 5th edition is already being worked on, and they do not plan to change anything related to the 4th edition. Feedback from this proposal will be shared with the Trustees' Literature Committee's Subcommittee on the Fifth Edition for their consideration as they continue their work on the new edition.

Current PAI Status

Based on the most recent PAI Status grid, there have been 110 proposed agenda items submitted for consideration for next year's agenda, not counting those agenda items which are carryover, or annually recurring agenda items.

Some upcoming planned events for the rest of the year:

NONE!

My expenses year-to-date are \$2,564.29, largely related to workshop travel, attendance at the CDPP, ECRF, Illinois State Conference, workshops, and delegate presentations. Note that the expenses for attending the Conference are paid directly to the GSB from Area 20 and I was reimbursed for my travel expense by the GSO.

Respectfully,

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