

May 9, 2026 Business Meeting District 10 AFG
held at First United Church of Christ 4605 Curry Ford Road, Orlando FL
To be voted on at July 11, 2026 business meeting

Meeting was called to order by Karen, the Alternate District Representative at 9:35am. The Host Group was Easy Does It. Peggy C. read excerpts from How Al-Anon Works for Families and Friends (b-32) on Concepts 5 and 6.

Members introduced themselves, their group name and service positions.

Secretary, Bernie reported that there were 8 voting members present, and 6 non-voting members. A question was asked if there was a quorum for votes and there was. A few items from the previous minutes were read. There was a question on Timely Topics. Mary W. added information on what they were and how they are handled by the district and the area. Deborah noted that she had copies of previous topics that had been researched. They are on the Info table. The dates for turn in were noted.

Peg from Easy Does It made a motion to accept the March minutes as noted. Cathy of Monday Miracles seconded the motion. A raised hand vote was unanimous - 8 votes to accept.

Marla as DR was not present but a few items from her Treasurer report (this is a DR's responsibility if no Treasurer) were noted. Claudia of Changing Tides AFG made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Susan of Friday Morning Lights seconded. Hand raised vote was unanimous to accept (8 votes). The Alternate DR, Karen asked if anyone would stand at this time for the Treasurer position. No one stood. There was a question posed if one was able to hold two positions during one panel - answer, "No".

Marla as Acting Alateen Chairperson had listed the upcoming Fresh Events in the agenda. The acronym FRESH was not defined for a member who had a question but it was stated that this is the first step to becoming an AMIAS, that is, to attend one of these events. It was noted that the GRs present bring these dates to their groups. No one present stood for the Alateen Chairperson for District 10.

The Alternate District Rep., Karen, stated that the current calendar was up to date. She mentioned The Forum as something to talk up at meetings. She thanked the members who facilitated the April workshop for their service, and noted that it would be good to be presented as a Convention workshop in the future. About 20 people attended. The August and October 2026 workshops are currently available.

The District Information Services Liaison, Deborah was present but did not have a report. She noted that there were several hard copies of Area events on the Information table.

Since this part of the meeting ended at approximately 10am, it was decided to continue with the Chair reports before taking a break. Deborah was the facilitator for this portion.

AA Liaison. Deanna's report is on line - no action in the Lake or Osceola Intergroups involving Al-Anon, but Central Florida Intergroup will have a Founders Day gathering on June 6th. Al-Anon has been invited to have a table and it is on the public outreach schedule. This was arranged between Deanna and Debbie from Public Outreach. Susan H. as part of the Gratitude Event has also asked Deanna to attempt to supply an AA speaker. This is still a work in progress.

Archives. Mary W.'s report is on line. She has uploaded all reports that were received in time to the Google Drive. She reiterated her willingness to help anyone with education on the Drive.

Group Records/Current Mailing Address. Amber reported District 10 had 15 groups. The following group anniversaries were noted: Family & Friends AFG - 2 years; Solo Por Hoy AGF - 22 years; Just For Today AFG - 37 years. Amber said she would ask for the July business meeting's agenda to include a discussion of streamlining the reports going in the email - that perhaps one email with all the reports would be sufficient.

Phone Chair. Marina had 47 calls during this time frame - 14 were for information. This is a larger number than before. A comment was made that Public Outreach is doing their job. Also a member complimented Marina as a newcomer to Discovering Choices AFG had said how helpful the phone chair was when she received the return call.

LDC & ACDC Chairs. Peg reported for both. Report is on line and she pointed out she had 3 hard copies of the new Service Manual for "sale" today. She hopes to obtain more, but funds are low for ordering. This item (P24-27) is available free on line (WSO). Pamphlets are very useful and inexpensive.

Meeting List. Jan was not present but her report notes that we are currently using V(Version) 75, 3/25/26. She asks that if meetings are changing for upcoming holidays (Memorial Day and July 4th) to please give her the changes as soon as available.

Newsletter. Robin was not present so we are asked to send any items that we might like to see printed - group happenings, shares, etc. She will send the next newsletter in about 2 weeks.

Public Outreach. Debbie's report is on line and was read aloud. It included kudos for those who did the outreach for the National Alliance For Mental Illness (NAMI Greater Orlando) on May 2nd. Several of those who did this service were present and spoke of the event as highly successful. Deb asks that anyone interested in working public outreach to contact any of the 3 chairpeople listed on the CMA. Bring this to your groups.

10:30 - Break

Raffle. Susan H. held the Brown Bag and Book Raffles following the break. Her report was given later.

Spanish. Mariangeles was not present but her report is on line. Do let her know if you may need a Spanish interpreter.

Travel Team. Chuck's report is on line and he stated that he has attended almost every meeting - some more than once.

Webmaster. Beverly is still working this for the remainder of this Panel. Reports received as of May 8, 2026 are posted on the local website.

Raffle. At this time, Susan reported today's raffles brought \$60 to the District treasury. Mary W. won the Book Raffle and chose "How Al-Anon Works" @ \$7.00. The Brown Bag raffle had \$32 and Book \$28.

Task Force Report. Amber as the chair person presented the findings of the group of 4 members who found information needed to help the District decide how we will be handling the move out of our current meeting location. The report is on line. Kudos were lifted to the team for the thoroughness of their task using Knowledge Based Decision Making. Each District Representative in the 13 Districts of Area 9 were contacted and 4 options were presented (see report). A question was asked as to when do we actually look for a site (answer: not the Task Force's task); what is a central location (answer: about where we meet now - a site close to major travel arteries). Comments included: let the Workshop rotate to the site of the facilitating member/group, but the business meeting be in a steady place; there was a mention of Ocoee Technical College being a possibility; members noted connections they may have for a location. The discussion ended with a return with the information obtained to the DR and officers to present the next steps.

Gratitude Event. Mary W., the co-chair noted that there is still a need for a basket raffle chairperson - said chair would be responsible to let the groups know about sending in a basket. There was a meeting of the team following today's business. Peg, the LDC Chair noted that there would be CAL for "sale" even though it is not on the flyer.

Old & New Business:

Discussion re: what to do with old Service Manuals. There were many suggestions including give to the groups; give to Public Outreach for a "directed donation"; dispose to a thrift shop; give away free. With any suggestion it was noted that a sticker or some type of declaration be made on the front of the old manual that the new one is available on line (with the website attached). The 18-20 outdated service manuals will be brought with the CAL to the Gratitude event in June with a note for a suggested donation decided by the LDC and ACDC.

Susan, Group Representative for Friday Morning Lights AFG offered the group to Host the July, 2026 district meeting - Concepts 7 & 8.

College Park AFG will Host the November business meeting (Concepts 11 & 12). Still need one more group to host the September business meeting (Concepts 9 & 10).

Comments were made by Group Reps present about what is happening with their group.
Discovering Choices - hybrid Thursday at 7pm - small group (2-7 people) - 1st half of the hour reading from a currently studied book followed by shares.
Pinecastle - Monday evening 15-10 people.
College Park - currently working on a group inventory - it was done on line and are currently collating the info - looking for ideas as the best way to handle this.
Friends & Family - small group - 2 years old
Monday Miracles - about 25 people - a good amount of men
Changing Tides - approximately 12 people - recently did a group inventory and most felt pleasure with how it goes - there were 1 or 2 items that were addressed
Easy Does It - a hybrid meeting - the numbers are dwindling to 5-8
Friday Morning Lights - hybrid - very successful - GR much prefers being in person but appreciative of the zoom
Just For Today - zoom only - small group of longtimers - welcomes friends and families

Karen read several of the items on the agenda as part of her calendar duties.

Meeting ended at noon with a circling up for the Serenity Prayer and the AI-Anon Declaration.

Respectfully submitted,
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