

<b>East Texas Area Al-Anon/Alateen (ETAAA)</b>	<b>Link:</b>	
<b>Fall Area Assembly - Agenda (11/7/25 AWSC-Approved Version)</b>	<a href="#">Assembly Docs (Official)</a>	
<b>Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Victoria, TX</b>	Discussion and possible vote	
<b>Saturday, November 8, 2025 from 8:15 AM to 5:30 PM</b>		
	<b>Results and Follow-up</b> (for background information see the documents in the above link.)	
<b>8:15 AM</b>	Group Representative Interchange with Myrthala C, our Alternate Delegate	
<b>8:15 AM</b>	District Representative Interchange with Anna A, our Delegate	
<b>8:15 AM</b>	Area Information Service Liaison Interchange with Linda B	
<b>8:15 AM</b>	Area Officers, Coordinators, and All Others Interchange with Lorna F	
<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Morning Business Meeting</b>	
<b>1</b>	Open with the Serenity Prayer (Peggy T, Area Chairperson)	
<b>2</b>	Welcome – Readings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Twelve Traditions (p. 14-15 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual)</li> <li>b. Twelve Concepts of Service and General Warranties of the Conference, (p. 16-17)</li> <li>c. The purpose of the Area Assembly (p. 160 [top paragraph only]))</li> </ul>	
<b>3</b>	Introductions: First-Time Assembly Attendees	
<b>4</b>	Meet a New Friend – Find someone you haven't met before and exchange names, where you're from, and a fun fact (like a hobby or interest).	
<b>5</b>	Opening remarks	
<b>6</b>	Housekeeping: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Take bio-breaks at will.</li> <li>b. Please use the microphone so everyone can hear clearly (and so the recording for the minutes is accurate). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Please try not to repeat points already shared, so we have time for all voices.</li> <li>ii. Please keep shares to about 2 minutes so everyone has a chance.</li> <li>iii. Please limit to one share per topic to ensure broad</li> <li>iv. Please avoid side conversations so everyone can hear.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>7</b>	Voice/vote: Everyone at the Assembly has a voice but only the Group Representatives (GRs) or their alternates have a vote. (i.e., one vote per group)	
<b>8</b>	Secretary (Paula H) - Roll call of Group Representatives; Voting: Two-Thirds Majority [2/3 * number of voters] or Majority [50% * number of voters plus 1]	
<b>9</b>	Practice electronic voting (majority or super majority) (You can also vote using paper. Give your ballot to Paula.)	Group Representatives (GRs) voted to approve motions using 2/3 majority.
<b>10</b>	Approve minutes from Spring Assembly (Consensus of GRs)	By consensus, the Spring 2025 Assembly minutes were approved without change.
<b>11</b>	Spring 2026 Assembly Update from District Representative from host District 7	
<b>12</b>	Fall 2026 Assembly Update from District Representative from host District 5 (Lisa H)	
<b>13</b>	<b>Shake your Booty! Sing and/or dance to "Ain't No Stopping Us Now" by McFadden &amp; White</b>	
<b>14</b>	Treasurer's Report - Year to date 2025 - Actual vs. Budget, Joyce Y, Treasurer; Discussion, Q&A	
<b>15</b>	Finance Committee recommendation to purchase Directors and Officers insurance, D'anne (discussion and possible vote)	GRs voted to authorize the ongoing purchase of Directors & Officers (D&O) insurance for the Area.
<b>16</b>	Proposed Budget for 2026 from the Finance Committee, Joyce (discussion and possible vote)	GRs voted to approve the proposed budget for 2026.
<b>17</b>	<b>Fellowship break - dancing /singing optional to "Flashdance What a Feeling" by Irene Cara</b>	

18	Finance Committee recommendation to increase reserve funds by \$5,000, D'anne (discussion and possible vote)	GRs voted to increase the Area's ample reserve by \$5,000, raising it from \$20,000 to \$25,000.
19	Thought Force Report - Recommendations for the use of excess funds - specifically, the purchase of \$5,000 in equipment for hybrid meeting format, Carolyn F intro and Ted as presenter (discussion and possible vote)	GRs voted to authorize the Area to spend up to \$5,000 on hybrid meeting equipment.
20	<b>Reports / Announcements from Group A: Area Coordinators and Other Trusted Servants (2 minutes each; timed) (See separate list.)</b>	
	<b>Lunch and Fellowship Break, at around 12:30</b>	
<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Afternoon Business Meeting</b>	
21	Alternate Delegate's Sharing (Myrthala C)	
22	Pass the basket for the Area [Tradition 7] (The QR Code for making electronic contributions are on the table; cash and checks are welcome, too)	
23	Recommendations from the POSSE Solution Committee, Kimberly (discussion and possible vote)	GRs voted to adopt the full set of recommendations put forward by the POSSE Solution Committee.
24	<b>Reports / Announcements from Group B: District Representatives from District 1 to District 10. See separate list.</b>	
25	Special topic - Alateen (Led by Dirk)	
26	Can Alateen groups be added to our current policy allowing electronic Al-Anon meetings to be a part of our Area? Dirk (discussion and possible vote)	GRs voted to allow electronic Alateen meetings to be a part of our Area.
27	Change Area Coordinator qualifications to exclude current A.A. members - to align with our Al-Anon Service manual, Anna A (discussion and possible vote)	GRs voted to change qualifications for Area coordinators so that current members of Alcoholics Anonymous are no longer eligible to stand.
28	Special reading, Barbara	
29	Delegate's Sharing (Anna A)	
30	<b>Shake your Booty! Sing and or dance to "Respect" by Aretha Franklin</b>	
31	Group Transfer Policy – Revise policy related to the transfer of groups between districts, including those defined by Zip Code, Mattie (discussion and	GRs voted to approve the group transfer policy proposed by the Area's Policy Committee.
32	Review of Recommended Updates to the Policy and Guidelines Handbook, Kevin (discussion and possible vote)	It was determined that the recent handbook updates pertain specifically to guidelines, which do not require approval by GRs. Guidelines are approved by the Area World Service Committee. In contrast, policies do require
33	<b>Fellowship break</b>	
34	Proposed Procedure for Updates to the Policy and Guidelines Handbook, Rosie (discussion and possible vote)	GRs voted to approve the procedure for updating the Handbook.
35	Change the Area's motion process to include the first and last name of the motion maker and the person seconding, as well as in the body for elections,	Because last names on motions is a legal requirement for corporations, it did not require approval.
36	<b>Reports / Announcements from Group C: District Representatives from District 12 to District 17 and All Area Information Service Liaisons. See</b>	
37	The Beacon, Reconsidered and Reimagined, Task Force update, Lorna F	
38	General Announcements and Closing	
39	<b>Save the Dates:</b>	
a	The quarterly Beacon deadlines per Delia, the editor, are on the 3rd of the month each quarter. The next deadline is 1/3/26; then 4/3/26, 7/3/26 and	
b	The Winter 2026 AWSC meeting will be hosted by District __ at on Saturday, January 24, 2026. Guests are welcome.	<b>(A host committee is needed.) The meeting will be hybrid.</b>
d	The 2026 Spring Area Assembly, hosted by District 7, is May 15-17, 2026 at Camp Allen, 18800 FM 362 in Navasota, TX (Please help get the word out to your groups and encourage participation for the benefit of their recovery. Guests are welcome.) Note: the AWSC will meet the night before the	
c	The Summer 2026 AWSC meeting will be hosted by District 14 in Houston on Saturday, August 29, 2026. Guests are welcome.	

d	<p>The Fall 2026 Area Assembly, hosted by District 5, is November 6-8, 2026 at the Crowne Plaza in Houston, TX (Please help get the word out to your groups and encourage participation for the benefit of their recovery. Guests are welcome.) Note: the AWSC will meet the night before the Assembly principally to approve the Assembly agenda.</p>	
Let It Begin with	Que empiece por mí	
When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help,	Cuando alguien, dondequiera que sea pida	
let the hand of Al-Anon and Alateen	ayuda, que nunca falte allí la mano de Al-Anon y	
always be there, and -- Let It Begin with Me.	Alateen, y Que empiece por mí.	