

MBAR 2026 Committee Minutes
330 100 7207 Passcode: 2026
Saturday, February 10, 2025: 10:00am

Co-Hosts: Chris T.
13 Attendees

Please hold your questions/suggestions until the end of the meeting. Or you can submit them in an email to the Chairperson at mbarchair2026@gmail.com This way every Committee will have a chance to give their report. Thank you!

- I. Chairperson's Call to Order
- II. Serenity Prayer
- III. Reading of the 12 TRADITIONS – Jesse
- IV. Approval of the Minutes from 01/12/25
 - a. Minutes approved
- V. New attendees, put your phone numbers and email addresses in the chat.
 - a. Ali T., Jesse S., and Thomas L.
- VI. Are there any A.A. or Al-Anon anniversaries since our last meeting?
 - a. Arthur celebrated 26 years!
- VII. Chairperson's Report:
 - a. I am so very honored and grateful to serve in the 2026 MBAR Chair position. I know I have very big shoes to fill! I want to personally thank Chris T. for her tremendous hard work and dedication of her time and service as the 2024 MBAR Chair. I know I am not alone in witnessing not only how she facilitated the mission of MBAR so incredibly well, AND she also served this group with so much dignity and grace. THANK YOU!
 - b. Many of you may not know me or know me well...yet. I am Jennifer or you can also call me Jenn. I started my journey in A.A. approximately 3 years ago. I did not do things perfectly yet also found my way back and fully committed to working the program. I finally have peace and pure joy in my days. I am so very thankful for the life this program and fellowship (community) has given me. Apart from A.A., I do have some knowledge and work experience in meeting/conference/event/party planning. Being given this opportunity of service where I can use some of my skillset feels like the biggest gift!

- c. Now, on to YOU - I cannot express how genuinely thrilled I am to work with all of you and get to know each of you individually. I am so honored to see the team that is forming and trust that the rest are sure to come. I look forward to everything that I will learn from each of you. Thank you for lending your TIME, SKILLS and TALENT to this planning committee and group experience.
- d. A couple of things to know about me is that I do not get easily offended, I LOVE working with diverse teams and personalities....and, I believe in my core, that we all have special gifts to give through the creative process. My hope is that we can develop a space that everyone feels comfortable sharing their ideas and creativity with an open mind. Finally, we are going to have so much FUN in this process with the goal of KEEPING IT SIMPLE!

VIII. Treasurer's Report Carolyn- (See attached)

- a. Considering increasing the budget for the website. No motions made.
- b. MBAR Non-Profit/Tax Committee Report – Cindy A. or Carolyn H.
 - i. Motion for Carolyn to file 9-90 made by Chris; seconded; motion rescinded (not ready for filing)
 - ii. Motion for Carolyn to file the appropriate forms for Non-Profit Status made by Chris T.; Seconded by Chris H; Motion passed - No objections.

IX. Seventh Tradition

- a. You can make a 7th Tradition contribution via: PayPal at mbartreasurer@gmail.com
- b. OR by sending a check to: MBAR, P.O. Box 1462 Monterey, CA 93942
- c. OR Venmo – Inactive

X. Committee Chairs/Steering Committee Positions with OPEN CHAIR POSITIONS

- a. Steering Committee Positions:
 - i. Chair - Jennifer
 - ii. Co-Chair – Ali T. nominated - seconded - All in favor – none opposed
 - iii. Treasurer – Open
 - iv. Roughly 5 hours a month
 - v. Co-Treasurer - Open
 - vi. Recording Secretary – Open
- b. Other Committee Chair Positions:
 - i. BBQ - Matt R.
 - ii. Breakfast - Chris H.
 - iii. Dance - Open
 - iv. Decorations - Open
 - v. Dinner - Open
 - vi. Events - Sara R.
 - vii. Facilities - Renee C.
 - viii. Fundraising - Samantha C.
 - ix. GSR/IGR Liaison - Open

- x. H and I Liaison - Open
- xi. Hospitality - Patricia nominated - seconded - All in favor - None opposed
- xii. Host - Chris T.
- xiii. Ice Cream Social - Chris H.
- xiv. Literature - Open
- xv. Marathon Meetings - Open
- xvi. Merchandise - Open
- xvii. Outreach - Jesse S. Nominated - seconded - All in favor - none opposed
- xviii. Outreach Co-Chair - Open
- xix. Raffle Prize - Open
- xx. Raffle 50/50 - Open
- xxi. Registration - Open
- xxii. Shuttle Service - Open
- xxiii. Social Media - Kathleen S.
- xxiv. Social Media Co-Chair - Open
- xxv. Spanish Community - Open
- xxvi. Speaker - Carolyn H.
- xxvii. Website - Phillip E.
- xxviii. Welcome – Open

XI. Old Business

- a. Speaker update: Tiana for St. Patrick's Day Speaker
- b. Speaker in LA as keynote speaker - still in progress
- c. Fundraising/Special Events Discussion (See Flyer) - Samantha
 - i. Motion for \$10 Suggestion Donation for event - Seconded - Approved - None opposed
 - ii. Motion for reimbursement for Samantha - seconded - Approved - None opposed
- d. Logo Contest Discussion (See Flyer) - Jennifer
- e. Other Old Business

XII. New Business

- a. In-Person Meet-up and Dream-Up - Jennifer
 - i. Motion for an in person meeting for May to look at Logo's - no exact date - seconded - all approved - none opposed
- b. Facilities - Renee
- c. Facility contract has arrived - Price has increased. Talks of looking at different facilities.
- d. Social Media - Kathleen
- e. 2024 and 2026 Steering Committee Call – 02/25/2025 via Zoom @ 6:00 PM
- f. (Anyone who wants to be present is more than welcome!)

XIII. Next 2026 MBAR Committee Zoom Meeting, Saturday - March 8, 2025 @ 10:00 AM
(ZOOM ID: 330 100 7207 - PASSWORD: 2026)

XIV. Adjournment and Serenity Prayer

XV. Motion to close at 11:42am - Meeting adjourned

XVI. Closed with Serenity Prayer.