

ACBC Minutes from Board Meeting May 19th, 2026

Call to Order – 6:03 PM

Serenity Prayer

Roll Call – Present: Brandi C., Roy T., Kyra M., and Scott M. and Fernando R.
Absent : Mike M.

Committee Chairs Present: Dan S. (House), and Adam F. (Membership)
Committee Chairs Absent: Lance C. (Fundraising), and Keith L. (ACE)

Board Activity:

Secretary's Report – Minutes from March 2026 were reviewed. Motion: Scott M. moved to approve; Kyra M. seconded; motion approved.

Treasurer's Report –Treasurers Report from April and May were reviewed. Motion: Brandi C., moved to approve; Roy T. seconded; motion approved.

Awards Received:

- **Miller Foundation** –\$7,500 grant awarded on April 8th to purchase Recovery Grounds Café appliance, point of sale system and other start-up expenses.
- **Calhoun County Senior Services** – \$4,709 (Appliances & POS System)- submitted by Brandi on February 3rd. Brandi presented to their Board on April 10th and received the full award. EFT was received on April 21, 2026.
- **Kiwanis Club** – \$500- Dan received this funding on May 6th after completing a presentation to their club in April.

New Grant Applications Submitted:

- **Max & Victoria Dreyfus Foundation Grant-** \$15,000 submitted by Brandi on March 17, 2026, for general operating expenses. **Expect an update by the end of October 2026.**
- **Michigan Health Endowment Fund-** Behavioral Health Concept Paper submitted by Brandi on March 17, 2026, in the amount of \$325,000 over a two-year period. On April 30th, we were invited to complete the full application which is due on June 1st. Brandi is working on the application and intends to submit it by the due date.
- **Michigan Justice Fund-** submitted by Brandi on March 24, 2026, for staffing and operational expenses- \$10,000. Expect an update within 30 days of submission. **Brandi checked on the status on May 6th and our application is still under review.**
- **Marshall Community Foundation-** submitted by Brandi & Dan on March 24, 2026 (final) for furniture and computer equipment- \$9,500. Expect to hear back at the end of May.
- **Art & Mary Schmuckal Family Foundation-** submitted by Dan on March 26, 2026, for the Recovery Grounds Café Project- \$14,000.
- **O'Reilly Auto Parts Foundation-** submitted by Brandi on March 31, 2026, for general operating expenses and staffing- \$10,000
- **The Lawrence Foundation-** submitted by Brandi on April 2, 2026, for general operating expenses- \$10,000

- **Cause Strategy Partners- Alexandra Hallock Capacity Building Grant-** submitted by Brandi on April 2, 2026, for general operating expenses and staffing- \$20,000
- **James B & Lois R Archer Foundation-** submitted by Brandi on April 2, 2026, for general operating expenses and staffing- \$20,000

In Process Funding Requests:

- **Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation** – Community Health Matching Grant (application submitted March 5; decision pending)
- **Mutual of America Foundation** – Dan received an invitation to apply. He is currently working on the application and will plan to submit it prior to the July 1, 2026, deadline.

Old Business-

Opioid Settlement Funding / Outreach Grant

- On March 24, 2026, the County officially stated that there would be no further opioid funding released to the community. We should not anticipate any funds being released for future years.
- March Financial Status Report submitted April 6th – \$16,022.60 reported in eligible expenses.
- Quarter 2 Grant Report submitted by Brandi on April 28th.
- Grant funds are now fully expended.

Recovery Grounds Café Project

- The Café officially opened on Monday, April 27th (soft opening).
- The Alano Club hosted a Members Open House on Saturday, May 2nd.
- We are hosting a Community Open House on Friday, June 5th and request that Board Members attend as well as invite guests.

New Business –

- **Name Change Updates**
 - The Certificate of Assumed Name through the State of Michigan was submitted on March 23, 2026 (mailed) along with a check in the amount of \$10, requesting the DBA for the Recovery Grounds Community Center. We received our official letter of approval from the State on April 14, 2026. Please see attached.
- **Strengthening Financial Sustainability**
 - Board discussion and strategic planning focused on:
 - Diversifying funding sources
 - Increasing earned revenue and donor support
 - Building an operating reserve
- **Recovery Grounds Café- Calhoun County Health Department Food License**
 - Brandi made a motion to request \$1,500 to take the ServeSafe online course, schedule the workplan meeting with the County and to pay for the food license once we are ready to proceed. The Board suggested waiting on moving forward with this project until after the June 5th Open House in the hopes that our community would be willing to pay for the workplan and food license.
 - Brandi made a motion to be approved to spend \$190 for the ServeSafe certification course and that if the Alano Club did not receive the funds from the Open House to pursue the Recovery Grounds Café that the Board approve moving forward with the remaining costs. Fernando seconded the motion. Unanimous approval. Motion carried.

Committee Updates

- **Executive Committee-** Roy Tooke, Board Co-Chair Presenting- No meeting held therefore no presentation
- **Finance Committee-** Fernando Rosa, Board Chairperson Presenting- No meeting held therefore no presentation
- **House Committee-** Dan Schell, Committee Chairperson Presenting
- **Membership Committee-** Adam Fox, Committee Chairperson Presenting
- **ACE Committee-** Keith Lemmons, Committee Chairperson (Absent)
- **Fundraising Committee-** Lance Crull, Committee Chairperson (Absent)
- **TGAA Steering Committee-** Chuck B., Committee Chairperson (Absent)

Next Scheduled Meeting- Tuesday, July 28th, 2026, at 6pm

Board meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM

Submitted by Brandi Clanton, Board President