

EDRG Group Representative Report - June 2025 through June 2026

Note: This is a catch-up report that is provided to EDRG Group Secretary for posting on website. Following this report - future reports will be applicable to the events leading up to EDRG Group Conscience (typically 1 month of events that GR reports on)

June 2026

- **2026-06-04: EDRG Group Conscience on GR reporting**
 - EDRG Group Conscience decided that the GR will send monthly reports as PDFs to the group secretary for posting on the EDRG website.
 - Going forward, the Google Doc will be used as internal GR notes, and public reports will be brief monthly summaries.

May 2026

- **2026-05-30: GEA Tech Tour**
 - Attended the GEA Tech Tour in preparation for the June 13, 2026 GEA Assembly.
 - Located Assembly registration information, completed registration, and received the Zoom link.
 - Waiting for eBallot login information, which will be used for electronic voting during the Assembly.
- **2026-05-21: AFG Connects / Electronic Meetings Community update**
 - GEA shared that WSO has been asked to permanently discontinue the Electronic Meetings community in AFG Connects effective July 1, 2026.
 - CMAs are expected to continue receiving and sharing WSO communications, while GEA-specific communication is expected to flow through GRs, DRs, Area officers, coordinators, and the Area Assembly.
 - Clarification was requested about practical impacts on CMAs, Groups.io communication, historical access, and communication paths for groups without a GR.

April 2026

- **2026-04-02: District 43 meeting**
 - March minutes were approved with a correction that the GEA Assembly date is June 13, 2026.
 - District service needs remain open, including an Alternate District Representative position and continued work on the district phone list.
 - Discussion covered Seventh Tradition practices, upcoming service dates, Service Manual corrections, and pending Area-level updates.

- **2026-04-01: Information from District Representative about GEA Assembly and Groups.io**
 - The June 13, 2026 GEA Assembly is expected to require advance registration, with login details sent closer to the meeting.
 - Voting information may not be available early enough for EDRG to give detailed voting direction through its regular Group Conscience schedule.
 - There was no current update on when Groups.io email communication may be restored.

March 2026

- **2026-03-31: GR note about Groups.io**
 - Groups.io posting/replying remained unavailable, with no clear GEA officer update received at that time.
 - The GR asked the District Representative for updates about Groups.io and June 13, 2026 Assembly access information.
- **2026-03-05: District 43 meeting**
 - District 43 continued to need an Alternate District Representative.
 - Several groups discussed business-meeting concerns, including strong personalities, crosstalk, emotional safety, and trusted servant rotation.
 - Continuing topics included Groups.io issues, trustee matters, WSO Group Names Policy, Alateen Online, and upcoming GEA service dates.
- **2026-03-03: District Representative update about Groups.io posting shutoff**
 - The District Representative shared that Groups.io posting was shut off because of technical conflicts involving the GEA website/domain and Google Workspace.
 - The issue appeared connected to mass email handling, domain suspension risk, and preservation of GEA communication archives.
 - The update acknowledged that this technical difficulty has made GEA communication and trust-building more challenging.

February 2026

- **2026-02-20: Groups.io posting/replying disabled**
 - GEA Technology announced that posting and replying through Groups.io were turned off for general membership, while reading messages and viewing area events remained available.
 - Concerns were raised about reduced GR-to-GR communication and lack of clarity about the reason, timeline, and interim communication path.
 - Follow-up questions were sent through service channels asking for clarification and restoration plans.
- **2026-02-05: District 43 meeting**
 - The GR was unable to attend; draft notes reported that District 43 still needed an Alternate District Representative.
 - Group check-ins included service coverage, crosstalk clarity, newcomer support, group inventories, and meeting growth.
 - District topics included treasurer support, Seventh Tradition contributions to GEA, trustee-

related issues, Group Names Policy, Alateen Online, and upcoming Assembly dates.

January 2026

- **2026-01-28: Zoom emoji/reaction discussion on GR mailing list**
 - A GR mailing list discussion shared that Zoom does not appear to allow a group-level split between floating and static reactions.
 - A suggested approach was allowing individual members to disable animated/floating reactions on their own devices when available.
 - This may be useful if EDRG revisits emoji/reaction settings in the future.
- **2026-01-14: Upcoming GEA Assembly dates announced**
 - GEA announced a trial schedule of two four-hour Assemblies per year, held from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM Eastern time on Zoom.
 - 2026 Assembly dates announced were June 13 and October 17.
 - 2027 Assembly dates announced were June 12 and October 23.
- **2026-01-08: District 43 meeting**
 - The GR was unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict.
 - Meeting information was received from the District Secretary.

December 2025

- **2025-12-04: District 43 meeting**
 - November 13 minutes were approved with corrections.
 - District 43 continued to need an Alternate District Representative.
 - Group check-ins included group inventories, meeting readings/slides, use of CAL, and possible sharing of Spanish-language meeting referral information.

November 2025

- **2025-11-15: Knowledge-Based Decision-Making resource shared**
 - A GR from the district shared a resource page on Knowledge-Based Decision-Making.
 - The resource may be useful for understanding and applying KBDM in group business and Group Conscience discussions.
- **2025-11-13: District 43 meeting**
 - District business included approval of prior minutes with corrections, service updates, and discussion of open service needs.
 - Group reports covered service participation, business meeting structure, Zoom emojis/reactions, group inventories, newcomer support, and applying Traditions and Concepts in online meetings.
 - New business included Assembly follow-up, e-ballot experience, Area service needs, WSO contribution practices, naming policy, online Alateen considerations, and KBDM challenges.

October 2025

- **2025-10-25: GEA Assembly**
 - The Assembly adopted substantial unanimity, defined as a two-thirds voting standard, for future decisions.
 - Interim Area Treasurer and Secretary positions were elected for terms ending in 2027.
 - The Assembly approved a motion defining elected GEA officers as the official legal body and accepted budget corrections, with some minutes and procedural clarifications carried forward.
- **2025-10-16: District 43 meeting**
 - District business focused on Assembly preparation, including registration, Zoom account matching, and separate e-ballot access.
 - The district discussed creating a simpler minutes template to support service rotation.
 - Group inventory methods, KBDM resources, alternate GR voting guidance, and service recruitment were identified as ongoing follow-up items.
- **2025-10-14: GEA Assembly agenda received**
 - The District Representative provided the agenda for the October 25, 2025 GEA Assembly.
 - The agenda and related materials were available through a shared Google Drive link.
- **2025-10-04: GEA Delegate Town Hall II on Electronic Alateen**
 - The Town Hall provided background on Electronic Alateen, WSO/WSC roles, and possible 2026 World Service Conference action.
 - If Electronic Alateen is adopted, areas would need to follow WSC Electronic Alateen Safety and Behavioral Requirements as written.
 - GEA would still need to decide whether to participate after WSC action; no policy decision was made at the Town Hall.

August 2025

- **2025-08-22: Request for October 25, 2025 GEA Elections Assembly agenda**
 - The GR requested the October 25, 2025 GEA Elections Assembly agenda through service channels.
 - The agenda was not yet available, and it was expected to be distributed to District Representatives once completed.
 - The District Representative advised that if agenda details are unavailable before EDRG Group Conscience, the GR may need to rely on personal understanding, AI-Anon principles, and the group's general guidance when voting.
- **2025-08-14: District 43 meeting**
 - District 43 still needed a permanent Secretary and an Alternate District Representative.
 - Group reports covered after-meeting concerns, newcomer safety, breakout rooms, group autonomy, group inventories, KBDM, and Zoom safety.
 - Area updates included the next Assembly, upcoming Area elections, Town Halls on the Names Policy, and possible phase-out of AFG Connects for electronic groups.

July 2025

- **2025-07-10: District 43 meeting**

- Previous minutes were approved, and the next district meeting was scheduled for August 14 at 5:00 PM Pacific.
- Members shared ways to improve business meeting attendance, including holding business meetings after regular meetings, using the term “Group Conscience,” and sending agendas in advance.
- Topics included the Newcomer’s Welcome reading, group naming policy, Spanish translation concerns, Tradition 10 Workshop planning, service participation, and transparency.

June 2025

- **2025-06-21: GEA Summer Assembly**

- The GR attended the GEA Summer Assembly and noted challenges with Zoom login, voting access, and understanding GR responsibilities within the developing GEA structure.
- Motions approved included prior Assembly minutes on the consent agenda and the 2025 Area budget; other motions were moved to the October 2025 Assembly.
- The substantial unanimity motion was moved to the October 25, 2025 Assembly, and the GR noted the need for clearer group guidance on future voting when agendas are difficult to obtain in advance.