

**Aging with Pride**  
**Agenda – June 14, 2026 - Minutes**  
**National Strawberry Short Cake Day / National Bourbon Day**  
**Barack Obama Appreciation Day**

Attendees: Steve, Pete, Barb, Robin, Dale, Kem, Carol, Laurie, Deb, Kelly, Karen, Michael, Jeff, Pat, Dawn, and  
Three visitors from Allentown: Alyssa, Matt, and one other.

**I. Community Representation**

- A. GECAC Advisory Board (Dale) next meeting July 13th
- B. ICA (Robin) last meeting for the summer was June 5th
- C. SAGE Colab (Pat) nothing to report



**II. Committees**

**A. Treasury (Steve)**

- 1. Accounts:   Checking \$181.65                      Savings \$524.97                      Total \$706.02
- 2. Sales: deposit \$36.80 from pride flags/ebay/tshirts
- 3. Pampered Chef Fundraiser is currently at \$313.63 (as of 6/10/26)

**B. Website/Email (Steve) 248 views 147 visitors**

**C. Needs Assessment (Pat) no report**

**D. Legacy Project / CAM / Archive (Marty, Pat, Laurie) working on two people from Pittsburg ; would like to contact Jesse and Ricardo**

CAM Studio Annual Fee due in July \$90 - Approved to pay

**E. Monthly Get Together (Pete)**

- 1. June 25 - Brewerie, 123 W 14th Street
- 2. July 28 - Panos

**F. Celebrate Aging with Pride (Pete) - will be presented this month at Brewerie on 6/25**

**G Book Club (Steve) updated list on table, well attended**

**H. Educational Activities (Kem)**

Tim's Garden Tour & Tips - June 13- 6 people attended

Possibly another garden tour in different season

Kem will do more art lessons in the fall. Collage & pastels

**III: Event Feedback**

- 1. AWP Coffee hour 5/21 10-12 people in attendance
- 2. AWP Dinner at Wooden Ladle 5/28 great turnout 20 - 22 people
- 3. Display at City Hall 6/2026 Several went, agreed informative display
- 4. Celebration of life for Blane Dessy 6/7 Keith, Bill & Robert from Pittsburg came, very moving tribute to Blane
- 5. AWP Game Night 6/11 10 people
- 6. Erie Pride Parade 6/14 canceled

#### IV: Other Organizations

A. Pittsburgh Prime Timers (Dale/Pete)

B. Persad / Pittsburgh Owls (Pete/Dale) 15 people from Pittsburgh will be coming August 7th  
August 7-8 - Plan for 2 days - Will have in place for next meeting

#### V: New Business

\*\*Approved to buy Romolo's as a small thank you gift for Werner Books

\*\*Suggested to attend the City Council Meeting in support of Dr Tyler Titus

\*\*Volunteers for Pride On the Bay: Dawn, Pat, Marty, Kem, Jeff, Steve, Kelly

\*\*Table at 365

#### Upcoming Events:

##### ***Planning Meeting — Lake Erie Counseling (1932-34 West 8<sup>th</sup> Street) — 1:00***

|        |        |        |       |        |        |       |
|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| Jun 28 | Jul 12 | Jul 26 | Aug 9 | Aug 23 | Sep 20 | Oct 4 |
| Oct 18 | Nov 1  | Nov 15 | Dec 6 | Dec 20 |        |       |

##### ***Game Night — Werner Books & Coffee (3608 Liberty Street) — 5:00***

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| Jul 9 | Aug 13 | Sep 10 | Oct 8 | Nov 12 | Dec 10 |
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##### ***AWP Coffee Hour — Werner Books & Coffee (3608 Liberty Street) — 1:00 PM***

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| Jun 18 | Jul 16 | Aug 20 | Sep 17 | Oct 15 | Nov 19 | Dec 17 |
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##### ***Book Club — Werner Books & Coffee (3608 Liberty Street) - 1:00***

June 20 - *Fourth Wing* by Rebecca Yarros (Kelly)

July 18 - *The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho (Pete)

August 15 - *This Is How It Always Is* by Laurie Frankel (Robin)

September 19 - *Parable of the Sower* by Octavia E Butler (Steve)

October 17 - *Less* by Andrew Sean Greer (Harry)

November 21 - *"The Man Who Thought Himself A Woman" and Other Queer Nineteenth-Century Short Stories* Edited by Christopher Looby (Kem)

December 19 - *The Lilac People* by Milo Todd (Michael)

**A print copy of the AWP Book Club Selections for July 2026 thru April 2027 is available.**

##### ***Monthly Get Together***

June 25 - Brewerie

July 28 - Panos

##### ***Folding the Erie Gay News — Lake Erie Counseling (1932-34 West 8<sup>th</sup> Street) — 7:00***

Jun 23

Jul 21

Aug 25

Sep 22

Oct 20

Nov 24 Dec 22

### ***Other Events***

June - AWP Display at Werner Books / Flower Fundraiser at the Cafe

June 17 - LGBTQ+ and law Enforcement

June 20 - PC Fundraiser Table at Werner Books - 11 AM until 2 PM

June 27 - Pride on the Bay

July 23 - Q+ Cohort Meeting

August 1-2 - Table with EGN at Erie Blues and Jazz Festival

August 5 - Table with EGN at National Night Out at Gridley Park

August 7 - 8 - Visit to Erie

August 8 - Erie Pride 365 Block Party

August 9 - Back to School Supplies Drive - will be at Central Outreach

August 17 - Table with Lake Erie Counseling at Ryan Bizzaro's Senior Fair

***Possible Events:*** Millcreek 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade; Edinboro Homecoming Parade (September or October); Meadville Halloween Parade (October 25)

