

## July 12, 2018 INTERGROUP REP MEETING

**OPENING:** Jo opened the meeting at 8:03 pm with the Serenity Prayer.

**TRADITIONS READ:** Jim from the No Hassle Group read the Traditions.

### **ROLL CALL:**

- Groups represented: 43
- People attending: 87
- Districts: 4

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Jack: Passed the basket - \$121.80 collected

- Contribution for new equipment posted in May. New computers are in place and lightning fast.
- The \$1734 computer and internet expense covered the transition our telephones and internet connectivity from three vendors to one vendor (AT&T). We also bought a tablet to track sales.
- The Asset Cash Schedule (page 2) was added the Financial Report to show financial health of Intergroup office.
- Question asked regarding Point of Sale not reflected for first 2 months of the year. We have reports on what we did the first two months and the inventory as of today.

### **OFFICE REPORT: Lincoln**

- The Texas State Convention State was an extremely productive event for Intergroup. Volunteer turnout was outstanding and we recruited new volunteers from the event. We communicated with many people about what Intergroup does. We showed History of AA in Dallas" was a big hit. It highlighted the Intergroup archives that also describe how AA started in Dallas. Over \$1,000 worth of AAWS and Grapevine books sold.
- The work at the Texas State Convention is a good example of how we can help groups, when we know about what is available.
- Working with Nightwatch Chair Keith D and past-chair Jimmy D. to discuss best practices for Nightwatch. We have discussed asking existing schedulers to mentor new ones, how to vet new Nightwatch volunteers, and documenting best practices.
- Participation from our AA community is up. This is helping in many areas, including groups keeping our meetings current, new service activities and the District 54 DCM even came to our office to ask how they could help us.
- Attending District meetings and groups to get new qualified volunteers at our Intergroup office. Volunteers created and are maintaining a guide to document how to perform daily activities. We now have a scheduler for office volunteers, handling many tasks.

### **BOARD REPORT: Jo M.**

- Freda W. and Stu R. are working with the Nominating committee to identify potential Intergroup candidates. There are 9 board positions and 5 will be rolling off. The board positions are not assigned ahead of time but are decided once on the Board. The chair is the only position that comes from the previous Board. Between now and October, the committee will be tasked with getting at least ten (preferably 12) candidates, preferably more, who are willing to stand for the Board. In October and November the nominees will come to introduce themselves and give their service resume.
- The minimum sobriety is two (2) years, and a resident of the Dallas metro area for at least two years. No Trustee may serve while he or she is serving concurrently as an Area Delegate, a District (DCM), or Group Representative (GSR) or in any other official AA capacity other than within an AA group; or work for any entity that charges for services to an alcoholic or serves on the Board of Trustees of such an entity. No more than two persons from an AA group shall serve as elected Trustees or Director.
- Our Accountant came to our Board meeting to tell us that we have successfully filed our 2017 tax return, and 2016 amended tax returns.
- We are compiling a notebook for each Board member. The info will include a job description of Intergroup Board service roles (such as CPC/PI) as well Board member functions (e.g., Chair, Alternate Chair, Treasurer, and

Secretary). We will also include all operational information such as an Employee Handbook, Bylaws, Policies and Procedures, and Insurance information. When we complete this, these will be available for anyone to review.

- It is tradition to not have a meeting in August so reps do not need to come to the monthly meeting in August.
- Question about advising a group on how to work as a non-profit. Lincoln took the action to help.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS** – The Board introduced themselves as chairs of the following committees.

- **CPC/PI: Stu R.**
  - LISD Back to School Fair in August – need 8-12 volunteers for a couple of volunteers an hour.
  - Healthy Living Fair Eastfield scheduled for Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> (a week day). Location is Eastfield College is in Mesquite – I30 and Motley. Need 2 volunteers to bring a case of supplies and set up, and explain AA.
  - Putting email list together of volunteers.
- **Jails/Judicial/CFC: Freda W.**
  - Encourage you to carry the message to those in jails and prisons. Freda can help match you with opportunities or a person.
  - Left fliers for NETA 65 Corrections conference in Mexia, Texas on Sat., Oct 13<sup>th</sup>. This is an all day workshop with panels, speakers and an opportunity to attend TDJC orientation.
  - **Newsletter: Camille K.** - Need group histories, and to volunteer to write their experience in doing service work. Next newsletter will be out within the week. If your group does not have a written history, let us know and a member of AA who is a writer will interview, ask questions, and come up with that written history.
- **Special Events: Joe G**
  - **71<sup>st</sup> Intergroup Anniversary** – will be held on **Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>** at Northway Christian Church on Northwest Highway east of Hillcrest. There will be a Speaker at this event. Save the Date! Time and speakers announced later.
  - **Intergroup Chili Cook-off** – to be held on Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> from 11a – 3pm at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church on Royal and North Dallas Tollway. We will also have a cornbread cook-off! *Contact Joe or Tom if you can volunteer! We need all types of volunteers! 11a - 3pm.*
- **Special Needs - Jo**
  - Went to Evergreen Plano (George Bush and Independence) for first time a few weeks ago. Met a woman who would like someone to take her to meetings. We are taking a meeting to her every other Sunday afternoon. If you call me I will call her and ask her if I can give her info to you.
  - Have a lead on a rehab center near Lovers Lane which is a bit more difficult since people rotate out.
  - The only way we can get in is through Social Workers or people who work at the facility, such as Highland Springs. Now she will serve as a reference for other places we want to visit and explain how we do it (time slot, reserved rooms, etc.).
- **Treatment Facilities** – No report – Baxter not at meeting
- **Night-Watch: Keith D.** – Looking for volunteers to work Nightwatch. Be a year sober, been through the steps and working with a sponsor. Got some people who love to talk? They will work out. Hours in week 5pm – 8am next morning. On weekends 830-5, and 5-8:30.

#### **GROUP INPUT/CONCERNS**

- Group workshops can be assisted by Lincoln who can help navigate.
- Miracles at Lake Murray (formerly Singles in Sobriety) will be held on Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> at Lake Murray, OK.

**The meeting adjourned at 9:11 pm with the Lord’s Prayer**