

## Dec 6, 2018 INTERGROUP REP MEETING

**OPENING:** Jo opened the meeting pm with the Serenity Prayer at 8:09 pm.

**TRADITIONS READ:** Paulette read the Traditions.

### ROLL CALL:

- Groups Represented: 26
- People attending: 58
- Districts: 1
- NETA: 0

**TREASURER'S REPORT: Jack:** Passed the basket - \$104 was collected

- Jack reported that this is the first month that we have had a year-to-date report. He noted that this month's reporting shows that the numbers are solid and align between systems.
- We have always shared information about variances in the numbers with the Intergroup Reps but not all of the reps were taking the information back to their groups. One week ago, several individuals from Dallas groups visited Intergroup last week with concerns about Intergroup's financials. Jo, Jack and Lincoln met with these AAs who now understand that Intergroup has a new bookkeeper, and is doing much better. These individuals also mentioned that they start sending an Intergroup Rep to our monthly meetings.
- POS Inventory Adjustments for Nov'2018 is -\$13,302.96 (minus value). The minus number was due to merchandise initially being recorded incorrectly. When the inventory was purchased the cost of goods was recognized as an expense but the asset of the merchandise was not recorded properly. Since the costs have been assigned to inventory, both the POS and QuickBooks are talking to each other.
- The current Accounting/Bookkeeping fees will eventually 25% of what they are now, since most of our bookkeeper's time has been in straightening out the books. The revised fees for this line item will be in effect as of January 2019. A separate line item will cover tax preparation.
- Our revised 2016 Tax Return was approved by the IRS. Jo mentioned that it is the responsibility of the Board to make sure that the Tax Return is accurate.
- Jack will work with the new treasurer in 2019. The new treasurer will be elected by the Board on 10Jan before the next Intergroup meeting.

### INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

- Jim C (Lakeside Group), Kim B (Legacy Group), Teresa R (Cornerstone), Dave H (Principles), introduced themselves to the Reps. Matthew was out due to a health issue and will return in January 2019.
- Jo M., Baxter B., Jack L., Joe G and Tom A are the outgoing Intergroup Board members.

### OFFICE REPORT: Lincoln

- Inventory this Sat., Dec. 8th. We will work two shifts: 9a -12p and 12 – 3p. We plan on conducting an inventory every 6 mos.
- Please remind your group treasurers to use the memo line in your checks to Intergroup for literature, etc. – otherwise we will consider the checks to be used as contributions.
- Please let us know if you are getting emails and if you want to be left on or off the list (default is to be left on).
- We talked to the new Building owner Vet (Dr. Bain) and he has asked the therapist in the next office if she is willing to move and we will get the space next to ours at no cost. This will help us with the fire exit situation.
- We continue to work with the different service entities to ensure that we are all working on behalf of the Dallas AA community.
- We had no one from the Districts or Area represented at the intergroup meeting last month but it is expected that our new Area Chair, Tina, will help us generate more enthusiasm.

### BOARD REPORT: Jo M.

- Tonight we met with the new members of the Board and shared our notebooks. On 10Jan, the new Board will elect a new Chair from our remaining Board members and other officers from the entire Board.
- As a reminder, Integroup is a service group – tonight at our Board meeting, Jimmy D talked about the integrity of the board, keeping things inside the Board, and the privilege of serving you, the AA Groups.
- As I end my term, I reminded the Board and I want to remind you of the spiritual nature of our service -- service work is the basis of our spirituality
- Our new Bookkeeper has really helped us be able to put together financials that were accurate. As Jack noted, she has reconstructed the beginning of the year – we are truly grateful for her. She enjoys working with us.

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS – Joe G / Tom A**

- Joe expressed gratitude to the Intergroup Reps for their support and wished the next Board good luck.

#### **CPC/PI - Jo M**

- We had a very successful couple of days at UT Southwestern Medical School, speaking to the students. Every year we have been asked to share our experience with 2<sup>nd</sup> year medical students.
- When we talk to the medical students we really want them to understand what AA can do; we don't represent AA, this is what it was like and what it is like now
- We had 75 volunteers and in most cases were able to pair two AAs together to speak to the groups.

#### **GROUP INPUTS/CONCERNS**

- The Irving Group will celebrate its 66<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Feb 16th
- The Allen Group will celebrate its 28<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Sat, Jan 19th at 1st United Methodist Church in Fellowship Hall on Greenville. Our former trustee Gary K is the speaker and food will be provided.

#### **FINAL COMMENTS FROM CHAIR**

- Jo completed the meeting by with a reading from the Big Book, “A Vision for You”. She noted the special Bond with the Board that comes from performing this service work, and how serving with fellow AAs creates lifelong friendships.

**The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm with the Lord’s Prayer**