

March 11, 2021

Dallas Intergroup Representatives Meeting Minutes

OPENING: Tom M. opened the meeting at 8:00 PM with the Serenity Prayer

TRADITIONS READ: Amber J. - Ray of Hope read the traditions.

ROLL CALL: Kathy W.

- 36 Groups
- 50 Attendees
- 2 District
- 1 Area

PASS THE BASKET: Tom M.

Tom mentioned the need for continued contributions.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Leigh I.

- February showed a loss of \$6,612. Kathy has shown good management of CGS which has helped minimize greater losses. Fixed costs are flat. Merchandise Sales and Contributions are less than budgeted. DIA is in a healthy cash position.

OFFICE REPORT: Kathy W.

1. Office Volunteers – The number of new volunteers is increasing, to the point where there may not be positions for all of them. Previous volunteers are also returning.
2. Meeting Changes and Updates – There are a lot of requests from the groups for meeting changes and updates.
3. Inventory – Backorder are all received but the Grapevine is still a little slow.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Treatment – Tad H. – Green Oaks has had a great response to last month's meeting request. Approaching new treatment centers that have expressed an interest.
- CPC-PI – Mike D. – working on developing new literature for non-alcoholics that explains AA an alcoholism.
- Correctional Facilities – Kim M. – TDCJ (Texas Dept Criminal Justice) opens in 2-3 weeks for meetings. Work with contacts to schedule meetings. Great response to meeting requests.
- Special Events – Charlie O. – Working with churches for locations for the chili cookoff. Any recommendations are encouraged, Anticipate 100+ people, possible conflicts with COVID capacity issues.
- Nightwatch – Yale S. – All is proceeding well, and they are excited about the interface between DIA and Nightwatch which is producing smoother call transitions.
- Special Needs – Sherry Y. – New materials are being developed explaining Special Needs Guidelines and services. Still seeking Special Needs referrals. A language translation App is being developed.

- Newsletter - Bob S. – Newsletter will be out within in 2-3 weeks. Request for group information, other content and suggestions to be included in newsletters. A newsletter committee has been formed.

GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Nicole S. – Has a question, asking reps for interest in serving on an Area Committee Area Assemblies. Tom suggests direct responses to Nicole via her email, Nicole S. Intergroup NETA65, email: intergroup71@neta65.org
2. Suzy Levine - Aquarius Group – They are doing hybrid meetings at noon and 6:00pm.
3. Steven B - Principles Group has a beginners' meeting Tuesday nights on Zoom @ 7pm, where we cover "basic" topics like sponsorship and what AA is and isn't. Same Meeting ID as our regular meeting @ 8pm
4. Tom E. - Hope Central – Warning groups about reoccurring problems with zoom bombings. He suggests utilizing Zoom Waiting Rooms, Hosts and Co-Hosts.
5. Amber J - Ray of Hope - they are now having 12:30 pm Saturday open meetings.
6. Sherry Y to Everyone (8:42 PM)
7. Prosper Country Group has in person meetings on Tues, Thurs, & Fri at 7:30 in the basement

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Tom M – raised the question, are the groups amendable to suspending the printing of directories until the pandemic crisis settles down.
2. Sarah H – Raised concerns about alcoholics who can't access technology.
3. Bruce - New Freedom Group believes that a printed directory will be necessary for alcoholics who can't access technology.
4. Emily D. - Clean Air North – Agrees there is a need to the printed directory though it should be suspended until after the COVID crisis settles down.
5. Tom M. – The group votes in favor of suspending the printing of the meeting directory until a future date.

ADJOURNMENT:

Tom M. adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm with the Lord's Prayer.