

# DALLAS INTERGROUP ASSOCIATION

## REP MEETING MINUTES

January 11, 2024 – 8:00 PM

- Mary announced Ask It Jar to ask questions, make comments ,etc.
- Meeting opened at 8 PM by Claudia F. with the Serenity Prayer
- Traditions were read... John from Wylie Group
- Roll Call done – Sam F.

No. of Groups	35
No. of People	46
No. of Districts	3
Area	0

**Briefing from Claudia** – talked about the board meeting at intergroup office and explained we would start meeting there on the Wednesday before the Reps meeting so board members could be more prepared and available before the meeting to greet reps and have more communication with them.

We set up a coffee and snack table.

### Reports:

#### Treasurer's Report from J Scott M:

J thanked those that set up the coffee and snack table.

J explained that he was going to propose changing the formats of the statements to a year-to-date format and show comparisons which would better reflect what was going on at the current moment.

Group contributions were down \$4500.

J thanked Sam for all the efforts in trying to make the office more efficient by trying to implement the Square system but explained that it failed and caused a lot of issues which cost an additional \$3000 in CPA fees. This expense will be debited to 2023.

Finished in the black \$15,000 dollars, however, that is a slim margin compared to the size of the operation.

J talked about a rep who questioned him and the prior treasurer about the small prudent reserve that was in the reports. J reported that the board decided to make the balance of the savings account to \$90,000, which would be around 4 months of prudent reserve. \$77,000 is the prudent reserve and around \$13,000 is left over from a bequeathment for corrections literature.

#### Office Manager Report Jan 2024

- Sam talked about how the new Square system started out promising but that the integration to Quickbooks was very difficult. So much so that they pulled the plug on that.

- Square POS integration failed, lots of work getting untangled. Accountant was a tremendous help, and billed DIA for work beyond scope of contract. We are back in Quickbooks Online for sales and invoices.

Upgraded to QBO Advanced for backup capability.

DIA Dust Jackets/Big Book Covers professional printing underway, stronger paper, available at \$1/ea later this month.

New Group: Hope Group | Monday and Friday | 6pm | Open Literature study | Good Hope Baptist Church 807 Lindsey St, McKinney, TX 75069

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Please check with your group, and answer this form to the best of your ability.

This will help increase awareness of accessible meetings in the Greater Dallas Area, and inform meeting updates.

Claudia announced new sub-committee positions.

Intros were made by:

**Treatment** – Steve M. – more to come next meeting

**CPC / PI** – Mary M. made announcements about some opportunities and explained the role of the sub-committee chairs in how they can work with the groups to get them involved in the respective area of service.

**Corrections** – Dave R. – job is to maintain a list of those interested in corrections and to get the word out about corrections and how groups can be involved.

**Events** – Karem T. spoke about how the board serves the reps and that we want to do the very best to make the events special. The Anniversary and Chili Cookoff. Flyers are available and volunteers are needed to help with the event.

**Nightwatch** – Allan A. – explained what Nightwatch is and how it works. Jeff H. is currently assisting with finding volunteers. Requirements are 1 year of sobriety.

**Accessibility** – Jennifer S. – talked about exploratory actions that will be taken to find out about more opportunities for this position.

**Newsletter / Communication** – Karen C. intros – can get a hold of her at [dialogue@aadallas.org](mailto:dialogue@aadallas.org). There will be a new Facebook page coming soon!

Claudia thanked Sam for getting instruction / information pamphlets for the sub-committees

Claudia brought up the idea about moving the meeting up from 8pm to 7pm. Discussion was had about pros and cons. Some people were for it, some opposed. Allan brought up the potential for 7:30. More discussion was had about the fact that we are not going to be able to get a consensus. A rep mentioned giving them time to take this back to the groups for discussion. Hybrid was discussed and Allen spoke up about being on the committee last year and why they decided to not do Hybrid anymore. Those with questions about that can talk to Allen. Karem mentioned that this was not a decision made but that we just wanted to propose it to see if it would be a better service for the reps.

Larry O made a motion to table this until next month. The motion was seconded. A vote was made in favor of tabling this.

**Announcements:**

- Citywide
  - Saturday January 13<sup>th</sup>
- Clean Air North – Bridget – H&I mtg starting Jan 17– liver tansplant patients will be supported on Zoom at the moment
- Georgetown will be hosting a workshop on How to Chair a mtg, 2/25 @ 1:30 to 3. Flyers forthcoming
- Sam mentioned a QR code handout which links to events, services, etc.
- Mark – Alt DCM for Dist 21– Spring Assembly positions are needed for this. Agenda items will be discussed about what to send up the Delegate with as far as what to do at the General Service conference (March 15 to 17)
- Freedom group – Feb 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary – flyers are available
- Same mentioned the ‘Ask it Basket’ again and encouraged people to take it back to their groups for feedback, info, etc.

Claudia decided to read the ask it group. Question was asked about the service structure between Intergroup, Districts and NETA. Sam fielded that question and pointed out the Intergroup Rep flyer which shows and explains the upside-down service structures of AA and Intergroup.

- Adjourn - Lord’s Prayer