

DALLAS INTERGROUP ASSOCIATION

REP MEETING MINUTES

February 8, 2024 – 8:00 PM

- Meeting opened at 8 PM by Claudia F. with the Serenity Prayer
- Traditions were read... Glen from Georgetown Group
- Claudia asked everyone to use the microphone for better clarity
- Roll Call done – Sam F.

No. of Groups	37
No. of People	50
No. of Districts	1
Area	1

Welcome by Claudia.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report from J Scott M:

- Up \$9300 from last year. White House Group closed and gave Intergroup their \$3500 prudent reserve. We also got some large donations from several other groups.
 - This donation will allow us to separate out the bequeathment funds from our savings account in to its own account, and allow us to have \$90k in the prudent reserve - without the extra, it's business as usual.

Glen (Georgetown) asked the total for the Prudent reserve - the answer is that it's \$90k, minus the bequeathment fund.

Question was asked about how to contribute to intergroup? Sam F said groups can mail a check to the office or Zelle to 'zelle@aadallas.org'. Also referred people to the pamphlet, '[Where Money and Spirituality Mix](#)'.

Office Manager Report Feb 2024

- Changed accessibility email to access@aadallas.org
- Whitehouse group permanently closed. Donated excess funds: 3,504.43
- Ordered refurbished business desktops for front office. From 2020. 1 year warranty. Stayed within budget.
- Exploring options for website redesign, seeking estimates and quotes. Want to make website easier to navigate with more relevant information on homepage, and also present information in a cleaner, easier to digest format. Low Priority.

- o Moved money so savings totals \$90,000

More from Claudia:

- o Thanked Sam again for all he does.
- o The board decided to not do the Facebook page.
- o The board has good synergy and wants to focus more on outreach to get more people to use the Intergroup office. DIA buttons will be made so that people can wear them to spread the message about Intergroup!
- o The board will be trying to visit some of the groups in the area that have not been participating. If anyone wants to join board members in that effort, they can sign up to get in the car and help spread the word.
- o The board discussed it's role and core services to the Dallas area. The board members will be working on better communication with NETA to make sure that they are best serving the community. Sam got up and talked about how we can better use NETA and DIA to better serve the AA community.

Treatment – Steve M. –

- o Made contact with Eric S. @ NETA65... will attend the monthly NETA zoom meetings starting this month.
- o Announced new up and coming treatment center opportunity with All Points North treatment center in Keller. Flyer was provided. Meetings will be men's and women's stag at 11am on Saturday's starting March 16th. There will also be a weeknight speaker meeting, TBD. They will also be opening a Dallas location, also TBD.
- o James B from Legacy Group is taking meetings to the Sam Rayburn VA facility. Contact him for details: 214-869-7712

CPC / PI – Mary M.

- o Mary met with the liver transplant people at Methodist Hospital. People can talk to her and Briget about getting involved with that.
- o Conference in April for positions that work with addictions at the Gaylord Hotel and would like members to support it.
- o If any organizations are having health fairs, let us know and we can setup a table or some sort of information conduit in order to better inform the public.
- o Also mentioned to help support Intergroups outreach efforts.
- o Hispanic AA community is doing a lot of work in these efforts

Corrections – Dave R.

- o Went to the Dallas Transitional Center, next to the jail. It's a halfway house and they got to have a meeting. If anyone is interested, they can get with Dave and get enrolled in the process to get approved for that.
- o More will be reported on Corrections conferences, etc.

Events – Karem T.

- o Chili cookoff that's coming up March 23rd.
- o Mentioned the importance of being involved and that you never know when you're going to change a life.

Nightwatch – Allan A.

- o Spoke with Jeff H and Nightwatch is well staffed but if anyone has questions or wants to get involved, see Allan afterwards.
- o The chili cookoff will need volunteers!!! Chili Makers
- o Citywide is this weekend!

Accessibility – Jennifer S.

- o Reached out to NETA65 accessibility chair but hasn't heard back from them yet. She'll be gathering more information in regards to how we can better serve those that have people with these needs. Wants to have a better list of resources for that.
- o There's a questionnaire on the DIA website that 6 groups have filled out. She encouraged groups to fill that out, which will better update the meeting guide online for accessibility issues.

Web / Communication – Karen C.

- o She is creating this position. Mentioned that the DiaLog newsletter, despite not being published in the traditional way, will have most of it's components on the website.
- o She will begin a little info piece in order to better explain the terms used at the intergroup meeting.

OLD Business:

Claudia announced that there will be a written ballot for a changing the time of the reps meeting (as tabled last meeting) to either 7 or 8. If there is a 2/3's vote to change the time, it will pass. Ballots were passed out to individual group members. The vote was split so meeting time will remain the same at 8pm.

Announcements:

- Citywide - Saturday February 10th

- o Duncanville Group 48th Anniversary – Saturday, Feb 24th @ 12 – 4pm. Potluck.AA & Al-Anon speakers. 223 W Camp Wisdom Rd., Suite B, Duncanville, TX 75116
- o Shalom Today Group will have a 4th Step workshop. Sunday 3/3 @ 3 to 5pm. 3401 E. University Dr., #100, Denton, TX 76208
- o Sheri from We Agnostics Group put ‘The God’ word pamphlet out for people to take
- o Georgetown Group is hosting a NETA 65 ‘How to Chair a Mtg’ Workshop 1:30 to 3pm 2/25th of this month
- o Tracie J. announced the 2024 Texas State Convention – 6/21, 22 & 23rd. Please announce this at your meeting in order to better generate awareness!!! See Tracie J. for volunteer options or Steve M. for more information.
 - Will have a Signer there (ASL) for the Saturday night speaker
- o Announcements from Kim (NETA 65 liaison)
 - This Saturday is the Ft Worth intergroup chili cookoff @ The Harbor Club. 3000 W 5th St., Ft Worth, TX 76107
 - NETA65 is hosting SWRSA – Service conference. The committee meets the 2nd Saturday of every month via Zoom: 825 4189 6683 / psscde: 926730 – volunteers needed!!!
 - Winter Area Committee mtg is Sunday Feb 18th – 1:30 to 5. Clean Air Group (Dallas) Need Volunteers! Zoom info: 857 7517 1526 / passcode:148090
 - 2024 Spring Area Assembly is in the Colony. Starts March 15th at Fairfield Inn & Suites. Zoom ID: 896 9994 6848 / passcode: 773824
 - NETA65.org is the website.
 - Sam announced the QR codes which will get you to events and service opportunities for all current events
 - Freedom group – Feb 21st anniversary – flyers are available

ASK IT BASKET:

Can the chairperson for a meeting read a different preamble than what was voted on by the group. Glen from Georgetown said that the Group Conscious is the loving authority that each group decides and should be followed.

Can / should someone identify as an Alcoholic / Addict as a chairperson. Glen again said that the primary purpose of AA should be adhered to and that despite many of us being dual addicted, the primary purpose of one alcoholic to another should be paramount.

Mark pointed out the pamphlet ‘Problems other than alcohol’.

- Adjourn - Lord’s Prayer

