DALLAS INTERGROUP ASSOCIATION REP MEETING MINUTES

May 9, 2024 – 8:00 PM

- Meeting opened at 8 PM by Claudia F with the Serenity Prayer
- Traditions were read by Bob of the Lewisville Group
- Roll Call done Sam F.

No. of Groups	34
No. of People	50
No. of Districts	3
NETA65	0

Reports:

Treasurer's Report from J Scott M:

- Spread out website costing over the year.
- Had a gain of \$126.65
- J Scott suggests that we talk about the low amount of donations and be aware of the slim margin in net revenue. Discussion on ideas to increase awareness.
- All 3 CD's are now open. Projected to bring in \$4000 by the year's end.
- And i from the Shivering Denizen's Group reported that her group voted to give the GSO percentage of their donations to Dallas Intergroup and suggested other groups follow suit.

Introduction and Reading of the new Dallas Intergroup Preamble by Claudia F:

• A special thank you to Sam for creating the Preamble

Overview of Service Structure by Greg L

- Greg gave an excellent presentation on the "upside down triangle" structure of AA.
- Question from Victor: Why are we called "Central Office". Reason unknown.

Office Manager Report Feb 2024

- Migrated to a new web host/server. Moving forward with new web design, in collaboration with DIA web committee.
- New group added: 4D group in Kerens, TX.
- Donated overstocked/unsellable Corrections related books and pamphlets to NETA65 and Spanish Intergroup.
- AAWS Price Increase on Pamphlets May 1st. Updating our prices to reflect change by June 1st.
- Opened 2 more CDs for total of 3 CDs.
- Updated Newcomer Packet:
 - o Removed: How it Works and Q&A on Sponsorship
 - o Added: 12 Steps Illustrated, Q&A on Sponsorship excerpts
- Group Outreach going well. Secured several group contacts, and got info about some closed groups. Thanks to all who are helping!
- Printing event flyers at office in B/W. Hard to read, formatted for color. Not eye-catching.
 - o Propose we get a color printer
 - \$400 budget requested for color printer with ink tanks.

• About \$.04 cost per color copy, paper included. \$2 for 50 flyers. About \$40 a month estimated (20 events).

Treatment – Steve M. (not present – read by Claudia F).

- Attended NETA 65 Treatment meeting on 4/23/24.
 - Meeting is the last Tuesday of every month at 7pm. Contact <u>treatment@neta65.org</u> for more info. Zoom info: Meeting ID: 212 324 1524 / Passcode: 057892
 - Had a lot of attendees as it seems interest is picking up and the NETA / District chairs are active!
 - Discussion on handing out pamphlets at treatment centers and what was working or not working. Did the treatment centers even need that service? Is it better to train the staff?
 - Mention of possibly a traditions workshop where treatment staff are invited.
 - Do Districts have budgets for literature / books for treatment centers? Some do, some don't. Most encourage groups to do it.
 - There is still mumblings about a treatment workshop, but no more info has been provided.
- Magdalen House Men's Program flyer pass out at Rep's meeting
- Need to find group to commit to taking meetings to Cenikor in Irving on Thursdays @ 6pm. For groups that are interested, contact <u>treatment@aadallas.org</u> or contact Steve M. @ (214) 549-2324
- Will attend next NETA 65 Treatment meeting on 5/21
- Copies are available of the Dallas area treatment list. See Claudia for a copy.

CPC / PI – Mary M.

- East TX event was good. Increased awareness of AA in East TX
- Contacted Senior Center for meetings but got no response
- Mary tried to contact City of Irving to try and participate in their annual fish fry event but they did not repond.
- Sam mentioned the Spanish groups have an actual PI anniversary with an outside speaker (non-AA).

Corrections - Dave R. (copied from Board minutes) -

- The Information Meeting on Corrections was a success. Panel members shared and questions were answered. There were about 30 people in attendance.
 - NETA65 Corrections Meeting. 3rd Wednesday Every Month | 8pm 9pm
 - Contact <u>corrections@neta65.org</u> for more information
 - Zoom Meeting
 - Meeting ID 867 8509 9136
 - Passcode 463901

Events – Karem T. – (copied from Board minutes)

- Anniversary at Cochran Chapel October 5th want to increase attendance.
- Karen and Claudia met and discussed items to increase attendance. Will attempt to contact Steve L. from Nashville
- Goal is to re-energize the Intergroup Anniversary
- Other details were discussed
- Intergroup will host Citywide in September

Nightwatch - Allen A. (copied from Board minutes) -

• Nightwatch Zoom training in June... would like to push back to July or August. Will send out proposed date soon.

Accessibility – Jennifer S. – no report

Web / Communication - Karen C. -

• Old Business: ?

New Business:

Group Concerns / Motions / Comments:

Follow up question from Mark G regarding contributions to Dallas Intergroup: What is the difference between GSO and Intergroup Birthday night contributions? Does it affect AA as a whole when Intergroup requests birthday contributions when GSO also has a birthday contribution campaign? Some groups only offer GSO or Intergroup envelopes but usually not both. Sam said that Dallas Intergroup Birthday envelopes are available at the Intergroup Office plus Qr codes can be used for Venmo and Zelle contributions. Groups can decide which envelopes to give. Will look more into impact.

Treasurer J. Scott reminded the reps that Dallas Intergroup has a much larger overhead than District and NETA because of rent for office space and employees and to please keep that in mind when talking to their groups about contributions.

Announcements:

PLEASE ANNOUNCE BELOW CONFERENCES! ASK PEOPLE TO ANNOUNCE AT THE GROUPS IN ADDITION TO POSTING FLYERS.

- Gathering of Eagles May 23rd through 26th in Richardson (see flyers)
- Texas State Convention June 21st through 23rd in Irving at Westin Hotel (see flyers)
- North Texas Roundup August 16th through 18th in Dallas at Double Tree (see flyers?)
- Adjourned with Lord's Prayer