

# DALLAS INTERGROUP ASSOCIATION REP MEETING MINUTES

**June 12, 2024 – 8:00 PM**

- Meeting opened at 8 PM by Claudia F with the Serenity Prayer & Intergroup Preamble - chair@aadallas.org
- Traditions were read by Angela from Frisco Group
- Roll Call done – Sam F.

No. of Groups	32
No. of People	52
No. of Districts	2
NETA65	1

## **Welcome:**

### **WELCOME & OPENING COMMENTS**

**Claudia F.** - chair@aadallas.org

Welcome to our June Intergroup Meeting. Hope you all weathered the storms in May. The rain finally stopped, our lakes are full and the summer solstice is upon us.

With regret, Jennifer S had to resign from the Board due to other commitments that were not in play when she became a Board member.

Introduce Dan C. from The Principles Group as our newest Board Member.  
(Dan introduced himself and gave details of his accessibility chair role)

I would like to take a moment to address the discussion regarding financial contributions during our May Intergroup Meeting.

It is not appropriate for Intergroup Board Trustees in their official capacity, to comment on the finances of any other service entity other than Intergroup's.

This includes suggesting that groups research other entities' budgets, needs and prudent reserves to determine where groups should direct their contributions.

*For a better understanding of group contributions, I will refer you to the pamphlet Self Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix*

Excerpt quote "Many groups in reaching an informed group conscience look to their general service representatives (GSRs) for specific information about A.A. finances, or to their intergroup representatives or group treasurer."

Going forward, the Board of Trustees reaffirms their commitment to provide you with accurate financial reporting for Dallas Intergroup. We will continue to emphasize the value of self-support and the need for voluntary contributions. You will continue to receive our monthly financial report at the monthly Intergroup meetings. Please review the report, ask questions, and share this information with your home group.

Should you have questions on group contributions or finances, The General Service Office has some great resources including

[AA Guidelines on Finances \(MG-15\)](#)

[The AA Group Treasurer \(F-96\)](#)

[Self Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix \(F-3\)](#)

Thank you for your service by being a Dallas Intergroup Representative.

**Treasurer's Report from J Scott M (Read by Allen A.):** - treasurer@aadallas.org

- Total Group Contributions
- YTD – up \$4k for the year
- Purchased new printer for Office
- Drop in contributions & increased cost of goods
- Per Sam, COGS was slightly higher on chips due to supplier issues
- Group contributions were slightly down
- GOE conference expense was not budgeted
- New office printer was also not budgeted
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**Office Manager Report: Sam F.** - office@aadallas.org

- Bought a new color printer. \$400. Now printing color flyers for groups and AA events.
- **Send us your flyers to post and print!**
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- One reason COGS was up is because chips were about 20% more expensive to acquire. Regular supplier was out of stock for the past couple months, so purchased elsewhere.
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- New Prototype of DIA Contribution Envelope with QR and Chip placeholder.
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- New Groups added:
- Bluebonnet Group | Tues 7pm | Open Discussion | St Thomas Episcopal Church, Ennis, TX.
- **Please announce at meetings:**
- **Intergroup Office Volunteers Needed!** Answer phones, fill literature orders, welcome visitors.
- 1 Year continuous sobriety required. Regular weekly commitment preferred.
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- Open slots **\*\*indicates special need\*\***:
- Monday: Morning: 10am-1pm, **\*\*Afternoon 1pm-5pm\*\***
- Tuesday: Morning 1pm-5pm
- Thursday: **\*\*Afternoon 1pm-5pm\*\***
- Friday: Afternoon 1pm-5pm
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- Pamphlet prices have raised \$.10 - \$.20 for most pamphlets, to match AAWS. Some of the top sellers remain the same price. I.e. A Newcomer Asks, Twelve Traditions Illustrated, This is AA, etc...

**Treatment** – Steve M. – [treatment@aadallas.org](mailto:treatment@aadallas.org)

- Was unable to attend the May NETA Treatment Mtg on 5/28 but the notes from the meeting are as follows: (Read treatment report)
- Meeting is the last Tuesday of every month at 7pm. Contact [treatment@neta65.org](mailto:treatment@neta65.org) for more info. Zoom info: Meeting ID: 212 324 1524 / Passcode: 057892
- Magdalen House Men's Program flyer – pass out at Rep's meeting
- Found a couple of groups willing to take meetings to Cenikor (Irving) on Thursday's at 6pm. If any other groups are interested, there still may be opportunities for that
- Had a meeting with Nexus on getting AA women to start taking meetings back there. There will be a vetting process as their clients are in a more sensitive 'demographic' if you will.
- No new treatment opportunities as of yet
- Have Dallas area treatment list for those interested
- Will attend next NETA 65 Treatment meeting on 6/25

**CPC / PI** – Mary M. – [publicinfo@aadallas.org](mailto:publicinfo@aadallas.org)

- UTI event in Irving – Soberfest 6/12 – handed out information QR code handout, which directs them to different helpful entities. Was well attended and well received. Was invited back for next year.
- Flyer for 'Recovery in the Park' in September

**Corrections** – Dave R. (Read by Steve M.) – [corrections@aadallas.org](mailto:corrections@aadallas.org)

- 1. At Dallas County Jail, AA meetings take place via Zoom regularly, and have been for some time. Inmates have tablets, and need to request to be in specific pods that have access to meetings.
- Women's meetings:  
Mon, Weds, Fri at 1pm via Zoom.  
2-4 female AA members needed!

Men's Meetings:  
Mon-Fri at 9am via Zoom.  
10 male AA members needed!

There is a "team captain" assigned for each of the meetings, and they coordinate volunteer AA members in rotation.

Requirements:  
- 1 year sober  
- no probation, parole, or under indictment.  
- submit to background check  
- Driver's License address has to match address on application and must be Texas DL.

Colin says the application process is smooth and quick, as short as next day

approval!

Contact Colin J. for more information! 469-855-0710

- 2. NETA65 Corrections Meeting. 3rd Wednesday – Every Month | 8pm – 9pm  
Contact [corrections@neta65.org](mailto:corrections@neta65.org) for more information  
Zoom Meeting  
Meeting ID 867 8509 9136  
Passcode 463901
- Corrections Conference! July 13, 8:30am to 3:30pm. Arlington Group @ 1226 S. Bowen Rd, Arlington, TX 76013 – see flyers on the back table

**Events** – Karen C. - office@aadallas.org

- Sent update on webmaster progress... it is going to be wonderful and will have a mobile view. Will be much more user friendly
- Anniversary speaker is Tim H from Louisville!
- Anniversary – at Cochran Chapel – October 5<sup>th</sup> from 4pm to 7pm
- Food – BBQ, Music
  
- Intergroup will host Citywide in September 14<sup>th</sup>– confirming that it's locked down with Eric.

**Nightwatch** – Allen A. - nightwatch@aadallas.org

- Nightwatch Zoom training – confirming agenda and date in the next week or so.

**Accessibility** – Dan C. taking over this position – has contact information for accessibility in another District and will report back next week

**Web / Communication** – Karen C. – office@aadallas.org

New Business:

- **Nominating Committee for the 2025 Board of Trustees**
  - Board Members elected to serve are Steve M. and Allen A.
  - Intergroup Reps – A communication will be sent out to all IGRs. Will need three (3) IGRs to serve on the Committee.
  - Board of Trustee Elections are held during the November Intergroup Meeting.

Ask It Basket:

**Handling disruptive people... how do you deal with that?**

Glen shared about how they had a couple of people that could take people out of the meeting to talk to them.

Mary shared that there is a pamphlet on how to handle the safety in groups and handle difficult and / or unsafe people.

Mark G. shared about any interruptions to the primary purpose of can be a basis to have someone removed.

### **Opinions on accepting Grants from the city to make AA rooms more accessible**

Greg L says we are fully self-supporting and that we never take money from any outside entity, period.

### **Group Concerns / Motions / Comments:**

#### **Announcements:**

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

Georgetown 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary – June 23<sup>rd</sup> 11 am start, 12pm Al-Anon Speaker, 2pm AA speaker.

- Texas State Convention – June 21<sup>st</sup> through 23<sup>rd</sup> in Irving at Westin Hotel on 114(see flyers) – register online through THIS WEEKEND or onsite.
    - Dallas Intergroup will have a table if anyone wants to volunteer for it!
  - North Texas Roundup – August 16<sup>th</sup> through 18<sup>th</sup> in Dallas at Double Tree (see flyers?)
  - NETA65 is hosting SWRAASA2024 – hosting it only once every 22 years! Needs a secretary until October (see Kim for details). Dates are 10/11/24 through 10/13/24 @ Renaissance Hotel in Richardson, TX
  - Area Summer Assembly THIS WEEKEND in Abilene, TX – see NETA65.org website for details
  - Waco Intergroup – Sat. June 29<sup>th</sup> - Taco Throwdown – Fundraiser for the Heart of TX AA Conference
  - Texarkana Intergroup – Arkansas State AA Convention. July 26<sup>th</sup> through 28<sup>th</sup> in Hot Springs Arkansas. Have mail-in registration... see flyers.
  - North Texas Roundup!!! August 16<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup> at the Doubletree Hotel at Midway and 635. Need volunteers!!! See Kim for details.
  - Casa group needs speakers for Sunday at Noon and step speakers on Wednesdays! Contact Chad D. @ 214-435-2592
  - Clean Air Group - June 30<sup>th</sup> retirement party for long-time secretary Margaret M. 2pm to 4pm. Cake and Ice Cream and good fun!
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- Adjourned with Lord's Prayer