

MINUTES

SARA-MANA INTERGROUP MEETING

June 15, 2021 at 7 PM

Central Office & Zoom

[Zoom ID: 733 4126 4918 PW: 912785]

- Call the Meeting to Order (7:00 pm)
 - A quorum was met.
 - Moment of Silence Followed by the Serenity Prayer
 - 12 Traditions
 - Welcome and Introduction of New Intergroup Reps: *Doug*

- Reports
 - Chair Report by Ross (7:05 pm): *Ross read a message from Matt who was on a business trip. An excused absence, Ross sat in for Matt.*
 - Co-Chair Report by Ross (7:06 pm): *Jessica was not able to attend. (An excused absence.)*
 - Secretary Report by Melissa (7:07 pm): *Melissa read the April meeting minutes. The minutes were approved.*
 - Treasurer's Report by Craig (7:09 pm): *Donations are down. Only \$794.70 received in May. May expenses totaled \$1,021.41 with a remaining balance of \$12,714.16.*
 - Committee Reports
 - Finance Committee Chair Report by Ross (7:10 pm): *Intergroup budget has been updated to include reduced answering service with the move to Ring Central (from \$141 per month to \$74.21 per month), an added category with the Sunbiz.org registry, and reduction in printing, and event costs (e.g. Gratitude Dinner). The revised annual budget is \$27,932.93.*

Ross mentioned he would have more concerning a banking and regulatory agency issue that recently presented itself. The Finance Committee will meet in June to address bylaws changes.
 - District Intergroup Liaison (7:19 pm): No report.
 - Helpline by Chris (7:19 PM): *Chris reported that the Ring Central helpline is going very well. He is ready for volunteers and also needs a backup or alternate who will know how the complete system operates. Cost is more affordable and Ring Central provides improved features.*

Scott requested a job description for the website. Chris shared that individuals interested in volunteering on the helpline need to like to help people, know the area to help with directions to meetings, must have an email, and have some technical skills.

Ross added that the helpline is not a crisis hotline, but an information hotline. He asked about if Frontier/Frontier Spanish was still necessary. Chris said to keep it for now.

Volunteers interested in helping can contact Chris at ccarman69@aol.com or (941) 780-3808, call Central Office at (941) 351-4818; or call the Helpline (941) 951-6810.

- Where & When by Samantha (7:29 pm): The yellow Where & When was the last one distributed and is now out-of-date. She asked that all groups review the yellow Where & When and call any changes in to Chris at Central Office. Those updates need to include if the meeting is live, hybrid, open or closed. Any changes will be posted on the meeting page Central Office website: gasrq.org, as well as the District IV website: dist4qsaa.org.
- Newsletter by Ross (7:30 pm): Christine R is the new newsletter editor. They met to review format and material. An issue is anticipated to be out in August. Articles from all members are invited.
- Central Office Report by Alan (7:33 pm): No report, as the group is not meeting until this Thursday.
- General Service District 4 Report by Alan (7:34 pm): The next General Service meeting scheduled for Saturday, June 19th from 10 am to 12 pm) is open to all AA members. The Area Delegate will discuss the conference voting and changes to the Preamble, Big Book, 12 & 12. The meeting can be attended a Central Office or via Zoom (link is available on the District 4 website).

Alan mentioned the upcoming Long Overdue BBQ, being held at Longwood Park on Sunday, July 11th, from 11 am to 3 pm with hot dogs, hamburgers, games, and a past delegate as the keynote speaker. This event is open to families.

He asked groups to participate in the “pop-up” online Post-Covid Survey to report how groups are meeting (in person or online) to help other groups decide how to conduct their meetings.

The Quarterly Assembly covering all GSR and committee business will take place on July 17 and 18 online.
- Current Practices (7:40 pm): No report

- Old Business (7:40 pm): No report
- New Business (7:40 pm): No report
- Meeting Closure (7:40 pm): Motion to adjourn made by Craig. Joe seconded. All approved.
- Next meeting July 20, 2021