

SARA-MANA INTER-GROUP MINUTES

July 28, 2020

Virtual Meeting Through Zoom

Call the Meeting to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 P.M. by the Co-Chair, Matt D. A quorum of at least ten was achieved.

Moment of Silence Followed by the Serenity Prayer:

12 Traditions:

The 12 Traditions were read by Matt D.

Introductions:

All Reps introduced themselves and their Home Group. There were no new Intergroup Reps.

Chair Report:

No report given. Chair was absent due to this being a virtual meeting.

Co-Chair Report:

Matt D. reported that Jim C. has no interest in participating in virtual meetings and since it appears that personal meetings are still not going to be conducted in the near future, Jim C. told Matt he would step down as Chair of Inter-Group.

Secretary Report:

Brian read the minutes from March 17, 2020.

Treasurer's Report:

Matt D. reported Craig B. is the new Treasurer, but Matt did not have time to acquaint Craig with the Treasurer's role before the Covid break. Matt reported a balance of \$8,043 which is above our Prudent Reserve of \$5,000.

Matt had a question for Samantha M., Chair of Where and When, concerning a bill for printing. Samantha answered the question in her report.

Finance Committee Chair Report:

Ross J. reported on his progress with the incorporation of Intergroup. He has met with a CPA and will bring the topic before the Group at the next meeting.

Helpline:

Chris C. reported that due to a glitch with the answering service his phone has been the Helpline Extension since March 17. The answering service is unable to switch the extension without going to their office and they have closed their offices during the virus.

Chris has been dealing with the situation very well and has been answering the calls himself. His highest volume was six calls in one day. He has been able to refer most callers to the website for current scheduling.

Where & When:

Samantha reported that there was a printing of the Where and When's just as the Covid break occurred. Since the scheduling for most meetings was unknown at this time this printing of the Where and When's was scrapped. The next printing was able to have the new info and we received it at a discounted price. Discussion was held concerning the scheduling of online meetings and in-person meetings.

When providing meeting information Groups need to specify whether they are meeting in person or online.

Newsletter:

Ross J. reported that the June Newsletter was cancelled; however, the July Newsletter is available electronically through aasrq.org.

Central Office Report:

Mike D. reported the Central Office was open for a while after the Covid break, but is now open only on Wednesday from 9:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. They will allow only one guest at a time.

The Board is looking at new locations for an office. While we can stay in the current office indefinitely the Board would like an office space big enough to allow for social distancing for the various groups using the meeting room. They are looking at locations in the same general area as the office is currently.

All members are reminded to notify the Central Office if there are any changes Group meetings. Central Office will then contact Where & When and Helpline.

General Service District 4 Report:

Mick G. reported they are currently doing virtual meetings. Attendance seems to be good. Most committees are communicating with each other well.

Mick announced plans to hold a "Coffee Talk for Real Alcoholics". This will be a virtual meeting held on Saturday, August 22, 2020 from 9:30 A.M. until 11:30 A.M. The Speaker will be Billy N. and the topic will be "How Technology is Shaping Our AA". The Meeting ID is **857 7122 4408** and the Meeting Password is **098138**. The official flyer is attached to these minutes.

Mick announced that General Service does have a Zoom account if any Group wishes to use it.

Mick announced that General Service has created a Digital Basket that can be used for the 7th Tradition. Alternate Chair for District 4, Alan T., announced that the upcoming Boot Camp on Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. will be dealing with how to set up a Digital Basket. Alan reminded all that the Boot Camps are set for the first Tuesday of every month until December 1st. This includes August 4, September 1, October 6, November 3, and December 1. All Boot Camps begin at 6:00 P.M. and the Meeting ID is **897 9502 4519** with the Meeting Password being **603881**.

Current Practices:

No report this month.

Old Business:

No Old Business.

New Business:

As mentioned earlier in the meeting, Jim C has announced his intentions to step down as Chair. Matt D. as Co-Chair is willing to assume the duties as Chair when it is necessary. There was discussion on what the By Laws say about the process of electing Matt to the position of Chair. However, it was a moot discussion since there was not a quorum of ten Intergroup members by the end of the meeting and business could not be conducting. This will be tabled until the next meeting.

Brief discussion as held concerning the Gratitude Dinner. At this point it does not look good that a Gratitude Dinner could be held this year.

Matt announced that he will purchase a Zoom account for Intergroup. We will plan on continuing to hold virtual meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. An invitation with the agenda and Zoom Meeting info will be sent prior to the meeting.

With no further business to discuss Jim adjourned the meeting at about 8:14 P.M. with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian H.



General Service



District 4

Kaffeeklatsch

Presents

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Coffee Talk for the Real Alcoholic

August 22nd, 2020 - Time: 9:30 – 11:30 am

Guest Speaker: Billy N.

How Technology is Shaping Our AA



GOOD AND BAD

Zoom Service Event

Meeting ID: 857 7122 4408

Password: 098138

First in a continuing series