

# MINUTES

## SARA-MANA INTERGROUP MEETING

January 17, 2023 - 7 PM

### Zoom Link

Central Office

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- **Meeting Called to Order** – 6:59pm
  - Moment of Silence Followed by the Serenity Prayer: Susan
  - 12 Traditions: Was read by 12 Intergroup Reps. 1<sup>st</sup> Concept was read.
  - Quorum was reached with 26 members present, 3 attended on zoom, 29 in total.
  - Welcome and Introduction of New Intergroup Reps: John L. – Erin S. – Erin C. – Tom R. – Dan O. – Shar J. – Tom R. WELCOME!! 😊
- **Reports**
  - **Chair Report:** Susan – Our focus this year “What is in the best interest of the suffering alcoholic” This is our Primary Purpose. How do we do this... Supporting the committees. Encouraging homegroups to have Intergroup Representatives. Be transparent in meetings and in reporting of issues and financials. Reducing distractors by keeping our focus ON OUR PURPOSE. ***Please see full report attached in the email.***
  - **Co-Chair Report:** Todd – Attended Area Assembly here in Sarasota and gave Susan’s report. Todd is also an officer for Central Office Board and is not comfortable serving on both Intergroup and Central office service board of directors. He is voluntarily stepping down from Intergroup to focus on the reasonability’s of his Central Office Board commitment. We are currently looking for an Intergroup Co-Chair.
  - **Secretary Report:** AJ – Please sign in a check your phone number is correct and clearly print your email address for email distribution of the minutes. Minutes from the November meeting have been passed out for review by the group reps. Minutes have been approved unanimously.
  - **Treasurer’s Report:** Lisa – Copy of the Report was passed out for review by Intergroup reps. Lisa presented the month of December 2022 revenue and expenses. Treasurer’s report was approved unanimously.

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- \*\* Passed the basket 7<sup>th</sup> tradition \$51 collected.

\* Intergroup Income - \$2772

\* Operating Expenses totaled - \$880

\* Bank Balance as of Dec. 31, 2022 - \$15,825

\*Less Prudent Reserve and Gratitude Seed Money Total - \$6500

\* Closing Balance totaled - \$9325

- **Committee Reports:**

- **Finance Committee Chair Report:** Gary – Gary states there is a need to raise the Prudent reserve by \$1500 making it 25% of the budget. Currently it is 18.75%. He also recommends the Gratitude Dinner Seed money be increased by \$1000. The seed money increase will come from the November 2022 Gratitude Dinner event. The revenue from this event was \$2000. Intergroup reps will take the recommendations back to the home groups for consideration. Please review the IP on Where Money and Spirituality Mix. This will be on the agenda for next month's meeting.
- **District Intergroup Liaison** – No Report
- **Helpline:** Dustin – Dustin was not in attendance, Jimmy gave report. Helpline voicemail needs a volunteer to check them on a regular basis. We also need people for the 12-step call list. Please ask your home groups for volunteers.
- **Where & When:** Samantha – Samantha has nominated Joe to be the next Where & When chair. Joe was unanimously approved as chair. Joe gave report. The publication list is managed by Microsoft Publisher. Joe is an Apple user and it is not compatible with Microsoft Publisher. There is a solution with Adobe. The one-time cost of \$50 will cover the conversion software. Motion was made to cover the \$50 for Joe to purchase the software and be reimbursed. Motion was passed. Thank you, Samantha,

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for serving over the passed few years as the chair. Your service is greatly appreciated.

- **Newsletter:** Calvin – He is working to publish the newsletter every month electronically on our website. January's issue will be online, future issues will be printed as well as electronic format. John made the suggestion we should add the newsletter to the Central Office website.
- **Central Office Report:** Chris – Central Office has 9 board members. They did not have a meeting in December 2022. January 2023 meeting has been canceled due to quorum not being reached. The board is looking to Intergroup and General Service for additional board members. Fundraiser is still active. You can donate through the website at [aasrq.org](http://aasrq.org) and your home group. We have envelopes. Goal is set at \$30,000. They have raised \$5000 so far.
- **General Service Report:** Angie – The helpline has received increased calls due to the media campaign. District 15 and Area meeting met in Sarasota this passed weekend. She is starting a service manual meeting. Literature committee is hosting a Big Book workshop from March 31<sup>st</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup> at 9am till 12pm. They need volunteers to help set up and breakdown.
- **Current Practices:** No report.
- **Old Business:**
  - No Old Business
- **New Business:** Host Recruiting InterGroup Reps – We would like to see more Intergroup reps attend and get involved. Dave made motion to continue recruiting event an hour before our meeting on a quarterly basis. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed. April, July and October will be the next meetings for the New Representatives Recruiting Event.
- Meeting Closure – 8:18pm. **Next meeting February 21, 2023**