

# Sara-Mana Intergroup

## Minutes

- Call meeting to order - Dante opened with a moment of silence following the Serenity Prayer.
- Twelve Traditions read, and concept 5
- Quorum review 15 IGR's
- Welcome & intro  
Asked Jeff S. Oak Street nooners group to share experience strength and hope for 5min.

### Reports:

- Chair Report - Dante  
Attended the newsletter committee  
Attended Delegates report  
Attended Pullen Center in Manatee county, regarding the location for this years Gratitude Dinner.  
Also spoke on the importance of Unity within District 4.
- Co Chair Report - Megan  
Reports Gratchat recommending that the 2026 Gratitude dinner be held November 7th in Manatee county at the Pullen Center located at St, Stephens Episcopal School.  
Attended the finance committee held first Thursday of the month 6pm  
Attended the Delegates report event hosted by General Service.  
I will be attending the central office board meeting.
- Secretary- Taylor not present  
Motion to approve minutes and seconded passes.
- Treasurer's Report - Frank  
Submitted a short report - Things are better this month than last month. Group contributions were 2400.00 Groups that contributed are identified in the report. If a group is not identified it is because they have not identified themselves. Finance and treasury both are in agreeable to the amount of money in the bank.
- Pass the basket (7th Tradition)

- Finance Committee Report - Greg

Submitted a report April 2026, some payments were doubled because they were behind in receiving payment the previous month.

- Helpline Report - Mark

Our committee did not meet. But made sure all shifts were covered and call were handled.

I had a fella interested in taking over, but he ran into some personal reasons and couldn't continue. My search continues...I have complete confidence that the AA community and our higher power will provide for us when the time is right. So your stuck with me for now.

A long time volunteer has rotated out, she was rock solid. Open shifts are nighttime, Friday 11pm - Saturday 8am. and Saturday 11pm - Sunday 8am, and also Sunday 11pm - Monday 8am.

So 3 overnight shifts. There is also 1 dayshift Saturday 8pm - Saturday 11pm.

From April 20th - May 18th the helpline received 48 calls over 28 days, that's 1.7 calls per day.

Any questions or volunteer opportunities contact Mark at helpline@aaqrq.org

- Newsletter Report - Calvin not present

The new newsletters are here.

- Where and When Report - Chris no report no change

The last print was 3000, still going strong.

- Central Office Report - Sharon -

Will be meeting on the 21st. Every 3rd Thursday at 6pm at the Central Office.

The AV system has been repaired, it was the hard drive that had gone bad. Its all fixed and good to go. Notice the Declaration of Unity sign is on the wall. Dante did a great job. We are at \$24,600 dollars of our \$30,000 goal, with 2 weeks left. A little over \$5000 short. Were going to have a picnic on May 31st. Hotdogs and Hamburgers will be served at Longwood Run Park Pavilion from 11am - 3pm, Dante is one of our esteemed cooks. Please bring a dish, and a lawn chair. Rain or shine, we will have a meeting, and a 50/50 raffle. Question was asked if contributions are identified, Sharon explains most contributions are individual and anonymous. There are going to be carnival games.

- General Service Report - Leslie

Announces Founders Day June 20th tickets have been selling well, there are about 200 available. They are \$22 dollars and can only be purchased on line. Its going to be held at the Sarasota Community Church, its going to be catered by Sonny's BBQ.

Our Delegate reports that we will be getting a new BigBook. 5th Edition. January 2027.

The first 164 pages paginated the same, and look the same, there is one word change, it was regarded as a racist pejorative term, the word Eskimo is being removed and replaced with Inuit. Changes to appendix's 3 and 5 Medical view, and Religious view. New stories - 26 new stories.

Old business - Alcathon Adhoc - 5 interested - Darcy, Brent, Frank, Dante not present Millard  
Lots os discussion - having them during holidays New Years, Christmas, Thanksgiving.

Locale, talk about informing the community through the newsletter.

Idea - assign a homegroup or two to host, then all other groups could sponsor hour slots.

Bring food. Possible location could be the Gratitude Club in Sarasota.

New Business - What is SFAC, as noted on the finance and treasury reports. Southern Florida Area Intergroup/Central Office Committee - what is it and what does it do?

We are an intergroup, we are located in District 4, and we are one of 20 Intergroup/Central Offices in Southern Florida Area 15. In 1988 Area 15 invited The Intergroups and Central Offices to be a part of Area 15 quarterlies and or assemblies. But unlike other Committees, it is considered a special committee and is self supporting through its own contributions. Other committees are budgeted and supported by Area 15.

Motion by Joe Riley to contribute \$100 per quarterly to Area15 Intergroup/Central Office Committee, seconded by Tom

No discussion, motion passes unanimously.

Next meeting June 16th

Close meeting with Declaration of Unity followed by Responsibility Statement