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SLAA Intergroup (IG) – Augustine Fellowship Monthly Meeting Minutes

The Chair (Jessica) opened the meeting at 8:10 a.m. with the Serenity Prayer and then asked for the minutes from the last meeting to be read and approved.

**Reading of Last Month’s Minutes**

 John made a correction stating that the Wednesday night meeting is in Katy. John made a motion to accept the minutes as read, Earl seconded, all were in favor, none were opposed and the motion was passed.

**Treasurer’s Report**

A.J. went over the treasurer’s report. A.J. reported that cash for everything is allocated. Discussion followed on prudent reserve. A.J. reported that the cost of delegates is $1200 per person. Jessica stated maybe three delegates can attend the Annual Business Meeting (ABM), not more than that. Discussion followed on delegates. Currently two delegates, Earl and Ashly. Earl made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report, John seconded, none were opposed and the motion was passed.

**Communications Report**

Brett gave a report on the mail out. Bret reported that the schedule for the International Recovery Convention (IRC) is posted on the website. John gave the budget report for the mail out. Discussion followed on sending the mail out to License Professional Counselors (LPC). The cost to send a mail out to LPC’s would be an additional $3,000. The cost to send mail out to LPC’s, license Sex offender providers, License Social Workers, and License Chemical Dependent Counselors would be $3500 to send to all 4 groups. Discussion followed.

Action: Earl made a motion to use the License Professional Counselor list rather than the first three lists that we’ve sent out, Sammy seconded, eight were in favor, one opposed, five abstained and the motion was passed.

Meetings have been asked to pass the basket to collect donations for the mail out. The mail out will be in March.

**Annual Business Meeting (ABM) Delegate Report**

Earl went over the Finance Committee. Earl reported that the Finance Committee is implementing a code of conduct and pulled information on fund raising for targeting donations from other S programs. Earl went over the Healthy Relationships Committee. Earl reported that the committee is looking for feedback on project 27. Earl stated that there is a packet including a Brochure “What is Service?” out for review. Earl reported that the Literature Committee is always looking for support. A.J. reported on the Board Outreach Committee. A.J. reported on trying to get on youarenotalone.com, also ads for Craig’s List. A.J. said that podcasts are available that could be on YouTube. A.J. reported that the committee is working on other PSA’s.

**Literature Report**

Suzie went over the literature report.

**Old Business**

**Workshop**: Robert and Elizabeth have volunteered to head the Spring 2016 workshop. Robert reported that the workshop date is April 30 currently at Chapelwood but also looking at Hope and Healing Center. William W. will take care of the food and Tom will create the flyer. The committee reported the need for a registration chair for the workshop. The workshop can now be announced at meetings. Earl brought up concern about announcements at the Outer Circle Club and wanted to make sure that they are in accordance with the traditions of SLAA as interpreted by Houston Intergroup.

**Delegates**: Jessica stated that intergroup will pay for the delegates flight’s to Boston for the ABM. Registration for the ABM is now open. Discussion followed on sending another delegate. Bret asked if we can increase the goal for the delegate fund. Jessica responded that right now we do not have the money to allocate for another delegate. The ABM conference dates are August 1-5. April stated that she would be willing to be a delegate if intergroup can raise enough money. The topic was tabled until next intergroup meeting.

Earl asked about the status of the safety committee. Alex reported that there was miscommunication about meeting time and it looks like things have taken care of themselves. Discussion followed on the involvement with other Intergroups regarding safety committees.

John made a motion to close the meeting, John seconded, all were in favor, none were opposed and the motion was passed.

**Closing**

After reciting the Serenity Prayer, the meeting was adjourned.