

April 9, 2018 DA HOW INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Allison-Minnesota, Amy-Arizona, Sherry-Mass., Domingo-Southern CA, Molly-NY Laurece-North Carolina, Sharon-AZ Melissa from Oak Harbor WA, Mary-Michigan

1. **Meeting started: Approximately 8:45pm.** Initially no one present knew whether there was a committed trusted servant assigned to lead so meeting was delayed by this confusion.

2. **Previous meeting minutes were read:** Correction:

Phone list updates she had mentioned that took place in another fellowship were made by phone calls

3. **12 traditions were read**

4. **Treasurers Report: by Allison** Treasurer's report for 4/9/18:

Current Savings Balance: \$10 Current Checking Balance: \$1541.44. **Funds received** from 13 donors: \$154. **Interest income:** 11 cents. **Expenses:** Paypal fees: \$9.90

5. **Old business:**

1. Intergroup World Service Rep. Position

New Business

1. Sponsor/Sponsee Coordinator Report
2. Newcomer Committee Report
3. Sponsorship step up time 30 or 90 days

DAHOW Intergroup World Service Rep.:

1. **Members interested in position were asked to speak: One member spoke, another withdrew from position.**
2. **Clarification was asked** as to 'requirements' to serve as a DAHOW Intergroup Service Rep.

• **Points of discussion:**

- Mention was made that a DAHOW Intergroup Rep represents all of the DA HOW meetings and so it was important that they have the 1 year of the “DA HOW definition of abstinence.”
- Another member mentioned that there is variation in DAHOW as to sponsor/sponsee guidelines and how these are carried out and this is matter between a sponsor and a sponsee.

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- **Motion passed:** DAHOW Intergroup Service Rep needs to meet a 1 yr. abstinence based on DAHOW definition of abstinence in order to serve as a DA HOW Intergroup rep.
- (3 or 4 members voted for, 2 members abstained. 1 voted against, 1 member had to leave prior to vote.
- **Minority opinion:** DAHOW is not a separate group from DA. DA HOW is a subset of DA. If a DA HOW member meets DA's World Service ISR requirements,

having additional requirements is not in accord with DA's existing World Service Policy for this trusted servant position.

- **Discussion:** Question about whether other DAHOW meetings have announced the position of Intergroup Service Rep. One member noted that the DAHOW Friday meeting was notified.
- **Discussion ensued regarding a waiver** of DAHOW Intergroup Service Rep requirements
- **A motion was made and approved for a waiver to be permitted**
- Moderator suggested a vote to decide whether to approve such a waiver for member interested in service.
- Motion for a vote passed.
- Interested potential rep was asked to speak for 1 minute as to her background in relation to this position.
- Vote began, then further discussion ensued. Mention was made not to rush process. Mention was made about deadline for DA Scholarship happening prior to next meeting.
- Motion was made to extend meeting and suggestion to start next month's meeting on time.
- Motion failed.
- Further Discussion re. vote and vote for ISR tabled until next meeting.
- Amy offered to lead next meeting.
- Meeting Closed at 9:36 PM