

## DA HOW Intergroup Minutes

3/10/2024

(8:00 PM (ET))

### Present:

- Pat D. (Chair; Intergroup Rep - Saturday 12 Promises Group)
- Andy T. (Web chair; Intergroup Rep - Tues and Thurs Common Solutions)
- Mike (visitor for just a portion of the meeting)
- Melissa D.
- Michelle B. (Treasurer, Intergroup Rep - Sunday Ways and Means, today's Secretary)

Pat D. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer.

Melissa volunteered to be the timekeeper.

Pat D. read old and new business from our February business meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Michelle presented amended report for January and current February report, as well as where we stand within our 2024 Intergroup Spending Plan.

Pat D. made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report which was seconded by Andy and motion passed.

ISR Report - Domingo not present; no report

DA HOW Web Chair: Andy:

- Received a request to add a blank page at the bottom of the list of pages for better visibility of the list of meetings on mobile devices.
- Removed the Wednesday 9:15 p.m. Tiny but Mighty meeting due to lack of leadership. A member attended and ended up leading with the format on the website because no one else showed up. Subsequently received a message from the founder of that group who said that she was on that meeting, but she had made a commitment not to lead it anymore and she said the newcomer did a good job, but the newcomer's opinion was that that was a lot for her and she felt like there were only two other people there and so the newcomer asked Andy to close it and the founder agreed that it's not catching on.
- Added the Common Solution business meeting day and time to the Meeting page per the request of a new member that asked that every meeting list their business meeting day and time on their page. Some meeting may already do that, but this is something the individual groups would need to let Andy know if they wanted to do this.
- Added a third spending plan template to the website. We have one template in Microsoft Excel that's been there forever. That's been converted into Google Sheets, but the formulas did not transfer. There's a third Google Sheets template that's got different categories, but it does have formulas built into it. So there's now three to choose from in a sense; two are actually the same document, but in different formats (Excel and Google sheets, the latter

being without formulas), and the third one is Google Sheets and it does function with formulas)

- Changed the Sunday 6:00 a.m. meeting from ending at 7:45 a.m. to ending at 8:00 a.m. ET, per the meeting's request.

DA HOW Announcements Coordinator: Pat D.

- Recently took over the service position from Melissa D. Was able to get the email announcement reminder out about our upcoming Intergroup meeting several days in advance.

Intergroup Representative Reports:

Andy –Common Solution meetings: We now have the Tuesday and Thursday meeting, they're both part of the one group and there's a member that asked for more clarification on what that means. It means we have one treasury and we have one vote on the new upcoming item about the gender neutral wording on the Steps and the change in the Tradition on what kind of media we should be anonymous in. So the group will have a vote on the Tuesday business meeting and the Thursday business meeting. The two tallies will be combined from each of the two meetings to have one vote under the group as one group number with Debtors Anonymous GSO.

Otherwise things are going well. The Beginner's meeting has been really cool to see. It's been off to a good start. It's had an average of 10-12 people attending and it seems to be a good place, people seem to understand that it's not just for beginners. People have shown up there seeking sponsees, so it's been a good ... what we kind of hoped for was to not just have beginner only, but we've got people who are able to be sponsors looking for people to sponsor there. So people are there as beginners to find a sponsor and people are showing up there to offer sponsorship, so it's been cool for that on Tuesdays. And then Thursday continues to chug along with 15-20 people in attendance, reading Debtors Anonymous literature and the tools and having discussion on those.

Andy answered a question explaining how one group can have several meetings a week under the same DA GSO group number. Pat confirmed her experience with this as well.

Old Business:

Pat D. confirmed that the only old business was the motion to change our intergroup meeting time.

New Business:

Pat D. will plan to include new business in the email reminders she sends out re our upcoming monthly intergroup meetings.

Melissa inquired about World Service's determination re our intergroup status and Domingo's work on this work.

Andy offered that he sent in registration twice for our intergroup to the GSO, but got no response from GSO either time.

Michelle confirmed that our World Service and John H. Scholarship contributions sent in under our group number were not rejected.

Melissa wondered if our intergroup would have the right to vote re the upcoming ballot issues (gender neutral updates to DA's Steps and Traditions and Traditions update language re media).

Michelle noted that our intergroup wouldn't be able to vote since our intergroup doesn't have a group number. Andy confirmed that both times when he attempted to register our intergroup, he used our intergroup's former group number. Michelle confirmed that she used that same former group number when sending the aforesaid contributions to DA.

Melissa requested that Andy make Domingo aware of the two attempts to register our intergroup and that no response was received. Andy agreed to do so.

It was agreed to wait for further updates from Domingo at our next intergroup meeting.

Pat D. led us in closing the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.