

## Atascocita Group – Group Conscience Meeting Minutes – September 3, 2020

Tammy J opened the meeting at 7:15 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Barbara G agreed to do minutes. The mtg was held via Jitsi Meet.

Donna F read the long form of Tradition 9.

Tammy Z called Roll silently.

Tammy Z read the minutes of the previous meeting.

There were 13 people present at the start of the meeting.

Position	Name	Present
Secretary	OPEN	---
Asst Secretary	OPEN	---
Treasurer	Jim S	Yes
Asst Treasurer	Myer B	Yes
GSR	Tammy J	Yes
Alt GSR	Donna F	Yes
Steering Committee	Joshua B	NO
	Darrel R	NO
	Tom R	Yes
	OPEN – 1 yr	---
	Catherine W	Yes
	Barbara G	Yes
CFC	OPEN	---
Intergroup	Travis M	Yes
Alt Intergroup	OPEN	---
Grapevine	Lewis A	Yes
PI/CPC	OPEN	---

### TRUSTED SERVANTS REPORTS

#### Treasurer – Given by Jim S

- Total Receipts = \$2,629.43; Total outlays = \$3,526.84; Net Cash Flow is (\$877.61). Available funds (after EOM checking reserve and Prudent Reserve) is \$1,290.90. Donations to Intergroup were \$789.04, GSO received \$473.44 SETA Area 67 received \$177.81, and District 31 received \$157.81. The question was asked why Area 67 and D-31 didn't receive the same amount since they each receive the same percentage split. **FYI:** The Group split is 50% to Intergroup, 30% to GSO and 10% to Area 67 and District 31. Jim replied there was a problem with a \$20 check mailed to Intergroup in June that just cashed in Aug. He will correct this report so both reflect \$157.81. He also said \$600 in square was not accounted for during month of July. Before meeting tonight, Jim corrected the July figures. Keith sent out corrected version, and Jim left hard copies of Treas Rpt to Group for distribution. When asked why telephone bill in May was doubled, Jim responded they did the auto draft twice. He has called about it and we should see a phone bill soon reflecting the credit. Question was asked about \$368.14 expense listed as Other. It was for Group Grapevine subscription.

#### GSR – Given by Tammy J

- Due to pandemic economy, GSO withdrew 3 million dollars from the Reserve Fund. All new projects have stopped.

#### Alt. GSR – Given by Donna F

- Attended District 31 meeting 8-16. They received \$227 from Atascocita in contributions.
- District voting to elect new DCM, Alt DCM, Officers and Standing Committee Reps at Sept 20 meeting
- District directory still has problems with formatting
- SETA Assembly will be online Oct. 3-4
- Oct. 10 Good News Group Anniversary. It will be online with Dan O as the speaker.
- Spring Group moved to 24307 Aldine Westfield Rd STE O, formally the White Flamingo restaurant.
- SWRAASA cancelled
- District PI requested \$264 to fill literature racks; the excess funds of \$614 were given to GSO.

#### Steering Committee – Given by Catherine W and Tom R

- Catherine W reported Reuben purchased material for metal roof over picnic table and submitted a bill to Treasurer for \$500.00. This was moved to New Business.
- Catherine said there were some repairs carried over from the "wish list" such as repair ceiling in kitchen and siding on building.
- Tom R. is looking into estimates for ceiling. Steering Committee will address this with most important repair to be completed first staying within the \$200 limit.
- This is the third consecutively missed meeting for Darrel R. so his position is open. There are two 1 Year Openings.

#### CFC – No rep

### **Intergroup** – Travis M

- Travis did not attend the Intergroup meeting on 8-20 but he has their report. They re-hired someone they let go due to Covid. Their Treasurer's Report looks good.
- Atascocita Group is scheduled for Intergroup phones during Oct 3-5
- Sept 26 will be workshop on Anonymity
- Oct 15 will be elections for new Delegates to the Board
- Oct 24 is a workshop on the 12<sup>th</sup> Tradition
- All events noted will be held at Intergroup on Directors Row.

### **Alt Intergroup**– No rep

### **Grapevine Rep** – Luis A

- Advisory Action from 2020 Conference decided that the name of the Conference Committee on Grapevine be changed to Conference Committee on Grapevine and La Vina.
- Due to fewer orders this year, the GV expenses were \$13,108.63.
- Luis determined our last subscription order expired in June 2020. Previously we ordered 16 magazines a month for a year. The amount of renewal was \$368.14. Expect 4-6 weeks for delivery. I forwarded this information in an email to Jim S. & Myer P. Jim decided to mail the check to the Grapevine. After some discussion about the order, it was decided the best practice is for the GV Rep to get approval by the group each year before an order is placed. Group to decide how many should arrive each month after an assessment of the Group's funds.
- Don't forget it is free to sign up for the GV Daily Quote to arrive on your device each day.
- Please order our Meeting in Print online at [aagrapevine.org](http://aagrapevine.org) for \$28.97 per year.

### **PI/CPC** – No rep

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**OLD BUSINESS** – Terri B reported there are between 4 and 11 people attending zoom meetings. Volunteers are scheduled to chair for the month of Sept. Group consensus to continue this format.

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**NEW BUSINESS** – Tammy named off all open positions one at a time.

**CFC** – No one stood.

**Alt Intergroup**– Javier Q. said he would be willing to stand for this position. Atascocita Group is his new home group. Welcome! He qualified by giving his sober date and said he served as Chair & Intergroup Rep at another group. He was elected unanimously. Travis M. spoke up to say he would be willing to stand for Secretary if Javier will take the Intergroup Chair position. Now we have Javier for our Intergroup Rep & Travis M. as Secretary. Alt. Intergroup is open.

**PI/CPC** – Kristina H was willing to stand for this position and elected unanimously. Thanks to everyone!!!

Tammy Z. made motion to contribute our excess funds for a 6 month period to GSO instead of the usual split to service entities. They drew 3M from their prudent reserve where District, Area 67, and Intergroup treasuries are secure. The second was made by Catherine. Discussion followed. Motion to send all excess funds to GSO and not split between 4 service entities: 12 For, 2 Against. Passes w/substantial. Minority opinion was heard but no one changed their vote.

Tammy reported Reuben spent \$500 of his money for metal awning and submitted a receipt to Treasurer for reimbursement. Jim S. made motion to pay Reuben \$500. Tom R. made second. Comments such as (1) P&P Manual for Atascocita " Any expenditure, other than routine supplies or those authorized by the Steering Committee, must go before the Group Conscience to be voted on." Allowing this to happen is not following our protocol. It should have been brought before the Group to keep things in a certain order. (2) Paying this bill is setting a precedent that anyone can purchase anything and expect the Treasurer to reimburse them. (3) The minutes from August 3 GC mtg state "the work was done at no cost." (4) Have funds and should pay it. (5) Maybe he went about it the wrong way but we are still saving money. Vote taken. 4 For, 9 Against, 1 Abstain. Does not pass. Minority opinion heard but no one wanted to change their vote.

Terri B made motion to send \$450 to landlord each month until we have paid back the rent waiver they gave us during the beginning of Covid 19. She said it is a matter of self-support that we pay rent whether property owners expect it to be paid back or not. Catherine made second. Motion to send \$450 to landlord each month until we catch up for rent we missed: 4 For, 7 Against, 1 Abstain. Did not pass. Minority opinion was honored but no one changed their vote.

Luis A. made motion to start a Grapevine meeting on Jitsi every Sunday night at 6 pm. He will be responsible for chairing the meeting and hopes the group supports it. Barbara G made second. Motion to have Sun 6 pm GV Jitsi meeting: 10 For, 2 Abstain. Passes with substantial unanimity and no minority opinion wanted to speak.

**FYI:** [www.atascocitagroup.org](http://www.atascocitagroup.org) is our Group webpage offering Square for contributions, P&P Manual, copies of monthly meeting since 2007. Wealth of information there.

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Donna F made a motion to close, Lewis A second.  
The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 8:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara G

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