

Atascocita Group – Group Conscience Meeting Minutes – November 3, 2020

Travis opened the meeting at 7:19 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Amanda M. agreed to do minutes.

The meeting was held via Jitsi Meet.

Jim S. read the long form of Tradition 11.

Amanda called Roll silently.

Travis read the minutes of the previous meeting.

There were 11 people present at the start of the meeting.

Position	Name	Present
Secretary	Travis M.	Yes
Asst. Secretary	OPEN	---
Treasurer	Jim S	Yes
Asst. Treasurer	Myer B	Yes
GSR	Tammy J	Yes
Alt GSR	Donna F	No
Steering Committee	Barbara G.	Yes
	Catherine W.	No
	Josh B.	No
	Tom R.	No
	Open	---
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CFC	OPEN	---
Intergroup	Javier	Yes
Alt Intergroup	OPEN	---
Grapevine	Luis A.	Yes
PI/CPC	Kristina	Yes

TRUSTED SERVANTS REPORTS

Treasurer – Given by Jim S.

- Total Receipts = \$1,904.15; Total outlays = \$1,952.90; Net Cash Flow is (\$48.75). Available funds (after EOM checking reserve and Prudent Reserve) is \$422.84. Donations to CFC were \$30.00.
- Tammy J. requested further clarification regarding the \$350.00 approved to be spent for repairs of the kitchen ceiling. Jim confirmed the actual cost of this maintenance to be approx. \$550.00. However, donations covered the expenses beyond the approved \$350.
- Intergroup sent a letter of appreciation to the Atascocita Group for the sum donations of \$1,016.04 between the time frame of July – September of this year.

GSR – Given by Tammy J

- Attended the SETA Assembly 10/3-10/4. Elections were held for all positions for the SETX area. This was held via Zoom. (Side note: Tammy emphasized the efficiency of this format for the Assembly).
- Due to pandemic economy, GSO withdrew another 1.5 million dollars from the Reserve Fund, covering 4th Quarter services, to support GSR in North America as well as world wide. Additional contributions to GSR can be made at: www.contributions.aa.org.

Alt. GSR – Donna F was not present at the meeting. Below were submitted 11/4 via e-mail.

- SETA Assembly new delegate: Chris H.
- PI: Kristi A. is our new chairperson. Adopt-A-Rack is available. Sending books to libraries.
- District 31 has several open positions: Treasurer, Literature, Archives, IT, TFC.
- SETA Convention in January has been canceled, will be held completely online. More information to come.
- Spring Group: Christmas Party Dec. 18, CFC workshop Nov. 7
- Kingwood Group: 8 o'clock meetings are only being held on weekends.
- Good New Group: Has 12 Zoom meetings.
- 25th Hour Group: Going to start Speaker Meetings. More information to come.
- Trinity Group: Added a Tuesday night weekly meeting. November 7: 4:30-8 Veterans Appreciation Dinner.
- GSR received Atascocita contribution: \$157.81; YTD: \$544.81
- Next District meeting: November 15th

Steering Committee – Given by Barbara G.

- Reported that the 50-amp breaker in the Al-Ann room is needs to be replaced, to be completed in approx. 2-3 days. Cost should be well short of \$100 (labor \$50 + material cost).

- Regarding the Steering Committee "wish list", first and foremost was the kitchen ceiling – this is now done.
- 2nd on the list – the sideboards on the building circa the Al-Anon room – in the process of obtaining quotes.
- 3rd: Proposals regarding carrying firearms / changing the Policy / Procedure Manual regarding this issue. This has been posted on the board at the Group and will be voted on in the December Group Conscience Meeting.

CFC – No rep

Grapevine Rep – Given by Luis A

- Advised the topic for the December Grapevine will be "Carrying the Message – Money in Sobriety." Area 66 Groups are being asked to donate Grapevine issues to CFC.
- New Grapevine chairperson 2021 – Jackson
- Grapevine looking to raffle tickets for Grapevine subscriptions @ new conventions as well as in groups (please reach out to Kimberly for more information)

Intergroup Rep – Given by Javier

- Attended meeting on October 15th.
- Observed that Intergroup website indicated we were schedule to have a workshop at our group this upcoming month. It was verified that this posted in error and has since been removed from their website.
- Saturday, December 12th, 10AM – 3PM – Intergroup Annual Christmas Open House - Bookstore sales, speaker, play, and silent auction.
- Advised that Store is well under budget due to the continuing effects of the pandemic (payroll expenses). Considering moving location to previous building due to this issue.
- Next Intergroup meeting: December 17

Alt Intergroup– No rep

PI/CPC – Given by Kristina

- CPC / PI met in October @ Area Assembly in lieu of regular meeting.
- New CPC Chairperson: Kimberly L. (David will remain involved)
- Focus placed on introducing new Group Reps to the area. PI reported that their literacy outreach had delivered AA books to the remaining libraries in District 31. PI to meet later in the month of November – report will be provided at the December Group Conscience meeting.
- CPC additionally met 11/2. New Chair unable to attend due to work conflict. Again, David will be able to assist if work conflicts pose occasional issue in the future.
- November 14th, 3PM -5PM – Area 30 PI Committee presents "Anonymity and Carrying the Message During COVID", ZOOM ID: 857 9016 7968 / PASSWORD: 582763
- Reported that we had been getting many inquiries coming thru Intergroup for CPC. One organization that reached out is looking for to attend a Medical Assistants National Conference held in Houston next spring. If anyone needs CPC bookmarks / pamphlets the area has plenty to offer.
- CPC / PI National Committee workshop held in October. Topic / goal → to bring awareness / solutions to where we struggle at getting our information out on the internet, making our information more easily "searchable."
- URL for Google Business listing video : <https://tinyurl.com/Plservice>
- Kristina proposed creating flier to be posted with our information.
- Barbara suggested noting Intergroup telephone number on the flier instead of the Atascocita Group number, to ensure no Alcoholic seeking help goes unassisted.

OLD BUSINESS –

- Group brought in to question again whether or not to continue to the Jitsi meetings. Tammy J proposed we discuss this as a group instead of independently discussing with chairperson per day per meeting.
- Travis in favor of continuing the Jitsi Tuesday Book Study, adding these meeting are not a financial burden.
- Tammy Z's main concern – if there is not going to be anyone present to chair / attend these meetings, we should advise Intergroup so they may correctly update our information, so as to provide dead ends to alcoholics searching for help. Additionally, suggested Terri should reach out to the pre-existing chair people for these meetings to confirm if they are willing to continue with this service commitment or no. Noted there are sufficient online meetings available that if we discontinue Atascocita Jitsi, we will not be doing a disservice, but

is willing to continue the Wednesday Jitsi step study if the group supports doing so. (Side note: Group strongly approved of Tammy Z's practice of sending weekly updates regarding this meeting and encouraging people to attend.)

- Barbara – agreed Jitsi attendance waning and agreed with Tammi J – this should be a group decision. Followed up with commitment to do “whatever is needed to keep them going.”
- Luis – motioned to cancel the Sunday Jitsi meeting to do lack of attendance. Barbara volunteered to take over the Sunday Jitsi meeting in his stead.
- As of December – Myer will rotate up to Treasurer.
- Discussion of moving the Group Conscience meetings back to in-person forum - Tammi / Kristina / Jim support remaining with the Jitsi format.
- No changes to Policy / Procedure manual until December.
- 18-month Chip will be voted on in December.

NEW BUSINESS –

- Travis requests volunteers for all open positions – no volunteers.
- Luis – made a motion to have Grapevine Workshop, with the intent of having our group submit stories to Grapevine for printing – advised to reach out to Area for assistance in setting this up.
- Kristina – regarding the 46th Anniversary – working on flier, to be held the 2nd Sunday in December. Advised that most service opportunities have already been filled, but **HELP IS ALWAYS WELCOME!!!** :)
- Several parties are wanting to donate for food / decorations. Confirmed \$300 “ear-marked” in prudent reserved yearly for Anniversary.
- Jim voiced concerns about social distancing at this function. Travis believes that if only open to our group, should be able to keep the affair “low key.”
- Anniversary will consist of AA speakers (yet to be determined), no AI-Anon.

FYI: www.atascocitagroup.org is our Group webpage offering Square for contributions, P&P Manual, copies of monthly meeting since 2007. Wealth of information there.

Barbara made a motion to close,
Javier seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned with the Lord’s Prayer at 8:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda M.