Minutes: SAAIS Meeting

Tony A. opened the regular quarterly business meeting of the San Antonio Al-Anon Information Service at 1:20 PM on April 20, 2024, at the St. Paul Lutheran Church of Bulverde, 29792 US Hwy 281, Bulverde, Texas 78163.

Roll Call: Voting Members: 7 Majority: 4

Approval of Minutes: Upon motion of Candy N., seconded by Suzanne P., the minutes of the last meeting, January 20, 2024, were approved as corrected. The correct date for the Serenity Celebration is September 8, 2024.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report-Kermit R.

Kermit R. presented the financial report, showing a total checking and savings account balance of \$11,163.92 as of March 31, 2024. SAAIS Group Contributions totaled \$451.13 through March 31, 2024.

Kermit is working with the Serenity Celebration committee to work out the tracking of online tickets sales for the event on September 8, 2024.

Zoom Account-Janice A

The zoom account was used by SAAIS and District 12 jointly on the following dates, in the last quarter; in support of developing the new website:

2/19 Review of Website

3/1 Updates on the Website

3/26 Resolve issue on the website

The Zoom subscription is up for renewal on April 26, 2024. Tony A. moved to renew the Zoom subscription for another year by splitting the cost equally with District 12. (Approximate cost to SAAIS \$80). The motion was seconded by Candy N. and passed unanimously.

AWSC Liaison-Candy N.

After accepting the position of Al-Anon Information Service Liaison (AISL) at our last meeting, January 20, 2024, Candy N. is now fully registered with the AWSC and will attend the next AWSC meeting.

Monthly Speaker Meeting-Rosie M.

Rosie M. was not at the meeting.

Discussion

Issue: A recent Al-Anon speaker over-emphasized the AA Big Book, disregarding Al-Anon's own approved literature. This distorted the focus of the Al-Anon program.

Clarification: Rosie should remind speakers that Al-Anon meetings must prioritize the experiences of families and friends of alcoholics. While speakers can share personal experiences with AA literature, it shouldn't replace the essential Al-Anon perspective. AA literature focuses on alcoholics, which can lead to confusion and misinformation within Al-Anon.

Answering Service-Lucy R.

Lucy R. was not at the meeting but submitted the following:

- The Answering Service team received an average of four calls per month.
- Unable to access meeting link from SAAIS website, gets redirected.
- Continue to receive emails not intended for SAAIS.

Website Coordinator, Lynn S.

The meeting list for District 12 is now available on the ETAAA website.

All new meetings and changes to meetings have been updated and posted to ETAAA website.

The meeting list now contains the SAAIS telephone number, P.O. Box address, and email address.

Serenity Celebration, Candy N. & Janice A.

Highlights of 2024 Serenity Celebration

- Ticket purchases can be made online using PayPal or credit card. It is first come, first serve on table selection for your group. Tables are for eight. Go to SAAIS12.com to buy tickets.
- Food selection is Italian. Food will be brought to tables this year.
- The number of dessert items in the live auction will be limited to speed up auction time.
- There will be four spotters during the live auction one in each corner of the hall.
- There will be a flag at each table to let other tables know if you are looking to partner up and combine your cash to bid on items.
- Extra desserts received, more than the limit for the live auction, will be sold off in a silent auction.
- The goal is to have everybody out by 7:30 PM.

Service Opportunities-Tony A.

- Secretary-need replacement for outgoing Mike B.
- Event Coordinator-a new position to handle and coordinate SAAIS events for 2025. Candy N. is covering the events in 2024.

Financial Audit 2021-2023

Irma M. and Lynn ST submitted their audit report covering the three-year period - 2021 through 2023. The report contained several findings and recommendations.

New Business

Website development status report: Janice A. and Patti W.

- Website address: SAAIS12.com
- The website has a link to the meeting list that is updated at the same time that it is updated on the ETAAA website.
- The website has a calendar with all SAAIS and District 12 meetings and events posted. Documents and information needed for meetings are also posted on the calendar.
- There are two tabs on the website that are password protected- Al-Anews and District 12. This is required to protect anonymity.

Website Maintenance Invoice

| The individual who helped develop the website has agreed to maintain the website for the coming year. He |
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| has submitted an invoice for \$220.00. Upon motion of Donna B., seconded by Candy N., the invoice was |
| approved for payment. |

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| Next Meeting: The date of the next meeting | g is July 1 | 13, 2024. The time and l | location will be announced later. |
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The meeting adjourned at 2:35 PM.

Submitted by:

Mike B., Secretary