

Attending: Diana; Alex; Jack; Gary; Carolyn; Kenneth; Donna; Ray; Dorise; Janice; Read

The December 2020 and January 2021 meetings were cancelled. The most recent minutes were of the November 2, 2020 meeting. The minutes were approved with the addition of the corrected attendance (as best we could remember: Diana, Janice, Jack, Ken, Alex, Dorise, Gary, Carolyn, Ray and Donna).

Kenneth Rust reported a balance of \$1,022.25 in the Treasury. The report included a deposit of \$50 in walk fees and \$75 of dues. Expenses included \$27.00 for the new Starting Point book and \$78.75 in Quarterly AVA Participation fees.

Old Business:

Seven new members joined in the year 2020.

New Business:

The Carlsbad Caverns walk is scheduled for Sat. Feb. 6. We plan to meet behind JumBurrito at 7:00am for carpool/caravan. The group will gather at the park's Visitor Center around 10:00am.

Four people attended the Monahans Resolution Run/Walk on January 9 and all four received medals.

Diana reviewed the Big Spring walk held January 16. There were 7 participants and 1 dog.

In March we intended to hold a 3-day weekend of walks, however, the CDRI gift shop/bathroom area is still closed and the Davis Mountain S.P. recommends reservations. The motion was made and seconded that we make a day trip and do one of the walks, with no overnight. This will be Sat. March 27.

Some members are interested in owning a new club t-shirt, perhaps a long-sleeved one this time. This topic will be researched and visited again at another meeting.

Diana announced that the Southwest Regional Director position will be available in June 2021. If no one runs for this position, then the Texas and New Mexico area will be absorbed by another region. Let Diana know if you are interested. A flyer from the current RD, Sammy Hunnicutt, also covered The Big Give, By-Laws Changes, the 2021 Convention, Covid-19 issues, and the new location of the AVA offices. AVA's new address: 1008 South Alamo St., San Antonio, TX 78210.

Diana attended an AVA webinar about virtual online programs and special programs.

The AVA Week of Walking, the KMB trash pick-up, and the Stanton walk all occur in early or mid-April. We decided on April 3 for the KMB trash pick-up, April 10 for the Stanton walk, and April 17 for the Celebrate Walking event. Diana will contact Midland College to see if we can hold our Celebrate Walking event there (based at the AFA Building).

Other business:

Alex recommended that the scrapbooks be brought to our meetings, so members have an opportunity to view them. She also thought we could perhaps buy plastic brochure holders, fill them with our 2021 brochures, and place them in various businesses.

Jack invited us to a pre-birthday luncheon on March 17 at noon at Alldredge Gardens. Save the date.