

INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING....4/11/12 MINUTES

~Open Meeting----- Serenity Prayer----- Read 12 Traditions~

Declaration of Unity: *This we owe A.A.'s future: To place our common welfare first; To keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives; and the lives of those to come.*

Start Time: 6:18pm

Number in Attendance: 49

New Representatives: *CATHERINE-CENTRAL GROUP; SEAN-DAY'S END; BARBARA-LANTANA GROUP*

Chairperson: *Steve Y.:* If everyone can please turn off or silence your cell phones so not to disrupt the meeting that would be terrific. Just a reminder that all committee reports shall be submitted to the Intergroup Secretary after the meeting, or within 24 hours after tonight's meeting. To our new reps., please make sure you have filled out the blue form with your home group name and pertinent info, and hand it to the registrar Gary B., before leaving tonight's meeting. If anyone has any questions throughout tonight's meeting please feel free to raise your hand, don't be shy. I need to make amends to the body this evening because in one of our committee elections last month (Birthday Club / Today Subscription) I did not follow our Third Legacy Process stated in our By-Laws when 2 or more people stand for a position. The individual who was chosen should have received 2/3 of the total vote, not a simple majority as I thought and stated. I truly apologize for any inconvenience this might / may have caused.

Alternate Chair: *Leroy H.* Spaghetti dinner went well. 1,219 years sobriety all volunteers helped, FICYPAA helped, everybody helping the event ran very smoothly. With out the reps couldn't have gone so smooth as it did. Thank you very much. A Founder Day month was too full so our Intergroup's Founders Day Picnic is: July 28, 10am-4pm Carlin Park, Jupiter. It will be held at the Pavilions. "Gumbo Limbo" and "Sea Oats" Pavilion in Carlin Park. There will be Food Fun Music. Tickets are \$10. Children under 12 years old are free. *Featuring:* 2 live bands, Volley ball tournament, with Trophy awards. Home Group sign up before the event, sign up to be in the tournament with Tom G. 561 201 8603. The Pavilions have Play grounds, restrooms, and the beach has been renovated. Volunteers needed for set up and break down

Treasurer Mark H.: Total revenue is much higher in 2012 than 2011, most of the increase is because of the Spaghetti Dinner which was held in April last year, however, overall group contributions are also 71% higher than last year. The Spaghetti Dinner is a financial success. As of the end of March we had a profit of \$3,111.89 from the event. We are anticipating additional income from ticket sales so this number may still grow. We should all take a moment and thank Leroy for all of his effort. Expenses are also higher, but this also is mostly due to the Spaghetti Dinner and that there were 5 pay periods in March 2012. Overall, the Intergroup's finances are strong. Thank you for all of the individual and group contributions that make our mission possible.

****Passed the baskets according to our 7th Tradition****

Secretary: *Linda R.:*~ received reports distributed minutes to registrar for disbursement ~To all who give reports for the minutes: Please email your reports to secretary@aa-palmbeachcounty.org . If you do not have

a computer please hand me a written report the night of the Intergroup business meeting, and I am more than happy to type it into the minutes for you.

Registrar: *Gary B.:* The minutes were e-mailed to the database as per the By-Laws of PBC Intergroup. The minutes were sent to the database upon receipt from the Secretary. The database was updated after the last PBC Intergroup Meeting

Office Manager: *Ed B.:* Total Office Activity for March was 701 compared to 760 for last year. Total Website Activity was 2,196 compared to 2,663 for last year. We have only 220 meeting lists left from the Spring, 2012 printing, so we are currently updating the database for the next printing. If you have any changes, updates, etc, please get them to us ASAP. We should be submitting the changes in the next week or so. The Intergroup Office is open Monday to Friday from 9 to 5, and Saturday from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM.

General Service/ Intergroup Liaison: *Jude F.:* **no report**

South County Intergroup Liaison: *Roger B.:* – **Steve H. (newly elected to take over in May.)**
South Palm Beach County Intergroup Business Meeting held 3-28-12

Chair - Sheryl opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the serenity prayer and welcomed new group reps. She spoke on the Intergroup Inventory held on March 24th and stated that a written report on it should be ready next week. The South County Intergroup Picnic will be at John Prince Park on Sunday April 15th from 11AM to 4PM. Tickets are \$10.

Vice Chair Liz – Liz spoke on the group surveys and the data compiled so far.

Treasurer Sarah – The financial report is available in the current SCAAN.

Secretary – Cheryl – No report

Office Manager – Pam T. – Announced meeting changes that came in too late to be published in the SCAAN

Committee Chair Reports:

- Archives – Nick L announced that he has open positions available on the committee.
- Bridge the Gap – Willie B – Nothing to report
- Group Information – Taylor – Asked for any new groups present to please give her their contact information.
- Telephone Relay – Zach reported that the phone is covered for the near future
- Where & When – Todd – Nothing to report
- Twelfth Step – Bari W reported that they need more women volunteers for the committee
- H & I – Carey reported that all meetings are covered at this time and encouraged members to attend the monthly H&I meeting
- Public Info – Kathleen – Nothing to report
- SCAAN – Maryanne – Nothing to report
- North County Intergroup Liaison - Andrew – gave report
- GSR Liaison – Chip – Gave report

Special Committees:

- Annual Picnic – Billy – There will be volunteer organization meetings on 3/31 and 4/7 at 2PM at Delray Central House.
- Serenity Scramble Golf Tournament – Sarge – Event will be on October 14th at the Delray Golf Club. He is organizing the committee at this time

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Archives Committee Liaison: *Nick F.:* – **Scott M. (newly elected to take over in May.)**

I wish to thank the board & committees for allowing me to serve the association the last 3 years, as a group rep, 12 step list committee chairs & the Archives liaison. The Association is in excellent hands. It was joyful to witness the willingness at the recent election meeting. While my involvement as a rep or

committee chair has ended, you may still see my smiling face at some rep meetings, and I will continue to be involved as a member of the Advisory committee. I will always be on guard to avoid being a "bleeding deacon". Your help and cooperation in my achieving this is greatly appreciated. I will always need you, more than you need me. That much I know.

Committee Chairs:

1. Public Information: *John C.*: First, I would like to thank my committee member John B. for all of his help and support at the Old Timers Dinner. I would also like to thank all of the Intergroup members and the many volunteers from the area sober community who worked so hard to make this such a wonderful event. For the P.I. Committee, the most important happening in the month of March was the fact that John B. and Dori S. have joined the P.I. Committee thereby making it a real committee. We will be meeting this Sunday to discuss new ideas and some upcoming projects we hope to be involved in.

I am certain that with the help of the new members of this committee, we will have much more to report at the next Intergroup meeting. Certain with this help we'll have good news to reports next month. No news from taxi ads yet still working on it.

2. 12 Step List: *Ed W.*: Good Evening Everybody, hope all is well. I had a great time at the Spaghetti dinner and it was a definite success, we had 9 new volunteers sign up that night, and last week I received an E-Mail from our office manager Ed with another volunteer's information, giving us 10 new volunteers since our last meeting. I also spoke with a few people who have had volunteers sign up at their home group business meetings and hope to get that information tonight, as they said they gave the info to the groups Intergroup reps. If you have this info, please get it to Me at the end of the meeting, or you can E-Mail myself or the office.

3. Phone Volunteer: *Luiz C.*: **David C (newly elected to take over in May)** Hi, My name is Luiz, and i had the privilege to serve as your phone hotline committee chair for the past couple of years. First I'd like to thank you for the privilege to serve on this position, it was an incredible experience. And it was rewarding to see how many members of our fellowship are willing to work to make sure this service keeps functioning. Also, I'd like to thank all the volunteers that helped me perform this job. At this time, all the shifts are filled, but we are still having a little problem regarding some weekend shifts, that i will be discussing with our next chair. Have a great summer!

4. Today: *Alex A.*: **-Randy B. (newly elected to take over in May.)** The April issue of the Today is before you. Make sure to mark your calendars on June 16th For District 8 Annual Founder's Day Dinner to be held at the Finland House in Lantana. The Group Spotlight this month is the Jupiter Sunrise Group. We would like to thank Sandy O. for providing the information about the group and encourage all members after reading the article to stop by and attend a meeting of this wonderful group. As this is my last time serving as Chair for The Today, I would like to thank everyone for their help, support, and suggestions which went directly in to making The Today the voice in print for the PBC Intergroup Association. Randy, your new Chair and editor in chief, is ready to take the reins and continue to bring a monthly informative, educational, and entertaining newsletter to those we serve. He'll have my support and I know he will have yours as well. All Groups are continued to be encouraged to submit group activities to the Today and all members are encouraged to share their experience, strength, and hope as well. Please send all submissions to: today@aa-palmbeachcounty.org Please remember that all group activity submissions ought to be at least 2 months in advance of the event.

5. B-day Club/Today Subscription:. *Dennis C.*: Please see the Today if you'd like to join.

6. Website Committee: *Trish D.*: Posted the March Today - Posted the March Intergroup Business Minutes - Updated the Home Page and Events Page.

7. Group Contact Committee: **OPEN**

8. Bridging the Gap: *Carol G.*: We only recruited one volunteer from the spaghetti dinner but through other groups have added five other names to our BTG list. I forwarded six clients information out of state and one to South County. One client was referred to us from South County and we were able to connect them to a volunteer here.

9. Where and When: *Roger B. (newly elected)*: Since the Where and When Committee was vacant when elections were held, I have started my position a little early. We currently have approximately 350 Where and Whens in stock and will be placing an order for an additional 2000 within the next week, as soon as Trish, Ed, and I complete the final proofreads. If there are any last minute changes that need to be made, please let me know. You can email them to me directly at whereandwhen@aa-palmbeachcounty.org. Any changes will have to be submitted by this Friday in order to make the new printing.

10. Institutions: *Katie C.*: Your Institutions Committee currently brings 101 meetings a week to 41 facilities. We had 10 new volunteers this month. There are still plenty of opportunities for all interested in the rewarding service work. Plan to attend our regular meeting at the Triangle Club on Sunday, May 06, 2012. Orientation for new members at 4:30pm followed by the full committee meeting at 5:00pm. New volunteers need to have six months of continuous sobriety and will observe 2 meetings in facilities prior to active service.

Unfinished Business:

1. Group Contact: election:

**All those who met requirements stood; no one remained standing for the commitment. Remains OPEN.*

2. Birthday Club / Today Subscription: election

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New Business:

Motion from the Getting Started Group – please see attachment. To be brought back to your groups and voted upon in April.

The motion was amended prior to presentation, it was then seconded, and a lively discussion took place. A motion was then made to postpone the motion until the next regularly scheduled Palm Beach County Intergroup Business Meeting.

1. Upcoming Events:

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Meeting Adjourned at: 7:20pm