

PBC INTERGROUP
BUSINESS MEETING AUGUST, 8 2012

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: 6:17pm

Number of attendance: 42

~Introduce new Rep's : Young Person In Solution; Lake Park Firehouse, Daniel C: Intergroup Rep.- Fern House. Bryon P: Intergroup Rep.- Here and Now Group, Deb M., Intergroup Rep.

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. Some of the committee chairs are giving their reports at our monthly business meeting but forgetting to e-mail Linda, so please, we need your report for our minutes. All motions may be placed on the next PBCounty Intergroup agenda within 7 days following the business meeting by submitting it to the PBCounty Intergroup Chairperson. 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.

Alternate Chair: *Leroy H.:* Annual Picnic went very well. We may break even from this event. Fellowship was the main purpose, as this was a success. Ticket prices were lower this year by \$2. . Monies for Picnic will be totaled by next business meeting For the Potluck Dinner: Please bring Covered Dish Cooked the venue we rented does not have a kitchen. We have to be out by 10pm. Volunteers are needed and welcome. Here is our announcement: 36th Annual Intergroup Potluck Dinner: Date: October 20, 2012; Saturday. Dinner is from 6:00pm - 7:15pm. Speaker: 7:30pm - 8:30pm Place: Holy Spirit Catholic Church. Address: 1000 E. Lantana Road, Lantana, FL 33462. Tickets: \$8. We have flyers to pass out at your home groups.

Treasurer: *Mark H.:* We had a deficit for the month of \$788.36. Overall group contributions were very low for the month and we had expenses for the picnic, however, we sold more literature then we have sold in the past 5 years. Comparing this year to previous years, July is typically a month when we run a deficit and we still have a large surplus for the year to date. Overall, the Intergroup's finances are strong. Thank you for all of the individual and group contributions that make our mission possible.

~Pass the baskets according to our 7th Tradition~

Secretary: *Linda R.:* Accepted as delivered to the registrar for e-mail disbursement

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 Intergroup Meeting

Office Manager: *Ed B.:* Office Activity for July was 695 compared to 544 for last year. In Total spite of having 94 more visitors than July of last year, it still feels like the "Dog Days of Summer." Total Website Activity was 1,755 compared to 2,388 for last year. This decline in website hits may be more the result of how visitors are being counted. The website Chair, Trish is looking into this, and will have more in her report. The literature sales for the month of July were: \$5,927.59; which is the highest single month's sales for the past 5.5 years. General Service District VIII has scheduled a Traditions Workshop for

Saturday, August 18th, in this room at 2 pm. They will discuss Traditions 7 & 8. And they always have coffee and snacks. The Office is open M-F from 9-5 and Saturday from 9:30-1:30.

General Service/ Intergroup Liaison: OPEN

South County Intergroup Liaison: Steve H.: No Report

Archives Committee Liaison: Scott M.: Archives is hosting a workshop Wednesday August 15th from 10am until 12 noon at the south county intergroup office. It is an open workshop for AAs to actively participate in the conservation and restoration of the collection of Palm Beach County Archives. Please keep archives in mind when you report to your groups that they love OLD STUFF and contact them anytime because they will gratefully be cared for and exhibited to the fellowship in the years to come! If you have any further questions, please feel free to ask.

Committee Chairs:

1. Public Information: *John C.:* There is very little to report this month. So far, there have been no responses to the letters we sent to the School District and area University offices. We will make personal visits to those offices in the near future. We hope that personal visits may lead to a greater understanding of our services, thereby, helping them to better address alcoholism in their institutions. In the coming month, we will be renewing our efforts to work with local media outlets about airing our GSO supplied Public Service Announcements. Experience from other districts has shown that these PSA's are a very effective way to carry our message to those still suffering. If you know anyone in the broadcasting field please let us know so we may contact them regarding this effort. Finally, as always, we welcome any suggestions or inquiries from you, or your Home Groups. We are always looking for new and innovative ways to inform the public and professional community of our services. Your help and support are greatly appreciated.

2. 12 Step List: *Ed W.:* No new news as far as new volunteers, but big Nick had a great idea last month about making 30 announcements in 30 days for the phone list being understaffed and it seemed to work, so I will be continuing that effort concerning all opportunities for service that Intergroup provides. I ask my fellow reps to do the same. Maybe people will get sick of the announcements, start volunteering and we can just say thanks.

3. Phone Volunteer: *David C.:* Things are much better, shifts are now filled. I want to apologize to all people that tried to get in touch with me the last week of July I had final exams and could not respond, I am sorry. Anyone that I did not respond to please try again and I will be much more responsive. If you are a member of AA and want to help answer phones this commitment is about 4 hours a week on non business hours. A good candidate for this position is someone that can consistently and reliably be of service at the time scheduled. If you would like to be placed in the que for a volunteer position on the list please contact me at phone.chair.intergroup@gmail.com. What I would really like to do is get a list of local AA members that want to volunteer and when the need is there I can call the list and place people in shifts. All the announcement at the meeting has been very effective thank you all.

4. Today: *Randy B.:* The August issue of the Today is before you. All Groups are encouraged to submit group activities to the Today. I would like to especially encourage all members to share their experience, strength, and hope. The August issue has a call out from Ryan R. chairman of the Group Contact Committee about the importance of groups getting involved in Intergroup as well as the usual monthly financial reports, Birthday Club celebrants and Coming Events. The 36th Annual Pot Luck Dinner is coming in October so stay tuned for further info. Please take the Today back to your group and implore members to become a part of this newsletter and send all submissions to:

palmbeachcounty.org. Email address can always be found at www.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: *Robin*: The Medallions went out this month

6. Website Committee: *Trish D.*: *Tasks completed since the last business meeting:- Posted the July Today - Posted the July Intergroup Business Minutes- Updated the Home Page- Worked on the new PBC Intergroup website- Will post the new Meeting List by the end of the week- Will add the recent meeting changes by the end of the week.*

7. Group Contact Committee: *Ryan R.*: **Please see front page of the current Today newsletter.**

8. Bridging the Gap: *Carol G.*: **No Report**

9. Where and When Committee: *Roger B.*: We have approximately 210 Meeting Lists in stock. A new order was placed two days ago and should be arriving in the next couple of days. If any groups have any changes, please let us know as soon as possible. You can email me at whereandwhen@aa-palmbeachcounty.org, or contact the Intergroup Office. There are also forms on the home page of the website to change, cancel, or add a meeting. These forms can be turned into the Intergroup Office and Ed will forward the information to me and I will send a copy to Trish for the website

10. Institutions: *Fred B.*: **No Report**

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

1. GENERAL SERVICE / INTERGROUP LIAISON – OPEN.

All those with requirements stood, ***Deb M.*** remained standing for position. Group voted and all were in favor. ***Deb M. is the new General Service /Intergroup Liaison.***

Upcoming Event:

36th Annual Intergroup Potluck Dinner:

Date: October 20, 2012.....Saturday

Dinner 6:00pm - 7:15pm

Speaker: 7:30pm - 8:30pm

Place: Holy Spirit Catholic Church

Address: 1000 E. Lantana Road

Lantana, FL 33462

Tickets: \$8

Meeting ended: 6:50pm