PBC INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA – Dec. 12th, 2012

Open Meeting.....Read 12 Traditions

Open meeting 6:15 Attendance: 45

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.

*Introduce new Rep's Lake Worth Young People's Meeting., Intergroup Rep, Derek F; Living on a Prayer, Laura M; West Side Group ,Intergroup Rep, Mark T; Smoke Free Sobriety, Alternate Rep, Connie Y; Heart to Heart, Intergroup Rep, Janey S.; Vision For Recovery, Intergroup Rep, Derek H.; Noon Hour Group, John B.

<u>Chairperson:</u> 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 (Linda R.) after the meeting, or within 24 hours after tonight's meeting. All motions may be placed on the next PBCounty Integroup agenda within 7 days following the business meeting (tonight's meeting) by submitting it to the PBCounty Intergroup Chairperson. The Advisory Board will be having a meeting in the beginning of January, as stated in our by-laws, (that it meets quarterly). We will have a report for the body in the January Intergroup business 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.

Alternate Chair: Leroy H: The Christmas alcathon format will be on the desk at the Triangle Club and the New Years Eve alcathon format will be here on the desk at our Intergroup meeting room. These meeting's will be OPEN MEETING"S but a group may wish to have a "Discussion", "As it Basket", "Step", "Big Book ", "As Bill Sees It", etc., lasting 45 minutes. Intergroup will provide coffee and some deserts. The 7th tradition envelopes will be provided with each group's name on it: please place the Christmas Eve envelope (Triangle Club) in the brown slotted filing cabinet (Located in the serenity room.) New Year's Eve envelops shall be placed underneath the door leading in to the office. We are still in need of volunteers for BOTH alcathons. The spaghetti dinner/Old timer's panel is set for March 23, 2013, Saturday @ Finaland House. Tickets and more info will be available come the January Intergroup Meeting. There will be limited seating at this event.

Treasurer: *Mark H:* We had a surplus for the month of \$615.61. We had a number of additional expenses for the month including "where & when's", health insurance, repairs of the lights in this room, master monitoring for the alarm, additionally printing of the "Today" and a new monitor.

Possible disbursements of excess funds is on the agenda for the January Advisory Committee meeting and if it is decided that a disbursement should be done, a motion will be brought for approval.

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: Total Office Activity for November was 743. This was 123 more than last year, but 55 less more than last month. You will notice that there was a big increase in visits to the website; 2,261 to be exact. In case you haven't noticed the website has a new look and many new features. There was also a fault in the way visits were counted. This has been corrected. The Intergroup Office will be closed on Tuesday December 25th Christmas Day and Tuesday January 1st New Year's Day. Have a joyous holiday and happy New Year. The Office is normally open M-F from 9-5 and Saturday from 9:30-1.

<u>General Service/ Intergroup Liaison:</u> Deb M: LIAISON REPORT - INTERGROUP TO DISTRICT 8 DISTRICT 8 BUSINESS MEETING OF 12/9/12.

Next business meeting will be January 20, 2013.

The outgoing chair, Cathy Mulcahey, thanked the body for the opportunity to serve as the District 8 Chair for the past two years and spoke to her love of service and of AA as a whole.

Alt Chair, Cheryl Lamb, also thanked for the opportunity to serve. She will continue into 2013 to be the quarterly coordinator and stay on in that capacity. Other officers who were rotating out thanked for service as well.

New GSRs and Alt GSRs were introduced and welcomed.

The District 8 budget was proposed and with the exception of the Special Needs Committee – who inadvertently failed to make a motion to continue with the fee for the ALS signer into 2013 (will be revisited) – the remainder of the budget was approved. It is attached hereto.

We then proceeded with the continuation of elections. A recording secretary and registrar stood and were confirmed. Of the committee chair spots remaining there is only the Traditions chair. Next went on to the DCMs and ACMs. Out of the 18 sub-districts – only 6 DCM positions were filled. The ACMs fared better in that 13 stood out of the 18 sub-districts were filled, including myself for my own Sub-district 1 (Jupiter/Tequesta).

Next quarterly will be in January. District 8 will host the April quarterly.

Vicki – the District to Intergroup liaison announced the alcothons; the Archives chair announced an archives exhibit at the Intergroup office on Dec 15th at 10:00. Otherwise the committee reports will be submitted online due to the elections. (I will supplement this report if information to convey is on the minutes that won't be received until after 12/12/12 intergroup meeting.)

There was a Motion to hold disbursing the year end funds to prudent reserves until after the April quarterly to make sure enough money is available for that. It was seconded voted and passed.

Adjourned at 7:00 pm

Budget attached

South County Intergroup Liaison: Steve H.: no report

Archives Committee Liaison: *Scott M*.: We are going to change the display case this weekend!!! Our goal is to empty the current contents of the display, pack it up and travel to the storage facility. There we will choose new materials from the District 8 collection and reset the exhibit for the holiday and New Year. Everyone in the fellowship is welcome to come, view the collection and its housing.

Dave D. just got elected as the new chair for archives in District 8.

Please remember that archive's loves OLD STUFF. You can contact them anytime, these items will gratefully be cared for and exhibited to the fellowship in the years to come!

Also, if anybody in your group has a question that they would like to be answered, encourage people to ask them and we will try to put the Q and A in the Todays.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to ask.

Committee Chairs:

- 1. Public Information: *John C.:* Video PSA's are being edited and distributed to all major network TV stations and will be on air very soon.. Major thanks to Dianne and Jasine for helping me to get in touch with the right people for this task. Also, many thanks to Indian Bob on Recovery Radio Raw for his continued support in sharing our message by playing our PSA's on his program regularly. Continuing to distribute literature, where and when's, and beginners packets at several agencies and throughout the north county area.
- 2. 12 Step List: Ed W.: no report
- 3. Phone Volunteer: *David C*.: Things are better; shifts that need to be filled are as follows Friday 6am-9am and Sunday 8pm-11pm. 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 queue 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.
- 4. Today: *Randy B.:* The December issue of the Today is before you. All Groups are encouraged to submit group activities to the Today. Please remember that all group activity submissions ought to be at least 2 months in advance of the event.

The December issue is full of exciting events coming in the next couple of months like the New Years and Christmas Alcathons as well as the usual monthly financial reports, Birthday Club celebrants and Coming Events and the Twelve Tips on Keeping Your Holiday Season Sober and Joyous. A plea from several committee chairs for volunteers. We also have a new feature in this month where you might win \$2,000,000 or fond congratulations. We snuck in a couple of extra pages which allow the financial report to be printed larger and like last month we printed 750 copies instead of the usual 500. You are encouraged to take more and pass them out at your home group instead of leaving them on a table with the other literature. Please take the Today back to your group and implore members to become a part of Palm Beach County Intergroup. The following committees need volunteers now:

12 Step List Phone Volunteers Institutions Committee Bridging the Gap Group Contact Committee Public Information

Email addresses can always be found at www.aa-palmbeachcounty.org click on Contacts and email the chairman of your choice.

- 5. B-day Club/Today Subscription: *Robin W:* All is will with the Birthday Club everything went out on 12/10/12 if you need more info please email me.
- 6. Website Committee: *Trish D.*: Tasks completed since the last business meeting:
- Posted the November Today
- Posted the November Intergroup Business Minutes
- Updated the Home Page & Events Page
- Posted the new Meetings List

- Posted the recent meeting changes
- 7. Group Contact Committee: Ryan R.: no report
- 8. Bridging the Gap: Carol G.: no report
- 9. Where and When Committee: *Roger B*.: We currently have about 600 Meeting List booklets in stock. We will probably do another printing in a couple of weeks. 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 website to change, cancel, or add a meeting

10. Institutions: Fred B.: no report

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Upcoming Events:

- 1. Christmas Eve alcathon, to be held at the Triangle club.
- 2. New Year's Eve alcathon to be held at the Intergroup meeting room......We will be in need of volunteers for each event, please let us know if you can be of service.
- 3. **ELECTIONS** Officers, Advisory Board & Committee chairs shall be announced in February, conducted in March, and take office at the next May Intergroup meeting.
- 4. INTERGROUP Spaghetti Dinner / Old Timer's panel will be held on March 23, 2013...Saturday, at the Finland House. Tickets will be available come the Jan. 2013 meeting.

Close meeting: 6: 45pm