

**PBC INTERGROUP-MINUTES**  
**BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA – June 13<sup>th</sup>, 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.

**Attendance:** 52

**Start time:** 6:15pm

**Introduce new Rep's:** Dennis T (Rep).-Sunrise Sobriety; Ricky N (Rep)- Lake Worth Young People's Group; Alex B. (Rep)- Good Guys ; Jasin H. (Alternate Rep)- Central Group/Triangle Club; Lindsey H. (Rep)-Bethesda by the Sea; Mathias F. (Alternate Rep)- Men's 5<sup>th</sup> Tradition; Steven B (Rep)- 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. 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. We have 1 committee position open (Birthday Club/Today Subscription) which we hope to fill this evening. 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.* We are having our Annual Intergroup Picnic –July 28th @ Carlin Park, Jupiter. Sea Oats & Gumbo Limbo Pavillion's. 3 bands total. Volleyball Tournament all day. Please have your homegroup contact me with your teams that want to participate in the tournament before the event. It is better to have a team before the event. There are first and second place trophy's. Let's have fun. Children under 10 are free, tickets are \$8 . The picnic is from 11am to 6pm. Chicken, hamburgers and hotdogs will be served.

**Treasurer:** *Mark H.*: Total revenue is slightly lower in May 2012 than 2011, most of the decrease is because of the Picnic which was held in June last year and a contribution we received last year from the Florida Roundup. These reports do not yet reflect the purchase of the computer or office equipment. These expenses should occur in June. 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 May was 712 compared to 627 for last year. Total Website Activity was 1,894 compared to 2,267 for last year. We now have the "Summer 2012" meeting lists in stock; which contain all updates through June 7<sup>th</sup>. "Where & When's," in the past we would order 10,000 meeting lists twice a year. Now we order 2,000 meeting lists roughly every eight weeks for the same price per meeting list we paid for an order of 10,000 at one time. The difference is we now order only 13,000 meeting lists per year. They're more accurate. And since we also use the meeting list online, we save about \$2,400 per year, and we're not left with a bunch of out-dated meeting lists. This Saturday June 16<sup>th</sup> District VIII will have a Traditions Workshop here from 2-

3:30 PM. And on Saturday evening they will host the Founders' Day Dinner at the Finland House in Lantana; beginning at 6:00 PM. Tickets are \$10 and are available from your GSR's or from the Intergroup Office. The Office is open M-F from 9-5 and Saturday from 9:30-1:30.

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

**South County Intergroup Liaison:** *Steve H.:* No report.

**Archives Committee Liaison:** *Scott M.:* The District 8 Archives meeting was Sunday, May 13th at the South County Intergroup Office. There will be a report provided about the Archives of Palm Beach County. Currently the next exhibition is scheduled for the District 8 Delegates Luncheon in June where there will be a GrapeVines display. If there are any events that you would like archives to have an exhibit at, please let me know, and they can work something out. I also had the opportunity to go over our exhibit here at the North County Intergroup Office with a member of the archives committee, and we were discussing the possibility of making some changes to it. If anyone has any questions or input please let me know.

### **Committee Chairs:**

1. Public Information: *John C.:* For the month of May, 2012, we made progress with the Palm Beach County School District in an effort to be included in any future alcohol related programs and health fair events in both the middle school and high school levels. Contact was made with the Director of the Safe Schools department and the Data Office which is responsible for detecting "at risk" students and providing appropriate information to those found to have alcohol and drug related problems of their own, or in their families. A letter to both of these departments has been drafted explaining our desire to be of assistance through our literature, or by providing speakers for assemblies and other events. By making contact now, we hope to be able to be involved as schools plan for the new school year beginning in late August. Also, this committee will be participating in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Stand Down program being held at the Meyer Amphitheater, downtown, on June 30<sup>th</sup>, from Noon to 5pm. A flyer explaining our involvement and an invitation to anyone wishing to participate is included as an insert to the June issue of the *TODAY*. Again, we hope that this will provide an opportunity for us to pass on the life changing message of *Alcoholics Anonymous*. Our committee welcomes and appreciates your participation. Finally, we continue to restock our literature and make updated "Where and When" booklets available to the Pride Center, the DUI referral office, and various agencies throughout the county. If you know of a place that is in need of any of our literature, or that would like us to do a presentation for them, please contact me via the website Public Information email link, or through the Intergroup office.

2. 12 Step List: *Ed W.:* No new volunteers since the last meeting. If anyone would like a copy of the sign up sheet form and a brief description of what's expected of the volunteer please see me after the meeting. Also, before next month's meeting I'll be calling the numbers that never responded back in February and purging from the list those people that don't respond to better help the volunteers that man the phones.

3. Phone Volunteer: *David C.:* Everything is going fair, I have found that about half the shifts are not being answered or the people volunteering have been doing so for more than two years and want to rotate out. 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](mailto:phone.chair.intergroup@gmail.com) or via phone 561 255 7494. Available positions have been handed out at the this meeting tonight. 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. Your help is truly needed right now to help the sick and suffering alcoholic to find help.

4. Today: *Randy B.:* The June issue of the Today is before you. Our goal is to remain the voice of PBCIA and the groups we serve. 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 in articles and not to leave it to me to rerun articles that are available already from other publications. This will keep the Today fresh, current, and locally relevant. The June issue has a wonderful letter from Bill W. to a friend on dealing with depression and emotional balance that for some of us at least reach long into our sobriety, a post from Ed W. chairman of the 12 Step List Committee about the importance of that list as well as the usual monthly financial reports, Birthday Club

celebrants and Coming Events. 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. And of course don't forget the Annual picnic July 28th in Carlin Park. Please take the Today back to your group and implore members to become a part of this newsletter and send all submissions to: [today@aa-palmbeachcounty.org](mailto: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: **OPEN:** All necessary medallions went out this month.

6. Website Committee: *Trish D.*: Posted the May Today. Posted the May Intergroup. Business Minutes updated the Home Page. Posted the new Meeting List. Posted the recent meeting changes.

7. Group Contact Committee: *Ryan R.*: 2 new group contacts.

8. Bridging the Gap: *Carol G.*: I forwarded one client's information out of state No new volunteers were recruited. Please if you have leads to recovery centers where Bridging the gap can go, contact Carol G., off of the Intergroup website.

9. Where and When Committee: *Roger B.*: We just received a new printing and currently have approximately 2000 Meeting Lists in stock. We will place another order once our supply gets down to 500. If any groups have any changes, please let us know as soon as possible. You can email me at [whereandwhen@aa-palmbeachcounty.org](mailto: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.* 4 new people at our business meeting .

### **Unfinished Business:**

1. **Birthdays Club / Today Subscription** – election.

All stood who met the requirements for the position. One (Robin) remained standing to take the position.

Procedure followed to state qualifications.

1. Robin served in 2 Intergroups in 2 other towns.

2. She has 18 years sobriety.

Rep's Voted: Unanimous Vote for Robin to serve as Birthdays Club/Today Subscription Committee Chair.

### **New Business:**

### **Upcoming Events:**

1. ***Our Annual Intergroup Picnic*** –July 28<sup>th</sup> @ Carlin Park, Jupiter. Sea Oats & Gumbo Limbo Pavillion's.