

**PBC INTERGROUP**  
**BUSINESS MEETING – Nov. 14<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.

**Open meeting:** 6:15pm

Attendance: 50

**\*Introduce new Rep's** Free Spirited Group, Alt. Rep, Diana R; Central Group, Alt. Rep, Dan B.; Lake Worth Group, Intergroup Rep, Debra M.; Happy Hour, Intergroup Rep, Anthony R.; BYOR Bring Your Own Recovery –young peoples , Intergroup Rep, Greg C.; After Hours, Intergroup Rep, Diana K.

**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 (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. 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.:* 2 Alcathons coming: Christmas and New Years. Each meeting is 45 minutes, all forms will be on the desk available for each group's meeting with instructions.

**Treasurer:** *Mark H:* We had a deficit for the month of \$1,436.90. This deficit was almost entirely attributable to lower group contributions for the month of October. Otherwise our income and expenses for the month were very similar to the income and expenses for October of 2011.

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 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 October was 798. This was 209 more than last year and 128 more than last month. So activity is picking up. We have the new "Where & When's" available for sale. General Service District VIII has scheduled a 12 Traditions Workshop for this Saturday, November 17th in this room at 2 PM. They will discuss Traditions 11 & 12. This will be there final Traditions Workshop for 2012. And they always have coffee and snacks. The Southeast Regional Forum took place last weekend at the Boca Raton Marriott. The final registration count was 647, and there were 276 first timers. We will receive a final report of the Forum and make it available. The Intergroup Office will be closed on Thursday, November 22nd for Thanksgiving, but we will be open on "Black Friday" for your shopping convenience. The Office is normally open M-F from 9-5 and Saturday from 9:30-1:30

**General Service/ Intergroup Liaison:** *Deb M.:* INTERGROUP TO DISTRICT 8 LIAISON REPORT  
DISTRICT 8 BUSINESS MEETING OF OCTOBER 21, 2012

Chair, Kathy M, welcomed new GSRs and Alt GSRs; reminded that flyers on the SE Reg'l Forum are on the website. Next quarterly will be Jan 11-13, 2013 in Sarasota. The April 2013 quarterly will be hosted by our district and they are in need of volunteers; since today is an election day – the committee chairs are to submit their reports in writing unless someone has something that needs to be orally announced; elections will be in the 3rd legacy procedure; the meeting procedure will be to vote on pending motions and then move on to elections; The past quarterly in October had 56 voting members from our district – the most of all districts again.

It was announced that the restaurant at the venue where the SE Regional Forum is being held is being renovated and there will be no on-site restaurant. Wanted people to be aware of that in that the volunteer rooms will likely be busier than usual and are in need of contributions to keep it stocked. Kevin is taking contributions for the stocking of the volunteer rooms.

Alt Chair talked about the April 2013 quarterly; talked about revising the expenses for the Founder's Day Dinner (expenses: \$3,753.80; revenue \$4915.78; surplus \$1,141.98). Urge people to volunteer for SE Reg'l Forum – has ice cream social tickets which can't be purchased at the event. \$6.25

Treasurer's Report – they currently have total of \$9,474.72 in their bank account. Detailed report attached.

Motion: No. 1 – to start GSR/DCM sharing earlier so the business meeting can start earlier so that it gets finished by 7:00 – after much discussion it was moved, seconded and the motion failed. No minority opinion. Concensus of the body to make the time more efficient – not add more time.

Motion No. 2: To provide \$3,000 start up money to the Out Reach Communities committee. Motion was discussed, moved, seconded and vote failed. There was a minority opinion – but no one swayed to change their vote so the “nay” was upheld. Concensus was that it was too much money.

Recording secretary – (written) hyped the position so that someone would be willing to stand for it.

Elections ensued – all positions to take effect Jan 1, 2013. Those permitted to vote are Officers, Section Committee Chairs, DCMorACM, and GSRorAltGSRs. Tom Wiedermier was elected as the District 8 Chair; Kevin Dorrey was elected the Alternate Chair; Susan Bauer was elected Treasurer; Cathy (from NY) stood for Registrar but voting postponed until Jan to see if another qualified candidate steps up (Cathy has lots of NY service experience but just moved her and PBC service experience is limited – currently a GSR); Recording Secretary – open – no one stood; Kim K voted Remote Communities Chair. Other positions voting will be next month.

It was moved to adjourn the meeting due to time constraints. It was agreed to meet early next month, November 11th and start at 5:00 and forego the GSR/DCM sharing in the hope that all positions will be filled.

Meeting adjourned

Those chairs who submitted written reports – a brief synopsis:

Recording secretary – (written) hyped the position so that someone would be willing to stand for it.

So Cnty Intergroup – Ticket sales of annual Gratitude Dinner - \$47 – need change of venue; Open House is 12/1/12 from 10-3; South county will have their own alcohons.

PI/CPC: Talked to the change in the short form of Tradition 11 – more will be revealed after April 2013 Conference. Will bring PI to FAU Campus and have interest from a middle school to come and attend a health class.

Treatment: Group from California wants to combine Bridging the Gap and to bring in jails and prisons not just treatment centers. Idea will be kicked around.

Special Needs: Proposing a pamphlet to address the special needs of the mentally ill alcoholic; budget approved for new listening devices to be purchased.

Grapevine: reviewed the services available.

Room & Ride: Asked for assistance in getting available rooms & rides; has lots of request but nothing to offer.

Website: Updated info & links. Visit and explore.

End Of written reports for October 21, 2012 business meeting

## DISTRICT 8 BUSINESS MEETING OF NOVEMBER 11, 2012

Chair – Cathy – opened. Announced that District 8 had a great showing at the SE Regional Forum. No motions being heard today. Suggested all standing committee chairs submit written reports.

Treasurer: Total cash balance to date: \$9,182.06. Went over the budget – GSRs to go back to their groups with it and be prepared to vote on it next month. Some areas of controversy but otherwise pretty standard – most committees submitted the same request as last year. Adjustments will be made and the new proposed budget with the adjustments will be in the minutes. Will provide when I have it.

Next month meeting will be 12/9/12 at 5:00 pm

Elections under way – these are the results:

Chair: Tom Weidermeyer	Alt Chair: Kevin Dorrian	Treasurer: Susan Bauer
Registrar: Bob Chapman	Recording secr: no one stood	DCM Coor: Alan Schwartz
Archives: Dave Downing	Website: Casey King	Remote Comm: Km Kamuca
Corrections: Jay Mueller	Traditions: No one stood	Treatment: Cathy Chamberlain
Grapevine: Ashley	PI/CPC: Susan Dean	Special Needs: Luis
Literature: Marge Smith	Room Ride : Mimi May	South County Intergroup: Abby
North County Intergroup: Nick Fatino		

Next month will go back to open positions and do DCMs and Alt DCMs

Meeting adjourned – 7:00 p.m.

**South County Intergroup Liaison:** Steve H.: The money net from Annual Golf Tournament brought in, \$4000 for South County Intergroup. There is a discussion for changing the business meeting place to a new location and changing the dates and times. . The business meeting for South County Intergroup scheduled for the 26<sup>th</sup> is cancelled due to the holidays. There will be no business meeting in December.

**Archives Committee Liaison:** Scott M.: As of the last month, there is not much to report, but please keep archives in mind when you report to your groups. 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!

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.: The P.I. committee has continued our efforts to make sure that our GSO approved Public Service Announcements are broadcast throughout the upcoming holidays. Currently a variety of our PSA's are being aired by Indian Bob on Recovery Radio Raw here in south Florida and worldwide on the web. We are very grateful for the time that Bob has provided during his show to air these important announcements. We have made contact with many other local stations and are still waiting for an answer from them. These contacts included stations in both the radio and television media. If anyone here would like to be a part of this effort please see me tonight after this meeting. We would very much like to have a committee meeting to discuss the various tasks that the P.I. committee is involved with. We need all the help we can get. If there is enough participation we will get together tomorrow at 7pm here in the Intergroup office or at another time that is more convenient to those interested. Thanks again for your interest and let's work to get the message of recovery out to everyone in the area during this holiday season.

2. 12 Step List: Ed W.: It feels good to finally have something new to report! 1st, I'd like to thank all of you who volunteered at last month's Pot Luck Dinner, Having all of our committee chairpersons at the tables were great exposure! As far as the 12th Step List goes we Had 8 new sign-ups, giving us a total of 90 volunteers on the list ,had 51 Men and 39 women .Also this week it was brought to my attention that one of the volunteers number was coming up as a long distance number when called from the Office land line, yet I was able to contact from my cell, so it's been noted on the list not to call from a landline.

3. Phone Volunteer: *David C.*: Things are not good I have skipped my lab at school to come here tonight talk with you all about this; shifts that need to be filled are as follows

Tues 5-8 pm, Thurs 6-9 am, Thurs 11pm - Fri 6 am, Fri 6-9 am, Fri 11pm - Sat 6 am, Sat 6-9 am, Tues 6-9 am

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 have over one year and own a phone you should seriously consider helping as this is too many open spots and obviously people that need help are not getting it. 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. This list is only the tip of the iceberg with this many shifts not covered I have not had a chance to audit the other shifts, when I do this I usually find several other shifts that are not being covered. If I have a list of AA members when the need is there I can contact the list and place people in shifts..

4. Today: *Randy B.*: The November 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 November issue is full of exciting events coming in the next couple of months like the New Years and Christmas Alcahons as well as the usual monthly financial reports, Birthday Club celebrants and Coming Events and a story stolen directly from the Grapevine and a plea from several committee chairs for volunteers. We also have a new feature in this month where you might win \$1,000,000 or fond congratulations. We snuck in a couple of extra pages which allow the financial report to be printed larger and 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:

5. B-day Club/Today Subscription: *Robin*: Everything is running smoothly in this position, all medallions are being sent out on time.

6. Website Committee: *Trish D.*: Tasks completed since the last business meeting:- Launched the New PBC Intergroup website on 10/17/2012- Posted the October Today- Posted the October Intergroup Business Minutes- Updated the Home Page- Posted the new Meetings List- Posted the recent meeting changes

7. Group Contact Committee: *Ryan R.* : Since last meeting there has been no groups added to the group contacts, however we did add a new member of the committee named Cindy she will be helping get around to these groups.

8. Bridging the Gap: *Carol G.*: Ed B. ordered free pamphlets BTG that I supplied to Russell Levine of BHOP. Staff members were unaware that this service is available to clients returning to locations other than Florida. The pamphlets will become part of the pre-release counseling. Recruitment for volunteers at the Pot Luck Dinner was very successful and I, although Ed, the 12 step chair, sat next to me, I was able to recruit more people than he did... who would have thought!

9. Where and When Committee: *Roger B.*: We just published a new edition of the Where & When Meeting List in festive fall colors. There were approximately 25 changes since the last publishing, so if you still have a light blue one, it's going to be fairly inaccurate. 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 website to change, cancel, or add a meeting.

10. Institutions: *Fred B.* 106 meetings a week in 41 institutions. Always need volunteers. Big Book Ball was low attendance. \$900 brought in with ticket sales. Food was donated by Institutions Steering Committee members. We are at the prudent reserve. **Discussions on Big Book bowling event.**

**Unfinished Business: None**

**New Business: Drawing for the time slots;**

Intergroup - Christmas Eve alcathon.

Intergroup - New Year's Eve alcathon.

**Upcoming Events:** Christmas Eve alcathon, to be held at the Triangle club.....New Year's Eve alcathon to be held at the Intergroup meeting room. We will be in need of volunteers for each, please let us know if you can be of service.

Close meeting 7:15pm