

PBC INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES October 9, 2013
Open Meeting ----- Serenity Prayer ----- Read 12 Traditions
Start time: 6:15 pm **Attendance: 61**

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

Introduction of new reps: Reps: Alex M – Central Group; Tyghe A – Living on a Prayer; Barbara H – Days End; Paula M – Step Forward Group; David Mc – Fern Street Group; Nancy M – Tiki Hut Beach Group. Alt Reps: Ambrosia C – Tiki Hut Beach Group; Joanie P – Days End Group; Ryan C – Getting Started; Pat D – Free Spirited Women; Group Contacts: Eric G – Conscious Contact; Noah R – Morning Miracles;

Chairperson: Gary B: The 37th Annual Potluck Dinner is upon us. We have a week and a half before the event. Please pick up tickets before you leave and if you have any money from the tickets you have sold please give it to Linda before you leave. Linda will have her final organizational report during the Alternate Chairperson Report. I am sure she can use all of the help that she can get. If anyone wishes to place a motion on the November Agenda it needs to be submitted to me by 5PM next Wednesday, October 16, 2013. As the season progresses we will draw Group Names from the hat next month for the Christmas and New Year's Alcathon. Please remember that the Christmas Event will be held at the Triangle Club and the New Year's Event will be held here in this room. Please ask your group which event they wish to chair. Your group can volunteer for either Christmas or New Year or Both. Linda will explain in December the procedure for Chairing the Meeting. We look forward to y'all's involvement. Last week David Anderson passed away with over 50 years of sobriety. David had a lasting and positive influence on many people in AA and he will be missed greatly. Please keep him and Cathy in your prayers as we shall. Again, thank you for all of your support. It is Greatly Appreciated. Gary B.

Alternate Chair: Linda R. Intergroup Representatives - we need volunteers to please come up after the meeting and pick up tickets for the Pot Luck Dinner. The Potluck Dinner is at the Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Lantana, 1000 Lantana Rd. October 19th. Coffee is at 6:00 pm, Dinner is at 6:30 pm and the Speaker Meeting is at 7:30. Please bring a covered dish or dessert in throw away containers. I have 4 frozen lasagnas that need to be cooked the day of the event and brought to the dinner by 5 pm. I need volunteers to do this. (Take names and numbers now) It's very simple follow instructions. Thawed it takes 1 hour and frozen it takes 2 hours then they need to stand for one hour. I would need you to come with me in the morning when we pick up the food. We again need help, trucks cars and vans to bring supplies from the Intergroup office to the church. Please meet at the Intergroup office at 9:00 am We need volunteers in the kitchen, setting up, and tearing down- at least 13. Show up at the church by 10:00 am. It would be a great service and much appreciated that all of these volunteer needs are met. Other news: Drawings for the Alcathon will be in November if your group can participate please have an Intergroup Rep show up at the November business meeting. There are 23 meetings being held for both the Alcathon, each meeting is 45 minutes. In addition we usually have 4 groups as alternates. Thank you for your service and letting me serve, Linda R.

Treasurer: Mark H. – Attached please find my report. Below are my additional comments on the report. We had a surplus for the month of \$367.97. We had another great month. Overall, the Intergroup finances are strong. Thank you for all of the individual and group contributions that make our mission possible. Thank you, Mark L Herold
Pass the basket in accordance with our 7th Tradition

Secretary: Deb M– Please turn in the green new rep cards to me and committee reports by the end of day tomorrow so I can get the minutes sent to Gary & Roger timely.

Registrar: Roger B. – Palm Beach County Intergroup – Registrar Report - The minutes and agenda were e-mailed to the database upon receipt from the Chair, as per the By-Laws of PBC Intergroup. The database was updated after the last Intergroup Meeting. Any new Group reps or Altreds, please complete a green information card and hand to me or the Secretary.
Thanks,Roger B. – Intergroup Registrar

Office Manager: Ed B – Total Office Activity for September was 787. This was 65 less than last month, but 117 more than last year. September is typically a slower month. The year to date Office Activity was 7,128 this was 866 greater than last year. There were: 453 more visitors, 175 more emails, and 238 more phone calls made to the Office. We are very grateful for all the Office Volunteers and individuals who stop by to make our 12th Step work possible. Today we received a notice from the General Service Office that starting November 15, 2013 they will be accepting pre-orders for the 75th Anniversary Edition of the Big Book. It is described as “the only authorized reproduction of the first edition of ‘Alcoholics Anonymous.’ This new edition will be a faithful replica of the original, with the famous ‘circus cover’ dust jacket and bulky paper. To commemorate the 75th anniversary of the historic publication of ‘Alcoholics Anonymous’ in April 1939, the General Service Conference approved the creation of this facsimile edition of the first printing of the first edition.” Pre-ordered books will be shipped directly to the purchaser in April 2014. The unit price is \$12.00. You can order directly from AA World Services, Inc. or you can purchase it from you local Intergroup Office. The Intergroup Office is open Monday through Friday from 9 to 5, and on Saturday from 9:30 to 1:30. We carry a complete line of AA Grapevine literature as well as AA Conference Approved literature and CD’s. In love & service, Ed B

General Service/Intergroup Liaison: Deb. M.- District 8 has not met. No Report Submitted.

South County Intergroup Liaison: Mark - No Report Submitted.

Archives Committee Liaison: Amanda V – No Report Submitted.

Committee Reports:

Public Information: Sean M – Activities: Number of locations now on established literature distribution cycle: 14 (Most recent addition: ‘Faith, Love & Hope LLC’ 10th Avenue and Congress in Lake Worth); With invaluable assistance of Susan D. and Bob C., P.I. represented our Intergroup at the 2nd Annual Veteran’s Stand-Down Event on Saturday 28 September in the Activities Building at Pompey Park in Del Ray Beach from 10:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Approximately \$30.00 worth of healthy snack-foods were enthusiastically picked up by the <= 105 registered, (wearing wristbands), attendees. Unfortunately, only about 10 pamphlets were taken. Event was very well organized. We had our usual table set up with the PSA's running on a loop on the PC. There is a as-yet-to-be-formally-announced event being planned for around Halloween by the 'Partnership for a Drug-Free Community' office in West Palm Beach. We will attend / participate if the venue is appropriate and scheduling permits. Respectfully Submitted and In Service, Sean M. - 561.685.6191 – bsspm99@comcast.net

12 Step List: Scott M – am an alcoholic and my name is Scott. It is an honor and privilege to serve as you 12 step list committee chair. Since the last meeting, there has not been any action with the 12 step list. The people on the list of now are active, and I am looking forward to trying to get more people to join. If anyone has questions on knows anybody who would like to join, please let me know.Thanks again,Scott

Phone Volunteer Committee: Troy – No Report Submitted.

TODAY: Colleen M – We printed six hundred-fifty copies of the Today for the month of October. Thank you to those who helped with submissions and editing. As always, suggestions for content are welcome at today@aa-palmbeachcounty.org. Please send all submissions 2 weeks before the beginning of the month of the edition you wish to have your information published (e.g. if you want something printed in December, please submit it by mid-November).

You can now receive the Today via email by sending an email to:pbcregistrar@gmail.com with "Send Today to My Email" in the subject line or find it online at www.aa-palmbeachcounty.org. In love and service, Colleen

Birthday Club: Ed W – Hi Everybody! Well, I mailed out this month's Medallions last weekend as well as my report to Colleen for the Today, and will be mailingout the Today's this weekend. If anyone would like a subscription to the Today or to join the Birthday Club, please contact me or the Intergroup Office. Everything else is going good and Thank You for allowing me to be of Service. Ed W.

Website Committee: Posted Where & When, Today, Intergroup Meeting Minutes & Potluck Dinner flyer on the website.Trish

Group Contact Committee: Len G – Group Contact Committee

The Intergroup Database has been updated to include group contact name, email and phone number; The Group Contact Notice is posted on the Intergroup office bulletin board and copies are available for visitors; The Group Contact Notice is published in the Today newsletter;The Group Contact Notice is posted at the Triangle Club, Oasis Club, BillyBob Club and is expected to be posted at the Easy Does It Club and others soon; The Group Contact Committee description has been updated at the PBCIA website as follows: The **Group Contact Committee** contacts groups that do not have an Intergroup Representative. The purpose is to identify someone in the group who is willing to be a contact in order for the group to receive information on Intergroup activities. Contact us at: groupcontact@aa-palmbeachcounty.org; The Registrar for District 8 has sent the Group Contact Notice to all of his DCM's and through them to the GSR's of the groups in North Palm Beach County asking them to go back to their groups to identify an Intergroup

Rep (if one does not exist) or a Group Contact person and email the requested information to me at groupcontact@aa-palmbeachcounty.org. We need the Intergroup Reps to carry the message of the need for a Group Contact to all of the Groups that do not have an Intergroup Rep. Please contact me at groupcontact@aa-palmbeachcounty.org for the names of the groups that need a Group Contact that meet at your locations. Thank you in advance for your support. Debbie A (IR, After Hours Group), Jason L (GC, Kirk Road Group) and Jennifer T (Eye Openers Group) have joined the Group Contact Committee and are visiting selected groups. Please join me in thanking them for their service. Additional Intergroup Rep volunteers are needed. Please contact me at groupcontact@aa-palmbeachcounty.org The latest Where & When dated 9/19/13 noting all Groups that do not have Intergroup Reps is available to all who wish to follow up with them to obtain Group Contact information. Please see me for more information. Our Office Manager will start sending out the Group Contact Notice with the receipt to all groups that make contributions that do not have an Intergroup Representative. Thanks Ed! Respectfully submitted, Len G.

Bridging the Gap Committee: Steve H – Went with Ed to speak at Watershed and as a result was able to place a client in the hands of BTG in Green Bay, WI. Still need to reach out to Rehabs & Recovery Centers to express the importance of utilizing BTG's services. Genesis reached out for a client who was supposed to relay his contact info to me but the "result was nil". Also did a radio spot on Recovery Radio with Indian Bob and was able to do a brief summary of the services available. Looking forward to growing BTG as many of the counterparts in other states have not heard from us in sometime.

Where & When Committee: Ali H – (Roger submitted in Ali's absence) Meeting changes were updated on the Where & When database and forwarded to the Website Committee. New Meeting Lists were printed and our current inventory is approximately 1600. If anyone is aware of any group meeting changes, please let us know through the Intergroup Office or email via the website. Thanks, Roger B.

Institutions Committee: Fred B – No Report Submitted.

Advisory Board Meeting: Next meeting Oct 15th at 6:00 pm Intergroup Office

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Upcoming Events: Potluck Dinner, October 19th – see above for more information

Meeting Adjourned: 6:45 p.m.

**Palm Beach County Intergroup
Operating Report
09/01/2013 - 09/30/2013**

Revenues:

Literature Sales	\$ 4,774.76
Sales Tax	285.71
Group Contributions	2,767.24
Annual Picnic	80.00
Potluck Dinner	112.00
Birthday Club Memberships	81.00
Meeting Baskets	37.00
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Total Revenues: **\$ 8,137.71**

Expenses:

Literature Purchases	\$ 2,462.22
Sales Tax	328.22
Potluck Dinner	150.00
Office Salary	2,746.16
FICA & Unemployment Tax	210.08
Paychex(monthly fee)	77.00
Health Insurance	500.00
Rent & Water	475.00
AT&T (Internet, Phone, Website)	295.15
FP&L	135.46
Exterminating	35.00
Repairs & Maintenance	22.93
Printing	231.00
Office Supplies / Postage	101.52
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Total Expenses **\$ 7,769.74**

Monthly Surplus / (Deficit) **\$ 367.97**

Checking Account Balance **\$ 17,360.60**

Prudent Reserve Interest **\$ 0.45**

Prudent Reserve Balance **\$ 17,541.70**

**Palm Beach County Intergroup
Operating Report
September 30, 2013**

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Revenues:			
Literature Sales	\$ 4,774.76	\$ 4,598.01	\$ 176.75
Sales Tax	285.71	278.65	7.06
Group Contributions	2,767.24	2,901.46	(134.22)
Annual Picnic	80.00	-	80.00
Potluck Dinner	112.00	280.00	(168.00)
"Today" Subscriptions	-	6.00	(6.00)
Birthday Club Memberships	81.00	63.00	18.00
Meeting Baskets	37.00	53.00	(16.00)
WPB FCYPAA Bid Contribution	-	45.69	(45.69)
Total Revenues:	\$ 8,137.71	\$ 8,225.81	\$ (88.10)
Expenses:			
Literature Purchases	\$ 2,462.22	\$ 2,340.43	\$ 121.79
Sales Tax	328.22	232.59	95.63
Annual Picnic	-	-	-
Potluck Dinner	150.00	125.82	24.18
Office Salary	2,746.16	2,615.40	130.76
FICA & Unemployment Tax	210.08	200.08	10.00
Paychex (Monthly Fee)	77.00	72.00	5.00
Health Insurance	500.00	500.00	-
Rent & Water	475.00	475.00	-
AT&T (Internet, Phone, Website)	295.15	324.74	(29.59)
FP&L	135.46	132.87	2.59
Exterminating	35.00	35.00	-
Repairs & Maintenance	22.93	34.34	(11.41)
Alarm Permit (Annual charge)	-	25.00	(25.00)
Printing	231.00	175.00	56.00
Office Supplies / Postage	101.52	148.79	(47.27)
Total Expenses	\$ 7,769.74	\$ 7,437.06	\$ 332.68
Monthly Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 367.97	\$ 788.75	\$ (420.78)
Checking Account Balance	\$ 17,360.60	\$ 13,571.47	\$ 3,789.13
Prudent Reserve Balance	\$ 17,541.70	\$ 16,676.59	\$ 865.11

Office Activity for September, 2013

	<u><i>This Year</i></u>	<u><i>Last Year</i></u>	<u><i>Difference</i></u>
<i>Requests for meetings info:</i>	161	138	23
<i>12th Step requests:</i>	4	3	1
<i>BTG</i>	-	1	(1)
<i>Other information:</i>	110	58	52
<i>Public Information requests:</i>	-	-	-
<i>Institutions Meeting requests:</i>	2	-	2
 <i>Visitors:</i>	 295	 250	 45
<i>Emails:</i>	<u>215</u>	<u>220</u>	<u>(5)</u>
 <i>Total Activity:</i>	 787	 670	 117
 <i>Website visits - 1st time: (*)</i>	 4,499	 1,411	 3,088
<i>Website visits - return visits:</i>	<u>1,017</u>	<u>312</u>	<u>705</u>
 <i>Total:</i>	 5,516	 1,723	 3,793