

PBC INTERGROUP
Date: March 11, 2015

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
Start time: 6:15 p.m.

Open Meeting ----- Serenity Prayer ----- 12 Traditions Read

Number of attendees: 49

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 depends our lives; and the lives of those to come.

Introduction of new reps: No new reps this month.

Chairperson: Gary B - If anyone wishes to place a motion on the April Agenda it should be received by me by next Wednesday, March 18, 2015, by 12 o'clock noon. The only reports that will be heard tonight are the Officers and Office Manager Report's and the motion, made by Mark, which appears in New Business. Tonight we will begin the process by which we will select our Trusted Servants for the next panel. Officers and Advisory Committee Members will serve a 2 year term and Committee Chairperson's and Liaison's will serve a 1 year term. We will use the Third Legacy Process, which I will explain before we begin the selection process. The Third Legacy is the most Spiritual Process that a service entity can engage in. It is during this Selection Process we invite the "Power Greater Than Ourselves" to guide our Trusted Servants in selecting those amongst who offers themselves for Service in whatever Service Capacity that are called to volunteer for. Please pray where you may be of Service to Your Intergroup during the next term of office. Additionally, please listen carefully to those who are offering themselves for Service so that you may choose wisely. In Love & Service, Gary B., PBC Intergroup Chairperson

Alternate Chair: Steve H – Due to my father's condition and the upcoming wedding of my son, I will not be able to attend this month's business meeting! I would like to humbly thank all for the opportunity to serve as Alternate Chair for the interim of its vacancy! I would be honored and privileged to serve a full term as Alternate and continue on as I have learned so much, right and wrong. The honor of being a trusted servant has been a vital mainstay of my SOBRIETY! I will not however turn it into a contested position! If someone stands, I will surely step down and allow someone else to experience the privilege. Should no one stand for the position however, I would gladly stay on as Alternate Chair to serve a term in its entirety! You are all in

my thoughts and prayers and God's answer will be revealed in the group conscience!
In Grateful Service, Steve H. Alt. Chr.

Treasurer: Mark H – Attached please find my reports. My additional comments are below. I have brought a motion to disburse the entire \$5,000 bequest because we have no real use for the money. Our prudent reserve has been re-calculated and it resulted in \$410.37 disbursement to our checking account. This means our operating expenses went down last year, which is quite a accomplishment. Overall the Intergroup's finances are strong and I thank you for all the individual and group contributions that make our mission possible. Thank you, Mark
Basket passed in accordance with our 7th Tradition

Secretary: Deb M – Thank you to all who have turned in your reports; if you have not please get it to me by early Thursday evening so I have time to put the minutes into final form for submission to the Chair and the Registrar. Since only the officers will be giving reports tonight, know that the reports will be in the minutes so you have the information for your groups. It is suggested that all new representatives and alternate representatives go to the Palm Beach County Intergroup website (aa-palmbeachcounty.org) and view the Home page, tab “About Intergroup” and read the by-laws – all of which are on the website. Additionally, we have a hard copy packet that contains much useful information on your role as an Intergroup Representative.

Registrar: Roger B – 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, Alternate Reps, or newly elected Committee Chairs/Officers, please complete a yellow information card and hand to the Secretary. Thanks, Roger B. – Intergroup Registrar

Office Manager: Ed B – Office activity for February was 691. This was 102 less than last month and 70 less than last year. Much of the decline was in the area of emails received & phone calls for meeting information. Everything else was more or less unchanged. Upfront there were flyers for the Old-Timers' Meeting on March 28th, the upcoming South Florida Area Conference Quarterly, & an article from the current Box 459 titled “Anonymity and the 2015 International Convention.” Please take them back to your Groups. As you know the Old-Timers Speaker Meeting will be held Saturday, March 28th. There is a volunteer sign up list circulating. Some of the assignments are: set-up, greeters, servers, dessert prep, soda sales, and clean-up. So pick what you want to do & join us. Last year we had 22 speakers with a total of

941 years of continuous sobriety. The Intergroup Office is open Monday through Friday from 9 to 5, and on Saturday from 9:30 to 1:30. And finally, we have an opening for an Office Volunteer on Wednesdays from 1 – 5 pm. If anyone is interested they can contact the Intergroup Office. In love & service, Ed B

General Service/Intergroup Liaison: Doug L - District Meeting 3/8/15. Began at 4pm and ended at 6:30pm. (1) Old Timer's Cake Social and Speaker Meeting will be at Holy Spirit Catholic Church on Lantana Rd in Lantana. Doors open at 5:30 pm and speakers start at 6:30 pm. (2) Our District will be hosting the General Services Quarterly Meeting 4/10-4/12/15 at the Boca Raton Marriott. Topics will be reviewed and discussed for the upcoming 2016 General Service Conference. Volunteers are requested to help out at the Quarterly. (3) Committee Chairpersons gave their agendas for discussion at the Quarterly Assembly 4/10-12/15. Love & service, Doug L.

South County Intergroup Liaison: John – no report submitted

Archives Committee Liaison: Greg R – no report submitted

Committee Reports:

Public Information: Sean - February- March 2015. Running low on pamphlets, will restock week ending Saturday 14 March. (Pending approval from Susan D.) Usual distribution locations - including new DUI education 'School' @ Belvedere Road & Military Trail. (left them 2 each of the general information and provided Intergroup Office telephone #, address and hours - they can buy them retail here.) There is an open event on the 17th of March from 10 A.M. till 3 P.M. sponsored by the office that coordinates the recovery events at the Fairgrounds every year. Event to be held at the Awareness Council office on High Ridge and Gateway in Boynton Beach. We have a table reserved at no cost, (there is no charge at all and no concern re 'Self-Supporting Through. . .' Tradition. I WILL BE GRATEFUL TO ANYONE THAT CAN SHOW UP WITH ME :) !!! My mobile # is 561.685.6191 & my home number is 561.687.2631. Respectfully submitted! Sean M.

12 Step List: Matthew S– Still looking for new members for the 12 step volunteer list. I just received some new volunteers and will be adding those to the phone list and sending those out. If you know anyone willing to serve please let me know. My email is matthewstevens788@yahoo.com Thank you for letting me serve, -Matthew

Phone Volunteer Committee: Troy T – Thank you for allowing me to serve as your phone chairperson. All slots not filled and I am covering as needed. I will be emailing out the updated copy of the volunteer list as I have made some changes. Well it is election Time and in the Spirit of rotation this Position is up for grabs. It is some work but a very integral part of the Intergroup service structure. Stand for it!!!! I will help you get started and stick with you till you are comfortable. This is a very rewarding service commitment and you get a chance to meet and talk with lots of folks both newcomers and veterans alike. If you are interested in serving as a phone volunteer feel free to contact me. Thanks for the opportunity to serve, Troy T
561-301-3624 phonevolunteer@aa-palmbeachcounty.org

TODAY: Rosemary T – This month we printed 650 copies of the newsletter. I'm sorry I cannot attend tonight's meeting; I have a family event I have to attend. I have had a great time working on the newsletter. After the elections, please have the new committee chair get in touch with me. If no new chair is elected, I will gladly continue to work on the Today until something more permanent is arranged.
Rosemary T

Birthday Club: Anita L – Report on the birthday club of Palm Beach intergroup. All is going well. No new joiners for the Today or Birthday Club. Thanks for allowing me to do service. Anita L

Website Committee: Randy B – Since the last business meeting I have made the following updates and changes: - Updated Announcement & Events page; - Posted the: Today, Intergroup Business Meeting minutes, New meeting, Agenda for March meeting, updated events on the Home page.

Web Stats for the month of February
Unique total visits 7,395
First Time Visits 6,018
Returning Visits 1,377

Keep up the good work. With Smiles & Somersaults, Randy B

Group Contact Committee: Vacant

Bridging the Gap Committee: Vacant

Where & When Committee: Scott M – I'm an alcoholic my name is Scott. As of now we continue to update the where and when whenever possible. If you or anybody knows of any changes please let myself or Ed at the intergroup office know. Thanks so much! Scott

Institutions Committee: As the result of the closing of CARP your Institutions Committee brings 61 meetings a week to 38 facilities – with one new one in the past month. Our response to our ongoing need for new volunteers this month was 13 new volunteers. There are still plenty of opportunities for all interested in this rewarding service work. Plan to attend our regular meeting at the Triangle Club the 1st Sunday each month: new member orientation at 4:30 pm followed by the full committee meeting at 5:00pm. New volunteers need to have six months of continuous sobriety and will observe 2 meetings in facilities prior to active service. Yours in Love and Service, Jonathan B Co-Chairman

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

1. Motion: Mark H: A disbursement of \$5,000 of excess funds be contributed to AAWS (Alcoholics Anonymous World Service). PURPOSE: All expenses have been paid. PBC Intergroup's Prudent Reserve is at its maximum as stipulated by our By-Laws. We have received \$5,000.00 that was bequeathed to PBC Intergroup in a member's will. The Advisory Committee recommends that Intergroup contribute the \$5,000 to AAWS (Alcoholics Anonymous World Service) because our financial status is very stable due to generosity of our groups and these funds can be put to better use by AAWS. Respectfully Submitted: Mark H., PBC Intergroup Treasurer

The Motion was seconded; no discussion was put forth; vote taken and passed unanimously.

2. Elections: Were held in accord with the Third Legacy and the results are as follows:

Chair: Mark H.
Alt Chair: No one stood

Treasurer: Deb M.
Registrar: Roger B.
Secretary: Scott
Advisory Committee: Bob and Jasine stood; 1 opening remaining
Where & When: Linda R
Group Contact: Maria

For all of the other committee chair positions, no one stood and the process will roll over to next month. It was suggested the members think about where they can be of service and come back next month. A couple of positions that are currently being held by people who only recently took over the positions will likely be filled by those individuals but we won't know that until next month.

Upcoming Events: Old Timer's Speaker Meeting, March 28, 2015

Meeting Adjourned: 6:55p.m.

See you next month!

Deb M.
Intergroup Secretary

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Operating Report
2/02/2015 - 2/28/2015**

Opening Balance Checking:		\$ 19,461.74
Revenues:		
Literature Sales	\$ 4,977.55	
Sales Tax	296.13	
Group Contributions	3,896.95	
Birthday Club Memberships	103.00	
Meeting Baskets	95.50	
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Total Revenues:		\$ 9,369.13
Expenses:		
Literature Purchases	\$ 4,018.27	
Sales Tax	309.39	
Office Salary	2,746.16	
FICA & Unemployment Tax	226.28	
Paychex(monthly fee)	77.00	
Health Insurance	208.33	
Rent & Water	475.00	
AT&T (Internet, Phone, Website)	295.76	
FP&L	77.15	
Exterminating	37.00	
Printing	231.00	
Costco Membership Renewal	55.00	
Office Supplies / Postage	336.21	
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Total Expenses		\$ 9,092.55
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Monthly Surplus / (Deficit)		\$ 276.58
Transfer from Prudent Reserve		410.37
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Closing Balance Checking:		\$ 20,148.69
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Opening Balance Prudent Reserve:		\$ 17,764.10
Transfer to Checking		(410.37)
Prudent Reserve Interest		0.45
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Closing Balance Prudent Reserve:		\$ 17,354.18
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	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Calendar YTD</u>
Revenues:		
Literature Sales	\$ 4,977.55	\$ 10,266.27
Sales Tax	296.13	613.65
Tax Exempt Sales	-	124.00
Group Contributions	3,896.95	7,293.85
Christmas Alcothon	-	27.04
New Year's Alcothon	-	597.94
Riverbottom Christmas Meeting	-	206.00
Birthday Club Memberships	103.00	138.00
Meeting Baskets	95.50	161.50
Memorial Contribution	-	5,000.00
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Total Revenues:	\$ 9,369.13	\$ 24,428.25
Expenses:		
Literature Purchases	\$ 4,018.27	\$ 6,828.50
Sales Tax	309.39	606.27
Office Salary	2,746.16	6,178.86
FICA & Unemployment Tax	226.28	509.13
Paychex(monthly fee)	77.00	154.00
Health Insurance	208.33	416.66
Liability Insurance (annual)	-	1,666.70
Rent & Water	475.00	950.00
AT&T (Internet, Phone, Website)	295.76	593.70
FP&L	77.15	172.15
Exterminating	37.00	74.00
Repairs & Maintenance	-	85.00
Printing	231.00	462.00
Costco Membership	55.00	55.00
Office Supplies / Postage	336.21	701.17
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Total Expenses	\$ 9,092.55	\$ 19,453.14
Monthly Surplus / (Deficit)	\$ 276.58	\$ 4,975.11

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February 28, 2015**

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Revenues:			
Literature Sales	\$ 4,977.55	\$ 4,588.54	\$ 389.01
Sales Tax	296.13	277.13	19.00
Tax Exempt Sales	-	275.00	(275.00)
Group Contributions	3,896.95	6,130.85	(2,233.90)
Potluck Dinner	-	40.00	(40.00)
Birthday Club Memberships	103.00	1.00	102.00
Meeting Baskets	95.50	71.05	24.45
Total Revenues:	\$ 9,369.13	\$ 11,383.57	\$ (2,014.44)
Expenses:			
Literature Purchases	\$ 4,018.27	\$ 4,106.80	\$ (88.53)
Sales Tax	309.39	320.82	(11.43)
Office Salary	2,746.16	2,746.16	-
FICA & Unemployment Tax	226.28	226.28	-
Paychex (Monthly Fee)	77.00	77.00	-
Health Insurance	208.33	125.00	83.33
General Liability Insurance	-	1,768.07	(1,768.07)
Rent & Water	475.00	475.00	-
AT&T (Internet, Phone, Website)	295.76	293.58	2.18
FP&L	77.15	80.46	(3.31)
Exterminating	37.00	35.00	2.00
Printing	231.00	231.00	-
Costco Membership Renewal	55.00	-	55.00
Office Supplies / Postage	336.21	267.34	68.87
Total Expenses	\$ 9,092.55	\$ 10,752.51	\$ (1,659.96)
Monthly Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 276.58	\$ 631.06	\$ (354.48)
Checking Account Balance	\$ 20,148.69	\$ 16,624.29	\$ 3,524.40
Prudent Reserve Balance	\$ 17,354.18	\$ 17,759.24	\$ (405.06)

Office Activity for February, 2015

Requests for meetings info:	153
12th Step requests:	6
BTG:	-
Other information:	73
Public Information requests:	-
Institutions Meeting requests:	-
Visitors:	289
Emails:	<u>170</u>
Total Activity:	691