PBC INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Date: 3/9/16 Start time: 6:15 p.m.

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

Number of attendees: 40

<u>Declaration of Unity</u>: 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.

<u>Introduction of new reps</u>: Tanya J, rep for Free Spirited Women

Lisa U, rep for The Steps We Took

<u>Chairperson</u>: Mark H - If anyone wishes to place a motion on the April Agenda it should be received by me by next Wednesday, March 16, 2016, by 12 o'clock noon. We have begun using the Square account to accept credit cards and I feel it has been successful. For the month of February we accepted payments of \$433.71 in 11 separate transactions. I think we will have to consider buying a tablet for the office in the future.

In last month's meeting I reinstated the bridging the gap position. Since that time I have heard from Joe and he has resigned from the position. I will add it to the list of positions we have to elect tonight.

Tonight we will elect all committee chair positions and liaisons. Committee Chairperson's and Liaison's serve a 1 year term. We will use the Third Legacy Process, which I will explain before we begin the elections.

In service,

Mark H

Alternate Chair: Jasine H - PBC Intergroup will sponsor the Old Timer's Meeting in April 9, 2016, at the Triangle Club. The sobriety cutoff will be 30 years. All people wishing for a chance to participate should register with Ed B at the Intergroup Office or by calling me at 917-837-0275. So far we have 28 possible speakers registered. All names will be put into a hat and picked at the Old Timer speaker's meeting. We will limit the number of people who can share, in order to offer some extra time to each speaker (approx. 10 minutes). This meeting will be an open meeting format and anyone may attend. Coffee & cake service begins at 5:30. Speakers begin at 6:15 and go until 9:15. We need volunteers to help with set up, coffee making & cake service and cleanup. Please see me to volunteer your services. Thank you for your

participation. We look forward to you all being at the Old Timer Speaker's meeting. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. In Love & Service,
Jasine H

<u>Treasurer</u>: Deb M - Thanks to all of you for allowing me to serve as your Treasurer. As usual, the reports are attached to the minutes and published in the Today and on the website. For March, the opening balance in the checking account is \$16,250.25 with revenues of \$9,424.64 and expenses of \$8,044.07 for this month's surplus of \$1,380.57 leaving a closing balance of \$17,630.82. The prudent reserve is also strong at \$17,358.12. Overall the Intergroup finances remain strong. Love & service – Deb M

Basket passed in accordance with our 7th Tradition

<u>Secretary</u>: Scott 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. 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. Thanks, Scott

<u>Registrar</u>: 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

Office Manager: Ed B - All is well in the Intergroup Office. And nothing new to report. Office Activity for February was 677. This was 69 less than last month and 14 less last year. Intergroup Office hours are Monday through Friday from 9 to 5, and on Saturday from 9:30 to 1:30. In love & service, Ed B

General Service/Intergroup Liaison: Ed W - Well, there is definitely a lot going on in District 8! 1st things 1st, as you might have heard, District 20 has stepped down

as the host of the July 15th-17th quarterly. So District 8 has stepped up to the plate and will be hosting it. Now, they usually have a whole year to prepare and are now under the gun so to speak as the quarterly is 4 months out. That being said, the 1st organizational meeting will be this Sunday, the 13th here at the intergroup office at 2:00pm and just a heads up, that's also the 1st day of daylight savings time. The Secretary, Hotel Liaison and Registration chairs have been filled but they definitely need volunteers. The following committee chairs are open and they will need volunteers as well: Treasurer, Greeters, Program, Speaker, Banquet, Coffee, Hospitality, Special Needs, Room Scanner, Ready Squad and Voice of the Quarterly. So let's get the word out that Our District needs some support! Also, speaking of quarterlies, the April 8th-10th St. Petersburg quarterly hotel is sold out, so if your home groups GSR hasn't got a room yet, the Room and Ride Chair has found alternative rooms. Ok, there are other Events coming up as well, in June the Founders Day Dinner will be June 11th at The Finland House and at 2:00pm the following day at the Triangle Club the Delegate Luncheon will be held, where you can find out all about what's going on at the General Service Office in New York. One other thing that was brought to light last month was the fact that you don't have to be a member of the body at District to be a committee member, any member of AA can participate, they just don't have a vote at the Business meeting. So, in summary, there are plenty of service opportunities out there! Hopefully this gets some folks energized and once again, let's get the word out about the rewards of service. Things are great in District 8! If you need more details about last month's meeting let me know. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

South County Intergroup Liaison: Laura K -

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The South County intergroup meeting took place 2/24/16. This is what transpired: The Intergroup Picnic will take place at John Prince Park 4/24/16. There will be raffles for a big screen TV, Grocery Gift Card and 50/50 raffle. For kids there is a bounce house, face painting and games. There is also live music, and a barbecue. I have tickets for 10.00. Intergroup would like to thank the anonymous donors for the 50 inch tv, publix card and 400 tickets that were printed. Archives is attending a workshop in Winter Park Florida. Gsr need volunteers to bring meetings to special needs people.

Thank you for keeping me sober Laura K

Archives Committee Liaison: Howard C – No report submitted

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Public Information: Vacant

12 Step List: Luiz C - Hi, my name is Luiz C and have the privilege to service as this committee's chair. There are no changes on our list at the moment. I still wanted to ask all present to announce at meetings that you attend that we are always in need of volunteers. Let them know that they define their own availability, they do not need to be available 24/7. And also that there are two different positions, one dependent on transportation, where the volunteer is contacted to take someone to a facility or a meeting, and the other just to be available to talk with alcoholics on the phone. And that their information is not given to the caller, the caller's information is taken and then the volunteer is contacted, given the caller information, and they contact the caller, if they are available.

Anyone interested can contact me at #561 8275168, or scimitar2127@hotmail.com (please put "12th step list" on subject of e-mail) I thank you all for the help.
In L&S

Luiz C

<u>Phone Volunteer Committee</u>: Jennifer T - Hello everyone thanks for entrusting me to serve on the Phone Committee. Things are running smoothly and I thank all the volunteers for their commitments. Everyone seems to be very reliable and I have heard some wonderful stories from many of the volunteers, and that makes it all worth it. If anyone is interested in helping out with the phone line's we could always use some back up's. Presently I am looking for someone for Friday 5-8 and Saturday 8 to 11 pm. Please feel free to call me.

Again thanks so much in Peace, love and Service, Jennifer T.

<u>TODAY</u>: Rosemary T – No report submitted

Birthday Club: Amy C –

- February Today's mailed 2/11/16
- February medallions mailed 2/19/16
- 2/29/16 printed March Birthday Club Celebrants, picked up medallions and updated data base

- 3/1/16 E Mailed March Birthday Club celebrants to Today Chair
- 3/4/16 E Mailed March Birthday Club Report to Intergroup Secretary

<u>Website Committee</u>: Randy B - Since the last business meeting I have made the following updates and changes:

- Updated Announcement & Events page
- Posted the Today
- -Posted Intergroup Business Meeting minutes
- -posted new Where and When
- -Posted Agenda for March 9th meeting

And here are the Web Stats for the month of February

Unique total visits 8,852

First Time Visits 7,178

Returning Visits 1,674

A 14% increase over February 2015

With Smiles & Somersaults,

Randy B

Group Contact Committee: Maria S – No report submitted

Bridging the Gap Committee: Vacant

Where & When Committee: Roger B - Updates were made to the meeting database and an order was placed with the printing company for new booklets. Inventory is full at this time. Met with Kate D who will be assuming responsibility for the Where & When, and gave her all files and went over some details of the position.

Thanks, Roger B.

<u>Institutions Committee</u>: Jonathon B – No report submitted

<u>Unfinished Business</u>: None

New Business: Elections!!!!!!

General Service/Intergroup Liaison – Vacant South County Intergroup Liaison – Ed W Archives Committee Liaison – Howard C

Public Information – Vacant

12 Step List – Luiz C

Phone Volunteer Committee – Vacant Today – Vacant Birthday Club – Amy C Website Committee – Vacant Group Contact Committee – Bob W Bridging the Gap – Vacant Where and When – Kate D

<u>Upcoming Events</u>: Old timer's speaker meeting, see alternate chair report

Meeting Adjourned: 6:52pm

See you next month!

Scott

## Palm Beach County Intergroup Operating Report 2/01/2016 - 2/29/2016

<b>Opening Balance Checking:</b>			\$ 16,250.25
Revenues:			
Literature Sales	\$ 4,698.31		
Sales Tax	282.80		
Group Contributions	4,296.53		
Birthday Club Memberships	89.00		
Meeting Baskets	58.00		
<b>Total Revenues:</b>		\$ 9,424.64	
Expenses:			
Literature Purchases	\$ 3,015.35		
Sales Tax	350.78		
Credit Card Fees	11.93		
Office Salary	2,883.48		
FICA & Unemployment Tax	225.46		
Paychex(monthly fee)	80.00		
Health Insurance	208.33		
Rent & Water	475.00		
AT&T (Internet, Phone, Website)	309.24		
FP&L	80.63		
Exterminating	37.00		
Printing	231.00		
Office Supplies / Postage	135.87		
<b>Total Expenses</b>		\$ 8,044.07	
Monthly Surplus / (Deficit)			\$ 1,380.57
Closing Balance Checking:			\$ 17,630.82
<b>Opening Balance Prudent Reserve:</b>			\$ 17,537.68
Prudent Reserve Interest			0.44
<b>Closing Balance Prudent Reserve:</b>			\$ 17,538.12

## Palm Beach County Intergroup Operating Report February 29, 2016

	This Year	Last Year	Difference
Revenues:			
Literature Sales	\$ 4,698.31	\$ 4,977.55	\$ (279.24)
Sales Tax	282.80	296.13	(13.33)
Group Contributions	4,296.53	3,896.95	399.58
Birthday Club Memberships	89.00	103.00	(14.00)
Meeting Baskets	58.00	95.50	(37.50)
<b>Total Revenues:</b>	\$ 9,424.64	\$ 9,369.13	\$ 55.51
Expenses:			
Literature Purchases	\$ 3,015.35	\$ 4,018.27	\$ (1,002.92)
Sales Tax	350.78	309.39	41.39
Credit Card Fees	11.93	-	11.93
Office Salary	2,883.48	2,746.16	137.32
FICA & Unemployment Tax	225.46	226.28	(0.82)
Paychex (Monthly Fee)	80.00	77.00	3.00
Health Insurance	208.33	208.33	-
Rent & Water	475.00	475.00	-
AT&T (Internet, Phone, Website)	309.24	295.76	13.48
FP&L	80.63	77.15	3.48
Exterminating	37.00	37.00	-
Printing	231.00	231.00	-
Costco Membership Renewal	-	55.00	(55.00)
Office Supplies / Postage	135.87	336.21	(200.34)
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$ 8,044.07	\$ 9,092.55	\$ (1,048.48)
Monthly Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 1,380.57	\$ 276.58	\$ 1,103.99
Checking Account Balance	\$ 17,630.82	\$ 18,371.95	\$ (741.13)
Prudent Reserve Balance	\$ 17,538.12	\$ 17,354.18	\$ 183.94

## Office Activity for February, 2016

Requests for meetings info:	129
12th Step requests:	6
BTG:	=
Other information:	37
Public Information requests:	-
Institutions Meeting requests:	3
Visitors:	250
Emails:	<u>252</u>
Total Activity:	677