

PBC INTERGROUP
Date: 7/13/16

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

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

Number of attendees: 51

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: Trey S, new rep for Young People Living Sober
Jessica C, new rep for High Noon
Brian L, new rep Love Faith and Life
Jeremy F, new rep Make Your Bed
Tom F, new rep Reflections
Mary Rose S, new rep Lantana Group
Pia K, new group contact Ladies Choice
Christine A, new rep Gratitude Group
Glenn E, alt rep for Sunny Isle
Christine B, rep for Sunny Isles

Chairperson: Mark H - Our office manager has been out for several weeks after surgery on his face. I spoke to him this morning and he will be out for at least the remainder of this week. His doctors are happy with his recovery. He anticipates being able to return part time next week. Even when he returns his ongoing treatment will almost certainly keep him out of the office.

Ed is still having trouble speaking and swallowing so if you must communicate with him do so via text. Our office volunteers have been doing an outstanding job keeping the office open in Ed's absence. They are the backbone of this body and I am grateful for their service.

I would like a sense of the body giving me permission to hire part time help if it is necessary.

As you may have noticed there are things missing tonight, like a treasurer's report. Deb is out of town and with Ed out it was just not possible. I would anticipate we would have those for you again next month.

If anyone wishes to place a motion on the August Agenda it should be received by me by next Wednesday, July 20, 2016, by 12 o'clock noon.

We have continued using the Square account to accept credit cards. We have purchased a tablet. It is out on the desk if you would like to see it. We have begun to train the office volunteers in its use. So far the training is going extremely well and I anticipate all of the volunteers will be accepting credit cards in the near future. As I have mentioned before our bylaws have not been updated in several years. I asked Roger to form an ad hoc committee to review the bylaws.

Tonight we will continue to elect one officers position and committee chair positions. Officers serve a two-year term and committee Chairperson's serve a one-year term. We will use the Third Legacy Process, which I will explain before we begin the elections.

In service,

Mark H., PBC Intergroup Chairperson

Alternate Chair: Vacant

Treasurer: Deb M – No Report Submitted

Basket passed in accordance with our 7th Tradition

Secretary: 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.

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

Office Manager: Ed B – No report submitted

General Service/Intergroup Liaison: Kevin – No report submitted

South County Intergroup Liaison: Ed W – No report submitted

Archives Committee Liaison: Howard C - Good evening everyone, I'm Howard, Jupiter Farms Group, alcoholic

Speaking with Steve S, the archives chairman for intergroup north county, he has informed me of an archives display table at the Founders Day Dinner on Saturday the 11th; Also at the upcoming quarterly in Boca Raton in July there will be two tables. Much sorting has been through the warehoused collection this area has accumulated throughout the years and promises to be very interesting. If you have any relevant artifacts or information to donate to District 8 archives, it would be very much treasured today, if not most certainly tomorrow. Are there any questions?

Thank you, Love and service
Howard C

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Information: Vacant

12 Step List: Luiz C – Hi, my name is Luiz and I am your chair for the committee.

First I would like to update our volunteer responsibilities. Though we used to offer rides as part of these responsibilities, we deemed it unsafe to ask our volunteers to continue doing so. Therefore, our 12th step will focus on the support of the alcoholic in need to talk to another alcoholic, which cannot be fulfilled by the volunteers while working at the intergroup office, or the hotline phone volunteers that need to keep their line open to receive as many calls as possible.

Also, it has been brought to my attention that many in our present list are unable to respond to the phone calls. So we are reaching out to all members of the fellowship to get more volunteers. There are sheets at the front table for anyone willing to take them to groups and ask for those with availability of at least a couple of hours and willingness to participate (they are NOT hotline volunteers, and there is no specific shift, they just let us know when would be better for them to be asked to talk to an alcoholic caller). If there are any volunteers, we ask you to either bring the sheet back here on the next Intergroup meeting, or email it to me at scimitar2127@hotmail.com (please write on subject "12th step list") I can also be contacted at (561)8275168.

Thank you for your help.

In Love and Service,

Luiz C

Phone Volunteer Committee: Jen T - Hello everyone,

I'm Jennifer and I gratefully remain powerless over alcohol.

Thanks for entrusting me with this service commitment. June was a pretty good month for the phone lines and for this I would like to thank our volunteers. We had a phone committee meeting after the intergroup meeting. It was the first meeting for the phone lines in a number of years and we decided to leave the phone relay system how it presently is. We will hold tri-annual meeting to discuss the phone line commitments and problems that might need to be addressed. It was a pleasure meeting all the people I have been talking with over the phone the last 8 months.

Thanks everyone,

Jennifer T

Feel free to ring me with any problems or questions.

561-541-0847

“We may not have it all together but together we have it all””

TODAY: Randy B - The July issue of the Today is before you. All Groups are encouraged to submit group activities to the Today.

The July issue is full of hints on how to stay sober on vacations well as the usual monthly financial reports, Birthday Club celebrants and Coming Events. Please take the Today back to your group and implore members to become a part of the intergroup. The following committees need volunteers now:

12 Step List

Phone Volunteers

Institutions Committee

Bridging the Gap

Group Contact Committee

Email addresses can always be found at www.aa-palmbeachcounty.org click on Committees and email the chairman of your choice.

Please remember that all group activity submissions ought to be at least 2 months in advance of the event.

With Smiles & Somersaults,

Randy B

Birthday Club: Amy C –

- June Today's mailed by Ed & volunteers; thank you all for helping me out
- June Medallions mailed
- 7/6/16 printed July Birthday Club celebrants picked up July medallions
- 7/7/16 E Mailed July Birthday Club celebrants to Today Chair

- 7/7/16 E Mailed July Birthday Club Report to Intergroup Secretary

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

- Updated Announcement & Events page, Officer and chairman email addresses
 - Posted the Today, Intergroup Business Meeting minutes, Agenda for July meeting
- Web Stats for the month of June

Unique total visits 8,538

First Time Visits 6,813

Returning Visits 1,725

A 20% increase over June 2015

Also I have had no luck getting in touch with Kimberly to pass over the reins on the website.

Group Contact Committee: Maria S - This is the report for this month; We continue announcing at the meetings! Great opportunity to serve. What fun! We have new groups registered this month. Both Contact and reps 🙌😊🙏 Thank you for the opportunity to serve 😊

Maria S

Bridging the Gap Committee: Rhonda B - I met with Patrick from General Service in June. He provided me with the information for the Google # that people coming from jail or treatment can contact to find a temporary contact. General Service District 6 contacted Patrick in June with names of two people from treatment centers in that area who were moving to this area. He got them with some people from the Bridging the Gap list and they got to meetings. Thanks to Patrick for handling that while I was out of town. I also attended the GS Institution meeting in July for our district and the orientation for institutions so I would have a better understanding of what goes on at institution meetings. At the August Institution meeting, I will be asking people who facilitate those meetings to take in the packets that have been put together so that those soon leaving the institution will have some contact information. I have some packets for Intergroup reps to take to their groups to find more people to serve as temporary contacts for Bridging the Gap. I have started a Google sheet and am putting all information on the Google sheet from the paper copy (and keeping a copy of the paper too) so that it is available for anyone who is the chairperson for Bridging the Gap in the future. I have signed up 4 people in the Wellington and Lake Worth area who are willing to be temporary contacts. Thanks for letting me serve, Rhonda

Where & When Committee: Kate D – No report submitted

Institutions Committee: Bill W – No report submitted

<u>Unfinished Business:</u> Elections:	Alternate Chair:	Remains Vacant
	Public Information:	Remains Vacant

New Business: None

Upcoming Events: None

Meeting Adjourned: 6:57

See you next month!

Scott

ADVISORY COMMITTEE – MEETING MINUTES – June 27, 2016

Attendees: Mark, Scott, Roger, Ginny, Deb, Bob

Not in attendance: Connie

Opened at 6:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer

Chair's remarks: We are looking into getting long and short term disability insurance for the Intergroup Office Manager. We did buy the tablet that was previously discussed, as well as the housing for it. Also, there is going to be an ad hoc committee formed to reevaluate the by-laws. Since the by-laws have been rewritten, we have learned a lot. We think that we can help the future of this body by looking at it again.

Alternate Chair's remarks: Vacant

Treasurer's remarks: Finances are strong. The donation got sent to World Services.

Registrar remarks: No report

Secretary's remarks: No report

Next meeting: September 26, 2016

Adjourned at 6:38pm