

PBC INTERGROUP
Date: 9/14/16

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

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

Number of attendees: 46

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:

- Vicki K, alt rep for Central Group
- Tammy G, rep for Hope on Haverhill
- Kim P, alt rep for Hope on Haverhill
- Joan L, rep for Higher Power
- Jeff H, rep for Eye Openers
- Giovanna M, rep for Depth and Weight
- Frankie N, rep for The Comfort Zone
- Michael S, alt rep for Love Faith and Life
- Alina P, rep for Mid Day Live
- Gary K, rep Central Group
- Dann T, rep for Lake Worth Young People

Chairperson: Mark H - Our office manager has been in to the office several times in the past few weeks. His health seems to be slowly improving. Additionally, we have had a volunteer offer to train in some of the back office operation. The volunteer, who has asked to remain anonymous, is training in these jobs in order to allow Ed the time he needs to recover. I am grateful for his service. The volunteer has been trained in paying the bills, ordering the merchandise and other parts of the operation.

We are still having trouble producing treasurer's reports. Ed and the volunteer have been working to produce treasure's reports; however, the effort is complicated by recreating financials for the past four months. I have been assured that we will have a treasurer's reports next month. I appreciate the groups understanding. To the best of my knowledge we are cash flow positive.

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. In particular Len, Nancy, Sam and Marta. I am incredibly proud of how well the intergroup is functioning under the circumstances.

If anyone wishes to place a motion on the October Agenda it should be received by me by next Wednesday, September 21, 2016, by 12 o'clock noon.

Tonight we will continue to elect one officers position. Officers serve a two year term. We will use the Third Legacy Process, which I will explain before we begin the elections. In service, Mark H

Alternate Chair: Vacant

Treasurer: Deb M - Since Ed is out I won't have reports but I will say this for inclusion in the minutes.

As I always say Ed makes my job easier and that is very apparent since his illness. I can report that the deposits are being done and the bills are being paid. Although I don't have those wonderful detailed reports that Ed prepares, I can tell you that as of last Friday we had \$11,154.23 in the bank (as opposed to \$10,970.40 this time last month) I am confident we remain strong and the necessary items to run the office are being taken care of by the volunteers. If you run into them at meetings, please give an extra thank you from all of us - they have been a godsend. Let us all pray for Ed's return to full time duties to get us back to his excellent standards. Deb M

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 – I'm an alcoholic and my name is Ed. We have taken the time to show select volunteers how to order inventory, write checks to for the treasurer to sign and prepare reports. Unfortunately, the reports could not be completed for the meeting tonight. They will be completed and available at the next Intergroup business meeting. After this week my post-op appointments should be less frequent and I'll be putting in more time at the office. Again I want to thank everyone for their prayers and good wishes. In love and service, Ed

General Service/Intergroup Liaison: Kevin R - Hello my name is Kevin I'm an Alcoholic. It's my privileged and honor to be serving you as your Intergroup Liaison to General Service. My home group is Monday Night Men's which meets every mon. at 8:30pm at the Triangle Club. Next Quarterly Assembly will be in Ft. Lauderdale held at the Marriott North Oct.7th through Oct. 9th. All are welcome to participate. The Instructions Committee is looking for volunteers to bring meetings to West Detention Center they are currently in need of female volunteers to bring meetings in at any time that's convenient for the volunteer. The West Detention Center is a county jail located in Belle Glade. Special Needs Committee is looking for volunteers willing to bring meetings to homebound and hospitalized alcoholic's. And they need volunteers to provide transportation to and from meeting and other AA events for the blind. If anyone needs more information or copies of the minutes from the General Service Meeting or copies of the 4 - motions voted on please see me after the meeting.
In love and service, Kevin R

South County Intergroup Liaison: Ed W - Unfortunately I didn't make it to last month's meeting, but here's what happened. A motion was made to use the AA literature recommendations concerning the contribution of money that was left over above the prudent reserve, after discussion and a vote it was decided to send it as follows: 40% = 10,000.00 to District 8, 30%=7500.00 to Area 15 and 30%=7500.00 to GSO. No home group stood as the chair for the serenity golf scramble, so it is not happening this year. The relay phone is covered through April of 2017 and the "No Matter What" group is in the midst of planning a gratitude dinner on Saturday Nov. 5th at the Advent Lutheran Church in Boca. Tickets will

be \$25.00 and available for purchase soon. More info will be coming soon. Thanks for letting me be of service, Ed W

Archives Committee Liaison: Howard - Hello everyone, thank you for being here today. I'm Howard, archive liaison, member of the Jupiter Farms Group, an alcoholic. Alcoholics Anonymous archives is a collection of our records and history as an institution. "A.A. has so much history that reflects the Miracle of our Legacies, that in the spirit of our twelfth Tradition, it seems right that we should be unaware of History as it surrounds us." This was taken from an excerpt from the "By the way, where were you Monday morning." 17th Annual Big book study, 1995, Pompano Beach, Joe and Charley talks. The reason I mention this is because we are making history today and researching our past keeps us enlightened. Know and share our past. Thank you for letting me be of service

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Information: Joe D - As the newly-elected chair, I spent the month researching the scope of the committee's responsibility and what is being done by others in the District and the area. I downloaded and studied the AA workbook and guidelines put out by General Services in New York. I met with the District 8 PICPC chair, spoke with the South County PI chair, and had an extensive meeting with the Broward County District 9 PICPC. I am now working on an action plan which will include meetings with MADD, DUI schools, and attendance at the Area 15 General Service Assembly in Fort Lauderdale in October, while seeking volunteers to join the committee. Please see me, or call me at 954-598-4302, if you wish to serve. Thank you for letting me serve. Joe D

12 Step List: Luiz C - Hello, my name is Luiz C, and have the privilege of serving as your 12th step committee chair. If you want to contact me, my phone # is 561 8275168, and my email is: scimitar2127@hotmail.com. Please don't forget to put on subject "12th step committee", or I will not receive it.

First I want to thank all volunteers that have been helping us for some time and those who are just starting. We appreciate your help. The list has been updated and send to both Mark and Jennifer, still waiting on some volunteers that have not responded to my messages. These will not be on the new list until I hear from them to confirm their availability.

Also we have copies of the list to add volunteers at the front table if anyone would like to take them to their home group, and also they are on the website, where you can print from.

Thank you for your help,
In Love and Service, Luiz C

Phone Volunteer Committee: Jennifer T - Thanks everyone for entrusting me to serve on the phone committee. Since our last phone meeting the lines have been running pretty smoothly. I would like to take this time to thank all the volunteers. We are planning on having another phone line pizza meeting sometime in late October. Day and time has not been set yet. If you would like to get active in your sobriety and help out on the relay phones we can always use new volunteers. Please call or text me at 561-541-0847 and I would be glad to talk with you. "We may not have it all together but together we have it all"
In Peace, Love and Service,
Jennifer T " I Gratefully Remain Powerless Over Alcohol."

TODAY: Randy B - The September issue of the Today is before you. All Groups are encouraged to submit group activities to the Today. This month has 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. Please remember that all group activity submissions ought to be at least 2 months in advance of the event.

Birthday Club: Amy C –

- August Today's & medallions mailed 8/13/16
- 9/1/16 printed September Birthday Club celebrants picked up September medallions
- 9/3/16 E Mailed September Birthday Club celebrants to Today Chair
- 9/12/16 E Mailed September Birthday Club Report to Intergroup Secretary

Website Committee: Kim Y - Happy Wednesday. I will not be present tonight so here is my report.

Website updated with the intergroup meeting minutes from August. Updated the meeting list/where and when effective 9/10/16, added the intergroup meeting agenda for this business meeting, and September Today Newsletter. There were a few emails last month asking for volunteer opportunities and I forwarded them to appropriate committee chairs. Please email if you have any special events you would like added to the events page.

Website traffic for August is as follows:

Unique Visits - 8,080

First Time Visits - 6,254

Returning Visits - 1,826

Group Contact Committee: Maria S - All is well we continue announcing at meetings interesting news after a long while. We got a contact person for the lunch bunch group 🍷 thank you got the opportunity to serve.

Maria

Bridging the Gap Committee: Rhonda B – No Report Submitted

Where & When Committee: Kate D – Since the last intergroup meeting, I have made 4 deletions, 1 addition and changed the name of Bentley's club to the 909 club. I sent the updates to the website. In love and service, Kate

Institutions Committee: Bill W - Institutions would like to remind everybody that we meet the first Sunday of every month at the Triangle Club, 1369 Okeechobee Road, W.P.B., 5 p.m. regular meeting to make changes, get books or pick up a new meeting. 4:30 orientation for anybody who wants to get involved. If you already take meetings into a facility, encourage your speakers to get orientated so they can cover for you if need be. It's a great way to get involved & do service! Currently we have 54 facilities' that hold 115 meetings a week with 8 vacancies. It's getting to be that time of year again for the Big Book Ball. We are putting committee's together and really need the support. Come to the Triangle Club the first or 3rd Sunday at 5 pm to volunteer and speak with Alex. We would absolutely love to have you. This is our primary way to raise Big Books to bring in institutions through the 7th tradition. Bigbookball.org is live, please visit our website to read about our New Year's Eve function!

Thanks for the privilege of service!

Bill W

By-Law Revision Ad-Hoc Committee - The committee met on Aug 23rd for the first time. Items discussed included the missing Archives Liaison description, eligibility for voting in elections and on motions, and Advisory Committee duties. One item that was cleared up immediately was the Archives Liaison. After researching previous Intergroup Minutes, it was discovered that this position was approved by the body January, 2011, but was never added into the By-Laws. It can therefore be added with no further action necessary. It was decided at the meeting

that each committee member would take a copy of the By-Laws to go through thoroughly and come up with items for discussion at the next meeting. It was also suggested that each member review the 12 Concepts of AA as homework. The next meeting was set to be Tuesday, September 20th, 2016 at 6PM at the Intergroup Office. Thanks, Roger B, Committee Chair

Unfinished Business: Elections: Alternate Chair: Vacant

New Business: Tammy will help with the alcathons

Upcoming Events:

Meeting Adjourned:

See you next month!

Scott