

PBC INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 12, 2018

Start time: 6:15 p.m.

Open Meeting ----- **Serenity Prayer** ----- **12 Traditions**

Number of attendees: 58

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:

Graham P. – The Gentlemen's Club – Group Rep.
Brian B. – The Unfortunates – Group Rep.
Mario - The Unfortunates – Alternative Rep.
Debra S. - A Rude Awakening – Group Rep.
Karen S. - A Rude Awakening – Alternative Rep.
Michael S. - Lake Worth Group – Alternative Rep.
Peter B. – Here and Now – Group Rep.
Lynda H. – Ladies Choice – Group Rep.
Dallas H. – Living on a Prayer – Group Rep.
Birena A. – Reflections – Group Rep.
Thorsen R. – Reflections – Alternative Rep.
Stephen C. – Positive Recovery Beginners – Group Rep.
William C. – Sunrise Sobriety – Group Rep.
Jude F. – Bring on the Big Book – Group Rep.

Chairperson: Deb M Good evening everyone, my name is Deb and I am an alcoholic. If you have a motion you would like seen on the Agenda to be presented next month, please e-mail it to me no later than December 26, 2018 – the deadline to be placed on the January Agenda.

I have received some feedback from my observation statement concerning the picnic attached to last month's minutes. Thank you to those who have responded. What I've received has been put to the Advisory Committee and many ideas are being tossed around. I am still looking for feedback – those who wish to please contact me direct at my personal email address:

bluecrest823@msn.com or call and leave a message or text my phone (561) 676-7580. We are open to feedback and suggestions.

The Advisory Committee met on December 3rd and a report from those minutes will be read later in the meeting.

Christmas eve/morning and New Year's eve/morning alco-thons are coming up this month. If you haven't done so already, please announce them at the meetings you attend. Maria will have more on that planning in her report.

Here's wishing you all a healthy and sober holiday season, both for what has passed and what is to come. That's it for me this evening. Love & service, Deb M.

Co-Chairperson: Maria S. – The feedback received from the picnic was discussed. Maria discussed the positive aspects of the picnic as well. She advised the Alcothon Flyer is included in the TODAY as well as the list of meeting.

Treasurer: Roger B. Revenues for November 2018 were \$5,146.75 and Expenses were \$6,606.38, resulting in a net deficit of \$1,459.63. This pretty much balances out the good month we had last month, with sales and contributions down for November. The opening checking balance for November was \$6,294.99 and the closing was \$4,732.16. The Prudent Reserve balance for November was \$13,546.27 including the 11 cents we made in interest. Thanks for allowing me to be of service, Roger B

Basket passed in accordance with our 7th Tradition

Secretary: Kate D –Thank you to all who have turned in your reports; if you have not please get it to me by Thursday at 5:00pm. Kate D.

Registrar: Scott M - 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 an information card and hand to the Secretary. If any information needs updating, please reach out. You all be happy now 😊 Thanks, Scott M

Office Manager: Tracy D - Happy Holidays from Palm Beach County Intergroup. We are gearing up for the 2018 / 2019 Alco-thons and volunteers are needed! If you have a truck and a morning off, please see me after the meeting!

Please keep in mind we will be closed 12/24 and 12/25 and 12/31 and 1/1. So, please plan accordingly for your yearly anniversaries.

We also have sobriety holiday cards available for sale in the office.

We need to thank the groups who have been so generous in supporting OUR cause along with supporting OTHER meetings and groups. Without their contributions, Intergroup would not survive!

I would like to thank our volunteers for their many hours of giving to Intergroup! Howie, my right hand, Elizabeth, Lisa, Ms. Pat, John

And our newest addition Paula! Kudos to John and Howie for their creativity on our Holiday decorations! They all make Intergroup an adventure, not just my job!

Thank you all for allowing me the privilege to be of service to any alcoholic reaching out for help. For that, I am grateful. With Love and In Service, Tracy

General Service/Intergroup Liaison: Rhonda B. No report submitted

South County Intergroup Liaison: Christine – No Report Submitted

Archives Committee Liaison: Richard M. – Good evening fellow Intergroup members. I spoke to Mike, the General Service Archives Representative for an update on the status of his committee. He advised his two year commitment just ended. He will stay on as Interim Representative until a replacement is found. He state General Service has no presentations currently scheduled. We will schedule a date in early January for me to gain information on the responsibilities of the Archives Committee. – Richard M.

Advisory Committee Minutes – See attached.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Information: Stacy – No report submitted

12 Step List: Sam B. – No report submitted

Phone Volunteer Committee: Debbie J This is Alcoholic Debbie, Chair of the Phone Committee. Greetings from the arctic region of Brooklyn, NY. It has been a rather challenging period - with holidays, resignations and unexplained disappearances from the Committee. Nevertheless, we are striving to ensure that all shifts are covered on an interim basis (even from NY). After the holidays recruiting efforts will resume. Happy Holidays and a Sober 2019 to All In grateful love and service, Debbie

TODAY: Cary M. – Thanks for continuing to supply material for the TODAY. Your copies are on the front table. Please take some and distribute to your group. Hugs, Cary M.

Birthday Club: Heather K Hi! The Birthday Club and Today's will be stamped and ready to be mailed on Monday! Love & Service, Heather K

Website Committee: Billy J – -Where and When updated as of 12/7//2018, December Today is posted, December Agenda is Posted, Minutes for November, Flyer for Tequesta Christmas party is posted, Christmas and New Year's Alco-Thon schedules are posted and various meetings updated on the App. Thanks! Billy J

Group Contact Committee: Melissa, No report submitted

Bridging the Gap Committee: Howie – No report submitted

Where and When: Tracy D. - Our newest Where and When's have arrived at a cost of \$650.00 and had 5 meeting changes since last month. If you submitted your change after the printing, please be aware they are NOT in the new Where and When.

It has come to our attention via "Awesome Billy the Web Master" the addresses are not being checked by the groups to insure accuracy. Please make sure YOU know where YOUR own group meets. Thank you and Happy Holidays! Tracy D.

Institutions Committee: JB Hey family, we had some good ideas come from our group conscience meetings. The one I'll reference is a great idea. We should bring where and when's to our facilities. I'm sure we'll have motions this month in our steering committee regarding these positive changes.

We're still searching for a recording secretary, if you'd like to get involved in the steering committee talk to me after the meeting. If you'd like to take a meeting into a treatment, detox, or other facility, please come to orientation the first Sunday of the month, 430pm here at the Intergroup office. Thank you for letting me serve. JB

Old Business: - Picnic Update - None

New Business: - All slots for the Christmas & New Year's Alco-thon meetings are listed and included in the Today. If you would like to volunteer to help out, please see Tracy D in the office.

Upcoming Events: Christmas Alco-thon and New Year's Alco-thon

Meeting Adjourned: 6:53pm

See you next month!

Advisory Committee Minutes – December 3, 2018, start 6:10pm

Members present, Deb, Maria, Roger, Scott, Kate, Vickie Maryann and JB

1. Chair – Deb M.

Office Manager's Insurance: Tracy currently receives \$150.00/month toward her Health Insurance as agreed upon when she was hired. The cost of her insurance policy for next year is \$233.00 / month, with a \$7900.00 deductible.

The committee discussed raising the contribution for Tracy's insurance to \$233.00, which is an \$83 increase per month and \$996.00 increase per year. The insurance contribution would be paid directly to the insurance carrier. It was unanimously voted by all members to raise the contribution for Health Insurance. The decision will be presented to Tracy.

Incorporation Status: Intergroup is officially incorporated as of November 1, 2018

Intergroup Picnic Feedback: There was a request to get feedback on the Intergroup Picnic due to the lack of participation by AA members throughout the last few years. After feedback from members, it was said that the latest picnic had some lack of organization and some members would have rather had the picnic in a park vs. The Triangle Club.

There were also suggestions from the AA community that possibly different events would be more successful, such as a movie night, softball, a comedian, bowling, etc. It was also discussed that possibly an event planning committee would be helpful and to reach out to younger members of the AA community for their input.

2. Alternate Chair – Maria S.

Alco-thon Planning: Tracy is designing a cover for the list of meetings as putting together the list of Christmas and New Year's Eve meetings that will be published in the today.

3. Treasurer – Roger B.

Roger then discussed the status of our accounts. There was a shortage of \$1700 in November after a \$1500 surplus in October. The deficit is due to both a 5 week pay period for the month as well as contributions were down \$2200.00. There are currently no bills due.

We are continuing to work with the accountant in conjunction with Terry, our Financial Software Integrator, to resolve records for the one month reporting period that was not on Quickbooks as well as compiling records from the Institutions Committee.

4. Registrar – Scott M. – no business

5. Secretary – Kate D. – no business.

The next Advisory Committee Meeting has been scheduled for March 11, 2019 at 6:00pm.

Meeting adjourned: 6:52pm