

PALM BEACH COUNTY INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Date: August 14, 2019

Start time: 6:15 PM

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

Number of attendees: 40

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:

- Cortney D – Rep – Lunch Bunch
- Sara S. – Rep – Lake Worth Young People
- Joe B. – Rep – Comfort Zone
- Bonnie M. – Alt Rep – Spirited Women

Chairperson: Roger B.

If you have a motion you would like seen on the Agenda to be presented next month, please e-mail it to me at rwbrand@gmail.com no later than August 28th, 2019 – the deadline to be placed on the Agenda. Our Alternate Chair, Bob, is back and has withdrawn his leave of absence request. More from him during his report. I met with Mimi, Chair of District 8, during the month and discussed the idea of a “Meet & Greet” for the Officers and Committee Chairs from District 8, Palm Beach County Intergroup, and South Palm Beach County Intergroup. This would occur sometime in September or October and the focus of it is to get to know our counterparts and share information. The rainy weather has not been a friend to the roof of our building. We have had some pretty large leaks affecting the bathroom areas. We are working with the Triangle Club to get the leaks repaired and replace drywall that may have gotten wet and moldy. This is a work in progress. We still have some open service positions and we will attempt to fill them tonight. I will give more details when we get to Old Business

Thanks,
 Roger B
 PBC Intergroup Chair

Co-Chairperson: Bob W.

For those of you who remember, I was going on a long vacation, it was cut short and I am back. It is time to get Intergroup’s Annual Picnic together. It will be good fun and a great recovery event that is family friendly. The Picnic also can generate some funds for Intergroup and support our mission to carry the message and provide fairly priced AA approved literature to Groups and individuals.

I have focused on Okecheelee Park as the best location for the Intergroup Picnic this year. It is centrally located for North County Groups and is a large park with many lakes and activities to offer in addition to what we will have at the Picnic Pavilion.

I am looking at the weekend of October 19-20 with the weekend of October 26-27 as backup. There are 4 Picnic Pavilions there. I checked with Palm Beach County Parks & Recreation yesterday to have current information for today’s meeting. Osceola Picnic Pavilion accommodates 150 and is still available to reserve for Saturday October 19. Osceola and Tuskegee Pavilions are both available for Saturday October 26. Tuskegee accommodates 120. Alligator Pavilion accommodates 100 and is available Sunday October 27. The cost is the same for all Pavilions and is \$165.39.

With the concurrence of the Board and general consensus of the members here today, I will proceed to reserve Osceola Picnic Pavilion for Saturday, October 26, 2019 while it is still available.

We will have Barbecue and Music. I am looking into a DJ or even live music. Other ideas for activities such as volleyball are welcome. Talk with me after the meeting. Also, if you are able to volunteer some time to assist in putting on this Picnic see me after the meeting so I can get your contact info. We will need trucks or vehicles that can transport food and supplies to and from the Intergroup Office to Okeehelée. If anyone can volunteer their time and vehicle, let me know.

The most important thing each of you can do is pump up the event with your home groups so that we get a good turnout. I will have fliers at next month's meeting for you to take back.

Sincerely,

Bob W.

Intergroup Alternate Chair

Treasurer: Kate D.

Basket passed in accordance with our 7th Tradition

Revenues for July 2019 were \$9,277.07 and Expenses were \$5,369.72, resulting in a net surplus of \$3,907.35. Group Contributions were \$7,599.17. The opening checking balance for July was \$4,441.44 and the closing was \$6,218.43. The Prudent Reserve balance for July was \$15,547.24 including the 13 cents we made in interest. We wish to thank the Groups of Palm Beach County for their very generous support for the month of July.

Thanks for allowing me to be of service,

Kate D – PBC Intergroup Treasurer

Secretary: Heather K.

Please fill out new group rep sheets and email in any committee reports by Thursday evening. If you did not get the reminder email, please see me and make sure I have your email address.

Registrar: Rhonda B.

The agenda for the August business meeting and minutes for the July business meeting were sent out to all. Please let me know if you did not receive them. Thanks Rhonda B.

Office Manager: Tracy D.

Good Afternoon, my name is Tracy and I am an alcoholic.

Please excuse our mess here at Intergroup as we are sprucing up our bathrooms, the Ladies room is available for both genders.

We had a pretty good month here at Intergroup with our total activity at 648.

Our contributions were at \$7,747.46 with our largest payables at \$4,073.55 to our biggest vendor, AA World Services.

Please keep in mind when sending checks dated 2, 3 or 4 month later than the date on the check, that it will be posted in the month I receive them, not the month dated on the check.

As of today, I have not received any information from World regarding the Detroit convention, however I did brows their web site and found you can watch for articles in the quarterly news bulletin, Box 4-5-9 that is mailed to the GSR Rep of every group in the U.S.

(Online registration will be available September 9, 2019, on aa.org. Advanced registration for the convention between September 9, 2019 and April 14, 2020 will be \$115.00 (USD) per attendee. Registration after April 15, 2020 will be \$140.00 (USD) per attendee) this information is per the World Services web page.

Also, we never want to see a group in trouble or struggling and we do our best to help. That being said...we received an SOS from a very nice lady regarding the group "Woman's Keystone of Recovery" at the Lake Park Fire Station. 6:30pm Wednesday Nights.

They are in desperate need of support. So, if you can bring it back to your group and let the ladies know, Keystone would Greatly Appreciate it.

Thank You for letting me be of service,

Tracy

General Service/Intergroup Liaison: Maria P.

Not present. No report.

South County Intergroup Liaison: Jonathan K.

I was not able to attend the South County meeting as I was under the weather. Roger was made aware of the situation.

Archives Committee Liaison: Richard M.

Not present. No report.

Advisory Committee Minutes:

Pending next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Information: Dani P.

No updates. Thanks! Dani

12 Step List: Vacant

Phone Volunteer Committee: James N.

I have been working on a spreadsheet of current volunteers and open time slots, of which there are quite a few. I am also looking into a better system of forwarding calls and could use any info regarding the current xfinity account login and password.

TODAY: Shauna M.

The Today is complete, but I did not receive birthday club birthdays to enter in it, and I made a typo that was not caught until after it printed. The typo is the intergroup financial report net profit. It contains an extra digit, stating \$39075.35 instead of just \$3907.35.

I sincerely apologize for the typo!

Birthday Club: George

Nothing to report. George

Website Committee: Billy J.

-August Agenda Posted

-Minutes for July posted

-August Today posted

Various meetings updated on the App.- Any meeting changes need to be updated through the intergroup office.

-Billy

Group Contact Committee: Open

Bridging the Gap Committee: Vicki H.

I reached out to a woman after a request from Bridging the Gap.

No other requests have come to me.

Institutions Committee: Lynda H.

The Palm Beach County Institutions Committee currently brings a total of 118 meetings per week into 45 treatment centers, detoxes, and jails with 102 active meetings per week. We currently have about 38 openings for committee volunteers in these facilities where suffering alcoholics need AA meetings. If you would like to carry the message, enhance your sobriety, and become a member of the Institutions Committee, please come to our Member Orientation which is 4:30-5:00pm on the first Sunday of every month in the Triangle Club Serenity room. Our next meeting will be September 1st. Our General meeting is 5:00-6:00pm in the Triangle Club's big room, which we encourage all our volunteers to attend monthly to report updates on their meetings and to have a voice on the committee. Thank you, I am grateful for the opportunity to serve and we look forward to your joining the Committee.

Old Business:

Continue elections:

12 Step List – Mark S. – please email with any willing volunteers: marksanchez300@outlook.com

Group Contact Committee – None

New Business:

None

Upcoming Events:

Fall Picnic

Meeting Adjourned: 6:56 PM