

PALM BEACH COUNTY INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Date: June 12, 2019

Start time: 6:15 PM

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

Number of attendees: 38

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:

Ellie F. – Another Miracle Women's – Rep
Bill M. - Wellington Sobriety First – Rep
Chad F. – Day Openers – Rep
Thorson R. – Reflections Group – Rep
David W. – Rude Awakening – Rep
Donna F. – Hope in the Acreage – Rep
Herbert P. – Smoke Free Sobriety – Rep

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 June 26th, 2019 – the deadline to be placed on the Agenda.

The current version of the Advisory Committee met on June 3rd and those Minutes will be read to the body later in the meeting.

The main issue Intergroup faces at this point is a lack of a Phone Committee Chair. While calls to the hotline have gone down in recent years due to the Meeting List being online and our joining with the AA Meeting Guide, the most important function of the phone line is to help the Alcoholic reaching out in need. If we are unable to find a volunteer tonight, I will assign this position to the Office Manager on an interim basis.

I met with our incoming Treasurer, Kate this past Sunday and have started passing the torch to her. Our next scheduled event is the annual Picnic which will be sometime in the Fall. Our Alternate Chair will have more on that in the coming months.

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.

Present – No report.

Treasurer: Kate D.

Basket passed in accordance with our 7th Tradition

Revenues for May 2019 were \$5,004.79 and Expenses were \$6,453.14, resulting in a net deficit of \$1,448.35. Group Contributions were \$2,748.58. The opening checking balance for May was \$5,365.86 and the closing was \$4,236.39. The Prudent Reserve balance for May was \$15,546.98 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 May.

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. Please email either with your report or just “nothing to report”.

Registrar: Rhonda B.

I emailed out the minutes for May to over 200 people. Please complete a form if you did not receive the minutes so I may correct your email address. Thanks
Rhonda B.

Office Manager: Tracy D.

Good Evening Fellow Intergroupers, my name is Tracy and I am an alcoholic.
As I mentioned last month we have the new World Services Book, “Our Great Responsibility”
And also 1 Big Tent for our atheist and agnostic friends.
They can be purchased after this meeting at the Intergroup Bookstore.
Our annual picnic will be upon us and we are looking for volunteers. Please see me after the meeting so we can get your contact info. With Love and Service, Tracy

General Service/Intergroup Liaison: Maria P.

No report.

South County Intergroup Liaison: Jonathan K.

Present – No report.

Archives Committee Liaison: Richard M.

No report.

Advisory Committee Minutes:

Intergroup Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes, June 3, 2019

Open Meeting 6:00 PM with Serenity Prayer

Present: Roger, Bob, Kate, Heather, Rhonda, Cindy & Maryann

Chair: Roger

2017 IRS Filing Status:

The 2017 Taxes were filed by the Accountant and are awaiting written confirmation from IRS. Intergroup was charged \$1250 for tax return preparation by the accountant after a \$600 courtesy discount.

2018 IRS Filing Status:

The 2018 tax year runs from May 1 – April 30, it is time to file. An extension can be applied for, if necessary. Intergroup will need to do an asset inventory. The last one was done in May 2017.

Office Manager Discussion:

Positive feedback on the office manager was received through the credit card app.

Currently, the office manager receives a stipend of \$150 per month for medical needs. Per the accountant; these monies are not currently being taxed and need to be. Starting this month, these monies will be processed through Paychex with the regular payroll. Paychex will be contacted to see if they offer any type of insurance option for employees.

Phone Committee Discussion:

Roger spoke with Debbie and is waiting on the original volunteer list. A new Chair has not stood, and Debbie is not sure she can continue as an Interim. There are times that the phones are not transferred at the next volunteers' time.

Alternate Chair: Bob

General Service considering starting a Bridge the Gap for people who are being released from treatment, trying to enlist volunteers from Institutions. For Intergroup, the future of Bridge the Gap coincides with a functioning 12 step list.

Planning of upcoming events as event chair to be mindful of conflicting events.

Treasurer: Kate

No report.

Secretary: Heather

No report.

Registrar: Rhonda

Going on vacation, will send out Intergroup information prior to leaving.

At Large Members:

No new business.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Information: Dani P.

Nothing to report.

12 Step List: James

Hello, I have added a few people to the 12-step list. I have not brought an updated copy to the Intergroup office. I would like to get clarification on the exact responsibility of members on the list, as a few people have asked if they can do more than just take phone calls. Thanks.

Phone Volunteer Committee: Open

TODAY: Open/Cary Interim

All groups: Please provide upcoming events!

Birthday Club: George

Present – No report.

Website Committee: Billy J.

-Where and When updated as of 05/02/2019

-June Agenda Posted

-Minutes for May posted

-June Today posted

Various meetings updated on the App.

The new website is about 90% ready to go live, if anyone would like to offer *constructive* feedback the site can be viewed at this link while in development: <https://new.aa-palmbeachcounty.org>

Thank you!

-Billy

Group Contact Committee: Open

Bridging the Gap Committee: Vicki H.

Present – No report.

Institutions Committee: Lynda H.

The Palm Beach County Institutions Committee currently brings a total of 118 meetings per week into 45 different treatment centers, detoxes, and jails with 102 active meetings per week. We currently have about 21 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 July 7th. 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 and have a voice on the committee. We also have a Prisons/Jails meeting that begins at 4:30pm and runs co-currently with Orientation for members who currently bring or are interested in taking meetings into Correctional Facilities. Thank you, I am grateful for the opportunity to serve and we look forward to your joining the Committee!

Old Business:

Continuation of Committee Chair elections:

Phone Committee: James N. (Leaving 12 step committee vacant)

TODAY: No

Group Contact: No

New Business:

None

Upcoming Events:

Fall Picnic

Meeting Adjourned: 7:03 PM