

PALM BEACH COUNTY INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Date: November 13, 2019

Start time: 6:20 PM

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

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:

Brittany K – Serenity Ladies – Rep

Sean H – Sunrise Sobriety – Rep

Chrissy N – Good Morning Group – Rep

Cary M – we Found the Way – Alt Rep

Mike H – Sunday Night Miracles - 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 or the Intergroup Office no later than November 27th, 2019 – the deadline to be placed on the Agenda.

We will draw for time slots for the Christmas and New Year's Alcahons this evening. Our Alternate Chair, Bob will facilitate this and explain the procedure. To keep the meeting time reasonable, we will suspend oral reports from Committee Chairs and Liaisons this evening. All their written reports will be published in the Minutes of the meeting.

The Intergroup Picnic was held this past month and while attendance was moderate, it was better than in some recent past years. We did manage to break even on the event, so that added with the good fellowship of the event makes it a success in my book. I would like to thank Bob, Tracy, and all their volunteers for coming out and supporting the event.

Thanks,

Roger B

PBC Intergroup Chair

Co-Chairperson: Bob W.

PICNIC:

Intergroup's Annual Picnic took place on Saturday, October 19 from 11:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Osceola Picnic Pavilion in Okeetee Park. We had a good turn out with over 70 AA folks coming together to eat burgers, hot dogs, potato salad, and coleslaw as well as deli sandwiches brought by Alex while enjoying a unique time of fellowship. The new Shark Wake Park was fun to watch as younger people than I wake boarded over jumps and a course similar to skateboarding but on water. Plenty of air and some flips, etc. A special shout out to Cortney, who did all the barbecuing duty in heat and smoke. Also, to Intergroup Office Manager Tracy, who did so much work on the details for this event including the shopping at Costco, Ilya for the Truck and muscle, Caleb for taking tickets and donations, and to a number of other selfless volunteers who donated time and effort. What a great job!

The end result was that Intergroup was just slightly in the red for the event (less than \$30). Tracy will have a more detailed report.

ALCOTHON:

The Christmas and New Year Intergroup Alcathons are upon us. They will be from Noon Christmas Eve through the 11:00 am meeting on Christmas day and from noon New Years' Eve through the meeting at 11:00 am New Years' Day. The Lunch Bunch gets the noon meeting on both Alcathons. That leaves 23 meeting per Alcathon open to our member groups. The Group Reps here today will put in a slip in the Hat for the Christmas Alcathon first. Any groups not drawn go in the New Year's Alcathon Hat first to be sure they get a slot. When they are drawn, the other groups go back into the New Years Hat for drawing the remaining slots. This is so every group here gets at least one meeting at the Alcathons.

We will need 2 volunteers per hour to monitor coffee, trash and snacks and be available to assist in any other manner. They will have 2-hour shifts. If you are ready to volunteer today, see me after the meeting. We will revisit this next month to finalize the volunteer schedule.

In Love and Service, Bob Wilson

Treasurer: Kate D.

Basket passed in accordance with our 7th Tradition

Revenues for October 2019 were \$5,745.72 and Expenses were \$5,437.07 resulting in a net surplus of \$308.65. Group Contributions were \$3,141.24. The opening checking balance for October was \$2,782.14 and the closing was \$4,215.25. The Prudent Reserve balance for October was \$15,547.63 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 October.

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 make sure I have your email address. Thanks! Heather

Registrar: Rhonda B.

Minutes for October and agenda for November were sent out via email. If you did not receive these items, please complete a new rep form. Please print all information clearly.

Thanks, Rhonda B.

Office Manager: Tracy D.

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

Our total office activity was 823 for October and we have seen an increase in meeting location calls.

The Office will be closed 11/28/19 and 11/29/19 and will re-open Saturday 11/30/19 from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Please keep this in mind when your group needs medallions for the end of the month.

We are awaiting an order from World to replenish "Our Great Responsibility" and expect the order in by next Tuesday.

I need to thank the ladies of Oasis, Kevin and Ilia, John and Courtney for volunteering at Palm Beach Intergroup picnic. Their work is greatly appreciated!

We will need volunteers for the alcathons at Christmas and New Years as well, so please see me after the meeting if you would like to do some service work.

Intergroup will not be accepting any more "Books for the Bahamas", we do have several books ready to go and a Dive Boat willing to take the books down however have not heard a response from our contact.

(We will keep you up to date on the progress)

Thank You for Letting me be of Service, Tracy

General Service/Intergroup Liaison: Maria P.

I attended the meeting; one motion however was tabled for next meeting. Announcement attached. In love and service to AA, Maria

South County Intergroup Liaison: Jonathan K.

Archives Committee Liaison: Richard M.

Advisory Committee Minutes:

Pending next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Information: Dani P.

No requests for Public Information this month. Thanks! Dani

12 Step List: Mark S.

No report.

Phone Volunteer Committee: James N.

Phones are running pretty well; I did not set up volunteers for the holiday this week, so we had some missed calls. Still looking for overnight volunteers, Tracy has been a big help. She has been advertising our need for volunteers and had to call AT&T to get our forwarding fixed.

TODAY: Shauna M.

Nothing to report! Thank you for letting me serve, Shauna M.

Birthday Club: George

No report.

Website Committee: Billy J.

- November Agenda Posted
- Various meetings updated on the App.
- October Minutes posted
- Still looking into other options for web hosting

Group Contact Committee: Glenn B.

There are 240 groups listed in the Where and When, many of them meet several times a week. There are 133 groups listed with representatives at Intergroup There have been 90groups contributing to Intergroup between June and September this year (12 more than last month!). My goal is to visit the groups who have not been contributing, introduce myself as the Group Contact Rep from Intergroup, make Intergroup announcements, leave a few copies of Today, speak with the meeting chairperson after the meeting about sending someone from their meeting to Intergroup, and leave behind simple information slip them spelling out the Intergroup meeting schedule and encouraging them to be represented. This should not only add to the body of Intergroup but should also add to the contributions. This month I visited two such groups... The Northwood Group meets 6:30 Wednesday evenings at St Ann's in the KOC meeting room in the garage at 310 N. Olive in West Palm. Plenty of free parking, nice big book meeting. Table Talk meets 6:30 Tuesday evenings at Temple Israel 1901 N Flagler in W. Palm. Also, plenty of free parking. Good mix, open Speaker/Discussion format. Glenn B.

Bridging the Gap Committee: Debbra M.

No report.

Institutions Committee: Lynda H.

The Palm Beach County Institutions Committee currently brings a total of 121 meetings per week into 39 different treatment centers, detoxes, and jails with 102 active meetings per week. We currently have about numerous 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 at 4:30-5:00pm on the first Sunday of every month in the Triangle Club Serenity room. Our next meeting will be Sunday, December 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 and 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:

None

New Business:

Drawing of Time Slots for Christmas and New Year's Alco-thons.

<u>Christmas</u>			
12:00 PM	Lunch Bunch	1:00 AM	Sunny Isles
1:00 PM	Jupiter Farms Group	2:00 AM	Men's 5th Tradition
2:00 PM	Central Group	3:00 AM	Lake Worth Group
3:00 PM	Love, Faith & Life	4:00 AM	Cardinal Lane
4:00 PM	Women's 4th Dimension	5:00 AM	Good Morning Group
5:00 PM	Riverbottom Group	6:00 AM	3:30 Happy Hour
6:00 PM	Young People in the Solution	7:00 AM	Longest Day of the Year
7:00 PM	We Found the Way Women's	8:00 AM	Women in Sobriety - Lantana
8:00 PM	Sober on Sunday	9:00 AM	Promises, Promises
9:00 PM	Ebony Group	10:00 AM	Serenity Ladies
10:00 PM	Thursday Serenity Group	11:00 AM	11th Step Group
		ALTERNATE	
11:00 PM	Ladies Step Forward	1	Comfort Zone
	Women's Awakening Study	ALTERNATE	
12:00 AM	Group	2	Leaves of Gold
		ALTERNATE	
		3	Sunrise Sobriety

<u>New Years</u>			
12:00 PM	Lunch Bunch	1:00 AM	Sunny Isles
1:00 PM	Big Book Spiritual Group	2:00 AM	Women in Sobriety - Lantana
2:00 PM	Sunrise Sobriety	3:00 AM	3:30 Happy Hour
3:00 PM	Another Miracle	4:00 AM	Thursday Serenity Group
4:00 PM	After Hours Group	5:00 AM	11th Step Group

5:00 PM	Hump Day	6:00 AM	Lake Worth Group
6:00 PM	Lantana Group	7:00 AM	Jupiter Farms
7:00 PM	Comfort Zone	8:00 AM	Central Group
8:00 PM	Day Openers	9:00 AM	Women's Awakening Study Group
9:00 PM	West Side	10:00 AM	Ladies Step Forward
10:00 PM	Leaves of Gold	11:00 AM	Riverbottom Group
		ALTERNATE	
11:00 PM	Ladies Choice	1	Women's 4th Dimension
		ALTERNATE	
12:00 AM	Men's 5th Tradition	2	Serenity Ladies
		ALTERNATE	
		3	Young People in the Solution

Upcoming Events:

Christmas and New Year's Alco-thons

Meeting Adjourned: 7:06 PM