

Start time: 6:15 PM PALM BEACH COUNTY INTERGROUP BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, September 14th

Open Meeting with Serenity Prayer followed by the 12 Traditions.

Number of attendees: 35

New Reps: 4 forms received

S. County Intergroup Liaison - Alex P.

Lunch Bunch - Robyn T.

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.*

Chairperson, Roger B.

We will be having one election tonight under New Business to fill the slot of Bridge the Gap Chairperson. This position will serve through the April 2023 meeting.

Our testing of the newly implemented Quickbooks Online Financial Software went well over the past month. There are some minor differences in code setup and entry techniques, but we didn't run into any issues that we couldn't work out. I think Glenn will agree that access to the system and reporting is much easier now than it used to be. I would like to thank Tracy and Glenn for their contributions to this Project.

Cyndi will be unavailable to attend tonight's meeting as she is out of town. Her report will be read and Tracy will report more information on the upcoming Intergroup Picnic.

If you have any further questions, comments, or greetings, you can route them through the Intergroup Office at (561) 655-5700, email the office at pbciaa@bellsouth.net or email me directly at rwbrand@gmail.com.

Alternate Chair, Cyndi M.

Unfortunately, I am not able to attend the September meeting, traveling for work. But, Flyer has been created for the Annual InterGroup Picnic . Saturday, October 15 th at Okeeheelee Park (Micanopy Pavilion) West Palm Beach. (see attached) Be sure to take some copies back to your Home Group. Tracy has a "sign up sheet" for food to bring. Side dish or Dessert. Hamburgers and Hotdogs will be served from 12 noon until 2 pm. Tickets will be issued. Water and Soda will also be available.

Treasurer, Glenn B.

Baskets will be passed in accordance with our 7th Tradition

Net Revenue August 2022 was \$ 7241.43 and Total Expenses were \$7831.74 resulting in a net deficit of -\$590.31. Last Month we ended with a surplus of \$825.06.

Group Contributions for August 2022 were weaker than July, totaling \$5074.93

The opening checking balance for August 2022 was \$28,459.44 and we closed with \$25,685.27

The Prudent Reserve Account closed with a balance of \$18,152.11 which includes .15 cents in interest

This is the first set of reports from the new version of Quickbooks we are using. I'll work more on the format to make it easier to read.

We wish to thank the Groups and AA members of Palm Beach County for their generous support.

Secretary, Libby B.

Thank you for continuing to send digital reports! Please note the email is secretary@aa-palmbeachcounty.org if you have questions or comments on the minutes.

Registrar, Heather K.

The August minutes, financials, and **TODAY'S** were sent out as well as the agenda for September. If you are not receiving the registrar emails. Please email pbcregistrar@gmail.com with your name, email, and the name of the group you represent.

Office Manager, Tracy D.

My name is Tracy and I am an Alcoholic.

News from world: as the 90th anniversary of AA will be celebrated at the 2025 International Convention in Vancouver, BC , Canada, (July 3 – 6, 2025)

Many questions are being asked. I have made some copies of Box 4-5-9 (News and Notes, from General Service) that may help you.

Yes, there are restrictions. The U.S and Canada have regulations that apply to citizens and visitors traveling from one country to the other.

Details on entry requirements can be found at: <https://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/menu-eng.html>.

District 8, Area 15 will be holding a planning meeting for the April 2023 Area 15 Quarterly.

They will meet September 17th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm at the 101 Club in Pompano Beach.

Please see Districts web site for more information.

To show our gratitude back to our groups, Intergroup will hold our “Annual Intergroup Picnic” at Okeeheelee Park! Come visit us under the Micanopy Pavilion.

This is a free event but we ask that contributions be made when you receive your ticket for your lunch. Lunch tickets are mandatory for us, to keep track of members at the event.

We are in need of volunteers for set up, clean up, cooks and servers. I have a sign-up sheet for goodies and dishes you are willing to bring as well.

Food will be served from 12:00pm till 2:00pm only however, we will be at the park from 11:00am to 4:00pm.

There are several activities inside the park you are more than welcome to enjoy! ALL FUR BABIES MUST BE LEASHED AT ALL TIMES!

I want to thank our volunteers, Howie and Mike for their service to Intergroup and Lisa who has been with us for 3 and half years. Lisa has now moved on to bigger and better things! (a paying job) J

We are looking for volunteers who will suit up and show up on Tuesdays and Wednesdays between 9:00am and 5:00pm. Please contact the office at 561-655-5700 if you're interested in giving back.

Intergroup will be closed, October 10th 2022 in honor of Columbus Day.

GSR/Intergroup Liaison, Lynne S.

My name is Lynne Sammons and I am your General service representative.

District 8 is gearing up for Area 15 elections as well as the election of the new Delegate for Panel 73. He or She will represent our area for the next 2 years. Elections will be held at our next quarterly assembly. September 30- October 2, in Ft. Meyers/Sanibel.

If your group doesn't have a GSR, get one. This is Superbowl time in general service!!!!

Also our District elections will begin next month for our new panel. Let's get involved. Any questions I am always available.

North/South County Intergroup Liaison, Jeff

Sorry for the late contact. We are on vacation in Pa. I was out of town for the South County meeting as well.

They are planning a Gratitude event for November. The 1st planning meeting is tonight so no date yet.

We will see you next month.

Archives Committee Liaison, Kevin R

Short additional report from Sherwin attached honoring our 9/11 heroes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Information, Deborah

Greetings, Family: This month's activities included distributing pamphlets to a couple clinics of Baptist Health in WPB.

Pamphlets were also made available at Palm Beach Atlantic 's School of Nursing. Several of the nursing students recently attended one of my zoom meetings here, and expressed interest in our program. I was put in contact with their instructor, who requested material, and who will hopefully nurture awareness and appreciation of our Program.

During this period, Tracy ordered Spanish language pamphlets for distribution to Spanish-speaking sick and suffering

alcoholics.

12 Step List, Michael: *Currently collaborating with Mike H. on the phone list*

Phone Volunteer Committee, Mike H.

The intergroup telephone relay has all of its positions filled and seems to be getting most calls answered after normal working hours. We do have some late-night spots still available that Mike H. has been covering these, thanks Mike. So we could use a couple more volunteers.

I would like to welcome Shai as our newest volunteer, also filling a late night spot. Thanks Shai.

TODAY, Niko: Please send service opportunities, events etc. to nikodoggett@gmail.com

Birthday Club, Bonnie C. Greetings all you fabulous alcoholics. My name is Bonnie and I am an alcoholic who loves service commitments! As your birthday chair, Intergroup sent out 10 anniversary medallions totaling 264 years of sobriety.

Thanks to all who donated a \$1 for each year of their sobriety. A small price to pay for this renewed life.

Website Committee, Troy C. No major issues to report with the website. If you're a committee chair and haven't done so already, please let me know if you'd like to access your committee chairperson email directly, or if you'd like the "official" email address to forward to your personal email. Also, if you have no idea what I'm referring to, please shoot me an email at webmaster@aa-palmbeachcounty.org

Lastly, if you or anyone in your group is experienced with Wordpress or SQL databases, and would like to do some service by helping me with some technical issues with the site, I'd greatly appreciate it! Email me at webmaster@aa-palmbeachcounty.org so we can connect.

Group Contact Committee, Paula No Report.

Bridging the Gap Committee, vacant.

Institutions Committee, Gregg

The Institutions Committee is currently serving 39 facilities and carrying more than 120 AA meetings each week. We serve detox and treatment centers, halfway houses and 4 state prisons. Palm Beach county jails may be opening to our meetings in the near future.

We currently have 33 vacancies and are always looking for new volunteers. Anyone looking to get involved in service with the Institutions Committee is encouraged to attend our monthly General Meeting at the Triangle Club on the first Sunday of each month. The next 3 meetings will be September 4th, October 2nd and November 6th. *Orientation for new volunteers is at 4:30pm followed by the General Meeting at 5:00pm.*

The Big Book Ball is returning this New Year's Eve and will be held at the Triangle Club. Mark your calendars! A flier will be available in the next few weeks.

Please feel free to contact me with questions or for more information.

Gregg B
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Old Business: Election for vacancy

Michael H. Stood for bridging the gap. Will pull double duty. Passed unanimously.

New Business: None

Upcoming Events: Intergroup Picnic being held at Okeehelie Park on October 15th. Big Book Ball, hosted by H&I, held on NYE in

the Triangle Club.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:53 PM