

Northeast Florida Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes, Saturday, June 1, 2013

Mike M., Intergroup Chair, opened the meeting at 9:45am with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

- The Twelve Traditions were read by Sam.
- The Responsibility Pledge was recited in unison by all.
- The new Intergroup Representatives were given welcome packets.

Secretary's Report – Minutes read by Teri H., Recording Secretary.

- Motion to accept, seconded and passed.

Treasurer Report – Rick T., Intergroup Vice Chair/Treasurer reporting. The treasurer's report was read and submitted.

- The Seventh Tradition basket was passed.

Office Report – Kea read and submitted the office report. Kea reminded everyone that the July meeting will be 6/29 due to the holiday 7/4. She requested all to please take to your group the need for Intergroup office volunteers. The schedule is now for 2-hour time slots and there are a lot of openings.

Steering Committee Report – Don P. read and submitted the Steering Committee Report. Change to the minutes was noted: The correct address for the first meeting in Jacksonville is 2747 Riverside Ave. Carl G. mentioned that posting the minutes including phone numbers was a possibility of breach of confidentiality. Kea responded saying that currently committee member's phone numbers are published in the Add-A-Line and on the website. The office asks before posting any information and never uses last names. Kevin G. questioned the bolding of the motion on conference-approved literature. Please make sure the information is getting out to your group about the motion.

Add-A-Line – Kea B. reported that the remainder of the Ben W., Jacksonville old-timer, interview is included in this month's issue. She reminded us that the newsletter has a section for members who have passed away, "Gone but Not Forgotten". Kea also asked for any information (birthdays, etc.) to be submitted by the 20th.

Archives – Kevin G. reported. He referred to Ben's sharing of experience, strength and hope as "our back of the Big Book". Kevin explained the request for the plaque at 2747 Riverside Ave and asked for approval from the body. The proposal was approved. He also invited all to the 57th FL State Convention to enjoy the many planned events and presentations. Monday 6/3 at noon is the next Archives meeting. Kevin invited everyone with an interest in our history to attend.

Corrections – Doug S. reporting, Reminder that help is still needed to bring the message to those behind bars. Doug also explained that the "Bridge the Gap" program helps inmates who are still in jail attend outside meetings, make contacts, and get support in sobriety. Please let your group know. The next Corrections Orientation is scheduled at the Pretrial Detention Center on 6/10/13 between 4:30pm to &7:00 pm. It only takes a short time register and get fingerprinted.

CPC/PI – Holly C. absent.

Grapevine – Don P. reporting for Steve C., He is looking forward to the convention.

Treatment – Rick R. would like to know what the group wants him to do in his position and what they would like to see. He is coordinating with treatment centers.

Phone Army – Kea reported about the ad for volunteers is in Add-A-Line. The schedules are on a quarterly rotation for two hour or overnight time slots. The next Phone Army training will be on 6/20 at 6:00pm in the Intergroup office. Training is also available during the day by appointment. They next Phone Army Quarterly Schedule will begin in July and we need volunteers to fill slots.

2013 FL State Convention – Tom M. reporting. He encouraged all to register before the website has closed to order products. Tom reminded us that we need volunteers in all areas to make the convention a success. Why miss the opportunity to get together and have some fun? Tom asked the Intergroup representatives and their group members get involved, to be "a part of", and enjoy in fellowship. Evonne said the Hospitality committee is hosting a Bingo/Silent Auction tonight at JABA to raise funds for decorations. There will be many prizes and it is family friendly. All proceeds go to the hospitality/decorations for the convention. Evonne also said that the centerpieces for the banquet tables are to be "AA toolboxes" containing the Big Book and 12 & 12 and other time tested tools for sobriety. Intergroup is working with the Decorations committee on the purchase of the books. Carl G. reported on registration for the convention. We are scheduling 2-hour time slots on registration; also need help with data entry. Please call Carl or visit the volunteer link on the website to schedule a timeframe that you would be available. Thank you.

FCYPAA – Shane is at the state FCYPAA convention in Ft. Myers.

Old Business – Tom M. reported on the Fall Gratitude banquet. The date of the banquet is 11/16. He suggested that we take the word "fundraiser" off the event, and get back to the primary purpose of the banquet – CELEBRATING RECOVERY! The body quickly approved the idea. Thanks to those who took care of the contract for the Ramallah Club. Plans to have panel discussions from members with long-term sobriety in a question and answer setting. A few different speakers and a silent auction on a minimal number of cakes are being discussed. Melvin suggested we also have some young people on the panel, and reminded us of the challenges facing YP trying to get sober in this generation. All ideas will be entertained.

The issue of carrying non-conference approved literature is on the table until the August meeting. An invitation for input from the membership will continue to be printed in the Add-A-Line.

New Business – Kevin G. – on 6/15 at 1:00pm there will be a Delegate meeting report at the San Marco Club. Linda G. encouraged us to bring the message that young people are "alive and well" in our fellowship and are the future of AA. Reminder: The July Intergroup Business Meeting will be on June 29th instead of July 6th because of the 4th of July holiday.

Announcements

- The next Intergroup Business meeting will be held on June 29 at 9:45am at Gateway.
- The next Steering Committee meeting will be held on June 25 at 5:30pm in the Intergroup office.
- The next Archives meeting will be held June 3at 12pm in the Intergroup office.
- Mike M. will not be chairing the meeting on June 29, Rick T. will be chairing.
- The July 6th Intergroup Business meeting has been moved to June 29th.

Motion to adjourn; seconded/passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:00am with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted: Teri H., Recording Secretary