

## Northeast Florida Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes, Saturday, May 4, 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 Bill, I am Responsible Group.
- 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 with change: Under Steering Committee Report, “Intergroup address to be added to website.”
- **Treasurer Report** – Walter S. reporting. The treasurer's report was read and submitted.
- The Seventh Tradition basket was passed.

**Office Report** – Kea read and submitted the office report. All in attendance urged to sign in on the sign-in sheet. This is how Intergroup determines the amount of minutes and agendas to print for the following month. Website changes are in progress, please be patient as we work out the glitches.

**Steering Committee Report** – Steve H. read and submitted the Steering Committee Report. Current registered agent for Sunbiz is Fred H. Some changes to the minutes were noted: The date of the next Steering Committee meeting is 5/28. Bruce A. was present at committee meeting.

**Add-A-Line** – Kea B. reporting, The first part of Ben W.'s interview is in this month's Add-A-Line. The last half will appear in the June issue. The announcements about the upcoming Fall Gratitude Banquet will continue each month. Reminder – Items to be included are due by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Please bring back issues to the Intergroup office so that we can pass them along to corrections.

**Archives** – Charley M. reporting, Correction – Date for next meeting is May 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm in the Intergroup office.

**Corrections** – Doug S. reporting, The turnout at the Corrections Orientation on 4/8 was about 15 people. There is some flexibility on the rule of 5 years with no offenses. Different levels of access are granted based on the severity of the offense. No violent offense in past 5 years allowed. Bob C. approached the body with a need for people to take meetings into Union, Baker, and Florida State Prison. We have the resources for these communities and there are people who are hungry for our message. Please volunteer. Contact Bob C.

**CPC/PI** – Holly C. absent. Mike M. states that there is nothing going on right now, but Holly is looking.

**Grapevine** – Steve C. absent.

**Treatment** – Rick absent. Kea asks that if a group is taking a meeting to a treatment center to please let Rick or the office know.

**Phone Army** – Robin C. reporting, Most of the calls after hours are out-of-towners looking for a meeting. Phone Army is very rewarding service work. You don't have to be tied to your home phone. Steve W. suggested when referring someone to a meeting, lead to a club first for simplicity. They can pick up meeting schedule from there. He said he frequently uses the Where & When while away from home. Knowledge of Jacksonville and surrounding area is helpful but not required. Kea stated that location info is also available on the website – click on the address of the meeting and a Google map will come up. Robin mentioned that the Mariott Sawgrass has transportation to meeting.

**2013 Florida State Convention** – Carl G. reported 638 people registered. 1200 room nights needed to reach hotel requirement to have run of hotel. There will be a Spanish play at the convention. Committee(s) meeting scheduled at 9am next Saturday 5/11. Lon L. said 145 sleeping rooms still available at \$109 per night. Need information on function room setup for specific requirements before that his meeting with the hotel on 5/11. Evonne said we can view group commitments for hospitality room online. There are links on the Intergroup website as well as the convention website. Separate calendar for individual commitments. Please volunteer as early as you can. On 6/1 at JABA we will have a silent auction fundraiser and Bingo game. We need 25 people to bring baked goodies for the auction. All proceeds/donations will go toward the convention. There will be live registration for the convention available.

**FCYPAA** – Shane reporting, Thank you to Intergroup for letter of support. The concepts workshop was cancelled. The FYCPAA State Convention is coming up in Ft. Myers. We have a group of members travelling in a convoy for the 6 hour drive. The convention hotel is full. The overflow hotel is the Residence Inn. Contact Shane at the email address listed in the Add-A-Line. FYCPAA is also involved in the FSC convention with panels and discussion meetings.

**Old Business** – Mike M. stated that the Finance committee was originally set up to be an ad hoc committee for a 6 month period and will continue for another six months. Oversight of checks and balances was the purpose. Voice vote approved committee for another 6 months. Next meeting 6/18 and will be every other month thereafter. Mike M. reported that the Gratitude Banquet is scheduled for 11/16. He highly encouraged members to volunteer. You meet people you wouldn't usually meet, there is great fellowship and fun the morning of the banquet, and a sense of reward at the successful completion of the event. Next Intergroup meeting committee volunteer sign-up sheets to be passed around. Tom and Lisa have the recipes and other information for the banquet. Contact the Intergroup office or Tom M. to sign up.

**New Business** - Mike stated that the question to carry other literature in the Intergroup office has come up before the Steering Committee. Currently we have both AA Conference approved and some non-approved literature. He asked the body to bring the matter to their groups. There was a lengthy discussion. Kea cited the minutes of the 6/7/2008 Intergroup meeting regarding the subject. The motion was made to publish the issue in the June & July Add-A-Line. That way the majority of AA members will see it. Individual views could then be brought to their Intergroup representative. In turn, a fair snapshot of the body would be represented at the time of the vote. The motion was approved. The vote will be held at the August 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Reminder: The July Intergroup Business Meeting will be on June 29<sup>th</sup> instead of July 6<sup>th</sup> because of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday.

### **Announcements**

- The next Intergroup Business meeting will be held on June 1, at 9:45am at Gateway.
- The next Steering Committee meeting will be held on May 28 at 5:30pm in the Intergroup office.
- The next Archives meeting will be held May 13 at 12pm in the Intergroup office.
- The next Finance Committee Meeting will be held on June 18 at 5:30pm in the Intergroup office.

Motion to adjourn; seconded/passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:30am with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted: Teri H., Recording Secretary