SUBJECT: NE FLORIDA INTERGROUP (IG) BUSINESS ZOOM MEETING MINUTES ON APRIL 2, 2022

Chair called meeting to order with a moment of silence followed by the long version of the Serenity Prayer and the AA Responsibility Statement. Chair read the Fourth Step, Fourth Tradition and Fourth Concept.

Housekeeping: In person participants signed in on attendance sheet and zoom participants signed in with first name, last initial, position and voting/non-voting/visitor. Meeting was recorded for administrative purposes and will be deleted when the minutes are approved at the next IG business meeting.

There were 25 voting members and 8 non-voting members in attendance.

Kevin G, IG Chair (non-voting)
Dan B, Vice Chair, Finance
David M, Central Group, Treatment Chair
David W, Steering Committee, Mandarin Big Book
Kathy D, Corrections
Walter S, Treasurer, Clean & Free
Holly C, Banquet Chair
Mike M, IG Office (non-voting)
Steve C, Corrections (non-voting)
Regina A, Secretary (non-voting)
Beth E, Sun Morn Palatka

Bob E, Other Side of Bridge Charlie M, Archives, I am Responsible Craig T, Rule 62 Crew Gene M, Phoenix Mens Hal B, Beaches Unity Hipolito Pecina Jr, Fiesta John C, Trout River Jon D, FTH Alt Judith W, Winning Game Martha D, Women Enjoying Sobriety Mary D, This Too Shall Pass Mayra V, St Nicholas Monique H, Mandarin Women in Recovery Renee B, LoveNAction Ruby D, Women Enjoying Sobriety Sheila D, OP Step Sisters Terry F, Arlington Tony C, Orange Park Vanessa R, Women of VPG Christopher G, Visitor Jan M, St Nicholas visitor Linda G, SC D4 visitor

Secretary's Report

March business meeting minutes were sent via email to be read prior to business meeting. Due to technical issues, we did not capture all the online attendees. Secretary requested those who were missing from the list of attendees to provide their names so the minutes could be corrected. In addition, the Steering Committee response to safety concerns will be added. Corrected minutes will be sent.

Chair Report

We now have one vacancy: CPC/PI Chair and Parliamentarian. We will be voting on a new Parliamentarian under new business.

If you know folks interested in CPC/PI please ask them to contact the Chair.

The Chair participated in the DCM Get together on March 18. They discussed upcoming workshops

Vice-Chair Report:

Office is running smoothly and adequately staffed. We're always looking for volunteers however, so if you are interested, contact the office for the requirements.

• We haven't gotten an update from the landlord on a new lease yet.

Office Report

- Office is running smooth, but we still need volunteers. We got one new volunteer for Thursday afternoons.
- We are still requiring masks.

- Bridge the Gap page and data sheets are up and running.
- Not much response to Emails for corrected Zoom meeting ID's and Zoom Passwords. Please use the meeting change form available on the web or request from the IG Office.
- We need more Spanish AA meetings and Spanish speaking AA members to assist Spanish Classes for AA Information.

Website

• In the last week we've gotten about 12 emails telling us that zoom information for various meetings is incorrect. We're meeting with David and Heather this week about Bridge the Gap. It was not done timely enough for the committee, but other work had been prioritized.

Treasurer's Report

Account Summary Checking/Savings	
Cash- Regions Bank	\$12,141.93
Cash in Drawer	\$98.54
Total Check/Savings	\$12,240.47
Inventory	\$13,490.60
Inventory Prudent Reserve	\$13,490.60
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Prudent Reserve	

Steering Committee

- There is another paper shortage that will impact our stock.
- Bridging the Gap is working through tech glitches and making progress.
- We can use volunteers in the afternoons. Would like 4 hours, but 2 would be ok.
- CPC turned in 3 cases of big books and 12&12's
- There is Box 459 article about AA and Intergroups Living Cyber.
- When and Where's redesigning and reprinting they should be available this spring. Only a few weeks once the design is confirmed. If the meeting is wheelchair accessible, then it is noted.
- Security camera is \$399 at Walmart.
- D1 is looking for a new steering committee representative.
- There seems to have been an issue with birthdays showing up in AAL. People sent birthdays, got confirmation, and the names were not listed in the AAL.
- Reminder that the cutoff date for AAL birthday list is the 18th of the month.
- The new email address is <u>editor2022.aal@outlook.com</u>.
- April AAL is not posted on the website yet but will be there today.

Old Business

There is old business under Committee review and the status will be discussed by the concerned Committee.

New Business

Parliamentarian position has been open for a while. Andrew M has volunteered and has been appointed by the chair. Per appendix M, vote is not required for this position.

Chair appointed Judith W as the District 6 Steering Committee representative. Per appendix K, this is subject to the vote of the body. Approved by vote.

Committee Reports:

Accessibilities – As new chair, received the Accessibility kit and workbook, and is asking if anyone has served in this role before, to please contact Eugene at emsailorman@gmail.com.

Add-A-Line

Birthdays for May are being updated now. Send articles for the newsletter as well.

The Central Group's Annual Fish Fry flyer was re-done because there was a picture of a beer in the flyer.

Email to editor2022.aal@outlook.com.

Archives

- 1. Old Timers stories: status
 - a. All old timers' transcripts and stories have been loaded on our computer
 - b. All old timer's stories are now on our website (25 in total)
 - c. Janice J.' s interview is being edited by John C.
 - d. We are trying to set up a time to interview Indian Dave.
 - e. There are over 60 old timers in our area with over 40 years of sobriety who need to be interviewed.
- 2. An article is being written on the Washingtonian Movement with a comparison to AA.
- 3. The National AA Archives Workshop is scheduled for September 22-25 in North Little Rock, Arkansas. We are hoping to participate.

- 4. We are developing a plan to scan our archives files into our computer. We will need some volunteers to help with this work.
- 5. We have a budget of \$2000 for 2022.
- 6. We plan to meet March 21st at 7pm. It will be a zoom meeting. Contact Intergroup or the archives chair for ID and password.

Corrections

Jails are open. We are attempting to get everyone cleared, which is a whole new process. We have to start from scratch. We need male volunteers to go to the Matrix, the jail and the P-farm. We need female volunteers especially to go to the jail and the P-farm. There is a new process for approval for visitation, including people who were previously approved. This includes fingerprinting. You need to call ahead to make an appointment for fingerprinting. You can make an appointment by calling Officer Vanzandt at 904-630-7835.

Bridge the Gap form with the QR code is starting to be distributed to facilities. For information on bridge the gap, send email to <u>btg.nefl@gmail.com</u>. You can get a copy of the form via that email as well. This will be posted on the IG website on the Corrections committee page.

CPC/PI - No Report, vacant position

Finance

Finance committee did not meet in March, but statements for Feb and March were both reviewed. Nothing unusual in those months. Good cash condition, inventory is sufficient. Inventory is actually a little high, but we wanted to be sure we have enough books given the potential of shortages.

Grapevine - nothing to report this month

Phone Army

We are in need of shift volunteers, and we're always looking for additional backup people. You can email the Committee Chair. Her address is in the AAL. We have 3 of our 4 vacancies filled, still need a volunteer for Saturday 1-4.

Special Events

We have a speaker for the banquet. Still working on the main flyer but completed the volunteer flyer. We'll get that to the Editor so it can be in the AAL and on the website. Budget is \$7200, and we're examining costs of catering vs cooking ourselves. Getting proposals for catering. We will have more on that next month. We may end up needing to raise the cost of tickets from \$15 to \$18 in order to cover costs since the prices for everything have gone up so much. We will do everything we can to not raise the price, and we are having success with some people knocking the price down because it is AA. It's been 10 years since we raised the price of the tickets, from \$10 to \$15.

Monthly meetings start in July, and the dates are posted on the website. We need a sound system. IF anyone knows someone, please contact the Committee Co-Chairs. Intergroup will be handling the ticket sales. You can contact the IG to purchase individual tickets or an entire table. We have subcommittee chairs that we need to fill as well. Can Intergroup reps hold tickets for their group to sell? No, since we had trouble collecting funds in the past, and ended up with empty seats.

Treatment

Regular brick-and-mortar meetings are now being held with the following facilities:

- Beaches Recovery
- Lakeview Recovery
- Gateway
- River Region
- Wekiva
- Others (e.g.: City Rescue Mission)

Bridging the Gap process development:

During March – with wonderful assistance from the Intergroup office folks – we could finally launch the fillable *Bridge the Gap Information Form*. The form is hosted on the NEFLAA.org website.

All facilities listed above have copies of materials displaying the QR code that leads to the *Bridge the Gap Information Form*.

Information submitted via the *Info Form* is forwarded daily to the Treatment Team. In turn, the Treatment Team forwards *Info Form* submissions as indicated on the *Form* to the Corrections Team.

Areas where we need assistance:

- The *BTG Button* software itself is the critical path for proceeding in March. Our thanks go out to the IG Office staff for their support and teamwork.
- We ask anyone and everyone to help with building the *Bridge the Gap Volunteers* team up. We need a bunch of 'em and a variety as well.

Contact the BTG Button Process team at this email address: <u>BTG.neflaa@gmail.com</u>

Upcoming Events, Meetings – details in Add A Line

Central Group Old Timers Fish Fry – Free – Saturday, April 23 at San Marco Club

Drop the Rock Workshop - Saturday May 7 12:30-5:30 at First Christian Church

District 30 Annual Picnic, May 21 10-3 at Mandarin Park

GSR Workshop – April 30, 11-2 at St. John's County Library, St. Augustine

The Ripple Effect Workshop – July 16, 1-4:30 at First Christian Church

Expect a Miracle Women's Conference, June 10-12 in Venice Fl

Florida State Convention in Fort Lauderdale on August 3-7. Rooms are sold out.

Chair: Non-AA Announcements

Please continue to pray for the full recovery of our former Intergroup Chair, Jack G, and former Intergroup Treasurer, Rita H. Also for the full recovery of Roger L, our District 1 DCM and Grapevine Chair.

Meeting adjourned at 10:14 with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Business Meeting is Saturday May 7, 9:00am – 10:30am at Jaba Club Fellowship at 8:30 with refreshments. ZOOM ID: 8977 440 1312, PWD: nefl3128

Joining in person is highly encouraged.