

SUBJECT: NE FLORIDA INTERGROUP (IG) BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES ON AUGUST 27, 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 Ninth Step, Ninth Tradition and Ninth 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. Recording will be deleted when the minutes are approved at the next IG business meeting.

There were 20 voting members and 5 non-voting participants in attendance.

Kevin G, IG Chair (non-voting)	Anthony C, Winners	Martha D, Women Enjoying Sobriety
Dan B, Vice Chair, Finance	beth E, Sun Morning Meeting Group	Mary D, This Too Shall Pass
Regina A, Secretary (non-voting)	Bob E, Other Side of Bridge	Michael R, Spiritual Knights
Walter S, Treasurer, Clean & Free	Charlie M, Archives, IGR I am Responsible	Patty P, Heart to Heart
David M, Treatment, Central Group	Gary S, Language of the Heart Visitor	Renee B, LoveNAction
David W, Mandarin Big Book	Hal B, Beaches Unity	Rick D, From the Heart
Kathy D, Corrections, voting	Hipolito Pecina Jr, Fiesta	Terry F, Arlington
Steve C, Corrections, (non voting)	John C, Trout River	Linda G, SC D4 (non-voting)
Andrew M Zoom Host (non-voting)		

Secretary Report

August business meeting minutes were sent via email to be read prior to business meeting and were approved as submitted. Recording has been deleted.

Chair Report

We still have one vacancy: CPC/PI Chair

If you know folks interested in CPC/PI please ask them to contact the Chair. The Treatment and Corrections Chairs will report on their contact with professionals in their fields in their reports.

The Chair participated in the DCM Get Together on August 11, where they discussed the lack of group participation at the District level and possible combination of District meetings, the District 30 Sponsorship Workshop on September 24 and the Intergroup banquet on October 22.

Vice-Chair/Office Report:

- OFFICE STAFFING – Office is fully staffed and office is running smoothly.
- VOLUNTEERS - The IG Office has openings for volunteers. We are looking for individuals who can be relied upon to fill this need when the office reopens through 5pm.
 - In addition, volunteer slots are for shifts of 4 hour daily, 4 hours in the am or 4 hours in the pm.
 - If anyone is interested in this Service activity call or come by the IG office during business hours to discuss the slots available with Mike M.
 - Volunteers are required to have 6 months of sobriety.
- SHORTAGE OF LITERATURE – Literature has been ordered by the IG office, but shipment is not scheduled. Anyone coming to IG Office for purchasing literature should call the office first.
- OFFICE LEASE - Landlord has not informed the IG Office of a new lease as of this date. The Office will request a longer vacate date.
- WHEN & WHERE Booklet – When and Where's have been received by the IG office. Groups can pick up their When & Where's during normal business hours.

Treasurer's Report

Financial numbers will be in the Add-A-Line. We are financially stable.

ACCOUNT BALANCES 07/31/2022	
Checking/Savings	
1021 · Cash - Regions Bank	\$11,495.98
1024 · Cash in Drawer	\$152.68
Total Checking/Savings	\$11,648.66
1360 · Inventory	\$15,933.67
1400 · Prudent Reserve	
1476 · Regions Bank 5982- CD #001	\$10,178.15
1481 · Regions Bank 6794- CD #002	\$10,537.96
1486 · Regions Bank - CD #003	\$10,088.51
Total 1400 · Prudent Reserve	\$30,804.62

	<u>Jul 22</u>	<u>Jan - Jul 22</u>	<u>Jul 21</u>	<u>Jan - Jul 21</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
4000 · Contribution Income				
4002 · Groups	\$4,562.77	\$42,229.94	\$5,960.55	\$33,334.58
4000 · Contribution Income - Other	\$483.75	\$2,466.40	\$253.52	\$3,176.02
Total 4000 · Contribution Income	\$5,046.52	\$44,696.34	\$6,214.07	\$36,510.60
4020 · Retail Income	\$3,201.59	\$28,412.62	\$2,647.81	\$24,902.43
4040 · Other Income				
Total 4040 · Other Income		\$433.00		
4060 · Income - Special Events				
4062 · Banquet			\$150.00	\$150.00
Total 4060 · Income - Special Events			\$150.00	\$150.00
Total Income	\$8,248.11	\$73,541.96	\$9,011.88	\$61,563.03
Cost of Goods Sold				
4510 · Cost of Retail Sales	\$2,169.18	\$21,163.02	\$1,979.87	\$20,726.39
59900 · POS Inventory Adjustments	\$155.30	(\$19.40)	(\$248.05)	(\$4,624.81)
Total 5001 · Cost of Revenues - Other	\$395.31	\$1,240.74	(\$131.79)	(\$3,536.00)
Total COGS	\$2,564.49	\$22,403.76	\$1,848.08	\$17,190.39
Gross Profit	\$5,683.62	\$51,138.20	\$7,163.80	\$44,372.64
Expense				
60000 · Salaries and Benefits				
6560 · Wages				
Total 60000 · Salaries and Benefits	\$1,774.24	\$17,676.35	\$3,391.84	\$18,107.70
61000 · Office Expense				
Total 61000 · Office Expense	\$413.09	\$10,182.89	\$701.20	\$5,703.30
62000 · Facilities and maintenance				
Total 62000 · Facilities and maintenance	\$2,190.32	\$10,499.42	\$2,645.09	\$10,784.20
5300 · When & Where Cost		\$4,324.50		
55000 · Committees Expense				
Total 55000 · Committees Expense	\$285.26	\$8,183.27	\$416.56	\$4,283.50
60300 · Awards and Grants				
Total 60300 · Awards and Grants		\$95.20		
70900 · Business Expenses				
Total 70900 · Business Expenses	\$35.40	\$202.11	\$13.08	\$152.81
61200 · Cash Drawer Payouts	\$3.75	\$3.75		
62100 · Contract Services				
Total 62100 · Contract Services	\$300.00	\$2,100.00	\$600.00	\$2,705.62
65100 · Other Expenses				
Total 65100 · Other Expenses	\$8.00	\$65.22	\$5.00	\$35.00
68300 · Travel and Meetings				
Total 68300 · Travel and Meetings			\$191.64	\$490.51
Total Expense	\$5,010.06	\$53,332.71	\$7,964.41	\$41,957.02
Net Ordinary Income or (Loss)	\$673.56	(\$2,194.51)	(\$800.61)	\$2,415.62
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
Total Other Income	\$7.66	\$50.54	\$52.68	\$243.14
Net Other Income	\$7.66	\$50.54	\$52.68	\$243.14
Net Income or (Loss)	\$681.22	(\$2,143.97)	(\$747.93)	\$2,658.76

Steering Committee

We have a long-term relationship with the Landlord, and we would like to keep it that way, so we are not going to push for a long-term lease.

We're looking at doing a Fellowship event in the spring, perhaps with a speaker, and Alanon speaker. A motion was brought forth to the committee about alternating the chair and vice chair changes and will probably need some changes in terminology before it can be published in the Add a Line in September. Will be discussed in New Business.

Old Business

Committee Chairs needed for 2023-2024: If you are interested in the Chair, Vice-Chair or Treasurer positions, please submit your name and AA resume by the October business meeting so IGR can take the names and resumes back to their groups for feedback before they vote at the November meeting. Candidates should have a minimum of 5 continuous years of sobriety and have service experience in AA and IG service structure.

Discussion was held on Officer Rotation:

Per Article VIII of the Bylaws states that elections for a new IG Chair, Vice Chair AND Treasurer will be held this November with their terms to begin in January 2023. Per Article VIII the Treasurer will rotate in opposite year of the Chair and Vice Chair. Recommendation was made to rotate the Vice Chair in opposite years instead of the Treasurer.

The following motion was approved by the Steering Committee, pending approval by the body:

Change Article VIII of the By Laws that states "The Treasurer will rotate in opposite years of the Chair and Vice Chair to "The Vice Chair will rotate in opposite years of the Chair and Treasurer".

Group approved posting of the motion in the Add-A-Line, so it could be to be voted on by the Business Meeting in November.

New Business

Request a proposed motion from the floor to replace the sentence “The Treasurer will rotate in opposite years of the Chair and Vice Chair” to “The Vice Chair will rotate in opposite years of the Chair and Treasurer” Second. Motion will be put in the Add A Line and voted on at the November business meeting.

All other chair positions are appointed. In the spirit of rotation, we will be looking for volunteers to serve for 2023-2024.

Committee Reports:

Accessibilities

Contact Committee Chair to get involved with Accessibilities - emsailorman@gmail.com.

Add-A-Line

September Add A Line is available and includes a pull out for Archives with Janice’s story.
<https://neflaa.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Sept-22.pdf>

Archives

Janis J’s story will be published in the September Add-A-Line. The editing of Tom H’s story is nearly complete.

There will be a working meeting to scan documents will be held on Sat, Aug 27 after the IG meeting at the IG office, from 11-3.

For 2023 we will need a new archives chair as well as volunteers to carry on our archives projects. We can't plan our futures unless we know our past.

Corrections

We picked up our new literature order for our in-person Corrections meeting on August 13.

Volunteers are having their fingerprints done, awaiting the next JSO orientation.

The women inmates moved from the P-Farm to the Jail and Matrix, and some of the men moved to the P-Farm. Therefore, meetings will double up for the men at the P-Farm and the Ladies at the Jail. Volunteers are always needed to help with all the facilities. We need many more male volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering in corrections, please contact Steve C or Kathy D , our numbers and Email addresses are in the Add- A- Line.

We are providing 8 meetings each week for women, and 4 meetings each week for men.

CPC/PI - No Report, vacant position

Treatment

News with Treatment Facilities:

Regular brick-and-mortar meetings continue on a regular basis with the following facilities, unless a Covid situation causes brief suspension.

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

Bridging the Gap process development:

During August we received six BTG Info Forms received via our BTG Digital Button approach. The form is hosted on the NEFLAA.org website. Several of these forms led to hooking folks up with AA groups in towns they will be returning. Two such towns, for example, were State College, PA, and Jersey City, NJ.

During August we had no two-way contact with the Probation Department office here in Jacksonville. We continue to believe that efforts here will come to fruition in good time.

Areas where we need assistance:

The *BTG Button* software itself is the critical path for proceeding in March. Our thanks to the IG Office staff for their continued support and teamwork.

We ask everyone to help with building the *Bridge the Gap Volunteers* team. We need a bunch of folks and a variety as well.

We handled 7 people this month. Last year we only supported about 7 people for the year, so our current efforts appear to be helping.

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

Treatment Facilities get When and Where's from the Intergroup Office at cost, same as other literature. This applies to Profit and Non-Profit facilities. There was a mistake at an earlier business meeting regarding Non-Profit facilities.

Finance

Finance Committee did not meet in August. The July bank statement and reconciliation was e-mailed to the Committee. The July financial statements were e-mailed to Committee members for their review and comments.

There were no unusual items noted in the July bank statement or financials by Committee members.

After having high expenses in the past couple of months for When and Where's and Books for Corrections, we are still in a good financial position from a cash perspective. Group contributions are what make this possible, so we are very thankful for those.

Grapevine

Anyone interested in becoming a Grapevine rep for their group can sign up on the website. Aa.grapevine.org. Each group should have a Grapevine rep.

Phone Army

All shifts are covered, but we are looking for volunteers because some of our volunteers are falling off. If you can volunteer, please contact Kara B or Mike M at the IG office.

Special Events

We've sold 28 tables, and have one table donated. We have several reservations for tables that we haven't been able to fill because we capped it at 30. Since individual sales are low, we will be discussing opening the table purchases up to 35.

We expect to stay within the budget

We still could use some volunteers. We have quite a few donated cakes for the cake auction, but will still want more.

Upcoming Events, Meetings – see the Add-A-Line for more detail

District 30 Sponsorship Workshop, September 24 11-1:30, First Christian Church – lunch will be served!

2022 Intergroup Fall Gratitude Banquet – October 22, Ramallah Club – doors open at 5pm

District 6 Gratitude Dinner - November 19 at 6pm at Anastasia Catholic Church in St. Augustine.

Chair: NON-AA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please continue to pray for the full recovery of our former Intergroup Chair, Jack G, former Intergroup Treasurer, Rita H as well as for Pam M, one of our great office volunteers who is recovering from a serious car accident.

While health concerns and business/personal conflicts will continue to require some to participate by zoom we very highly encourage everyone to make the effort to meet in person next month. We believe that the benefits of in person fellowship before and after the meeting are very beneficial to our recovery, unity, and service. We currently have 223 registered Groups in our seven districts with 98 groups contributing to Intergroup and 30 participating in the IG business meeting. If you are a committee co-chair or steering committee member you can vote in the IG BM IF you are a group IGR. Please encourage any of the groups you attend that do not have an IGR to elect and send one to the October IG Business Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:27 with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Business meeting:

Saturday October 1, 2022, at 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.