

Flagler County Intergroup

Meeting Notes

February 4, 2024

Opened with the Serenity Prayer at 5:00 pm

12 Attendees

11 Representatives for voting

Motion to accept Secretary's report was made after the following amendments:

- Art O dissented the report due to possible violation of our traditions, lack of missing information and need of clarification.
 - Record the minutes of the meeting. These minutes should include topics discussed, names of parties making motions and seconds (first name, last initial), and the details of information provided by Officers, Committee Chairs and GSR's. Particular attention should be paid to the working of all motions and the results of all votes. Anonymity of members is of the utmost importance.
 - Michelle F, Secretary, stated that these are not detailed, chronological minutes of each meeting; instead these are meeting notes. As a result, the notes are written in a general way to summarize the discussions and outcomes from the meeting. This approach has been in place for a number of years. The Secretary mentioned that she had accepted the position before reading the District 22 AA Intergroup – Structures and Guidelines, which was only recently obtained. Therefore she did not realize that these guidelines required detailed minutes, particularly since all of the the prior meeting "minutes" which she had reviewed were in a summarized format. Her volunteering to fill this position was to be of service since the position was unfilled and no other persons had volunteered to fill the position. It was simply a misunderstanding of the technical requirements of the position versus those practices that had been in place for years.
- Art O dissents the Treasurer's report for the following reasons:
 - Anonymous donation of \$1000. Is this a donation from an AA member? If not, it should not be accepted and be returned based on AA tradition 7.
 - In a past meeting it was said that once a year in January excessive monies in the intergroup treasury are distributed to other AA entities. Guidelines says in January treasurer determines the excess funds and by a 2/3rd vote the funds may be retained or distributed to GSO or NFC.
 - There was discussion and David T will see if he can verify the identity of the \$1000 donation's AA membership.
 - Decisions of excessive monies being distributed will be discussed at a later meeting with the knowledge that funds should be available to pull from for the upcoming events.
- Art O dissents the Where & When for the following reasons
 - Change of addresses and meeting times for both Flagler County Intergroup and District 22
 - Advertising for SMA Healthcare is violating tradition 6
 - Advertising Al-Anon information doesn't follow the AA Guidelines, relationship between AA and Al-Anon.
 - Jim S will make these corrections and have new printed copies of the Where & When's for the March meeting.
- Art O dissents the Website position discussions from previous meetings as follows:
 - There were two members interested in the position and the minutes should have included their qualifications so that members would have an informed vote. It was also stated that voting for the position was tabled until the next business meeting. There was no voting in January but the minutes stated that Kate volunteered to be the backup webmaster and eventually take over.

- Glenn called upon Robert to help guide us in his knowledge of the subject and some of the concerns are 1. He's not a teacher and 2. The inability to zoom with sound so that he and Robert could discuss the necessary knowledge for transition.
 - It was decided to invite Kate and Michael to the meeting in March to discuss their qualification.
 - Glenn noted that there is not a time limit on the Web Administrator position and as it stands, therefore, Robert will remain the Web Administrator and help get someone as a backup and eventually could take on Web Administrator service position.
- Art O dissents the changing of meeting time and place as follows
 - 8) Procedure to Amend the Guidelines
 - Guidelines 3)C – District Secretary Report with discussion and/or approval of previous minute Guidelines
 - 3)K – Close the meeting with The Lord's Prayer

Treasurer's Report

- Starting Balance \$3744.45 (after \$1,000 prudent reserve)
 - \$75 from the Message Group and \$30 from the It's 50'Clock Somewhere Group – Thank you.
 - Expense of \$60.46 for AT&T, \$104.01 for Storage and \$15.99 to Jim for Zoom
- Final Balance \$3668.99 (after \$1,000 prudent reserve).
- A member motioned to accept the treasurer's report and another seconded

Literature

- Pat E sold 10 Big Books and two pocket sized Big Books and several chips and brochures. Pat investigated the small meeting in a pocket booklet and we have to order in the amount of 5000. Pat will see if he can provide an estimated cost for the next business meeting so that we can go back to our groups and present if we want to proceed or not . Pat's information is on the Website email at: pattonewing@comcast.net or 301-807-5215.

Where & When

- New updated Where & When (see above amended statements) will be printed and available for distribution for March's meeting.

Promises

- Position is still vacant; Debra provided a template in Word to help guide the new person.

Website

- Since there is no time limited stated in the Structures and Guidelines, Robert will remain the Web Administrator
 - Requirements for back up Web Administrators are as follows:
 - Computer to zoom with sound
 - Basic knowledge of WordPress
 - C-Panel
 - Ability to pay fee's upfront (ie. Credit card on file with host) and then be reimbursed
- Robert will provide Glenn with all the user names and passwords

Helpline

- Ray said things are going good, he's getting calls for the Palatka area and not sure why.
- It was suggested that a new list of volunteers to do 12 step calls and provide rides be updated. We will bring this back to our groups and combine the information to provide a men and women's list to utilize for our callers in need.

Events

- Big Book Spring Picnic April 13th

- Meeting at 4:00 was a success. The picnic has a good amount of volunteers. Glenn has provided two guest speakers who have a versed knowledge of the Big Book and will provide the necessary items for the Big Book Trivia immediately following the speakers. Speaker will start at 12:30/1:00.
- Meeting at 4:00 on March 10th was scheduled to determine final event details.
- Halloween Party
 - Reserved for October 19th at the Hammock Community Center
- Gratitude Dinner
 - Pat E has a contact at the Italian American Club and will be investigating this facility as a possible location. Most desired dates in order are 11/16, 11/9, 11/23 or if Sunday would provide a significant savings, then the Sunday of those weekends would be considered.

New Business

- Does Intergroup want to purchase computers to provide the equipment for service positions? Four computers were suggested for Zoom, Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Web Administrator.
- Michelle asked about updating the District 22 AA Intergroup – Structures & Guidelines—and Glenn suggested a Ad Hoc committee be established and asked if Art would be a part of it as Glenn, Michelle, and Ray volunteered but no discussions of when or where were established.
- Ray will be looking into what is required to incorporate intergroup.

Motion to close

1. A member motioned to close and another member 2nd the motion.

Closed with the Responsibility Statement at 6:29

I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.