

Intergroup Service Committee of the 5th District Inc.
Monthly Business Meeting

Date: 8/18/2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer
Twelve Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous were read
The Responsibility Declaration was read
Introduction and welcome to new Intergroup Representatives (IGRs)

Roll Call of Officers and IGRs

Officers

Chair Clark D. [Ex]
Vice Chair Lee H. [*]
Treasurer Normand D. [*]
Secretary Gary McD. [*]
Office Manager Claire T. [*]

Members At Large

Joe B. [*]
Bill G.
Russ D. [*]
Mark R. [UnEx]
Desiree M. [*]

([*] indicates present, [Ex] indicates excused not present, [UnEx] indicates not excused not in attendance)

Groups represented: Fresh Start, Progress Group, Serenity By The Sea, Bare With Us, Morning Glory, Peace River Group, PMS Women's Group, Tuesday Night Beginners Group (PC), Venice YPG, Lunch Bunch (V), New Beginnings Group.

All reports and minutes from the July Meeting were approved.

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. After a seconded motion, the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. After a seconded motion, the report was approved.

Chairperson's Report: We had good meetings for the Steering Committee and IGRs. At the Steering Committee meeting, we had a discussion about finances. I was reminded that our Intergroups's primary purpose is Service to our groups and to help the sick and suffering. Traditionally this time of the year is slow income, even with the local businesses. Our objective is to stay on budget and continue our good service. We welcomed our New office manager, Linda. She wrote a nice acceptance thank you letter to the Steering Committee. We are happy to have her onboard. We will sorely miss Claire and wish her all the happy things in life as she physically moves , but will forever remain in our hearts and mind..... We had discussions about getting more groups involved with our Intergroup. The upcoming open house on 27 August will help and we invite all groups to visit. Coffee and cake will be served, flyer on the website. The Steering Committee approved the housekeeping changes to our bylaws and the IGRs also approved. The IGR meeting had new members in attendance and they were provided with IGR packets. It is always a great feeling to have new faces at our meetings. Remember, the Intergroup is there for you; all AA members are always welcomed at our meetings and office.

Don't forget to check the website for activities. Bill G and his "gang" have several events upcoming, starting with the Golf Tournament in Sept. They welcome any help, so get in service and lend a hand!

At our closing, in the moment of silence, I thought how blessed we are to have our Intergroup and the people that are in service and giving back. Respectfully, Lee J

Office Manager's Report: The Sponsorship workshop was a great success. Our thanks to Bill G. and Rich C. for their work moderating the workshop. Over 30 members attended. Letters were sent to all those that applied for the Office Manager's position, thanking them for their interest and encouraging participation in Intergroup. An order was placed with AA World Services for a group. I explained that since I was not placing an order for the office, the customer would be responsible for the shipping charge. I was given the okay to proceed with the order. A small order for bronze coins and aluminum coins has been placed. The cost for aluminum coins for months 1-11 has increased slightly. I would ask that we keep the price the same and revisit the issue after the first of the year. We will also be placing a small order of tri-plate medallions, greeting cards and Hazelden. Linda began training on Monday, August 15, 2016. She is getting extensive training in QuickBooks. Linda shows a true affinity for the Quickbooks system and seems to have picked up the procedures faster than I did! It is my plan to continue supervised training through August 26 at which time, I will spend the last week observing and being available to answer questions. Intergroup will be hosting a 12 Step Volunteer Workshop on Saturday, September 17, 2016 at 1:30 pm at the Englewood Alano Club. Flyers are available. Just a reminder, Intergroup elections will be held at the October business meeting. Anyone interested in standing for a position is encouraged to do so. The calls for the month of July were: AA – 101, Detox – 2, 12 Step – 4, Office – 47 and Other – 12. In love and service, Claire T., Office Manager

Event's Coordinator's Report: There were only 3 members in attendance so not much business was conducted. The Golf Tournament will be September 26 at the Pelican Point Golf and Country Club. The Events Committee could use some help. We meet the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm in the Intergroup office. In love and service, Bill G.

Old Business: The revisions to the By-Laws were reviewed with the IGR's in attendance. Since these revisions were mainly housekeeping, the IGR's voted unanimously to approve the changes. However, the IGR's were reminded that any objection to the revisions by their home group can and will be addressed at the next business meeting.

New Business: None

Announcements from the floor: None

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Gary McD., Secretary