

**Intergroup Service Committee of the 5<sup>th</sup> District Inc.**  
**Monthly Business Meeting**

**Date: 6/16/2016**

The meeting was called to order at 7 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 [*]
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. [*]
Desiree M. [*]

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

**Groups represented:** Progress Group, Serenity By The Sea, Serenity Group (Arcadia), Fresh Start, Peace River Group, PMS Women's Group, North Port Group, Morning Glory Group, Attitude Adjustment Group, W.I.N.G.S., Eye Opener Group.

**Secretary's Report:** April minutes were reviewed and approved. May minutes were reviewed and approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** April Treasurer's report was approved. May Treasurer report was reviewed and approved.

**Chairperson's Report:** The painting in the office looks wonderful. The Events Committee did a great job at the Founders Day Dinner. A reminder, we will be holding Officer Elections in October.

**Office Manager's Report:** Although the par numbers for bronze and tri-plate medallions were increased, we found ourselves needing to place an order again this month. Normally we need to order less of these items in the off season. However, since we sell the tri-plates for \$5.00 less than our nearest competition, we sell to members outside our district as well. Our bronze medallions are still selling at a brisk pace, so we needed to replenish those as well. Since the order was over \$75.00, we were given free shipping. We also placed an order with Grapevine for a group. I had the opportunity to meet the new District 5 PI/CPC Chairperson. We discussed the literature needs of the committee. I was able to put a price list together and after getting her approval, placed the order with GSO in New York. I also ordered 100 hard cover Big Books since we no longer have any back stock and less than 20 of them on the shelf. Since this is the beginning of our quiet time of year, those 100 Big Books should see us through until the fall. Now that all of our stock will be replenished, we should not need to place many orders over the summer. The office received a huge email from GSO. There was a great deal of information attached. We received a copy of the floor actions and committee recommendations from the General Service Conference in April. There was also contact information sent for every General Service Area in the United States, Online meeting sites, the services that GSO provides and interestingly enough, information entitled "Fellowships Similar to AA". That information contained national hotline numbers for other "Anonymous" fellowships. It contained a disclaimer from the General Service Office stating that this was for informational purposes only and that AA does not

affiliate with or endorse any of these fellowships. Although I have this information available for any interested member, the webmaster and I agreed that none of the information needed to be posted on our website. Our thanks to the Events Committee for a wonderful Founders Day dinner. As always, the members of the committee as well as the cook, dishwashers, servers and all the volunteers that helped to set up, worked extremely hard. Also, a thank you to those members that manned the tables at the dinner. It is also worth noting that we had a representative from FCYPAA (Florida Conference of Young People in AA) at the dinner. This is the first time the young people in our district had a display at one of our functions. Also information was received by GSO regarding the pamphlet "Young People in AA". They will be updating the pamphlet and are soliciting entries from young people about their experience, strength and hope. In addition to posting the information to the bulletin board, several copies have been passed on to members. There are copies available for you to take back to your groups. The Sponsorship Workshop is scheduled for Saturday, August 13, 2016 at 1:00 pm right here in the office. We will be basing the workshop on the pamphlet "Questions and Answers on Sponsorship". There are flyers available to take back to your groups. We would like to welcome two new members to our volunteer family. Ann M. from the Lunch Bunch in Venice has taken the Wednesday 9-12 shift and Debbie P. from the North Port Group has taken the Wednesday 12-3 shift. We thank them for their service. The lending library is proving to be quite popular. As of this month, we have loaned out over 50 CDs. I will be out of the office on Thursday, June 23, 2016. I will be available by phone and will see to it that the register is set up for the morning volunteer. As you can see, our office has been painted! Our gratitude to Normand for all of his hard work. In just a few days, he managed to patch all the holes in the wall, repair door frames and paint the walls and trim! Additionally, he made some cosmetic and structural repairs. Outside of my office there is now a mail slot instead of just a hole cut in the wall. The large wooden board with all of the outdated ethernet wiring has been removed. The handicap bar in the rest room was actually repositioned to make it secure. All the wiring at the volunteer desk and in my office has been consolidated and repositioned to make for less clutter. The blinds were rehung, this time properly. The photo history on our walls will be hung up again, however, Normand will be arranging them in 16 X 2 mats, eliminating the look of clutter on the walls. Just a reminder, the office will be closed on Monday, July 4, 2016. I will take the phones from 9:00 am until 6:00 pm and then will turn them over to the regular Monday night volunteer. The calls for the month of May were: AA-91, Detox-0, 12 Step-2, Office-40, and Other-8. In love and service, Claire T.

**Event's Coordinator's Report:** The Events Committee met on Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Intergroup office. There were 7 members in attendance. The golf outing will be on June 25<sup>th</sup>. The New Years Alkathon will be held at the Englewood Alano Club, flyers will follow. There will be no Events Committee meeting in July. The Events Committee meets the first Thursday of every month at the Intergroup office at 7:00 pm.

**District Liaison to Intergroup Report:** There are 12 open positions. 5 housekeeping motions passed. Delegate will address District 5 at the June 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** The IGRs were informed of the motions that were voted on at the Steering Committee meeting. The IGRs were asked to vote on the motion regarding the change in wording in Section 8 of the By-Laws. Since this was a housekeeping motion, it was not necessary to bring it back to the groups. The IGRs voted unanimously to approve the motion. The body also informed the IGRs that the number of CDs that could be borrowed from the Intergroup library has been increased to 5.

**Announcements from the floor:** Jen N. passed out information regarding 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition contributions and GSO.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Gary McD., Secretary