

NATURE COAST INTERGROUP MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES SUNDAY, December 16th, 2007

The meeting was opened at 4:34 pm by Chairperson, Toni T., with a moment of silence in remembrance of members who had passed on, followed by the Serenity Prayer.

ATTENDED: Don G., Martha G., Joan B., Neil S., Corey H., Shirley J., Joe L., Rock, Gayle W., Joe N., Willie M., Sue C., Joann, Mel L., Dave K., Sandy H., Julie P., John S., Rich, Paula D., Janet B., Jim K., Ron B., Marilyn B., Beverly H., Rick T. and Toni T.

ROLL CALL: Vice Chairperson Martha G. conducted roll call. There were 27 attendees. Eighteen groups were represented.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The secretary read the minutes for the meeting of November 18th, 2007. There was a motion to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded. The minutes were accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Sue C. gave the report of income & expenses. There was a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded and the motion passed. Sue C. also provided an "Events" report, giving details to date for Intergroup-sponsored events of 2007. There was a motion to accept the report. The motion was seconded. The "Events" report was accepted.

TRUSTEES' REPORT: Rick T and Neil S. were present. Al L. was absent. There was nothing to report.

WEBMASTER'S REPORT: Ron B. was present, but had nothing to report.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: Toni T. thanked all who assisted her during the past year as Chairperson, stating it was a learning experience.

JOURNAL REPORT: Paula D. stated she has the Microsoft Publishing software installed on her computer and has the January 2008 issue roughed out and ready to go. She asked if the back page of the journal needed to remain the same, since she had received submissions from AA members who want to contribute to the journal and she needs to provide more space. Don G. offered the information that this subject had been voted on before, and it is left to the Editor's discretion to add one or two extra pages, as necessary, and Intergroup has preapproved same. The back page of the journal, therefore, will remain intact.

HOTLINE REPORT: Rick T. gave his report. There were 76 total calls so far this month: 73 AA, 1 NA, and 2 Alanon. One of the AA calls was "wet". Rick further stated that, so far, it has been a slow month.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS: Toni T. stated that Ed P. has resigned as head of the committee for Inventory and Sales. She further stated that we need to have a volunteer to take over these responsibilities. Toni T. asked the Intergroup members present to think about volunteering for this position. Discussion followed and suggestions were offered by several members. Sue C. offered to help with the final inventory for the year, stating that the cut-off date for the year would be December 28th. She also reminded the group that inventory is a time-consuming job. Paula D. suggested that perhaps a volunteer with less than one year can assist with the inventory, if supervised by another volunteer with the minimum two years' sobriety. Greg H. said he has background in doing inventory and would like to assist with this project. Marilyn B. also offered to

help by programming the existing cash register, since it has inventory-control capabilities. Toni T. asked for clarification as to whether the inventory person also has to do the ordering. Sue C. stated these are two separate tasks. Toni T. asked that the appointing of the committee be tabled until the January 2008 meeting. In the interim, she asked Paula D. to oversee and to choose Greg H. and perhaps another volunteer to start to handle inventory control. Toni T. stated progress will start with fully utilizing the cash register and forming the committee.

OLD BUSINESS:

Annual Alkathons

Christmas Eve Alkathon

Martha G. stated the Christmas Eve Alkathon is all set. Don G. took the inventory and the only thing still needed is the key. Toni T. stated she will provide the key. Pat H. will bring the ice. Volunteers to chair at the various Alkathon meetings are still needed. Either Martha G. or Pat H. should be contacted regarding the Christmas Alkathon. Toni T. stated the Trustee to be present at the Christmas Alkathon will be Rick.

New Year's Alkathon

Joe and Greg need volunteers for the New Year's Eve Alkathon as well. Toni T. stated Al will be the Trustee present at the New Year's Eve Alkathon. There was a reminder that a Trustee needs to be present at each Intergroup-sponsored event.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nomination of Trustees:

Beverly H. reminded that nominations are needed for the two Trustee positions that need to be filled. The election will be held in January. Nominees must have two years' sobriety and they must be willing to read the Bylaws and keep the officers on track regarding the Bylaws. Don G. made a motion to nominate Al, since he has not yet served a full year as Trustee. The motion was seconded and passed. There was a motion to nominate Janet B. to fill the currently vacant position of Trustee. The motion was seconded and it passed. The election will be held at the next Intergroup meeting.

Fundraising Committee

Toni T. stated that since our "Events" funds are currently in the negative, she would like to ask that a committee be formed for fundraising (venues such as auctions, dances, etc.), stating we need to build up our funds. The new fundraising events would also serve to encourage young people to stay in AA, since there is not a lot offered for them to do for fun in the community. The item was tabled until next month, with Toni T. asking everyone to think about various ideas for raising money for Intergroup.

The meeting adjourned at 5:34pm and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan B.