

Nature Coast Intergroup - May 7, 2017

Call to Order: 4:30

Serenity Prayer

Roll Call: 8 groups present: Crystal River, Freedom House, Keep in Step, Monday Night Men's Step, Old Firehouse, Sober Sandgnats, Women's Friendship, YPG: Young People's Group.

Officers Reports:

Secretary: minutes accepted for April as read with this clarification: The ending balance noted of \$4712.02 is the **bank** balance, and the \$50 cash on hand is in addition to this balance. Will change reporting in notes to reflect this.

Chair recommended the revision and amendment to **October 2016** minutes to reflect: "Steve N is Alternate Chair, not the Chair"; also to clarify and add under Old Business: "Elections were held for officers of NCI with the following results:"

Moved, seconded and unanimously accepted.

Chair will make these revisions in the archived minutes.

Treasurer:

Report for **April** summary:

Beginning Balance: \$4712.02

Total Income: \$ 591.50

Total Expense: \$644.95

Net Income: -\$53.45

Ending Balance in checking account: \$ 4,658.57

Cash on Hand: \$50

Final Balance: \$4, 708.57

Moved, Seconded and Accepted as presented.

Trustees: Sandy H: No report; Janet: Absent; Denis: Went to a very good presentation on working with drunks on the hotline. Bill: Announced intergroup meeting at his group encouraging members to attend.

Standing Committee Reports

Hotline: There were two or three 12 step calls; 15 meeting requests. No responses from the email sent to the groups through their representatives for more people to be available for 12 step calls or to take a shift on answering the cell phone. (John H. verbal report)

Web Site: Thank you for allowing me to serve. In the month of April there were 6179 sessions with 3298 unique visitors viewing 11,248 pages. 63.79% of the users were new with returning visitors making up 36.21% of the sessions. The top pages visited were meetings general, meetings by day, meetings by location, calendar, information links, contact, contributions newcomer, Young People, About Meetings, and Is AA for You. The top five downloads were: Where and When, Journal, Minutes, calendar, and audio AA. The bounce rate was 45.08%. For the old fashioned there were 59987 hits.

Fliers were uploaded, Where and When was corrected and changed, Journal and all minutes uploaded. Multiple meeting pages were corrected and updated. Again, I am grateful to Nature Coast Intergroup for allowing me the privilege of being your webmaster.

Steve N.

Journal: Sue was absent. The Journal April/May has been printed for groups to distribute and is also available on our website (www.ncintergroup.com). Printed edition is black and white, the online is in color. This first issue is clear, nicely designed and an excellent effort. We are very grateful to Sue for her work on this. Sue will have support to fill in some missing items. Personal stories are being asked for, and you can find the link on the website in the online Journal. Please consider sharing your experience, strength and hope through the Journal.

Events: 20 people came to the Events meeting; discussion followed on needs; Tina donated a gas grill; 100 tickets have been printed and are out; Rick

Thane will be our speaker; all positions are filled. Money and unsold tickets can be brought to the event. Next meeting will be May 20 at 1:30 at Serenity Club, St. Benedicts in Crystal River. Mike will bring the concerns about meeting location. The Spring Fling will be in Floral Park, insurance is \$135 for the day. Set up starts at 11:00 and program will end at 5:00.

Founders Day Brunch: The Church charged \$100 for the custodial staff to be there to clean up. Needed is a kitchen crew on Friday, June 9th to prep. Details will be given at the Events Planning Meeting on May 20th.

Citrus Springs Blvd Church was offered as an alternative site for the Events Planning Meetings and Mike will bring that up on May 20th.

Thank you for letting me serve.

Mike F.

Alt. Chair: Good evening. I attended the last Events Committee Meeting at St. Benedict's for the Spring Fling and it seems that they have everything in place. I'm looking forward to the picnic.

I had the pleasure of being the guest speaker at the Freedom House Groups 9th Anniversary. A special thank you to Steve N. for the invite and the gift of a 2nd Edition Big Book. It was a wonderful meeting.

Yours in service,

Dean B.

Chair Report: Thank you for allowing me to serve. This past month I was pleased to attend the quarterly Area 14 Assembly in Gainesville where I attended the Area officers workshop, the Intergroup Workshop on Hot lines and 12 step calls, the Website Committee Meeting and the general Assembly Business Meeting. The Intergroup workshop included a 12 step call brochure, AA Guidelines for answering services, Man on the bed brochure, Chapter 7 of the Big Book, and a Bridging the Gap information session and participated in a role play of 12 step calls facilitated by Dan E., past-delegate. We also reviewed what should be included in a Hotline reference book which was partially based upon Nature Coast Intergroup's Hotline notebook. I will be forwarding the complete packet handed out at the session to Hotline chair John H.

I introduced some concerned ladies to the Treatment and Corrections chairs of area so they could work with setting up a transition program for Oasis in Citrus county and thank their group for their service.

I worked to determine what aspects of the Nature Coast Intergroup brochure would need to be changed and will present that information at the meeting today under old business.

I thank all of the volunteers showing up for the events committee meetings and am looking forward to events in the future. Thank you again for allowing me to serve you as Intergroup Chairperson,

Steve N

Old Business:

NCI Brochure for Revision and Publication: Much discussion followed. Mock up will be available at the next meeting in June for editing and approval.

Motion to print 1000 black and white, glossy 3 fold, and seconded. Unanimous support.

1000 black & white @ \$110

Sober Sand Gnats: First Tuesday of each month: Fellowship and Potluck at 6:30 pm with meeting to follow at 7:00 pm

New Business: Rick T. spoke regarding disposition of materials etc at the storage facility. Need to maintain a property list of items in the storage and add any acquired items. (eg. the used grill donated)

Clarification: When intergroup and district do events together which are only the Gratitude Dinner and Founders Day Brunch, District is not a financial partner but is a spiritual partner in accordance with the Traditions and Concepts of these events. Other social events are strictly sponsored by Nature Coast Intergroup.

Motion to Close: 5:30 PM unanimously accepted. Closing Prayer.

Lorraine Taft, grateful to serve as Secretary

