

NATURE COAST INTERGROUP AGENDA
November 11th, 2018

Call to Order

Serenity Prayer

Roll Call Secretary – Interim Secretary - Linda A

Welcome New Representatives – Steve N.

Officers Reports

Secretary – Linda A.

Treasurer – Paige B.

Trustees Reports: Sandy, Linda, Connie, Lynn

Standing Committee Reports

Hotline –John H.

Web Site – Steve N.

Journal –Sue S.

Events – Mike F.

Alt Chair Report –Dean B.

Chair Report – Dean for Steve N.

Old Business:

New Business: - Budget

Motion to Close

Closing Prayer-

NATURE COAST INTERGROUP – November 11th 2018 MINUTES

Recorded by Linda A. - seretary@ncintergroup.com

Call to Order: - Alt. Chair-Dean B. for Chair Steve N. - Opened the meeting at 4:30 PM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Roll Call: - 10 Groups were represented as follows: Attitude Adjustment, Crystal River Group, Holder Way of Life, Keep in Step, Monday Night Men's Step, No Name Group, Real Happy Hour, Sober Sand Gnats, What's the Book Say and Women's Friendship Group.

Welcome New Reps: -Greg A. New IGR/GSR Resentment Group

Secretary: - Interim Secretary Linda A. Read the October 7th 2018 minutes and they were accepted as read.

Treasurer: - Paige B. - reported group contributions of \$285 for the month of October. Treasurer's report filed pending audit. Final 2019 Budget tabled to Dec. 2018 mtg. A draft was distributed for groups to consider.

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| Beginning Balance: | \$ 5532.76 |
| Total Income: | \$ 452.00 |
| Total Expense: | \$ 169.68 |
| Net Income: | \$ 282.32 |
| Ending Balance | \$ 5815.08 |
| Cash on Hand: | \$ 50.00 |
| Final Balance: | \$ 5865.08 |

Trustee's Reports:

Linda: - I attended the Gratitude Dinner, which was a great success. Thank you to those people who so generously gave of their time and talents to make it so. The food was delicious, especially the Turkey. I was overwhelmed with gratitude for my sobriety and that of all those there. Especially for the girl with only 5 days sober, what HOPE she must have found in a room with Hundreds of sober alcoholics, I know I did! In Service, Linda A

Sandy: - Event went well. A big thanks to all volunteer was so much help. Special thanks to Kitchen Helpers: Pam, Catherine, Warren, Dell, Rich, and Jeff, too many to mention...Proud of Mike for getting it all done. \$249 was won the 50/50 raffle.

Connie: - Dinner was a great success about 250 people there. Paige, the speaker, did a great job. I felt the only improvement would be to shorten the Raffle time.

Lynn: - Everyone had a good time, thank you for those who set up tables, lines went smoothly.

Standing Committee Reports:

Hotline: - John H: -absent no report submitted.

Web: - Steve N:-absent no report submitted

Journal:-Sue needs to step down for personal reasons. Need a Journal Chair/Editor

Events: - Mike F. – Gratitude dinner was a great success. Ingrid decorated the tables. Felt that he had so much help and was so grateful. We need a new events chair.

Alternate Chair: - Dean B. NCI Alt Chair Report, Good afternoon. I'm Dean and I'm an alcoholic. I managed to attend the Events Committee meetings prior to the Gratitude Dinner and very proud of how well everything the committee did to get us to the Gratitude Dinner. I was extremely pleased with the turnout and amount of food provided. I would like to commend Mike, his committee, the volunteers, meetings and groups that provided turkeys and hams, and all the attendees that brought side dishes. It was a long day I know with setting up around noon, the event itself, and clean up well after 8 pm.

I was surprised that there was such little interest in the displays this year. Everything was out in the open and away from the tables. If anyone has a suggestion of improving on this please share it with the incoming Committee Chair.

For those that didn't know, the AA Tree Grows in Florida, Area 14, District 28 is complete and District 28 has the original and laminated foam board copy.

The Origin of the AA Tree Grows in Florida Tree

I met Tom W., the Jacksonville Intergroup Archives Chair, in 2015. At the time we were at the Statewide Archives Workshop in Winter Park, Florida. He presented the following:

There was a Florida State convention held in Jacksonville, Florida in the late 1980's or prior to 1994. At the time Marie B. was the Archivist at the North Florida Area Conference. She along with Diane L. came up with the idea of depicting the growth of A.A. in Florida in a graphic to be displayed at the Convention. The use of a tree of some kind was discussed. Marie and Diane had obtained lists of all the groups in Florida from World Services Office starting from the beginning. The only step left was to draw the tree.

At the time Marie B. worked in downtown Jacksonville. A group of employees had moved from a nearby office space to another floor. After they had moved out Marie walked around the now vacant space basically scrounging to see if anything of interest was left behind. There leaning against a wall was the outline of a bare tree that someone had drawn on poster board. From there Marie and Diane sat on the floor of the living room of Marie's home in Mandarin filling in the tree with all the groups, first displaying it at the Convention. Later someone drew an outline around the tree branches. Several groups requested copies of the tree and occasionally you can see it displayed at meetings or Club Houses.

(<https://neflaa.org/> - Add-A-Line April 2014 Issue 4 Volume 63)

So, Tom W. wanted to go one BIG step further. He has undertaken the task of doing a State of Florida Tree, compiled by records from all the districts in Florida, to where it is compiled as a database. That being said, I have been working with Tom and the JAX Archives Committee to help bring that idea to fruition. For the 2018 District 28 Archives Event, Sammi S., Kim W., and Paige B. helped put together our own AA Tree Grows in District 28. Sammi did the graphics of what I call 'The Sammi Tree'. Completed and displayed at the NCI/District 28 November 4, 2018 Gratitude Dinner. Yours in Service, Dean B. NCI Alternate Chair

Chair: - Steve N: - Absent, no report submitted.

Old Business:

- Tabled from last month- Linda A was asked to consider stepping down from Trustee position to stand for the Secretarial Position.

Response: Linda A. declined the opportunity to serve as Secretary, due to other commitments. We still need a secretary to start in Panel 69.

- A **Motion** was made in September, to allow Steve, the Chair and Dist 28-DCM some latitude to work together to resolve the Liability Insurance issue. **Passed unanimously.**

Response: 25th of October at the County commissioners meeting, it was decided to wave the Liability Insurance for groups who are

New Business: -.

Journal Chair Position: Ben C- Real Happy Hour Group-He was his High School's Newspaper editor- stood for the journal. **Unanimously accepted.**

Events Chair Position: Michael D- stood for events chair. Next 3 events are pretty well set.

Chili cook-off, same place 1st week of February, Spring Fling on the 13th of April @ Whispering Pines and on June 9th Founders Day Breakfast at same place, and the Picnic in the Park is the 2nd Sat. in September same place, Rainbow Springs Park. **Unanimously Accepted.**

Meeting Adjourned: 5:19 pm.

Closing Prayer-The Lord's Prayer