

DISTRICT 28

Meeting Minutes

June 30, 2013

Officers/Chairs Present at Meeting:

DCM - Paula D.

Alt DCM – Steve N.

Treasurer – Debra S. and Paige B. (interim)

Secretary – Paige B. (interim) – P.J. O. Took roll call.

Archives Chair – Denis S.

Intergroup Liaison. - Paige B.

Grapevine Chair – Debra S.

Literature Chair – Genêt R.

GSRs/Alt. GSRs and visitors present at meeting

BRIGHT SPOT GROUP – Babette V. - GSR

CRYSTAL RIVER GROUP – Sandy H., GSR

DUNNELLON NEW BEGINNINGS GROUP – Debra S., GSR

FLORAL CITY GROUP – David N., GSR

INVERNESS FRIDAY NIGHT – John R., GSR

KEEP IN STEP – Mary S., GSR

MONDAY NITE MEN'S STEP – Rick T. GSR

RAINBOW GROUP - Ron B., GSR

REAL HAPPY HOUR – John C. GSR

WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP - Genêt R.

Ann D. – Visitor, Bright Spot Group

Toni T. – Visitor, Women's New Beginnings Group

P.J. O. - Visitor , Won Rebos Group

Welcome by DCM

Paula D. welcomed groups and called meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Serenity Prayer

Declaration of Unity

Responsibility Statement

Recognition of New GSR's –

Secretary: Roll Call and Report: P.J. O. Took roll call. Paige B. (interim) took minutes

Roll call - 10 groups were represented

Minutes of May meeting - Moved to accept, seconded passed unanimously

Treasurer's Report – Paige B (interim)

Moved to accept as printed, seconded passed unanimously

See Attached

Deb S. thanked Paige for her service as interim Treasurer in her absence and resumed her position in service as the District 28 Treasurer.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Archives Report: Denis S. accepted his appointment as District 28 Archives Chair. He is looking to establish a District Archives Committee and will attend the Archives workshop at the July Area Assembly.

Corrections-Men Report: David N, (May and June Report) For the purpose of brevity and to avoid duplication in this report, I do make contact with C. O. John Tucker as well as each member of the AA volunteer team each and every week. I will report on any new information or changes in policy and procedures obtained from those conversations. On May the first, Walter chaired an AA meeting which was attended by eighteen inmates. On May the eighth, fourteen inmates attended an AA meeting chaired by Richard. On May the fifteenth, CCA canceled the AA meeting due to security issues regarding a shortage of CCA staff. On the twenty second of May, Gene chaired an AA meeting that twelve inmates attended. On the twenty fourth of May

CO, John Tucker, contacted me, via telephone, to inform me that John, a new volunteer for AA, had been approved to bring meetings into the jail. On May the twenty ninth, Richard chaired an AA meeting which was attended by seventeen inmates.

On June the fifth, Gene withdrew his commitment to appear at the jail due to the weather. On June the twelfth, Walter chaired a meeting in which fourteen inmates attended. CCA canceled the AA meeting on June the nineteenth due to the lack of security personnel. On June the twenty fifth eighteen inmates attended an AA meeting chaired by Richard. In conclusion, I would like to thank CO John Tucker, the AA volunteers, and the entire AA family for the privilege of serving as the AA Corrections Chair. The experience is deeply enriching and it is an honor to serve. Thank you!

Corrections-Women Report: Char S. - Meetings are successfully continuing on a bi-weekly basis, this month on June 7 and 21. 5 women were present at meeting on the 7th, I don't have attendance figures yet for the meeting of the 21st. I did have the pleasurable surprise of meeting a lady at an AA meeting in Inverness who recognized me from the jail meetings. She had been recently released and told me that having the meetings in jail made a positive difference in her life. I have not received any update from Mr. Tucker on the status of our members with applications pending.

Yours in Unity, Service, and Recovery, Char S.

CPC/PI Report: No Report

Founder's Day Breakfast Ad Hoc Committee Report: Paige B. thanked all those who made the Founder's Day Breakfast possible in particular, the five o'clock AM crew. A brief overview of the event was delivered. In discussion that followed, much positive feedback was given and a few opportunities were cited. The success of this event was a direct result of willingness to serve and of the unity existing in District 28. The Founder's Day Breakfast, a first joint effort between District 28 and the Nature Coast Inter-group, is intended to become an annual event.

Grapevine Report: No Report

Literature Report: Genet R. - Literature contest is still running and will end in October 2014. Both individuals and groups can enter. Looking forward to attending the Literature workshop at the Area Assembly. Thank you for the privilege of serving. Genet Rowland

NCI Liaison Report: Paige B. - Rick T. opened and chaired the June meeting of the Nature Coast Inter-group. Genet R. Took roll call with eleven groups represented. Minutes from the May meeting were accepted as read. Bill W. Was absent due to illness, no Treasurer's report was available. The trustees reported on the phenomenal success of the Founder's Day Breakfast. "What I saw was fabulous!" It was recommended to become an annual event. A good time was had by all. Where and whens are available. We are aware of the errors but are committed to utilizing what we have. A reprint will occur when we run out. The large date of printing will be removed from the front cover in future printings. Any changes should be e-mailed to Steve N. at northsea@usa.net. There is a new Grapevine book available; "One On One...A Sponsorship Experience." The book is priced at \$10.99. The webmaster, Dave, reported "Off the charts" interest in the website with 2,594 visits and approximately 16,000 hits. He attributes this to the journal. The webmaster is looking for an assistant. Debra S. volunteered to help Dave with the website. Dave is seeking to expand the website and offer it as a mobile application. Babette had 300 journals printed and folded. She asked for submissions. Anyone wishing to submit copy for the journal may do so either by e-mail at babetteVS@gmail.com or by snail mail at P. O. Box 11, Crystal River, Florida 34423. The deadline for inclusion in the next month's journal is the third week of the month prior to publication. Journals will be available at the Nature Coast Inter-group monthly meeting. David reported 109 hotline calls for the month. 90 AA, 8 wet, 2 Al-anon/Ala-teen, 2 NA, 3 treatment and 4 miscellaneous. In the future, hotline statistics will be turned into the Journal for publication and will be used in the monthly report. A standing committee for the planning of workshops and events was established. Their motto, "We are not a glum lot!" Under New Business a summer picnic was discussed. Wally and Denis offered to get the ball rolling. Several locations were discussed. Pending availability, a Dunnellon venue seems likely. August the seventeenth is the tentative date of the event. Cost analysis will be produced and reviewed next month. A break even outcome is sought in light of the inter-group's registered non-profit, 501c3, status

Treatment Report: Willye M - The centers / Arsat In-patient Treatment meetings and workshops are running fantastic! the Youth are soaking up A.A. and applying it to every day, this month on Sundays have been workshops of A. A. literature and Pamphlets from step 1,2,3 out of 12 and 12 and such pamphlets as to young, problems other than Alcohol, is A.A. for you and more, what a gift this is to be aloud this honor. Outside of this the open meeting of A.A. 7pm Fri. has grown and we will be "renting" another larger room to fight us all in caring the message and our strength and hope as we are self-supporting and not allied with the centers /arsat rent is a must to them, the address will not change on where and whens just the room its held in, Thank you all again for this honor of service ... Willye M

Alternate DCM's Report: Steve N.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

I was so pleased to be able to help out at the Founder's Day Breakfast. The volunteers at this event were extraordinary and I am certain it will become an annual event for our district and inter-group. It also shows what can happen when inter-group and district work together on any project!

Where and Whens are available at the Holder Inter-group and District Meetings. We understand there are errors. All AM meetings are indicated PM. Tell folks all meetings before the 10 noon meetings on any given day are in the morning. If you have corrections, changes in meetings, or new meetings not listed; please email me those changes at northsea@usa.net so we can get the printing template correct for the next printing. Going forward, all meetings will be announced by physical/geographical location rather by club location. A point of clarification was offered regarding YANA. YANA is not a club but a location where meetings are held.

Future Where and When's will remove the large date from the front as people are throwing them out thinking they are only good for the month listed. Date of publication will be removed from the front cover position and printed in a small font on back page on the bottom.

The District has two rooms reserved at the Lake Mary Marriott for the July 12th - 14th Assembly. They are reserved for Saturday night July 13th and check in time is 3:00 PM. Please let me know if your group needs a district room for you so I can give the hotel your information. If I have no requests for occupants of the rooms by July 7th, the reservations will be canceled.

Steve N.

DCM's Report:

It is my privilege and pleasure to serve as DCM for District 28, Panel 63
Founders Day Breakfast - June 15th

Area 14 Assembly

I look forward to seeing you all at the upcoming area assembly.

2013 Assembly Dates –

July 12-14 – Our Delegate will be giving a Post Conference report.

October 4-6, 2013

2014 Assembly Dates – January 17-19, April 11-14, July 11-13 and October 17-19, 2014

The Florida state convention will be held July 24-28 in Jacksonville, FL.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

**Concept / Tradition
The Traditions
(The Long Form)**

Our A.A. experience has taught us that:

Tradition 6—Problems of money, property, and authority may easily divert us from our primary spiritual aim. We think, therefore, that any considerable property of genuine use to A.A. should be separately incorporated and managed, thus dividing the material from the spiritual. An A.A. group, as such, should never go into business. Secondary aids to A.A., such as clubs or hospitals which require much property or administration, ought to be incorporated and so set apart that, if necessary, they can be freely discarded by the groups. Hence such facilities ought not to use the A.A. name. Their management should be the sole responsibility of those people who financially support them. For clubs, A.A. managers are usually preferred. But hospitals, as well as other places of recuperation, ought to be well outside A.A.—and medically supervised. While an A.A. group may cooperate with anyone, such cooperation ought never go so far as affiliation or endorsement, actual or implied. An A.A. group can bind itself to no one.

Concept VI and Checklist

Concept VI: The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be exercised by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the General Service Board.

· Are we familiar with how our General Service Board (G.S.B.) Class A and Class B trustees serve A.A.? Are we familiar with how our other trusted servants serve A.A.?

· Are we clear about the terms, “chief initiative” and “active responsibility”? Can we see a direct link to our home group?

The following email was received by the DCM and read at the meeting:

The Youth From the centers where blessed by Intergroup and District 28 by being involved at our first ever Founders day get together and really enjoyed the support of all. Involvement of our youth is our future and thanks to all we A.A,s have a bright Future Indeed. It was an Honor for the youth who read, and help out. The readers: Glen, Chris, Becka, Carver, and Clorissa helped to bring our readings to all. Thank you from every one, and A.A. Blessings from all Comity members’s involved to the youth. THANK YOU !!!!!

Thank you for the privilege of serving. Paula D.

Old Business:

The October workshop was discussed. The topic of the “The Home Group: the Heartbeat of AA”, seems likely.

New Business:

The upcoming picnic was discussed.

The development of a questionnaire to solicit group input on future topics for workshops and themes for events was mentioned.

Reminders:

North Florida Area Assembly in Lake Mary.

State Convention.

July meeting of District 28.

October workshop.

October Assembly.