

DISTRICT 28
Meeting Minutes
June 2, 2019

Welcome by DCM:

Bob M., DCM, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. and conducted the meeting.

Serenity Prayer

Declaration of Unity

Responsibility Statement

Announcement

Roll Call:

P. J. O. took roll call and Minutes of the meeting. Eight groups were represented.

Officers/Chairs present at meeting:

DCM -Bob M.

Alt. DCM- Lynn D.

Treasurer – Linda A.

Archives – Bob M.

NCI Liaison – Denis S.

Website – Steve N.

GSRs Alt GSRs and Visitors

Bob M. – Alt. GSR, Holder Way of Life Group

Paige B. – GSR, Keep in Step Group

Harry J. - GSR, Miracles Group

Lynn D. – GSR, No Name Group

Mike D. – GSR Real Happy Hour Group

Linda A. – GSR, Women’s Friendship Group

P. J. O. – Won Rebos Group

Lisa B. – GSR, Women’s New Beginnings

Lisa is a new GSR. Welcome, Lisa!

Visitors:

None.

Secretary's Report: (No Secretary) P. J. O. had taken the Minutes of the May meeting, which he submitted for approval. On motion and second, the Minutes were accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Linda A.

Linda submitted the District 28 Income and Expense Report, the Group Contributions and the Pink Can Reports for May, 2019.

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| Income and Expense Beginning Balance: | \$4999.14 |
| Net Income: | \$- 210.22 |
| Expenses: | \$ 369.44 |
| Ending Balance: | \$ 5551.16 |
| Group Contributions: | \$ 142.22 |
| Pink Can Contributions: | \$ 29.50 |

The Treasurer's Report accepted on motion and second, subject to audit.

(Reports for all funds will be attached to Minutes.)

The 7th Tradition Basket was passed.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Accessibilities Chair: No report.

Archives Committee: Submitted by Dean B.

Good afternoon. I'm Dean and I'm an alcoholic.

I would thank Bob M. and Linda A. for thinking of Archives and offering storage cabinets. As it stands right now Archives has no need at this time. It was greatly appreciated though.

I would like to thank Gina S. for stopping by to help sort through the display selection for Founder's Day. It saved a great deal of work for me. Also, as most of us know, we lost another member recently, 'Old Pete' from the Chassahowitzka Old Firehouse Group. As we were sorting Big Books I came across a Third Edition that had inscribed, "This book is from the Turning Point Group Fri 800 pm you guys are welcome anytime. Akron Ohio, and signed Pete McCullum." I called

his wife Cathy and explained what I had found and asked if she would be interested in having it back. She was so happy to hear the news and yes, she would love to have it. It will be on display at the Founder's Day Brunch and will be given back to her. I don't know if I should have brought this up at District first but I feel it's the right thing to do.

I am 'fine tuning' the display for Founder's Day and from there I will be getting ahold of Bob M. our DCM to make arrangements on transferring parts of our collection to our storage facility. I have Kristi H. who's going to help sort and inventory our extensive collection of tapes, CD's, and DVD's after the event for storage. We are in dire need of volunteers for Archives, especially in the recording of oral histories of our local old timers. If this is something you feel you would like to do, or anything for that matter whether it's helping to inventory our collection, research, compile, and update our local group histories, please do not hesitate to ask. I have also purchased and received 8 storage bins with lids. They are 24" long, 18" wide, and 16" deep; ideal for storage our archives needs and not too heavy to carry when full.

Dean B.

District 28 Archives Chair

Men's Corrections Committee: Bob M.

Meetings are going very well, lots of participation from the inmates. Thanks to the Pink Can we have plenty of literature. Two meetings were cancelled last week due to the jail, on the 8th and 15th. There are a new set of policies being put into place at the jail so things are at a standstill until they become clear.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Bob M.

Nature Coast Intergroup Liaison: Denis S.

A good part of our meeting was spent discussing the Founders Day Brunch, which NCI co-sponsors with District 28. We have in excess

of \$6000 in our bank account, so we are in good shape. Three trustees were present. Dean has acquired a speaker for the Brunch. He discussed his Archives display, and we discussed a room for out of town people. All the meetings at Holder will be discontinued for two months, July and August. Hotline was discussed, see Steve's report. Colleen hosted the Hot Line phone for a month. Requirements for hosting the Hot Line phone will be posted online. There was a report on the preparation status for the Founders Day brunch.

Women's Corrections Committee: No report.

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Grapevine Committee: Position vacant.

Literature Committee: Position vacant.

Nature Coast Intergroup Liaison: Denis S.

Treasurer Mike F. presented his report showing an operating plus of \$1100.47 for the month and a closing balance of \$6556.92. Mike's report was accepted and filed for year-end audit.

Trustees Lynn D. and Terry P. both said they were satisfied with the present affairs of Nature Coast Intergroup and Dean B. sent a report from New York. He said he had attended a recent meeting of the Events Committee and was delighted that we were able to simplify the procedures for the Founder's Day Brunch for 2019.

Denis S. said he had carried the Hotline for twenty one days and reported 26 calls for that period. Terry P. said that he was finally able to conclude interactions with Verizon Wireless and a new phone has been provided. This will result in considerable savings to Intergroup going forward. Terry was thanked for his persistent efforts and George H. from the Attitude Adjustment Group volunteered to carry the new phone for a period of one month. Regarding the Website, Steve N. sent a report of 6545 visits to the website for the month and said the most visited pages were Meetings, Audio Files and the Journal.

Journal editor Ben C. presented the May/June issue and said that he could double the size of the Journal to eight pages if the meeting approved. He said the printing cost would be an extra \$60 per bimonthly issue, bringing the total up to \$150 for eight pages. A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to increase the size of the Journal.

For the Events Committee, Mike D. said he had attended the Events Committee meeting and that plans were almost complete for the upcoming Founder's Day Brunch scheduled for June 8th at the First Baptist Church, 700 North Citrus Avenue, Crystal River. Mike said there will be one more meeting of the Events Committee to finalize plans. That meeting will be at St. Benedict's in Crystal River, at 1.30pm on Saturday May 18th immediately after the noon meeting. Mike said volunteers will be needed at the First Baptist Church on the morning before the Brunch, Friday June 7th at 10am for food prep and general set-up. He thanked all who generally volunteer and asked new people to be involved.

In Old Business, it was reported that the Hotline business was concluded successfully as described above.

Chairperson Ingrid extended the sympathies of Intergroup to the family of Pete McC who passed recently with more than four decades of sobriety.

A motion to close was made and passed.

Technology Committee/Website: Steve N.

Public Information: Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee Janet B.

Janet was unable to be present, but George H., GSR from her home group, reported for her that he had spoken with her. He wasn't able to pick up a copy of her report, but did say that as always, Janet has been distributing a lot of literature. She had also expressed her concern that literature keeps disappearing unusually fast and she

thinks it possibly being thrown away. She could not be here today because of a family obligation.

Technology Committee/Website: Steve N.

AAdistrict28.org Web Report of May 2019 for June 2 Business Meeting.

In May of 2019 there were 1308 visits to the site by 1055 unique visitors who viewed a total of 3454 pages or 2.7 average pages per visit. There were 10,391 total hits. 78.5% of the visitors were new and 21.5% returning. The bounce rate was high at 75%. 56.6% of the users were male and 43.4% were female. 25% were ages 25-34, 20.83% were ages 35-44, and 18.06% were ages 45 to 54, 13.82% were ages 55 to 62 and 22.22% were 65 and older.

67.54% used mobile devices, 25.13% used desktop devices, and 7.33% used tablets. 22.5% of users came directly to the site and 77.5% by organic search.

The ten most visited pages after the home page were Meetings General, Where and When, Calendar Minutes, Meetings by Day, Monday Meetings, Dunnellon Meetings, Meetings by Location, Inverness meetings, and Links. The most downloaded files were where and when, contact us, AA+Audio+Citrus/George+M.MP3, AA+Audio+Citrus/John.MP3, aadistrict28slides.pdf, AA+Audio+Citrus/John+Stone, State Convention Flyer, AA+Audio+Citrus/Chuck+M.MP3, Founders Day Flyer, and Minutes.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as District 28 webmaster and technology chair,

Steve N.

Workshop Committee: No report.

Alt. DCM Report

Lynn Reported that she has been busy working on the Founders Day Brunch, and has lined up volunteers for the day of the event.

DCM: Thank you for allowing me to serve. We are very fortunate to have a wealth of service knowledge in our district. I am sure you will give me all the help I need to get my job done, so I thank you for that. I am looking forward to see how much we can accomplish. Once again, thank you for allowing me to serve.

Bob M.

Old Business:

Bob reported that the Service ad hoc Committee had been disbanded. Lynn volunteered to serve as Treatment Committee chairperson. Lisa volunteered to be Alt. Chair. Paige volunteered to help anyone who wanted to be Chair of the Long Time Speaker Meeting group.

There was a motion and second that the DCM appoint Lynn as Chair of the Treatment Committee. It passed. A motion to reconsider was then made. The motion to reconsider was passed. The Structures and Guidelines require that proper procedure be followed. After further discussion of the original motion to appoint, and the fact there was no urgency, the motion to appoint was tabled.

Bob then brought up the question of Workshops, suggested we need a workshop on Service within AA, particularly the relationship and working arrangement between District and NCI.

New Business:

Bob advised that there will be a reception for the Delegate, who will give his post-Conference report on the Annual Conference.

Help is needed on Friday before the Founders Day Brunch, be there at 10:00 to help set up.

Treasurer Linda A. presented three motions regarding the budget. A motion to amend line item 5110 to increase the storage allowance to \$465.68 was made, seconded and passed. A motion to increase line item 5080, for postage, from \$10 to \$11, was made seconded and allowed. A motion to increase line item 5030, Office Supplies, by \$92.07 to cover the expense for shredding was made but withdrawn. Instead, a motion was made to create a new line

item, 5121, for shredding, and that it be funded with \$92.07. This motion was made, seconded and passed. A motion to increase the Office Supplies line item, 5030, from \$25 to \$50, was made seconded and passed.

Announcements: None

The next District meeting is scheduled for Sunday, July 7, 2019, 5:45 p.m. at the Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church, 2540 West Norvell Bryant Highway, Lecanto, FL 34461.

Upon motion and second, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

A.A. Traditions and Concepts

Tradition Six An AA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose. Should my fellow group members and I go out and raise money to endow several AA beds in our local hospital? Is it good for a group to lease a small building? Are all the officers and members of our local club for AAs familiar with "Guidelines on Clubs" (which is available free from GSO)? Should the secretary of our group serve on the mayor's advisory committee on alcoholism? Some alcoholics will stay around AA only if we have a TV and card room. If this is what is required to carry the message to them, should we have these facilities?

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?