

DISTRICT 28
Meeting Minutes
(Revised December 12, 2020)
(Held in Conjunction with Nature Coast Intergroup Meeting)
Dec. 6, 2020
Nature Coast Church Pavilion

Welcome:

Bob M., District Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m., immediately following the NCI meeting.

P. J. O. took Minutes of the meeting for District 28. (The meeting was held outdoors in the Pavilion and appropriate social distancing was maintained.)

Serenity Prayer

Declaration of Unity

Responsibility Declaration

Present at the meeting:

Linda A., District Treasurer

Mike D., NCI Events Chair

Ingrid R., NCI

Bob M., Dist. 28 DCM

Dean B, Hotline and Archives

Denis S., NCI Secretary

P. J. O., District 28 Secretary

Paige B., NCI

District 28 Meeting

Secretary's Report: P. J. O.

P. J. reported that the Minutes of the November 2 meeting of District 28 had been prepared and distributed. Upon motion, the November Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Linda A.

Linda A., Treasurer, had sent out four reports prior to the meeting: Pink Can Contributions, Pink Can Income and Expenses for November, Group Contributions to District and District Income and Expenses for November. Also sent was a copy of the budget for 2021. The 2021 Budget provided for \$5466 Income and \$5466 expenses. She had also corrected an error she had found in the November Budget. (The Reports and the 2021 Budget will be attached to the Minutes when distributed.)

There was a discussion regarding our rent obligation to NCI for payment of District share of rent to Beverly Hills for use of the Community Center. At this time District will owe NCI for half of the \$20 per month rent, for nine months.

Archives Report

Good afternoon. I'm Dean and I'm an alcoholic. I am turning over the key to cold storage, the voice recorder (batteries not included), and a thumb drive with four years of files. The files may be useful, if not feel free to return the thumb drive. If I can be of any assistance please feel free to ask, call, or email me. I still plan on working independently and in the background researching our District history back to the 50's and will share any and all information with District Archives.

I would like to thank everyone that has supported archives over the years; from Nature Coast Intergroup to all of District 28 for trusting me not only to serve but with our history. A special thanks to Denis S., my service sponsor, Steve N., our webmaster, Gina S., who was instrumental in our inventory, all past and current officers and committees, Ben C., NCI Journal Editor who included all the articles submitted. There are so may I would be here mentioning them until dark. I am very humbled and grateful for all you've done to help me stay sober each and every day.

Dean B.

Outgoing Archives Chair

Bob M., District 28 Chair

Bob reported that all of the remaining District officers and Committee chairpersons would remain in those positions until further notice.

New Business

Our next meeting will be at the Community Center at Beverly Hills. Nature Coast Intergroup will meet first and District will meet at 4:30.

Bob thanked Steve for keeping the Websites and the Meeting Guide current and updated.

The proposed budget for the 2021 fiscal year was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

The next District 28 meeting will be on Sunday, January 3, 2021, 4:30 p.m. at the Beverly Hills Community Center, 28 Civic Circle, Beverly Hills, FL 334465.

A. A. Concepts and Traditions

Concept XII:

The Conference shall observe the spirit of A.A. tradition, taking care that it never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds and reserve be its prudent financial principle; that it place none of its members in a position of unqualified authority over others; that it reach all important decisions by discussion, vote, and, whenever possible, by substantial unanimity; that its actions never be personally punitive nor an incitement to public controversy; that it never perform acts of government, and that, like the Society it serves, it will always remain democratic in thought and action. How do we guard against becoming a “seat of perilous wealth or power?” How do we practice prudent use of our Seventh Tradition contributions and literature revenue? Do we ensure the spiritual liberties of all A.A. members by not placing any member in the position of absolute authority over others? Do we try to reach important decisions by thorough discussion, vote and, where possible, substantial unanimity? As guardians of A.A.’s traditions, are we ever justified in being personally punitive? Are we careful to avoid public controversy? Do we always try to treat each other with mutual respect and love?

Tradition XII: Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities. Why is it a good idea for me to place the common welfare of all AA members before individual welfare? What would happen to me if AA as a whole disappeared? When I do not trust AA's current servants, who do I wish had the authority to straighten them out? In my opinions of and remarks about other AAs, am I implying membership requirements other than a desire to stay sober? Do I ever try to get a certain AA group to conform to my standards, not its own? Have I a personal responsibility in helping an AA group fulfill its primary purpose? What is my part? Does my personal behavior reflect the Sixth Tradition-or belie it? Do I do all I can do to support AA financially? When is the last time I anonymously gave away a Grapevine subscription? Do I complain about certain AAs' behavior-especially if they are paid to work for AA? Who made me so smart? Do I fulfill all AA responsibilities in such a way as to please privately even my own conscience? Really? Do my utterances always reflect the Tenth Tradition, or do I give AA critics real ammunition?