

## **Intergroup 5 Monthly Business Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by David S. We began the meeting with a moment of silence followed by The Serenity Prayer.

Meeting Minutes:

Feb. 3, 2016 7 pm, Faith Presbyterian Church

Present:

David S.-Group Rep.

Debbie R.-Web

Richard S-District Alt. DCM

Christie H.-Alt. Rep Carrabelle

Stanley P.-909/Central

Archie G.-Newsletter

Sally F.-Hot Line Coordinator Temp Secretary

Next Meeting: March 2, 2016

### **Announcements:**

Intergroup 5 has 2 service positions available. We currently need a Co-chair and when Jacob leaves we will need a new Literature Chair. It would be great to have a volunteer come forth so they could be trained by Jacob.

We need and would welcome representation from other groups to come to the monthly Intergroup meetings. Our AA program needs group involvement to flourish, and carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers. Service as a representative or alternate for your group allows for even greater opportunities for our Higher Power to serve others through us. We grow and gain strength by stepping into this service position. Joy and camaraderie unite us in helping others, so grab a friend and come find a job or two that will enrich your life and the lives of those around you. We are NOT a "glum lot"!

### **Monthly Reports:**

Minutes were approved by David S.

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### **Notes:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Report was presented by Stanley P. for Kevin H.

YTD Expenses	\$752.43		
Checking	2,303.43		
Savings	4,454.64	Total	\$6,758.00 (YTD Cash Flow)
Less "prudent reserve"			7,087.10
		Under	(\$329.03)
Literature Beginning Balance			\$1,813.22
Bank Balance			\$1,813.22

David S. motioned to accept the report. Archie G. seconded it.

**District News:** Reported by Richard S. Alt. DCM District Rep

Richard S. attended the Jan. quarterly district meeting in Gainesville in January. The "prudent reserve" was considered to be good. As discussed at our last meeting, the District is planning a workshop. Due to time constraints for getting circuit speakers, it will most likely be on the topic of Sponsorship. Glen the delegate going to NY for our area, will give a pre-conference report Sunday, March 13, for anyone who is interested. See Richard for details or clarification. The Financial Committee will report at their next meeting.

**Web Report:** Debby R. reported the website has a few glitches she is still working on.

**Message Editor Report:** Archie G. is prepared to print the new message.

**Hot Line Report:** Sally F. is training a volunteer who showed an interest in coordinating the Hot Line. Evelyn G. is highly motivated and has learned the routine quickly. We also have some new improvements that will be discussed in New Business.

**Discussion:**

### **Old Business**

Please remember to check the Google Calendar on the website. A glitch has caused some meetings to disappear. Each group is asked to please check it and let Debbie know if your meeting has disappeared or needs revision.

### **New Business**

- Christy the Alternate Rep from Carrabelle stated they now have meetings on Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30 pm. There is also a new meeting in the Lanark Community Church on Thursday at 6pm. Debbie will put it on the webpage and Google Calendar, then in six months they can be added to the When and Where.

- Sally has trained a new coordinator, Evelyn G., to take over the Hot Line duties. We are working to address some of the issues that were causing the Hot Line to be less effective. Evelyn took over the Notification slot for each week, so when calls aren't picked up by the designated volunteer or the backup volunteer for that time slot, they will go to Evelyn who is monitoring the line continuously. This helps provide more consistency to the communication and frees up a few more volunteers to fill spots for people who have moved or can't continue their participation.  
We received feedback that some callers were not leaving a message, therefore not getting any help at all. This is a critical issue, because it may be the only help an alcoholic may reach out for. It was determined to change the message to reflect that the line was being continuously monitored, and someone would get back with them right away. David S. approved working with Intergroup 5 and investigating ways to make the Hot Line as effective as possible. Evelyn also is creating an orientation brochure for helping new volunteers become acclimated to their work more easily.
- Debbie R. was interested in becoming the Alternate Chairperson, and it was voted unanimously to have her fill that position.
- David S. motioned to close the meeting (a Severe Weather Warning had been issued before the meeting took place). We gathered for the Responsibility Prayer and were dismissed.