



GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE

FLORIDA STATE COMMITTEE

NORTHERN AREA

MINUTES OF THE THIRD QUARTERLY ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN FLORIDA AREA OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, HELD JUNE 3-4, 1978 IN DAYTONA BEACH AT THE TREASURE ISLAND INN ON SOUTH ATLANTIC AVENUE.

PROGRAM AS FOLLOWS:

Saturday, June 3, 1978--12:00 noon--Institutional Committee Meeting.
(Minutes enclosed)

Grapevine Committee Meeting.

Saturday, June 3, 1978--2:00 P.M.--Public Information Committee Meeting. (Minutes Enclosed)

Group Secretaries and Treasurers Meeting

Saturday, June 3, 1978--4:00 P.M.--GSR Workshop.

Area Committee Meeting.

The meeting was opened by John V., Chairman, with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Secretary, Rhoda Mc. called the roll. All Committee Officers, Committee Members or Alternates were present, with the exception of, Ted A. DCM#4; Ralph S. [REDACTED], DCM#5; Peter E. DCM#6; Curtis Mc., DCM#9; Robert J. DCM#11; Jim B. DCM#16 and Elizabeth G. DCM#15. Reading of the minutes of the April Assembly was omitted. Members voted to accept these from reading copies.

Treasurer, Elise D. reported a balance of \$640.12 in General Funds and estimated \$6.40 interest on the savings account. Most of the expenses incurred for the Doctor Project have been paid from the special account, funded by the Public Information of General Service. There is a balance of \$317.08. It was voted to return this to General Service. This report was examined from copies presented to the Committee and voted to accept it.

P.I. Chairman, Porter B. gave a report of the progress of districts in the work with the Doctors Project. Phase 1 has been completed and most districts have completed or done extensive work on Phase 2. At this time, he has no written reports from any district. He asked the P.I. chairman and District Committee Member to please try to have a written report to him. He would like to have a final report of the result sent to General Service by August 1, 1978.

Institutional Committee Chairman, Owen Mc., reports very good results with literature and books donated to his committee from different Groups.

This reduces considerably, the amount of money he had requested from the area

Delegate, Barbara S-N., gave a brief report of her activities at the General Service Conference in New York. Her full report will be mailed in the near future and also be presented to the Main Assembly on Sunday.

This meeting was brought to a close by passing the basket and all joining in The Lord's Prayer.

Saturday, June 3, 1978--8:30 P.M.--Chairing the Open Speaker's Meeting, was Jack E. of the Port Orange Group. He introduced Ed R. as the speaker. Thank you Ed for carrying the message and sharing with us. He and his wife, Patsy O. will be returning, to live in this area about August 6. Welcome home to you both.

The basket was passed and the meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

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Sunday, June 4, 1978--10:00 AM.-- This sharing session was opened with the Serenity Prayer.

Barbara S-N. introduced the South Eastern Trustee, Sam S. of Miami. He gave a very interesting talk on his experiences from his first contact with AA, his growth through service and his responsibilities as a Regional Trustee. His ideas of THEM in General Service and US in the different Areas, has now changed. There is no "Them and Us". "WE" is A.A.. He stressed the importance of the General Service Representative. Their service lays the good foundation. The Traditions are so very important. Don't break them. He then explained more about the work of the Trustee. They meet quarterly. There are 21 members. 7 are non-alcoholics chosen by the board, 3 Regional, (6 from U.S.A. and 2 from Canada.). 2 at Large Trustees are elected and 4 Intown Alcoholics. He told of a work week end as a Trustee. There was a question and answering period following his talk. We are going to try to quit using initials and refer to General Service Representatives as such rather than GSR'S, etc.

The basket was passed and the meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

MAIN ASSEMBLY MEETING

Sunday, June 4, 1978--1:00 P.M.--John V opened the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Rhoda was asked to call the roll. All Committee Officers, District Committee Members or Alternates were present, with the exception of Ted K., DCM #4; Ralph S., DCM#5; Peter E., DCM#6; Curtis Mc., DCM#9; Robert J., DCM#11; Elizabeth G., DCM#15; Jim B., DCM#16. Reading of the minutes was omitted. Copies were available for all members and they voted to accept them as presented.

Elise D. presented the treasurer's report for the past quarter. There is an estimated \$6.40 interest on the savings account and a balance of \$640.12 in general funds. The Doctors Project has a balance of \$317.08. Almost all bills have been paid. It was voted to return General Service, any balance remaining in this fund. Of the 138 Groups listed with Rhoda, only 37% have contributed to the support of the North Florida Area. It is suggested that District Committee Member and General Service Representatives contact their Groups, explain the importance of their contributions. With several new Groups in the Area, they may not be aware of the need to support the Area, along with General Service and Intergroups.

Barbara reported on her recent trip to the annual conference in New York. Copies of this report will be mailed to all Committee Officers, District Committee Members and General Service Representatives. She is accepting invitations to talk before individual groups and districts. Give her a call, 305- [REDACTED].

Owen Mc. talked about the progress being made in Institutional work in AA. There has been some contributions of literature and books. Several new groups have been formed. They could still use the help of outsiders.

Porter B. feel progress has been made with the Doctors Project. The letters have all been mailed or delivered and most of the districts are involved in the 'one to one' phase. This is being carried on by telephone contact or by individual members that feel free to talk to their doctor. Final results of the work should be written and mailed to Porter by July, 15. A committee will then send final results to the Public Information Committee of General Service by August 1. This does not mean the project is closed. This is just the results of our survey. We should continue working on the one to one basis. This could easily be continued for 10 more years. We have a message to carry.

There was no report from the Secretary and Treasure meeting. Dick L. said he derived benefit from it. This was the first time for him to attend a meeting or an assembly.

Newt B. said 18 members were at the Grapevine meeting. Just a year ago, there were none. Talk about the Grapevine. Use an article from it as a discussion topic in your home group.

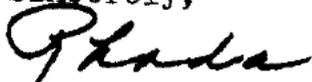
Our next Assembly will be in Ocala in October. This is the election assembly. Try to elect General Service Representatives and District Committee members, prior to this assembly. Have the information ready for Rhoda. Either give it to her mail it. She can then work on the new roster to be presented to the incoming Committee Officers and the District Committee member.

Elise will thank the Treasure Island Inn for their co-operation and hospitality. John thanked District #8 for their hard work for the smooth running Assembly.

The basket was passed and the Assembly joined in The Lord's Prayer.

KEEP COMING BACK--IT REALLY WORKS--IF YOU WANT IT TO.

Sincerely,



Rhoda McArtor, Secretary of North Florida Area

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TREASURER'S REPORT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH FLORIDA GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE AREA
THIRD QUARTERLY ASSEMBLY, JUNE 3 AND 4, DAYTONA BEACH, FLA.

RECEIPTS

Period Ending-	Group Contributions		Miscellaneous	TOTAL		BALANCES			
	General	Institu.		RECEIPTS	EXPENSES	Period Balance	CUMULATIVE BALANCE		
'77 12/31	\$	\$	\$ 443.78	\$ 443.78	\$	\$ 443.78	(Brought forward)		
'78 1/27	90.00			90.00	282.20	- 192.20	251.58		
3/31	1,062.00	75.00	333.51	1,470.51	622.70	+ 847.81	1,099.39		
5/31	268.00	35.00	267.07	570.07	1,029.34	- 459.27	640.12		
		\$1,420.00	\$110.00	\$1,530.00	\$1,044.36	\$2,574.36	\$1,934.24	\$ 196.34	\$ 640.12

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PERIOD APRIL 1-MAY 31

Receipts

SUMMARY - DOCTOR'S PROJECT

Group Contributions \$1,137.00
(See P. 2 for details)
Misc. Collections from
Workshops, Committee meetings,
\$ 333.51

Period Ending	RECEIPTS	EXPENSES	Period Balance	BALANCE
April 1	\$ 500.00	\$367.02	\$ 132.98	\$ 132.98
June 1	633.00	448.90	184.10	317.08
	1133.00	\$815.92	\$ 317.08	\$ 317.08

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Expenses

Delegate \$ 600.00
World Inn (Coffee) 232.00
Misc. 21.61
Committee (including
printing, mailing, etc.,
Secretary, Treasurer,
Committee Chairmen, etc. 175.73
\$1,029.34

RECEIPTS FROM GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE (GSBOARD)
EXPENSES: Paid for Work in Following Districts
IX, X, XI (Includes initial overall expenses)
\$ 366.43
I-II-III-IV 161.16
XIII 44.67
XII & XV 94.20
VI 115.48
VIII 33.98
\$ 815.92

SAVINGS ACCOUNT (PRUDENT RESERVE)

10/4/77 Deposited \$500.00
12/30 INT. \$6.03 506.03
3/30* INT. 6.32 512.35
6/30* INT. 6.40 518.75
* Estimated. Based on 5% cumulative interest computed quarterly.

Please see Page Two for group contributions summary, indicating number of groups contributing to general fund and number contributing to Institutions Committee for literature, etc. Also indicates number of contributions. No. Florida has grown in number of groups now registered; however, the new groups haven't begun to contribute, so our percentage of groups participating has dropped pretty low. Any contributions will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.
Elise Dean
Treasurer



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PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE MEETING

JUNE 3, 1978

Porter B. called the meeting to order with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Copies of the April April Assembly minutes were passed to the members and accepted as presented.

Box 459 has given the North Florida Area credit for the TV tapes made and now. General Service now have these video tapes to rent to any area that would have a TV station willing to use them in their Public Service spots.

Each district was asked to report on the progress made in the first two phases of the Doctor Project. D#16 had no report or representative present. Dett B. of D#15 reported both phases completed. All letters were mailed and the follow up on one to one basis was handled by calling each doctor, nurse or secretary. They had excellent results with this method. Merrill T. of D#13 is not sure of results of letters but feels that since there has been an influx of nurses and student nurses attending the open meetings as 'observers', it could be attributed to the letters. Al I of D#12 read a letter the P.I. Committee had prepared for each individual member. He or she if they felt free to do so, would talk to their own doctor. There is a form to fill out and then return to the P.I. Chairman or District Committee Person. At this time there is no report of results. John V. reported for D# 9-10-11. This same letter was used in these districts. It was also printed in The Inter-grouper. Copies will be available for members, if they are interested in trying this method. In D#8, Fred S. said all letters were delivered by hand. This did result in the Nurse or Doctor receiving it. This P.I. Committee is still in the formative stages and just starting their regular meetings. They feel progress is being made. The members are interested in various phases of carrying the message, by working with the clergy, T.V., radio, newspapers and doctors. Bill B., D#7, said they have had one response to the letters and also have one doctor in the program. Bill from Winter Park suggested sending the letter to the doctor's home address. This would be difficult. The home address is not listed in the yellow pages. D#6 had no representative. D#5, also could give no report. Phyllis D. of D#1-2-3-4 said there had been no feed back as yet. There should be something sent in writing. Jim .. D#15 finds that several doctors refer patients to Mental Health, to "save face".

Porter would like a written report from the DCM sent to him by July 15. The final results should be sent to General Service by August 1. The basket was passed and the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

DON'T KEEP THE FAITH--SPREAD IT AROUND!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Porter'.

Porter Ball, Public Information Committee Chairman



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INSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

AREA ASSEMBLY MEETING, JUNE 3-4, 1978

Meeting was opened with moment of silent meditation, Serenity Prayer, and Preamble.

Twenty-nine persons attended, including the North Florida Area Chairman, officers of the State Committee, the Jacksonville Intergroup Institutional Representative, District Institutional Chairmen, outside and inside sponsors of correctional facility groups, and other interested A.A. members.

The theme of the meeting was "I am Responsible," with emphasis on being responsible for carrying the A. A. message into correctional facility groups. Ways to interest more outside A.A. people in carrying the message inside were discussed. It was suggested to read the new "flyer" from GSO, "Carrying the Message Inside the Walls," at outside meetings, and it was felt this was a good suggestion. Members of the Committee felt that this new "flyer" is excellent, and could help considerably in getting more outside A. A. people interested in carrying the message "inside."

It was suggested that outside groups may accept group assignments to carry the message inside. One suggestion was that Intergroup Institutional Representatives, from each Intergroup, assign groups to specific correctional facility meetings, even though the outside group so assigned may be out of any Intergroup area. It was decided to invite the Intergroup Institutional Representative from each Intergroup to the next meeting of the North Florida Institutional Committee to find out their feelings on this. Another suggestion was for the District Institutional Chairmen to make these group assignments for their area of responsibility. It was decided to discuss both of these suggestions at the next meeting of the North Florida Institutional Committee.

It was announced that inside groups had requested A.A. books and literature amounting to \$134.65, and that this material is now on order.

Basket was passed and meeting closed with Lord's Prayer.

Owen and Marge
Owen and Marge McRae

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Saturday, June 3rd

- Noon - Jolly Roger Room - Institutions Committee Meeting & Workshop
- Noon - Capt. Flint Room - Grapevine Committee Meeting
- 2 P.M. - Jolly Roger Room - Public Information Committee Meeting & Workshop
- 2 P.M. - Capt. Flint Room - Group Secretaries & Treasurer Workshop
- 4 P.M. - Spyglass Room - Area Committee Meeting
- 4 P.M. - Jolly Roger & Capt. Flint Rooms - GSR Workshops
- 1.) Current Group Problems and Solutions
 - 2.) Rotation - Are we making room for new blood and ideas?
 - 3.) Communication to the Groups. Reporting back to groups and how GSRs keep groups informed.
- 8:30 P.M. - Jolly Roger & Capt. Flint Rooms - Open Speaker's Meeting

Sunday, June 4th

- 10 A.M. - Jolly Roger Room - Presentation and Sharing Session: Chaired by Sam Smith, Southeastern Regional Trustee: The AA Service Structure
- 1:30 P.M. - Jolly Roger Room - Assembly
- 1.) Chairman will brief entire Assembly on actions taken by Area Committee at Saturday's meeting
 - 2.) Report from Secretary
 - 3.) Report from Treasurer
 - 4.) Delegate's report on the April General Service Conference
 - 5.) Institutions Committee report
 - 6.) Public Information Committee report
 - 7.) Old and new business.

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