

Naples Intergroup Meeting 08/02/2017

Opened meeting with Serenity Prayer at 7:00pm

Mary B read the short Tradition 8

Naples Intergroup Members, Reps and Visitors in Attendance:

Name	Group	Name	Group
Steve K	Chair	Jeff G.	Survivors
Ken H	Treasurer	Karen M	Keep it Simple
Trevor W	Spiritual Solutions	Ken B	Naples Men's BB Study
Jeff E	Big Book Comes Alive	Tiffany M	DIRL/Lil' White House
Jerry E	District 20 Chair	Sam C	Free2Be
Tim R	Member at Large/Naples Group	Sharon M	Bonita Springs Women's Group
Ted S	Member at Large/New Dawn	Stephanie B	Sunlight of the Spirit
Pete C	Archives/Lil' White House	Brandon M	Secretary/Naples YPG
Kathy Mc	Vice Chair	Don M	Bonita Unity
Mary B	GV/Website Chair	Bill S	Office Manager

Members Excused: None

Secretary's report by Brandon M:

A quorum was reached with 22 (12 minimum, per By-Laws) Intergroup Officers and Representatives present in person.

Brandon M. reports, minutes were emailed to the body. No changes noted. No new business or motions were made at the last meeting. Motion passed to accept secretary's report by Mary B. and seconded by Don M. **unanimously- MOTION PASSED.**

Treasurer's Report by Ken H:

July 2017 Financial Statement Comments:

- During July, we continued to experience the cyclical variances in revenue and expenses that we have discussed on many occasions during discussion of monthly NAI Treasurer Reports.

- July 2017 Literature & Merchandise Sales of \$3,364.81 when compared to July 2016 of \$2,352.34, were up by 43.0%.
- Credit Card Sales totaled \$2,390.76, 71.1% of total sales.
- Group Contributions of \$1,301.44 were down by 13.0% when compared to July 2016.
- Total Income for July was \$4,669.90, compared to \$3,922.57 last July, a 19.1% increase.
- Donation (a payment) of \$450.00 was made to Crossroads Community Church for use of the meeting room during 2017.
- 2nd Qtr 2017 Payroll Tax of \$1,341.30 was made during July 2017.
- Literature & Merchandise Purchases were \$1,886.32 compared to \$2,514.95 during July 2016.
- Florida Sales Tax during July, on June sales, totaled \$250.74, a 7.6% increase over last year.
- Total Expenses during July 2017 were \$6,438.75 compared to \$7,965.02 during July 2016, a decrease of -\$1,526.27.
- Net Ordinary Income during July, as a result of all the items listed above was -\$1,768.85, compared to \$4,042.45 during July 2016.
- Gratitude Dinner Expense of \$2,000.00 was incurred as a deposit for the planned 2017 food caterer. Please note that this year's deposit was made from the routine Operating Fund, without having to temporarily borrow funds from the Prudent Reserve Fund, with a payback after the Gratitude Dinner in November.
- Net Income during July, as a result of the items listed above was -\$3,768.85, compared to \$4,042.45 during July 2016.

Year-To-Date May 2017 Financial Statement:

- Literature & Merchandise Sales YTD July 2017 income was \$32,763.37, an 8.4% increase when compared to the first seven months of last year.
- Group Contributions were \$14,515.30 compared to \$13,668.78 during 2016, an increase of 8.6%. A very big "Thank you!" to our Groups and Meetings for their strong support of NAI !!!
- Total Income YTD 2017 was \$48,763.62 compared to \$45,716.78 last year, a 6.7% increase.
- Literature & Merchandise Purchases of \$21,834.14 was up 19.0% compared to YTD July 2016.

- Total YTD July Expenses were \$48,961.54 compared to \$47,981.89 last year, a 2.0% increase.
- Net YTD July Income totals \$197.92 for the current year, compared to -\$2,485.43 in 2016.

NAI OPERATING FUND BALANCE: The Wells-Fargo account balance for the NAI Operating Fund as of July 31, 2017 was \$2,489.19.

NAI PRUDENT RESERVE FUND BALANCE: The Wells-Fargo account balance for the NAI Prudent Reserve Fund as of July 31, 2017 was \$23,015.64. At the July Steering Committee Meeting it was agreed to transfer a necessary amount of funds from the Operating Fund to the Prudent Reserve Fund to bring the account balance to historical levels. The July Prudent Reserve balance is equal to 3.38 months of operating expenses (excluding non-recurring expenses).

AA Groups making contributions during July 2017: A special "Thank You!" goes to the eleven (11) groups that made contributions to NAI during July: Big Book Comes Alive, Bonita Happy Hour, Bonita Morning Group, Free 2 Be, Happy Hour - Naples, Isle of Capri, Morning Reflections, Naples South, Our Common Welfare, Saturday Morning Girlfriends, and Tables of Naples. Please know that without each and every dollar contributed by our member groups, the Naples Area Intergroup Office would not be able to "carry the message! " Thank you, so much, for your continued financial support!!!

Reminder: If any AA group or member has a question about the financial information presented this evening, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at: kenahelton@gmail.com or 239/963-7820.

Request: Please remember to place your Group AA number on your contribution checks.

Tim R. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Second by Bill S. **Unanimously- MOTION PASSED.**

Chair Report by Steve K:

Quiet month, gratitude committee meet, Chili cook off is coming up August 13th 2-4pm. Meeting location will change pending new location for Wednesday night at 7pm.

Co-Chair Report by Kathy Mc:

The Gratitude Committee met on July 17th. Planning is well underway. The next meeting on Monday, August 21, at 7pm, at the Panera Bread at the Intersection on 951 and 41. Where we will be putting together ticket packet for distribution to the Intergroup Reps at the September meeting

If any groups or members are interested in pulling together a set up or cleanup crew. Please let me know.

The next meeting on Monday, August 21, at 7pm, at the Panera Bread at the Intersection on 951 and 41. All are welcome.

Sub Committee Meeting Report:

Gratitude Dinner Committee Meeting
Panera Bread – 41E & 951
Monday July 17th – 7PM
Meeting began at 7:00 PM.

Attendance: Kathy Mc, Mary B., Sharon M., Bill S., Joan S., MaryBeth A.

Kathy opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

Venue: St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church (same as in years past), Date of Dinner: Saturday, November 18th – 6:30 to 11PM. Caterer: Russell's Clam Bakes – same menu as last year. \$2000 Deposit due July 15th. Rough Count – Nov. 13th, Final Count on the 17th. No tickets sold after the 15th. 50/50 Raffle – Steve K (430-9110) will be in charge of this with help from Joan, Mary Beth and others. The table for the Raffle will be inside the room away from the reception table. Half aprons will be bought for 50/50 sales persons.

Ticket Printing, Packaging & Control – Mary B. (777-8066) – Ticket Packets will be distributed at the September Intergroup Meeting on September 6th. Ticket Packets will be made up at the August Committee Meeting. Tickets will be distributed to committee members then.

Decorations/Centerpiece Chair – Sharon M. (845-214-7912) – Glass vases with Orchid, clear marbles and a string of lights for each table with a couple of extras. Website given to search for inexpensive orchids. \$500 budget to start. Contact has been made with Jacky G and Gary G who did them a couple of years ago. Bill S has a picture he will send to Sharon. Suggestions were made to Sharon about where to get the vases: ie: Pottery place on Old 41 – Dollar stores etc. A variety of different vases may be used to have different looks at each of the tables. The 12 Principals will be the words that will be used to call up the tables for the buffet. 4 of each word will be enough for 48 tables. Kathy will call the words in random order. Mary will print the table cards with the words on them.

Dinner Agenda: Kathy Mc. – The Agenda for the night has been set. Looking for someone to commit to do the Prayer before the dinner. We decided to break up the meeting a little and have raffle results and Count Down in between Officer Reports (Finance & Office Manager only reporting). Jackie G will do the Sobriety Countdown.

Sheet Cake will be our dessert. Karen B (513-884-0555) will pick it up from Costco.

Volunteers at Event: 3 Ticket Takers (Karen B. will recruit), 3 50/50 ticket sellers, 4 Greeters (Bill S. will recruit). Clean-Up Crew will be recruited.

Door prizes – total of 5 – after the 50/50 is drawn, other tickets will be chosen from the remaining ones for the door prizes. The Intergroup Office will supply door prizes and the Grapevine Committee will supply a subscription to the Grapevine as a Door Prize.

We discussed the Speaker Gift – \$50 VISA gift card and nice Thank You Card signed by the Committee. Meeting adjourned: 7:35 PM The next meeting is: Monday, August 21st, 7 PM at Panera Bread on the Corner of 41E and 951. Please mark your calendars now.

Respectfully submitted in love and service,

Mary B

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Website Team Report by Mary B:

My name is Mary and I am an alcoholic. My home group is The Naples Group and I want to thank you for allowing me the privilege of working on your website.

Since our last meeting; there is a new meeting at NOON on Mondays at the 24 Hour Club in the Quiet Room. It is called the Daily Reflections Group. I have been in contact with our California consultant, Bob B., and he has re-established the form to add new meetings, make changes to meetings, or let us know that the meeting has become inactive. The form is located on the Tab named "Naples Intergroup" and you will find the minutes to the intergroup meetings there along with a form to fill out to "Volunteer". It also seems that Google Analytics is now up and running.

Don't forget the Meeting Guide app. www.aanaples.org is connected to it so whenever I make changes to meetings, it will be updated on this app also. It is very exciting, but in addition to our local meetings, if you go to their website, you will see a listing of all of the other areas covered by this app so when you travel, it will be useful for finding meetings near your location. And remember it is a FREE App! Here is the link to their website: <https://meetingguide.org/>.

USAGE STATISTICS via Google Analytics:

Date Range 07/01/17 to 07/31/17

TOTAL VISITS: - 860 sessions - 548 users - 1,436 page views.

60.9% were NEW Visitors

39.1% were RETURNING Visitors

The top 3 Countries were: USA, India & Brazil

The top 5 Cities were: North Naples, Naples, Tampa, Miami & Orlando

Average Duration: 1 minute 52 seconds

I am grateful to be able to serve our AA community by maintaining this site. Please take back to your groups that it would be great if someone would like to work on the website to learn how to update it and keep it current.

Intergroup Office Managers Report by Bill S.:

There were 181 sales transactions and 186 phone calls to the AA phone during July; 3 were 12th step calls.

Meeting schedules are on the table for you to take to your groups.

Courier was emailed to our list this morning.

Our day time and after hour volunteers are at full strength and doing a fabulous job.

Grapevine Report by Mary B:

I would like to thank Tracey Mc for attending the Quarterly in Sarasota on behalf of District 20 Grapevine committee.

- 1) For future area assembly meetings, would like to have a display board with photos from all districts of how the GV is being used. Include displays at events, photos, captions, etc.
- 2) Do we need a La Vina rep in our district? If so, let them know.
- 3) GV Audio Project: Want all Districts to contribute. "Jared" from GV Editorial Advisory Bd. for U.S./Canada was there to talk about the project and show us how easy it is to record 7 minutes of our stories, on any topic we like, and submit via email for release. He spoke about how it was important to hear actual human voices as opposed to just reading the words on a page.
 - Use "voice memo" of any smart phone to record. Make sure they are WAV or Mp3 files.
 - When recording, there can be NO background noise whatsoever, no clapping, coughing, etc., and no cursing, or it will not be considered for release.
 - They want us to use a very specific format for the beginning of the recording, which can be found in the attached instructions.

- After recording, submit via email to www.aagrapevine.org/submit <<http://www.aagrapevine.org/submit>>
OR to webeditor@aagrapevine.org

(See attached handout on this project. Spent most of the meeting on this subject...)

4) Jared suggested we check out (on our own time) these three websites:

- [AAgrapevine.org/specialdelivery](http://aagrapevine.org/specialdelivery) <<http://aagrapevine.org/specialdelivery>>
- [AAgrapevine.org/emails](http://aagrapevine.org/emails) <<http://aagrapevine.org/emails>>
- [AAgrapevine.org/carry-the-message](http://aagrapevine.org/carry-the-message) <<http://aagrapevine.org/carry-the-message>>

5) Annie Clark - GV delegate - for Area 15 delegate's corner (online): Deadline for info on conference proposed items is 12/15/2017. Submit to area agenda peeps by 8/31/17, then they will decide if the issue needs to go to 12/15/17 deadline.

6) Everyone voted "yes" that they would like to just be able to order a hard copy of the GV Workbook, instead of downloading it online. Not sure if they can be obtained.

7) To purchase GV subscription gift certificates, you can now go to [AAgrapevine.org/CTM](http://aagrapevine.org/CTM) <<http://aagrapevine.org/CTM>> to do that.

8) New Business idea: If there is someone you can't make amends to (for whatever reason), you can buy a subscription to the GV and give it to a person in need or a treatment facility.

9) The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 with the AA Responsibility Statement.

In love and service,
Tracey Mc.

Treatment Committee Report By Robert C:

No Report Submitted

Literature Report by Lazaro:

No Report Submitted

PIC/PC Report:

No Report Submitted

Special Needs Report:

No Report Submitted

Archives Report Pete S.:

No Report Submitted

Corrections by Blake B:

No Report Submitted

District 20 Chair/representative Jerry E:

No Report Submitted

Intergroup/District Liaison by Tiffany M:

Pre-meeting started with the GSR sharing session. Topic discussed this session was regarding safety in AA. How does a group handle disruptive or threatening behavior? Where this should be dealt with, at the group or sponsor level? Should a group adopt procedures or guidelines? These are some of the aspects of the discussion which will continue to be discussed. There will be a safety workshop held after/during the chili cook off at The Alana Club.

- Annie our delegate sent a thank you note for Founders Day. As a side note, GSO save \$70k by changing the print paper used in The Big Book.

- Finance:

- Beginning balance: 4282
- Contributions: 813
- Expenses: (820)
- Net income: (7)
- Ending balance: 4275

- Literature committee has a new chair; Lazaro T.

- Archives did not have a meeting last month, however attended area quarterly and state convention.

- Corrections will be having their picnic themed "Fall Back Into Service" on November 15th. They do need men and women for the jails (5 each).

- Grapevine will be displaying at future area assemblies how the Grapevine is being used. Question as to whether we need a La Vina representative in our district? Will be having a display at the chili cook off.
- Treatment is currently providing 20 meetings/week to treatment centers. The committee meeting August 3rd at 7pm at the 24 hour club if anyone is interested in becoming involved. They are looking for a woman to do Bridging The Gap.
- The website chairperson position is currently open. Please see Jerry E. for details if interested.

Intergroup Rep Reports:

Patty, Bonita ladies night read out of keep it simple book and group is growing come see it

Trish, Living sober group august 12 Italian dinner night at 630pm is dinner 7pm to 10 pm speaker. Lots of food and servers will be there to serve. Serenity by the Sea in October, Jerry E. Hilton Inn.

Mary Naples group, on behalf of the gratitude hour, sunset cruise sept 24th at 530 pm tickets are 50 dollars to raise money for literature. Tickets include food and drinks on ship. Angela, Saturday Night Live I group, at 830pm at 24 hour club. Just reformed up and is official now with General Service Office.

Jeff E, Big book comes alive, st johns 7pm Sunday nights, calling out format with someone choses from the first 164 pages. They have a commitment at 4th floor NCH-Baker. Don M. Nothings has changed at Bonita unity group.

Old Business:

Meeting location to be changed due to new ownership of the Church. Location to be Determined by Steering Committee and passed down to reps once it has been decided for the needs of the group operations.

New Business:

None

Good and Welfare:

Trish, 7 months this month
 Ken B, Aug 18th, 16 years
 Angela, mother of son who graduated drug court.

Group announcements:

None

Any corrections or errors please notify me via email at sw239ypaa@gmail.com and we can amend anything at the next monthly schedule meeting. Take care and stay safe all!

In love and service,

Brandon M
NAI Secretary

SIDE NOTES:

1. Please accept my delayed apologies with this being type and published. I still have no internet at home and poor cell service from the damaged of Hurricane Irma.
2. We will be moving dates or just location of the monthly meeting. Both are not determined yet. The Steering Committee will determine this soon. Very soon!
3. We had no intergroup meeting for the month of September, due to the hurricane preparations that few days before. No minutes will be posted, however, the crucial reports from steering committee will be available once we regroup. (IE: Treasure, Secretary, Chair, Co-Chair, and any other report deemed crucial to be briefed for September.
4. As of now we will be meeting at the same location as before at the same time. If this changes this week or next I will advise from our most recent email distribution list.
5. Thank you for your time and patience with all these delays and changes we are in the middle of. Take care!!