

Intergroup Meeting Minutes – **Sunday March 5, 2023** – Central Office
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Jeannie opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer and a long moment of silence at 5:00 PM

Attendees: 15 attendees including zoom

IG Board Team	IG Group Reps Onsite	IG Group Reps on Zoom
Jeannie – IG Chair	Mike - Woolmarket IG Rep	Riley/Chip/Singing River IG Rep (Zoom)
Benny W – IG CoChair	Heather – 3-2-1 IG Rep	Miguel – Picayune IG Rep (Zoom)
Crystal – Interim CO Office Manager - District 12 DCM	Lisa – LYH IG Rep	Rita – Public Information Chair
Kate – IG Secretary - D10 DCM	Carl - 321	
Charles – IG Web Servant	Kimble – Chip In IG Rep	
Tyler – IG Hotline Chair	Steve O – Long Beach Group Alt GSR	
Moe – District 12		

Jeannie led the meeting with the statement from the IG Board shown below

The intergroup board, guided by the principles of love and service has decided that a change was needed at Central Office.

We thank the outgoing office manager for all he has done for AA and South Mississippi Intergroup. Moving forward the position of Central Office Manager is being temporarily filled by Crystal B.

The position will be officially open for hire at the end of this meeting.

We will advertise the position on the IG website aagulfcoast.com by tomorrow (March 6)

The office will remain open with our current hours of operation. We are now ready to accept volunteers

We are excited to report the POS System is now live.

In the transition we have lost our AASStepLovers account along with all of our historical email addresses.

By Monday there will be a button on the IG Website where you can submit your email address to receive our outgoing Central Office Information.

A finance committee has been appointed to manage Inventory and Ordering going forward.

Central Office Manager Report

Crystal, DCM for District 12 is serving as Interim Office Manager.

Date started: 2-23-2023. Office hours maintained for a total of 21 hours

Had one volunteer on Monday (George)

10 people visited the office making purchases for groups and personal use

Purchases total \$283.75 (ending 3/3/23)

Calls received during office hours – 3

24th Ave requested Spanish hard cover Big Books

Another request for hard cover 24 hour/day books

Cleaned bookcases, cabinets around sink, back room, bathroom, show cases.

Organized books and pamphlets for ease of inventory processes.

A Visitor sign in log has been started to better gauge foot traffic scheduling needs.

There is also an email signup sheet for those that wish to receive Central Office emails.

A new email address is now established as CentralOfficeManager23@gmail.com

AASStepLovers email address has been retired.

Crystal reported that we need toilet paper and paper towels at the office.

Update from board – week ending 3-10-2023

A major cleanout and cleanup of the physical office has been ongoing. A water leak in the wall between the bathroom and the back room has been resolved.

The back room has been cleared and is being setup as a place for archives and privacy for 12th step work

Volunteers have applied and are being trained and scheduled to cover regular office hours.

Treasurer Report – Tonnie is still in recovery from surgery and will have a quarterly report available next month.

A Finance Committee has been appointed to assist with ordering and inventory GRU deposit of \$4000 has been made.

Web Servant Report : Charles reported 766 views of our IG website this month.

That's an increase of 100+ since last month

There are currently 11 flyers on the website

There are new additions and buttons rearranged to ease navigation

There is a new button for email signup and a new button to apply for Central Office Position which is vacant.

The latest March Meeting Guide is available online and in Central Office. Updates go to Central Office, include in Intergroup Rep Reports online or directly to Kate via text at 225-324-6558

Group Reports – all group flyers can be shared on Intergroup Website. Send to AA1GulfCoast@gmail.com. Group Representatives may also submit a monthly report via the IG website at AAGulfCoast.com

Woolmarket Group – Mike reports

- they now have a speaker on last Fridays with cake and ice cream.
- They have added a weekly 6:30 weekly meditation prior to the meetings.
- A flyer is available on the website and at Central Office

Little Yellow House (LYH) – Lisa Group is doing fine

- business meetings ongoing. We can now take the pulse of the group at large.
- 8 pm has @ 23 people, 11 am Saturday is now a Mens Meeting to follow the Women's Meeting Saturdays at 9 am

3-2-1 – Heather – there are no schedule changes at this time.

- Business meetings on 2nd Tuesdays.

Chip in Group – Kimble – onsite attendance is up

- 15-20 / week – zoom support for Charles & Pat in CA – good fellowship

Picayune – Miguel – positive trends!

- Attendance is picking up. Lots of newcomers. Appreciate the out of town visitors from the coast recently. Folks are signing up to chair meetings.

Singing River – Riley & Chip – things are going good!

- Business Meeting was 3-2-23. Considering venmo/cash app for 7th Tradition. GSR is Andy.
- Fish Fry is May 6 – flyer is on the IG Website.

Altered Attitudes/Deuce – Kate for John

- Altered Attitudes has strong core group attending
- Deuce attendance is down to 2-3 people and needs support – 6 pm Tues.

Long Beach Group – Scott O (Alternate GSR)

- 4 meeting/day, 5:15 is the best attended (30+) and has daily chair – other meetings are not always chaired and have low attendance.
- Last Saturdays is potluck with Speaker and Birthdays (chips and cake)
- Fundraiser for Day of Learning is out back on March 18th come have some fun!

Public Information – Rita - There is a PI Workshop in District 51.

- She is working to create and build a new desktop display for events.
- Discussion on how the 'Blue people' graphic from AAWS is copywritten and cannot be duplicated or used.
- March 28th is Rita's 40th anniversary to be celebrated with Johnny (previous delegate) as speaker to be held at Oceanwave Fellowship (Long Beach Clubhouse)

District 10 – all things Preconference Agenda Items.

- Come join us at LB OCW on Saturday March 11 at 10 am – 2 pm. Both the Ms Delegate, Charles and Alternate Delegate, Kat will be there!

District 11 – Alan F DCM (not present)

District 12 – Day of Learning

- prep event March 18 in Long Beach (behind OCW clubhouse, event is April 15 at Lyons Club. Flyer was shared and is on IG Website.
- This month's District Business meeting is in Gautier, Go Recovery!

Hotline Report – Tyler – things are going well, ‘people call, we answer the phone’

- We have open shifts on weekends, fri afternoon. Tyler and Crystal are coordinating phone transfers.
- Miguel with Picayune asked if volunteers taking hotline calls can have a non-local phone number. The answer is yes, as long as it is national and not international.
- Lisa w LYH asked that since we are in transition can we add the transfer of the phone lines to the Central Office Job Description. It is important to train and inform any new Managers or Volunteers of this importance. Answer is yes, there will be a Job description both for Central Office and Hotline to address this.

Newsletter Committee – position vacant

Old Business

- Treasurer Tonnie is working with Sparklight to reduce our monthly bill.
- New IG Meeting time of 5 pm – voted unanimously to keep the change

New Business

- GRU 2023 has been scheduled at new venue! Hilton Garden Inn in Pascagoula!

Next IG meeting is scheduled for April 2, at 5 PM.

Motion was made to adjourn, Crystal seconded at 6:10 pm. Meeting closed with Lord’s prayer followed by Responsibility Pledge.