

# CENTRAL INTERGROUP OF THE DESERT

March 4, 2010  
General Monthly Meeting

## DIRECTORS:

Chairperson John E  
Vice-Chair Mike B  
Secretary Paul R  
Treasurer Cate M  
Board members- Chuck B, Brian C (absent), Toni T, Ben P, Kathy R

Also Present  
Jim K, Office Manager

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE** –The Reason for Central Office was read. The long form of the Twelve Traditions was passed around the room and read.

## INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES

35 people were in attendance.

- New representatives: Kathy R- board member; Rebecca K- H&I representative; Karen B- Dolls of the Valley, Wed. 10am in P.D.; Cameron J- Tues night chip ABC club in Indio, 7:30 pm; Bruce M- The New Freedom, Tues. Palm Desert; Carlos- Cornfield Group, Palm Springs, Fri 7:00 pm; Tim B in for David B representing Sunny Dunes Group.

**MINUTES** – Paul R read the minutes of the February 4, 2010 meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded the minutes were approved as amended.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – Cate M presented the Monthly Financial Report for the month ending 1/31/2010 and past 7 month period. Upon motion duly made and seconded the Financial Report was approved.

**MANAGER'S REPORT** – Reported on the following:

- Please sign in at the door. This is used for calling with the meeting reminder and also for election eligibility determination. Make certain the information is correct.
- Please take Desert Lifelines to your meeting location if the rep isn't here tonight.
- Thanks to Oscar E for Step 3, Brian C for Tradition 3 and Toni T for Concept 3.
- Volunteers for April are Mary for Step 4, Joe for Tradition 4 and Steve for Concept 4. These need to be submitted to Jim K. by 3-12-10.
- Book of the Month is Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age. Normally \$9.00 now \$7.50. This is a brief history of AA. They are available at Central Office.
- I'm back in the office approximately 75% of normal time.
- There is a Central Office luncheon at the International Convention in San Antonio. Cost is \$30.00. May 17<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for reservations.
- Flooring is to be replaced in Central Office. We need volunteers to move furniture. This should occur over 2 weekends. We will have a temporary space in the building while this is being done. Please call Central Office if you can help.
- Please put you group names on any donations to Central Office. Sometimes groups have an incorrect group number.

**SPECIAL EVENTS** – Mike B will be the committee chair. We are working to line up 11-13-10 for the Gratitude Dinner.

**OUTREACH COMMITTEE** – Brian C- Was absent and had no report. Per John E we have 35 people here tonight compared to 31 people last month.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- It has been determined the purchase of tables at AA function dinners is not the appropriate use of Central Office funds.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- There were sheets passed to all Intergroup representatives present on a proposal to move Intergroup meetings to other locations on occasion and to have a pizza or pot luck night prior to Intergroup meeting on occasion. These will be reviewed at the next board meeting. This is a proposal to make Intergroup more active, social and fun. These are ideas at this stage as an effort to gather more group participation in Intergroup as part of our Outreach effort.
- DCYPAA had no report but they do have an event coming up. See our website for details.
- H&I Representative Rebecca K brought new flyers and advised there will be a meeting with panel information 3-21-10, 4-5:30 pm at Fellowship Hall. H&I did purchase tables at the Men's and Women's Banquets for people in treatment facilities who can't afford to go.
- GSR Representative Gay H advised us there is no GSR meeting this month as there is a Pacific Region AA Service Assembly this month. This meeting discusses what recommendations should be taken to NY.
- Maad Dog Daze planning meetings are starting 3-28-10 at Fellowship Hall 4:00 pm.
- The A.A. Desert Pow Wow convention is looking to get advance registrations in ASAP and is also looking for volunteers. See flyers.

### **GROUP REPRESENTATIVES – COMMENTS AND/OR CONCERNS:**

- 33,000 people have registered for the World Conference in San Antonio.
- There is a folder available in Central Office with useful information on opening a new meeting.
- There is an events calendar on our local website.
- The representative for the No Rules Meeting asked if there should be rules about language used in the meeting. It is advised to have a group conscience on this issue. It was also stated that the term no rules may have come from the Big Book advice that our program is a suggested design for living.
- Per AA pamphlet "The Group". A Group Conscience should be done with regular attendees of the meeting.

### **SEVENTH TRADITION WAS PASSED**

Upon motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Next Intergroup Meeting: April 1, 2010 @ 7:00 pm

Next Board Meeting: March 18, 2010 @ 6:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Paul R-  
Secretary