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Bylaws of Current Practices

ARTICLE X

Section 1. Robert’s Rules of Order, latest edition, shall be recognized as the authority governing the meetings of this Intergroup and its committees, in all instances wherein its provisions are not in conflict with these Bylaws.

ADOPTED AND REVISION DATES

Adopted April 10\textsuperscript{th}, 1964
Revised April 20\textsuperscript{th}, 1980
Revised August 29\textsuperscript{th}, 1982
Revised September 29\textsuperscript{th}, 1985
Revised May 25\textsuperscript{th}, 1986
Revised August 3\textsuperscript{rd}, 1987
Revised January 20\textsuperscript{th}, 1998
Revised September, 1\textsuperscript{st}, 2000
Revised
ARTICLE XI

Revision Adopted January 20th, 1998

MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular meetings of this Intergroup shall be held on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at such place as shall be decided upon by a majority of this Intergroup at regular business meetings. (revised from Article III, section 1. (pg.3)

OFFICERS

Section 2. The following officers shall be elected by a majority at the November business meeting and shall assume office at the January meeting. (No meeting is assembled in December) The officers shall serve terms of two years from the date of there taking office. Each officer may be elected to succeed him or herself for not more than one term. The officers shall perform the duties provided herein: (see page 3, ARTICLE IV, section 1 A-D)

D. Treasurer.

Section 1. Prepare monthly reports of all Group contributions with sufficient copies to distribute to the Groups representative. (see page 5, Article IV, D.Treasurer,#6)
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ARTICLE XII

Revision Adopted September 1st, 2000

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

and

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 3. At the September (alternate year) meeting of the Intergroup, Chairperson shall appoint two Group Representatives of this Intergroup to serve on the Nominating Committee. Three additional Intergroup Representatives shall be elected from the membership at-large. These five shall constitute the Nominating Committee, which shall select a candidate for each of the offices whose names they will place in nomination at the November meeting for the consideration of this Intergroup. Any Intergroup Representative of A.A. in the Sara-Mana area is eligible to stand for election to an office in the A.A. Intergroup election.

Section 4. The first order of business at the November meeting will be the election of officers for the coming new year. The Chairperson of the Nominating Committee will officially place the names of there selection of candidates in nomination for the offices to be filled. At this time, and before the start of election, the Intergroup Chairperson will ask for nominations from the floor. At the close of nominations, the election will proceed.

Section 5. The officers elected at the November meeting will take office at the January meeting. (no Intergroup business meeting is held in the month of December.)
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COMMITTEES

Section 1. Where & When Committee - shall prepare, publish and keep on record an up-to-date list of all the A.A. Group meetings held each week in the area covered by this Intergroup.

Section 2. Helpline Committee - shall maintain an adequate service to take care of calls originating in this Intergroup area.

Section 3. Newsletter Committee - shall hold a editing position in which all submissions collected in our A.A. community get published and delivered each month distributed at the business meeting and see that all representatives have a adequate amount to deliver to there Groups.
HELPLINE
Ed reported 609 calls for November, 325 answered by volunteers (12-12 step; 24 Alanon; 64 misc.). For December: 541 total, 235 by volunteers (24 12step; 7 Alanon; 75 misc). There are eight, 3-hour weekly shifts available and two shifts for 3 hours once a month (1 yr. sobriety required to volunteer). New crisis number available for community: 211 (land lines only). Run by United Way – Not affiliated with AA, but helpful for many problems relating to alcoholism.

NEWSLETTER
Katherine C. Newsletter has a new cartoon feature, articles are NEEDED! Reps should make sure to disperse newsletters, put on chairs at meetings, be responsible for promoting them, make sure they are not stuck on a back table. Motion to publish Annual Financial Report in newsletter. Bring this back to groups to vote on.

GENERAL SERVICE
Mark (new GS rep & recording secretary). GS held elections in November. All motions at quarterlies were defeated except for establishment of web presence. Volunteers needed to take meetings into Manatee correctional facility. Events committee will begin working on Old Timers Dinner. Possibility of a Grapevine Dance at the Serenity Room in March, GS Forum set for Feb 26 at 10 am, Delegates Luncheon set for May 21 at the Holiday Inn (tickets will be available next month). Six positions remain open for DCM’s (sub districts 1,3,4,5,8,9) Four positions remain for ACM (6,8,11,12).

WHEN & WHERE
Pat B. reported they are in the process of printing new W&W's. They will need help proofreading them next Thursday.

OLD BUSINESS
- Web proposals - tabled
- Vote on Motion to change current bylaw regarding W&W inclusion- two motions were on the floor, group voted 13 for, 0 against in favor of Motion 2 over Motion 1. Next group voted on accepting Motion 2 – 14 for, 1 against (minority opinion: group conscious) MOTION PASSED: Motion 2 reads: In order to be listed in the Sara-Mana Intergroup Where & When, all meetings must have an official GSO registration number or have applied for a number through Central Office and have designated a contact person(s) for purposes of information exchange.
- Vote on motion to publish annual financial report
- Co-chair: no one stood, nominating committee will need to address this

NEW BUSINESS
- Clarification of how treasurer's report is compiled - to be discussed next month

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 with The Lord's Prayer.
Next meeting is February 15 @ 7:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Betsy B.
ARTICLE XIV

These Revisions Adopted During Summer of 2005 and are to be Integrated Into “CURRENT” Bylaws During the Next 2 yr Term of the Intergroup Board

Section 1. Current Practice Committee - shall be a standing committee chaired by the outgoing Intergroup Board Chairman for the next full 2 year term ensuring current practice amendments are according to By-laws.

Section 2. Finance Committee - shall be a standing committee chaired by an elected Intergroup representative and will consist of Board Treasurer and 3 members of Intergroup body appointed by Board Chair.

Section 3. Committee Chair Attendance - All elected and appointed committee chairpersons will be subject to the same terms of attendance as Board Officers as stated in Article IV, Section 3, Bylaws of Current Practices.

Section 4. Where & When Group Requirements - All groups listed in the next regularly scheduled printing of the meeting list shall have a group contact name + number as well as a WSO issued group # or have filed for that number in the last 6 months.

Section 5. Intergroup Participation in GSO Quarterly - Intergroup shall provide funds for -1- Board Members overnight stay plus banquet ticket at any out of town District 4 Quarterly event.
The life of each individual and of any Group is built around our Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions. We very well know that the penalty of extensive disobedience to these principles is possible death for the individual or dissolution of the Group. An even greater force for A. A.'s unity is the compelling love that we have for our fellow members and for the principles upon which our lives today are founded.

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