# Southeast Texas Area (SETA) 67 Correctional Facilities Committee (CFC) Monthly Meeting P.O. Box 925241, Houston, TX 77292-5241 Approved Minutes

**CALL TO ORDER (Llame Pedir)** on 12/21/2016 at 7:30 pm by Richard at the Delta club Houston, TX with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

# <u>INTRODUCTIONS (Introducciones) VISITORS/ VOLUNTEER (Voluntarios Neuevos y Visitants) & GENERAL SHARING (Compartimiento)</u> Welcome visitors and regulars!

Roy; (Incoming Alt Chair, outgoing Blue Can. Rick; visiting, Amy; (Incoming Treasurer, outgoing Conf. Chair), Evan; (Incoming Assembly Finance), Frank; (Duncan road visitor, Dist. 32), his district wants to start a cfc committee. Vern; (Incoming CPC chair), Travis (District 32) visitor. Gary; (Huntsville group) here to get more involved. Larry; incoming Literature, outgoing CCS. Michael; (Fulshear group), volunteer at Kegan & Jester 1. Antonio; (District 64) they visit home groups every other Tue. He asked when is the next orientation. Roy said TDCJ hasn't posted 2017 schedule yet. He requested Daily Reflections in Spanish. Tammy; (Incoming Conf. Chair, Coord. for Plane State. Manny; volunteer @ Luther & Jester 1. Luis (Dist. 66), Had a workshop last month, it was really good and thank you for support. Has 4 Spanish speaking guys available for service. Holly; (D10), Tom (Post Oak club). Chris; (Incoming CFC Chair), volunteer @ Keagan which is undergoing changes. Erick; (Early Bird group), volunteer @ Hightower unit. Elizabeth; (Incoming CCS/Pre-Release. Gary B. (D52 CFC Chair, Rose Rich grp) Volunteers @ Jester, Harris Cty & just got on the list for the Walls unit. Roland; (CFC Rep for the Third Tradition grp), Grapevine Rep for area. Volunteers at Plane State (yes, he's a Dayton doll!), Estell & Luther. Paul; (Outgoing Literature). Richard; volunteer @ Luther, Wynn, Walls & Ellis. Cindy (Incoming IT liaison, outgoing secretary), Coord. for BAMBI unit, volunteer @ Henley.

### **CHAIR REPORT (Coordinador Informe) - Richard;** Passed the roster.

Richard; Thank you for your service work, we did a good job. It's been an honor and privilege. My service sponsor said we rotate on not off.

Chris (Alt Chair); D66 workshop status. 30 people attended. Food was fantastic. Had a translator, went through the presentation with a Q&A time. There was interest in Spanish correspondence needs and possibilities.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** (Revision Minuto) - **Cindy M**; (Note, previous Minutes are posted on the SETA CFC website aa-seta.org) Nov. Minutes approved with minor corrections & literature order addition.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT (Informes de Tesorero) – Elizabeth S, Absent;</u> (Note, detailed financial reports are on the SETA CFC website aaseta.org)

1 new group. Available Blue Can money this month is \$5k.

There was a motion to send the National CFC Conference host state a \$300.00 donation. Holly asked what is earmarked for future workshops this year. Motion withdrawn & tabled for further study.

#### CORRESPONDENCE/PRE-RELEASE (Correspondencia y Ante-Release)-Larry L (a/k/a Grizzly);

13 letters; requesting sponsors, literature, and outside correspondence.

A clarification of policy was discussed about referring inmate letters to the Area they were writing from. Tammy, who did CCS for 3 years in the past said we never referred, we responded to inmates from all over Texas if the letter found its way to us. Since no one could remember a vote, it was agreed to stop the referring to other Areas.

#### BLUE CAN (Contenedor Azul)-Roy E;

Has blue cans available. Does not have year-end report.

A CFC Rep. asked 1) How do we get the money to the committee, 2) Where to put the can, basket or counter? Roy said you can send it however your group conscience votes. Chris said some groups Treasurer sends it in quarterly or monthly. We also accept cash here at the monthly meeting. As to where to put the can, again it's a group conscience decision. Erik said in his group it was found it did not have an impact on general donations when they put it in the basked. Donations brought to the meeting; D64-\$325.00, D66-\$20.00, kingwood Early Bird group, \$20500, West University-\$100.00 Thank you all very much.

## <u>INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (Tecnologia de la informacion)- Susan B;</u> Absent, no report. <u>LITERATURE REPORT (Literatura Informe) – Paul M;</u>

Volunteer	Amt.	Unit	Meeting
Roy E.	\$129.00	Multiple Units	n/a
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Mike W.	\$729.00	Harris Cty Jail	Fri 7pm
Diane M.	\$531.50	Darrington/Carol Young	Sun 6pm/Mon 7pm
Gary B.	\$1,104.00	Jester 3, HCJ, Kegan, Columbus	
Larry L.	\$819.00	Harris Cty Jail	Tue 6pm
Roland R.	\$132.50	n/a	n/a
Vimael Antonio P.	<u>\$388.00</u>	Atascocia Harris Cty Jail	n/a
Total	\$5,052.44		
Blue Can Budget	\$5,129.14		
Remaining	\$76.70		

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: Harold; Absent, no report. He's feeling a bit under the weather (hope you get better!!)

#### **OLD BUSINESS (Negocio Viejo):**

- Ramsey campus to be renamed Stringfellow unit & they're <u>looking for volunteers</u>.
- Conference Report; Amy said 211 people registered. Hotel cost \$3,145. Numbers are still coming in. Richard (Chair) suggested we post a final conference report, once done, to our website.
- Richard reminded volunteers to call Volunteer Services 936. 437. 3026 about their status if it's been more than 4-6 wks.
- Olga, has 2 guys looking to volunteer for a unit. See her. Chris suggested talking w/Harold (Volunteer Coord.)
- Gary B. looking for volunteers for a new meeting @ HSCO.

#### **NEW BUSINESS Nuevo Negocio) & QUESTIONS:**

- Richard nominated Diane for secretary (by proxy). Everyone was in favor. Congratulation Diane.
- Cindy was nominated for IT Liaison. Everyone was in favor. Congratulations Cindy.
- New 2017 price list from intergroup with an increase of 10% for handling (stamping the books). We need to discuss further. Holly said we need to see what was spent last year to see what 10% amounts to. She said we had stamps & stamped our own. Evan said GSO gives correctional discounts. Larry will talk w/Intergroup, get info & present in January.
- Evan; on behalf of the Texas state Young People's Convention scheduled for Oct 2017 requested a currently incarcerated speaker. Holly said TDCJ doesn't let us know who that will be in advance and because of that, we don't know the kind of message that speaker will have.
- Checking account signatory changes to be done by January.

**ADJOURNMENT (Aplazar):** We closed the meeting with the AA service statement. \$47.00 collected basket money will be donated to the Delta club.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/ATTACHMENTS**

- January 18, 2017: The next monthly committee, Delta Club, 6400 Westpark, Houston. 7:30-9:00 pm
- District 31 Service Manual Study; Atascosita Group, 2805 S. Houston Ave., Humble TX 77396 Questions? Email to <a href="mailto:service@atascocitagroup.org">service@atascocitagroup.org</a>.
   January- March 2017 leaders are; Paul and Zaz M, West G and Gus H. (Flyer attached)
- January 20-22, 2017: 55<sup>th</sup> Annual SETA Convention. Houston, Tx. (flyer attached)
- March 10-12, 2017: Area 51 AA Corrections Conference. Aberdeen, NC (flyer attached)
- March 25, 2017: CFC Houston, Inc. Roundup, Houston, TX (flyer attached)
- Nov. 10-12, 2017: 1st Annual National Corrections Conference. Doubletree Hotel, St. Louis, Mo. (flyer attached)